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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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MESSENGER

SUNDAY SERVICE

May 13, 2018
THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF
EASTER
10:30 AM

Pastor Rev. Dr. Roger Verse

Scripture readings:
Acts 1: 1 - 11

Sermon: "*You Go Nowhere by
Accident!*"

By tradition, The Ascension of the Lord has been celebrated on the 40th day of Easter. This year that falls on Thursday, May 10, 2018. It is therefore appropriate to hold the celebration on this following Sunday.



The Ascension,

Both the Gospel of St. Luke (24:44-53) and the book of Acts (1:1-11) describe the Ascension of the Lord.

After having appeared to the disciples and staying with them during forty days following his crucifixion, Jesus led them out from Jerusalem to the mountain near Bethany.

From Luke 24:50-53, "*Then he led them out as far as Bethany and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into Heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy;*

And from Acts 1: 1-11 after the disciples had asked “*is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?*” he responded “*It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth*”. When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

The following presents excerpts from the May 7, 2018 “Posts from the Presbytery”.

“The dynamic movements in the story of the ascension are worth noting. Notice what happens:

1. Jesus is blessing the disciples out on the high mountain where he has taken them. He continues to bless them even as he is ascended.

2. The disciples’ response was worship. There on the mountain they worshiped him.

3. They returned to Jerusalem with great joy.

From blessing to worship to great joy - - those movements are gifts to us. Just at that moment when we don’t feel any joy...when we can be about to pull our hair out in frustration... or when the blahs come along... stop. Here is what we are to do—stop right in our tracks. Lift up your head. Lift it up. Look up. See that Jesus is blessing you.”

Next Sunday is the **DAY OF PENTACOST**. The liturgical color for Pentacost is red. It is customary that those attending church on that Sunday honor the day by including the color red somewhere in their wardrobe. Let’s see lots of red in our Sanctuary next Sunday.

TO OUR MINISTER OF MUSIC, BRANDON GLICK THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES

This Sunday we are regrettably having to say “good-bye” and “best wishes” to our Minister of Music Brandon Glick. He has accepted a full-time position as Director of the Music Ministry at St. Mary’s Episcopal Church in Stuart. This is a wonderful opportunity for Brandon, and as much as we will miss his wonderful music and warm friendship, we certainly wish him all the best in this new position.

Brandon has been with us for a wonderful 2 1/2 years, and he is leaving many delightful memories with us as he moves on in his career. Not only has he provided the beautiful music that is such an integral part of our worship services, he has instituted many activities and events beyond Sunday worship. Through these endeavors he has led us in many fellowship gatherings and helped us reach out to the surrounding community in friendship and fellowship.



Spaghetti dinner



At our sanctuary organ



from the pulpit



sharing a birthday cake



leading a sing-along in the fellowship hall

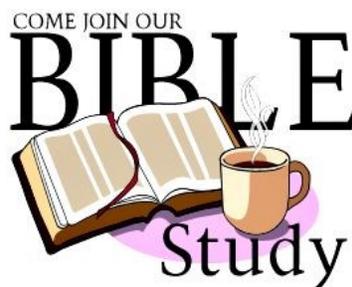


Directing and performing in the Piano Extravaganza at the Hobe Sound Bible College

During the worship service this Sunday, a “farewell” gift from the church family will be presented to Brandon, to say “thank-you” and express our appreciation for the beautiful contributions he has made to our worship services and to our church lives. If you like, you can contribute to this gift by marking a pew envelope with “gift for Brandon” and placing it with your contribution in the offering plate, or by sending your contribution directly to the church office.

The coffee hour following the worship service will be a farewell luncheon honoring Brandon. Please join us.

BIBLE STUDY
Women of the Bible
Wednesdays, 10:00 – 11:00 AM.



A discussion group on **Women of the Bible** is meeting on **Wednesday mornings at 10:00 AM**. The book “**All the Women of the Bible**” by M.L. delMastro, is the source of information for discussion, which is led by Elder **Arline Holloway**, chairman of the Women’s Fellowship committee.

Saturday, May 19, is “Spring Cleaning Time” at HSCPC.
from 9:00 AM til noon.

All members and friends of HSCPC are invited to come and help spruce up the property. The Buildings and Grounds committee has decided to concentrate on the Sanctuary and the office building at this time, and has identified many tasks that need to be undertaken. No special skills are required in order to participate.

This Sunday at church there will be a sign-up sheet on which you can volunteer your help. If you can't be at church on Sunday to sign up, please feel free to just show up on the 19th. There can never be too many volunteers.

Remember, "Many hands make light work."

HONORING OUR GRADUATES

Session has designated **Sunday, May 20**, as **Graduate Recognition Day**. During the Worship Service **Alex Albrecht, Owen Crowley and Chance Wagner** will be honored and presented with a gift in recognition of their accomplishments.

Attention Snow Birds and Year-Rounders on summer holiday!

Keep up to date on our church activities this summer, no matter where you are, by visiting our website at www.hspsc.org. Like us on **Facebook** to get weekly inspirational posts and special notices. Simply go to facebook.com/HobeSoundCommunityPresbyterianChurch and the miles will melt away (or will that be us melting ?!).

A SEARCH IS UNDERWAY FOR A NEW MUSIC DIRECTOR

The Administration and Personnel Committee (Terry McCloy, Jan Norrish, and Becky Boynton) plus Catherine Hilton representing the choir, and Karen Metzger representing the Worship and Music committee, have begun the search for a new music director for HSCPC. They have determined that this is a two-step process.

First, they want to secure music coverage for worship services during the summer months, giving Pastor Paul an opportunity to have input in selection of a permanent Music Director to begin in September. This summer position will involve preparing and performing the music for Sunday Worship. While capability on the organ is desirable, proficiency on piano only will certainly be considered. The person accepting this position could be considered for the permanent position of Music Director if desired, with starting date negotiable.

Second, the permanent position of Music Director will be a part time position averaging approximately 15 hours per week spent in preparation for and performance in worship services. Capability at the organ is required. The position includes directing choir, supervising the maintenance of church musical instruments, maintaining the music library, securing guest musicians as approved by the Worship/Music committee and Pastor, securing the service of a substitute organist/pianist as necessary, and being available to provide music for weddings, funerals, etc.

If you know of someone who might be interested in either of these positions,

please have them contact the church office, 772-546-5043, church@hscpc.org, for further information, and/or submit a resume to the Administration and Personnel Committee.

ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST BEYOND THE CHURCH

VIOLIN RECITAL

Violinist Daniel Lu has performed at HSCPC several times for worship and special events. He and **Sarah Stetler** are performing a joint junior recital in the Archie Coons Fine Arts Center at the Bible College this Saturday, May 12, at 7pm. **Brandon Glick** will be accompanying this recital. Works by Bach, Mendelson, Debussy and more will be performed during the hour long concert.

Anyone who would enjoy hearing this violin recital is welcome to attend. The address is 11295 SE. Gomez Ave. Hobe Sound. The building shares the parking lot with the church and is connected to the Christian bookstore.

Creative StARTs @ The Apollo School

The Apollo School Foundation proudly presents its first series of art classes for children ages 5-10. Cost is \$3.00 per child, payable at the door. Parents must plan to stay with their child. For further information Email at apolloschoolfoundation@aol.com or visit their website, www.apolloschool.org to register.

Saturday, May 12, 2018 10:00-11:30 a.m. *Painting with Scissors*

Celebrate the art of Henri Matisse! Create your own paper cut-out masterpiece!

Saturday, June 9, 2018 10:00-11:30 a.m. *Fantasy Jungles*

Design your own fantastic jungle picture, with a hidden surprise, in the style of French artist Henri Rousseau!

Celebrate Martin County Historic Preservation Month at The Historic Apollo School! Saturday, May 19, 2018, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

In recognition of Historic Preservation Month in Martin County, the Apollo School Foundation invites you to stop in anytime from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 19, 2018, to hear from some old-timers what it was like to grow up in Hobe Sound. Light refreshments will be available. Free and open to the public.

Mark your calendar with these important upcoming dates:

May 13 - Brandon's last Sunday at HSCPC

May 19 - Spring Cleaning Workday at HSCPC

May 20 - Pentacost Sunday (remember to wear something red.) Graduate Recognition Day

June 10 - Pastor Roger Verse's last Sunday at HSCPC

June 17 - Guest Minister Dennis Bennett, representing Presbytery of Tropical Florida

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- May 1** - Connie Frazee
May 10 - June O'Connell
May 11 - Chance Wagner
May 12 - Trish Moore
May 14 - Audrey Sloat
May 15 - Milla Finchum
May 16 - Dari Bowman
May 27 - RoseMarie Patterson
May 27 - Marty Albrecht
May 30 - Cam Boynton
May 31 - Len Finchum

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

- May 5** - Peter and Marianne Rothwell
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
- The George Mulleneix family
- Gary Shriver
- Judy McCloy
- Kris Herd
- Josephine Scricca
- Gail Shriver
- Tom Prestegard
- Skip Barlow
- The family of Diane Murphy
- Bill Carlson
- Hisa Clark
- Bob Kehres
- Terry McCloy
- Laurie Updegrave
- Sarah Williams
- Freda Jones
- Clara and Norman Douphinais
- Mitsn Mitchell
- Natalie Dawn Abell

Names will be removed from this list after three weeks unless a request is made to keep them on. This request should be made to Diane Atkisson in the church office. Phone – 772-546-5043, email – church@hscpc.org

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 and the MESSENGER, fill out the prayer request card found in the Church pews or contact Diane Atkisson in the church office. Phone – 772 546-

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