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Praise His Holy Name
A musical on the life of Christ

Saturday, March 19, 2016 | 7:00 pm
Sunday, March 20, 2016 | 4:00 pm

Featuring the Sanctuary Choir & Orchestra along with guest singers, soloists and musicians under the direction of guest conductor, Ken Clifton.

See Page 6 for more information!
Prayer Concerns
“God is able to make all grace abound toward you...” II Corinthians 9:8

Jack Abernethy
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Marc Basnight
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Greg Browder
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Nancy Clemmons
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Ruth Dutt
Karen Foard
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Karen Lurie
Mickey Meekins
Landon Moore
Anna & Joseph Moore
Jody & Jeanne Moore
Alicia Norwood
Jane Smith
Max & Jackie Strange
Rev. Nick White
Leah Williamson
Nancy Worsley
Those Serving our Country

Maundy Thursday Service
Thursday, March 24, 2015
6:00 pm

The night before Jesus was crucified; He shared fellowship and a Passover meal with His disciples and then instituted the first Lord’s Supper with the words, “Do This in Remembrance of Me”. On Thursday, March 24 at 6 p.m, we will meet for a similar time of food and fellowship followed by the Lord’s Supper. The entire evening will be held in the Fellowship Hall starting with a gathering and greeting time, followed by a home cooked meal, a time of worship and ending with the celebration of the Lord’s Supper. There will be a sign-up sheet in the gathering space so that the Worship Committee will know how much food to prepare. This evening is a beautiful and meaningful time bringing an end to the Lenten journey we have shared together.

We are Thankful for our Willing Volunteers

Coffee Hour Schedule
Sanctuary Flower Schedule

March 6 ....................... Communion Guild
March 13 ..................... Hope, Faith & Love Circle
March 20 .................... Transportation Committee
March 27 ............... No Coffee Hour (Easter)

March 6 ......................... Jean Basnight
March 13 ......................... Buzz Boyd
March 20 ......................... Judy Dempsey
March 27 ......................... Easter Lilies

Liturgist Schedule
Children’s Church

March 6 ......................... Jeanne Martie
March 13 ......................... Margaret Brown
March 20 ......................... Susan Harman-Scott
March 27 ......................... Nonie Booth

March 6 ... Andrea Braymiller/Lynda Wood
March 13 ......................... Hollie & Jody Lewis
March 20 .... Barbara Hardy/Warren Davis
March 27 ............ Bev Jones/Warren Davis

March Birthdays

Al Grimm ........................................... 1
Ann Boyd ........................................... 11
Tom Smith ........................................... 12
Margaret Kugler .................................. 13
Frances Maestas .................................. 13
Alex Thomas ....................................... 16
Sam Vercauteren .................................. 16
Andrea Braymiller ................................ 17
David Tillett ....................................... 17
Sara Munson ...................................... 18
Marge Bennett .................................... 21
Charles Henderson ............................... 21
Helen Dick ........................................ 23
Matt George ...................................... 24
Bob Kenart ....................................... 26
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March Anniversaries

Mr. & Mrs. Donnie Varnell .......... 15
Mr. & Mrs. Al Schalk .................... 21
A Word from our Pastor

I hope that you will join us in worship on Easter Sunday, March 27th. It will be a joyous occasion! For the third consecutive year, we will have two identical worship services on Easter at 8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. The 8:30 a.m. service will have the same sermon, same hymns, same choir anthem, and same order of service. If you want to avoid the crowds and be able to find a seat, I recommend that you come at 8:30!

Easter is the highlight of the Christian year. It is our most important holiday of all (even more significant than Christmas). On Easter, we proclaim the timeless truth of the Gospel: that not even the grave could keep Jesus Christ captive. On the third day after his death, Jesus was resurrected. Through his new life all of us have the opportunity to experience God’s great blessing of salvation.

As Christians, we celebrate Easter, not Good Friday. On Good Friday, Jesus suffered and died for our sake, but without the resurrection on Easter Sunday, the basis of our faith would be gone. Throughout this season of Lent, we have been reflecting on our human sinfulness and our need for God. When we think of our need for God’s grace, it makes the good news of Easter even sweeter. Easter recognizes that life is more powerful than death, that good will triumph over evil, and that God will defeat all the forces that seek to destroy.

Many of us are familiar with the Stations of the Cross, which are a series of images and depictions of the day of Jesus’ crucifixion that help us appreciate the suffering that Christ underwent for our sake. In The Other Half of the Rainbow, Lavonn Brown tells the story of how every year thousands of people climb a mountain in the Italian Alps, passing the “Stations of the Cross” to stand at an outdoor crucifix. One day, a tourist noticed a little trail that led beyond the cross. He fought through the rough thicket and, to his surprise, came upon another shrine, a shrine that symbolized the empty tomb. It was neglected. The brush had grown up around it. Almost everyone had gone as far as the cross, but there they stopped. Far too many have gotten to the cross and have known the despair and the heartbreak. Far too few have moved beyond the cross to find the real message of Easter. That is the message of the empty tomb. In life, we often feel despair or loss, but the message of Easter is that God’s salvation and love will overcome sin and death. My prayer is that the Good News of Easter will change how we see ourselves and the world and will offer us hope and direction, not just on Easter Sunday, but each day of our lives!

Peace in Christ,

Jody Moore

Lenten Sermon Series for March 2016

“If There’s Hope for These Sinners, Then There’s Hope for Us Too”

The sermon series that began in February will continue until Palm Sunday, which is March 20. Lent is a holy season of preparation for the church. Lent recognizes that life is full of temptations and that we too often succumb to sin and distance ourselves from God’s will. Traditionally, Lent is a time for us to pay attention to our own sins and to confess those transgressions to God.

When we turn to the Bible, it is full of stories of imperfect people and sinners. What lessons can we learn from these biblical characters? The good news is that God does not give up even on these people whose lives seem to be a mess. If there is hope for the flawed biblical characters we will hear about during this sermon series, it means that there is hope for all of us as well! God’s mercy leads us to the title of our Lenten Sermon Series: “If There’s Hope for These Sinners, Then There’s Hope for Us Too.”

March 6: Luke 15:11-32. Jesus tells us the well-known parable of the Prodigal Son and his Older Brother. The younger brother wastes away his life and squanders his inheritance making poor decisions. The older brother is unable to open his heart and show compassion to his brother. Both brothers have sinned. The father, who represents God, still loves and embraces both brothers with open arms. Even when our sin distances ourselves from God, our Lord always welcomes us back home and offers us grace!

March 13: John 8:1-11. The scribes and Pharisees bring a woman caught in adultery to Jesus. At that time, the punishment was to stone a woman to death who had committed that crime. Where that society and we are tempted to punish and seek retribution, Jesus offers mercy and second chances. Jesus forgave that woman and offers to cleanse us of our sins.

March 20 (Palm Sunday): Luke 22:31-34 & 22:54-62. Simon Peter was one of Jesus’ closest friends and most trusted disciples. In Jesus’ final days when he was betrayed and arrested, Jesus needed Peter to be by his side, yet Peter wavered and denied his Lord three times before the cock crowed. We will explore what Peter’s story teaches us about the life of faith.

March 24 (Maundy Thursday): Luke 22:14-27, 40-46. Before his arrest and crucifixion, Jesus shares a final meal with his disciples and he institutes the sacrament of the Last Supper. We will reflect on the sacrifices that Christ has made for our sake and for the gift of this holy meal that puts us in communion with him.

March 27 (Easter Sunday): Luke 24:1-12. Luke tells us about the event that changed the course of human history: not even the grave could keep Jesus captive. The resurrected Christ appeared to his amazed followers on the third day after his crucifixion. Jesus’ victory shows us that God is stronger than even death!
Third Thursday Lunch: March 17

Let’s get together for lunch and celebrate spring being around the corner. We will go to Fuji Japanese Steak House for lunch at noon on Thursday, March 17. If you have not had hibachi food, you’re in for a treat. Everyone sits around a grill where the chef prepares the food – chicken broth, fried rice with chicken, steak or shrimp, and grilled vegetables. And yes, it IS entertaining.

Fuji Steakhouse is on a corner of the bypass, across from CVS and Walgreens, in Kill Devil Hills. Everyone is invited to come. You pay your own bill. Please contact Jeanne Martie by Sunday evening, March 13, if you are interested in attending — 441-8608 or jlmartie@charter.net.

Easter Offering: March 20

There will be a handout in the bulletin and there is a special offering envelope for this very worthwhile cause. Over $500 was collected last year. Let’s see if we can top that this year. Besides, sharing our resources with those not as fortunate is something we should be doing every hour of every day.

Wednesday Lenten Worship Service Schedule

Outer Banks Presbyterian has proudly hosted community Lenten Service sponsored by the Dare County Ministerial Association for many years. The services began on Ash Wednesday, February 10 at 12:00 noon and will continue through March 23. There is a service in the sanctuary followed by a light lunch in the fellowship hall. The cost of the lunch is $5.00 and the proceeds go to the Beach Food Pantry. All are invited to these services of music and reflection. The schedule for the remaining 2016 Lenten season is as follows:

March 2
The Rev. Tom Wilson, Speaker
from All Saints Episcopal Church
Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, Luncheon

March 9
The Rev. Steve Siegrist, Speaker
from Ocean View Baptist Church
Ocean View Baptist Church, Luncheon

March 16
The Rev. Keith Dey, Speaker
from Emmanuel Lutheran Church
Friends of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Luncheon

March 23
The Rev. Elizabeth Tyson, Speaker
from Mighty Wind Methodist Church
N. Dare Ministerial Association, Luncheon

Communion Guild

We are always appreciative for our Communion Guild members for their faithfulness in providing the elements each month for The Sacrament of Holy Communion. This month’s volunteers are:

Sunday, March 6
Nancy Messinger & Judy Whittle

Maundy Thursday, March 24
Barbara Nock & Louise Roberts

Easter Lily Donations

If you would like to place an Easter Lily order to remember or honor a loved one, the Easter lily order forms are now available. The cost this year is $10.00. Please pick up an order form in the gathering space and turn into the church office or place in the offering plate prior to or on Sunday, March 20, 2016. Also, there is a place on the order form to notate whether you would like to take your lily home or if you would like to leave it to donate to a homebound individual.
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New & Perspective Member Luncheon

Are you interested in learning more about Outer Banks Presbyterian Church and meeting other people who are new to the church? You are invited to join us for a New and Prospective Member Luncheon on Sunday, March 13th immediately after the morning worship service in the fellowship hall. Please call the church office at 441-5897 or contact Charlie Jones at 252-715-3097 or The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore if you are interested in attending!

Praise His Holy Name

The Music Ministry of the Outer Banks Presbyterian Church will present "Praise His Holy Name", a musical on the life of Christ on Saturday, March 19 at 7:00 pm and Sunday, March 20 and at 4:00 pm.

This musical presentation consists of song selections and narrations pulled from various sources by the Church Music Director, Jason Evans. The performance will be given by the Sanctuary Choir of the church along with numerous musical guests all combining to build a 58-voice choir, a 13-piece orchestra and narrators to tell the wonderful story of Jesus’ love for us by giving His life on a cross over two thousand years ago.

The first portion of the concert will focus on praising the Lord's Holy Name through various anthems leading us in worship. The second portion will tell the story of the final week of Christ's life from the Triumphal Entry through the Last Supper, Crucifixion, and Resurrection of our Savior.

The choir, under the direction of Jason Evans and Nonie Booth, has been working on the musical for weeks.

Guest conductor, Ken Clifton, will join forces again this year to direct the choir and orchestra and who knows, just may tinkle the ivories in true "Ken" fashion for us. Clifton's impressive career includes numerous engagements all around the country from Broadway to many theatrical productions as well as his time on the Outer Banks as musical director for “The Lost Colony” in Manteo for several summers.

Soloists include; Pam Tanner, Maurice Trotman, Elaine Reed, and Rod Hamilton.

The orchestra will be comprised of: Steve Blackstock, Organist; Jason Evans, Pianist; George Graham, Drummer; John Blackstock, Bass Guitarist; Bob Grifa, Timpani/Percussion; Leslie Erickson, Shannah Bonne, and Billy Tanner, violinists; Katherine Wease, Violist; Deborah Ramos and Tim Briggs, Cellists; Suzanne Blackstock and Katie Blackstock Blanchard, Flautists.

We invite all to attend this moving and powerful presentation. Admission is free, and a freewill love offering will be taken. Nursery will be provided.

Honoring our US Military Veterans

Can you identify this veteran who is an active part of our OBPC family? Our veterans have remarkable stories of their military experiences. Please continue to give your names, branches and years of service, stories, photos and memories to:

- Evelyn Webb
  540-829-3515, twohoofans@gmail.com
- Bev Jones
  254-913-9648, beverlykoops@yahoo.com

We are looking forward to Veterans Day 2016 when we specially honor all the men and women who have served our country and the world. Thank you!

Annual Report Correction

The name of Tom Smith was inadvertently omitted from the Buildings and Grounds Annual Report. Tom is a valuable member of the committee sharing all of his talent as a Master Gardener. Tom is responsible for the planning and overseeing of all the beautiful improvements to the church’s landscape.
Outer Banks Presbyterian Church's Music Ministry is pleased to host the Campbell University College Choir in concert on Wednesday evening, March 9, at 7:30 pm in our sanctuary. On Jan. 5, 1887, James Archibald Campbell, a 26-year-old Baptist minister, welcomed 16 students to a small church in Buies Creek, N.C., for the first day of classes for the school he founded, Buies Creek Academy. By the end of the first term, there were 92 students. Since then, Buies Creek Academy has evolved to become Campbell Junior College (1926), Campbell College (1961), and Campbell University (1979). Throughout these transformations, the university has remained true to its founding principles to address the most pressing needs of North Carolina and to educate men and women for Christian service around the world.

The 40-voice Campbell University Choir, under the direction of Dr. Phil Morrow and accompanied by Mrs. Cathy Hamner, pianist, is the premier choir of the university. Within the choir there is a 14-voice ensemble, Campbell Voices, that also performs. The choir has toured in the United States and abroad. Sacred music will be performed with piano accompaniment as well as some acapella selections.

Please join us as we welcome this group to our church! Be sure to invite your family, friends and neighbors to an evening of great choral music! This is a concert that you won't want to miss!
Youth Group News!

The Youth of Outer Banks Presbyterian Church have been busy at work with service projects this past months. We were involved in two different projects. They were involved in the Souper Bowl of Caring project where 197 pounds of food and $691.00 was collected for the Beach Food Pantry. The youth took the food to the Beach Food Pantry to help them stock the shelves!

The Youth also assisted in the Service of Hope on Feb. 21 that was held at OBPC as a lead up to Relay for Life!

Sunday, March 13
5:30-7:00 PM
$10/person or $20/family

Includes: pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, coffee, juice & tea.

All proceeds benefit our youth group summer conferences at Massanetta Springs & Montreat.

Tickets will be sold after church on Sunday, March 6 & March 13 or may be purchased at the door.

Where Moms Connect

Please join us Tuesday, March 1, at 7:00 PM to kick off this new small group!

Meeting at the home of Hollie Writenberry-Lewis

For more information, call 252-489-0089 you may send her and email at holliewrittenberry@gmail.com.

OBPC College Scholarship

Scholarship applications are now available in the church office and completed applications are due by April 1, 2016.

Calling all Graduates

Each year in June we set aside a special time in our service to recognize our high school and college graduates! This year’s Graduate Recognition Ceremony is scheduled for Sunday, June 12. If you know a graduating senior who would like to be included in this ceremony, please register online at www.outerbankspresbyterian.org or by calling the church office at 252-441-5897.
Presbyterian Women

On February 6 the Presbyterian Women Circles gathered at Duck Woods for their mid-winter meeting. It was held on a Saturday so all three circles could attend.

Members had chosen their entrees before the meeting and were greeted by beautifully made name plates and programs created by Leah Williamson.

The lunch was delicious and pleasantly served by the Country Club staff.

Before the lunch, the women were entertained by Jerry Manolas’ group, the Sea Notes, consisting of Jerry and the Watson brothers.

The Bible Study was presented by the Rev. Fran Peel who used the genealogy of Jesus which was written in Matthew. All of the women mentioned were somewhat questionable according to Jewish law. Rev. Peel spoke mainly of Tamar, who although Jewish, pretended to be a harlot to trick Judah into having sex with her.

These passages are precursors to the teachings of Jesus who taught mercy comes before the law. Even today in many parts of the world women are still treated as property rather than individuals. Rev. Peel urged Presbyterian Women to offer God’s mercy in every time and place. The study was concluded with a prayer.

The treasurer’s report was printed in the program. Judy Dempsey read the Secretary’s report which was accepted with corrections.

The least coin was collected as the group read the prayer for peace and reconciliation.

Karen Lurie and Carol Moore conducted the business part of the meeting. Karen presented the theme of the Spring Retreat on June 4-5, which will be Lavender Spa, the Songs of the Bible, Psalms.

The first Lenten Luncheon was provided by OBPC Presbyterian Women. Women signed up for their donations to the Hot Line bags being made by Lynn Miller. They are to bring those items to the March meetings. Faith, Hope and Love will fill the bags at their April meeting.

Mollie Bass reported that a thank you letter was received for the purchase of the village well.

Carol Trotman was thanked for sponsoring the women at Duck Woods. The meeting ended with individual and group prayer.

A Note from Dr. Batzler

FAITH, FAMILY, FRIENDS -- These three words affirm our ministry and mission. Each word has its own specific dynamic in the life of our church and community. These words also present a reality check for our own spiritual journey.

Injured by a motorist last September, I am still recovering slowly from surgery and rehab. During this time I have been reflecting on the meaning of these three words in light of my life in OBPC. They have become alive in many ways -- visits, prayers, cards, phone calls, food. I am most grateful to all of you in our congregation and beyond. You have facilitated my healing through faith, hope and love.

Thanks be to God for his healing presence, power and peace expressed in His people of FAITH, FAMILY, FRIENDS.

The Rev. Dr. Richard Batzler

Palm Sunday

In addition to our annual Easter Musical, Palm Sunday morning worship services will be a special time. Our regular Sunday morning worship at 10 a.m. will begin with a procession into the Sanctuary with all participants waving palms. Please gather in the fellowship hall prior to the service. The procession will begin promptly at 9:50 a.m. so as to be in the Sanctuary for the worship service and special music that will accompany the service.
Faith Knitters Distribute Prayers of Healing

The Faith Knitters visited Sentara Nursing Home in Barco on Feb 23rd to deliver their prayer shawls to the residents. They distributed 47 shawls and spent time talking with the patients. What a rewarding and spiritual event for everyone. It really makes what they do such a worthwhile project. Those pictured are Barbara Nock, Barb Nowland, Judy Swanson, Cynthia Siegel, Lynn Miller, Gayle Goetsehins, Janet Kott, Susan Smith, Karen O’Brien, Anne Cramer & Paula Stensvaag. Not pictured but who contributed shawls are Karen Corbett, Alice Pratt, Helen Gauvreau, Brenda Brown, Jean Sias & Anita Bennett.

After our trip to Barco we all enjoyed lunch at Simply Southern restaurant. If you would like more information about becoming involved in this wonderful mission activity please call Barbara Nock at 252-255-5979. Whether you are an expert or a beginner, all are welcome to join.

Last fall, our church began hosting Girl Scout Troop # 4737 which is a multilevel troop consisting of 11 Daisies, 14 Brownies and 5 Juniors. The troop meets on Wednesday afternoons under the leadership of Amanda Hooper, Katie Wrike Preisser, and Nora E. Mahon.

Currently the girls are knee deep in cookie sale season. They have numerous booth sales coming up, one of which is Sunday March 6th at Walmart, or members may contact girls within the church for cookie sales. (our own Jaylen Lindsay is a member of this troop)

They are also preparing for Thinking Day on March 5th and have chosen Costa Rica as the country they will be presenting. They girls have been given tasks to learn about plants and animals, words in Spanish or Jamaican Patois and learn about the university course in Scouting. They are also learning about fire safety as they prepare for Encampment in June.

The girls continue to learn new skills while working together as a team.

Pictured above: A group of girls and leaders of the Girl Scout Troop!
February 2016 Stated Session Notes

ELECTION OF THE 2016 CONGREGATIONAL NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

On January 31, 2016 at the Annual Congregational Meeting, the congregation nominated Jorge Diaz, Barb Nowland, Carol Trotman, and George Wood, to serve on this committee in 2016, joining Elders Jim Perry and Melanie Cahoon, who were appointed by the Session.

AT THE STATED FEBRUARY MEETING, SESSION APPROVED THE FOLLOWING:

A. Worship Committee’s recommendations that:
   1. Ken Clifton be the guest conductor for the Easter Musical “Praise His Holy Name” on Saturday, March 19 at 7 pm and on Sunday, March 20 at 4 pm;
   2. On Easter Sunday, March 27, 2016, there will be two identical services at 8:30 am and 10 am; Easter lilies may be purchased (see Nonie);

B. Outreach and Witness Committee’s recommendation naming Kevin Sheets as the Moderator beginning in 2016. (Welcome Kevin to this role)

C. Christian Education Committee’s recommendations of the following:
   1. Massanetta Spring scheduling for July 7-10th;
   2. VBS for June 13-17th, with weather dates of June 20-24;
   3. Montreat for July 30-August 6th; and
   4. New curriculum from Group Publishing “Where Moms Connect” to be used in home group meetings. (Thank you, Hollie, for this new initiative)

D. Administration Committee’s recommendation to approve the Request from the Salvation Army to use the OBPC as their “home base” in Dare County for the purpose of identifying individuals to receive monetary assistance from their new grant. This project will include:
   - Use of the Conference room one Thursday per month, with no interference to the AA group that meets in the Fellowship Hall
   - Follow up by our Evangelism and Outreach Committees
   - Coordination of care by the Salvation Army with ICO.

REPORTS

A. The Task Force for the 99th Presbytery of New Hope Meeting, Sat, October 22, 2016 has met for the first time. This event will require help from many of us in the OBPC. Stay tuned!

B. Session charged the Worship Committee and Clerk of Session to develop a plan to notify the congregation in case of Worship Service Cancellation due to Weather.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Saturday, March 5, 2016 – NHP Meeting at Hudson Memorial in Raleigh
- Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at 6:30 pm - Session and Committee Moderators meeting
- Sat, March 19, 7pm and Sun, 20, 2016, 4 pm - Easter Musical “Praise His Holy Name”
- Easter Sunday, March 27, 2016, there will be two identical services, 8:30 and 10 am
- Saturday, April 30, 2016, 9 am - 2 pm – Session Retreat at church
Senior Seminar on Legal Issues Held

Following the Lenten service and lunch on February 24, the Congregational Care Committee was pleased to host a Senior Seminar on Legal Issues which was attended by 33 people from the church and the community.

This seminar was presented by Susan Harman-Scott and co-led by Letha McDowell, a local attorney who has specific expertise in senior law. The speakers had timely information about the legal rights of seniors to determine their own wishes for the kind of health care, independent living, and family decisions that must be made as we age.

Thank you, Susan and Letha, for taking time to discuss these important issues with us!