



# THE BRIDGE BUILDER

*Changing lives. Making a difference.*

## The ABC's of Faith

*A*lthough things are not perfect

*B*ecause of trial or pain

*C*ontinue in thanksgiving

*D*o not begin to blame

*E*ven when the times are hard

*F*ierce winds are bound to blow

*G*od is forever able

*H*old on to what you know

*I*magine life without His love

*J*oy would cease to be

*K*eep thanking Him for all the things

*L*ove imparts to thee

*M*ove out of "Camp Complaining"

*N*o weapon that is known

*O*n earth can yield the power

*P*raise can do alone

*Q*uit looking at the future

*R*edeem the time at hand

*S*tart every day with worship

*T*o "thank" is a command

*U*ntil we see Him coming

*V*ictorious in the sky

*W*e'll run the race with gratitude

*X*alting God most high

*Y*es, there'll be good times and yes some will be bad, but..

*Z*ion waits in glory...where none are ever sad!

Author: Unknown

**Session Highlights from January 2024**  
**Moderator – Reverend Dayton Wilson**  
**Clerk of Session – Lisa DeVane**  
**Assistant Clerk of Session – Toni DeVane**

The following is a list of session members and the assigned committees:

Congregational Concerns/Outreach: Willie Kay McDuffie (chair), Cheryl West, Susie Holland

Worship: Ann Cecile Warner (chair), Jennifer Campbell, Niki Dennis

Mission/Education: Joy Brice (chair), Terri Hawley

Operations: Connor Bullard (chair), Brett Pool, Stuart Campbell

Finance: Greg Martin (chair), Bryon Scott, Howell Clark, Mac Campbell

Personnel: Mollie Glenn (chair), Pat DeVane, Toni DeVane

Endowment Committee Rep: Pat DeVane

Mission & Education: Joy Brice reported that the committee will soon meet to plan upcoming events. Cheryl West mentioned ongoing efforts by the youth to collect items for weekend backpacks and hygiene packets. Mrs. Hill will continue children's choir practice on Wednesday nights and continue mission projects.

The overall finances for 2023 were discussed, and the 2024 budget was presented and approved.

Worship: Ann Warner requested session members to sign up as head ushers. Communion dates for 2024 were approved. A congregational meeting and lunch are scheduled for February 11<sup>th</sup> after church.

Operations: Gutter cleaning around the church has been scheduled, and a video monitor has been installed in the narthex

Endowment Committee: Pat DeVane plans to schedule a meeting soon and requested a list of committee members.

Congregational Care- Willie Kay McDuffie asked that we keep Bruce Barbour, Susan Fisher, and Karen Campbell and others in our thoughts and prayers.

Personnel Committee: Mollie Glenn stated that Pastor Dayton will hold a staff meeting in January.

Pastor Report: Pastor Dayton addressed the session, emphasizing the us the answer the call to serve. We are called to slow down and listen to what God is trying to tell us. In our weaknesses, we can find God's strength.

Pastor Dayton also announced that Ann Warner will receive the Faithful Saint award.

The next session meeting will be February 11, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.



We are busy practicing songs for Spring and Easter. Children (preschool—6th grade) are invited to join us on Wednesdays at 5:15 in the Children's Choir room in the PAC.

## Choir News

Choir practice will resume on Sunday night, Jan. 28 and we will immediately begin working on our Easter Cantata! It's hard to believe but Easter coming early, gives us only a little over 6 weeks to get ready for the Easter Cantata. It will be on Palm Sunday, March 24 at 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. We would love to have you join us as we proclaim our Saviors Resurrection! We will be practicing on Wednesday nights at 7 p.m. Please join us!

# ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

**Sunday, February 11th**

**Noon in the PAC Building**

**Soup & Sandwiches will be provided**

## Wednesday Nights Together



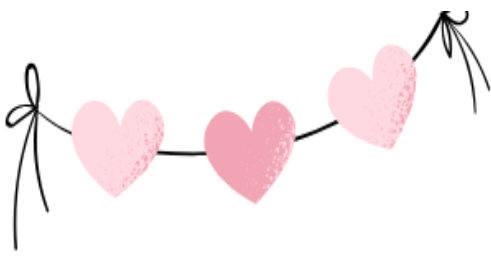
Adult Bible Study will begin at 5:00 pm

Children's Choir at 5:15 pm

Wednesday Night Meal at 5:45 pm

Special Time Together at 6:30 pm

Adult Choir Practice at 7:00 pm

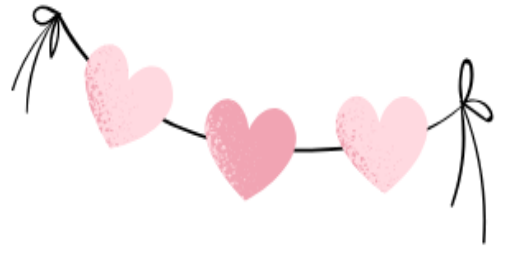


# February 2022



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<p>Annual Congregational Meeting with Soup &amp; Sandwiches at 12pm</p> <p>Nursery: Lillian &amp; Julianne DeVane Acolyte: Carter DeVane <b>11</b> Children's Church: Susie Holland</p>	<p><b>12</b></p>	<p>Will Hester</p> <p><b>13</b></p>	<p>Dane Goodwin; (C Noon Community EBC - Rev. Mark Gus</p> <p>5:15 Children's Choir 5:45 Wednesday Nig 6:30 Ash Wednesday 7:00 Adult Choir Pra</p>
<p>Julie Evans</p> <p>Nursery: Doll Priest Acolyte: Ava Duncan Children's Church: Lauren Campbell <b>18</b></p>	<p><b>19</b></p>	<p>Tommy Taylor</p> <p><b>20</b></p>	<p>Noon Community Le Christopher's - Rev. 5:00 Adult Bible Stu 5:15 Children's Choir 5:45 Wednesday Nig 6:30 The Not-So-Ne 7:00 Adult Choir Pra</p>
<p>Nursery: Claire DeVane Acolyte: Emily Campbell Children's Church: Hawley Hunt <b>25</b></p>	<p>Molly Evans</p> <p><b>26</b></p>	<p>Mac Thigpen</p> <p><b>27</b></p>	<p>Noon Community Le at EPC - Dr. Rudy Ra</p> <p>5:00 Adult Bible Stu 5:15 Children's Choir 5:45 Wednesday Nig 6:30 Family Prayer J 7:00 Adult Choir Pra</p>

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Siblings of last months picture who are members of Elizabethtown Presbyterian.

This is the 3rd generation and we now have 4th & 5th generations here at EPC.



*Presbyterian Women  
will meet on Tuesday, February 6  
at 6:00 pm in the Ladies' Parlor.*

*We will be discussing Chapter 11 of Having A  
Mary Heart in a Martha World.*

*For more information,  
call Teri Hawley. 910-862-9080*



# Community Lenten Services

**Feb 14** at Elizabethtown Baptist Church, Rev. Mark Gustafson

**Feb 21** at St Christopher's, Rev. Dayton Wilson

**Feb 28** at Elizabethtown Presbyterian Church, Dr. Rudy Ramphal

**March 6** at Trinity Methodist Church, Rev. Jason Williams

**March 13** at First Baptist, Rev. Corey Lyons

**March 20** at Foundation, Rev. Matt Thorley



## Thinking about Montreat Youth Conference?

Sign up with Jamye in the church office Dates are: July 21-27  
**\$150.00 Deposit due by February 4th**

## Interested in Middle School Montreat?

Looking for some adults who are willing to chaperone. Dates are:  
July 17-21

Let Cheryl know if you are interested and sign up with Jamye if your child is interested in going. Middle School Montreat is any youth that has completed 5th grade to completed 8th grade.



**Wednesday, February 21st:** Youth hosting a Newlywed/Not so Newlywed game. We will be contacting some of you couples to participate. Want to have: Our couple who have been married the longest, a couple that have been married less than a year, and a couple of in between.

**Saturday, February 24th:** Youth outing to Segra Stadium Fayetteville to watch ECU baseball vs Carolina. Sign up with Cheryl West.

**Wednesday, March 20th:** The Youth will be doing the stations of the cross before Easter. and We will practice **Sunday, March 17th at 5:30**

**Mark your calendars for these important dates:**

**Youth Sunday will be Sunday, May 5th**

**Senior Sunday will be Sunday, June 2nd**

## Souper Bowl Food Drive

The Youth will be collecting items for the weekend backpacks and hygiene items for hygiene bags.

What kind of items can you bring?

- Spaghetti-o's\*\*
- macaroni & cheese cups
- ravioli
- breakfast bars
- peanut butter cups
- crackers
- fruit cups
- raisins
- pudding
- small bottled water
- apple juice
- candy
- yahoo drinks
- water
- chips
- cookies

\*\*Cans need to be the pop-top variety so they will be easily opened.

Collection bins are located by the church office and in the PAC.

**Please drop items off by February 11th**





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**Head Usher:** Niki Dennis

<b>Date</b>	<b>Acolytes</b>	<b>Nursery Volunteers</b>	<b>Children's Church</b>
<b>2/4</b>	Ryne Priest	Lisa DeVane	Toni DeVane
<b>2/11</b>	Carter DeVane	Lillian & Julianne DeVane	Susie Holland
<b>2/18</b>	Ava Duncan	Doll Priest	Lauren Campbell
<b>2/25</b>	Emily Campbell	Claire DeVane	Hawley Hunt