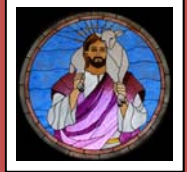




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## He Is Risen!

Be sure to join us as we celebrate the Resurrection of our Savior in 2015.

On Maundy Thursday, April 2, we will hold an Agape Dinner beginning at 7:00 pm in Conklin Hall. This dinner is notable because the room is lit oil lamps. If you have one or more lamps you can bring to the dinner, we would certainly appreciate it.

The following day, Good Friday, will be kicked off at 10:00 am by the annual Procession of the Cross and closed with an Ecumenical Service at 7:00 pm in our sanctuary. Barbara McConnell will lead the combined choir.

We will not have an early service or adult education on Easter Sunday, April 5, so we can all prepare ourselves to celebrate our Risen Lord. After the service, we hope you will join us for Easter Brunch in Conklin Hall.

We hope to see you at as many events as you can attend.

## Changes to Our Back Yard In Process



As many of you have no doubt noticed, Scott Florence and the Grounds team and Bob Moeller, organizer of our community garden, have been busy these last few weeks.

On March 7<sup>th</sup>, eight members of the church and two Dixie State students helped to spread landscape rock in the area between the Rose Garden and the parking lot. It is amazing what a little rock will do to spruce things up. On April 11<sup>th</sup>, the team will be at it again, finishing the rock all the way to the community garden. Bring your shovels and rakes and help Scott and the team to complete the beautification of this area.

In mid-March, a concrete pad appeared next to the rose garden. At some point in the future, picnic tables will be installed and you'll be able to eat your lunch in the beauty and serenity of the garden.

Bob and his team have the community garden looking good. The plots are all in place (some of them have been planted), the water is in and the posts for the fence are ready. Hopefully some of our gardeners will share some of their bounty with those of us who lack the "green thumb" gene!

Please stop by and take a look at the new landscaping and thank those who are working to make it happen.

### Prayer Concerns

*Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it* John 14:13-14

Bob Prinselaar Dorothy Nichols  
 Cindy Clingan Barbara & Guy Schultzman  
 Ruth Combes Dick Babb  
 Betty Miner Family of Alyce Kremkau  
 Wendy Christianson as she continues her studies  
 for the ministry in India  
 Our sister congregation in Dorogobuzh, Russia  
 Those Serving Our Country

### Welcome New Members

Guy & Barbara Schultzman

If you are interested in joining our fellowship, please see Rev. Ralph or Session Clerk Ruth Ann Horvath

### Deadline for May Newsletter

April 23, 2015

### Worship Schedule

**8:45 – 9:00 am**  
**Service of Morning Prayer and Holy Communion - Sanctuary**

**9:00 – 9:45 am**  
**Adult Education with Rev. Ralph**  
**CE Building**  
 Resumes April 19<sup>th</sup>

**10:30 am**  
**Children's Sunday School**

**10:30 am**  
**Traditional Worship - Sanctuary**

**11:45 am**  
**Fellowship Time – Conklin Hall**

### Ruling Elders Monthly Scriptures

Each month at our stated Session meetings, our Teaching and Ruling Elders are invited to share any scripture that has spoken to their hearts in the previous month as part of their report. I encourage our congregation, as part of their prayer life for the congregation, our Session and Pastor, to review their selections and continue to uphold them and one another in prayer.

The scriptures for March were:

Rev. Ralph	Ephesians 2:19-22	Christ's Holy People
Elder Ruth Ann Horvath	Romans 8:26-28	Spirit directed
Elder Amy Craig	John 6:27-29	Work of the Lord
Elder Chris Schleiter	Genesis 11:6-7	Confounded speech
Elder Anne Patten	Matthew 22:37-39	Love God with all
Elder Scott Florence	Romans 5:8	God's love for us
Elder Gay Cunningham	1 Corinthians 13:4-13	Godly love
Elder Russ Hurlbut	Titus	Godly living
Rev. Ralph	Ephesians 2:19-22	Christ's Holy People
Elder Ruth Ann Horvath	Romans 8:26-28	Spirit directed

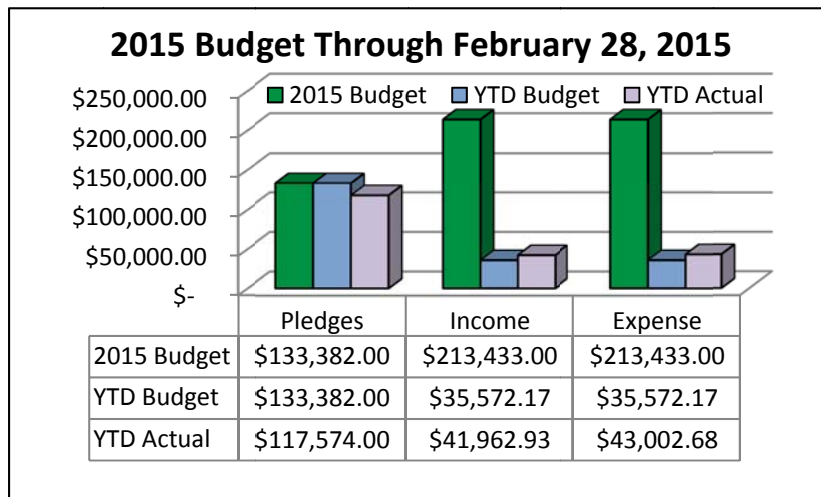
### Thanks to our Volunteers

	Flowers	Fellowship
<b>April</b>		
April 5	Easter	Easter Brunch
April 12	Donna Baker	Bill & Marge Linn
April 19	Marjorie Bayle	<b>Available</b>
April 26	Paul & Charlotte Phipps & Laura Sanda	<b>Available</b>
<b>May</b>		
May 3	<b>Available</b>	Potluck Sunday
May 10	Shirley Taylor	Mother's Day
May 17	<b>Available</b>	<b>Available</b>
May 24	<b>Available</b>	<b>Available</b>
May 31	Anne & Dave Patten	<b>Available</b>

Signup on the boards between the narthex and the Fellowship Hall or on our Website [gspscsq.org](http://gspscsq.org)

### Treasurer's Report

General Fund	
As of February 28, 2015	
February	
Receipts	\$ 15,585.68
Expenditures	\$ 15,533.63
2015 YTD Budget vs Actual	
YTD Budgeted Receipts	\$ 35,572.17
Actual Receipts	\$ 41,962.93
YTD Budgeted Expenditures	\$ 35,572.17
Actual Expenditures	\$ 43,002.68
Building Fund	
Building Fund Cash	\$ 71,029.84
Loan Balance	\$ 164,298.14
Net Building Fund	\$ (93,268.30)
Fund Balances	
General Fund	\$ 11,648.10
Memorial Fund	\$ 8,202.98
Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 23,391.37



## Pastor's Page

*During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.*

*Acts 16:9-10 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)*

### Rev. Ralph's Food for Thought



It is within the Book of Acts of the Apostles that we read about the Christian churches' very first steps in Europe in the person of the missionary apostle Paul. It must have been an exciting and daunting time for Paul as he was leaving his familiar world behind and entering a place and culture very different from his own.

With the Lenten season and Holy Week behind us now our chair of the Mission Committee Elder Chris Schleiter and I can focus on our preparations to visit our sister congregation in Dorogobuzh, Russia. Chris and I have been taking online Russian lessons for a couple of months and we are now able to say hello, goodbye, please, thank you, and get directions to the bath room. All will come in handy I am sure.

This relationship was established through the Mission Office of the General Assembly for the purpose of creating closer ties between ourselves and our mission partners throughout the world. Our purpose in taking this journey is to begin to build those connections as the body of Christ here in Saint George with our brothers and sisters in Christ in Russia.

This particular congregation suffered severe persecution under Stalin and saw a number of its leaders taken away in the middle of the night never to be seen again. Yet others continued to lead this church knowing full well the same might happen to them. I hope to learn from our sister church what it is to love and serve the Lord in the face of such great adversity.

What they seek to learn from us we will come to discover when Pastor Sergei and his wife Nina visit us sometime in the future.

Indeed this journey like Paul's will be an adventure into the unknown and unfamiliar, exciting and daunting, yet I look greatly forward to seeing Christ alive and at work in our Russian family in Dorogobuzh.

Keep us in your prayers,

*Rev. Ralph*

### **Switchpoint Needs Volunteers**

The new Community Resource Center, Switchpoint, is looking for volunteers. They need everything from light administrative work to laundry workers. If you're interested, give them a call at 627-4663 or email Volunteer Manager [Julie Duckett](#).

### **\*\* Home Communion \*\***

If you have difficulty getting to worship and would like to have the Visitation Pastor or Pastor serve you the Lord's Supper at home, please call the church office (628-9158).

### **\*\* Pastor Note Regarding Hospital Visitation: \*\***

Please keep in mind that with the federal laws that went into force a number of years ago, hospitals are no longer allowed to give out any information in regards to patients to visitors, including clergy. Unless a visitor requests a specific name, the hospital desk is not allowed to give out any information, including religious affiliation.

So, if you or a family member is hospitalized please alert the Pastor, your Deacon, or the church office. Otherwise, we will not be informed of your presence there and unable to assist or offer pastoral care.

## Deacons

The Deacons have been giving rides to those members who otherwise would not be able to attend our services and are always available for home visits, if requested. Also please remember that we have a Deacons' closet full of health aids for you to use. We will place someone in charge of the supply soon but, in the meantime, please call Bob Morgan at 673-3032 if you need to borrow something.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please call me at 435-574-3614.

*Tineke Ingold, Moderator*

## Fellowship

Happy Spring! I hope you've all had a wonderful Easter season.

The Directory should be ready near the end of April. We had the opportunity to include more photos in the book, so the directory will be slightly delayed but the proofs look nice and it should be useful for everyone.

*Carolyn Jentzer*

## Grounds

Thanks to everyone who helped spread rock on February 28! We had hoped to finish the job on March 28<sup>th</sup> but, due to a funeral service, we'll try to finish the job on Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup>. Please join us at 9:00 am and we'll finish spreading the landscape rock on the area next to the memorial garden and get at least a good start on the area next to the Deacon's shed. Bring your gloves, a flat shovel, rock rake and wheelbarrow if you have one.

Hope to see you then!

*Scott Florence*

## Mission/Outreach

At the end of February, we hosted a group of UNLV students who had come to St. George to work with Habitat for Humanity. We are happy to host groups such as this and are now looking forward to the annual visit by Bike and Build in July.

Plans for our trip to Russia in July are moving forward. Rev. Ralph and I will be visiting our brothers and sisters in Dorogobuzh and doing a bit of sightseeing in Moscow and St. Petersburg. Please pray for us as we diligently try to learn Russian!

Even though the first Sunday in April is Easter Sunday, we will still be collecting for Dixie Care and Share so please bring your contributions of food and cash! Also, April 19<sup>th</sup> will be our second Soup Kitchen Supply Sunday. Look for an insert in the bulletin on April 12<sup>th</sup> with a list of the supplies they need.

I continue to thank our Lord for the generosity and spirit of our congregation.

*Blessings  
Chris Schleiter*

## Parish Nursing

On Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, Teri Koenig, A Gerontologist and a certified health and wellness coach from the LiVe Well Center gave an excellent presentation on Longevity Strategies.

The prescriptions for longevity are:

- Exercise - aerobic, balance, flexibility and strength training - go for a walk and get active
- Nutrition - Drink enough water, eat less salt, eat more legumes and leafy, dark green & orange vegetables, eat less fat and consume more fresh fruits. Emphasize whole grains, drink low fat milk and milk products, limit alcohol consumption and take a daily multi vitamin.
- Mental Vitality - surprise your brain, learn a language, do puzzles and Sudoku and learn new skills on your computer
- Sleep - Exercise no less than 3 hours before retiring, limit caffeine, nicotine and alcohol, establish a sleep routine, relax before retiring by stretching, a hot bath, etc, avoid drinking or eating before bed, make your sleep environment inviting and if you can't sleep, don't fight it - listen to music or read a book

## Parish Nursing, continued

- Stress - Deep breathing, seek out a quiet place to escape tension, achieve balance and reduce multi-tasking, do not insist on perfection or total control, find reasons to laugh, get enough sleep (7.5-8 hours), simplify and get rid of chaos in your life, home work place, share your fears-don't isolate, and do visualization, meditation and prayer calms your mind
- Nurture your relationships - Have a positive attitude, stop negative thoughts, count your blessings, forgive yourself and others and let go, and choose to be happy
- Connect with your community - be involved in activities, pursue a second career
- Practice prevention - get those regular check-ups and tests

Our next Blood Bank to be held here at Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church will be held on Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. If you have any questions or to sign up, please see Kathie Greear or give her a call at 207-240-0994.

We're available to take your BLOOD PRESSURE the second Sunday of each month in Conklin Hall during fellowship time. The next date is April 12<sup>th</sup>.

*Alicia Kitzman & Mitzi Rak*

## Prayer Chain

I would ask anyone in the congregation that would like to join in prayers for the ill, people with problems, or those with happy news like a mending body to please contact Louise Routh at 628-7725 or on her cell 229-4733.

All prayers are important.

*Louise Routh*

## Senior Ministries

In keeping with our tradition of highlighting members of our congregation, this month we will host at our Soup and Bread lunchtime lecture Russell Estlack who is an author of several books. He will discuss his book "The Aleut Internments of World War II". He has done extensive research into an event not noted in most history books. We know the sad history of the treatment by our government of our Native Americans and the Trail of Tears. This is another tragic story of our military treatment of the Aleuts in Alaska during WWII. Japan and Russia also are involved in this event. He will explain the why and the what on Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at Noon in Conklin Hall.

*Judy Oar*

## Session News

Session held their regular monthly meeting on March 10, 2015. Here is a synopsis of the actions:

- Approved Rayanne Bartlett for recommendation as Deacon.
- Session Clerk to send thank you letters to Doug Sater, Wayne Bartlett and Ron Smith for expansion and improvement of choir seating area and construction of a platform for the choir director.
- Approved 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday months to feature lectionary texts and hymn singing instead of a sermon.
- Set Fall Festival date of October 4, 2015.
- Approved a resolution authorizing credit cards at State Bank of Southern Utah.
- Approved a Community Garden Agreement.
- Appointed Dave Patten as Presbytery Commissioner.

*Ruth Ann Horvath, Clerk of Session*

## Stewardship

Thank you to all of you that have paid your Per Capita! So far, \$2,248.63 has been collected to offset our payment of \$9,845.55. Paying your Per Capita helps to meet our financial goals.

## The Fields Are Ripe

Easter is the most joyous, the most victorious, celebration of the church year. It is an opportune time for us as stewards to "Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples" (Psalm 96:3)! What deed can be more marvelous than the resurrection of our Lord from the dead? Yes, "Christ has indeed been raised

## Stewardship, continued.

from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep" (1 Corinthians 15:20), and we, too, shall be raised from the dead to live with him forever in Heaven.

As stewards of the Gospel, we have this good news to tell. Jesus reminded us of the urgency of the proclamation of his redemption. We read in John 4:35 that Jesus said, "Do you not say, 'Four months more and then the harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest." There is a need for us to tell this message effectively, passionately, clearly, and with perseverance so that all may be led by God's grace to respond to Christ's gift of salvation.

Along with pronouncing this good news with our own lips, we have a responsibility to give. We respond to the needs of others by taking groceries to our food banks, by contributing funds to be used for helping families with various financial difficulties, by sending money to areas hit by natural disasters, such as floods and hurricanes. What greater need is there than to provide financial support for those who minister to the greatest need of all ... the spiritual needs of Jesus' lost sheep? Our giving should be done willingly, cheerfully, generously, even as God in Christ has given to us.

Jesus promised that, as we carry out his commission to "...make disciples of all nations ..." he will be with us "...to the very end of the age" (Matthew 28:19, 20). Paul reminded us that "God is able to make all grace abound to [us], so that in all things at all times, having all that [we] need, [we] will abound in every good work" (2 Corinthians 9:8). Every day, the Holy Spirit provides opportunities for us as stewards to tell the good news and to give according to our abilities that the message of God's love in Christ may be spread throughout the world. Easter is our reason: Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

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*Amy Craig*

## Worship and Music

The Worship & Music Committee has been working hard on all the services coming during Holy Week, culminating in Easter (Resurrection) Sunday on April 5.

- Thursday, April 2, Maundy Thursday, 6 p.m. — Come to this special service, which includes a simple meal of bread, fruit and cheese to commemorate Jesus's last Passover and the institution of Holy Communion ("Do this in remembrance of me"). Bring some sliced bread, cubed or sliced cheese, or fruit to share. We will also have hand washing (in place of foot washing). The choir will sing one anthem. This is a lovely intimate service of remembrance.
- Friday, April 3, 7:00 p.m. — Interfaith service at Good Shepherd with New Promise Lutheran Church & Shepherd of the Hills United Methodist Church. The combined choirs will sing an anthem, which will no doubt be wonderful due to the many voices raised in praise.
- Sunday, April 5, 10:30 a.m. — Resurrection Sunday service, with the chancel choir, a singing quartet, and trumpets by Suzanne Czarnecki & D.J. Barraclough. We will not serve Communion on Resurrection Sunday - Communion will be served on April 12<sup>th</sup>. A luncheon will follow the service.

Session has approved, for this year as a trial, a small change in the order of worship. For those months having a 5th Sunday (May, August and November in 2015), there will be no sermon, BUT all the lectionary texts for the week will be read and appropriate hymns will be sung while sitting. This is a trial only so let us know whether you like this change, and Session will decide whether to make it permanent.

Remember, Rev. Ralph will be on vacation from Monday April 6 through Sunday April 12!!

*Anne Patten and Barbara McConnell*

## Congregation News

### Death of Alyce Kremkau Reported

We were saddened to learn of the death of Alyce Kremkau on March 12<sup>th</sup>. Alyce and her late husband Cal joined our church in February, 1994 and Alyce had been living in Shelton, WA, with her family since April of 2014.

Our condolences go out to her family.

APRIL 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Harmon's Cafe	<b>2</b> <b>Maundy Thursday</b> 11:00 Men's Bible Study @ am Cracker Barrel 3:00 Exercise with Rev pm Ralph 6:00 Agape Dinner pm	<b>3</b> <b>Good Friday</b> 7:45 Men's Bible Study @ am Bishop's 10:00 Procession of the am Cross 7:00 Good Friday Service pm	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> <b>Easter Sunday</b> <b>Dixie Care &amp; Share</b> 8:45 Prayer/Communion am Service 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Worship am 11:45 Fellowship am 5:00 Bible Study pm @Rev Ralph's Home	<b>6</b> 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	<b>7</b> 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Egg & I 3:00 Exercise with Rev pm Ralph 4:00 Bell Choir pm	<b>8</b> 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Harmon's Cafe 6:30 Safe Harbor Support pm Group	<b>9</b> 11:00 Men's Bible Study @ am Cracker Barrel 3:00 Exercise with Rev pm Ralph 3:45 Chancel Choir pm	<b>10</b> 7:45 Men's Bible Study @ am Bishop's	<b>11</b> 9:00 Grounds Work Day am
<b>12</b> 8:45 Prayer/Communion am Service 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Communion Worship am Rev. Harold preaching 11:45 Fellowship am 11:45 Blood Pressures am Taken 5:00 Bible Study pm @Rev Ralph's Home	<b>13</b> 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	<b>14</b> 9:30 Calendar am Coordinating Council Meeting 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Egg & I 1:30 Stephen Ministry pm Group Supervision Meeting 3:00 Exercise with Rev pm Ralph 4:00 Bell Choir pm 5:15 Session Meeting pm	<b>15</b> 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Harmon's Cafe 1:00 Stephen Ministry pm Group Supervision Meeting	<b>16</b> 11:00 Men's Bible Study @ am Cracker Barrel 12:00 Soup & Fellowship – Noon Russell Estlack on Alaska 3:00 Exercise with Rev pm Ralph 3:45 Chancel Choir pm	<b>17</b> 7:45 Men's Bible Study @ am Bishop's	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> <b>Soup Kitchen Supply</b> <b>Sunday</b> 8:45 Prayer/Communion am Service 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Worship am 11:45 Fellowship am 5:00 Bible Study pm @Rev Ralph's Home	<b>20</b> 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	<b>21</b> 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Egg & I 3:00 Exercise with Rev pm Ralph 4:00 Bell Choir pm	<b>22</b> 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Harmon's Cafe	<b>23</b> <b>Newsletter Deadline</b> 11:00 Men's Bible Study @ am Cracker Barrel 3:00 Exercise with Rev pm Ralph 3:45 Chancel Choir pm	<b>24</b> 7:45 Men's Bible Study @ am Bishop's	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> 8:45 Prayer/Communion am Service 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Worship am 11:45 Fellowship am 11:45 Worship Committee am Meeting 5:00 Bible Study pm @Rev Ralph's Home	<b>27</b> 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	<b>28</b> 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Egg & I 3:00 Exercise with Rev pm Ralph 4:00 Bell Choir pm	<b>29</b> 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Harmon's Cafe	<b>30</b> 11:00 Men's Bible Study @ am Cracker Barrel 3:00 Exercise with Rev pm Ralph 3:45 Chancel Choir pm		

Rev. Ralph will be on vacation from April 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Rev. Harold (669-0330) with any concerns.  
**PLEASE NOTE:** This calendar is subject to change. Always check the church website [gpscsq.org](http://gpscsq.org) for the latest information.



## Lectionary Readings for April

Date	Reading 1	Reading 2	Reading 3
Wednesday, April 1 Wednesday of Holy Week	Isaiah 50:4–9a Psalm 70:1–5	Hebrews 12:1–3	John 13:21–32
Thursday, April 2 Maundy Thursday	Exodus 12:1–4 (5–10) 11–14 Psalm 116:1–2,12–19	1 Corinthians 11:23–26	John 13:1–17,31b–35
Friday, April 3 Good Friday	Isaiah 52:13–53:12 Psalm 22:1–31	Hebrews 10:16–25 <i>or</i> Hebrews 4:14–16,5:7–9	John 18:1–19:42
Saturday, April 4 Easter Vigil	Genesis 1:1–2:4a Psalm 136:1–9,23–26 Genesis 7:1–5,11–18; 8:6–18; 9:8–13 Psalm 46:1–11 Genesis 22:1–18 Psalm 16:1–11 Exodus 14:10–31; 15:20–21 Exodus 15:1b–13,17–18 Isaiah 55:1–11 Isaiah 12:2–6 Proverbs 8:1–8,19–21;9:4b–6 Psalm 19:1–14 Ezekiel 36:24–28 Psalm 42:1–11 Psalm 43:1–5 Ezekiel 37:1–14 Psalm 143:1–12 Zephaniah 3:14–20 Psalm 98:1–9	Romans 6:3–11 Psalm 114:1–8	Mark 16:1–8
Sunday, April 5 Resurrection of the Lord / Easter	Acts 10:34–43 <i>or</i> Isaiah 25:6–9 Psalm 118:1–2,14–24	1 Corinthians 15:1–11 <i>or</i> Acts 10:34–43	John 20:1–18 <i>or</i> Mark 16:1–8
	<i>Easter Evening</i> Isaiah 25:6–9 Psalm 114	1 Corinthians 5:6b–8	Luke 24:13–49
Sunday, April 12 2nd Sunday of Easter	Acts 4:32–35 Psalm 133	1 John 1:1–2:2	John 20:19–31
Sunday, April 19 3rd Sunday of Easter	Acts 3:12–19 Psalm 4	1 John 3:1–7	Luke 24:36b–48
Sunday, April 26 4th Sunday of Easter	Acts 4:5–12 Psalm 23	1 John 3:16–24	John 10:11–18

## Lectionary Readings for May

Date	Reading 1	Reading 2	Reading 3
Sunday, May 3 5th Sunday of Easter	Acts 8:26–40 Psalms 22:25–31	1 John 4:7–21	John 15:1–8
Sunday, May 10 6th Sunday of Easter	Acts 10:44–48 Psalm 98	1 John 5:1–6	John 15:9–17
Thursday, May 14 Ascension of the Lord	Acts 1:1–11 Psalm 47 <i>or</i> Psalm 93	Ephesians 1:15–23	Luke 24:44–53
Sunday, May 17 7th Sunday of Easter	Acts 1:15–17,21–26 Psalm 1	1 John 5:9–13	John 17:6–19
Sunday, May 24 Day of Pentecost	Acts 2:1–21 <i>or</i> Ezekiel 37:1–14 Psalm 104:24–34,35b	Romans 8:22–27 <i>or</i> Acts 2:1–21	John 15:26–27;16:4b–15
Sunday, May 31 Trinity Sunday	Isaiah 6:1–8 Psalm 29	Romans 8:12–17	John 3:1–17



## Regularly Scheduled Activities

Dixie Care & Share – contributions of money & food – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each Month  
 Soup Kitchen Supply Sunday – contributions of supplies – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of February, April, June, August, October and December  
 Safe Harbor Support Group – 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each Month – 6:30 pm in the CE Building

Shawl Ministry	Monday	1:00 pm to 3:00 pm	Conklin Hall
Exercise with Rev. Ralph	Tuesday	3:00 pm to 3:30 pm	Conklin Hall
	Thursday	3:00 pm to 3:30 pm	Conklin Hall
Co-Ed Bible Study	Sunday	5:00 pm to 6:00 pm	Rev. Ralph's home
Women's Bible Studies	Tuesday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	The Egg & I
	Wednesday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	<b>CE Building</b>
Men's Bible Studies	Thursday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	The Cracker Barrel Restaurant
	Friday	7:45 am to 8:45 am	Bishop's Restaurant
Choir Practices	Tuesday	4:00 pm	Bell Choir Sanctuary
	Thursday	3:45 pm	Chancel Choir Sanctuary



### Building Fund Update

As you all know, we have a mortgage payment of \$1,343.51 due each month. The mortgage has a principal of \$184,117 and a 15 year term which means that if it goes for its full term (although we hope to continue our tradition of paying off our mortgages early), we will pay a total of \$241,831.80. We also need to replenish the \$45,000 that was in the fund when we began the project meaning we need to raise almost \$287,000.

Through March 22<sup>nd</sup>, we had received pledges totaling \$68,881 and cash donations of \$27,587 for a total of \$96,468 or about 33.6% of the way to the \$287,000 goal.

If you have pledged to the building fund, thank you. If you have not yet made a pledge, please prayerfully consider how you can help us to pay off the mortgage early and free funds to be used for additional improvements that we need to make.

## Church Contact Information

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