



The Pilgrim

A Message from the Minister

Early in February, I went to Stetson University for Pastor's School. The weather was warm! The speakers were challenging! And, I was inspired to come home and study more and learn more and write more.

As you all know, we are coming up on the Christian season of Lent. Lent is a forty-day period before Easter. It begins on Ash Wednesday (March 9th) and marks our preparation before Easter. Lent makes the assumption that Easter is, in fact, so important that it does require us to prepare our hearts. Many Christians take on a "spiritual discipline" during Lent. Some Christians fast or 'give up' something like chocolate or television. Some Christians take on a discipline like prayer or study. The purpose is to set aside time for a little soul searching and repen-

tance.

I would encourage all of you to consider taking up some kind of Lenten discipline. Do something that will build up your faith. As I've pondered what my discipline will be, I keep going back to Pastor's School. I sat at a long table of ministers, and we all had little smart phones sitting by our conference agendas. Throughout the day, people checked emails, updated facebook, and texted.

I have a new smart phone myself, and I love having all that technology right at my fingertips. But, you know, I am starting to believe that technology has shortened my attention span and made it harder for me to focus on one thing (or one person). I am a multi-tasker. So, when I sit down to write a newsletter article, I do so with an eye on my email and twitter and the local news- as if these things

cannot wait an hour or two. I do the same things with phone calls. It's totally inconsiderate. I did not realize how much until I called another ministerial buddy and I could hear him typing on his computer. I knew right away that I did not have his full attention. That did not feel good.

So, at least one discipline for me this year will be to limit the technology I use. Instead of using the GPS system on my new phone, I might just look at a map and go for the big picture. Instead of looking up topics on the internet and its questionable sources, I might just go to the library and talk with someone who specializes in books and words and references. Instead of writing an email, I might just write a note even though my penmanship leaves a lot to be desired.

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Worship Attendance

February 6 — 48
February 13 — 65
February 20 — 56
February 27 — 61

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9:45 A.M. Coffee
10:00 A.M. Sunday School
11:00 A.M. Worship

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It's not that any of these things will change my life.

But, I don't want my relationships to take place behind a computer screen. I don't want my conversations to be elec-

tronic, and I don't want my church to be just another cyber community. I want the flesh and blood. It's a whole lot messier, but Easter tells us that God has a long history of

doing incredible things with a bloody mess.

Lea can be contacted via email: wilsonsmillscc@gmail.com.

CAMP CAROLINE WORK DAYS MARCH 19 AND APRIL 16



Please help us get ready for the 2011 camping season!

Some items on the agenda include:

install gutters, fix minor repairs, paint fence, paint cabin bathrooms with mold & mildew resistant paint, trim bushes, cut small limbs and other yard work, pressure wash buildings.

Bring your paint brushes or rollers (we'll supply the paint), chain saws, hedge trimmers, hammers, pressure washer (don't forget water hose), etc.
We'll have a continental breakfast and lunch.

If you are interested in joining the work force from WMCC, contact Ginger Lee for more information about these important Clean Up Days.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Cheryl Bryant	Tyler Dunn	Betty Parrish	Patti Sydow
Lydia Byrd	Family of Allen Honeycutt	Curtis Ray	Paul Sydow
Dorothy Byers	Lara Kelly	Chase Rudisill	Tracy Ulcickas
Gladys Caddell	Ina Mae Lee	Lugune Slater	Sidney Wellons
Annette Cobb	Kathy Mulderrig	Hannah Smith	Jody Wiley
Christy Creech	Peggy Norris	Emmit Sugg	Anna Jean Wilson
Family of Bill Creech	Andy Parrish	Family of Judy Sydow	Gilliam Wilson

M and E Request

It is that time of year again when we allocate the money the congregation has been tithing all year. During Consecration Sunday, many of you were able to view a powerful slide show that allowed us to see the many organizations that benefitted from our tithing in 2010.

It is an honor to share in the obvious joy which can be seen in the smiles and hugs of the people who received these gifts. Please send any requests you have for this year to me by email or not by March 6th.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or Lea. Thank you all for your continued support in this very important part of our church.
Louis Mills-Dumonceaux

CHANGE YOUR CALENDARS

**CWF WILL MEET AT
RACHEL KONNEKER'S
HOUSE ON MARCH 1ST
AT 6:30PM**

**IF YOU FIND YOURSELF
WAITING ON THE LADIES
ON MARCH 3RD, YOU'VE
MISSED THE MEETING.**

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Christopher Ray
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Lea will be on vacation March 15-22. Please contact Ginger Lee if there is a pastoral emergency. A local minister will be on call.



On Friday, March 11th, WMCC will host a craft night in the fellowship hall from 5PM-10PM. Allison Lawhorn is the contact person for this event. If you are a scrapbooker, a knitter, a quilter or any other kind of crafter, please join us. This group will meet on the second Friday of each month. At our first meeting, we had 33 people!



LOGOS DATES

No Logos on March 3
 March 10
 March 17
 March 24
 March 31
 No Logos on April 7
 April 14
 No Logos on April 21
 April 28

*Thank you to WMCC,
 for sharing in the celebration
 and dedication of*

Luke Adams Daughtry

*to our Lord and Savior
 on February 13, 2011*

*And they were bringing the children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.
 (Mark 10:13-16 ESV)*



Congratulations to everybody who participated in our Bible Study on Acts. We just finished this 19 week study on February 23rd. Between pizza, desserts, and lively discussion, a good time was had by all!

Worship Committee Update: Lenten Season

The 2011 Lenten season begins with our Ash Wednesday service on March 9th at 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday takes its name from the ceremonial imposition of ashes on the foreheads of worshipers as a reminder that we constantly need to turn our hearts back to God. It is a wonderful way for our church family to begin the Lenten season. Please plan to join us.

Childcare will be provided.

Add Some Chocolate for Lent

Speaking of Lent, have you seriously given any thought to taking up a Lenten discipline? How about watching a movie? If you are searching for a discipline that blends scriptures, social awareness, service, community, prayer, integrity, love and what it means to be a follower of Jesus Christ, please consider joining us for our Lenten study, "Chocolate for Lent."

We will use the themes brought out in

the 2000 Academy Award nominated film, *Chocolat*, as our springboard for discussion. We will watch movie clips, read scripture, and discuss how the themes fit into our own Lenten journey.

Starting March 23rd, we will meet for five Wednesdays at 7:00 PM. For \$3, you can eat pizza for dinner during our discussion. At the end, we will have a chocolate feast! Let Lea know if you would like to attend.

March Worship Service

	March 6	March 13	March 20	March 27
Church Appointments	Sarah Barnhart, Leanne and Kevin Daughtry, and Linda and Billy Stephenson	Sarah Barnhart, Leanne and Kevin Daughtry, and Linda and Billy Stephenson	Sarah Barnhart, Leanne and Kevin Daughtry, and Linda and Billy Stephenson	Sarah Barnhart, Leanne and Kevin Daughtry, and Linda and Billy Stephenson
Elder	Eileen Penny	Ginger Lee	Linda Ramsey	Kevin Daughtry
Deacons	Trudy Carter Peter Wilson	Joe Slaton Rose Thompson	Carrie Ragland Whitley Stephenson	Jason Lawhorn Armando Mejia
Worship Leader	Travis Stephenson	Paula Bennett	Trey Ragland	Thomas Trogdon
Nursery	Louise Dumonceax and Callie Stephenson	Sarah and Ron Foxworth	Lauren and Ariana Ramsey	Allison and Jason Lawhorn
Acolytes	Emily Dumonceaux	Patrick McCarthy	Haden Hanes	Kaylen Mejia
Paraments	Green	Purple	Purple	Purple

Happy Birthday 2 U...Happy Birthday 2 U

3/1	Holly Hanes	3/27	Meg Langston
3/10	Virgil Yansom	3/28	Trudy Carter
3/12	Jerry Grindstaff	3/28	Leanne Daughtry
3/13	Sarah Barnhart	3/28	Gene Foxworth
3/18	Katherine Ellis	3/29	Hannah Hanes
3/18	Ernie Jones	3/29	Kari Creech
3/20	Nina Murray	3/29	Fred Caddell
3/24	Daniel Creech	3/30	Bonney Boyette
3/25	Billy Creech	3/30	Gil Gamez
3/26	Anna Wilson	3/31	Megan Stephenson
3/27	Wayne Ennis	3/31	Lex Wilson

Upcoming Events

CWF Meeting—March 1

Ash Wednesday Service—March 9

Bible Study—Begins March 23

CMF Meeting—March 14
(CMF will now meet on the 2nd Monday of each month, please make a note of this permanent change.)

Craft Night—2nd Friday Night of Each Month

April LOGOS—14 and 28

MARCH 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 CWF Meeting at Rachel Konneker's 6:30 PM	2 Handbells 6:00 PM	3 NO LOGOS	4 Elder/Deacon Workshop at Christmount	5
6 M and E Meeting 12 PM	7	8	9 Ash Wednesday Service 7:00 PM	10 LOGOS 5:30 PM	11 Women's Craft Night 5-10 PM	12
13	14 CMF Dinner and Meeting 6:30 PM	15	16 Handbells 6:00 PM	17 LOGOS 5:30 PM	18	19
20	21	22	23 Handbells 6:00 PM Bible Study 7:00 PM	24 LOGOS 5:30 PM	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

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