



NEWS AT A GLANCE

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



“...and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice”

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Lent 2007

The Lenten Season began on February 21st and continues through the day before Easter. It is the time when the church prepares for the highest of our Holy Days. In addition to the Lenten Lunches listed on this page, here are some opportunities which may help you prepare for Easter:

April 5 - 7:30 p.m. - Maundy Thursday service at WPC

This is one of the most impressive services we have all year. Using Scripture and music, it is designed to remind us of the last days of Jesus' life. The service begins in light and ends in darkness and silence.

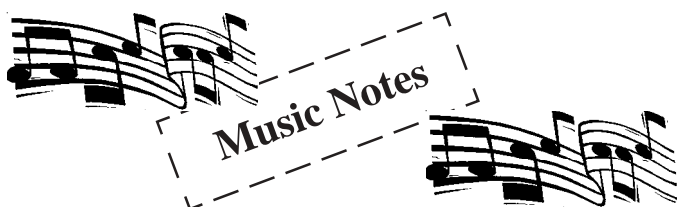
April 6 - 12:00 noon - Good Friday service at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

Lenten materials are available on the resource table in the Mission Center for you to take home:

- Daily Devotionals for adults, children, and families
- “What you should know about Lent”
- Lenten Reflections

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The next meeting of the Prayer Shawl ministry will be Tuesday, March 6th, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the Parlor. Come ready to knit, crochet, and bless any shawls that have been completed. If you have questions, please contact Laurie Leadbetter (490-0754 or laurie@unc.edu).



THANK YOU, CHOIR! I want to thank the members of our Chancel Choir for their wonderful singing & tireless dedication to Westminster's music program. As is typical of our singers, they have—without complaint—gone above & beyond the call of duty once again. This busy group has practically camped out at the church recently, singing for Ash Wednesday & Presbytery services, while continuing weekly rehearsals, Sunday worship participation, & preparation for the spring concert. Westminster is blessed with a wonderful choir, & I hope you will join me in expressing your appreciation to these fine folks next time you see them!

If you are interested in joining the choir, we would love to welcome you. Extra voices are always needed. Even if you can't commit to regular participation, join us for a limited time; we are very flexible. If you've been meaning to start singing again, there's no time like the present. **Join us on Thurs. nights, 7:30 p.m. – 9:15 p.m. in the Music Room.**

Questions? Call or e-mail Monica Rossman (489-4974, ext. 113, or monica@wpcdurham.org).

Lenten



Lunches

WPC is hosting a Lenten Luncheon on March 14th from 11:45 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Lunch lasts until 12:30 p.m. and is followed by a worship service. The meal will consist of soup and sandwiches. We would like to have ten soups to serve, and need volunteers to make the soup in crockpot or dutch oven-sized amounts. Servers are also needed. Please contact Bill McAvoy (493-7547) to volunteer.

2007 Lenten Luncheon Schedule

Date	Church Host
2/28	St. Paul's Lutheran
3/7	Epworth United Methodist
3/14	Westminster Presbyterian
3/21	Pilgrim United Church of Christ
3/28	St. Stephen's Episcopal

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Open your heart without opening your checkbook. Electronic giving is an easier, more secure way to make your regular contributions to our church through automated giving. It is more secure than a check and gives you peace-of-mind, knowing that the church is receiving your contribution even if you are unable to attend. And, it costs you nothing!

Contact Barbara Fletcher (barbara@wpcdurham.org or 489-4974) to sign-up or to receive more information.

Presbytery Meeting at WPC

Westminster is hosting the Stated Meeting of New Hope Presbytery on Saturday, February 24th. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m., and the meeting concludes at 4:00 p.m. If you come by church on the 24th and find cars and people everywhere, that's why!

Women's Retreat

JUST THE FACTS

WHEN: March 23-25, 2007

WHERE: Blockade Runner Beach House - Wrightsville Beach

THEME: “A Woman Like Me” - The Woman from Shunem (2 Kings 4)

LEADER: Caroline Craig, UNC Campus Minister

COST: \$150 check made out to WPC

Women's Retreat brochures are available in the Holderness Mission Center (information table) and after church each Sunday.

Questions? Contact Mary Todd Peters (967-5451).

All women are encouraged to attend! No previous retreat experience necessary!

**Responsibilities for
February 25th -
March 4th**

ACOLYTES

02/25 Ellis Toms

03/04 Peyton Dilweg

LECTORS

02/25 8:30 - Chuck Byrd

11:00 - Blair Chesnut

03/04 8:30 - Gene Brannon

11:00 - Dan Milam

NURSERY

Nursery Coordinator for February:

Jamie Dilweg

02/25 8:30 *Infants/Toddlers* - Caitie Safrit and Lilli Morris

2-5 - Barb Vanden Broek

11:00 *Infants/Toddlers* - Carolyn

Holmes and Jennifer Whitman

2&3 - Kelly & Adam Keadey

4&5 - Sarah & John High

Float - (Volunteer Needed)

Nursery Coordinator for March:

Jennifer Feiler

03/04 8:30 *Infants/Toddlers* - Randy & Tracy Fletcher

2-5 - Kenzie Brannon & Barb Vanden Broek

11:00 *Infants/Toddlers* - Tom Higgins

& Alexis Franzese

2&3 - Kathy Irvin

4&5 - Nathan & Lee Wilke

Float - Volunteer Needed

USHERS

02/25 8:30 - Doug & Lucas Smith, and Jill & Michelle Nelson

11:00 - Mary Beck & Jeff Sutton, Sally & Richard Keener, and Carolyn Davidson

03/04 8:30 - Howard Pedersen, Jerry Rozak, and Jim & Susan Ketch

11:00 - Mark, Holly, Grayson, & Thomas Schmidt

OFFERING COUNTERS

02/25 Blair & Laura Chesnut

03/04 Sally Cook and Judy Thompson

ELDER GREETERS

02/25 8:30 - Charles Atwater

11:00 - Becky Walker

03/04 8:30 - Sara Pottenger

11:00 - Gene Brannon

SOUND TECHNICIANS

02/25 8:30 - Derek Leadbetter

11:00 - Gary & Jay Lehew

03/04 8:30 - Don Dates

11:00 - Blair Chesnut

*In Our Thoughts
& Prayers*

+ **Marian Draffin** will have surgery to have her tonsils removed on March 7th.

+ **Richard Draffin's** brother is in Hospice care.

+ **Jon Enberg's** best friend, Jimmy Reagan, was killed in fighting in Iraq. Marge & Dennis attended the memorial service and the burial at Arlington National Cemetery. Jon is currently serving in Iraq.

+ **Judy Everly's** father, Walter Hamburg, has been diagnosed with cancer.

+ **Karl Humphries**, 13-year-old grandson of **Josie Humphries**, is now in Hospice care with brain cancer.

+ **Susan Ketch's** grandmother is in Hospice care after a stroke.

+ **Grace Mbugua's** brother died in an automobile accident recently.

+ **Paul Ransford** continues to recover from heart surgery on February 5th. He was rehospitalized last weekend, but is now at home and doing well.

+ A memorial service was held for **Kay Rosenmarkle's** mother, Johannah Kuykendall, in Texas on February 16th.

+ **Princess Sheldon** is still in Duke Hospital.

+ Molly Skeen, mother of **Darren Skeen**, died on February 7th in Hickory, NC.

+ **Loma Young's** niece, Glenda Wickstrom, continues to struggle with a rare disease.

★ Celebrations! ★

+ **Haywood & Mary Holderness** are new grandparents. Lola Zelle Holderness was born to Penn & Kim Holderness on February 7th in New York City.

+ James River Oviedo-Sauls was born on February 8th to first-time parents, **Leah Sauls & Giovanni Bejarano-Oviedo.**

Preaching Schedule

**February 25, 2007 - Birthday Sunday
Commissioning of Miss. Mission Team**

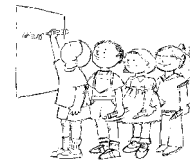
Preacher: Betty Berghaus

Text: Luke 4:1-13

Title: "Tempted Like Us"

March 4, 2007 - Holy Communion

Preacher: Jack Walchenbach



**Westminster
School for
Young Children**

MANY THANKS...

...to everyone who supported our 10th Annual February Pancake Breakfast Playground Fundraiser! Thank you for purchasing basket raffle tickets, coming to eat with us, purchasing delicious goodies at the bake sale, and sharing the activities of the morning. Thank you to the many church members who served on the committees and made generous donations that helped to make this event such a success. A big thank you to Dennis Cullen and Craig Henriquez, who spent the entire morning cooking pancakes for us. They were delicious!

We are happy to announce that this fundraiser earned a record-breaking \$5,500, not including several donations! All of this will be used to maintain and update Westminster's playground. A playground space like ours requires much in the way of funds each year just for maintenance. New equipment will need to be purchased over time. Thank you so much for sharing in this endeavor with us by supporting the Pancake Breakfast!

PCUSA Conference in Durham*

"In Life and in Death We Belong to God," March 12-14 at the Washington Duke Inn. Join church members, pastors, and health care professionals from across the country in exploring the theological, medical, and practical dimensions of end-of-life care. This conference is presented by our denomination (PCUSA) and the Duke Institute for Care at the End of Life. For more details of speakers, workshops, and registration, go online to: www.iceol.duke.edu/pcusa.

*Local volunteers are needed to serve as conference guides and registration helpers, contact: iceol@div.duke.edu.



**2007 Vacation Church School
Save the date! -- June 18th - 22nd**

Look for registration forms on the resource table in the Holderness Mission Center in March.

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