



March 5, 2010

The Catfishian

A newsletter for Providence United Methodist Church

OUR MISSION

Providence Church is a community of faith whose purpose is to make committed disciples of Jesus Christ and to share God's love in the community.

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Upcoming Events

March 5

Girls Night Out
Paint n Pals

March 19

Cardboard City
Oak Hollow Farm
details in Youth News

April 24

1st Annual PUMC
Catfish Chase

March 10 & the following

4 Wednesday Nights

Lenten Study
nursery Available

March 28

Buy Chicken Salad from
the Youth after the
Service to support the
Youth

March 14

Thomas Lane Butts
Preaches at PUMC

April 3

PUMC Easter Egg Hunt
10:00 a.m.

Youth News

CHICKEN SALAD ANYONE????

In Support of the Youth Mission Trip this summer, we will be selling pints of chicken salad for \$5/pint in the fellowship hall on Sunday, March 28, immediately following the service. To ensure you get your chicken salad and to get an idea for how much we need to make, you can pre-order your chicken salad. There is a sign up sheet beside the Wednesday Dinner sign up sheet in the fellowship hall.

Cardboard City- March 19th

Join us as we become "homeless" for a night @ Oak Hollow Farm in Fairhope in the 2nd Annual Cardboard City in Baldwin County. More info and a sign up sheet is in the Gathering Area.

Mission Camp/Summer Camp

The last day to sign up for Mission Camp (rising 9+ grade) or Summer Camp (rising 6-8 grade) and be guaranteed a spot is March 28th. Sign up sheet is in the Gathering Area.

Youth Snack Supper

Our Youth meet every Sunday night and every Sunday night Becky Wolf makes sure that a snack supper is provided! There are a few Sunday's coming up that she needs someone to volunteer to provide food for about 15 youth. If you are interested please contact her at 626-1883. The Sunday's she needs help with are:

March 28, April 11 and April 18

MISSIONS

AN OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE

Family Services called and asked for our help taking care of some Easter baskets for local children. Would you like to adopt a child for Easter? If so, see the board put up in the fellowship area by Anita Bowers. The list has 12 children on it, with names and ages. The baskets need to be here by March 21, which is short notice but I trust doable.

Remember the Relay for Life!!!

Love and peace,

Clark

Dr. Thomas Lane Butts to preach at Providence

I am excited to announce that my friend and colleague, Dr. Thomas Lane Butts will be preaching at Providence on Sunday, March 14th. Dr. Butts preached at Providence before I arrived and is thus an Honorary Catfishian. Dr. Butts is a retired United Methodist pastor who is still invited to preach and speak in churches all across our country. He has served churches in the Alabama West Florida Annual Conference since 1950 and has been the pastor for many in our congregation.

The LIVING Last Supper

The Choir will be doing the Living Last Super again this year. It will be on Thursday April 1 and Rhonda Woodson needs 12 young men to portray the disciples at the last supper. Last year it was a learning experience but we all had a great time doing it. Please let me know if any young men in our church are interested. Costumes. props and set will be provided. Each disciple will need to tape his spoken part with Bob Symes so that unlike last year it will be your on voice the congregation will hear when it is your time to participate.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Plan to fill your spiritual needs, share your concerns & receive Christian fellowship at one of the following groups:

Monthly Mornings:

Leader: Liz Byrne

Monthly Evenings:

Leader: Mary Harris

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Once again, PUMC will host our annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 3 at 10:00 a.m.
Each child should be a dozen candy or treat-filled eggs.



SUNDAY MORNING CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Becky Coate would like to again ask for helpers for Children's Church. She desperately needs a few volunteers to do one Sunday per month and also

ALL THINGS RELAY!

March 5: Join us for a Girls Night Out from 6:00-8:30 at Paint & Pals Studio in Daphne as we "Paint for a Cure." Proceeds will benefit the Providence UMC Relay for Life Team. Reservations are required. Please call 654-2313 if you are interested.

April 24: PUMC's 1st Annual Catfish Chase 5K Run/Walk and 1 Mile Fun Run! This is something everyone of us can get involved with. You and/or you business can support the team by sponsoring the race, running in the race (entry forms are on the Relay table in the fellowship area and available on the church's website) or volunteering your time in helping set up/clean up. AND SPREAD THE WORD.

April 30: RELAY FOR LIFE

To donate to the team visit:

http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR/RelayForLife/RFLFY10MS?team_id=568357&pg=team&fr_id=22445&fl=en_US&s_tafld=433522

HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY TO...



March:

- 5 Bob Harris, Pat Wright
- 6 Bob & Mary Harris' Anniversary
- 7 Nicole Aldridge, David & Tammy Stewart's Anniversary
- 8 Becky Wolf
- 12 Philip & Susan Percy's Anniversary
- 15 Lindsay Stringer
- 17 Carl Hartley, Kelly Wilder

WHOM TO CONTACT

Prayer Ministry:

Send your prayer requests to Joanne Wermuth 625-0053 or wermuthr@bellsouth.net

Flowers for the church:

Margaret Stallworth 626-1439

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Submissions for the Catfishian:

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Donate to Relay for Life
http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR/RelayForLife/RFLFY10MS?team_id=568357&pg=team&fr_id=22445&fl=en_US&s_tafld=433522

PUMC WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sunday Night MYF	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night for Kids	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Adult/Youth Choir Practice	7:00 p.m.

Is there a Graduate in your household?

Graduation will be here soon. If you have a graduate in your household please contact Cheryl Pischek by e-mail, drvp@gulftel.com or call (251) 945-5007. Graduation Sunday will be May 16, 2010. We will recognize all graduates from high school and college, so let us know the name of your graduate!

Christian Education

Clark Ratcliffe' adult class will continue their study on "Prayer" until April 11th. A new study entitled "Old Testament Believers" will begin on this date. Based on a seminar by Bruce Mahone, the study will include a relatively quick and easy review of the entire Old Testament with a special emphasis on the Believers listed in Hebrews 11. The study will last approximately three months. All are welcome to attend..

The Young Adult Sunday School class is for those in their 20's and 30's and meets in Room 1. On March 7th they will study Elijah and Elisha. A study of Psalms will begin on March 14th. All are welcome for study and fellowship. A nursery and Sunday School are provided for all children.

WOW!!! Study: New Year's Revolution.

He tackles virtually every life situation that Christians encounter day-to-day (even the ones that make us uncomfortable). He knows the importance of encouraging each other, and of staying true to our faith. He doesn't mince words, but he does speak in love. He is the Apostle Paul, and when studied and applied, his teachings will revolutionize your walk of faith in this New Year. Drexel Gilbert leads The WOW!!! Sunday School class to seek Godly solutions to everyday real-life situations in this study of the letters from Paul.

The Prime Timers led by Rev. Bob Sweet are studying the Sermon on the Mount.

The Senior High and Middle School Youth continue the study of Character based on Old Testament figures. The class studies Ruth on March 7th in a lesson titled Redemption and Blessing. In this lesson Ruth chooses to identify with God's people and is blessed by God. In the lesson on March 14th titled Plea and Praise, Hannah prays for a child and trusts God by leaving control in His hands. She gives birth to Samuel, whose name means God Hears. The study of Samuel continues on March 21st in the lesson Hearing God's Voice. Samuel a Prophet of Israel does what God commands even if it makes him uncomfortable. Students in the 6th, 7th and 8th grades are invited to the Middle School class and all students in the 9th, 10th and 12th grades to the Senior High Class.

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Our Vision

Trusting in God's faithfulness, Providence Church is called to be a Christ-centered congregation committed to spiritual growth through traditional worship and Christian education. As disciples of Christ, we serve through missions, outreach and evangelism.