

March 2025



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Ash Wednesday

In the month of March there are important dates to be remembered: Ash Wednesday falls on March 5th, Daylight Saving Time begins March 9th, St. Patrick's Day is March 17th, and the first day of Spring March 20th.

What Is Ash Wednesday? Ash Wednesday is a Christian holiday that marks the beginning of Lent. It is 46 days before Easter Sunday. Lent is a 40 day period (not counting Sundays) of prayer, fasting and repentance.

Ash Wednesday is a day to remember human mortality and reconcile with God. Many Christians receive ashes on their foreheads. The ashes represent the dust from which God made us.

Some Christians fast on Ash Wednesday. During Lent some people abstain from eating meat. Some give up things they love such as chocolate, favorite foods, and TV. People do this to replicate the hardships felt by Jesus during His time in the wilderness.

During the Lenten season, as Christians we can have a spiritual discipline such as reading a Daily Devotion, or Daily Bible Readings for Lent, praying through a Lenten Calendar to draw us closer to God... or attending a Bible Study. The following are some examples of Bible Readings that can be used during Lent: 1 Peter 2: 11 -25, 1 John 4: 7-21, Ephesians 5: 1-10, and John 13: 31-35.

Ash Wednesday is very important to us. It leads up to Easter, the Holiest day in the Calendar. It's a time to prepare for the Resurrection of Jesus.

Rowena Avrich

Glades' Events for March 2025

- 2. Worship with Barbara Hassall, 10:30am**
- 5. Ash Wednesday
- 5. Lenten Bible Study (#1/6): The Message of Jesus
- 9. Worship & Communion with Pastor Pat Ashley, 10:30am**
- 9. Healing prayer meeting, 12pm
- 12. Lenten Bible Study (#2/6): The Message of Jesus
- 16. Worship with Pastor Geoff McLean, 10:30am**
- 16. Congregational Meeting, 11:45am
- 19. Lenten Bible Study (#3/6): The Message of Jesus
- 23. Worship with Pastor Ben Sorensen, 10:30am**
- 26. Lenten Bible Study (#4/6): The Message of Jesus
- 30. Worship with Rowena Avrigh, 10:30am**

Glades' Celebrations for March 2025

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

DEACONS' CARE GROUPS

Terry Crout -

Jim & Celeste Hamilton
Laura Dorn
Carmen Gomez
Edith Vislocky
Laurie Jenkins
Ellie Wan
Tom Serro
Beverly Newland

Celeste Hamilton -

Cathy & Dan Wantz
Pat Wilkins
Rowena Avrich
Lauren Romeo
Ozcan Feyzioglu
Santosh & Lalitha Mathen
Ryan Bullock

Carmen Gomez -

Terry, Cheryl & Ryan Crout
Don & Elaine Hulse
Renata, Lydia & Michael Trager
Linda Fabiani & Barry Marcus

Laurie Jenkins-

Babbs Dahms
Gail Bower
Edith Vislocky
Bill Eltringham
Carmen Gomez
Gretchen Schrieber
Marilou Lehner
Wayne & Mimi Walker (Alicia & Lucia)
Wesley & Dania Marinan (Alex & Francis)

Edith Vislocky

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

Ellie Wan -

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

Laura Dorn -

Didi Deary
Beth Diente
Connie Steward
Marlene Kappes
Musfig (Mush) & Nancy Khan

Deacons:

Class of 2025:

Laura Dorn (1)

Class of 2026:

Celeste Hamilton (2) & Ellie Wan (1) & Terry Crout (1)

Class of 2027:

Carmen Gomez (1) & Laurie Jenkins (1)

Elders:

Class of 2025:

Jim Hamilton (2) & Gretchen Schrieber (1)

Class of 2026:

Rowena Avrich (1) & Ed Romeo(2)

Class of 2027:

Bill Eltringham (2) & Marilou Lehner (2)

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

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Important Tax Information

Your '2024 Total Offering' statement, sealed in an envelope, is available on the Narthex table on Sundays.

If you would like Glades to mail it to you, please request it at: GladesPC.USA@gmail.com

Thank you for your support of Glades Presbyterian Church!

Choir: The Choir is ALWAYS looking for more beautiful voices in ALL vocal ranges, from bass to soprano! Please call either Gretchen Schrieber or Renata Trager.

Men's Group: Every second Thursday evening at 7pm, men from Glades and other nearby churches meet at Duffy's (Mission Bay) to discuss Christian topics. If you would like to join us, or if you have any questions, please call or text Jim Hamilton.

Help Needed: We are currently short-staffed for voluntary positions on the Worship and Outreach committees, as well as Liturgist. If you would like to be a part of keeping the weekly services running smoothly, or would like to reach out to others in the community, please see an Elder. Thank you!

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.

Prayer contact: romeobren@yahoo.com

The Month In Photos: February 2025

