

MARCH

2017 Vision

♥ **SIMPLIFY.**

"You are worried and upset about so many things, but *only one thing is necessary.*" -- Jesus
Luke 10:41b-42a
(Contemporary English Version)

March 5	Mark 5:1-5 & 18-20 "From Isolated To Connected" Rev. Paula K. McCosh
March 12	Ecclesiastes 12:9-14 "From Drifting To Focused" Rev. Scot McCosh
March 19	Ecclesiastes 3:1-11 "From Wounded to Whole" Rev. Scot McCosh
March 26	Ecclesiastes 1:1-2 & 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 "From Meaningless to Peaceful" Rev. Scot McCosh

March 1st

✝ **ASH WEDNESDAY**

6:00 p.m.

Dinner Served

6:15 p.m.

Business Meeting

7:15 p.m.

ASH WEDNESDAY

SERVICE

(Sanctuary)

7:45 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal

No Family Night Activities



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Pastor's Peace

"Rub a little dirt on it," says the hardened Soldier, farmer, coach or parent to the young newbie who has gotten a scratch. That advice might be just what we need. Yes, science has shown that some clay actually has medicinal qualities, and that getting dirty helps to strengthen us in more ways than we realize. However, rubbing a little dirt on us reminds us of our humble beginnings – that "from dust we were all created and to dust we shall return." (Genesis 3:19) At a time of political, ideological, gender, racial and socio-economic division we can find unity and common ground in a little dirt.

March marks the beginning of our Lenten journey, a time of reflection and repentance and a season of preparation and anticipation as we move toward the Easter celebration of April. On the first day of the month we'll gather for our Ash Wednesday service, to literally mark out the season on our foreheads. This simple symbol serves to remind us of our total dependence on our loving Lord, who created us from the dust of the earth, and whose feet were covered in the same dust as he came to redeem us. It serves to remind us that while we can split atoms, travel into space and send messages instantly around the world, we are still dependent on our gracious Creator for breathing the breath of life into our souls. This season starts with ashes, moves to times of reflection and repentance and ends with celebration and joy.

The prophet Isaiah described such a season, and Jesus quoted these same words to describe his own mission here on earth:

The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is upon me,
for the Lord has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.
He has sent me to comfort the brokenhearted
and to proclaim that captives will be released
and prisoners will be freed.

² He has sent me to tell those who mourn
that the time of the Lord's favor has come,
and with it, the day of God's anger against their enemies.

³ To all who mourn in Israel,
he will give a crown of beauty for ashes,
a joyous blessing instead of mourning,
festive praise instead of despair. (Isaiah 61:1-3)

Yes, the ashes are important only as they remind us of a right relationship with God, who stands ready to offer us a crown of merciful beauty for our authentic ashes of repentance. Take time to start this season off right and, "Rub a little dirt on it!"

Grace & Peace,

Pastor Scot



The Baptist men met on February 19th and were served a great breakfast care of the Mike Casey cook team and with 19 in attendance Pastor Scot got us started by blessing the meal.

Boyd Parsons presented the plan for the Raise The Roof Raffle that will take place at the Spring Festival. There will be 300 tickets at \$10 each for the drawing for a One week vacation at Myrtle Beach or Orlando FL also other prizes to include a free child's birthday party by Pony and Friends, gift cards from Wal-Mart, dinner for two and Fire Ants gift package. There will be no less than seven winners.

We will be having a Clean The Church Project Day on Saturday April 8th at 8:00am. Anyone will be welcome to come help the men get our facilities ready for guests at Easter, and the Spring Festival. Bring your rakes, trimmers, pressure washers, etc... This will help us meet two goals, as it will help to generate volunteer hours towards the goal of 1700 as well as make the church shine.

Pastor Scot closed out our meeting with a RightNow Media video on Joshua that included a clip on President Lincoln, all focused on the theme of leaders praying. We were left with the question, "If you aren't praying for your family, who is?" Our next meeting will be March 19th with the Ray Lewis cook team preparing the meal. Please come out and enjoy good food and fellowship.

Butch Hancock, Director



The WOM has been very busy already starting the new year! Our Christmas Offering to the North Carolina Baptist Children's Home ended in January and we collected around \$1,500.00.

Souper Bowl Sunday on February 5th was for the Gray's Creek Christian Center with can goods and dry milk donated and our soup pot cash collection totaled \$237.41.

The group then decided that we would kick off Valentine's Day by offering "Treats for your Sweets" and a Bake Sale was held on February 12, 2017 to raise money for Building and Grounds. Our final amount collected was \$842.00.

A big thanks to all who help make each of these possible and successful!

Coming up in March we will be collecting items for the Easter baskets! More information will be available soon!

On March 26th we will have a WOM meeting brunch after church! Come out and see what is going on with our group!

Thank you for supporting our Women on Missions and God Bless!

Kim Holloman



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**1st Thursday of each month
@11:30am to pack
Backpack Buddy Bags.**

FINANCIAL DONATIONS NEEDED

To buy food items for Backpack Buddy Bags.

Checks made payable to:

Mount Pisgah Baptist Church

Memo: Backpack Buddy

See Pastor Paula for more details

Sunday, March 12th

6:00pm

Choir Concert



Fundraiser for Building & Grounds



Tuesday, March 7th

**JOIN US as we
welcome
our guest speaker,
Gilbert Baez**



Pictured are: (Standing) Coach Johnny Dawson, Jaiden Iacone, Dawson Gibbs, Logan Freeman-Simmons, Jason Royal, Coach John L. Averitte, Pastor Scot McCosh (Kneeling) Tristan Reynolds, Jamauri Richardson, Jordan Iacone, Logan Hyatt

"Congratulations to our boys basketball team who had a great inaugural season, making the league tournament semifinals where they lost in a hard fought game.



The League Administrator was so impressed with their attitude, dedication and spirit that he personally came to our bus to address the team and thank them for adding so much to the league.

A special thanks to our Coaches, John L. Averitte, Johnny Dawson and Pastor Scot, and to all the dedicated family and fans who came out to cheer."

Kids
Night
Out

CHASE THE LIGHT

THE INCREDIBLE ADVENTURES OF
THE MISFIT BRIGADE
THEY WERE ALL DIFFERENT, BUT THEY FOLLOWED THE SAME LIGHT.

5pm - 10pm

3rd - 7th Grade \$5 per child

March 25th

April 29th

May 20th

Sign up on Sunday School wing bulletin board or call the church office (485-5681) to register

March 19, 2017 Easter Basket Sunday

In partnership with New South River Baptist Association, we are making Easter Baskets for Cumberland Co. Foster Children.

You may bring already filled Easter Baskets or toys, school supplies, candy and other fun gifts to put in baskets to church.

We will dedicate baskets Sunday March 19th.

Quarterly Lunch Sunday, March 26th

Fellowship and Planning for
Women's Ministry

Please bring a salad or dessert to share
(enough for 4 people)

Further Information:
Kim Holloman, 910-865-1389

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME SPRING FORWARD

March 12th



Kids Night Out
March 25th
See inside for details



**CHURCH
 PROJECT
 DAY**

Saturday, April 8th

8:00 a.m.

ALL ARE WELCOME

**Help clean up and spruce
 up our facility for Easter
 & Spring Festival**



**Holy Week Event
 for the Family**



April 9th-Palm Sunday

5:00-7:00pm

Spaghetti Dinner

Scot McCosh, Pastor 779-2540 cell: 584-3711
 Paula McCosh, Youth/Children Pastor 779-2540
 Janice Simpson, Music Director

Return Service Requested

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USHER SCHEDULE:

March 5: Team 1
 March 12: Team 2
 March 19: Team 3
 March 26: Team 4



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DEACON of the WEEK:

March 5: John L. Averitte
 March 12: Glyndetta Hubbard
 March 19: Margaret Hyatt
 March 26: Leslie Ward

GREETER SCHEDULE:

Mar 5: Peggy Gwynn, Barbara Cain, Joann Cartee
 Mar 12: Vivian Barefoot, Brooke McDonald, Ursula Darden
 Mar 19: Linda & Robert Carson, Helen Averitte
 Mar 26: Leslie & Alyzabeth Ward, Jarrod Smith

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