

THE PLEASANT TRAVELER  
March 2020

Pleasant Chapel  
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Sunday School 9:00 am

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Worship 10:00am



HUMBLE YOURSELVES THEREFORE UNDER  
THE MIGHTY HAND OF GOD, SO THAT HE  
MAY EXALT YOU IN DUE TIME.

1 PETER 5:6



# MARCH 2020

- Mar 6 Tammy Lickey
- Mar 6 Sawyer Hoffman
- Mar 6 Kelly Nei
- Mar 9 Rev. Steve Fritchman
- Mar 12 Madie Hicks
- Mar 17 David Fairchild
- Mar 22 Ryan Hoffman
- Mar 23 Garrett Dinius
- Mar 23 Deanne Hoffman
- Mar 23 Tom Rupert
- Mar 24 Ellen Colclessner
- Mar 25 John Sherbahn
- Mar 27 Bill Sherbahn
- Mar 28 Valerie Raichart
- Mar 28 Vivian Hoffman

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

**Thank you** to each one who has been leading the children's church during the worship service.

## Anniversaries

- Mar 4 Barry and Sally Knuckles
- Mar 31 Dan and Deborah Hunter

## March Greeters

- Mar 1 Phil and Nicole
- Mar 8 Mike and Cory
- Mar 15 Vicki and Cindy
- Mar 22 Leona And Ashlee
- Mar 29 Monica and Heather

## March Acolytes

- Mar 1 Colclessers
- Mar 8 Magnusons
- Mar 15 Amicks
- Mar 22 Hands
- Mar 29 Ayers

## April Greeters

- Apr 5 Tom and Tammy L.
- Apr 12 Andy and Andrea
- Apr 19 John and Anna
- Apr 26 Nick and Kasey

## April Acolytes

- Apr 5 Hands
- Apr 12 Wisels
- Apr 19 Amicks
- Apr 26 Colclessers

## Events

- Mar 2 – Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30pm
- Mar 8 – Daylight Savings Time
- Mar 9 – Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30pm
- Mar 11 - UMW @ 10am at the church to do cleaning. Lunch will be provided. Business meeting and lesson at 1pm.
- Mar 16 – Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30pm
- Mar 21 - Soup Supper 4-7
- Mar 23 – Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30pm
- Mar 30 – Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30pm
- April 9 – Maundy Thursday at Seminary UMC 7pm
- April 10 – Good Friday at Christ UMC 7pm

## Inter-Church Events

- Mar 20** Fish Fry at Christ's UMC
- May 16** Spring in the Village
- July 25** Roanoke Car Show – Christ's UMC food booth
- Aug 1** Taste of Roanoke
- Sept. 11-12** Fall Fest

## United Methodist Women

The Pleasant Chapel UMW met on Wednesday, February 12 at the church. President Jill Law opened the meeting with devotions. Roll Call was answered by telling our favorite cookie. Minutes were read and approved. Correspondence: a thank you from Carolann Sherbahn for the poinsettia at Christmas. Also a thank you note from John Chesterman. Treasurer's report was given.

Missions: A news article was on the front page of the TAB NEWSPAPER about LOVE, INC. They thanked Pleasant Chapel for doing painting in the rooms use for their clothing part of the building.

**Bible Studies** - All are invited to Parson's home each Monday at 6:30 (unless otherwise announced) for an hour of study and discussion.

**Thank you** to each one who has furnished snacks for the coffee/cookie table. Everyone enjoys this!

Cards were signed to send to shut-ins and friends. Offerings were taken.

Program: Ellen Colclessler presented the program. Refreshments were served to five ladies.

**Sign up papers** for the coffee/cookie table snacks and also children's church are on the table in front of the mailboxes. Everyone's help is appreciated!

**SOUPER BOWL** - Donations from the SuperBowl totaled \$264.00 and \$150.00 from other donations to be used for the play center. Trustees are accepting any donations towards updating the playground. Thanks to all our great supporters for keeping church moving forward and serving our community.

**Great Job Pleasant Chapel** with the canned food drive for the local Food Pantry. Lots of stuff was donated and greatly appreciated!

### **Membership / Baptism.**

The church will be providing a three-week membership course this year during Lent. If you are interested in becoming a member of Pleasant Chapel, contact Joel. Membership Sunday will be April 19. We will have a Baptism service that Sunday as well. Meal and celebration to follow in the Fellowship Hall.



be early!). The locks have been changed, so if you had a key to the old doors and need a new one, see Rolla Parsons.

**Sunday March 8** - Daylight Savings Time begins. Turn your clocks ahead one hour on Saturday night before you go to bed.

**Soup Supper and Bazaar** on Saturday March 21 from 4-7. Menu includes Chili, Chicken Noodle Soup, Sandwiches, Celery and Carrot Sticks, Coffee, Orange Drink, Homemade Pies, and Cakes. Free will offering. All proceeds from the supper will go to the Trustees.

**Senior Dinners** – every Thursday at noon, held at St. Joe Catholic Church in Roanoke. Call Gretchen at 260-403-0365 for reservations. Cost is \$4.00.

### **Church**

#### **Doors**

In order to improve the safety of our doors and to make them compliant for fire emergencies, the

**Thank you** to everyone who has donated to the “Blanket Fund / Tools of Hope” mission project.

**LENT** As one of the oldest observations in Christendom, Lenten tradition has changed over the years, but its purpose has always been the same: self-examination and penitence, demonstrated by self-denial, in preparation for Easter.

Lent, which comes from an Anglo-Saxon word for “spring,” can be viewed as a spiritual spring cleaning: a time for taking spiritual inventory



**SouperBowl Winners** Karla Yeager (her husband is sure she sabotaged his soup), Barb Bowman (honorable mention Coda) and Tom Thornburg.



**SouperBowl Dessert Winners** – John Smith, Nancy Buckingham, Jeff Stetzel, Tammy Thornburg.

South (main) and South East doors have been updated to include crash bar exits. We will begin locking the outside doors during services. An usher will open the main door for anyone arriving after the doors have been locked (another good reason to

and then cleaning out everything which hinders a relationship with Christ.

Traditionally, the season of Lent begins with a sign of repentance: placing ashes mixed with oil on one's head or forehead. This day is known as Ash Wednesday.

However, we must realize that any Lenten disciplines/denials we demonstrate before God should be practiced to help us become closer to Christ and become more like Him, not to wallow in our repentance or try to gain favor or earn more love from God.

**How Are You Preparing?**

For Christians in the early centuries, this sacred season before Easter was usually a time of training for new disciples. However, the Bible tells us that whether someone is a new believer or a seasoned one, intense spiritual training is always in season.

2 Timothy 2:20-22 gives us a healthy example of what spiritual preparation looks like:

Now in a large house there are not only gold and silver vessels, but also vessels of wood and of earthenware, and some to honor and some to dishonor. Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from these things, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified, useful to the Master, prepared for every good work. Now flee from youthful lusts and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, with those

who call on the Lord from a pure heart.

This passage is part of Paul's warning to Timothy about false teachers. In our culture's bent toward what many call a "prosperity gospel," (the claim that if we commit ourselves to God and live in a way that pleases Him, we will have little or no troubles in life) it is particularly important to heed Paul's warning ourselves.

For spiritual preparation, it is important to get under sound, Biblical teaching. How will we know the difference between sound doctrine and words spoken to make us "feel" better? By studying and knowing the Bible and praying for wisdom and discernment.

In verse 20, Paul uses the example of the vessels. The gold and silver vessels to which he refers are those used for noble purposes. Those represent the things in our lives that are agents to make us more holy and which can be used to glorify God.

The latter vessels he mentions, "wood and earthenware," were more than likely examples of vessels used for garbage or excrement. These vessels are representative of the things we need to get rid of in our lives—anything that prevents us from growing closer to Christ and becoming more like Him.

What are these vessels—both examples—in your life? It's time to take inventory and become "useful to the Master."

Let's look at one other principle of spiritual preparation in verse 22:

Now flee from youthful lusts and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart.

Paul was reminding Timothy of his responsibilities as a young leader, in light of the false teaching that was around them. When we give way to the corruption around us ("youthful lusts"), we make ourselves more susceptible to believe lies, whether directly from the enemy or from false teaching.

Furthermore, we should strive for a pure heart through the pursuit of righteousness (adherence to God's moral law), faith (trust in God and faithfulness to Him), love (attitude and action of commitment to God and others) and peace (harmonious relationship with God and others).

The best way to grow as disciples of Christ is to not limit our spiritual preparation to the Lenten season, but to pursue these things daily throughout the rest of our time here on earth.

*Joy Allmond - Billy Graham Evangelistic Association*

**Holy Week**

- April 5 - Palm Sunday*
- April 9 – Maundy Thursday (Service at Seminary)*
- April 10 – Good Friday (Service at Christ's)*
- April 12- Easter Sunrise Service 7:06*
- Breakfast Service at 10:00*

	December 8, 2019	December 15, 2019	December 22, 2019	December 23, 2019	December 29, 2019	January 5, 2020	January 12, 2020	January 19, 2020	January 26, 2020	February 2, 2020	February 9, 2020	February 16, 2020	February 23, 2020
Attendance	47	51	54	78	39	45	45	35	37	60	43	42	61
Giving	\$ 1,047	\$ 858	\$ 1,033	-	\$ 838	\$ 2,019	\$ 1,446	\$ 741	\$ 647	\$ 1,851	\$ 1,069	\$ 1,351	\$ 587

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