

THE MESSENGER

PAYSON PARK CHURCH

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

“We believe God is calling us to walk in the ways of Jesus Christ and to bear witness to the Gospel through worship and service, empowered by the Holy Spirit.”

Several years ago I saw a cartoon showing the image of a man praying by his bedside. There he is on his knees, hands clasped and eyes gazing upward. But the look on his face is not peaceful and serene. Rather, it's filled with impatience and indignation as he says, “I asked you as nicely as I possibly could to make me a better person. But obviously you couldn't be bothered.”

As the season of Lent begins, we're offered a time for deep contemplation. On the one hand, this is a season to assess the ways we want to change to become “better people” in the world. On the other hand, these are days to recognize the compassionate, loving presence of God, welcoming, then, the Spirit's gentle and transforming power.

It's with this balance we might recognize that if we want to be more loving, considerate people, God's presence seeks to help us grow in patience and compassion. If we realize we want to be less attached to material goods, God wants to help us re-set our priorities. If we yearn to be more prayerful and Christ-centered, God wants to lead us to slow down to take time for moments of prayer and mediation. *“I asked you as nicely as I possibly could to make me a better person, but obviously you couldn't be bothered.”* On the contrary, the God identified through the teachings of Jesus is One who wants to be bothered with our heartfelt requests for transformation as the Spirit continually offers healing and unconditional love.

It's with this great opportunity to reach out for grace that we move through the season of Lent together. It is my prayer that we will seek God's guidance and transforming power, recognizing where we are challenged to change and grow, all for the good of our human experience, all for the good of God's magnificent creation.

With love from,

The Reverend Lael Atkinson



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FEBRUARY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2009

10:30 a.m.

The Reverend Lael Atkinson preaching

Sermon "Upon this Rock"

Scripture Proverbs 4: 10-15; John 13: 1-10a

Anthem "Tu Es Petrus" Tomás Luis de Victoria

Our Fellowship Hour will be hosted by a family. Altar Flowers are given by Mark Silva and children, Melissa and Michael in loving memory of Linda Silva.

SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2009

10:30 a.m.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS

John Brock, Ministerial Intern, preaching

Sermon "Wrestling with Doubt"

Scripture Job 42: 1-6; John 20: 19-30

Anthems "He's Got the Whole World" Traditional
Cherub Choir

"Ubi Caritas"

Pick-up Choir

"Pie Jesu"

Maurice Duruflé

Kaori Emery, soprano & Joe Holt, double bass

Our Fellowship Hour will be hosted by the Nominating Committee. Altar flowers are given by Joan Blackman in loving memory of loved ones.

SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2009

10:30 a.m.

John Brock, Ministerial Intern, preaching;

The Reverend Lael Atkinson presiding

Sermon "Making Choices"

Scripture Proverbs 2: 1-6; Luke 10: 38-42

Solo "O Rest in the Lord" (*from Elijah*)

Felix Mendelssohn

Sara Wyse-Wenger, soloist

Anthems "Thr sollt nicht sorgen" (Do Not Worry)

G. A. Homilius

"Thy Word"

Amy Grant

Youth & Senior High Choirs

Our Fellowship Hour will be hosted by the Diaconate. Altar flowers are given by G. Richard MacDonald in loving memory of his mother Amy MacDonald.

SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2009

10:30 a.m.

The Reverend Lael Atkinson preaching

Sermon "Grappling for Power"

Scripture Proverbs 25: 1-7; Mark 10: 35-45

Anthem "To Serve" John Horman
(with Susan Harper, flute)

Our Fellowship Hour will be hosted by the Music Committee.

SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2009

10:30 a.m.

The Reverend Lael Atkinson preaching

Sermon "Who Casts the First Stone?"

Scripture Proverbs 14: 1-9; Luke 8: 36-50

Anthems "River of Mercy" Paul Frantsen
Youth & Senior High Choirs

"Through These Hands" Colligan/Frantsen
Alleluia & Junior Choirs

Our Fellowship Hour will be hosted by the Finance Committee. Altar flowers are given by Bernice Flemming and family in loving memory of her husband, John G. Flemming.

CABLE BROADCASTING TIMES

If you or a loved one are unable to attend worship on Sundays, we hope you'll join with us in the spirit of prayer during the week. The Sunday services of our church are broadcast on local cable networks at the following times: In Belmont, Sundays at 9:00 a.m., Tuesdays at 3:00 p.m., Thursdays at 9:00 p.m., and Fridays at 5:00 p.m.; in Waltham, Sundays at 8:00 a.m.; in Arlington, Sundays and Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m.; and in Watertown, Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

We thank members and friends for worshipping with us last month. We gathered together joyfully, even on some snowy winter mornings!

February 1:	120	February 15:	87
February 8:	129	February 22:	95

WORSHIP & COMMUNITY NEWS

HOLY WEEK SERVICES APRIL 9 AND 10, 7:30 P.M.

Mark your calendars for these special services that help us to mark the final days of Jesus' life and his death on the cross. Each service will include special moments of musical reflection as we prepare our hearts for the miracle of Easter. If the provision on childcare would make it possible for you to attend one or both of these events, please let the Church Office know. If there are several requests for such care, special arrangements will be made.

ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP DRIVE WE NEED YOU!

As our budget based stewardship campaign continues, our Treasurer reports that we have received nearly sixty pledges totaling approximately \$85,000 for our operating expenses. This means we still remain close to \$40,000 short of our goal. Members of the Finance Committee will be making special outreach efforts to those whom we have not yet heard from. Please consider making a financial pledge this year for the benefit of this church and its Christian mission in the world!



**LET IT SNOW,
LET IT SNOW, LET IT SNOW...
BUT PLEASE, NOT ON SUNDAY!**

As we continue the winter season, the Diaconate reminds you that Sunday morning worship services will be cancelled when a parking ban is in effect in Belmont. To confirm such a cancellation, please call the Church after 8:00 a.m. on the Sunday in question. The recorded message will provide information about the morning service. If you call the church and do not hear the recording, please call again. The line may be busy with another caller. Thank you!

Do You Need to Reach the Pastor or Ministerial Intern?

The Reverend Lael Atkinson can be reached through the Church Office or at home (617) 464-4990.

John Brock can be reached at (617) 803-9932.

CELEBRATING OUR ROLE AS A TEACHING CHURCH: MARCH 8 SERVICE LED BY OUR SEMINARIANS

Throughout the year we have the opportunity to give thanks for the fact that we are a church that is home and host to seminarians preparing to be pastors. We currently have two students who are formally In Care here at Payson Park and with the Metropolitan Boston Association of the United Church of Christ: Lorrie Herzberg and Allen Vander Meulen. We're also happy to continue our Ministerial Intern program, with John Brock serving in this position this year. With our pastor away in Seattle on Sunday, March 8, John will be preaching, with Lorrie and Allen leading other portions of our worship service. Please offer your support and encouragement to these great students that day!

NEW LEADERS AT PAYSON PARK CHURCH

With the slate of Officers and Committee Chairs presented and approved at the Annual Meeting in January, we welcome a host of new and long-time church members to leadership positions. With these changes, our financial operations have shifted slightly. Please note the new structure:

Treasurer: Jeff Cronin oversees the church budget, incoming payments, outgoing expenses, and payroll, and reports our "financial picture" to the Finance Committee and Church Council.

Assistant Treasurer: Will Clifford handles incoming payments and the weekly offering, making deposits and tracking amounts pledged and received.

Bookkeeper: Allen Gervorkian handles bills on a weekly or every other week basis.

If you have questions about the new process, please speak with Jeff Cronin. We thank you for your patience as we move through this time of transition.

EDUCATION & FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

LENTEN ADULT EDUCATION SERIES:

BIBLE 101 WITH CARL McDONALD
WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 4, 11, 18 & 25
7:00 - 8:30 P.M.

Do you wish you knew more about the Bible? Have you ever wondered how to read this book that guides our faith? Come to the Bible 101 class to learn with others. This class, led by our Acting Youth Minister, Carl McDonald, is for people of all ages and backgrounds. We will not be a Bible study class, however we will learn how to study the Bible independently and how to read the Bible so that it can become a resource for your life journey.

CHURCH WORK DAY

SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 9:00 - 11:00 A.M.

With the elimination of the sexton position here at Payson Park, we all have the opportunity to help with the upkeep of our church home. While the Personnel and Property Committees will be contracting a part-time cleaner, there remain many ways staff and church members are pitching in during this time of transition. Our second work day will be held on Saturday, April 4 at 9:00 a.m. As specific cleaning projects will be coordinated, we ask that you let the Church Office know by Thursday, April 2 if you can offer your "elbow grease." We give a special thanks to Will Clifford, John Lasker, and Hank Thidemann for their ongoing contributions of time, talent, and hard work.

FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE FELLOWSHIP

Join us as we meet Tuesday afternoons from 2 to 4 pm (we will not meet the Tuesday of the month when The Good Afternoons group meets). There are usually five or six of us, and you can drop in any time, or knit at home if you can't come during the day. We also give instructions. There are a couple of people who often come in just to chat. We enjoy their company, too! Our next gathering will be Tuesday, March 3 (in case of snow, please call the Church Office in case we have cancelled our meeting).

DENOMINATIONAL EVENTS:

ASSOCIATION SPRING MEETING IN APRIL
GENERAL SYNOD IN JUNE

On Sunday, April 26, the Boston Association of the Massachusetts Conference of the United Church of Christ will gather at 2:30 p.m. at First Church, UCC, in Walpole. Would you like to attend this event? It's a chance to learn more about what's going on in the Association as well as to meet other men and women in area congregations. Please speak with Lael if you'd like more information.

Also: have you ever considered attending the national gathering of our denomination? With nearly 3,000 delegates and visitors convening every two years, the experience is phenomenal. This year, the event will be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan in late June. Lael Atkinson attended the past two meetings in Atlanta and Hartford as a delegate of Massachusetts and could tell you more about the experience, or you may go to the website, ucc.org.

Remember: we are a single church part of a much greater whole! The United Church of Christ: we believe God is still speaking!

THE GOOD AFTERNOONS:

TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2:00 - 3:30 P.M.

At last month's meeting we found ourselves riveted to the presentation, *Change Your Brain, Change Your Life*, an educational program aired on PBS featuring specialist Daniel Amen, MD. This month we'll continue our viewing, as Dr. Amen covers the topics of Alzheimer's disease prevention and how prayer and meditation practices have been shown to help brain health and function. We'll gather in the Parlor, where delicious and nutritious refreshments will be provided by participants. All ages are welcome as we give thanks for God's creation in this unique and human way. [Note: in case of snow, please call the Church Office to find out if this event has been postponed.]

MISSION AND OUTREACH PROGRAMS



CARING FOR CREATION

MONDAY, MARCH 2, 7:00 - 8:30 P.M.
SAVING ENERGY IN OUR CHURCH

On a cold winter evening, a small group of us enjoyed warm fellowship in the Parlor as we talked with Rick Marsh about how our heating system works. Each of the five zones of the church has its “clock” which schedules the automatic heating of rooms by our gas furnace according to use by church and community programs.

Some things we might do to help save more gas emissions (=global warming) AND save money need to be studied carefully, such as possible insulation or replacement of windows; these represent capital investments in our building. What would you think if the leaded windows on the street side were replaced by modern heat-saving windows? What would you think about incandescent lights in the sanctuary?

Other things we might do right away include having a free audit of our building’s energy use by Belmont Electric; weather-stripping doors and windows; educating our whole congregation about closing doors between heated and unheated rooms, and turning off lights when not in use, in our church home as we do in our own homes.

Come to our next meeting on March 2 with your own ideas and questions! We’ll be talking also about who can best do what.

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FUTURE MISSION TRIPS: COORDINATOR NEEDED!

It was a great witness to send a Mission Team to Biloxi, Mississippi to volunteer at Back Bay Mission last April, and we thank Cynthia and John Lasker for all the planning and preparation work they put in so the trip could happen. As the Mission & Outreach Committee looks to the future, it is our hope to offer more opportunities to serve in this way, perhaps returning to Biloxi in April 2010. In order to sponsor such a trip, we need a Mission Trip Coordinator. This individual will oversee the planning and execution of fundraisers, recruit “missionaries,” and make travel arrangements. If you are interested in serving in this way, please speak with our new Mission & Outreach Chair, Allen Vander Meulen.

YOUTH MINISTRY: SPECIAL OUTREACH EFFORTS

On Sunday, February 8, Cathy Meyer and Carl McDonald coordinated a special youth ministry and youth choir trip to visit Mount Pleasant Home in Jamaica Plain. A group of seven youth joined this effort to share their musical gifts with the residents. The theme was experiencing the presence of God and these youth helped bring that presence to elders who often feel lonely and neglected. This is just one of the many ways that Payson Park extends its ministry outside the walls of the church.

BRISTOL LODGE FOOD KITCHEN: HELPING THE HUNGRY NEAR HOME

Date: Monday, March 30
 Delivery: 3-5 p.m. delivery to Emmanuel
 Methodist Church, Waltham
 Serve: 5-5:45 p.m.
 Menu: Mission Soup, tossed salad, rolls

Check the Mission & Outreach bulletin board for details, recipes and sign-up, and speak to Cynthia Lasker with questions.

MUSIC MINISTRIES

THE MUSIC PROGRAM ASSESSMENT TASK FORCE: CHURCH COUNCIL DISCUSSES & APPROVES NEW INITIATIVE

At the February meeting of the Church Council, after the budget deliberations at Annual Meeting, the need to assess our music programs for financial and planning purposes was discussed in detail. The Council unanimously supported the formation of a Music Program Assessment Task Force whose purpose is as follows:

“Working in consultation with the Diaconate and Music Committee, the Music Program Assessment Task Force will work to collect information and feedback about our current music programs. The Task Force will present this information with recommendations to these committees and the Church Council so that a music program and budget may be developed by appropriate governing bodies to be voted upon by the congregation.”

The task force is charged to carry out this purpose in the remaining winter and spring months. Those serving are: the Moderator, Al Gledhill; two Music Committee representatives, Kay Hudgins and Alyson Karakouzian; a Diaconate representative, Alice Holt; and a Christian Education Committee representative, Lorrie Herzberg.

We thank these individuals for their willingness to serve in this important way. Updates and special forums will be scheduled through March and April as it is our goal to allow all members and friends of the church to participate in this important endeavor. If you have questions about the task force, please let me know.

Al Gledhill

SAVE THE DATE!

Our Children’s Music Ministry wants YOU to join them on Sunday, May 17, at 5:00 p.m.; for a variety show. Enjoy an evening filled with entertainment, including music, drama, comedy, and even visual art. If you are a performing or visual artist and would like to participate, please speak with Cathy Meyer as soon as possible. Spots will fill quickly! Dinner will follow.

THE PICK-UP CHOIR WELCOMES YOU!

The book of Judges says, “Hear this! Listen, you rulers! I will sing to the LORD, I will sing; I will make music to the LORD, the God of Israel.” You don’t have to have a trained voice or any musical experience to join in our praise, simply ask the Lord to help you open your lips and give back the gift that has been given to you! Join us Sunday, March 8 at 9:00 a.m. in the sanctuary to rehearse an arrangement of “Ubi Caritas,” a setting that tells of God’s presence, wherever we are. Section leaders will help us learn our parts. Copies of the music will be on the table in the narthex beginning March 1. Questions? See our Director of Music, Cathy Meyer.

THE CHANCEL CHOIR WELCOMES YOU!

Recently observed in the Chancel Choir:

- A section leader going to the aid of someone singing another voice part. The singers in her section were doing fine, so she began singing with someone in another section who needed a little extra help.
- Another section leader volunteering her time by giving free voice lessons to those who want to improve their singing skills.
- Section leaders giving complimentary tickets to choir members for concerts in which they were participating.

These are just a few examples of the wonderful warmth and friendliness to be shared by singing in the Chancel Choir! We meet every Thursday evening from September through May to prepare wonderful music for the worship of God, and sing in worship services on the 1st, 3rd, and 4th Sundays of each month. In rehearsals we also work at improving our vocal and musical abilities while having fun along the way, all to the glory of God! We are open to people of all levels of musical skill - our section leaders help our amateur singers learn the music we sing. Many people these days have busy lives and many commitments. Therefore, it’s possible to sing with the Chancel Choir on a part-time basis. Some of our singers already do so. Interested in finding out more? I’d love to hear from you!

Blessings,

Terry Halco, Minister of Music

(musicminister@paysonpark.org)

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

VOLUNTEERS IN GOD'S GARDEN CONSIDER SHARING YOUR GIFTS

Our March unit for grades K- 7 in *God's Garden, Growing in Faith* is called "Fruit of the Spirit." The children will come to know what the Fruits of the Spirit are, will want to live a Christian life that represents Christ through the Spirit, and begin to imitate Christian behaviors. Our teacher training workshop for this unit will be on Sunday, March 1 at 11:45 in the Fellowship Hall. Lessons plans will be shared, discussed and distributed. Please stop by. We will have six workshops: video, 2 art, 2 games and 1 drama. We have three classrooms; therefore each workshop requires a three week commitment! Where do you see yourself in our program? Perhaps preparing an art lesson or a game of charades. Please speak with Cindy Lou Benson if you have any questions.



COLOSSAL 2009

MARCH 15, 2009, 2:00 - 6:00 P.M.

This gathering is for pastors, educators, church school superintendents, teachers and lay people to learn and share what we all want to know about faith formation and teaching ministries. Please speak with Cindy Lou Benson, Christian Education Director for more details or to register for an afternoon of workshops, networking, learning and sharing (off campus).

Answer to Kidspage: love, joy, peace, patience, self-control, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness.



Community Potluck Luncheon

Sunday, March 22, 2009—Noon to 2:00PM

Join us for an afternoon of food, fellowship and games. Sign up today on the Chapel Bulletin Board to bring a casserole, salad or dessert. Sponsored by the Christian Education, Mission and Outreach and Music Committees. All Are Welcome!

YOUTH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

CARL McDONALD, ACTING YOUTH MINISTER

Sunday, March 1

Noon. Confirmation Class meets the first Sunday of each month. Welcome and congratulations to our two mentors: Bill Small and Zac Karakouzian's Grandmother.

6:30 p.m. Senior High Youth Group meets for community building and fellowship. All are welcome and please bring a friend.

Sunday, March 8

9:00 a.m. Youth Class Youth Group for grades 5 and 6 meet at 9:00 a.m. in the Children's Choir room. All are welcome and please bring a friend.

Sunday, March 15

6:30 p.m. Senior High Youth Group meets for community building and fellowship. All are welcome and please bring a friend.

Date, TBD

Senior High Youth Group trip to go snow tubing at Nashoba.

SHARING & CARING



Dear Payson Park Family,

Barbara and I wanted to thank you all so much for the lovely reception on January 25. It was touching, delicious and a great way to say thanks and goodbye. It is an honor to share our lives with one another and so I give you thanks for the honor of having been one of your ministers for the past year, or nine years. Your love and spirit has changed me, made me a better person and Christian, and they will forever stay with me no matter where God's calling takes me. Thanks again and God bless you on your journey.

Peace,

Revs. Rob and Barbara Asinger

BEREAVMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Have you recently lost someone you love? Would you like to talk about your grief with others in similar situations? Mount Auburn Hospital is offering a Bereavement Support Group beginning Monday, March 2, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. This group will meet for eight consecutive weeks, with an educational component interwoven into each discussion. Any adult who has experienced the death of someone significant in their lives is welcome. For more information, contact Beth Loomis, Director of Pastoral Care at 617-575-8606 or eloomis@mah.harvard.edu.

NEW MEMBERS TO BE RECEIVED INTO THE LIFE OF PAYSON PARK CHURCH

Are you looking for a church to call "home" at this time in your life? Would you like to explore what it means to be a member of Payson Park Church and the United Church of Christ? New members will be received into the life of this congregation in March. Please speak with Lael if you have questions about membership opportunities.

MEETING & GREETING ON SUNDAYS: PLEASE WEAR A NAME TAG

Help us grow as a faithful and loving community! Wearing a name tag on Sunday mornings helps visitors and new friends get to know YOU. It also demonstrates our desire to be a friendly and welcoming church. New and old name tags can be found in the Narthex area. Please speak with an usher on Sunday if you need assistance.

IN MEMORIAM: ALDEN VINCENT JOHNSON MARCH 16, 1920 - DECEMBER 12, 2008

On Monday, March 16, friends of the Johnson Family will give thanks for the life of Alden Vincent Johnson at a memorial service and reception. A member of Payson Park Church many years ago, Mr. Johnson's widow, Dorothy, and daughter, Linda, look forward to celebrating his life here in this place. Please join us for the memorial service at 1:00 pm. If you are able to help with the reception, please contact Winnie Snow, Chair of the Hospitality Committee.

"FOR EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON"

A NOTE OF THANKS FROM OUR PASTOR

As I begin my monthly travels to Seattle again in March, I thank you all for your prayers and support. With my father's continued (but slower) decline, and the event of my mother's move from their home of 46 years, these are difficult, necessary, and meaningful trips. I will be in touch with our staff and church leaders while I am away, and can assure you that John Brock and my area colleagues will offer the church great pastoral and administrative support in my absence. Again: thank you for your kind thoughts and prayers in this challenging time.

The Reverend Lael Atkinson

MARCH 2009 CALENDAR

SUNDAY, MARCH 1

- 9:00 AM Youth/Senior High Choirs
- 9:30 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30 AM Worship & Church School
- 11:30 AM Fellowship Hour
- 11:45 AM Teacher Training Workshop
- 12:00 noon Confirmation Class
- 12:00 noon Personnel Committee Meeting
- 6:30 PM Senior High Youth Group

MONDAY, MARCH 2

- 7:00 PM Caring for Creation

TUESDAY, MARCH 3

- 10:15 AM Cherub Choir Rehearsal
- 1:00 PM Staff Meeting
- 2:00 PM Faith, Hope & Love Fellowship
- 3:30 PM Junior Choir Rehearsal
- 4:15 PM Alleluia Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 PM Church Council

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

- 7:00 PM Adult Education: Bible 101

THURSDAY, MARCH 5

- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY, MARCH 8

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS

- 9:00 AM Pick-up/Senior High Choir Rehearsal
- 9:00 AM Youth Class Youth Group Meeting
- 10:30 AM Worship & Church School
- 11:30 AM Fellowship Hour
- 12:00 noon Christian Education Committee Mtg.

TUESDAY, MARCH 10

- 10:15 AM Cherub Choir Rehearsal
- 1:00 PM Staff Meeting
- 2:00 PM Faith, Hope & Love Fellowship
- 3:30 PM Junior Choir Rehearsal
- 4:15 PM Alleluia Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30 PM Property Committee Meeting

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11

- 7:00 PM Adult Education: Bible 101

THURSDAY, MARCH 12

- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY, MARCH 15

- 9:00 AM Youth/Senior High Choirs
- 9:15 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30 AM Worship & Church School

SUNDAY, MARCH 15 con't

- 11:30 AM Fellowship Hour
- 2:00 PM Colossal 2009
- 6:30 PM Senior High Youth Group

MONDAY, MARCH 16

- 1:00 PM Alden Johnson Memorial

TUESDAY, MARCH 17

- 10:15 AM Cherub Choir Rehearsal
- 1:00 PM Staff Meeting
- 2:00 PM Faith, Hope & Love Fellowship
- 3:30 PM Junior Choir Rehearsal
- 4:15 PM Alleluia Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 PM Diaconate Meeting

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18

- 7:00 PM Adult Education: Bible 101

THURSDAY, MARCH 19

- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY, MARCH 22

- 9:00 AM Youth/Senior High Choirs
- 9:30 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30 AM Worship & Church School
- 11:30 AM Fellowship Hour
- 12:00 noon Potluck Luncheon and Games

TUESDAY, MARCH 24

- 10:15 AM Cherub Choir Rehearsal
- 1:00 PM Staff Meeting
- 2:00 PM The Good Afternoons
- 3:30 PM Junior Choir Rehearsal
- 4:15 PM Alleluia Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

- 7:00 PM Adult Education: Bible 101

THURSDAY, MARCH 26

- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

- 9:00 AM Youth/Senior High Choirs
- 9:30 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30 AM Worship & Church School
- 11:30 AM Fellowship Hour

TUESDAY, MARCH 31

- 10:15 AM Cherub Choir Rehearsal
- 1:00 PM Staff Meeting
- 2:00 PM Faith, Hope & Love Fellowship
- 3:30 PM Junior Choir Rehearsal
- 4:15 PM Alleluia Choir Rehearsal

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COMING SOON...
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2009
CROCODILE DOCK

WHERE THE FEARLESS KIDS SHINE GOD'S LIGHT

Our June Summer Program is in its planning stages and we need your help!

The Decoration Committee is beginning to collect items.

If you have an item to lend or donate, please bring it to church and give to Cindy Lou or Cathy.

Spanish moss, Inflatable alligators or crocs, Any "gator goodies". Pink flamingos, Rope lights , Fishing nets or other fishing equipment, Crates, Pom-poms, Cardboard tubes, Fishing line, and Camo netting
Registration information and confirmed dates will be available very soon in March. Please speak with the directors:

Cindy Lou Benson, cedirector@paysonpark.org

Cathy Meyer, musicdirector@paysonpark.org

THIS BAYOU IS A BLAST!