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February 2020

The Lenten Season

Grace and Peace to you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ;

Toward the end of this month we will enter the Season of Lent and it would be helpful to know just what that means. The word Lent or Lenten comes from an Anglo Saxon word meaning spring. It denotes the season in the northern latitudes of rebirth as well as a season of spiritual new beginnings. It is the forty days from Ash Wednesday leading up to Easter. But it did not include Sundays. Sundays were considered "mini-Easters" and a break in the traditional rigors of Lent and fasting. Not so strangely people came up with Mardi Gras and Fat-Tuesday as a way of getting in that last bit of revelry and sinning before they had to buckle own and deny themselves certain pleasures. It was also traditionally a time where new Christians would prepare themselves as Catechumens in preparation for being baptized at sunrise on Easter morning.

However, the more important question is; what does Lent mean to you? Does it mean only fish on Fridays? Giving up chocolate? Or is it a period of self-reflection more than self- denial? I generally don't preach on denying self unless sinful or if it either is self-destructive or interferes with a person's relationship with God. As we follow the journey in Lent with Jesus to the cross and the empty tomb, let us be reminded of the words of Christ from Matthew 16:24; "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."

Often times putting down a thing is easier than actually taking up a thing. Think about it. Then think; "What can you do to follow Christ more closely today?" Lent is a journey. A practice of prayer and meditation combined with scripture is powerful. Read of Christ's journey and picture yourself there with the other disciples and you will see it and feel it in a whole new way. We will be starting Lent together with an Ash Wednesday Service. We hope to see you there.

Grace and Peace to you.

Pastor David Crapnell

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DEACONS' CARE GROUPS

Laurie Jenkins - 561-487-4255

Lisa Roubian
Steve Straus
Loan Ellis
Terri Dorsey
Karen Sanchez
Wayne & Hortense Walker

<u>Linda Williams - 954-240-4785</u>

Mary Jo Luccarelli
Celeste, Jim, & Jimmy Hamilton
Eric, Ellen, Addie, & Ryan Armstrong
Audrey Correa
Edith Vislocky
Bill Eltringham
Laurie & John Jenkins

Tracy Garlanger - 954-471-3443

Dale Rosenbaum
Donna LaCertosa
Mary, Sebastian, & Ariel Fernandez
Doug & Jenifer Hamman
Ryan Bullock
Carmen Gomez

Rowena Avrich - 561-488-1897

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Julia Scott
Jackie Davis
Doris Jackson
Terry, Cheryl, & Ryan Crout
Gail Bower
Ginny DeMattei
Linda Williams
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Cathy & Dan Wantz
Pat Wilkins
Rowena Avrich
Lauren Romeo
Ozcan Feyziolglo
Santosh & Lalitha Mathen

Ash Wednesday Service will be on February 26th at 6:30PM



15- Bob Garlanger

Souper Thursday

February 13th and February 20th from 6-7 PM.



Our next
Boca Helping Hands is
February 15th at 8:30AM at
Boca Glades Baptist Church

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OR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL YOUR
DEACON. DEACONS, IF YOU CAN'T
RESOLVE NEEDS OR QUESTIONS, PLEASE
CALL ONE OF THE CHURCH ELDERS:
BRIAN CLAXTON

561-504-0155 TERRY CROUT 561-852-9060

Deacons:

Class of 2020:

Laurie Jenkins and Carmen Gomez Class of 2021:

Tracy Garlanger and Addie Cordes
Class of 2022:

Rowena Avrich and Linda Williams

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Class of 2020:

Terry Crout and John Jenkins
Class of 2021:

Brian Claxton and Karen Sanchez Class of 2022:

Bob Garlanger

2¢ a Meal

Take a small bank and put it on the table where you eat. Say a prayer and put 2¢ a person in the bank. These donations will grow and when filled, bring it to church and put it in the 2¢ bank. At the end of the year, these donations will be sent to several organizations who help others less fortunate.

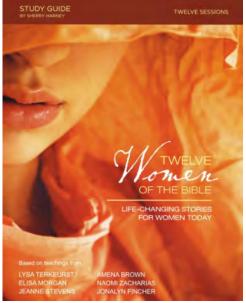
CHOIR

CHOIR REHEARSALS ARE ON WEDNESDAYS AT 7:30PM. WE WELCOME NEW VOICES.
PLEASE CONTACT
BEVERLY NEWLAND
AT 488-3690.

Pastor David's Phone Number: 937-307-6158

Pastor David's Office Hours: Wednesday and Thursday 11AM-4PM

Please pray for Raegan Mize (6 year old neighbor of Kernie's), who has terminal cancer.



Women's Bible Study

We are continuing our Bible study at 10:00AM in the C.E. building.

Men's Group

Meetings are on:

February 10th at 7PM at Sweet Tomatoes February 24th at 7PM at Dominic's II

Brian C. will be facilitating.