

Calendar of Coming Events

March

- 1 7 PM Troop 573
- 3 7:30 PM Chapel Prayer
- 4 7 AM Men's Bible Study
11:30 AM First Thursday
- 5 9:15 AM Mom's in Touch
- 7 4:30 PM DASH
6 PM Youth Group
- 8 7 PM Troop 573
7:30 PM Church Life & Outreach
7:30 PM Worship Com.
- 11 7 AM Men's Bible Study
9:15 AM Women's Bible Study
- 12 Noon GVPC and the Globe
- 14 3 PM Organ Concert and Tea

SESSION - Moderator - Rev. Daniel R. Stewart Clerk – Craig E. Erickson
Worship: Mark Montgomery, Ch., Millie Montgomery; Christian Ed: Kerstin Lang, Ch., Mike Trope; Personnel: Barb Wray, Ch., Alan Papson; Corp Affairs: Ted Wray, Ch., Alan Papson, Mike Trope; Church Life: Jim Faunce, Ch., Paul Welle, Ted Wray; Missions: Brian Gilbert, Ch., Ken Garrison; Nominating: Millie Montgomery, Ch., Jonathan Schuck; Preschool: Jonathan Schuck, Ch., Ken Garrison

DEACONS Moderator – Gwen McDonald Aid to Worship: Carol Jones
Aid to Congregation: Debbie Fanus Aid to Community: Eileen Jenkins
Class of 2011 – Rick Constable, Dale Garrison, Lauren Palmer, Marie Raws
Class of 2012 – Gwen McDonald, Eileen Jenkins, Carol Jones, Debbie Fanus
Class of 2013 – Janet Medrow, Sharon Harmon, Linda Pittounicos, Myrtle Higgins

TRUSTEES – Property Committee: Bill Anderson, Don Dunkerton, Steve Smoker, Bob Wert;
Finance Committee: Bob Wert, Ward Higgins, Alan Papson

Cemetery Committee: Liane Davis, James Palmer, Linda Barbour

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"As an historic church, we exist to glorify God
by enabling all people to become fully devoted followers of the Lord Jesus Christ.
We prayerfully strive, through the Holy Spirit, to fulfill our purpose
by worship, Biblical teaching, service, fellowship,
and active involvement in world evangelization."

<i>Pastor</i>	<i>Director of Equipping Ministries</i>
Rev. Daniel R. Stewart	James R. Shackleton
<i>Director of Music Ministry</i>	<i>Organist</i>
Herbert E. Balian	Sharon S. Smoker
<i>Church Secretary</i>	<i>Sexton</i>
Karen E. Bittenbender	Steven M. Leach

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The Great Valley Presbyterian Church

*"An historic church,
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February 28, 2010

*We are a member congregation
of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church*

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

February 28, 2010, 11 AM

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP *(Please fill out the "Fellowship" clipboard)*

PRELUDE "He Who Will Suffer God to Guide Him" *Bach*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*VOICES IN PRAISE "Praise to the Lord" HYMN #34
"Receive the Glory" *(see screen)*

*UNISON CONFESSION

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON *(BE SEATED AFTER ASSURANCE)*
"Refiner's Fire" *(see screen)*
(Prayer cards will be gathered during the last verse.)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY "You Are My All in All"

*DOXOLOGY "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" #556

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT Deuteronomy 6:1-9 (p. 178)

NEW TESTAMENT 1 Thessalonians 5:12-28 (p. 1148) Gwen McDonald

ANTHEM "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" (see #134) *Martin*

(Children grades 1-5 are dismissed for Children's Church following Scripture reading)

SERMON "Some Final Thoughts" Rev. Stewart
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. (1 Thess. 5:28 NIV)

WE DEPART TO SERVE GOD'S WORLD

*HYMN #402 "Take Time to Be Holy"

*BENEDICTION *(Please be seated following the BENEDICTION)*

CHORAL BENEDICTION "Depart in Peace"

*POSTLUDE "Fanfare" *Talmadge*

*Those who are able may stand

Our Greeters this morning are Bob and MaryAnn Irvine.

Our Deacons on call for assistance and aid in February are Dale Garrison (610-647-3581) and Sharon Harmon (610-933-0177)

A WARM WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP HERE THIS DAY! It is a joy and a privilege to be here with you, praising our God. May you sense his presence in the worship and fellowship of this church today.

IF YOU KNOW of special needs, concerns, or illnesses among our church family, please inform the office at 610-644-1995. You may leave a message on our answering machine. Thank you for bearing one another's burdens.

PRAYER MINISTRY -- In your pew you will find a yellow card you can use for a prayer request or item of praise. When you have finished writing, pass it to the center aisle and the prayer leader will collect it during the hymn. This will be read during the pastor's prayer. If you prefer your request to remain private, place the yellow card in the box in the Prayer Room after the service. Prayer leaders are available to pray with you following the service. Today's prayer leader is Helen Lee Potter.

SERVICE NOTE: From now until Easter we will incorporate an element of confession in our worship services. Regarding this practice, Dr. Robert E. Webber has written:

"In the spiritual pilgrimage through the Christian year, Lent has come to mean preparation. The services during this time order the congregation's spirituality into a readiness for death, not only the death of Christ but also death to our own sin in the death of Christ. Lent is therefore a time of repentance, a time to identify those principalities and powers that control our thoughts and actions, a time to bring our enslavement to sin into the death of Christ, a time to let our own sin and struggles with the powers that rule in our lives be nailed to the cross with Jesus, and a time to let Jesus bury those sins in the tomb, releasing us from them that we may be raised to a newness of life in the resurrection of Christ."

JOIN US IN THE CHAPEL after the service for coffee fellowship time.

TEN LARGE PRINT BIBLES are available for use in the sanctuary. If you want to use one of these NIV Bibles during the morning worship service, please check with the Deacon on duty.

The flowers this morning are given by Les and Irene Zan in loving memory of Irene's mother, Dorothy W. Wynne.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

COMMITTEE CHAIRS: It's that time of year again and Committee Reports are due in the office by March 15th for inclusion in the 2009 Annual Report.

First Thursday Fellowship resumes March 4th at 11:30 AM in the Chapel. All retirees are welcome to join us for a devotional, a delicious lunch and an entertaining program. This month's program features the Park family Celtic Dancers! Sign up in Dickerson Hall, on the clipboard, or contact Carol Jones (610-696-0436).

Men's Breakfast, Saturday, March 13th, 8-9:30AM at Paoli Diner. Sign up on the sheet in Dickerson Hall.

2010 Celebration Organ Concert, March 14, 3PM – You won't want to miss this special event presenting some of Great Valley's history of music. Four of our organists, past and present – Roger Wischmeier, Beverly Moore, Doug Wimer and Sharon Smoker – are preparing some very special music to lift your hearts and honor our gracious and faithful God. The program will begin at 3PM and is to be followed by a tea time in the Chapel, to which all are invited. (Please register on the Clip Boards.) Also, during worship on March 14, we will introduce a new hymn written by Dr. Wischmeier in honor of God's 300 years of faithfulness to Great Valley Church. Please plan to be with us for this day's special events, and bring along your friends!