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MESSENGER

SUNDAY SERVICE

March 12, 2017

10:30 AM

Rev. C Spencer van Gulick

Old Testament Lesson:

Psalm 130

New Testament Lesson:

Mark 3: 7-29

Sermon: "*The Unpardonable Sin*"

This week we welcome **Rev. C. Spencer van Gulick** as guest pastor. Rev. van Gulick and his wife Ginny are good friends of our church, and we always look forward to his leadership and meaningful messages in our worship services.

We also welcome flutist **Rhoda Grout**, who will be providing special music for our worship service on Sunday.

THE PASTOR'S PAGE:

Dr. Sam Rutland, Temporary Stated Supply Pastor

Dear Beloved Ones at HSCPC,

Last Sunday you preached a powerful message. You, God's people at HSCPC preached. In deeds and commitments you told heaven and earth Who's image you bore, and the One in Whom you trust. I'm referring, of course, to the overwhelming outpouring of commitment on Stewardship Sunday. Let me say that I am so proud of this church. But God is the *most* proud of His church in Hobe

Sound. The Lord is happy for you because your message “preached” of a hopeful, bright future.

Here are a few numbers from Sunday: Sunday attendance was about 80 individuals with 35 HSCPC families in attendance. Of the 35 member families present 34 came forward with pledges for 2017. (And the 35th was a generous supporter of God’s work at HSCPC). And so, 100% of the membership present support the ministry the church! In addition, 7 “Friends of the Church” families pledged support to the church—our winter friends and local year-round worshippers. This is so loving and encouraging. This outpouring of generosity, this big-heartedness is....well, **it’s so much like you!** It’s so much like your Father in heaven.

Here’s more. Many of our faithful were away last Sunday with family commitments and helping with illnesses. We are not finished seeing God’s blessing to HSCPC.

Thank you for giving yourself to the Lord, first. Then, giving yourself to the priorities of God. We also know that we’ll hear from our members and friends who could not be with us last Sunday. You may mail your pledge to the church (atten: Milla F. or, bring next Sunday (in a sealed envelope, atten: Milla F.)

On another note, I will teach a **six week adult Bible study on Paul’s Book of Philippians beginning in two weeks, Wednesday, March 22 at 10:30 AM.** BYOB (Bring your own Bible). We’ll meet in the parlor section of the office. The main theme of Philippians is JOY. We’ll study what joy is, it’s origin, its elusiveness, and what brought Paul joy and caused him to be content in “all circumstances”.

Finally, if you are the parents of a child completing the 5th grade and feel your child is ready to be confirmed in the faith by attending confirmation, please email me ASAP at: Sam.rutland@yahoo.com. If there is interest and desire from our young people and parents I would love to lead a confirmation class beginning after Easter.

Peace,
Sam

FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

The classical guitar and piano concert held this past Tuesday evening in our church sanctuary was another wonderful success. A full house enjoyed an interesting variety of classical music performed by **Rowdy Carlton** on guitar and our own **Brandon Glick** on piano. The performances were acknowledged with standing ovations, not only at the end of the concert but also at the conclusion of some of the works played so masterfully by these very talented musicians.



Very generous monetary donations were made to the music department following the concert, and Carla Tinsley and the Deacons supplied after-concert refreshments in the Social Hall, where audience members could meet with the musicians.

All-in-all, it was a wonderful evening and a successful conclusion to this year's concert series. A great big **thank you** is extended to **music director Brandon Glick** for arranging this series, to the talented musicians who performed so beautifully for us, and to the Deacons who supplied delicious refreshments to our guests.



2017 PIANO EXTRAVAGANZA

Brandon's next big project is as director of the 2017 Piano Extravaganza, which features a dozen talented pianists and six grand pianos on one stage. It is presented by the Faculty, Staff and Students of Hobe Sound Ministries.

It is held on the campus of Hobe Sound Bible College,
11295 S.E. Gomez Ave. Hobe Sound.
Friday and Saturday, March 31 and April 1
7 PM, (doors open at 6 PM.)
An offering will be received

In the past our church has arranged to get reserved seats if enough of our members and friends sign up to attend the event.

HSCPC MISSIONS OUTREACH

“And the little children shall lead us” is an appropriate quote to apply to the mission our church is developing with Banner Lake and its BLAST program.

Elora and Isabella Fucigna have been active participants in our Sunday School program, and in **the MESSENGER** last week we promised to feature an article about their very special project which has grown to include a Sunshine Shop Lending Library bookshelf for the Banner Lake **BLAST** program. Thank you to their father, Tom Fucigna, for supplying the following article and photos.

“ELLIEBELLIE’S SUNSHINE SHOP”, Spreading a Little Sunshine, One Book at a Time

“EllieBellie’s Sunshine Shop” was created by Elora and Isabella Fucigna in 2006, when they were eight and six years old, as a way to merge their love of art, nature and community. The girls create and sell hand-drawn and painted greeting cards, then donate all the profits in a variety of ways that promote literacy and help children develop a lifelong love of reading. They have also been helping beloved children’s books find new homes.

Elora is now a sophomore at Washington and Lee University in Virginia, and Bella is in 12th grade at The Pine School.

EllieBellie’s began at the Hobe Sound Art Stroll in 2006, where they sold out their first batch of cards, and continued from there in a variety of venues. Their experience has provided lessons in how to run a business and how not-for-profit ventures can make a difference. They have donated money to support a variety of existing programs including Story Time at The River Center in Jupiter and infant books provided by Helping People Succeed’s Baby Steps Department.

The girls have also gathered and redistributed nearly 2,000 pre-loved children’s books, and donated Sunshine Shop Lending Library bookshelves to the Hobe Sound Boys & Girls Clubs in Hobe Sound and Indiantown, and the Banner Lake After School Time (BLAST) program in Hobe Sound. The libraries are stocked with books for children to borrow or keep. Hundreds of books were also donated to the in-classroom libraries project at JDParker Elementary School in Stuart.



As Elora and Isabella say: "We are so happy that our little business has come this far. It's great being able to do something that we love and benefit our community at the same time."

EllieBellie's Sunshine Shop is on Facebook. Visit their page and help "Spread a Little Sunshine."

<https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Elliebellies-Sunshine-Shop/600067136677967>



CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP

An hour can be a long time for little children to sit quietly during a church service, no matter how beautiful the music or how interesting the pastor's sermon. We have always had coloring and drawing materials and crayons available in the back of the church to occupy these young ones, but they have gotten old and tattered and broken over the years.

Judy McCloy has replaced and replenished this supply of materials and wants

to remind all parents of young children that they are just waiting there to be used. You can ask the ushers to help your children select what they want from this treasure trove before the beginning of the service.

BIBLE STUDY

Dr. Rutland is will be starting a Bible Study group this month. It will be a study of the book of Philipians. Starting on **Wednesday, March 22nd**, it will meet for 6 weeks on **Wednesday mornings at 10:30 AM**.

DAYLIGHTSAVINGS TIME BEGINS THIS SUNDAY DON'T BELATE FOR CHURCH



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- March 2** - Ruth LaPrise
- March 5** - Jody Dupuis
- March 6** - Arline Hollowy
- March 7** - Kris Cone
- March 11** - Lilly Rodrigues
- March 14** - Maura Beavers
- March 17** - Gwen Altman
- Jim Wiggin
- March 19** - Pati Higginbotham
- Ethan Rausch
- Stan Ball
- March 27** - Chad Beavers
- March 28** - Brandon Glick
- March 29** - Roy Dupuis
- March 30** - Zachary Anderson

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

March 2 - John and Connie Frazee

(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
- Dawn Brown
- Joyce-Anne Hamlin
- Diane Atkisson
- Jim White
- Deborah Hobson and family
- Jennifer Bellintoni
- Myrna Jubb
- Terry McCloy
- Josephine Scricca
- George Mulleneix
- Alicia
- Sylvia Ryan
- 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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