

In case of a weekend emergency,
call the main line (467-0481)
and listen for the emergency prompt.

Congregational Caregiving

Deacon of the Month: Vivian Denning, 467-0469

Planning for the End of Life

The pastor will be leading sessions in Sunday School classes related to end of life planning on the following schedule:

Feb. 5	Adult 13
Feb. 12	Adult 11
Feb. 19	Upper Infill (All others)
Feb. 26	Adult 15

Part-Time Ministers' Schedule

Lauren Efir—Minister to Youth

Sunday	9 am to 1 pm 4 pm to 8 pm
Monday	9 am to 4 pm
Wednesday	9 am to 12 pm 4 pm to 7 pm

Carolyn Hopkins—Congregational Care

Monday	10 am to 1 pm
Tuesday	1 pm to 4 pm
Wednesday	10 am to 1 pm
Thursday	10 am to 1 pm

Katie Morgan—Minister to Children

Sunday	9 am to 5 pm
Monday	9 am to 5 pm
Wednesday	9 am to 12 pm 6 pm to 7 pm

Laura Minick—Minister of Music

Sunday	8 am to 12:30 pm 4 pm to 7:30 pm
Monday	9:30 am to 1:30 pm
Tuesday	5:30 pm to 7 pm
Wednesday	9:30 am to 1:30 pm 5:45 pm to 9 pm

Senior Adult Calendar

Feb. 7	11:30 am	Luncheon
Feb. 8	4:00 pm	Committee Meeting
Feb. 16	8:30 am	Breakfast at IHOP

Stop Hunger Now Meal Packaging Project

On Saturday, February 11, we will partner with Cary Central Rotary Club to package meals that will provide sustenance for needy people in poorly developed and natural disaster-devastated countries. We participated in this same project a few years ago and everyone that volunteered felt uplifted through their efforts. This project is being funded through the Christmas Bazaar receipts.

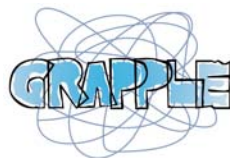
This is a project with tasks for all ages and abilities and no prior experience is necessary. There are jobs such as: assembling bags of dried food, weighing the bags, sealing the bags, labeling bags, packing the completed meals into boxes, and more. Some tasks are standing, some are seated. The youth will participate with us as a component of their Day of Fasting.

Sign-up sheets are available today in the Narthex and on the bulletin boards. There are two shifts, from 8:00-10:30 am and 10:30 am-1:00 pm. You can come and work all day or for one or two-hours, but you need to be present when the shift begins (8:00 am or 10:30 am) for an orientation. We will have lots of fun during this Saturday event. Sign up!

Steve Denning, Jeff Brown, and Lydia Hoyle

Older Elementary Wednesday Night Program

On February 8, from 6:30-7 pm, a new Christian formation group for Older Elementary Children (3rd-5th grade) will begin. This small group gathering, called Grapple, will serve as a space for children to "grapple" with tough faith questions. Participants will have *private* access to the church's grapple page to reflect on the previous lesson, vote for games to be played in the upcoming sessions, and deepen their understanding through fun games and quizzes! For more information, please see Katie Morgan.



Attendance Last Sunday

Sunday School	248
Worship	292

Youth Donations for Dorcas Ministries

What is Dorcas Ministries low on right now? What is it that people don't ever think to donate? You guessed it...TOILET PAPER!! Everyone needs it! GFBC Youth will be participating in a Day of Fasting on February 12. They will spend the daylight hours of that Sunday fasting, praying, worshipping, learning about poverty in Cary, and collecting toilet paper for Dorcas Ministries. Jill from Dorcas will come to talk to the youth about their crisis ministry, food pantry, and support services offered to people who live right in our backyard. The youth will help to transport and stock the toilet paper they've collected. GFBC youth don't want the people of Cary to ever go without a roll of toilet paper again! Can you help the youth collect packages of that fluffy white, essential paper? Toilet paper collection will begin immediately following the worship service on February 12. Youth will be available to help you transport the toilet paper from your arms and your cars to the collection location in the parlor.

Welcome New Member!

Sophie Coleman joined January 29 by profession of faith as a candidate for baptism. She is the daughter of Bill and Monty Coleman. Sophie is in 6th grade at Salem Middle School.

Note of Thanks

Congregation,

We would like to thank you for your support of the Children's Ministry at the Chick-fil-A Spirit Night. It was a great success! We raised over \$175 to go towards summer activities. We are proud of the comment by the restaurant manager who said that it had been a while since a church had brought that much support. They were amazed at the warmth that filled our conversations and interactions. Thanks again!

The Children's Ministry Committee

Focus on Finance

Church Budget Year (September-August)
Week 22 ending 1/29/12

Budget Full Year	\$	945,000
Budget Year-to-Date	\$	399,808
Stewardship Giving Year-to-Date	\$	395,499
GFCC/Tower Lease Receipts YTD	\$	22,856
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Over/(Under) Year-To-Date	\$	18,547
Stewardship Giving This Week	\$	15,173
Stewardship Weekly Goal	\$	17,280

We Remember . . .

Those at home:

Betty Coggins, Mary Lou Flynt, John Inzaina, Monica Inzaina, Annette King, Shirley Ann Minton, Virginia Pennell, Margaret Ann Robinson, Betty Stallings, Len Walker

(as of Thursday, 2/2/12)

Volunteers for February 12

Babies/Toddlers: Chris & Amy Brooks

Twos/Threes: Denise Ritter &
Jana Barile

Children's Church: Steve & Tanya
McDowell



Ladies' Tea Rescheduled

The Ladies' Tea sponsored by HOPE previously planned for February 12 has been rescheduled to Sunday, March 25.

Please mark your calendars and watch for sign-up sheets in the coming weeks!

Events for Senior Adults

Christ the King Lutheran Church at 600 Walnut Street in Cary is hosting a Health Fair on Thursday, February 9 from 1:00-4:00 pm in Nagle Hall. Several healthcare providers will be available to provide information and answer questions. Topics will focus on planning, retirement finances, home health care, community resources, etc.

A smaller and shorter seniors event (for adult children and senior caregivers) will be held at Christ the King Lutheran Church on Sunday, February 12 from 6:30-8:00 pm in the Luther Café. Topics to be covered include: dementia care, finances, and senior living options.

Reservations for both events are required and can be made by calling 919-466-9366.



Fran's Food & Fellowship Cafe Reservations

Make reservations or cancellations by 5:00 pm on Mondays either with this form or by choosing the "Forms" tab on website and then clicking on "Wednesday Meal Reservations." Pay on Wednesday nights. *Note that you are responsible for payment of all reservations even if you cannot attend.*

Kids' menu is for ages 3-12. Children under 3 are free. There is a family limit of \$20.00 total.

FAMILY NAME _____

PERMANENT LIST

- _____ Full Servings (\$5.00)
- _____ Children 3-12 (\$3.00)

February 8, 2012

- Chicken Casserole with Rice
- Cranberry Salad
- Salad / Rolls
- Chocolate Cherry Cake
- Kids meal: Chicken Nuggets,
Mac & Cheese

- _____ Full Servings (\$5.00)
- _____ Children 3-12 (\$3.00)

February 15, 2012

- Pork Roast
- Creamy Hashbrown Casserole
- Brussel Sprouts with Onions,
Bacon, & Cranberries
- Salad / Rolls
- Almond Cake with Maple Icing
- Kids Meal: Pigs in a Blanket

- _____ Full Servings (\$5.00)
- _____ Children 3-12 (\$3.00)

This Week at GFBC

Sunday, February 5

- Wake Interfaith Hospitality Network
- 8:00 am Praise Assembly Rehearsal
- 9:00 am Praise Assembly
- 9:15 am Media Center open until 10:00 am
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 9:45 am ESL Class (Conference Room)
- 10:40 am Media Center open until 11:00 am
- 11:00 am Worship Service (Communion)
- 12:00 pm VBS Planning Meeting
- 12:30 pm Youth Snack Supper
- 1:00 pm Youth Discipleship/Alpha & Omega
- 2:00 pm Youth Ministry Council
- 4:00 pm Children's Ministry Committee

Monday, February 6

- Wake Interfaith Hospitality Network

Tuesday, February 7

- Wake Interfaith Hospitality Network
- 11:30 am Senior Adult Luncheon

Wednesday, February 8

- Wake Interfaith Hospitality Network
- 9:30 am Media Center Open until 12:30 pm
- 4:00 pm Senior Adult Committee
- 5:00 pm Family Meal (by reservation)
- 6:00 pm Media Center open until 7:30 pm
- 6:00 pm ESL Class (Room 226)
- 6:00 pm Preschool/Children's Choirs
- 6:00 pm Youth Program
- 6:00 pm Prayer Concerns/Announcements
- 6:00 pm Exploring the Way
- 6:00 pm Properties Committee
- 6:15 pm Adult Program
- 6:30 pm Preschool/Children's Groups
- 7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 9

- Wake Interfaith Hospitality Network
- 7:00 pm Finance Committee

Friday, February 10

- Wake Interfaith Hospitality Network

Saturday, February 11

- Wake Interfaith Hospitality Network
- 8:00 am Stop Hunger Now Project
- 5:30 pm Girls Basketball vs. Trinity

Martha Stearns Marshall Month of Preaching

During the month of February, we at GFBC will be celebrating Martha Stearns Marshall Month of Women Preaching sponsored by Baptist Women in Ministry. The following four women will be the proclaimers, bringing God's word from the pulpit each Sunday:

February 5 - Rev. Jan Rush

Jan is a former youth minister and pastor, having served with four NC churches. She served as a chaplain resident at WakeMed Hospital in Raleigh from September 2010 to August 2011. Jan is also a frequent seminar leader, covering topics ranging from grief and loss to practical ministry with people in poverty. She is the co-author of two books: *A Whole New World: Life after Bethany* and *Job: Into the Fire, Out of the Ashes*.

February 12 - Katie Morgan

Katie is a 2010 graduate of Tennessee Wesleyan College with majors in international missions and children's ministry. She served as part-time Children's Ministry Director at the First Baptist Church in Etowah, Tennessee during college. Katie is blessed with enthusiasm for ministry, strong organizational skills, and leadership ability. She now serves as Minister to Children at Greenwood Forest Baptist Church and is completing a Master in Divinity at Duke Divinity School.

February 19 - Rev. Lauren Efir

Lauren majored in Religion and Psychology at Campbell University. After receiving her Master in Divinity from Duke Divinity School in 2009, Lauren completed a year of Clinical Pastoral Education as the Pediatric Chaplain Resident at UNC Hospitals, and later extended her education there as a Pediatric Chaplain Fellow. During her time at Duke, Lauren was a ministry intern and a worship team member at HomeStar Fellowship in Raleigh. She was ordained by HomeStar Fellowship in 2010. She now serves as Minister to Youth at Greenwood Forest Baptist Church.

February 26 - Dr. Joy Moore

A native of Chicago, Joy received a BA from National Louis University in Evanston, IL; an MDiv from Garrett-Evangelical Seminary; and a PhD from Brunel University/London School of Theology in London, England. Dr. Joy Moore is the Associate Dean for Black Church Studies and Church Relations at Duke Divinity School. Prior to moving to Duke University, Dr. Moore was Assistant Professor of Preaching at Asbury Theological Seminary. She specializes in Christian formation, homiletics, and practical theology, focusing on Christian formation in postmodern culture.

Martha Stearns Marshall Month of Preaching

Since 2007 Baptist Women in Ministry has sponsored the Martha Stearns Marshall Month of Preaching, inviting Baptist churches to participate by having a woman preach during the month of February. This annual event has been a deeply significant source of joy and discovery for many women and many Baptist churches throughout the country.

Martha Stearns Marshall was an eighteenth-century North Carolina Separate Baptist woman preacher, who preached alongside her brother and husband. Martha and her husband Daniel attended the “Regular” Baptist church where they often prayed and preached during worship services. Martha’s enthusiasm equaled the zeal of her husband, and her preaching in worship scandalized the Virginia “Regular” Baptists, who opposed women speaking in public. But among Martha’s family and friends, her behavior was a perfectly acceptable way for her to exercise her spiritual gifts.

Martha’s brother, Shubal Stearns, was a Separate Baptist pastor who was experiencing little success in establishing a Baptist church in Virginia. The Stearns and Marshalls eventually moved further south to North Carolina and settled at Sandy Creek, North Carolina, near what is now Siler City. In 1755 Stearns founded a Baptist church at Sandy Creek, and within seventeen years, the church grew from 16 to 606 members. Martha's preaching and leadership was instrumental in the growth of her brother's ministry and was well respected throughout the Sandy Creek association.

This year Greenwood Forest will have a female minister bring God’s word from the pulpit each Sunday in the month of February. By joining in this celebration for an entire month, we have an opportunity to publicly voice our support of women in ministry, to be counted with other Baptist churches in celebrating the gifts and calling of women, and to be reminded that God does indeed speak God’s word through women.

