

WEST END BAPTIST CHURCH



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THE WEST END NEWS

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February, 2010

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 7, 2010

Holy Communion

"Spinach and the Holy Spirit"

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

The Greeter
Mary Watson

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

February 14, 2010

"Acting Boldly"

2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

The Greeters
Bill and Frances Carr

First Sunday in Lent

February 21, 2010

"Remembering and Trusting"

Luke 4:1-13

The Greeters
Mack and Ruth Saunders

FEBRUARY WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AT WEST END

Worship at 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.
Nursery Open
9:30 to 12:15 p.m.

**Remember our Benevolent
Fund on Sunday, February 7th.**

Second Sunday in Lent

February 28, 2010

The Christian's Passport
Philippians 3:10-4:1

The Greeters
Frank and Anita DeJarnette

THE MORNING COFFEE HOUR RESUMES

The Morning Coffee Hour for ladies in the church and community will restart on February 3rd and will continue on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month. We will begin at 10 AM with devotions and prayer.

We will be making throws/lap robes for yourself, shut ins in the community, or nursing home residents. We will also make quilts if there is anyone interested in doing them. In the spring we will be doing acrylic painting on canvas and wood.

Please come and share in the wonderful fellowship and learn to do many crafts. The majority of things needed are supplied at no cost to participants. Bring a friend or neighbor to be a part of our coffee hour!

SPECIAL FELLOWSHIP NIGHT

Last year, the JOY Circle contributed funds to support Nancy Eason's mission trip with Southside Baptist Church to China. She has graciously offered to speak with us about her experiences during our February 11th Fellowship Night. This promises to be an informative and enriching evening. Let's make a real effort to show our interest and support of this important work. Please plan to attend!

YOUTH SOUPER SUNDAY

The Youth Department will host a Souper Sunday on February 14th after the morning worship service. Please support our youth in this fund raising activity.

FELLOWSHIP NIGHT PROGRAMS

Feb. 4: Making All of Life a Prayer

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24
(Ham, cabbage, potatoes, corn bread rolls)

Feb. 11: Report on China Missions

(Tilapia with shrimp, rice, broccoli)

Feb. 18: Having the Mind of Christ

Philippians 2:5-11
(Baked chicken, creamed potatoes, green peas)

Feb. 25: Not Conformed but Transformed

Romans 12:1-8
(Meatloaf, black eyed peas, tomato pudding)

[Chicken Salad and Tuna Salad cold plates
and a Child's Meal are available by request only.
Call by noon on Tuesdays.]

WMU CIRCLE GROUP MEETINGS

- ❖ The Marie Bailey Circle will meet on February 10 at 10:00 A.M. with the Sunshine Circle.
- ❖ The J.O.Y. Circle Group will meet on Wednesday, February 3 at 7:00 PM at the home of Julie McBride.
- ❖ The Sunshine Circle will meet on Wednesday, February 10 at 10:00 A.M.

For more information, please call your circle's group leader.

LETTERS OF THANKS

Dear Members of West End Baptist Church,

The George H. Barnett family wishes to tanks the members and friends at West End Baptist Church for their many expressions of sympathy during our recent loss. It was a comfort to know that we were in your thoughts and prayers.

The Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond expresses its gratitude to West End Baptist Church for your recent financial contribution that is helping BTSR educate women and men for Christian ministry. Happy New Year! We hope your holidays were festive and blessed; as blessed as we have been by your thoughtfulness and commitment to BTSR. The New Year has begun for us. Students have returned and many are in classes. This January term we once again have our visiting professor, Dr. Henry J. Mugabe, from the Baptist Theological Seminary at Zimbabwe. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,
Dr. Woody Jenkins
Director of Donor and Church Relations

Our Prayer Concerns:

Hazel Liverman, Louise Wiggins, Bobby Smith, Walter Stroud, Johnny Johnson, Dorothy Williams, Nelda Hayes, Wayne Holland, Rillie Bailey, Lillian Riddick, Peggy Luter, Frank DeJarnette, Pete Wiggins, Caroline Pond, Jim Beasley, Willie Colby, Martha Britt, Susan Carter Pulley (daughter of John & Barbara Carter), William Strickland (friend of Eddie and Jackie White), Otis Freeman (friend of Phil Saunders), Jackie Carlson (Casey Carlson's mother), Linda Miller (Rillie Bailey's daughter), Ryan Beale (friend of Cheryl Sawyer), Kevin Lackey (friend of Michael Clark), Bernice Atkins (Mary Ann Coggsdale's sister), James Holland (former custodian), Betsy Brothers, Julia Gunn (Cindy Robinson's grandmother), Hyla Brinkley (Joe Brinkley's mother), Pam Hagerty (sister of Linda Beale), Carl Ward (friend of Casey Carlson), Charlie Baumgardner (friend of Caroline Pond), Freda Freeland (friend of Caroline Pond), Cathy Barrington (friend of Casey Carlson), Dee Dee Bloom and Ailish Campenile (friends of Lynnette Park), Jean Shamanski (Carol Apple's mother), Matt & Margaret Kelley (sister of Debbie Newell), Renee Carr (friend of Joe Brinkley), Charles Byrum, Brandon Hatfield (in Iraq - husband of Elizabeth Spratley Hatfield).

Church members are listed in **bold type**.

Please call the church office (539-8771) to add or remove names.

Among Our Members... (as of January 27)

...**Nelda Hayes** is now with Jimmy & Cathy Hayes in Chesapeake after her recent hospitalization.

...**Dorothy Williams** is at home following therapy at Nansmond Pointe.

...**Johnny Johnson** is now with his sister, Sharon Ellis, and her family.

...**Bobby Smith** is at home recuperating following surgery.

...**Hazel Liverman** is at home after a recent hospitalization.

Sympathy Is Expressed to...

...**Patsy Privott** in the death of her sister, Betty Anne Knight, on January 5.

WINTER MISSIONS OFFERING REPORT

Our combined goal for gifts to the CBF Global Missions Offering and to the Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond was \$3,000.

As of January 27th, we had received:

Global Missions Offering	\$1,540.50
Baptist Theological Seminary	\$1,120.50

Thank you for your support of these worthy causes.

HAITIAN EARTHQUAKE RESPONSE

February, 2010

There are "Special Offering" envelopes in the pew racks that you may use if you would like to give the "Haiti Relief Effort" of the Virginia Baptist Mission Board. Checks are to be made to West End Baptist Church, and donations will be sent to the state office.

If you would like to contribute some over-the-counter medical items, please contact the office for the list of approved items. Items will be collected through Sunday, February 7th and then sent to CBF missionaries in Haiti.

SENIOR ACTIVITY FOR FEBRUARY

The Senior Activity Committee is planning a soup and sandwich lunch on Wednesday Feb. 17th. A representative from Baker Funeral Home will give a presentation on Funeral Pre-planning. Church members and guests are welcome. The presentation will start at 11:30 AM with lunch to follow.

Please sign up by Feb. 12th to give us an idea of how many to prepare for. You may call the Church office, 539 8771 or Beryl Hale, 539 5296.

COMMUNITY LENTEN SERVICES

This year marks the seventh year that a group of Suffolk churches will offer a series of Community Lenten Services that are inter-racial and inter-denominational. Each noontime service is followed by a "soup & sandwich" lunch at 12:30 p.m. The series will begin on Wednesday, February 17th.

You are encouraged to join with fellow Christians in our community as we all make this year's Lenten journey. Please check Sunday bulletins in February, call the office, or check the web site for the detailed schedule.

INCLEMENT WEATHER INFORMATION

In the event of severe inclement weather on weekends this winter, please call the church office (539-8771) on Sunday morning. If services are cancelled or changed there will be a message with that information. If there is no special message, then the regular Sunday morning schedule will be followed.

FROM WHERE I SIT...

...Just as I was enjoying some spring-like weather, I now hear that we might get 8-12 inches of snow over the weekend! Weather forecasts have improved in their accuracy over the years, but there's still a dimension of the unknown in them. But that's not only true for weather, it's true for life. It's all a journey, and while Christians can rejoice in our ultimate destination, we don't know all the stops, detours, speed bumps, accidents and scenery we'll encounter along the way. That's one reason we have called our quest to pursue missional faithfulness: "Living the Journey." We're now at another stage in living out West End's journey to be the church and to do the work of the church. Our second phase of prayer groups is now beginning. After the share & prayer triplets of last year, there is a strong sense that God is calling us to mission work in our community, within our congregation, and in our own personal life of faith. This season of prayer groups will be seeking more guidance from God about how we follow God's call here at West End. Please keep this venture in your prayers, for God does have a plan for West End on this corner of St. James and West Washington! It is an exciting time as we connect with God, with one another, and with our community. (TFI)



Birthdays:

2 nd	Faye Webb
7 th	Owen Jenkins Elizabeth Saunders
8 th	Bobbie Davis
11 th	Judy Saunders
13 th	Rita Queen
20 th	William Crow
22 nd	Julie McBride
26 th	Bill Webb



Anniversaries

15 th	Sam and Mary Sherard (42 nd)
16 th	Tom and Carol Apple (19 th)
17 th	Bobby and Judy Smith (48 th)
22 nd	Richard and Jennifer Pond (18 th)

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Our monthly giving goal for January was: \$16,116
Contributions through January 25 were: \$12,501

We thank you for your generosity.