

May 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Sunday Worship and Communion 9:30 a.m. Session Meeting No Sunday Study	2 AA Noon	3 Bible Study 10:30 a.m. AA Noon Lagniappe Ladies 6:00 p.m. AA 7:30 p.m.	4 Prayer Group 8:30 a.m. AA Noon 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
8 Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m. Mother's Day No Sunday Study	9 AA Noon	10 WW Quilters 10:00 a.m. Bible Study 10:30 a.m. AA Noon AA 7:30 p.m.	11 Prayer Group 8:30 a.m. AA Noon Ladies' AA 7:00 p.m.	12 AA Noon Men's AA 8:00 p.m.	13 AA Noon	14 Bill & Mary Lambert 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 May 1, 2016

Pastor.....Rev. Janie McElwee-Smith
 Liturgist.....Mary Martin
 UshersMike and Tillie Groves
 Communion Preparer/Servers.....Bill and Mary Lambert
 Hospitality.....Anne McKnight
 Music Director.....Dr. Kit Loong Yee (Raymond)

*The flowers are presented
 To the glory of God
 By Jim and Mary Martin*

Thought for the Week

“No one is ever united with Jesus Christ until he is willing to relinquish not sin only, but his whole way of looking at things. To be born from above of the Spirit of God means that we must let go before we lay hold, and in the first stages it is the relinquishing of all pretense. What our Lord wants us to present to him is not goodness, nor honesty, nor endeavor, but real, solid sin; that is all he can take from us. And what does he give in exchange for our sin? Real, solid righteousness. But we must relinquish all pretense of being anything, all claim of being worthy of God’s consideration.

“Then the Spirit of God will show us what further there is to relinquish. There will have to be the relinquishing of my claim to my right to myself in every phase. Am I willing to relinquish my hold on all I possess, my hold on my affections, and on everything, and to be identified with the death of Jesus?”

“... Paul says, ‘I have been crucified with Christ’; he does not say, ‘I have determined to imitate Jesus Christ’ or, ‘I will endeavor to follow Him’ but, ‘I have been *identified* with Him in His death.’ When I come to such a moral decision and act upon it, then all that Christ wrought for me on the Cross is wrought *in* me. The free committal of myself to God gives the Holy Spirit the chance to impart to me the holiness of Jesus Christ.”

- Oswald Chambers

CONTACTING Reverend McElwee-Smith

Reverend McElwee-Smith will be on Continuing Education leave May 2-6, 2016. If you need to contact Reverend McElwee-Smith, please call or text 314-283-7596. Her email address is: revjaniehpc@gmail.com.

ANNIVERSARIES

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 Aguillard, 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. 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 with **you** - let us encourage one another!

Please note:

- **Session** will meet today following fellowship time.
- **Lagniappe Ladies** will meet Tuesday, May 3 at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Mary Perry (12337 North Oak Hills Pkwy, phone 819-9335). Supper will be pot luck. Mary Lambert will present the Bible study lesson.
- **Pentecost Sunday** is May 15, the 33rd anniversary of HPC’s charter as a church on Pentecost, 1983. We will celebrate at Third Sunday Lunch with our traditional entrée, Jambalaya. Please sign up on the bulletin board to bring a dessert or side dish to share!

Congratulations!

Michael Aguillard, Jr, son of Barbara and Mike Aguillard, will graduate May 21 *magna cum laude* from The Honors Program at Louisiana Tech in Ruston. (Barbara is our Budget Administrator, formerly our Office Manager, and Mike Sr’s Air Conditioning Company has done maintenance as well as major repair or replacement for our equipment.) We wish all the best for Mike, Jr.!

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)