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March/April Preaching Schedule

- 03/21– Rev. Elbert Darden, PhD– 5th Sunday in Lent
- 03/28—Choir Cantata—Palm Sunday– 6th Sunday in Lent
 - 04/01—Rev. Timothy Hoare - Maundy Thursday
 - 04/04—Rev. Marc Giedinghagen - Easter Sunday
 - 04/11—Rev. Timothy Hoare

Join us for Worship Each Sunday

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service

9:30 Kids Under Construction

10:30 a.m. Fellowship

11:00 a.m. Uplifting Traditional Service

5:15 pm SBPC Youth Group




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The Message for All

One of the things God cares most about is how we interact with the world around us, the people who he made in his image. The attractive and those who make us want to turn away, the ones who make us want to distance ourselves.

I encounter both on a daily basis in the job I do. The polite and the impolite. The pleasant and those who are surly. Those who bathe regularly and those whose body odor is offensive to smell. Some are easy to offer service to while others are a challenge. But all are made in his image: The rich, the poverty stricken, the healthy and those with terminal illness, the gentle and the obnoxious, those who have answered God's call and those still wandering in darkness. And God calls us to treat all with the love of Christ. Not always an easy task.

Jesus ate with sinners, prostitutes, tax collectors; the very people who were rejected as unclean by the religious leaders of that time. He also loved those who were wealthy and enjoyed the good things of life. All were being called to salvation, and it is to all now that he extends his mercy and grace as a free gift, but we have to share that good news in how we live out our lives in the presence of all people we encounter on a daily basis. It's a task that is demanding and daunting, yet he prepares the way before us through the working of the Holy Spirit.

In the second chapter of the Book of Acts, Jesus spoke his last words on earth. Being his last ones, it would seem that they would be incredibly important for the disciples to hear and they were. The charge to take the gospel out into the world was unrestricted, neither Jew nor Gentile were to be excluded, all people were to hear the words of God's amazing grace to humankind and the disciples were to be the carriers of the good news to everyone in anywhere, any time, anyway that they could.

Every person we see, whether they are rich and powerful or stumbling with drunkenness, are made in the image of God and have intrinsic value—value that God confers. Enough value to call for Christ's death on the cross. Sometimes it a struggle to carry out the Great Commission, yet that is what he has called us to do. With the indwelling power of the Holy Spirit we will do what on our own we could never do, love the unlovable as well as the lovable. May he transform us even more in his image as we live out his high calling to carry the message to all.

Our Mission is:
To proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ in word and in deed
To love God
To love one another
To make disciples of all people.

Eyeglasses for the Needy

The Gift of Sight programs recycles old eyeglasses to redistribute to those who need eyeglasses and cannot afford them. Put prescription eyeglasses in the box in the hall. Adult and children glasses are collected and donated for those in need

Pop the Top of a Cool One

Next time you are feeling thirsty, head downstairs and buy a soda from the machine located in the lower level of the building. The proceeds from the sales benefits Rainbow School.



Presbyterian Women

Presbyterian Women resumes meeting on Tues., March 23 at noon in the Parlor. Our new Bible study is entitled JOSHUA, A JOURNEY OF FAITH and study guides are available. Helen Bishop, Susan Hartley, and Marty Hatten serve as leaders. Bring a sack lunch; dessert and drinks will be provided. PW Council meets Tues., March 9 at 10:00 in the Library.

We welcome all women to join us in this time of food, fellowship, and reflection on God's word.

PNC Update

After many months of hard work and prayer, the PNC is nearing the end of their task. They have narrowed the search down to just a few candidates and are in the process of arranging for neutral pulpits and final, formal interviews with both the PNC and Presbytery's Committee on Ministry. Please be in prayer for the members of the committee as they continue with the very arduous and difficult task of discerning the will of the Lord and make the final selection.

		<u>GENERAL FUND</u>		
		<u>MONTH</u>		<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>
	Date		Date	
BALANCE	1/31/2010	\$18,874.43	12/31/2009	\$14,442.58
Receipts		\$15,095.89		\$31,595.89
Subtotal		\$33,970.32		\$46,038.47
Expense		\$17,377.09		\$29,445.24
BALANCE	2/28/2010	\$16,593.23	2/28/2010	\$16,593.23

HIStory Story Project

What do you know about the history of South-Broadland Presbyterian Church? Were you a member of South Presbyterian Church or Broadland Presbyterian Church? Do you remember when our current building was under construction? Do you have stories to tell about your faith journey here at SBPC? Were you a member of the Friendship Class? What brought you to worship at SBPC? If you have the answers to those questions or would like to know those answers, then I need you. I'm proposing a project about preserving the history of the merge of South and Broadland Presbyterian churches into South-Broadland Presbyterian Church and our history from that point forward. In one sense it is a history project, but it is also HIS story, God's story. It's about loving one another, relationships, being Spirit-filled, preaching the Good News, community, making disciples, reaching across race, age, and economic status. And yet it's even more than that. It's about being about God's work by building community, developing relationships, and forging friendships.

The plan is to have the youth of our church interview members starting with the oldest and longest members, those that were a part of the merge. This history must be preserved. We would continue the process by interviewing longtime members and then any member that would like to share their story.

Our most recent confirmands were each assigned a mentor within the church and this is something I would like them to work on together. I would like to ask the deacons to participate and assist those youth without "assigned" mentors. The hope is that the youth will take ownership of this project. That they will assist in formulating interview questions that would direct us in preserving this history. They will conduct the interviews utilizing audio and possibly video recording devices. We will take this opportunity to get to know our long time members, to build relationships, and make new friends. And hopefully the youth will continue to visit these members long after the project is over.

This project is still in the beginning stage and I decided to share it with you at this time in case you are interested in participating. Maybe you would like to be a mentor. Maybe you have audio or video recording devices you are willing to loan for the project. Maybe you can provide transportation for the youth to the interview site. Maybe you are a writer and could help formulate the interviews into story form. Maybe you have some genealogical experience. Please contact Bettina Jamerson at 816-333-1302 if you are interested in being a part of HIStory.

Roses to...

The members of the PNC for tackling such a tremendous and deeply responsible task of finding a new pastor.

Those who volunteer to teach Sunday school or work the nursery. They miss church those Sundays to minister to the young of South-Broadland. Their sacrifice should not go unnoticed.

The Buildings and Grounds committee and those who volunteer to help with the upkeep of our building. Their time and talents save the church much in expenses.

Bettina Jamerson for organizing the Military Ministry to send the goodie boxes for our members of the military.

Relay for Life

Calling all Cancer Survivors, anyone touched by cancer, and anyone wanting to find a cure! Please consider joining us in the fight against cancer on June 4th & 5th. Relay for Life is a unique, challenging and fun way to raise money for the American Cancer Society and to raise awareness of cancer and the work of the American Cancer Society.

Relay for Life is the signature fundraising event for the American Cancer Society and is more of a celebration of life than a fundraiser; it's an event that reaches into the community to bring friends, neighbors, co-workers and families together to celebrate those who have survived cancer and to remember those who have not.

It's a team event and South-Broadland's team is "Christ's Disciples for a Cure". Consider becoming a team member. As a member you will be asked to fundraise on your own, but ACS makes it very easy with a team website and the ability to create your own page; we will also plan team fundraising events; and we all come together the evening of June 4th to walk during the 12-hour event. You can come for a short time or you can stay the night with us, there are events planned all night long and plenty of food and fun!

We also want to invite survivors to participate. You can sign up as a survivor and receive a free Relay For Life T-shirt. There will be a dinner for you just prior to the start of the event on June 4th. Survivors will take the first lap and kick off the Relay!

This year's Relay will be held at Avila University, 11901 Wornall Road. And the website is, www.relayforlife.org/kcmo. Please contact Bettina Jamerson for details about signing up and if you have any questions, 816-333-1302. Thank you.

We Remember

Barbara Brown who passed into eternal life on Oct. 28, 2009 at age 92. Barbara was a long-time resident of the Waldo community and a member of South-Broadland. She was born in Gardner Kansas, then a small town, moving to KC after high school. For years she worked for Traveler's Insurance Co.

At South-Broadland Barbara served as an Elder and a devoted participant in the Keystone Class, Presbyterian Women, and Keenagers. She was very stylish in her beautifully colored clothes and jewelry. Barbara loved to cook and was always ready to prepare a delicious dish for a potluck or to take to a shut-in. She had a twinkle in her eye and a smile for everyone.

She is survived by her son Bill, sister Carolyn Donovan, four grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her son Stephen.



Rainbow School Update

By Becky Hirtzel

Thanks again, to everyone who supported our annual Silent Auction in February. It was our most successful ever, despite the bad weather! We are planning to use the proceeds for three special projects:

1. The Outdoor Classroom and Garden space. We have a beautiful preliminary drawing done by one of our preschool parents who is a landscape architect. Take a look at the drawing outside our library. The new space will include a vegetable garden, butterfly garden, quiet/meditative garden, a water feature, a digging space, rain barrels, and much more!

2. Energy Efficiency. A preschool parent who owns an electrical business spent several hours doing an extensive survey of South-Broadland's energy use. He made several recommendations that would greatly reduce expenses in this area. KCPL has a matching funds program that would pay for up to half of some of the projects. We plan to use some of our auction funds along with KCPL funds to replace the very old light fixtures in the lower level classrooms and hallways.

3. We want to spruce up the south entrance to the building. We would like to add an awning over the door, a railing along the rock wall, and add some pretty planters.

We really appreciate the support from Terry Everly, the new Buildings and Grounds chair as we partner with the church to make these improvements for everyone to enjoy. If you have a talent or a service that you would like to bring to any of these projects, we would love to have you join us! Please contact Deena in the office at 816-523-4336, or Rainbow@South-Broadland.org

Please remember to bring your paper and catalogs to the green and yellow recycling bins in the parking lot. We receive cash each month, depending on the weight of the paper. Every little bit helps!

Summer enrollment is underway! Rainbow School has two summer programs:

Part Time Care for Infants, Toddlers, and Preschoolers –
Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 9:30 AM – 2:15 PM
June 8 – July 31

Full Time Care for Kindergarten through Fourth Graders –
Monday through Friday, 7:30 AM – 6:00 PM
June 1 – August 18

If you are interested in enrolling in either of these summer programs, please contact the Rainbow School office. Openings are limited; call today!



March Birthdays

- 4 Grant Baker
- 5 Gary Shemwell
- 7 Ann Jackson
- 7 Skyelar Anderson
- 9 Dorothy Townsend
- 13 Cozette Hatten
- 17 Patric Jackson
- 18 Dixie Miller
- 22 Harold Moore
- 25 Cynthia Blackwell
- 26 Meredith Hartley
- 26 Harlene Scofield
- 27 Bette Blocher
- 27 Domnick Braswell
- 27 Troy Dewberry
- 27 Chandler Robinson

March Anniversaries

- 11 Joe & Judy McGuire
- 24 Michael & Kathy Johnson
- 24 James & Allene Mullins