

April /May 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
24 Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday Study	25 AA Noon	26 WW Quilters 10:00 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m. AA Noon AA 7:30 p.m.	27 Prayer Group 8:30 a.m. Ladies' AA 7:00 p.m.	28 AA Noon Men's AA 8:00 p.m.	29 AA Noon	30 Jack Bagent & Bob Buck Yard Crew
1 Sunday Worship and Communion 9:30 a.m. Session Meeting No Sunday Study	2 AA Noon	3 Bible Study 11:00 a.m. AA Noon Lagniappe Ladies 6:00 p.m. AA 7:30 p.m.	4 Prayer Group 8:30 a.m. Ladies' AA 7:00 p. m.	5 AA Noon Men's AA 8:00 p.m.	6 AA Noon	7 John Dye & Mike Groves Yard Crew

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- Connect with God in spirit and in truth,
- Connect with the Community of Faith in worship, study, and fellowship,
- Connect with the Neighborhood Community in friendship and service.

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Worship Leaders for April 24, 2016

Pastor.....Rev. Janie McElwee-Smith
 Liturgist.....Carol Behrmann
 UshersAlan and Ann Cutter
 Hospitality.....Alan and Ann Cutter
 Music Director.....Dr. Kit Loong Yee (Raymond)



The flowers are presented
To the glory of God and in celebration
of Emery Lancaster's birthday
By Preston Lancaster

Thought for the Week

“Five years ago I came to believe in Christ’s teachings, and my life suddenly changed; I ceased to desire what I had previously desired, and began to desire what I formerly did not want. What had previously seemed to me good seemed evil, and what seemed evil seemed good...The direction of my life and my desires became different, and good and evil changed places.

“I, like that thief on the cross, have believed Christ's teaching and been saved. This is no far-fetched comparison, but the closest expression of the condition of spiritual despair and horror at the problem of life and death in which I lived formerly, and of the condition of peace and happiness in which I am now... In all this I was exactly like the thief, but the difference was that the thief was already dying, while I was still living.

The thief might believe that his salvation lay there beyond the grave, but I could not be satisfied with that, because besides a life beyond the grave, life still awaited me here. And I did not understand that life. It seemed to me terrible. But suddenly I heard the words of Christ and understood them, and life and death ceased to seem evil, and instead of despair I experienced happiness and the joy of life undisturbed by death.”

- Leo Tolstoy

CONTACTING Reverend McElwee-Smith

If you need to contact Reverend McElwee-Smith, please call or text 314-283-7596.

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Her office hours at church are 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Monday through Thursday.

ANNIVERSARYS

April 27 – Rick & Debbie Gurtner
May 19 – John & Marian Kleinpeter
May 23 – Jacob and Audrie John
May 24 – Bill and Mary Lambert
May 28 – John and Louise Dye

BIRTHDAYS

May 18 – Maggie Stewart
May 27 – Michael Aguiard, Sr.
May 29 – Carol Behrmann
May 31 – Bob Buck

Want to make someone's day?

Then fill out a “**prayer card**” when you are in church. This is a simple and easy way for you to reach out to other members of our family of faith who could use words of encouragement, comfort, love, congratulations, thanks, and so much more. Fill out one, two, three, or twenty cards and simply drop them in the offering plate. Your personal message to your neighbor will be treated with the utmost discretion. Please be sure to let us know to whom it is addressed so that HPC can mail it for you during the week.

This exciting new ministry begins today - so **let us encourage one another!**



Please note:

- **Session** will meet next **Sunday, May 1**, after fellowship time.
- **Lagniappe Ladies** will meet **Tuesday, May 3, at 6:00 p.m.** at a site to be announced. Supper will be pot luck. A volunteer is needed to present the Bible study lesson.

Joys and Concerns of the HPC Family

Immediate Family: Mary Etta & Shelby Brown, Catherine Hackney, Jacob, Audrie & Lexi John, Betty Lancaster, Jane Payton, Mary Perry, Deanna Lewis Sklar, Bonner Stewart.

Extended Family: Cary Bargas, Austin Casey, Chip Chiphe, Eva Fuller, *Rhonda and Howard Matthews*, Kirby Perry, Mike Tucker.

(New names added to prayer list are in italics.)