

EPC FAMILY NEWS & NOTES

March 3, 2019

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE ON MARCH 6, 7:00 –7:45 PM.

EPW AND BETHANY CHRISTIAN SERVICES are working together again this year to provide baby clothes for babies of mothers who have elected to carry their pregnancies to term. Starting in March they will be collecting baby clothes, new or gently used, on a table in the Fellowship Area. We will collect these items until Mother's Day, May 12. Bethany Christian Services demonstrates the love and compassion of Jesus Christ by protecting and enhancing the lives of children and families through quality social services. Bethany Christian Services is the leading agency for social services with children and families.

EPW MARCH MEETING We will meet this Wednesday, March 6 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Area. Nancy Bucknam and Alice Potter will be the hostesses. If you CANNOT come to the meeting, please give Nancy at 303-243-1025 or Alice at 720-287-1725 a call before the meeting.

NETWORK COFFEE HOUSE BREAKFAST FUND Wayne Otte has been serving the homeless at the Network Coffee House on Capitol Hill for many years. He joins the men and women who gather there every Saturday morning for coffee and fellowship. Recently, Sherry Goodwin and her friends have joined this ministry by preparing a hot breakfast and serving it on Saturday mornings. The cost of groceries for this weekly breakfast, which now feeds 120-150 people is \$100-150/week. The Food Bank has committed \$25/week and the Missions Team is considering a similar commitment. \$50-100 a week is still needed. The elders have approved setting up a Network Coffee House Breakfast Fund and encourages those who can to contribute to this worthy effort to do so by placing cash in an offering envelope and marking it "Breakfast Fund" or checks can be made out to EPC with "Breakfast Fund" on the memo line.



EPC MEN STUDY ROMANS Join the men's group on Saturday mornings at 7 am in the manse. They are studying the book of Romans with a workbook by Max Lucado, one of America's leading inspirational authors. BYO coffee, and then join them for breakfast at Adriana's in Franktown following each meeting. For books and information, contact Phil Wood.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS will begin a new study on Sunday mornings at 10:15 in the manse. Contact Phil Wood for information.

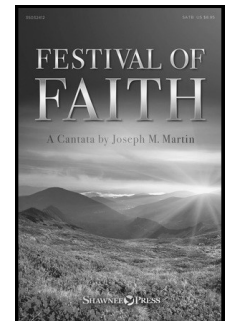
CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL DURING SECOND SERVICE The Children's Ministry Team welcomes our kindergarten through 5th grade children to Sunday School during the second half of the Contemporary Praise Service. The children are invited to go downstairs for this class.



ST. PATRICK'S DAY TEA Peace in Christ Church has invited us to their annual St. Patrick's Day Tea at their church on 236 Tabor St. on Saturday, March 16, 2-4 pm. This is always a great event and all proceeds go to the Elizabeth Food Bank which is located in our Manse.

EASTER CANTATA: FESTIVAL OF FAITH

The choir is beginning to learn and rehearse the Easter Cantata which will be *Festival of Faith* by Joseph Martin. If you or anyone you know would like to sing in this cantata, please drop by the sanctuary from 8-9 pm each Wednesday between now and Palm Sunday. This event is always a great celebration of our faith.



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Elders: Mike Banta, Marc Grivas, Tom Mottinger, Wayne Otte, Larry Russell, Marilyn Travis, Kim Kilgore (Clerk of Session)

Deacons: Barbara Batt, Jan Griggs, Jane Haber, Betty Haulman, Susan Hornbaker, Patricia Mersich, Laura Mitchell, Debbie Negley, Linda Pizuto, Jim Ramsey, Cathy Ramsey (Moderator)

This Week at Elizabeth Presbyterian Church

Date	Time	Event/Location
Tue, Mar 5	7:00 pm	AA Book Meeting in the Church Basement
Wed, Mar 6	9-11 am	NEW Ladies Bible Study at Marlene Reynolds'
	1 pm	EPW Meeting in Fellowship Area
	7-7:45 pm	Ash Wednesday Service
	8-9 pm	Cantata Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
Thu, Mar 7	6-8 pm	Praise Band Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
Fri, Mar 8	12:30-3:00 pm	Food Bank in the Manse
	7:00 pm	AA Open Meeting in the Church Basement
Sat, Mar 9	7:00 am	Bible Study for Men in the Manse
	8:30 am	Men's Breakfast at Adriana's
	9:00-11:30 am	Food Bank in the Manse
Sun, Mar 10	8:30 am	Traditional Worship Service/Communion
	10:00 am	Contemporary Worship Service/Communion
	10:15 am	Adult Sunday School Class in the Manse
	10:30 am	Children's Sunday School in the basement



PASTORAL GUIDANCE Pastor Bruce Spear is available for pastoral guidance. There is no cost for this service and all conversations are confidential. Call him at 303-875-4274.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION Pat Russell is a certified spiritual director and is available to offer guidance and support in spiritual formation. You can reach her at 720-979-7453.



ATTENDANCE AND FINANCE REPORT

“Serve the Lord your God with joy and enthusiasm for the abundant benefits you have received.” Deuteronomy 28:47

The offering last week was \$4,068.

The average offering in 2019 has been \$2,809.

The average offering needed to meet expenses in 2019 is \$3,364.

The attendance last week was 75.

Average attendance in 2019 has been 94.



This list is updated weekly. For requests call Cathy at 303-646-3218 or email her at

prayerline@elizabethpc.org. Let Cathy know if you would like to be added or deleted from those who receive prayer request emails.

Illness, Injury, Surgery, Tests

Suzanne Craig Jim Pinson
Daryl Evans Bill Kilgore
Linda Pizzuto Mary Russell
Steven Coughlin Ellen Sieders
Lynne's dad, Herman Disque
Pam Banta's mom
Robert Capron

Grieving

Mamie Wells and family of Bob Wells

Homebound or Nursing Home
Lynne's sister, Jeanette

Cancer

Phil Wood's brother, Mark
Sue Brandes Ron Houser
Phil Wood Taurean Taylor
Gina Pronske

In the Military

Zach Dees Tim Walton
Jim Richards Josh Palm
Zach Clark Josh Compher
Brandi Streit Alex Lambert
Jake Kortha Casey Mottinger
Robert Beary Chris Pinson
Drew West Steven Biery
Adam Treptow Josh Burton
Timothy Hoffman Jake Baggett
Christopher Wilson
Justin Dela Cenna

PRAY FOR ZIMBABWE Human rights groups in Zimbabwe estimate that security agents have killed more than a dozen Zimbabweans and wounded and arrested hundreds more in a sweeping crackdown after three days of protests and labor strikes against a fuel price hike last month. The protests have subsided, but Zimbabwe's problems are still spiraling. Anger against the state is palpable, and with the rising cost of goods and a drawn-out cash shortage, there could be more civil unrest ahead for the southern African nation of about 16.5 million. At the heart of Zimbabwe's problems are a failing economy and the opposition's continued challenge to President Emmerson Mnangagwa's legitimacy. He narrowly won the presidential election last July, promising to deliver economic reforms and democratic freedom after almost four decades of Robert Mugabe's oppressive rule. But critics say the new administration has so far failed to resolve the economic woes it inherited, and its security forces have launched brutal repression of the public. (NPR) Please pray for the safety of our Presbyterian churches, pastors, and congregants who affected by this unrest.

