



APRIL



The Church Mouse



March, 2018

DR. WALTER G. LASETER is available for pastoral care and can be reached at 352-598-5767.

Easter Sunday

*Service
April 1
With Holy Communion
Service at 10:30 AM*

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING APRIL 8, 2018

There will be a congregational meeting in Douglas Hall after Fellowship to approve the nominees for the PNC (Pastor Nominating Committee). It is very important you attend as this committee will be responsible for finding a new pastor for our church.



SNOWBIRDS AND THE COMMUNITY OF GRATITUDE

As you clean out your pantry before heading home for the summer, consider loading a box of goods for the Food Pantry. Drop it off at Douglas Hall or call Sue and Brian Farley to help you deliver it to the church. Call them at 973-886-3717 or 973-886-7821.

www.weirsdalepresbyterianchurch.org



**CHECK
OUT OUR
WEB SITE!**

Did you know we have a website?

Sunday worship services and the Church Mouse Newsletters are posted. If you cannot make it to church, you can catch the worship service later that week online.

Most worship services are posted by the following Wednesday and newsletters are online by second week of following month.



NEW MONTHLY EVENT--GAME NIGHT

The first Thursday evening of each month is becoming known as "Game Night". Come at 5PM for a potluck dinner with games to follow in Douglas Hall. Everyone is welcome--the more the merrier. April 5th will be the next game night.

Betty is the contact person for planning so give her a call if you want to participate. 352-245-9412.

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

- The bathroom in the nursery area of downstairs Douglas Hall is under renovation.
- Ellen Laseter will play for our worship services through the summer months.
- Seven new members plus an associate member will join our church in April. The date for the service of recognition will be announced later this month.

KEYS FOUND--ARE THEY YOURS?

After church on Sunday, March 25th, a key ring was found out near the street. The ring has 1 key and a cross along with a NFL football logo fob. It is in the church office if you want to claim it.



LOVE INC PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Love INC benefited from our fundraiser pancake breakfast on Sunday, March 18th. Barbara Briggs from Love INC spoke about what Love INC does for the community and how our contributions help. Fellowship hall was filled with hungry people ready for pancakes and sausages!



COMMUNITY OF GRATITUDE

January, 2018

Total Individuals	803
Number of Meals	7,227
Number of Households	306
Children 1-17	218

C.O.M. also assisted 25 new households with a total of 52 members.

The Community of Gratitude is grateful for our support with food and monetary donations.

The pantry is always in need of nonperishable food and toiletries and also accepts food for the pets.



OPERATION SHOEBOX



The ladies who are making the ditty bags and Christmas stockings for Operation Shoebox had a very productive 2017! Coordinator Diana Harris reported that the group of approximately seven, meeting two times a month, crocheted 4000 strings for the bags, knitted and crocheted 3500 ditty bags and sewed 2100 Christmas stockings!! These items each contained a slip of paper stating the item was made by the women of Weirsdale Presbyterian Church and many nice letters of gratitude from the troops have been sent back to the ladies. Their work reached over **5000** service men and women.

The group meets on the 2nd & 4th Mondays each month from 9AM to noon. If you would like to join in, then just show up. They have plenty of cutting, crocheting, knitting and sewing that needs to be done. Socializing is another important part of these sewing sessions!

You may call Diana at 352-425-4351 or at 352-625-6021 for further information.

Receiving news from our troops is always a gratifying experience, and it is fascinating and rewarding to the sewing group to learn of all the different places in the world that the Operation Shoebox mission reaches as indicated by these letters. Troops love the ditty bags and Christmas stockings, and they return their gratefulness with wonderful letters.

November 23, 2017

Hi All,

Hello from Djibouti and Happy Thanksgiving!

I have spent many holiday deployed with the troops and love being here. All the great people here are truly my away-from-home family. Today, we'll have a wonderful feast at the galley followed by a big bingo game.

Fortunately, the Gobble Wobble 5K/3K Run takes place Sunday night and not tonight!

Super nice weather here now. Temps in the daytime are now below 90 degrees. I know, it's hard to believe. And we're getting a nice breeze off the gulf--so much better than the winds from Ethiopia that we experienced this summer.

Thank you so much for your donations. You are so appreciated by everyone here.

Sincerely,

Betty Stone

Red Cross Volunteer

PSC 831, Box 0027

FPO, AE 90363

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS/HOSTESSES

The following Sundays are open for someone to serve fellowship. Please consider volunteering and remember, just a light snack is all that is requested. May 6 & 20, and June 24.

The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Douglas Hall kitchen or Carol Everman will be happy to help you. She can be reached at 352-750-6444.



*With
Ceaseless
Praise!*

Let us be thankful that God sent us His only begotten Son into the world to save us from our sins.

PRAYER CHAIN INFORMATION

If you have a prayer request or are interested in helping on the prayer chain, please call **Marlys Forbrook** at 352-430-1727 or **Axie Grimes** at 352-537-0854.



Remember our friends who are homebound or in a care facility by sending them a card to brighten their day:



*Remember Our
Homebound Friends*

Richard Bradley
630 Griffin Ave.
Lady Lake, FL 32159

Robert & Maisie Lipsner
800 Lake Port Bld. Apt C505
Leesburg, FL 34748

Betts Mengel
ATRIA Lady Lake
930 County Road 466
Lady Lake, FL 32159

James & Audrey Stangle
4680 Bellwether Ln. Apt. 113
Oxford, FL 34484

APRIL WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Head Usher:
Liturgist: Apr 1
Rest of Apr

Angela Pecor
Carol Everman
Doris Grant

Communion Set-up:
Communion Servers:

Camille McKnight
Kaye Boyer, Glenda Bucklew, Carol Everman, Marlys Forbrook, Tom Hagle



As always, if you are unable to serve as listed above, **PLEASE find a substitute.**
And, thank you for your willingness to serve our church!

ALTAR FLOWERS



May 13, 20 & 27 and June 3, 17 & 24 are open with no donors signed up for the altar flowers. Please consider decorating our altar for one of those dates.

The flower order forms are in the Narthex. Thank you.

April 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 EASTER SUNDAY Food Pantry Sunday Worship w/ Holy Communion 10:30AM Fellowship 11:30AM	2	3 TTO 11:30AM	4 BSA 7:30PM	5 Women's Bible Study 10AM Choir Rehearsal 4:30PM GAME NIGHT (Potluck & Games) 5PM	6	7 DEACONS Meet 9AM
8 Worship 10:30AM Fellowship 11:30AM Congregational Meeting after Fellowship	9 Operation Shoebox 9AM	10 TTO 11:30AM	11 BSA 7:30PM	12 Women's Bible Study 10AM Choir Rehearsal 4:30PM	13	14
15 Worship 10:30AM Fellowship 11:30AM	16	17 TTO 11:30AM	18 Seniors Grp 5PM BSA 7:30PM	19 Women's Bible Study 10AM Choir Rehearsal 4:30PM	20	21
22 Worship 10:30AM Fellowship 11:30AM POTLUCK	23 Operation Shoebox 9AM	24 TTO 11:30AM	25 BSA 7:30PM	26 Women's Bible Study 10AM Choir Rehearsal 4:30PM	27	28
29 SundayWorship 10:30AM Fellowship 11:30AM	30	1	2	3	4	5

**WEIRSDALE
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

16303 SE 137th Court
P. O. Box 269
Weirsdale, FL 32195

Phone: 352-821-2757

Fax: 352-821-3554

E-mail: weirsdalepres@gmail.com

Website: www.weirsdalepresbyterianchurch.org



**Our Mission:
Bring People to Christ
Develop our Discipleship**



Weirsdale Presbyterian Church

Sunday Worship: 10:30 AM

Fellowship: 11:30 AM

Study Groups:

**Sundays 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School
(October through April)**