



The Lighthouse Beacon

Sharing the Light of Christ

April
2019



Pastor's Peace

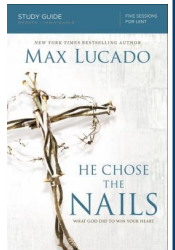


During their recent mission trip to South America, Pastor Brightly and Irina visited one of the 39 tribes in the forests of Argentina. In addition they visited and worshipped at Methodist churches in Santiago and Buenos Aires.

The newest mission project, close to home in Eastpoint, continues to move forward. We are excited about a mission team of 22 helping with the new Hope Park on Bear Creek Road. This Park will provide a new place for adults and children to share with the community and to provide recreational opportunities for the fire and hurricane victims. Thanks go to the Eastpoint UMC Youth and children's center for helping with the funding.
The Joy continues .

Ministry News

The Lenten Luncheon Series , in preparation for the Easter celebration meets with Pastor Brightly as he finishes the 6-part study, "He Chose the Nails, What God did to Win your Heart" by Max Lucado. This study meets from 12:00—1:30 pm. on the Wednesdays of April 3, 10, 17. Participants bring a bag lunch and drinks are provided.



Maundy Thursday Communion Service will be held April 18th from 6:30—7:30 pm in remembrance of Christ's last supper.

Good Friday service will be held on April 19th at 12:00 noon. This special service will include congregational hymn singing and a reading of the Stations of the Cross.



The **Easter Sunday Sunrise Service** will be held at **6:45 am** on the beach, near the Lighthouse. In conjunction with First Baptist Church, SGI, this annual event will feature live music, singing and sharing of the Resurrection story. Pastor Brian will preach, and coffee and pastries will be provided following the service, by First Baptist Church members . Thank you to Mason and his team for their willingness to set up equipment on the beach. An Easter offering from this service will be used to support the completion of Hope park.

Our **Easter Morning Celebration Worship Service** will be held at **10:15 A.M.** in the church sanctuary. All church members as well as our Eastpoint neighbors are urged to join us at either or both services.

Music Notes

Our church will organize the music and preaching for the community Easter Sunrise Service at 6:45 at on the beach. The church choir and a soloist will lead with singing. The Easter Celebration regular morning service will reconvene in the sanctuary at 10:15 am.



Mission Updates



The Saint George Island United Methodist Church is involved in several local missions and out reach programs to help many in the community, especially the at-risk children and their families.

In a wonderful day praising God for His plan coming together, Hope Park in Eastpoint was celebrated and dedicated on March 24th. Attended by church members and local residents, we greeted a mission team of five Discipleship churches from Ohio, who came to start cleaning up the 2 acres of Hope Park property. As well as assisting with the site, some of the team members also volunteered to help hurricane victims on SGI.

The jail Fresh Start Bible study is going well with Celebrate Recovery for those who are dealing with addictions. Thanks to all those who are working and being faithful to help.

We are truly trying to follow Christ's words: "as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me" . (Matthew 25:40)



Activities and Opportunities



Easter Lily and tulip Donations are needed to decorate the sanctuary for the Easter Celebration. Donation forms will be available in the church bulletin on April 7th and April 14th.

After the worship service on Sunday morning, **April 24th**, we'll enjoy the **Church Fellowship Brunch!** Before the service, please bring your covered dishes to the church kitchen in the fellowship hall.

April 29th and 30th: Leaders from FLUM Children's Home will be visiting with us to tour the Eastpoint Youth Center and provide training.

From time to time, members of our church family and community need transportation within the county or to Panama City and Tallahassee for appointments. If you would be willing to offer your name as a means of transportation, please contact Marie Allen at dmjjaMEA@gmail.com.

UMW

Pearle Wood—UMW

April 6th District UMW Day Apart, a one day retreat, at Salem UMC, Havana, Florida

The Ochlocknee Bay UMW has invited us to their **Annual Spring Luncheon and program on Monday, April 8th**, at 11 AM, at the Ochlocknee Bay Church on Surf Rd. in Ochlocknee Bay. The lunch is free. If you plan to attend, contact Pearle Wood to confirm the carpooling schedule.

The **April UMW meeting** has been changed to **Thursday, the 11th**. Our potluck lunch/meeting will begin at noon, with Martha Maddox and Carme Brinkle hosting.

Celebrate **April birthdays** on Monday, **April 22nd** at the Beach Pit on SGI. Meet us at 11:45 am.

Please continue to remember our year round project Backpack Buddies!!

Dates to Remember

April 3, 10, 17 - Lenten Luncheon Study
April 9, - Election Day –church closed
April 18, -Maundy Thursday service 6:30-7:30 pm
April 19,- Good Friday service 12:00-1:00 pm
April 21, - Sunrise service on the beach 6:45 am
April 24 - Monthly Fellowship Brunch
April 29, 30– representatives of FLUM Children’s Home

Weekly Schedule

Sunday: Worship Service 10:15 am, Fellowship 11:30am
Monday: Low-Impact exercise 9:00 am, Yoga 4:30 pm
Tuesday: Prayer Team Meets 9:30 am
Wednesday: Men’s Breakfast 8:15 am, Low-impact exercise 9:00
Choir Practice 6:00 pm
Thursday: Thrift Store 9:00-1:00, Yoga 4:30 pm, AA Mtg 7:30 pm
Friday: Chair yoga 9:00 am
Church Office Open: Monday—Thursday 9:00am-1:00pm

Lighthouse Care

Hospitality - Sue Genter

Thank you to those who have hosted our Fellowship Coffee after Sunday Worship. We all appreciate your gift of hospitality.

Volunteers are needed to bring snacks to share with our members and guests. If you are willing to help our hostesses provide food, call Sue Genter at (850) 734-0265 or sign up on the April calendar posted just inside the kitchen.

Equal opportunities are available. Men are also needed to help clean up after Fellowship time on Sundays.

Birthdays

4/1 Gen Hayes	4/24 Sally Protiva
4/6 Bev Vaughn	4/25 Tom Lowe
4/8 Pearle Wood	4/29 John Stewrrt

4/14 Sharon Stevens
4/20 James Donald

Anniversaries

4/20 Sue Genter	4/20 Beverly & David Vaughn
4/22 Mason Bean	

Prayer Concerns

Please pray for those in our church family who have lost loved ones and for those who have special needs or health concerns.



God's Good News

Praise God for the Mission team from 5 Discipleship Churches from Ohio, who spent a week with us cleaning up the site of the new Hope Park, and helping to repair homes damaged by Hurricane Michael. And thank you to Sue and Fred Genter for your help in bringing them here.

Throughout the year---All are encouraged to continue to bring individually packaged nonperishable food items for Backpack Buddies, our year round project, and place them in the box in the narthex. Backpack Buddies serves students at both the Franklin School and the ABC School who do not have enough food for meals on the weekends.

Church Contacts

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Fred Genter - Trustee (207) 565-3301
Pam Tullous - Council Chairman (214) 392-6222
Marie Allen - SPRC Chairman (850) 653-6729

Financial Report

YTD through February Budget : \$29,567
YTD through February General Fund giving: \$25,336
YTD through February General Fund Expenditures: \$29,843

April 2019



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	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Prayer Team Meets at 9:30</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Men's Prayer Breakfast 8:15 am</p> <p>Lenten study noon-1:30 pm</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Thrift Shop 9:00am—1:00pm</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>
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DEDICATION PROGRAM

March 24, 2019

159 Bear Creek Road

Eastpoint, Florida

Hope Park
 A Meeting Place For
 Children & Families
Hope made real

Friends of Eastpoint  Franklin County Sheriff A.J. Smith

