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MESSENGER

SUNDAY SERVICE

February 19, 2017

10:30 AM

Rev. Dr. Sam Rutland

Old Testament Lesson:

Jeremiah 32: 1-17

New Testament Lesson:

Romans 5: 1-8

Sermon: "*Go Buy the Field*"

THE PASTOR'S PAGE:

Dr. Sam Rutland, Temporary Stated Supply Pastor

Dear Hobe Sound Presbyterians,

Last Sunday was a beautiful reminder how special it is to be a Presbyterian, and one who is a devout believer in Jesus Christ. We began with joyful worship of our God and Savior. Then, we conducted our Annual Meeting. A meeting in which we felt the Spirit's presence.

The "take-aways" from this meeting are many, we are still reflecting on what was said and not said. Here is what I heard from you at this meeting: That there is a desire for the church to recover the vitality and membership that was before the events of two years ago. Most of the comments were thoughtful suggestions as to how this would be done: advertising in the Stuart News, re-considering the position of a C.E. Director (see notes later), remembering that members are the best advertisement to the community, and other ideas. I spoke what I hoped was a pastoral word that HSCPC was both vital and hopeful as a congregation. You are

indeed that in every way. Still, there is great pain that lingers because of the loss of a beloved and effective pastor. Time alone does not heal this kind of pain, it is what we do with that time—it's how we give this to God that heals. Also, many of the things you hope for are exactly what God has planned for you in the future. These promises of God will begin to occur with the arrival of your new full-time pastor. And they will, I promise.

The other good things shared were the work of the session to hire a new part-time CE Director who would work 10 hours per week. The search for this person is already in progress. Also, there was the good report of the good progress of the Pastor Nominating Committee (the search committee). They have many good prospects that are under consideration and some they are interviewing. Also, there was a good word regarding the financial soundness of the church. Even though the 2017 budget projects a loss it is significantly less than the loss of a year ago. The elders are aware of the need to cut expenses and also to balance that with investments in programs and staff, such as a new C.E. Director. This a prayerful procedure.

There were many “take-aways” from our Annual Meeting, and you were most thoughtful in your suggestions and observations. And you are both vital and hopeful. You have every reason to be.

Peace,

Sam

ANNUAL MEETING SUMMARY Dr. Rutland has shared a wonderful summary of last Sunday's Annual meeting in his Pastor's Page commentary. The following information summarizes some of the additional business that was carried out at that meeting.

Karen Metzger, Clerk of Session, recognized the outgoing Ruling Elders (Session members) for their past service. **Kimberly Anderson**, a member of the Administration and Personnel committee, served a three year term which expired at the end of the year. **Skip Barlow**, member and chairman of the Property committee, resigned in May after serving as a Ruling Elder last year and at various other times during his many years as a member of HSCPC. A warm round of applause expressed “thank-you” to these dedicated people who have taken time out of their lives to serve their Church so faithfully.

Milla Finchum, Church Treasurer, entertained questions regarding the financial status of the Church and the 2017 budget. She emphasized that, although anticipated expenses exceed anticipated income, the budget is about as “bare-boned” as it can get.

Committee chairmen referred to the reports contained in the written Annual Report distributed at the meeting. This report is available upon request for those who did not attend the meeting.

Nominating Committee Chairman Jan Norrish presented the nominees for Elders and Deacons, and, there being no nominations from the floor, these nominees were duly elected by the attending members.

Roy Hamlin was elected to fill a vacancy in the Class of 2018, which is for 2

years. **Arline Holloway, Roy Kindberg and Terry McCloy** were elected as the Class of 2019, a 3-year term.

Deacons are elected for a 1-year term. Those elected this year are **Bob Atkisson, Judy Doverspike, Connie Frazee, Ingrid Krumdick, Judy McCloy, Madeline Marx, Jan Norrish, Audrey Ruggier, Gail Shriver, Hazel Stackhouse, Carla Tinsley and Katie Yuskas.**

Following approval of Session, these newly elected officers of the Church will be ordained and installed during the March 19 worship service. In the meantime they will be busy continuing with (or getting familiar with) the responsibilities that they have so generously assumed.

Also presented, and approved by a vote of the membership were the proposed members of the 2017 nominating committee: **Kathy Oldham** (Christian Education), **Skip Barlow** (choir), **Mary Wilburn** (women of the Church), **Ruth Jubb** (elder) and **Jan Norrish** (Deacon).

Following the meeting, the attendees gathered in the Social Hall to enjoy Valentine-themed refreshments prepared and served by the Deacons.

BOAT CRUISE



The boat cruise planned for this past Wednesday was cancelled by the boat captain in anticipation of high winds that would make navigating the boat impossible. This did not deter the people who had so been looking forward to this cruise. They just re-organized a bit, met at the Rustic Inn at noon and joined together in a wonderful afternoon of lunch and fellowship.

If there's enough interest, another cruise just might be scheduled later in the year.

FRIDAY EVENING JAZZ CONCERT

If this newsletter has reached you by sometime on Friday, there is still time to include this jazz concert in your evening plans.

Jazz in the Courtyard



The Rowdy Roosters

Friday, February 17 at 7:00pm

Join us for a wonderful outdoor concert of Dixieland jazz in our beautiful courtyard.

Additional lighting has been installed in the courtyard, and Brandon is busy planning the staging of this event. It would be a good idea if all of you reading this notice could bring your own chairs, just in case the size of the audience

exceeds the number of chairs we have available.

We look forward to welcoming many outside guests who come to enjoy our hospitality and this exciting evening of Dixieland Jazz. Rumor has it that the Deacons may be planning some New Orleans jazz style refreshments for all to enjoy after the concert.

This event is offered free of charge, but guests will have an opportunity after the concert to make a contribution to our music program if they wish to do so.

BAKE SALE

The Deacons are planning a bake sale for Sunday **February 26th** at the social hour following the worship service. The proceeds will go to the **Deacon's Fund** to help finance the many Deacon services, especially the purchasing of supplies for the social hours.



On this special Sunday you can not only enjoy the delicious refreshments provided by the Deacons during social hour, you will be able to take some of them home with you.

THERE'S A HOME FOR YOUR OLD LINENS

Judy McCloy is again collecting old **clean** towels, bath mats and blankets for the **Treasure Coast Humane Society**. She will have a collection bin available on the church porch and in the church office building.

Lots of little dogs and cats will be very grateful for your donations as they await for their forever homes.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- February 5**
- Kathy Oldham
 - Madeline Marx
 - Rachael Higginbotham

- February 8** - Emily Albrecht
- February 12** - Mark Altman
- February 14** - George Rausch
- February 19** - Jim Norrish
- February 24** - Alex Albrecht
- February 25** - Judy Doverspike
- Lloyd Howard
- February 26** - Paul LaPrise
- February 27** - Karen Kienzle

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- February 15** - Steve and Ruth Jubb
- February 21** - Todd and Linda Croyle
- Rev. Dr. Sam Rutland

(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

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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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