

Hyde Park Presbyterian Church

ChurchMouse

MARCH 2011



LIVE IN COMMUNITY WITH US.

*In Church School recently,
Jennifer T. asked us
what makes Presbyterian worship Presbyterian?
It's a good question to be able to answer
both for ourselves and friends
who might want to join us on Sunday morning.
A few days later, I finally got around
to reading a many months-old special publication
of "Presbyterians Today,"
which highlights many aspects
of today's Presbyterian Church
including Presbyterian worship.
With Lent and the season of preparation and reflection
it brings just around the corner,
I want to share with you
the building blocks of Presbyterian worship
as I listed in "Presbyterians Today."*

8). True Worship

Begins after the service.
It is living intentionally
as the people of God.

7). Thanksgiving

Our greatest rejoicing comes around the
Table of the Lord as we share in communion
with Christ and God's people. Offering of
ourselves and of our tangible gifts are also a
beginning response to the word.

6). Prayer

Part of our response to the
living Word is Spirit-prompted
prayer, possible in many forms
and formats

5). Word

The Word of God inspired by the Holy Spirit
comes from the pages of Scripture. Interpretation
of God's word comes through Spirit-inspired
speech, drama, music, dance or other forms of
communication.

1). Praise

As God's people gather for worship, we
focus our attention on God and away
from ourselves.



2). Confession

Worshippers cannot come
into the presence of our holy
God without realizing our
own sinfulness. When we
confess, we do so for
ourselves and the church as
a whole.

3). Assurance

Scripture calls us to
Confession. Scripture
also assures us of God's
inestimable love.

4). Illumination

Before attempting to listen for the
Word of God, we pray for the
assistance of the Holy Spirit to open
our ears to hear and our hearts to
receive what God is saying through
scripture and interpretation.

VOLUNTEER CALENDAR MARCH 2011

Date	Greeter/Usher	Refreshments	Liturgist	Children's Time	Communion
6	Ben/Diego	Lisa	Lindsey Conrad	Linda	Setup: Karen Serve: Monique and Candice
13	Ben/Diego	Luncheon	Luc	Linda	
20	Ben/Diego	Karen	Doris	Lisa	
27	Ben/ Diego	Rebecca	George	Linda	

If you are unable to serve on the date assigned, please trade with someone on another date.



Financial Report January 2011

BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE



Income \$ 3918.43
Expenses \$ 3863.68
Balance \$ 54.75

Food Pantry

Between January 19 and February 18, 6 people received groceries.

We no longer give out HEB food cards.

Your help is needed and appreciated.





Adult Church School

Sunday morning
9:15AM

Jennifer & Tracy

THIS MONTH ONLY
SESSION MEETS AT 2PM

March 27

THIS MONTH ONLY



Children's Sunday School

March 13 & 27

Miss Lindsay



FAT TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

Tuesday, March 8th 6:00 p.m. Come join us as the men of the congregation cook pancakes, bacon and lots of other wonderful food for the women in celebration of Fat Tuesday.

Mark the upright man, and observe his ways;
for the future of that man is peace.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

MARCH 9TH 7PM

Lent begins on March 9 and ends 40 days later, not including Sundays. Ash Wednesday begins a journey to the cross and the empty tomb. These 40 days are a gift, a time to prepare our hearts to receive the risen Lord and reflect on God's love for us. Please join with your church family on March 9 to be marked by the love God has for us and the hope we have in Jesus Christ.



LENT

DURING THE SEASON OF LENT, CHRISTIANS HAVE TRADITIONALLY GIVEN SOMETHING UP. MORE RECENTLY, CHRISTIANS HAVE BEGUN TAKING SOMETHING ON. THIS YEAR, WHY NOT TRY BOTH. FOR EXAMPLE,

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| GIVE UP FEAR | | TAKE ON TRUST |
| GIVE UP ANGER | | TAKE ON PEACE |
| GIVE UP JUDGMENT | | TAKE ON COMPASSION |
| GIVE UP ENDLESS ACTIVITY | | TAKE ON REST. |

WHATEVER YOU DECIDE TO DO AS A SPIRITUAL PRACTICE THIS YEAR, BE SURE TO TAKE JESUS WITH YOU.



MARCH 17

Born into a wealthy Christian family in England, St. Patrick was kidnapped and taken to Ireland as a slave. Escaping, he returned to England and joined a monastery there. Years later, he returned to Ireland ~ this time as a bishop. His mission was to evangelism the native people. It is said he used a shamrock to explain the doctrine of the Trinity to people. He is revered as the patron saint of

Ireland.

THE DAY TO WEAR GREEN



HYDE PARK
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"A beautiful setting for a
spring wedding"

~ March 2011 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 CE meets at 11AM	2	3	4	5 George B's birthday
6 Communion	7 David Gray's birthday	8 Pancake Supper 6PM	9 Ash Wednesday service 7PM	10 John King's birthday	11	12
13 Jennifer T. preaches Potluck	14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day Patty Rosales' birthday T.J. Balas' birthday	18	19
20 Amy Hanschen preaches Shannon and Lee Spilman's anniversary	21	22	23	24	25	26 Lindsey Laffere's birthday
27 Session meets 2PM	28	29	30	31	Notes:	



Stated Session Meeting Minutes for January 16, 2011

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by Linda Bourianoff, moderator. Present were: Moderator, Linda Bourianoff, Elders: Ben Rosales, Esther Rosales, April Kwon and Candice Prose. Absent: Jennifer Bourianoff

The meeting was opened with a reading and discussion of Matthew 4:12 - 23

The agenda was adopted with a motion by April and second by Esther.

Administrative Reports:

Treasurer's Report: was received. The 2009 finance audit is complete.

Clerk's Report: The minutes from the Session meeting of December 14th meeting were read and modified:

- Treasurer's report was received.
- Pastor's report was approved.

There was no correspondence.

Worship Attendance- 12/5-30, 12/12-60, 12/19-?, 12/24-36, 12/25-?

Pastor's Report: was read.

The Clerk's report with revisions and Pastor's report were approved with April making the motion and the second by Esther.

Ministry Reports:

Christian Education (Adult): Meeting on 1/3 – the report was received.

Fellowship: Linda will visit with Jennifer.

Member Care: Esther sent 10 cards.

Property: No meeting.

Stewardship: No meeting. The budget committee will be formed shortly, and plan on meeting every quarter to assess progress.

Worship: No meeting

The reports were received with Ben making the motion and the second by Candice.

Old Business:

- Nominating Committee will ask Monique Navarro to chair the mission/evangelism committee for the 1 year term. April will contact Monique and give possible dates for installation.

New Business:

- Statistical report needs to be created. Linda will check with Karen for the due date, and if it is before 2/20, Session will meet after worship for approval.
- Communion dates were approved for 2011 with April making the motion and the second by Esther.
- Special offerings were approved with Esther making the motion and the second by Ben. April will talk with the budget committee for a possible collection for the Christmas Eve service.
- Linda urged all committees to meet more regularly.
- An additional babysitter was approved with the motion by Ben and the second by Esther. April will coordinate the background check.

The meeting was closed in prayer by Linda at 4:15 pm. The motion to adjourn was made by April and seconded by Ben.

Next meeting will be held on February 20th at 2 pm.

Respectfully Submitted: April Kwon

Approved by: Linda Bourianoff, Moderator

Congregational Meeting
January 30, 2011

A called congregational meeting was held on January 30, 2011 prior to the close of the worship service. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 11:25 a.m. by Rev. Bourianoff.

The purpose of the meeting was to receive the annual report and the budget for 2011 including the pastor's package. The packets with the reports and budget were handed out.

The annual reports were given by the chairs of each committee:

- ❖ Linda-the Pastor's report.
- ❖ Esther-Membership Care and Christian Education.
- ❖ Karen - the Worship report.
- ❖ Ben - Property report.
Linda thanked Ben Rosales for his service to the church over the past five years.
- ❖ April - Stewardship report.
- ❖ Doris answered questions about the 2010 Treasurer's report. The church had a shortfall of approximately \$9000 for 2010. Giving to benevolences equaled 8% of the 2010 budget. She also mentioned that we have \$13,000 in savings, but most of that is in bonds.

Parish Associate, Amy Hanschen, took over as moderator of the meeting as Linda had to step out for discussion of the pastor's package. April led the discussion about the budget and Terms of Call for 2011. Linda's salary was increased slightly due to increased requirements of the Presbytery.

A motion to adjourn was made by Doris with a second by Lisa.
The meeting was adjourned with the Benediction at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Karen Laffere
Clerk of Session

Linda Bourianoff
Pastor

Through the Lord's mercies, we are not consumed,
because his compassions fail not!
They are new every morning! Great is your faithful ness!
"The Lord is my portion," says my soul ; "Therefore, I hope in him!"
Lamentations 3:22-24

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Elders:

Class of 2011

April Kwon

Esther Rosales

Class of 2012

Jennifer Bourianoff,

Karen Laffere

Class of 2013

Candice Prose

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HAVE YOU EVER STOPPED TO PONDER?

At the wonder of his ways?

Prayers unanswered, will so often

Prove his love in later days.

Yet we humans pout and worry,

Selfishly we ask our will

Thinking surely God's ignoring

Plans we want him to fulfill.

As you come into his presence,

Though it seems your prayer's unheard;

Rest upon the Father's goodness,

In his love and in his word.

Claim his promises,

Know he's able,

Seek his heart in all you do,

Dream big dreams,

Asking his wisdom,

You will find God's love is true! Connie Hinnen Cook, www.skywriting.net

"The Lord is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeks him."

Lamentations 3:25, *KJV*

F. McLeroy, Editor