

FIRST NEWS

MARCH, 2010

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ARKADELPHIA, ARKANSAS

"News that's Holy Yours"

MARCH, 2010 LECTIONARY



March 7 – *3rd Sunday in Lent* – Isa. 55:1-9; Ps. 63:1-8; 1 Cor. 10:1-13; Luke 13:1-9

March 14 – *4th Sunday in Lent* – Josh. 5:9-12; Ps. 32; 2 Cor. 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

March 21 – *5th Sunday in Lent* – Isa. 43:16-21; Ps. 126; Phil. 3:4b-14; John 12:1-8

March 28 – *Passion/Palm Sunday* – Luke 19:28 – 40; Ps. 118:1-2, 19-29; Isa. 50:4-9a; Ps. 31:9-16; Phil. 2:5-11; Luke 22:14 – 23:56 or Luke 23:1-49

**March's Courage House
Collection is
Canned Vegetables**

Lenten Services

There will be Lenten services on Wednesday evenings at 5:30 pm until Easter. These are fairly short prayer services led either by our esteemed minister or members of the congregation who may be interested. If you would like more information about leading the evening Lenten service, please contact Kendal Land. There are still a few spots open for Lay Readers for the Sunday morning services in Lent. If you are interested, please call or email Bryan McDonnell.

MARCH USHERS

March 7:

Max Ford
Andrew Ford

Diane Hardin
Mike Hardin

March 14:

George Keck
Jim Shuff

Dick Rudolph
Donald Tatman

March 21:

David Sesser
Deb Sesser

Bryan McDonnell
Michelle McDonnell

March 28:

Conner Eldridge
Mary Elizabeth Eldridge

Bill Mertins
Ruby Mertins

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Brenda Hawkes
- 3 Charlotte Furqueron
- 9 Leslie Bright
- 11 Kim Tatman
- 13 Jim Shuff
- 14 Meghan Hawkes
- 20 Audrey Nisbet
- 21 Jessica Garrison
- 27 Barry McKay
- 29 Jill De Mott

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**Sunday Worship Service: 11:00
Sunday School: 9:45**

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Lynell Corley Circle meets Tuesday, March 16, at 9:30 am at the church.

Young Women's Circle meets Tuesday, March 9, at 6:00 at the church. Please see the bulletin for more details.

Theology on Tap meets Tuesday, March 9, at 6:30 pm at Taylor Chaney's house.

Session meets Wednesday, March 10, at 5:00.

Family Night Supper is Wednesday, March 3, at 6:00.

Choir practice and Sunday School are Sundays at 9:45 am. Worship is at 11:00 am.

Presbyterian Women News

On Friday, March 5, Church Women United will meet at First Presbyterian Church at 9:30 in the Fellowship Hall. All women are invited.

The PW will be hosting a baby shower for Michelle McDonnell Sunday, April 18th. Please mark this day on your calendar. Invitations and particulars will be forth coming.

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Deadline for the April newsletter is
March 18th

Presbyterian Women Together in Service

On February 23, the Presbyterian Women held a Together in Service program. The program focused on the partnership Arkansas Presbytery has with the Lacandon Presbytery. Rev. Debbie Freeman, pastor of Westover Hills in Little Rock, leads a mission trip there every year and spoke to the group about the ministry. Melanie Webb, head of Westover Hills PW group, also spoke about her experiences.

The Presbytery of Arkansas has a long history with the Lacandon Presbytery and helped establish their "Ladies Society" (akin to Presbyterian Women). The Lacandon Presbytery is located in Chiapas, Mexico, in the southernmost region of Mexico. A mission group made up of members of churches around the Presbytery of Arkansas, will leave for Mexico in March.

Rev. Freeman said the people of the Lacandon Presbytery are hungry for the gospel, and when she preaches or presents a Bible Study, they always ask her for more. "Are we hungry for more? Are we hungry for what God has to offer us?" she asked.



Rev. Freeman also informed the group that they collect empty chip bags to send to the prisoners in Lacandon, who use these bags (which we would consider trash) to make coin purses (pictured at left). The FPC PW group elected to begin collecting these bags to send to Mexico, so please save your leftover chip bags, and a collection place for these will be announced.

They are currently raising funds to help build a camp and conference center in Mexico and funds collected at the program will help with that goal. Please send any donations (marked for the Lacandon Mission) to the Presbytery of Arkansas, 9221 N. Rodney Parham Rd., Little Rock, AR 72227.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Family Night Supper, 6:00 ----- Lent Service 5:30	4	5	6
7 Worship – 11:00	8	9 Young Women’s Circle, 6:00 ----- Theology on Tap, 6:30	10 Session, 5:00 ----- Lent Service 5:30	11	12	13
14 Worship – 11:00 ----- <i>Daylight Saving Time Begins</i>	15	16 Lynell Corley Circle, 9:30	17  St. Patrick’s Day ----- Lent Service 5:30	18	19	20 Spring Begins
21 Worship 11:00	22	23	24 Lent Service 5:30	25	26	27
28 Worship – 11:00 ----- Palm Sunday	29	30	31 Lent Service 5:30			