

# Macland Press

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## March 2017

March 1

Ash Wednesday

6:00– Dinner

7:00– Worship Service

March 15

6:30-Adult CPR & AED  
Training

March 19

1:00-Adult & Child CPR  
& AED Training

5:30-Youth Fundraiser  
Dinner

March 25

Spring Chicken Run  
7:00-Danny Flowers  
Concert

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Dear Macland,

March 4<sup>th</sup> is Noah's Day, do you know why?

Because when the Ark landed on Mt. Ararat, God opened the door and told Noah and his family, "March forth!"

Ever since then, March 4<sup>th</sup> has been Noah's day, a day to march forth from our arks of safety and into the world.

It's a little corny, but I'll bet you'll remember it.

Presbyterians, especially of the PC(USA) variety, have had a hard time grasping the Great Commission of Jesus in Matthew 28 to, "Go into all the world and make disciples."

I realized on our recent trip to Haiti that there is not nor can there ever be a PC(USA) church in Haiti. The simple reason is that because Haiti is not in the USA. We have limited our concept of 'our' church to one of location. Most of our churches are named after their location, to let everyone know where our ark has landed. We are Macland Road, or First Presbyterian (insert city name here), or Central Presbyterian, or Midway Presbyterian are both in Anderson, South Carolina. In Greenville, SC, First Presbyterian of Greenville left the PC(USA). That makes me wonder if Fourth Presbyterian will move up in the rankings to Third Presbyterian.

When we set up our ark on some piece of property and identify with the location, our buildings, or people who live like we do, where we do, we close the door to God's call to, "March forth!" or "Go into all the world and make disciples."

As March 4<sup>th</sup> rolls around this year, remember Noah, how his family didn't stay in the ark, but marched forth into the world. And remember Jesus, and our great commission. Here is the full text from Matthew 28:16-20

*16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. 17 When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. 18 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (NRSV)*

As the cheerleaders at my high school used to say, "Let's go! Let's go! L-e-t-s-g-o!"

Joy!

David

# What's Up Macland?



## Macland Presbyterian Preschool

It is time to register for the 2017-2018 school year!!

Please visit our website [macland.org](http://macland.org) for registration information, forms and general info about our program.

Our Classes include....

Toddlers (2 days)

Twos (3 days)

Threes (4 days)

Fours (4 days)

All students must be class age by  
September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017

Call, email or visit anytime!!

[preschool@macland.org](mailto:preschool@macland.org) 770 439-1548  
ext. 226

Join us this summer  
June 12-16 for VBS!!!

The cost is \$25 per child if you register *before* May 1<sup>st</sup>

The week promises to be fabulous!!

Come learn about Heroes from the bible.

The time is 9am until 1pm Monday - Friday.

Visit our website for registration information!!



Macland Youth cordially invite you to our annual Fundraiser Dinner...

## Macland Youth's Beach Party Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

Come enjoy a summer evening in winter. Pull out your best beach gear. Rock the flip flops, Hawaiian shirts, or straw hats. It will be a fun night full of games and laughter. We will have delicious food, **our famous dessert auction**, beach games, and much more. We will sell tickets beginning Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds will go to support our trip to Montreat. This retreat is always an amazing week where the youth grow closer to God and each other. We hope to see you all there Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.



If anyone would like to be a Lay Reader, we would love to have your help. We also need additional ushers. If you have been an Elders in the past we could use your help with serving Communion. Please talk to Linda Puterbaugh: 678-524-9667 or [lindaputerbaugh@hotmail.com](mailto:lindaputerbaugh@hotmail.com).



The Fellowship Team will be ordering Macland t-shirts, golf shirts, and tote bags. If you would like to purchase a shirt or bag, please send your information to Doug Michalke ([dougmicchalke@yahoo.com](mailto:dougmicchalke@yahoo.com)) by March 13th!

The link to order your t-shirt directly is <https://www.customink.com/g/kew0-00ax-4p83>

The link to order your golf polo directly is <https://www.customink.com/g/kew0-00ax-1hzb>

The link to order your tote bag directly is <https://www.customink.com/designs/tote3/kew0-00ax-fatc>

# Lent, Holy Week And Easter Services

Macland Presbyterian Church would like to invite you to share in any and all of our services below:

- March 1    *Ash Wednesday - 6:00 pm - Dinner  
7:00 pm - Worship Service*
- April 9    *Palm Sunday - 10:00 am Worship Service*
- April 13    *Maundy Thursday - 6:00 pm - Dinner  
7:00 pm - Communion Service*
- April 14    *Good Friday - 7:30 pm - Worship Service*
- April 16    *Easter Sunday - 7:30 am - Sunrise Service  
8:00 am - Breakfast Treats  
10:00 am - Worship Service*

## Save the Date for VBS 2017



Mark your calendars and tell your neighbors!!

Macland's VBS will be the week of June 12<sup>th</sup>  
From 9am until 12noon  
Ages 3 (potty trained please) to rising 5<sup>th</sup> grade

Registration forms can be found on the homepage of our website... [macland.org](http://macland.org)!

**REGISTER NOW  
FOR THE 15TH ANNUAL**



## **A RACE AGAINST HUNGER**

5K RUN/WALK | 1 MILE RUN/WALK | TOT TROT

**SATURDAY, MARCH 25  
DOWNTOWN POWDER SPRINGS**

**[SpringChickenRun.com](http://SpringChickenRun.com)**

**A RACE TO BENEFIT SWEETWATER MISSION**

PRESENTED BY



**CERTIFIED OFFICIAL  
PEACHTREE QUALIFIER**

Session News and Notes  
February 2017



The Session met on February 27, 2017 in the copy room.

**Committee reports**

**Finance**

- The budget was the main topic of conversation for this month's Session meeting. It will be presented at a Congregational meeting on March 26, 2017 after worship.

**Nurture**

- Youth Sunday was a success.
- Fundraiser (Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, @ 5:30pm) is in process. Tickets will start being sold on February 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Montreat – Money is being collected from parents. Garrett is working on all arrangements.
- Chaperones will be David & Carrie Jones, Kelly Wier, Garrett Campbell
- Youth is discussing internal mission opportunities assisting members of the church (helping paint, yard work, etc.)
- Discussed how to engage the youth with the Powerhouse Church? Start by attending a service?
- Confirmation - Discussed when/what look like.

**VBS –**

- June 12 – 16, 9am – 12pm, Curriculum – Hero Central, \$25 per child (after May 1<sup>st</sup>, \$30 per child)
- Will be done in conjunction with the preschool. Jill is the CNT contact.
- Laura Sinyard and Amy Smith are heading it up.
- Preschool staff/director will be paid..

**Worship**

- Ash Wednesday  
March 1. 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary, after the dinner at 6:00 pm
- Palm Sunday  
April 9
- Maundy Thursday  
April 13 – Change the Wednesday night dinner to Thursday night. Have a small service after dinner in the FLC with communion served at each table.
- Good Friday  
April 14 – Adult Choir and ESC will provide a program for the service at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary.
- Easter  
April 16 – Sunrise service will be at 7:00 am in the courtyard. ESC will play. Second service will be at 10:00 am. There will be refreshments in the FLC. NO Sunday school Easter morning per CE.

**Outreach**

**Compton Elementary:**

- Sharon Dold and Freida St. Germain plan with Principal Murphy to discuss the following:
- Teachers Appreciation Luncheon to determine date, place, and scope
- Determine what their current volunteer program looks like and to discuss how Macland can participate
- Currently collecting information from area parks/recreation to determine the type of summer programs that are offered so that Macland can participate with a possible VBS or a weekly meal prepared by Macland volunteers. Committee to report results at the March meeting.

**Sweetwater Mission**

- Quarterly Food Pantry Program  
2016 stats: 173 families, 560 people, 218 children, 8,955 pounds  
2017 Feb. stats: 22 families, 69 people, 30 children, 1,302 pounds  
2017 future dates: 4/29, 7/22, 11/4
- Spring Chicken Run March 25 – Bulletin and Sunday morning announcements to be made on 2/26, 3/5, and 3/12 to create desire to volunteer or participate on a Macland team.
- Rescue Repurpose Redeem Program is a social experience of Sweetwater Mission. It works to provide sustainable, creative, and meaningful employment opportunities for individuals who have experience chronic homelessness and live with disabilities. This enterprise enhances the personal success and self-worth of participants in addition to providing an opportunity for supplemental income. Freida and Penny Estes met with Stephanye McKay, director of the program to discuss ways that Macland could extend support.

**Red Cross Blood Drive**

- 38 pints were collected at the February drive. We have confirmed with the Red Cross that the September drive will be held on Thursday the 21<sup>st</sup> from 3 until 7 PM.

## **Fellowship and Evangelism**

- Power House Church is now meeting in our Family Life Center (FLC) upstairs. Their meeting time 11:00 AM on Sunday.
- Bonnie Little is in charge of scheduling for the Family Life Center. If you need to schedule the building, please contact her.
- There will be two fellowship dinners this year— one in the spring around the May 5-7 dates (with a “Cinco de Mayo” theme) and one on Rally Day on August 13, 2017.
- The Men’s Golf outings for the Spring and Fall are TBD.
- If you would like to purchase a golf or T-shirt, please contact Doug Michalke.

## **Session Actions**

- **Approved the budget for 2017.**
- **Approved a Congregational meeting for March 26, 2017. The purpose of the meeting is to present the budget to the Congregation.**

## **Calendar of events**

- March 1-Ash Wednesday
- March 19-Youth fund raiser
- March 25-Chicken Run
- March 26-Congregational meeting after worship
- April 13-Maundy Thursday-Dinner before service
- April 14-Good Friday-7:00 p.m. service
- April 16-Easter
  - Sunrise service, 10:00 a.m. service
- No Sunday School
- June 12-16-VBS
- August 13, 2017-Rally Day and Fellowship luncheon



# March Birthdays

3/1 Robert Gravley  
3/8 Caroline Polacheck  
3/9 Katerina Brunot  
3/9 Tracey Smith  
3/10 Mitch Hodges  
3/12 Laura Yaramishyn  
3/13 Ferne White  
3/14 Bonnie Little  
3/15 Mary Allia Endredi  
3/17 Ellen Auchenpaugh  
3/17 Lydia McAliley  
3/19 Jana Ferguson

3/19 Ruthie Whalen  
3/19 Emily Williams  
3/20 Alex Hubert  
3/21 Connie Tabb  
3/23 JP Bartlett  
3/25 Gabrielle Barge  
3/27 Jimmy Pope  
3/28 George Pope  
3/31 Jessica Wier