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Glades Gazette

Will Light And Life Return?

Everyday in all of our lives light ends, darkness comes, and we rest in sleep. As the frenzy of life is over for one day, in the back of our minds we may ask ourselves if light and the frenzy of life will return the next day. When we were children, the end of light and the coming of darkness may have scared us. Will light and life return? Over the years, we have learned to trust that after a good night's sleep the sun will light up the earth again and the fullness of life will return.

We are in the middle of Lent, the six weeks before Easter Day. Although Lent is not scriptural, Lent is a practice in the Church that goes back to 325 A.D. The word "Lent" means "Spring season." Lent is a time when light is returning and the days are getting longer. Everyday there is more time for living in the light. Over the years we have learned to trust and to have confidence that this Lenten renewal of the earth and all of life will happen every year.

As we experience the Lenten Season, the six weeks before Easter Sunday, we focus on the fact that Light and Life will return not only in this world, but also in the eternal life to come. During this season of Lent, we have the opportunity to renew our confidence and trust that the Light of Life, Jesus Christ, returned from the darkness of death to live on earth again before Jesus ascended to eternal life in heaven. In this way Lent, with its increasingly longer days, is a powerful preparation for the glorious celebration of Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024!

Having hope is essential to life! Our hope is not just a maybe. Our hope is an assured hope because of the factual resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. On Good Friday, when Jesus was crucified, Jesus' followers no doubt wondered, "Will Light And Life Return?" Darkness and Death overcame the world on Good Friday. It was a scary time until the morning light broke forth on Easter Sunday and life returned to Jesus as well as the hope of eternal life to all who follow Christ!

**LIGHT AND LIFE RETURNS TO ALL OF US!
MAY YOUR LENTEN AND EASTER SEASON BE FILLED WITH
TRUST, CONFIDENCE, AND ASSURED HOPE IN THE RESURRECTION OF OUR
LORD!**

Dr. M. Bruce Irwin, Pastor

Glades Presbyterian Church
21121 Judge Winikoff Road
Boca Raton, Florida 33428

Glades' Events for March 2024

- 2. Boca Helping Hands, 830am
- 3. **Worship & Communion, 1030am**
- 3. Healing Meeting, 12pm
- 9. Boca Helping Hands, 830am
- 10. Worship, 1030am**
- 16. Boca Helping Hands, 830am
- 17. Worship, 1030am**
- 21. Men's Group, 7pm
- 23. Boca Helping Hands, 830am
- 24. Palm Sunday Worship, 1030am**
- 30. Boca Helping Hands, 830am
- 31. Easter Sunday Worship, 1030am**

Glades' Celebrations for March 2024

- 13. Bill Eltringham's birthday**
- 17. Liz Romeo's birthday**

DEACONS' CARE GROUPS

Terry Crout - 561-699-1139

Lisa Roubian
Jim & Celeste Hamilton
Marilou Lehner
Wayne & Hortense Walker
Laura Dorn
Tom Serro

Linda Williams - 954-240-4785

Edith Vislocky
Bill Eltringham
Carmen Gomez
Gretchen Schrieber

Ellie Wan - 347-308-2878

Eric, Ellen, Addison & Ryan Armstrong
Lee Henderson
Mini Dookhan
Yvette Tiritto & David MacRae
Debbie & Keith Berman
Premela Dookhan
Kitty Lai

Laura Dorn - 920-570-1069

Dawn Williams-Colozzi
Didi Deary
Beth Diente
Connie Steward
Marlene Kappes

Deacons:

Class of 2024:

Terry Crout & Edith Vislocky & Pat Wilkins

Class of 2025:

Linda Williams & Dawn Williams-Colozzi &

Laura Dorn

Class of 2026:

Celeste Hamilton & Ellie Wan

Pat Wilkins - 561-299-8793

Terry, Cheryl & Ryan Crout
Gail Bower
Linda Williams
Beverly Newland

Celeste Hamilton - 561-715-9910

Cathy & Dan Wantz
Pat Wilkins
Rowena Avrich
Lauren Romeo
Ozcan Feyziolglo
Santosh & Lalitha Mathen
Ryan Bullock
Mike, Brandy, Kourtney & Amanda Arbuthnot

Dawn Williams-Colozzi - 704-787-3761

Babbs Dahms
Don & Elaine Hulse
Renata, Lydia & Michael Trager
Linda Fabiani & Barry Marcus

Edith Vislocky 561-405-5730

Neyda Rodriguez
Ed & Brenda Romeo
Frank & Liz Romeo
Karen Sanchez
Ellie Wan
Laurie & John Jenkins

Elders:

Class of 2024:

Bill Eltringham & Marilou Lehner

Class of 2025:

Jim Hamilton & Gretchen Schrieber

Class of 2026:

Rowena Avrich & Ed Romeo

If you have any needs or questions, please contact your Deacon or an Elder.

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Sermon Series for March:

3/3 "The Promise/Covenant of Upside Down Change" I Corinthians 1:18-25

3/10 "From Death To Life: Our Promise/Covenant Gift From God" Ephesians 2:1-10

3/17 "The New Covenant/Promise" Jeremiah 31:31-34

3/24 (Palm Sunday) "MAN UP" Isaiah 50:4-9, Mark 11:1-11

3/31 (Easter Sunday) "A Brand New Time" Acts 10:34-43, John 20:1-18

Choir: The Choir is ALWAYS looking for more beautiful voices in ALL vocal ranges, from bass to soprano! Please call either Gretchen Schrieber (561-859-5246) or Renata Trager (317-652-7853).

Men's Group: Every other Thursday evening at 7pm, men from Glades and other nearby churches meet at Duffy's (Mission Bay) to discuss Christian topics. For any questions, please call or text Jim Hamilton (954-621-5993).

Boca Helping Hands: Every Saturday at 830am, Glades' members and other volunteers gather at CrossBridge Church (located at the corner of 441 & Judge Winikoff Rd.) to hand out bags of food to the needy. Please consider becoming a part of this important food ministry.

Healing Prayer Meeting: A monthly healing prayer meeting (on Communion Sundays) will be held immediately after the service. All who need healing prayer or support are encouraged to attend. The meeting should last approximately 15 minutes. It is facilitated by Terry Crout (561-699-1139).

Easter Flowers: If you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary in memory/honor of someone, please do so as early as possible, as they need to be ordered. Cost is \$15, made out to Glades Presbyterian Church (please include on the Memo line: Easter flowers"). Thank you.

Prayer contact: romeobren@yahoo.com

The Month in Photos: February 2024

