

Big Cove News

March 2016

Big Cove Presbyterian Church (USA)

March Elder on Call
Dexter Gentle

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Brief Important Reminders

- **Immersion Bible study** continues Wednesday, March 3 at 6:00.
- **Thursday Prayer group** will meet at 10 Thursday, 4.
- **Centering Prayer** will meet at 6:00 on Monday evening, March 7. Kathy is the scheduled leader.
- **First Saturday Bible Time for Everyone** will gather at 9:30 this Saturday, March 5
- **Clean-up day** this Saturday, March 5, 8:00-12:00 (Rain date March 12)
- **Please remember** to let Mary know when to add names to or take names off the [prayer request list](#).
- **I made a mistake on the Flower Chart**, and there are now 2 vacant Sundays, April 10 and 17, but otherwise we'll have flowers in the sanctuary through the first week in July. If you would like to take one of those Sundays in April, feel free to sign up in the stairwell vestibule.
- **Changes in Holy Week Schedule this year:** the Seder supper and the Maundy Thursday service will be combined on Thursday evening of Holy week and there will be only two services (at the usual 9:00 & 11:00) on Easter Sunday (no sunrise service)

The Children's Home Box brought in \$40.00 this week. Thank you!

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

<p><u>9 AM:</u> Greeter: Ryan Pepper Host/Hostess: Ross Rutledge Worship Leader: Ross Rutledge Power Point: Jeff Stephens</p>	<p><u>11 AM:</u> Usher: Larry Clark Worship Leader: Tennent Lee Reader: David Lilly ()</p>
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Care Center and WAVE Team leaders

<p><u>through March 5:</u> CARE Center Pick-up: Gail Birdsong WAVE Team: Connie Sharp</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><i>next week <u>March 6-12:</u></i> CARE Center Pick-up: Gail Birdsong WAVE Team: Linda Wheeler</p>
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Your Session at Work

At the Session meeting, the following items were addressed.

- Approved all routine business.
- Voted to combine the positions of choir director and accompanist until the end of June.
- Discussed the options for repairing the printer.
- Referred the invitation from Faith Presbyterian to participate in a combined worship service, festival and barbecue luncheon in celebration of Independence Day to the worship committee.
- Decided not to hold a sunrise service on Easter for this year
- Discussed finding an interim pastor.



This month's session meetings will be at 6 PM on March 17 in the large classroom upstairs. These meetings are open. If you would like something addressed, please let the Clerk, Neva Beasley, know beforehand, and please keep these of the officers for 2016 in your prayers.



Time to "Spiff-Up" Big Cove!

Spring clean-up around both churches is planned for Saturday, March 5 (in case of bad weather we will target March 12th). We will be raking, mulching, fertilizing trees, trimming, planting, pressure-washing and clearing the fence line (and doing whatever else may need attention).

Please bring your rakes, shovels, trimmers, clippers, wheel barrows, wagons and a pair of gloves. Planned work time is from 8 to noon (or any time in between).

For information, please contact Bruce Harvey.

Save those Outgrown Clothes!

Now that the weather is starting to shift, many of us are getting out warmer weather clothes for ourselves and our children, grandchildren, and other relatives. There's that dreaded moment of "oh no, does it fit?"

If it doesn't fit, please consider donating it to the **Presbyterian Home for Children**. They can use gently-used clothing items for children of all ages and sizes, as well as for the mothers of the children there.

There will be a tall laundry basket placed at the entrance to the sanctuary over the next few weeks for donations. Please consider donating anything you or your child or relative can no longer wear. While the preference is for spring and summer clothing, fall and winter clothing will be accepted as well.



Spring Forward



Heads UP!

Daylight Savings begins on March 13 this year!
Remember to turn your clocks forward an hour that night!

Holy Week is Coming Very Soon!

Come to Big Cove's Seder Meal!

Our traditional Seder Supper is coming up, and this year we are combining it with our Maundy Thursday service on March 24 at 6:00.

We welcome all to come and experience the ritual of the Jewish Seder we celebrate and reflect on the Last Supper.

Please call Mary at the Church office to reserve your seat.
Be prepared to bring a dish to share.

Kathy Barnhart will be providing the lamb and chicken entrees.



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Invitations to Entertaining or Enlightening Events

- **Our pianist, Jervon Niska**, who is musical director for the event, has invited us to "You Can't Stop That Spiel," a musical based on the story of Esther on March 3, 5, & 6 at the Temple B'nai Sholom (for complete details, see the flyer at the end of the newsletter)
- **The Women of Fellowship Presbyterian Church** have invited all Presbyterian Women in North Alabama Presbytery to a "Celebrate the Gifts of Women Weekend" on March 12 & 13. (See details on the flyer at the end of the newsletter)

Upcoming Opportunities for Service:

- Big Cove will participate in a **Bags of Blessings Pack Night** at the CARE Center on April 20 at 6pm; if you have questions, contact Melinda Harvey
- Along with friends from other Presbyterian Churches, Big Cove community members will be participating in **building a Habitat For Humanity home** this spring. Neva Beasley has agreed to be Big Cove's contact person, and she has placed a tentative schedule and sign-up sheet on the sideboard in the vestibule.
- **Feed the Homeless on Good Friday! The Downtown Rescue Mission** is hosting their first "Resurrection Banquet" on Friday, March 25. There are two opportunities to serve: help decorate the dining hall from 8-9 a.m. (10 people needed), or help serve the clients their holiday meal between 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. (50 people needed).

If you are interested in volunteering, please call the Mission at (256) 536-2441, extension 316



Regularly Scheduled Events:

Sunday Worship: 9 am and 11 am

Christian Exploration: 10:00

Monday: Centering Prayer 6 pm

Wednesday: Immersion Bible Study 6:00-7:00

Choir Rehearsal 7:00-8:00

Thursday: Morning Prayer Group 10-11 AM

First Saturday Bible Time: 1st Saturday each month 9:30

Sunday Night Youth Group: 2nd Sunday in each month 5:30

(****Please note that this meeting will take place on the 2nd

Sunday, March 13, this month because the 3rd Sunday is Palm Sunday****)

Session Meeting: Last Tuesday in each month 6:00



Important Dates in March



March 4: World Day of Prayer

March 5: Clean up day 8:00-12:00

March 5: First Saturday Everybody Come Bible Time 9:30

March 7: Presbyterian Women 10:00

March 13: Daylight Savings Time Begins

March 13: Sunday Night Youth Group 5:30

March 17: Saint Patrick's Day

March 17: Session Meeting 6:00

March 20-27: Holy Week

March 20: Palm Sunday

March 24: Maundy Thursday--

Maundy Thursday Service & Seder Supper 6:00

March 27: Easter Services at 9:00 & 11:00 (no sunrise service this year)



Happy March Birthday!

Amanda Vernon on the 9th
Jeff Irons on the 11th
Clay Weir, Jr. on the 13th
Houston Hodges on the 15th
Whitney Smith on the 15th
John Isom on the 16th
Tennent Lee on the 19th
Adam Wheeler on the 20th
Carla Feehan on the 21st
Mary Ann Blakemore on the 23rd
Connie Sharp on the 26th
Joan Kerr on the 29th
Brian Birdsong on the 31st

Happy March Anniversary!

Gary & Tracey Thie on the 4th
Ron & Sally Harris on the 12th
JC & Juanice Scrimshire on the 14th
Tommy & Mary Ann Blakemore on the 19th
Aaron & Sherry Sakovich on the 30th
Brian & Robyn Birdsong on the 31st

Financial Corner

For January 2016

Receipts:	\$14,872.00
Operation Expenses:	\$14,729.10
Donations to The Children's Home:	\$216.00

Any questions relating to the above may be addressed to Diane Lee, bookkeeper, or any of the current elders.

Please note deadline for April newsletter: March 28



~Worship Leaders for March~

9AM Worship:

	<u>March 6</u>	<u>March 13</u>	<u>March 20</u>	<u>March 27</u>
Greeter.	Ryan Pepper	Sean Pepper	Renay Nunn	Alaina Harvey
Host/Hostess. .	Ross Rutledge	Nicole Harris	Debbie Book	Vicki Waldrop
Worship Leader.	Ross Rutledge	Whitney Smith	Debbie Book	Don Barnhart
Power Point . .	Jeff Stephens	Tennent Lee	Syvia Romero	Vicki Waldrop

11 AM Worship:

	<u>March 6</u>	<u>March 13</u>	<u>March 20</u>	<u>March 27</u>
Usher	Larry Clark	Dexter Gentle	Kay Hanks	David Lilly
Worship Leader .	Tennent Lee	Sandra Stephens	Joanie Kerr	Judy Styles
Reader	David Lilly	Judy Styles	Kathy Barnhart	Neva Beasley

Centering prayer leaders: March 7: Kathy
March 14: Renay
March 21: Mickey
March 28: Kathy

	<u>Care Center Pick Up</u>	<u>WAVE Team</u>
<u>February 28-March 5</u>	Gail Birdsong	Connie Sharp
<u>March 6-12</u>	Gail Birdsong	Linda Wheeler
<u>March 13-19</u>	Pat Burke	Pam Worthington
<u>March 20-26</u>	Pat Burke	Neva Beasley
<u>March 27-April 2</u>	Joyce Clark	Tom & Sharon Bell

Contact list for Big Cove Presbyterian

Session: Neva Beasley (Clerk), Kathy Barnhart, Dexter Gentle, Tennent Lee, Mickey Sharp, and Todd Worthington; **Deacons:** Melinda Harvey, Michele Pepper

If you have questions about a particular ministry or mission in the church, please contact:

Treasurer: Kirk Finley

Finance: Larry Clark, Todd Worthington, or Diane Lee (bookkeeper)

Adult Christian Exploration: Sunday gatherings-David Lilly; Wednesday evening studies-Debbie Book

Christian Exploration, Children & Youth: Kathy Barnhart and Linda Wheeler

Congregational Care: Deacons Melinda Harvey and Michelle Pepper

Nursery Contact: Whitney Smith

Personnel: Tennent Lee

Property/ Grounds: Dexter Gentle & Bruce Harvey

Planning Ministry Team: Kathy Barnhart

Outreach Team (& Christmas Bazaar): Vicki Waldrop & Neva Beasley

CARE Center: currently vacant

Presbyterian Home for Children: Julie Loggins and Clay Weir

Youth Contact: James Glenn

Presbyterian Women: Gail Birdsong

First Saturday Bible Study: David Lilly or Houston Hodges

Worship Team: Tennent Lee: session liaison, Mickey Sharp

Church Website: Mike Feehan

Church Facebook Page: Houston Hodges or Mary Hooper

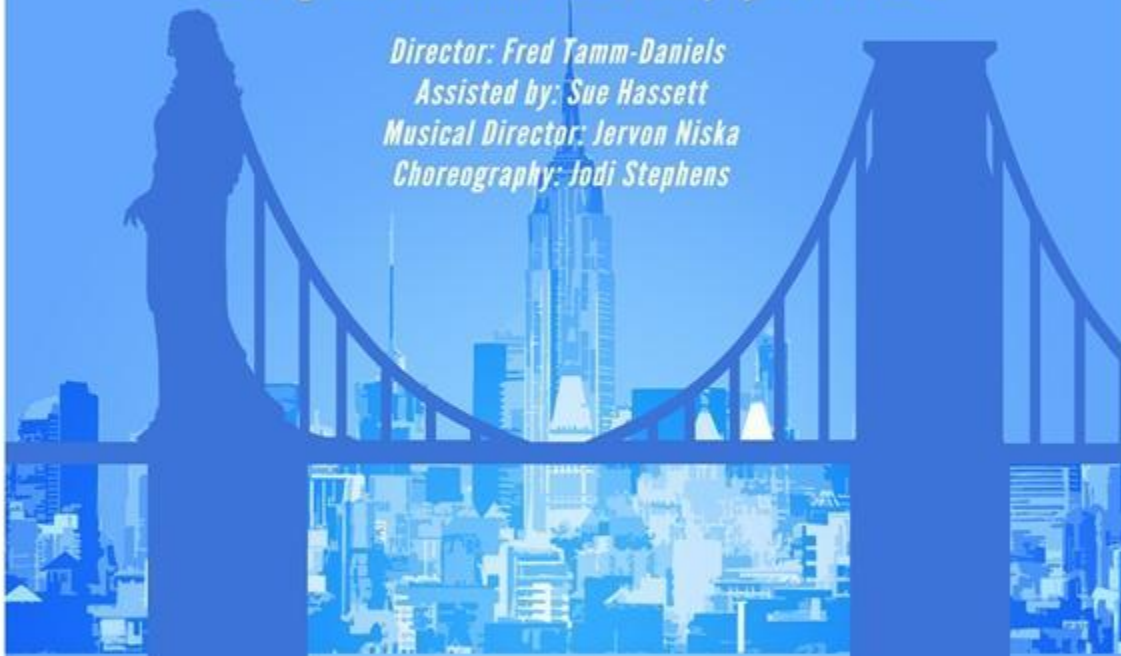
E-mail addresses and phone numbers may be found in the current directory

The Huntsville Purim Players
Present:

You Can't Stop That Spiel!

The story of Esther set to the music of modern Broadway musicals,
including Book of Mormon, Wicked, Hairspray, and Avenue Q.

Director: Fred Tamm-Daniels
Assisted by: Sue Hassett
Musical Director: Jervon Niska
Choreography: Jodi Stephens



March 3rd, 5th, and 6th

All shows at 7:00 P.M.

Dessert reception included on opening night

All Tickets \$10

Reservations: 256-536-4771
or templemail@knology.net

Temple B'nai Sholom, 103 Lincoln Street, Huntsville, AL
(Corner of Lincoln St. and Clinton Ave.)





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Fellowship Presbyterian Women's Weekend 2016

Join the women of Fellowship Presbyterian Church on Saturday, March 12 and Sunday, March 13, for
"Celebrate the Gifts of Women Weekend."

Theme: **"Equipping Presbyterian women to be the leaders we want to see."**

Begin with information, then action, and lastly, leadership.

**Influence leadership.
Invite your friends to our
Women's Weekend 2016!**

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, March 12, 2016

10:00 am - 10:40 am - Study Lesson: "Waters of Justice and Righteousness"

Led by Elder Laurreta Moore

Location: Fellowship Presbyterian Church sanctuary

10:45 am - 11:45 am - Seminar: Women's Issues in Immigration, Domestic Abuse, Veterans Post-Traumatic Stress Syndrome (PTSS), and Health

Location: Fellowship Presbyterian Church sanctuary

11:50 am - 12:30 pm - Women's Weekend Lunch in the Dorothy B. Johnson Fellowship Hall.

Note: Lunch attendance must be confirmed with Tonya Gaines by calling or texting her by Wednesday, March 9 (please contact our church office for the phone numbers).

Sunday, March 13, 2016

10:00 A.M. Sunday Worship Service (**There will be only one service.**)

Guest speaker: Reverend Alice Ridghill, Ph.D., Pastor of New Faith Presbyterian Church; Greenwood, South Carolina

Music: Women's Chorus of Fellowship Presbyterian Church

(Note on special attire: On Sunday, the women of Fellowship are requested to wear beige or cream accented with purple and gold.)