CAPE CARTERET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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FROM THE PASTOR

Well, I am back to staring out my window again. It's hard to believe how much difference a few weeks can make. Not too long ago my view consisted of barren limbs and dead leaves. The brown landscape has been thoroughly washed away by a sea of green. Now the daffodils spot the landscape and showy azaleas are taking bloom. Of course, it wouldn't be spring around here without a daily shower of yellow pollen. All the colors and smells of spring are upon us, and we are thankful for them even if they are here but for a short while.

All this beauty reminds me of another glory that many thought was also fleeting. I am, of course, speaking of Jesus. Over the last 40 days we have walked the Lenten path … a path which revealed the need for softened hearts as well as the extravagant love and mercy of our God. During Holy Week we listened to the sacred story that led us through betrayal, pain, crucifixion, and death. Such needless suffering!

It is not hard to imagine that as Jesus hung on the cross many thought, "Well, it was wonderful while it lasted, but all good things must come to an end. That's life." People live, people die. Seasons come, seasons go. Here today, gone tomorrow. If Jesus' story had ended on the cross it would have still been a wonderful tale, but that would be about it. He would have ended up being a footnote in some obscure journal that kept record of past religious martyrs. But you and I know that this story (i.e. his life) doesn't end at the cross; does it?

We are an Easter people! And as such we are reminded not only at Easter but every Sunday of the year that the glory of God was not defeated by death but overcame it. What by all outward appearances looked to be the end was actually a new beginning. Jesus the Christ was raised from the tomb having secured life abundant and life eternal for all who place their faith in him.

I was reminded this week that often in our daily lives we see only the surface of things. What looks brown and lifeless is actually teaming with life that is just waiting for the appropriate time to burst into its fullest expression. That's exactly what took place in a tomb so long ago. By all outward signs a chapter had come to a sad conclusion when in reality the glory of God was renewing and restoring and rewriting the very meaning of life. Three days passed, then love burst through the limitations of this world to reveal what was now possible!

You and I are Easter people. We are the recipients of God's gracious offer of eternal love. We are the chosen children of God through the selfless sacrifice of Jesus. We have been set free so that we might live. I pray that our Easter filled lives will bring as much joy to God as the gifts of His creation and the gift of His Son does to us!

Easter Blessings, Ben

MEN OF THE CHURCH

The men will meet on Saturday, April 10th at 8:00 for breakfast and fellowship. Please bring yourself something to eat and drink! John may have something for us to do after the meeting.

BACKPACK FRIENDS

During the month of **APRIL,**
we will be collecting **individual cups of apple sauce and cups/boxes of apple juice**

Monetary Donations Received in
January 2021: $3247.00
February 2021: $2314.40
March 2021: $1518.88
YTD: $7077.28

We wish to express our deepest sympathies to these church members who have recently lost loved ones:

Dick and Susan Shetzer's on the recent passing of their son in law, Hugh Boy.

Joyce Brogdon on the recent passing of her son, Scott.

Lisa Kelly and family, recent loss of her mother-in-law, Mona Kelly

APRIL 4, 2021

BIRTHDAYS

1	Heather Molfetto
6	Helen Giltz
9	Dave Fellows
10	Tracy Antonelli
13	Max Brown
15	Steve Anderson
16	John Capps
17	Helen Holt
17	Carl Gull, III
17	Mark Williams
20	RL Willoughby
21	John Worrell
21	Sandy Sloan
23	Maureen Ackerson
25	Betty Butler
26	Matt Garman
27	Christine Erwin
27	Debbie Starliper

ANNIVERSARIES

4/13/68
RL & Jenni Willoughby

HOLY WEEK EVENTS

Maundy Thursday – April 1, 7:00 p.m.
*We will be sharing in the Lord's Supper during this time.

Easter Sunday – April 4
Please call the church office to make reservations if you haven't already done so. At this time, we will be seating people in the fellowship hall for the 11:00 service. By taking the time to do so we can not only make sure that everyone stays as safe as possible but also add an additional service if needed.

Sunrise Service – 6:30 am
We will be having an Easter Sunrise Service
At 130 John L Hurst Drive, Swansboro
Bring a chair for your comfort!

Easter Service 11:00 am
Our regular morning worship service will begin at 11:00 am.

As we prepare to celebrate our Lord's resurrection, let it fill your hearts and minds with peace and joy. *We will be sharing in the Lord's Supper during this time.

OUR WORSHIP SERVICES WILL BE STREAMING ONLINE ON OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8-YuWEKYmg0KuCq8uUtKgg

The church office will be closed Monday April 5th for Easter Monday. It will reopen on Tuesday, April 6th.

Pastor Ben will be out of the office beginning Monday, April 5th. He will return on Tuesday, April 13th. Please contact the church office or your elder if you need assistance.

A very special thank you to Helen Giltz and Carolyn Jaggers for the thoughtful gift of resurrection eggs tucked into handmade bunnies for our CCPC Kidz. We truly appreciate and love our church family.

Ms. Heather and CCPC Kidz

The Brogdon family would sincerely like to thank all those who sent food, cards and prayers of love, during their difficult time. Your expression of sympathy was so appreciated. With grateful thanks.
Joyce Brogdon

SNAPSHOT FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH FEBRUARY OF 2021

RECEIPTS		**DISBURSEMENTS**	
-GENERAL FUND*	$20,,270.37	-GENERAL FUND	$17,015.87
-NON BUDGET FUND**	4,317.13	-NON BUDGET FUND	2,855.82
YEAR-TO-DATE RECEIPTS		**YEAR-TO-DATE DISBURSEMENTS**	
-GENERAL FUND	47,462.85	-GENERAL FUND	35,680.36
-NON BUDGET FUND	9,746.61	-NON BUDGET FUND	8,185.30
CAPITALCAMPAIGN (GOAL $250,000.00+)		**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN DISBURSEMENTS**	
-RECEIPTS FOR MONTH	4,198.44	-DISBURSEMENTS FOR MONTH	-0-
-RECEIPTS-TO-DATE	172,256.28	-DISBURSEMENTS –TO-DATE	135,033.93

*Building fund is now included with General Fund

**Wash fund is now included with Non Budget Fund

FUND BALANCE

CHECKING ACCOUNT		**MONEY MARKET ACCT**	
-GENERAL FUND	$109,576.21	(GENERAL FUND)	
-NON BUDGET FUND	14,213.69	(BUILDING FUND)	
		(-CAPITAL IMP.FUND	
CERT. OF DEPOSIT	107,817.32	**TOTAL MONEY MKT**	$98,970.83
0.70% INTEREST)			
MO.AVG. ATT	58	**YTD AVG. ATT**	53
MO.AVG VIRT. VIEWS	70	**YTD AVG VIRT. VIEWS**	63

If you would like to to make your contributions online, go to **our website,** click on the **"GIVING" tab, then** click the **"GIVE NOW"** button.

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Please remember in your daily prayers the following,
Addresses are available in the church office

Assisted Living:

Carteret House
Jim Yoder Room 303

Carteret Landing
Micky Mullikin Room 16D

Pennybryn
Vivian Gibson Apt 133

Brookdale Loma Linda
Anne Stanley Room 115

Martha Jefferson House
Harriet Mozingo

Brookdale Morehead City
Shirley Lowder

Concerns and Joys:

- Our nation and its leaders
- Please remember all those who have served and are serving, especially those who are deployed
- Caregivers
- Pastors, elders, CCPC adult choir, Sunday school teachers, preschool & preschool teachers
- Chris Molnar, maintenance chemo, friend of Dee Phillips
- Avery Cooper (14), family friend of Janet Kolb, brain cancer
- Gail Skinner, Waldenstrom's lymphoma
- Laura Lauffer, Vivian Gibson's niece
- Robert Gray, Ruth Smith's brother-in-law, myelodysplastic syndrome
- The Harbolt Family
- Stephanie Fleischer, friend of Joli Brooks, breast cancer
- Terry Lanier, Gail Skinner's daughter, lymphoma
- Jana Blackman, friend of Linda Wilkins, liver cancer
- Betty Butler, recovering at home
- David Lovette (Melissa Hollifield & Heather Molfetto's dad), recovering from broken leg
- David Willoughby, RL Willoughby's brother, cancer
- Steve Johns, friend of Teri Wright, liver failure
- Janet Kolb, undergoing neurological assessment
- Earl Lanier, Cynthia DeFusco's uncle, fighting pancreatic cancer
- Jennifer Cox, Cynthia DeFusco's niece, facing major surgery late April

NewsLetter DEADLine **TUESDAY, APRIL 27th**

Articles for the MAY 2021 issue of the newsletter need to be submitted by **TUESDAY, APRIL 27h**.
Please send any articles you wish to have included to capecarteretpres@gmail.com