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MESSENGER

SUNDAY SERVICE

April 30, 2017

10:30 AM

Rev. Dr. Sam Rutland

Old Testament Lesson:

Deuteronomy 6: 4-15a

New Testament Lesson:

Luke 24: 13-35

Sermon: "*Memories for Life*"

For this Sunday's special music we welcome as soloist, cellist **Josiah Crotser**, a freshman at the Hobe Sound Bible College.

THE PASTOR'S PAGE:

Dr. Sam F. Rutland, Temporary Stated Supply Pastor

Dear Beloved Easter People at HSCPC,

Last Sunday in worship there was a joyful, slightly-dampened, pew-filled congregation of hearty worshippers who braved the wind and heavy rain to worship the Resurrected Lord. I must say, it was impressive. There is no doubt that you HSCPC Christians are a determined, resilient, faithful group. Your faith and witness on Sunday was powerfully displayed. (Also, one of my special moments in a worship service ever was hearing Jim play and sing Leon Russell's "Say Yes to Jesus". Who would have thought? Leon Russell in the Presbyterian Church! Inspiring!) It was a great time to be God's church.

Let me ask: what are some of your favorite and cherished memories of church? When you think back, are there times or seasons that stand out? That make your

heart warmed? Who shared these times with you? Were friendships made and kept? Or, perhaps the church was not a part of your early years or even later years, but now is an important part of life. Are there recent events that you ponder and reflect upon, and find new meanings each time you do so?

This Sunday the theme is “memory”. How does our Christian memory shape our faith? How does it sustain our faith? Someone once said that all the Christian faith is an act of memory. Ponder this a bit. I’m asking God to bring to all our hearts and minds memories that bring focus and strength to our faith. In preparation, you might read ahead Luke 24: 13-35, the story of the walk to Emmaus, just for fun.

Hearty HSCPC’ers...I’ll see you Sunday!

Blessings! I’ll see you Sunday.

Peace and good memories,
Sam

ALL GOOD THINGS MUST AT SOME POINT COME TO AN END

While the Pastor Nominating Committee is working diligently in its search for a permanent, installed Pastor for HSCPC, we have been blessed with truly remarkable Temporary Supply Pastors to lead and direct our Church. Unfortunately, we know all too well that the word “temporary” means that they are with us for only a limited amount of time; the covenant (contract) generally specifies a 6 month term.

Pastor Sam joined us in December, 2016, and our covenant with him expires in May. His plans for the summer, made even before he committed to this 6 month term, make it impossible for him to renew his commitment as our temporary pastor beyond May, as much as we would love to keep him with us for a longer period of time.

Sam’s last Sunday with us will be May 14. Plans are in the works for a farewell celebration during fellowship hour on that day. Sam has been a warm and caring presence in our church this year, and he will be greatly missed. You are certainly invited to express your personal thank-you to him as you choose, prior to and/or at that special fellowship hour.

AND WHEN GOD CLOSES ONE DOOR, HE OPENS ANOTHER ONE

In spite of the sadness we feel as we must say farewell to Sam, life goes on and the Church continues to function and fulfill its very important role in our lives.

The HSCPC Administration and Personnel Committee has interviewed and recommended Rev. Dr. Roger Verse to serve as our next Temporary Supply Pastor, and having received Session’s approval, he begins this position on May 15. Dr. Verse lives in Stuart, has most recently served as Temporary Supply Pastor at the First Presbyterian Church in Boynton Beach, has been very active in the Tropical Florida Presbytery, and is very familiar with our Church. He is currently on vacation in Europe with his wife, and will be returning just a couple of days before he begins his work with us. We will share his resume with you as we welcome him to HSCPC in a few weeks.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DIRECTOR PART-TIME JOB OPENING

HSCPC is looking for a Part-time Christian Education Director. Are you looking for a fulfilling opportunity to work with the children of our church? or, do you know someone who might be interested and qualified to fill this part-time position? This position would be perfect for a person with a CE or educational background who wants to stay active in CE work but is unable to commit to a full-time position.

Please see the link below for Job Posting, and/or send your resume to Sam.rutland@yahoo.com,karenkienzel@hotmail.com,or rioluna3@yahoo.com.

<http://www.tfpby.org/hobe-sound-is-looking-for-a-pt-christian-education-director>

SPECIAL FOOD DRIVESPONSORED BY THE SAMARITAN CENTER

The Samaritan Center for Young Boys and families is located on Cove Road in Stuart. It is a Christian, residential, early intervention program addressing behavioral and academic issues of boys and families making poor life choices.

This program operates thanks to the support of the surrounding community, and as a way of paying it back it is coordinating a special food drive this Sunday, **April 30**, to help stock the food pantry at **House of Hope**.

HSCPC has an ongoing mission to provide items for the House of Hope food pantry, and this special food drive is a wonderful opportunity for us to make an extra effort, in cooperation with the Samaritan Center, to enhance our on-going contributions. The greatest needs are: tomato products, healthy cereals, pasta, soups (cartons, cans, dry) and canned fruit.

Please help with this drive by bringing your contributions to church this Sunday.



**Feeding the
Community**

The next ladies' luncheon will be on

**Friday, May 6, 12:30 PM at
Miles Grant Country Club
5101 S.E. Miles Grant Rd., Stuart, Fl.**
(left off of Cove Road, east of Dixie Hwy – A1A)

All female members and friends of our Church are welcome. We always have a wonderful time with good food and Christian fellowship.

If you plan to attend it is important that you make your reservation with *Dorothea Wiley*, 772 546-2719.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- May 1** - Connie Frazee
May 10 - June O'Donnell
May 11 - Chance Wagner
May 12 - Trish Moore
May 15 - Peg Layton
- Milla Finchum
May 16 - Dari Bowman
May 22 - Grace Altman
May 27 - Rose Marie Patterson
- Marty Albrecht
May 30 - Cam Boynton
May 31 - Len Finchum

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

- May 6** - Roy and Leann Kindberg

(If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please let us know so you can be included here for the rest of the month.)

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Alex Lopez - Estrada
- Patrick Corr
- Angel Nichols
- Joyce Spengler
- Family of Larry Liss
- Werner Jager
- Joyce-Anne Hamlin
- Jim White
- Sandy Owen
- Cathy Brooks
- Pat Kavanaugh
- Deborah Hobson and family
- Jennifer Bellintoni
- Myrna Jubb
- Terry McCloy
- Josephine Scricca
- George Mulleneix
- Alicia
- Sylvia Ryan and family
- Martha Higgins
- Marjorie and Kent Phillips, and Joshua Phillips

Names will be removed from this list after three weeks unless a request is made to keep them on. This request can be made to Karen Metzger.

WHEN YOU WANT TO MAKE A PRAYER REQUEST: To request prayers through the Prayer Circle, for yourself or someone else, contact Jan Norrish, 772-486-5514, jannorrish@hotmail.com, To have a prayer request included in the Church Sunday bulletin, fill out the prayer request card found in the Church pews or contact Karen Metzger, 772 220-4678, or kmmetz@bellsouth.net.

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Create a great offer by adding words like "free" "personalized" "complimentary" or "customized." A sense of urgency often helps readers take an action, so think about inserting phrases like "for a limited time only" or "only 7 remaining!"