

CELEBRATING GOD'S BLESSINGS

With the new building nearing completion, there is a growing excitement and spirit of celebration among so many of us. If you are among those who have toured the new facility, you are aware of how large and beautiful it is. What a wonderful time of celebration this is! Your Building Design Team is to be applauded for their fine work in behalf of all of us. We are still hoping the building will be ready by Easter with a dedication to follow shortly afterwards.

We have been given a marvelous tool with which to accomplish our Lord's ministry and mission. As we open the new building, there will be many opportunities for groups, classes, and individuals to adopt a particular room and help equip it with what is needed for it to become fully functional. I encourage you, as you tour the new facility, to be thinking about how you might be of help. Besides the Great Hall, kitchen, library/media center, youth room (and storage!) downstairs, there are nine large class and meeting rooms upstairs. We will need your help in finishing them out.

You will be hearing various possible names being offered for the new building such as "Family Life Center" and "Christian Life Center." Our challenge is to make the name of whatever it ends up being called, broad enough to encompass the many ministries it will house, without excluding any. Session will be offering us the opportunity to make our suggestions and place them in the suggestion box. Be watching for more details about that opportunity.

Mark your calendars and plan to be a part of 11:00 AM worship on Sunday, March 9th. The Session will be making a very special presentation celebrating God's blessings to Eastminster Presbyterian Church. This will include an inspiring look at what God has been doing, a report on the 2008 Budget, and an thoughtful look at our needs during this transitional year. You don't want to miss this!

Allow me to encourage you to join us during this exciting time in celebrating God's many blessings to Eastminster! In the process, may God make us each a blessing to Him and a blessing to one another.

Among God's greatest blessings of course, is the celebration of our Lord's life, ministry, and death in Holy Week and Easter. *(See details on last page)*

In our Lord,

Dr. Bob

Wednesday Night Dinners

Come join us for a great meal and fellowship.

To **make reservations**, sign up on the blue form in the friendship pad on Sundays OR call the office by NOON on Monday (770-977-2976).

Cost:

\$7.00 Adults \$6.00 (65+)
\$4.00 Children under 10
\$20.00 Family of 4
(Please pay at the door)

(* notes healthy options)

March 5

Fried and *Baked Chicken
Macaroni & Cheese Green Beans
Salad Rolls/Bread
Dessert

March 12

Beef Bourguignon *Chicken Scaloppini
Buttered Noodles Carrots
Green Salad Rolls/Bread
Dessert
Kids: Chicken Fingers, Tater Tots

March 19

BBQ Pork, Wet & *Dry
Fried Chicken
Macaroni & Cheese Green Beans
Cole Slaw Rolls/Bread
Dessert

March 26

Soup & Salad Night
(Hearty and *Healthy Soups)
Green Salad Rolls/Bread
Dessert

BECAUSE HE LIVES... We Can Face Tomorrow!

Dear Beloved Friends,

We are nearing the end of our Lenten journey to the Cross. The remnants of a cold, harsh winter are beginning to dissipate, and we can see the beautiful signs of spring, as nature changes from barrenness to new life. Amid all of the beauty, though, we find ourselves constantly aware of all that is going on in our world. War is raging, millions are dying, thousands are losing their jobs and their homes, and worries over the world's future are spreading. This year our nation will elect a new leader, and so the anxiety is high as citizens wonder what our newly-elected President will mean for our nation.

I wonder how Christians around the world will celebrate Easter this year. Will the celebration be subdued, perhaps strained because of all that is going on? I think about our troops in the Middle East and wonder how they will celebrate Christ's resurrection in the midst of their firsthand experience of destruction, death, and human tragedy? Is there going to be a silver lining on the horizon in world events? In national events? In our own personal lives? Will the Easter message of God's victory over death ring true amid our human failure to stand united against the sin that has taken over the earth?

If ever the world needed the **Hope of the Resurrection**, it is now! Easter stands for that hope – the hope that no matter how dark and hopeless life may seem, God is still here and working for the good of humankind, working toward the re-establishment of peace and love between and among individuals and nations. Easter assures us that the only way for sin to be obliterated and death to be conquered is through the power of our Crucified and Risen Lord who is the **ONLY** way, the **ONLY** truth, and the **ONLY** life.

Let us recommit ourselves to daily, fervent prayer that this hope in the Resurrection will be realized throughout the world as well as in our own lives as the coming months unfold. During the Easter season, we must pray, pray, pray!! And as we do, we must remember that peace on earth begins in our own hearts. Bill and Gloria Gaither have expressed it best in one of their most beautiful hymns ever written: *“Because He lives, we can face tomorrow. Because He lives, all fear is gone. Because we know who holds the future, life is worth the living just because He lives!”* Hallelujah! Amen!

In Christ's Love,
Pat

“I know that my Redeemer lives...and in my flesh I shall see God.”
Job 19:25-26

BIRTHDAYS for March

1 Melinda Freeman
 1 Betty Ramsey
 2 Doug Traugher
 2 Kevin Keegan
 3 Sam Ulrich
 4 Winter Taylor
 4 Heidi Morris
 4 Jordan Shreiner
 4 Lauren Brock
 5 Sara Brown
 6 Pearl Fleming
 6 Taylor Yates
 7 Don Welborn
 7 Carol Banks
 7 Jo Byrd
 7 Meredith Shoop
 8 John Rood
 9 Grace Dailey
 10 Bryan Ntore
 10 Hannah Byrd
 10 Ray Daw
 12 Shannon Blakely
 12 Ryan Radler
 13 Landon Bradley
 14 Jane Struk
 14 Bill Keappler
 14 Sara Dilworth
 15 Andrew Burke
 15 Bailey Peacock
 16 Molly Boyenga
 16 Sylvian Williams
 16 Kay Oliver
 16 Sara Daw
 17 Michael Roberts
 17 Janie Bunch
 17 Dakota Capparucci
 18 John Robinson
 19 Ken Jacquot
 19 Leanne Wood
 19 Terry Tolbert
 19 Michael Brandon
 20 Marty Taylor
 20 Robin Watson
 20 Patrick Sain
 21 Sarah Keller
 21 Jordan Gardner

22 Brad Malone
 22 Paul Hobbs
 23 Dennis Olivier
 23 Lindsay Roberts
 23 Jack Bousquet
 25 Susan Messier
 27 Walter Keller
 27 Trentin Jacobson
 28 Pat Provan
 28 Brianna Laverty
 29 Lynette Saine
 29 Jane Douglas
 29 Sandra Allen
 29 Carolyn Tolbert
 29 Lynn Shoop
 29 Brian Freeman
 30 Margaret Gibbs
 30 Richonna Sanders
 30 Blake Mordecai
 31 Margaret McConnell

ANNIVERSARIES

1 Danny & Linda Zollweg
 3 Bob & Sarah Nielsen
 8 Neil & Devony Morgan
 9 John & Pamela Kemery
 10 Charlie & Annette Fields
 12 Richard & Jeanette Gowen
 14 Chuck & Kay Oliver
 16 Tom & Chiky Brandon
 16 Clark & Janet Turner
 20 Bob & Jane Douglas
 24 Chad & Sarah Brown
 25 Alan & Teri Gibson
 26 Trey & Janet Nickles



ATTENTION SENIORS



A handyman volunteer is available to help any of our senior members or visitors with minor home repairs. Please contact Pat Provan (770-973-2671) or Barbara Bodenheimer (770-971-3252) to make an appointment with a handyman.

COLLECTION OF EYEGLASSES



**Your discarded eyeglasses - someone else's vision.
 Collection of eyeglasses will conclude June 1st**

These glasses (and also cases are accepted), will be taken to third world countries where volunteer Optometrists and Oculists will test and prescribe eyeglasses to those who otherwise would have very limited vision. Thank you for your donation. If you have questions, contact Jeanette Gowen.

GREETERS

March 2

- 9:00 Dan & Theresa Collins
Devin & Sara Brown
11:00 Jim & Debbie Bussart
Fred & Barbara Duda

March 9

- 9:00 Jeff & Kimberly Madson
Jim & Joyce Coleman
11:00 Sarah Clarke
Ken Jacquot
Sharon Stilson

March 16

- 9:00 Martha Buckley
Dave & Carolyn Bigler
11:00 Jay & Leslie Michael
Bob & Sarah Nielsen

March 23

- 9:00 Larue & Caroline Cribb
Eric & Alison Horton
11:00 Randy Sherman
Candy McNair

March 30

- 9:00 Tom & Jan Conkright
Cheryl Neville
11:00 Tom & Kathy Schuette
Bob & Emily Gilbert

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKED

Blood Pressures will be checked by Healthcare Ministry Team members each Sunday between 10-11am in the office alcove to the left as you enter the Main Entrance. If you have any questions, please call 770-315-5357.

Kathy Wolfram

STEPHEN MINISTRY



Eastminster now has fourteen trained Stephen Ministers. What a blessing! But remember, we are all the eyes and ears of Jesus on earth today. It is our duty to be watching and listening to people around us, recognizing when they have needs for care. If you find someone with a need, listen and care. If you find the need is something greater than you can provide, tell the person about Stephen Ministry and put him or her in touch with a Stephen Minister at Eastminster. (call 770-977-2976, extention 13) Jesus is depending on us to be his eyes and ears on earth.

THE ROAD DRAMA TEAM

Do you have desire to serve the Lord, to bear witness to His greatness? Do you like to think out of the box and do things differently? Well-then The Road is the perfect mission opportunity for you!

The Road Drama Team is looking for mission driven individuals who want to help bring the joy of our Lord to those who have never experienced it or who are not comfortable in a traditional church environment. We need children, youth and adults - yes you too! We need people who can act (or be willing to learn), camera/recording savvy and set building able individuals.

If being on a committee is more your thing - you're in luck! The Core Team for The Road is also looking for individuals ready to serve! For questions or to sign up for the Drama Team, please contact Sandra Marin at 678-571-8713 or Chas Childers at the church. For the Core Team, please contact Jason Willard.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is expressed to:

Robert Chesser in the loss of his grandmother, Polly Kile;
Andrew Sain in the loss of his uncle.

Total Committed	\$1,433,590
January Receipts	10,966
Total Receipts	818,132

COME ONE...COME ALL!

To the annual EPC Garage Sale sponsored by the
Middle and Senior High youth groups.

Friday, February 29 and Saturday, March 1
8 a.m. - 2 p.m. each day in Fellowship Hall



We need your donations of re-saleable items for our annual garage sale. All of the proceeds of this event benefit those youth participating in the summer mission trip and/or week at Montreat. Please start collecting at home. We will begin accepting your donations beginning Wednesday evening, February 27, in Fellowship Hall, and also all day Thursday and Friday, February 28 and 29.

Volunteers are needed to help sort, display and price items beginning Thursday morning February 28. If you are interested in being part of this fun event, please call Sarah Nielsen 770-321-5476 or Cameron Pauquette 678-910-9691. Thank you for your generosity and participation.

ST. JOSEPH'S CANCER SURVIVORS' NETWORK CONFERENCE

St. Joseph's Hospital has invited the membership of EPC to join them for a free day of information, inspiration and support at the Eighth Annual Sharing the Journey Cancer Survivors' Conference on Saturday, March 29, 7:30am to 4:30pm, in the Carroll Conference and Education Center at St. Joseph's Hospital. Brochures are available in the narthex, and more information can be found at their website http://www.saintjosephsatlanta.org/cancer_center/cancer_survivors_network/annual_conference.html

EASTER LILIES

Easter is rapidly approaching. It is a great time to buy and dedicate a beautiful Easter lily in honor of loved ones, in memory of loved ones, or presented to Eastminster. The cost is \$8.00 and may be dedicated as follows:

of Plants _____ (please print)

_____ In loving memory of _____

_____ In honor of _____

_____ Presented to Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Name of Donor: _____

Please enclose check and return to the church office before March 9.

PAINTING ON GLASS Two Classes

Some people have expressed an interest in this craft and we are going to have a meeting on March 11th in fellowship hall from 10:00 to 11:00 to discuss the items we will need. Start looking now for patterns or pictures that you can use as a pattern. Lots of objects can be used and there are lots of plain glass items available at various stores. We will discuss the different type of paints that can be used. Then on Tuesday, March 18th from 10:00 until 1:00 we will gather again to get started painting. I am new at this too but I think you will find it fun and just think of all those wonderful, original creations that you can make.

REMEMBER...March 11 and March 18 at 10:00 in fellowship hall.
Call Nancy Speiser at 770-977-0379 if you have questions.

GENESIS CIRCLE

Since we missed our January meeting, here is an updated schedule of lessons:

March - Jonah 4 April - Ruth 1
May - Ruth 2 and 3 June - Ruth 4

This will allow us to finish up our study. We can meet for dinner in July or August before resuming in September to study Luke.

SPUNKY SPIRITS CIRCLE

The Spunky Spirits will be meeting March 13, in the home of Jan Walls, 1495 Wheaton Lane, Marietta, 30068, (770) 977-0316. Come and join our Bible study and enjoy the fellowship. Bring a dish to share for lunch. For more information, contact Nancy Speiser (770) 977-0379 or Jane Merry (678) 560-0218.

BRIDGE LESSONS



Just for the FUN of it! Beginning April 19th, the classes will run for 8 weeks from 10-12 in the fellowship hall. Taught by Bob and Emily Gilbert, this class is for beginners and for the low price of \$17 you will get great instruction, the book *"Bridge for Idiots"* and all the fun you can stand! To sign up or for further information or questions, contact Jan Walls before April 11th at jan.walls@comcast.net or 770-977-0316. You know you've always wanted to learn how to play bridge. Now is your chance!



The Easter Bunny will be hoping by March 15th from 2 - 4pm at the East Cobb Park. Our very own contemporary band (The Road) will be playing. Everyone is welcome to attend! Donations of wrapped candy will be collected in the alcove until March 12th.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL--HELP!!

We need YOU! It is time for our Sunday School teachers to have a break after all their hard work this school year. We need volunteers/parents to help teach during the summer months. There will be sign-up sheets in the alcove. We would like to have a rotating team of about 4 teachers per class. See Allison for more information. Thanks in advance for all your help!

THE FLOWERING CROSS

This year Eastminster will have what is called a “flowering cross” outside on the lawn. This is an especially beautiful and striking way to symbolize the new life that emerges from the death of Christ on Good Friday to the new life which we celebrate on Easter Morn. There are various adaptations of this symbol. Our church will have a cross covered with chicken wire mesh, and worshipers will each place flowers on the cross before and/or after the Easter Service. The contrast between the starkly bare cross that worshipers have seen for 40 days and the living, flowering cross of Easter Sunday dramatically and visually represents the new life that we celebrate as we witness the instrument of death being transformed into a symbol of new life and new beginnings.

Members are asked to bring artificial flowers to place on the cross. It will indeed be a beautiful witness to our community – a witness which says, “Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!”

“I am the resurrection and the life.” John 11:25

If you have questions, please contact Carolyn Waters or Pat Slomanski.

SCOUT NEWS



February is a month of service and celebration in the Pack. Throughout the month, our boys will be collecting canned food and other non-perishable food items as part of our “Can Hunger” Food Drive. These donations will be taken to MUST or to Cobb Family Resource Centers. We are always happy to help restock food pantries who see a decline in donations after the holidays. Another wonderful Cub Scout tradition will be celebrated on February 24th, as

we enjoy our Blue and Gold Banquet. A fun evening of awards, presentations, songs, skits and good food help us celebrate the birthday of the Scouting program. It is time for us to say good-bye to our Webelo II's as they cross-over into their Boy Scout Troops. A very special evening event is being planned for these young men as they are awarded the Arrow of Light and complete their Cub Scout careers. As always, we welcome you to come and “check us out.” We have a lot to offer your son and your family. Pack 565, where every day is a great day for scouting.

Cindy Moran
Whmracer99@aol.com

FASHION SHOW

The Presbyterian Village Auxiliary is hosting a luncheon fashion show and annual meeting on April 12 at 12:30pm at the Village Center. Seating is limited. Tickets are \$20. All proceeds go to the Caring Hands Fund. Please call Dolly Kretsch at 770-973-2396 for reservations.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Eastminster provides and serves dinner at MUST Ministries on the 9th of each month. We need three or four volunteers to sign up for one night. Please call Patti Cosson at 770-953-1895. Sign up sheet is in the alcove.

ACOLYTES

- Mar. 2** Hannah Byrd & Emily Shreiner
- Mar. 9** Jessie Welborn & Amanda Horton
- Mar. 16** David Pirlot & Melanie Chesser
- Mar. 23** Ashleigh Gehman, Blakely Willard
- Mar. 30** Sam Watson & Jake Sphar

Cross Bearers

- Mar. 2** Michelle Watson
- Mar. 9** Janelle Welborn
- Mar. 16** Bonnie Pirlot
- Mar. 23** Taylor Gehman
- Mar. 30** Ryan Ryder

Parent Helpers

- March 2 & 9** - Eric & Alison Horton
- March 16, 23, 30** - Jason & Karrie Willard

Session Meeting Highlights February 2008

- ◆ A request for Letter of Transfer for Kathryn Collins from Roswell Presbyterian Church was received and approved. Session approved a request from Joyce Shelton to be moved from inactive to active membership.
- ◆ Session approved the baptism of the infant child of Jeffry and Kimberly Madson on March 9, 2008 at the 11:00 service.
- ◆ Session approved the wedding of non-members Dawn Neisess and Jonathan Wilcox on June 14, 2008. Dr. Bullock will officiate.
- ◆ Session approved the annual review of the membership rolls and the church record for 2007.
- ◆ Session approved the use of the Fellowship Hall on February 23, 2008, for the Model A Restorer's Club meeting.
- ◆ Session approved Scout Sunday to be held on February 24, 2008.
- ◆ Session approved "The Teaching Company's Great Courses" for use by the Faithbuilder's Class for the Fall of 2008.
- ◆ The following members were approved to serve: Ken Jacquot was approved to serve on the Small Group Ministry Team. Jan Walls, JJ Griffin, and Glenna Sullivan were approved to serve on the Fellowship Team. Ashley Mordecai was approved to serve on the Long-Range Planning Team. Tom and Jan Conkright were approved to serve on the Mission Team. Candy McNair and Claudia Downs were approved to serve on the Evangelism Team.
- ◆ The Session approved the following events for the Fellowship Team: "Bridge for Beginners" classes, for eight weeks beginning April 19; a "Pairs & Spares" board game night on March 29 at Edgemere Lake Clubhouse; the Annual Easter Egg Hunt on March 15 at East Cobb Park from 2-4:00 PM; an "Art Group Painting Workshop" to be taught by Nancy Speiser on March 4th and 11th in the Fellowship Hall; a time of celebration following each worship service on Easter Sunday; a "Kitchen Clean-Up Day" on February 24; the Annual Christmas Party to be held on December 6, 2008; a Craftsmen Ministry "NCAA tournament viewing" get together on March 27 at a local restaurant.
- ◆ Session approved a motion to authorize John Speiser, a certified lay pastor, to serve the Lord's Supper at the Craftmen's Retreat on February 24.
- ◆ Session approved relocating and installing the existing kitchen hood and fire suppression system in the new building's kitchen at a total cost not to exceed \$6,800.
- ◆ Two change orders were approved for the new building. The first is to add a wall with three doors between the main hallway and serving area of the new building at a cost of \$3027.39. The second is to build a wall in the existing kitchen to create a hallway connecting the new building to the existing church at a cost of \$700.
- ◆ A motion was made and approved that the Elder Retreat would be held at Unicoi State Park on April 25 & 26, with each person attending paying their own way.
- ◆ Session approved a motion from the Stewardship & Finance Team that the period of time within which the church's restricted funds can be borrowed for general operating purposes be extended from February 28, 2008 until April 30, 2008.
- ◆ The next Stated Meeting of Cherokee Presbytery will be on February 26, 2008 at Presbyterian Village in Austell.
- ◆ The following Called Session Meetings will be held: Sunday, March 2 at 12:15 in the parlor for the purpose of receiving new members; Wednesday, March 12 at 6:45 in the parlor for the purpose of receiving new confirmands.
- ◆ The next Stated Session Meeting will be held on March 12, 2008 at 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Brock, Clerk to Session

HOLY WEEK PRAYER SERVICES

Monday, March 17 – Saturday, March 22
12:15 – 12:45pm in the Sanctuary

“Journey to the Cross”

Each year, as we move toward Easter, we travel on our personal journey with Christ. We join Jesus on the road as He moves to and through the cross. It is interesting to note that some of Jesus’ most powerful and poignant experiences took place on the road. In a real sense, we could say that Jesus spent His whole life on the road. He was born on a road trip. He died on a road trip. And one of his most dramatic post-Resurrection appearances occurred on the road to Emmaus.

During each day of Holy Week we will explore some of these experiences as we repent, reflect, and pray. You are invited to join us as we pause at noon to focus on Jesus, to give thanks to God for His sacrifice, and to draw closer to Him in prayer as we move closer to the cross and the glory of Easter morn.

Monday: The Road to Damascus
Tuesday: The Road Through the Wilderness
Wednesday: The Road To Jerusalem
Thursday: The Road To Jericho
Friday: The Bethany Road
Saturday: The Road Home

WORSHIP LEADERS: Reverend Pat Slomanski
John Speiser, Commissioned Lay Pastor

EASTER BASKETS for Thornwell Children's Home

Each year PW collects Easter Basket items for the children at Thornwell Children's Home in Clinton, SC. This year, instead of traditional candy and goodies, they have asked for HEALTH AND WELLNESS ITEMS for the children. Food items such as individual bags of baked Goldfish crackers, fruit roll-ups, and small cans of fruit and applesauce would be greatly appreciated. Any type of toy that promotes outdoor activities such as jump ropes, sidewalk chalk, or small balls would be great additions to the children's Easter Baskets. There are 32 children under age 12, and 44 children over age 12. All your donations will be enjoyed greatly! You can put donations in the box in the alcove from March 2nd - March 16th. Questions? call Janie Bunch or Kelley Carswell

CHRISTIAN LIFE CONFERENCE Montreat, NC

One of the best parts of the Conference is staying together at "Eastminster House" with your church family. To make sure we have enough room for everyone, we need to know by March 15th if you and your family are planning to be with us. (You can always decide later and stay at the Inn.) This is such a great conference that almost everyone who has attended is returning this year.

Things to remember about the conference.

- ◆ It is a conference for the whole family. (Parents are encouraged to bring their kids)
- ◆ Worship is contemporary and exciting and very meaningful.
- ◆ The Speakers are the best anywhere and will leave you wanting more.
- ◆ The breakout sessions are impactful but are also optional
- ◆ Montreat is absolutely beautiful, you will feel the closeness of God here.
- ◆ You will get to know your family in a much more personal way and will really enjoy them.

Here are the details:

- Let John know that you will be attending (email: j_speiser@msn.com)
- Share housing and meal expenses approximate cost \$80/adult person
- Send in your registration form with appropriate fees as follows:
- Before May 31, each adult \$95, kids \$45, family maximum \$260
- All fees increase after May 31



Meet Our 2008 Confirmands

Confirmation is an important time in the life of our young people. It is a time when our youth confirm for themselves the vows that were taken on their behalf when they were baptized as infants. Baptism, of course, stands alone and is not dependent on confirmation to be complete. It is, however, a time when our youth prepare themselves for full communicant membership in the church. It is a time for launching a new phase of their lives in their walk with Christ and in His Church. It is a time for the church to commission them to service that fits their gifts. It is also a time when the Confirmands publicly confess their faith in Jesus Christ. On Palm Sunday three of our young people will be confirmed after completing six weeks of preparatory classes. Those who will be presented are:

Lucas John: Lucas is thirteen years old and attends Mt. Bethel Christian Academy where he is in the eighth grade. He is the son of Eric and Julie John and has a brother, Brady. Lucas likes to play tennis and soccer, read, and play video games. His favorite subjects in school are Science, Math, and Bible. Alan Gibson has served as Lucas' Elder Mentor during this time of preparation for church membership.

Tyler Melton: Tyler attends Dodgen Middle School where he is in the eighth grade. He loves singing in the school chorus, playing football, and trying to get a game of paintball in when he has time. Tyler is also very active in the EPC Youth Group where he enjoys doing anything that is related to the church. He is really looking forward to this year's mission trip to New York even though it falls on his birthday!! Tyler is the son of Patrick and Becky Melton and is the "big" brother to Max and Ansley Elizabeth. Janet McIntire has served as Tyler's Elder Mentor during this time of preparation for church membership.

Hayden Karp: Hayden is a ninth grader at Walton High School where he enjoys participating in all kinds of sports – especially playing football and rugby! He is a HUGE UGA fan and loves going to their games. Hayden is the son of Jessica Karp and the "baby" brother of Phillip. Tom Schuette has served as Hayden's Elder Mentor during this time of preparation for church membership.

We would like to thank the following persons who have made this training effective and possible:

Teachers: Allison Scholtens, Cheri Olivier, Jordan Gardner, Dolly Kretsch, John Speiser, Pat Slomanski

Food: Jessica Karp, Becky Melton, Julie John, Margaret Gibbs, Leigh Sain, Janet McIntire

Elders: Tom Schuette, Alan Gibson, and Janet McIntire

ADULT MISSION TRIPS

The mission group, In The Carpenter's Footsteps (THECARPENTERSFOOTSTEPS.ORG), has once again invited any interested members of Eastminster to join them on their 2008 mission trips. At this time, a trip to Jamaica is being planned for May 21-28th and another trip to Costa Rica will be in July. They hope to begin preparing the site for a Christian school in Jamaica and complete work on a church child care center in Costa Rica.

Eastminster has sent members on trips with this group for 4 out of the last 5 years, and I would be happy to put you in touch with them for a first hand account of their experiences.

The cost is approximately \$1,100 per person and our own Mission Team has partial scholarships available for these or any other eligible adult trips. If you are interested in either of these trips, or would like more information, please call Karen Jones at 678-445-8080.

March 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 8a Job Seekers (P) 8-2 Youth Yard Sale 4:30 Beecher/Collup Wedding
2 9a Worship 10a Sunday School 11a Worship 12:15p Session Mtg (P) 12:15p Reception for Stephen Min. (FH) 12:30p Confirmation (P) 2p Road Rehearsal 3p Lenten Study (P) 5p The Road 6p Youth Groups	3 6p Stephen Min (CR) 7p CE (6) 7p CT (P) 7:30p Boy Scout (FH) 7:30p B&G (7) 8p Women's Study (H)	4 7a Prayer Group (P) 4p Webelos (FH) 6:45p Stephen Min (P)	5 9:30a Garden Club (FH) 10a Bible Study (P) 4:30p Prime Timers (P) 5p Youth Choir 5p Cherub Choir 5:30p Junior Choir 6p Meal 6:30p Handbells 7p The Element (FH) 7p Kids (4) 7p Bible Study 7p Happy Rocks (6) 7:30p Chancel Choir	6 6p Worship (P)	7 7:15 Senior High Youth Einsteins Middle High Retreat @ Camp Cherokee 5:30p Rehearsal	8 ----- 6p Dubose Wedding
9 Daylight Saving Time Begins 9a Worship 10a Sunday School 11a Worship 12:15p Cong. Gathering 2p Road Rehearsal 3p Lenten Study (P) 5p The Road 6p Youth Groups 6:45p Bowling	10 10a Craft Circle (P) 6:30p Evangelism (CR) 7p Fellowship (7) 7p Finance (P) 7:30p Cong. Care (6) 7:30p Boy Scouts (FH) 8p Women's Study (H)	11 7a Prayer Group (P) 10a Painting Cl. (FH) 6p A&P (P) 7p Sr. High Group (H)	12 10a Circle of Friends (P) 5p Youth Choir 5p Cherub Choir 5:30p Junior Choir 6p Meal 6:30p Handbells 6:45p Session (FH) 7p The Element (FH) 7p Kids (4) 7p Bible Study 7p Happy Rocks (6) 7:30p Chancel Choir	13 11a Spunky Spirits (H) 7p Genesis Circle (P)	14 7:15 Senior High Youth Einsteins 5:15p Youth to Passion Play	15 8a Job Seekers (FH) 2p Egg Hunt at East Cobb Park Suppers of Eight
16 Palm Sunday 9a Worship 10a Sunday School 11a Worship 2p Road Rehearsal 3p Lenten Study (P) 5p The Road 6p Youth Groups	17 12:15p Prayer Service 5p Brownie (FH) 6p Stephen Min (CR) 7:30p Boy Scouts (FH)	18 7a Prayer Group (P) 10a Painting Cla (FH) 12:15p Prayer Service 4p Webelos 1 (FH)	19 10a Bible Study (P) 12:15p Prayer Service 4:30p Prime Timers (P) 5p Youth Choir 5p Cherub Choir 5:30p Junior Choir 6p Meal 6:30p Handbells 7p The Element (FH) 7p Kids (4) 7p Bible Study 7p Happy Rocks (6) 7:30p Chancel Choir	20 12:15p Prayer Service 6p Girl Scouts (FH) 7p Maundy Thursday Service	21 7:15 Senior High Youth Einsteins 12:15p Prayer Service 7p Good Friday Service	22 12:15p Prayer Service
23 Easter 6:45a Sunrise Service 7:45a Breakfast (FH) 9a Worship 10a Sunday School 11a Worship Open House & Refreshment after services 2p Road Rehearsal 5p The Road	24 (Office Closed) 7p LRP(P) 7p Fellowship of Moms 7:30p Boy Scouts (FH)	25 7a Prayer Group (P) 6:30p Pack 565 (FH) 7p Sr. High Group (H)	26 10a Bible Study (P) 5p Youth Choir 5p Cherub Choir 5:30p Junior Choir 6p Meal 6:30p Handbells 7p The Element (FH) 7p Kids (4) 7p Bible Study 7p Happy Rocks (6) 7:30p Chancel Choir	27 6p Girl Scouts (FH)	28 7:15 Senior High Youth Einsteins	29 9-1p Health Fair (FH) 7p Pairs & Spares Social
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MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

March 20, 7 PM

Join us as we celebrate The Lord's Supper in a tableau vivant that may deepen your understanding about the events that culminate Christ's life on earth and give rise to His hope for humankind!

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

March 21, 7 PM

This somber service reminds us of the ultimate sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ for the sake of each human being. As we leave in darkness, may we understand and more fully appreciate the gift of light and love that dawns on Easter morning.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE - 6:45 AM

Craftsmen's Breakfast - 7:45 AM in fellowship hall

Join us as we celebrate the glorious Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We will meet on the grounds of Eastminster at 6:45am to praise God, to celebrate Christ's resurrection, and to joyfully proclaim, "Christ the Lord is risen today!" Hallelujah! The Craftsmen invite everyone to a breakfast in the fellowship hall following the celebration.

"But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid: I know you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for He has been raised, as He said." Matthew 28:5-6

OPEN HOUSE on Easter

We are looking forward to an OPEN HOUSE following church services on Easter Sunday. Refreshments will be served.