

Elizabeth Baptist Church News

March 2017

From the Pastor



Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

I remember singing this song, *Doxology*, every Sunday when I was younger. At the time, it was something that I could sing without much thought. Unfortunately, today we have the tendency to participate vocally in worship but neglect the other aspects of worship that include our entire being.

We are to worship God with our mind. We accomplish this by thinking about and reflecting upon His nature, His character and His mighty works. Regarding His nature, He is All-Powerful, All-Knowing, All-Present, Eternal and utterly Holy. Regarding His character, He is Righteous, Just, Kind, Good, Loving, Faithful and Compassionate. Regarding His mighty works, He has created the heavens, the earth and everything within them. He maintains all that exists. He miraculously intervenes in the world to accomplish His purposes. He has

provided for our eternal forgiveness and salvation through the death of His Son, Jesus Christ, on the cross.

We are to worship God with our bodies. Paul tells us that everything we do is to be done with worshipping God in mind. 1 Corinthians 10:31 (CSB) reads, "Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for God's glory." Worshipping God with our bodies means that we participate in no activities that offend Him or dishonor Him before others.

When you think about worship and praising God, do not limit it to a particular time of the week or a particular place like church. Praise and worship is not a 1/1 (1 hour/1 day per week) responsibility. It is a 24/7 (24 hour/ 7 day per week) opportunity.

Read Psalm 103 and praise God with the Psalmist. "My soul, praise Yahweh, and all that is within me, praise His holy name."

Brotherhood

Prayer cards for retired pastors or their widows were distributed for the men to make a follow-up contact. The RA's continue with missions study and activities each Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. The annual RA/GA car race will be held March 8 at 6:00 p.m.
Roy

Ladies' Bible Study

Ladies' come join the 7-week Bible Study with Debra Kay Sackett, March 7, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the Elizabeth Baptist fellowship hall.

A possible evening class will be held if there are 3 or more attending. The evening class will be held on March 9, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

TeamKID

Greetings everyone!! We have had a great time in February studying about our Lord Jesus. We will be finishing this study and our next study will be the beginning of the church. We had a lot of fun at our Valentine's game day in February.

I want to thank our kitchen staff for all the delicious meals they prepare for us each Wednesday night. Everyone does an excellent job!! Pam

Youth Ministry

Our students had a wonderful time of food, fun, and fellowship on Sunday night February 5 during our Super Bowl party. We enjoyed a warm bonfire, s'mores, and a lot of good football food to go along with the game.

Our March event will be a Progressive dinner on March 25. Don

Upward Sports

God continues to grow and bless our Upward Sports program to reach children and families for Christ. Our ending celebration will be Saturday, March 4 in the gym at Aucilla Christian Academy. We are asking for our Elizabeth Baptist Church family to help with concessions that day. We will need concession workers and hot food for breakfast and lunch. Let us know if you can help! Don

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Sunday School

Did you ever want to tell someone about Jesus but did not know how to start the conversation? Start by telling them about your Sunday school class. It is a place where we laugh, pray, teach and learn among friends that feel like family. Tell them about our church services where we join the rest of our brothers and sisters to hear the teachings from the Bible and about the life of Jesus. Let them see the glow on your face as you speak of items that are true and eternal.

Danny

Y.E.S. Group

The Y.E.S Group hosted a Southern Gospel sing-a-long and Covered Dish Dinner on February 23. We had excellent attendance and lots of delicious food. We enjoyed the music and fellowship!!

Our next event will be in May, a trip to Cedar Key for lunch.
Ed & Brenda

Music

Have you ever wondered about who sings the bass - or what is the bass clef? How about those tic-tac-toe things (called sharps) or the birds flying in the air (called quarter rest)? No one has to know all about music to be in the choir. In fact, some of our choir members do not read music but are great at learning how to follow the notes as they go up or down.

The wonderful thing is that the choir is a group of ordinary people who want to serve our extraordinary God with our music. A song we are working on, "Same Power", reminds us of this thought. It is God's power that raised Jesus; it is the same power giving us ability to sing, hearts to worship Him, and lives to commit to Him. It is HIS power in us!

Be sure to invite your friends on Easter, which is April 16. The choir will be singing a bit more, telling of Christ's resurrection. To God belongs glory,
Merry

~Sunday Schedule~

9:45 am Sunday School for All Ages
 11:00 am Worship Service
 5:00 pm Choir Practice
 6:00 pm Evening Worship Service

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Wednesday Schedule~

3:00 pm TeamKID
 6:00 pm RA's, GA's, Mission Friends
 6:00 pm Prayer Meeting

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 9:00 EaglesWings 10:00 am Day WMU 6:00 pm Evening WMU	2	3	4 7:30 am - 2:00 pm Upward Sports Awards/Ceremony
5	6	7 9:00 am Ladies' Bible Study 7:00 pm BMW Meeting	8 6:00 pm RA/GA Car Race No Prayer Meeting	9	10	11
12 7:00 pm Business Meeting Daylight Savings Time Begins	13	14 9:00 am Ladies' Bible Study	15 9:00 am EaglesWings No TeamKIDS No RA's, GA's, Mission Friends	16	17	18 7:30 - 5:30 pm RA Field Day SS Baptist Jacksonville 9:00 am WMU Prayer Prayer Retreat
19	20 6:30 pm BYW Meeting	21 9:00 am Ladies' Bible Study	22	23	24	25 Youth Event Progressive Dining
26 8:00 am Men's Breakfast 8:30 am Deacon's Meeting	27	28 9:00 am Ladies' Bible Study	29	30	31	April 1
Week of Prayer March 26 - April 1 North American Missions						

Video Series

Unlocking the Mysteries of Genesis continues through March. The series presents scientific evidence that confirms the biblical account of creation and dispels pervasive and inaccurate theories from the secular world. By offering defensible answers to some of the most provocative and controversial questions of faith and science, *Unlocking the Mysteries of Genesis* ignites confidence in God's inerrant Word by showing the harmony between science and Scripture.

This series from the Institute for Creation Research explores topics ranging from the origin of life to the origin of humans, dinosaurs, the age of the earth, the age of the universe, and the rebuilding of civilization after the Flood.

You can view the video series during the Sunday evening worship service at Elizabeth Baptist Church.

Each week's topic will be announced each Sunday in the bulletin.

Women's Missionary Union

The WMU has had a very busy few weeks. The BYW met on January 23, 2017 with 10 present. They did a meal exchange where each of them prepared 3 meals and then could choose 2 for themselves and donate one for a needy family. The day group met on February 1 with 6 present and the night group met that evening. The BMW and the BYW hosted a baby shower for the Pregnancy Center on February 7. In spite of the bad weather that evening there was good attendance and a good many items were collected for the center. Sharon Morris, Director of the Pregnancy Center, spoke to us about the important work of the center.

The day group prepared soup and goody baskets for the shut-ins and were delivered on Valentine's Day. We concluded the Baby Bottle Drive, and our church collected \$2,000.00 for the Pregnancy Center. The money was turned in at the WMU rally hosted by our church on February 14. We had a great rally! We had a great kitchen staff headed by Linda Teasley. Assisting her were Jerry Teasley, Pam & Gary Brock, Harold Pittman, Susan Bembry, Juanita Kinsey, Christine Brady, Sue Getch and Earl and Johnnie Merritt. The dining hall was beautifully decorated by Sarah Purvis, Linda Demott and Debra Kay Sackett. Linda Demott played the piano for us, and the pastor handled the sound system. Many of you provided desserts, Joann Clark shopped for the groceries for us. Roy Faglie helped tremendously prior, during and after the rally with various chores. I know I may have left someone out, and I apologize. To everyone THANK-YOU!!!

We now look ahead to the Prayer Retreat at Pickett Lake on March 18. We will observe the week of prayer for North American Missions the last week in March followed by the Annie Armstrong Easter offering throughout the month of April. We also look forward to the RA's and GA's having their car race, March 8 at 6:00 p.m. We are in ministry and missions. We need everyone to join us!
 Shirley

**Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.
 Hebrews 10:24-25 NLT**

Church Staff and Leadership

Rev. Robert Dennison, Pastor
 Rev. Don Self, Youth Minister
 Pam Brock, Children's Director
 Merry Dennison, Pianist
 Jeanette Nativio, Administrative Assistant

Roy Faglie, Chairman of Deacons & Brotherhood Director
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