

Third Sunday in Lent

March 7, 2010

11:00 a.m.

THE CHURCH GATHERS BEFORE GOD

The Opening Voluntary: "Our Father, Thou in Heaven Above" Schneider

The Call to Worship

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it! (Psalm 118:24)

This is none other than the house of God,

And this is the gate of heaven. (Genesis 28:17)

*The Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Old 100th

*The Invocation

TO PRAISE

*The Hymn 36: "Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him" Hyfrydol

*The Confession of Faith

We confess that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God,
and proclaim him Lord and Savior of the world.
In his name and by his grace, we accept our mission
of witness and service to humanity.

We rejoice in God our Father, maker of heaven and earth,
and in the covenant of love by which he has bound us to himself.

In the fellowship and communion of the Holy Spirit
we are joined to one another in brotherhood and in obedience to Christ.

Through baptism into Christ we enter into newness of life
and are made one with the whole people of God.

At the table of the Lord we celebrate with thanksgiving
his saving acts and his presence.

Within the universal church we receive the gift of ministry
and the light of scripture.

In the bonds of Christian faith we yield ourselves to God,
that we may serve him whose kingdom has no end.

Blessing, glory, and honor be to him forever. Amen.

*The Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be;
World without end. Amen. Amen.*

Meineke

The Time of Greeting

TO PRAY

The Call to Prayer: "Cast Thy Burden upon the Lord"

Mendelssohn

The Organ Interlude (a period for personal meditation)

The Time of Silence

The Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

TO PROCLAIM

The Anthem: "With This Communion, We Thank You"

Althouse

The Scripture Reading

Exodus 3:1-15 (OT 50)

Response to the Lesson

This is the written Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

*The Hymn 203: "His Name Is Wonderful"

Mieir

*The Offertory Prayer

The Offertory Voluntary: "Woodworth"

Rasley

The Sermon: "**A Most Special Day**"

The Invitation to Christian Discipleship

*The Hymn 198: "At the Name of Jesus"

Wye Valley

*If you wish to make a profession of faith or a rededication of faith or to
present yourself for church membership, please come forward and speak to
the pastor during the singing of this hymn.*

The Celebration of Holy Communion

TO DEPART AND SERVE GOD

*The Departing Hymn: "God Be with You"

God Be with You

God be with you till we meet again!

By His counsels guide, uphold you,

With His sheep securely fold you;

God be with you till we meet again!

*The Closing Voluntary: "Fugue in B Flat Major"

Bach

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- *We invite you to stand, if able.*

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
in memory of Edward E. Britt
by his family.*

We Welcome Our Visitors

We're glad you are worshipping with us this Lord's Day. Please take a moment to record your visit for us by filling out a pew card, which you may place in the offering plate. We invite you to join us again for worship and other church activities. Cheryl Sawyer is our greeter.

Community Lenten Services

This week's service will be at noon on Wednesday, March 10th, at East End Baptist Church (523 East Washington Street). The Rev. Eddie Heath of the Virginia Baptist Mission Board will be preaching. After the service, a soup and sandwich lunch will be prepared by East End Baptist and West End Baptist Churches. If you signed up to bring sandwiches or desserts, please have them at West End by 11 AM on Wednesday morning. Complete schedules are available in the narthex and the church office.

Memorial Gift

In honor of Kelly Taylor's birthday on March 8, Cheryl has given a clock to the church. It has been placed in the Fellowship Hall. We know that Kelly does not need a clock now, but Cheryl knows he would appreciate reminding us to stay on time and keep our schedules. So each time you hear the chimes, let them remind you of him and his love.

St. Patrick's Day Breakfast

The Sunday School is hosting a pancake breakfast with sausage juice, coffee, and milk at **9:30 a.m.** next Sunday, March 14. The theme will be St Patrick's Day, but that Sunday is also our Anniversary & Memorial Sunday AND the beginning of Daylight Saving Time.

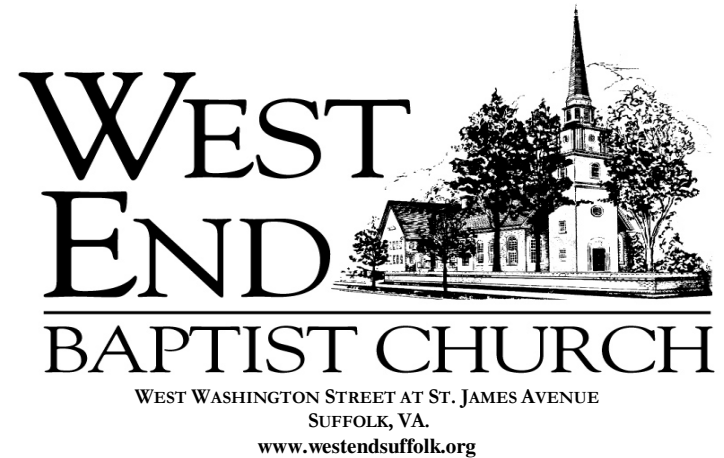
Because of the last fact, we're starting the breakfast at **9:30 a.m.** with no program and Sunday School will follow at 10. As in the past, donations of \$2/person are suggested.

Spring forward one hour on Saturday night and leap forward to church on Sunday morning for the St. Patrick's Day Breakfast!

Memorial Service This Afternoon

A Memorial Service for Robert Ashley will be held in the sanctuary at 3:00 p.m. this afternoon.

**Set your clocks forward one hour when you
go to bed next Saturday, March 13.**



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Worshiping God *Traditionally.*
Growing in Christ *Spiritually.*
Serving with the Spirit *Joyfully.*

God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob: you met Moses at the mountain and made holy the ground beneath his feet. Through him you baptized your people into freedom and gave them food and drink. Remind us of our baptism through this holy season and renew our repentance, that we too might stand in your holy presence on the day of resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

T. FLOYD IRBY, JR.
Minister

R. DEAN KERSHAW
Organist/Choirmaster

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK AT WEST END

Monday, March 8

Aerobics 5:00 PM

Wednesday, March 10

Nansemond Pointe SS Class 11:00 AM

Community Lenten Service 12:00 PM

at East End Baptist Church (523 East Washington St.)

Aerobics 5:00 PM

Thursday, March 11

Aerobics 5:00 PM

Small Group Bible Study 5:00 PM

Fellowship Night Dinner 6:15 PM

(Chicken casserole, green beans, applesauce)

God's Inescapable Nearness (Psalm 139:7-12)

Chancel Choir 7:45 PM

Our Prayer Concerns:

Church members are listed in **bold** type.

Debbie Newell (death of mother, Emily Crostic), Bill Ashley (death of his son, Robert), Hazel Liverman, Louise Wiggins, Bobby Smith, Johnny Johnson, Dorothy Williams, Nelda Hayes, Wayne Holland, Rillie Bailey, Lillian Riddick, Peggy Luter, Frank DeJarnette, Pete Wiggins, Caroline Pond, Jim Beasley, Willie Colby, Martha Britt, Robbie Stevens (husband of Shellee Stevens), Peter Judkins, Betty Anderson (Frances Carr's cousin), 1st Lt. Thomas Lenz (Frances Holland's grandson in Iraq), Kenneth Walker (friend of Eddie and Jackie White), Susan Carter Pulley (daughter of John & Barbara Carter), Otis Freeman (friend of Phil Saunders), Jackie Carlson (Casey Carlson's mother), Linda Miller (Rillie Bailey's daughter), Ryan Beale (friend of Cheryl Sawyer), Bernice Atkins (Mary Ann Coggsdale's sister), James Holland (former custodian), Betsy Brothers, Julia Gunn (Cindy Robinson's grandmother), Hyla Brinkley (Joe Brinkley's mother), Pam Hagerty (sister of Linda Beale), Carl Ward (friend of Casey Carlson), Charlie Baumgardner (friend of Caroline Pond), Freda Freeland (friend of Caroline Pond), Cathy Barrington (friend of Casey Carlson), Dee Dee Bloom and Ailish Campenile (friends of Lynnette Park), Jean Shamanski (Carol Apple's mother), Matt & Margaret Kelley (sister of Debbie Newell), Renee Carr (friend of Joe Brinkley), Charles Byrum, Brandon Hatfield (in Iraq – husband of Elizabeth Spratley Hatfield).

[Please call the church office (539-8771) to add or remove names from this list.

Names will stay on the list for one month unless requested to stay longer.]

Please remember the families of these servicemen who died in our conflicts in Afghanistan and Iraq, Feb. 21-Mar. 3: Sgt. Vincent L. Owens, 21; Lance Corp. Carlos A. Aragon, 19; Spec. Matthew D. Huston, 24; Spec. Josiah D. Crumpler, 27; PFC William S. Ricketts, 27; Sgt. Marcos Gorra, 22; Sgt. William C. Spencer, 40; Corp Daniel T. O'Leary, 23.

TO OUR GUESTS...

We're glad you're here, and we invite you to worship with us again. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you will consider West End. Questions such as these are often asked about church membership:

How may I join?

After the sermon we sing a hymn while the minister is standing at the front of the sanctuary. Simply walk to the minister and let him know you want to join the church or make another decision. (You may wish to contact the minister during the week to discuss your desire to come forward for membership.)

Are there different ways to join?

Yes. At West End we receive members in one of four ways: 1) Baptism by immersion, upon confession of faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior; 2) Transfer from another Baptist church; 3) Transfer from a Christian denomination where you were baptized and made a public profession of faith; 4) Statement of previous baptism and public profession of faith in Jesus Christ.

Can I join Sunday School without being a church member?

Of course. Some people do. This is not church membership, but it's a good way to get to know some of our members and more about our church. We will be glad to help you find a class that suits you.

I still have some questions.

We understand. The decision about your faith in Christ is the most important decision of your life. You may want to talk to the minister or a deacon before making a decision. Call us at 539-8771. We will assist you in any way we can.

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

West End Baptist Church is an evolving moderate missionary Baptist church seeking to provide a service to God by informing and teaching the community about Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

To help accomplish our mission, West End is a member of the Blackwater Baptist Association (BBA) and the Baptist General Association of Virginia (BGAV).

Through special offerings, members of West End also support the global missions work of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship (CBF).

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