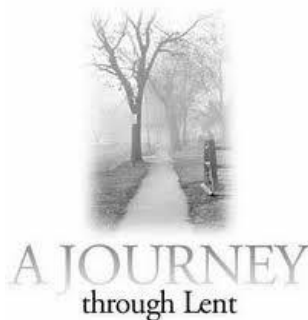


BIG COVE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MID-WEEK REMINDERS

Week of March 30-April 5, 2014



WORSHIP LEADERS for *this coming Sunday, April 6:*

9 AM: Greeter: Ryan Pepper
Host/Hostess: Ross Rutledge
Worship Leader: Ross Rutledge
Power Point: Gary Indihar

11 AM: Usher: Mickey Sharp
Worship Leader: Tennent Lee
Readers: Gail Birdsong (Exodus 17:1-7)
Larry Clark (Acts 9:19b-22; 26-31)

Care Center and Wave Team leaders for *the rest of this week, through April 5:*

Care Center Pick-up: Pat Burke
WAVE Team: Hartwell & Pat Lutz

Care Center and Wave Team leaders for *next week, April 6-12:*

Care Center Pick-up: Pat Burke
WAVE Team: Jane Rutledge

The Children's Home Box brought in **\$68.00** this week. *Thank you!*

MEETINGS and Activities this week:

- **It's Immersion time again with Tennent Lee** leading us in our study of the OT books, Esther and Ruth. It all begins with a BYO bag supper at 5:30; study begins at 6:00 p.m. Come join us!
- **Thursday morning prayer group** will meet on April 3.
- **Remember the clean up day on Saturday, April 5,** beginning at 8:00. (See details under Opportunities for Service below.)
- **Christian Exploration continues** this Sunday, April 6. Tom Jones will lead the second session of the "Who Is God?" unit from "Common Theological Questions." This study will continue until May 18, except for Easter (April 20) & May 11 (Mother's Day--when there will be an intergenerational event). *~Please join us! (note that the material for this Sunday's study is attached to the same e-mail as the midweeks)*

- **SNY will meet** this Sunday, April 6, 5:30-7:00 in the white church.
- **There is a sign-up sheet for Easter lily dedications** on the table in the back of the sanctuary. Write checks to Big Cove Presbyterian Church with “Easter Lily Dedication” on the “For” line-- \$10 per lily—and place them in the offering plates or give them to Diane Lee. *Deadline is Palm Sunday (April 13).*

Important Announcements, Dates & Deadlines

- **2014 Picture Directory!** It is time to update our directory, and we need your help! If you would like a new photo (or a first photo!), please contact Mary Hooper at mhooper@bigcovechurch.org or at 256-533-5570. Let her know which service you typically attend, and we will provide a time and a photographer! Deadline for photos is April 27. Don't delay!
- **Speaking of pictures: Do you have pictures relating to the church or church activities?** Using both Facebook and our web site, we are looking to enhance our archives and project our church's story and atmosphere in an energetic way that will appeal to newcomers and other potential visitors who may be seeking a church home. Please send your pictures (along with a note to describe them) to Mike Feehan. We can also use paper photos if you wouldn't mind loaning them to us briefly to be copied and then returned to you. (FYI: Some of these also might show up in the directory.)
- **Seder Supper Reservations:** If you plan to attend the Seder at 6 PM on April 13, please contact Mary and let her know how many will attend and whether you prefer chicken or lamb. Due to the planning required, we need reservations, please. The Seder is a family/kid friendly event, so parents, please bring your children, too. Help them learn about Jesus' traditions! The meal is free!
- *****One Great Hour of Sharing:** Since 1949 Presbyterians have joined with millions of other Christians through **One Great Hour of Sharing** to share God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world. Your generous gifts to this Special Offering help provide relief to those affected by natural disasters, provide food to the hungry, and assist in helping to empower the poor and oppressed. We will take up this offering *on Easter Sunday*, but you can also make an online gift at <http://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/specialofferings/one-great-hour-sharing-offering/>. Share the new life of Easter!
- *****Calling all Easter Bunnies!** We need your candy filled eggs to help us have another successful Easter Egg Hunt. Please bring in a dozen filled candy eggs this Sunday (4/6) or next Sunday (4/13) and leave them in a bag in the vestibule. We will gather them up and hide them for the kids on Easter. Send questions to Vicki Waldrop **THANKS!**

*****Opportunities for service**

- *****From our friends at Owens Cross Roads Elementary School...** (via Vicki Waldrop)
We have two needs with which we need assistance. We have a short in the wiring of our speaker box and are looking for someone with technical sound system knowledge who could volunteer their services to fix it. We also are raising money to break ground on a Pre-K playground. We have several pieces donated but are attempting to raise approximately \$15,000 to complete the play area. If you can help in either area, please contact Principal Weeks at the email below!
Email Principal Weeks with any comments, concerns or questions.

- *****There will be a BCPC Spring Clean up on Saturday, April 5th, 8 to whenever (noonish).**
This will support the appearance of our church for Easter Sunday!

Some of the items we plan to cover are:

White Church

- Outside grounds, mulch, planting, trimming as needed
- Outside lights
- Old frig disposal
- Change filters

Brick church

- Outside grounds, mulch, planting, trimming as needed
- Tree replacement
- Inside assistance:
 - A. Hanging bulletin boards & white boards
 - B. Weather stripping

Be aware the Huntsville Gourd Group will be meeting in the White Church that Saturday morning also. I have verified that we will not impact their activities.

Please let me know if you have some other items that need attention and if you can support. Bring your gloves, tools, rakes, and water.

There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the back of the sanctuary for volunteers!

[April 12 will be the rain/back up day]

Thanks! –Dallas

- *****Volunteers needed!! The New Hope Children's Clinic** is holding the New Hope Children's Clinic ***2nd Annual Easter Egg Hunt*** on Saturday, April 12, 2014 starting at 10:30. Big Cove Presbyterian Church has been asked to sponsor the "Cake Walk." We need volunteers to set up and run this event . We also need help hiding Easter eggs and handing out prizes. This will be a fun event and a perfect service opportunity for tweens and teens. Please contact Kathy Abalos .
- *****Watch for details about a Bag of Blessings** pack night for the CARE center in mid-May!

Happy Birthday this week!

Brian Birdsong on March 31

Happy Anniversary this week!

Brian and Robyn Birdsong on March 31

Betty King & Rodney Renfroe on April 4