The Gardner-Webb University Concert Choir will be presenting a concert at OBPC on Sunday, March 8 at 5 pm. They will also participate in our morning worship service that Sunday by serving as our choir. The GWU Choir is a mixed, auditioned touring choir composed of students from a variety of musical backgrounds and scholastic fields. They perform sacred and secular music from all historical periods in churches, schools, and at University functions. Each year they tour throughout the Carolinas and the southeast, and have performed in New York, D.C., Europe, the Holy Land, Costa Rica, and Ireland.

Located in Boiling Springs, 50 miles west of Charlotte on 225 acres in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains of western North Carolina, GWU is home to nearly 3,500 students from 39 states and 19 foreign countries. It includes a total of six professional schools, two academic schools, and 14 academic departments offering over 80 undergraduate and graduate major fields of study. Founded in 1905, Gardner-Webb University, a private, Christian, Baptist-related university, provides outstanding undergraduate and graduate education that is strongly grounded in the liberal arts, while offering opportunities to prepare for various professions. Gardner-Webb is dedicated to higher education that integrates scholarship with Christian life. Gardner-Webb is proud to have been honored by the John Templeton Foundation as a “Character-Building College,” the U.S. President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll since 2008, and 1 of 23 universities nationwide, and the only one in the Carolinas, to receive an “A” from American Council of Trustees and Alumni (whatwilltheylearn.com).

Dr. Paul J. Etter is in his nineteenth year as Director of Choral Activities/Coordinator of Worship Leadership and also the Chair of the Department of Music. A GWU Excellence in Teaching award winner, he teaches conducting classes, worship leadership classes, and conducts the GWU Concert Choir, and each spring the Choral Union performs a major choral/orchestral work such as Messiah. Dr. Etter has been actively involved leading church music for nearly thirty-five years, is in demand to lead clinics and festivals in area churches and schools and serves as the treasurer for the NC chapter of the American Choral Directors Association.
Prayer Concerns

“God is able to make all grace abound toward you...”
II Corinthians 9:8

Jack Abernethy
Les Basnight
Marc Basnight
Don & Nancy Bierwerth
Martha Butcher
Anne Cramer
George Daniels
Maj. Brian Dermody
Arlene Evans
Claude Forney
Dorothy & Matt George
Judy Goins
Margaret Hartman
Nick Hodsdon
Andy Mallory
Nancy Messinger
Joe Morgan
Roy Murray
Etta Parrott
Fran Peel
Claudette Forney

We are Thankful for our Willing Servants

Coffee Hour Schedule
March 1 .................. Finance Committee
March 8 ............... Transportation Committee
March 15 ............... Communion Guild
March 22 ............... Nowland / Gentry
March 29 ............... Webb / Messinger

Flower Schedule
March 1.................. Available
March 8.................. Available
March 15.................. Available
March 22.................. Available
March 29.................. Rosalyn Pugh

Liturgist Schedule
March 1.................. Brenda Brown
March 8.................. Barbara Hardy
March 15.................. Maggie Snyder
March 22.................. Jeanne Martie
March 29.................. Ron Baker

Children’s Church
March 1.................. Hardy / Wood
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March Birthdays
Kylie Michler ...................... 2
Dot Deal ......................... 7
Tommy Deal ..................... 10
Ann Boyd ....................... 11
Tom Smith ........................ 12
Margaret Kugler ............... 13
Frances Maestas ............... 13
Alex Thomas .................... 16
Sam Vercauteren ............... 16

March Anniversaries
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Sara Munson .................... 18
Marge Bennett .................. 21
Charles Henderson ............. 21
Helen Dick ..................... 23
Matt George .................... 24
Alicia Norwood ................. 27
Jeffrey McGee .................. 28
Mr. & Mrs. Al Schalk .......... 21

Those Serving in our Military

Lenten Devotional

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The Gospel of John is distinctive for its emphasis on Jesus’ divinity. Throughout the Gospel of John, Jesus clearly shows his connection with his Heavenly Father. Jesus teaches us through his words and actions what it means to follow God. In John, we see Jesus’ righteous anger over injustice, his choice to come into the world so that we might have eternal life, his offer to provide us with living water, his abundant mercy and forgiveness, and his power to bring new life from death.

March 1: John 2:13-22. During the Passover, Jesus is in Jerusalem and he sees the hypocrisy of the moneychangers and the temple officials, so he becomes angry and overturns their tables. In light of the injustice of the world, anger is an appropriate response because God calls us to fight for the downtrodden and to pursue righteousness.

March 8: John 3:1-17. Jesus has a conversation with Nicodemus, one of the Pharisees, who is interested in Jesus’ teachings. In response to Nicodemus’ questions, we hear one of the most beloved and familiar verses in the entire Bible. Jesus tells us, “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.” We will discuss this amazing and wonderful Good News!

March 15: John 4:1-19, 25-30, 39-42. Jesus meets a Samaritan woman at a well who has lived a troubled life. Jesus crossed all kinds of boundaries to speak with and welcome this woman. Jews and Samaritans hated each other and kept their distance, but Jesus doesn’t let anything stand in the way of his grace. Jesus offers the woman living water that offers eternal life. How can we receive the gift of Jesus’ living water?

March 22: 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 29: John 11:1-45. Jesus’ good friend Lazarus has died and has been in the grave for four days. Jesus weeps for his friend and then does something amazing. Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead! Jesus tells us, “I am the resurrection and the life.” Jesus has the power to give us that same new life through the power of his resurrection.
Wednesday Lenten Worship Service Schedule

Outer Banks Presbyterian has proudly hosted community Lenten Services sponsored by the North Dare Ministerial Association for many years. The services begin on Ash Wednesday, February 26 at 12:00 noon and continue through April 8. There is a service in the sanctuary followed by a light lunch in the fellowship hall. A donation of $5.00 is suggested for lunch and the proceeds will go to the local food pantries. All are invited to these services of music and reflection. The schedule for the 2020 Lenten season is as follows:

February 26
The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore, Speaker
from Outer Banks Presbyterian Church
OBPC Presbyterian Women, Luncheon

March 4
The Rev. Dr. Gaye Morris
from Unitarian Universalist Cong. of the Outer Banks
UUCOB, Luncheon

March 11
The Rev. Nick Hodsdon
United Church of Christ
North Dare Ministerial Association, Luncheon

March 18
Chaplain Cherri Wheeler, Speaker
Kitty Hawk Baptist Church, Luncheon

March 25
The Rev. Keith Dey, Speaker
from Emmanuel Lutheran Church
Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, Luncheon

April 1
The Rev. Dr. Michelle Lewis, Speaker
from Mighty Wind United Methodist Church
Mighty Wind United Methodist Church, Luncheon

April 8
The Rev. Spottswood Graves, Speaker
from Calvary Presbyterian, Swan Quarter
St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church, Luncheon

Upcoming Sermons (continued)

April 5; John 12:12-19. Jesus enters Jerusalem with great fanfare on Palm Sunday. The crowds welcome him as their coming Messiah, shouting “Hosanna. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.” But the crowd’s enthusiasm quickly turns into bitterness because he is not the kind of Messiah for which they had hoped. How do we remain faithful to following and serving our Lord today?

April 9; John 13:31b-35 and 19:25-30. On this Maundy Thursday, we will first hear how Jesus washed his disciples’ feet and gave us a new commandment that we are to love one another as Christ has loved us. Then we will hear how Jesus continued to love his followers and his family until his very last breath. As we read about Jesus hanging from the cross, we will reflect on the ultimate example of Christ’s sacrificial love for us.

April 12; Easter Sunday– John 20:1-18. The Power of God to Conquer Death and Give Us New Life. John tells us about the event that changes 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 19

Please plan to come and join us for a time of fun, food and fellowship at our monthly Third Thursday Luncheons. The next 3rd Thursday Lunch will be held on Thursday, March 19th at 11:30 (note earlier time) at Chilli Peppers. Please call the office to RSVP by Monday, March 16 if you plan to attend!
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Presbyterian Women

Thank you for checking out the Presbyterian Women news! In this article, you may learn when and where the different circles are meeting as well as reflections on the recent luncheon and information on the upcoming retreat!

**DORCAS CIRCLE**
*Thursday, March 5 | 9:30 am*
This meeting will be held at the home of Dot Landis.

**LYDIA CIRCLE**
*Wednesday, March 11 | 9:30 am*
Lydia Circle will be held at the church and hosted by Bev Jones.

**FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE CIRCLE**
*Thursday, March 12 | 5:30 pm*
*At those meetings members will select the items they wish to bring for Hotline Bags which will be packed by Faith, Hope and Love Circle to be delivered in April. Items need to be brought to the church by the first Sunday in April.*

On February 15, 2020 the Presbyterian Women of OBPC met at Duck Woods Country Club for our annual Winter Luncheon with a record 37 in attendance. Delicious food and socializing preceded a presentation about Barium Springs Home for Children by our guest speaker, Lorie Fees. Mollie Bass shared Lesson 6 from our current Bible study, Love Carved in Stone, a new perspective on the Ten Commandments. A short business meeting followed. Among the items discussed was the beginning of Lent.

PW will provide lunch for the Ash Wednesday Lenten Luncheon on February 26.

Our annual PW Retreat will be held at Tradewinds South in South Nags Head, Friday, March 6 beginning at 3:00pm - Saturday March 7, concluding early evening. We have a massage therapist ($15 for 15 minutes payable to her) and a manicurist ($15 payable to her) coming Friday. You will need to contact Karen Lurie as she is taking reservations. We are so excited as we will have a great time. There will be a fire pit, hot tub, games, leisure time to relax and a white elephant swap! There is an elevator. Please bring your own linens for easy cleanup. Dinner will be served at 6 on Friday followed by a brief lesson and meditation. Later we have games, fire pit, movie, cards and lots of conversation!!

Breakfast for overnight guests will be provided. Others may join us at 9:30 for a short lesson followed by a craft and swapping game (the white elephant, wrapped). Lunch will be sandwiches, chips, drinks with leisure time to nap, walk on the beach, read, talk, etc. All of this for only $30. Please pay Carol Moore. We close with supper (Dutch treat) at a local restaurant. Looking forward to seeing many of you at this retreat!

New Addresses

Recently, we have had a few church families move from our area or have new addresses. We wish them the very best in their new homes, churches and communities. In an effort to keep in touch, we are providing their addresses!

**Gail Goetschius**
1004 Run Hill Ct., Apt. 417
KDH, NC 27948

**Rev. John & Millie Rickers**
9515 Chesapeake St.
Norfolk, VA 23503

**Rev. Jody & Jeanne Moore**
268 Hillcrest Dr.
Southern Shores, NC 27949

**Jerry and Joanne Hale**
17245 Pouncy Tract Rd.
Rockville, VA 23146

**John and Helen Dick**
591 Moyer Rd., Lot 48
New Castle, PA 16101

Communion Guild Volunteers

We are very thankful for our volunteers who set up and provide the elements each month for the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

For March 1, our Communion Guild volunteers are Helen and Fred Gauvreau.

Faith - Family - Friends
Bulletin Board

Frank Moore has been diligently working on a “church life” bulletin board for the Gathering Space! Please stop and take a look at the great pictures of groups, committees, and other items Frank has photographed and continues to have as a work in progress!
Join the Adult Sunday School Class Sundays at 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall. In March we will continue to study Charles Kimball’s book Truth Over Lies: Combating the Lies About Islam. When we finish that book we will follow with a study of Beyond Fundamentalism: Confronting Religious Extremism in the Age of Globalization by Reza Aslan. All are welcome!

**Pastor’s Bible Study**

The Bible Study will meet each Tuesday at 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall for six consecutive weeks. We will study the following Scripture passages from the Gospel of John:

- February 25: John 2:13-22
- March 3: John 3:1-17
- March 10: John 4:1-42
- March 17: John 8:1-11
- March 24: John 11:1-45
- March 31: John 12:12-19

Whether you can make it for one Bible study or all six weeks, we hope you will join us!

Below is a current list of needed foods at the Beach Food Pantry! Consider items you may have on your shelf or wish to purchase for donation!

- Canned Vegetables (~15 oz)
- Canned Fruit (~15 oz)
- Peanut Butter (18 oz)
- Canned Chicken, Ham or Tuna (5 oz cans)
- Brown Rice (16 oz)
- Canned Soup
- Pork & Beans
- Canned Beef Stew
- Canned Beef Chili with Beans
- Diced Canned Tomatoes (14.5 oz)
- Grape or Strawberry Jelly (18 oz)
- Pancake Mix ("Complete" - or "just add water")
- Pancake Syrup
- Hamburger Helper
- Salad Dressing
- Toothpaste
- Feminine Products

“We are grateful for all donations received. However, we have been blessed with many donations of pasta and green beans. We need to work through our stock before we are able to accept more of these items. Please consider donating an item on this list instead!!!”

Our youth group is collecting paper grocery bags for the Beach Food Pantry. During this time of year, the Food Pantry uses approximately 200 bags PER DAY. A collection box is located in the gathering space. Please drop off your paper grocery bags and we will deliver them to the food pantry each week.

**pancake Fundraiser**

Sunday, March 15
immediately following worship

$10/person  $20/family

Proceeds benefit our summer Youth Conferences
Here Comes Your Last Chance!
East Carolina Concert Society:
“The Grand Finale Concert!”

This performance will mark the end of an era, so you won’t want to miss the very last concert sponsored by The Eastern Carolina Concert Society (ECCS) – being presented Sunday, March 15, 4pm, at Duck United Methodist Church, 1214 Duck Road. The Grand Finale Concert will be a musical variety show celebrating years of dedicated volunteer work by the many board members and local performers who have brought to our Outer Banks community superb music programs with no charge for admission due to generous donations from our patrons. This final program will feature some of our star performers, who have continued to make names for themselves here in The Outer Banks and beyond. On March 15th, you’ll be entertained by keyboard wizards who performed in our 2018 “Out-standing” Keyboard Extravaganza; be inspired by The Drummond Family’s signature sound with newly-stylized gospel songs; be serenaded with an encore performance by well-established Trio La Mer; and be captivated by a long-awaited rendezvous with Ocracoke Island duo, Coyote.

Come hear Barry Ambrose, Tommy Midgett, and Tim Price work their magic on the piano and organ; Natalie Drummond and kids (Isaac and Pia) lift our spirits with their soulful vocals, keyboard and guitar-playing; Leslie Erickson, Sue Waters, and John Buford create their delightful synergy between violin, viola, and piano as Trio La Mer; Coyote duo Marcy Brenner and Lou Castro enchant us with their very personal musical interpretations of loving life together in their island community.

Easter Musical 2020

Have you ever thought about singing in the choir and just don’t want to have to make a commitment every single Sunday? We would love to have you join us in singing in our Easter Musical. That is a great opportunity for you to be a part of the choir without the weekly singing in worship commitment. Please see Jason or Nonie or talk to any choir member about our rehearsal schedule and give us a try. We promise you a great time and our Easter music is beautiful and moving this year! We’d love to have you!
Youth Group News

Once again, this year, our youth led OBPC in the annual Souper Bowl of Caring mission project. This was the sixth time our church has participated, and by far the largest response we have ever had. The youth collected food and money during worship on Super Bowl Sunday, then traveled to the Beach Food Pantry to deliver the donations. While we were there, we weighed, checked expiration dates, and shelved a grand total of **392 pounds** of food and presented the Director, with a check for **$740.22**!!! To put things into perspective, 392 pounds of food will provide 33 meals, or 25 weeks’ worth of meals, to families across the Outer Banks. $740.22 will provide over 1,318 meals to people in need right here in our community. It is amazing to think of the many folks here on the Outer Banks whose lives will be impacted by this ministry. Well done, good and faithful servants!! Thank you so much for joining with our youth group to make this year's Souper Bowl of Caring our best one yet!

Memory Care Seminar

On February 11, the CCC hosted a Seminar on understanding the stages of memory loss and the associated brain changes. Gail Sonnesso showed several educational videos by expert Teepa Snow, and added her own insights from the years she has led the GEM Program on the Outer Banks.

The information was very helpful, and Gail left copies of the DVDs and written materials at our church. If you are interested in viewing these resources, please contact Vera Berg, Bev Jones, or the office. Thanks to everyone who participated in this seminar.

Calling all Graduates

Scholarship

Scholarship applications are now available on the church website. Completed applications are due to the church office by April 1, 2020. To qualify for the scholarship the student must be a member of Outer Banks Presbyterian Church and/or an active member of the Youth Group and plan to enroll in a nonprofit institution of higher education such as colleges, universities, community colleges and trade schools.
Outer Banks Presbyterian Church
P.O. Box 2199
907 S. Croatan Highway
Kill Devil Hills, NC 27948

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