



The Spire

Plantation Presbyterian Church

Plantation, FL

June 2014



The Pastor's Message...

Dear Friends,

We each are invited by God to discover our calling! Have you heard Jesus say to you "Come, follow me?"

God has created me to do Him some definite service;

God has committed some work to me which God has not committed to another...

I have a part in a great work; I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons.

God has not created me for naught. I shall love as Christ loved, I shall be his work.

John Henry Newman

Rev. Dr. Deborah "Debbie" Rundlett, General Presbyter for the Muskingum Valley Presbytery, recently wrote about how Jesus called, trained and sent his disciples out two by two to preach teach and heal. Jesus showed them how essential it is to balance their time together, their time with God and their time out in ministry. Debbie wrote "Like Moses, all too often we take on burdens God never intended for us to carry alone. Like Moses, we find ourselves burned out and over-extended. It takes our 'Jethros' (the one who told Moses to learn to share the load) to tell us that this is not good, that the work is meant to be shared and delegated among many."

We all share in our common ground of being baptized into the church. In the book of Revelation, there are seven letters, each ending with an invitation to listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches. I believe the Holy Spirit is telling us over and over again to share in ministry. Over the years, I have listened and watched as so many different people have helped out with the work we share, by using their gifts. And each time a new idea, a new gift, was tried out – we had to s-t-r-e-t-c-h to be open and try new ways.

Debbie went on with her article to say "Business consultant Peter Drucker once said that most people think they know their gifts..... and they are

usually wrong.” Odd. Yet, I believe, this is because many of us carry the burden of expectations placed on our shoulders by others, often unintentionally. By contrast, Jesus calls us to place ‘his yoke’ on our shoulders that we might learn ‘the unforced rhythms of grace’ (see Matthew 11:28-30, The Message).

I see great joy when folks listen to each other to discover their gifts. We usually aren’t very good judges of what we do well! (Really!) Listening to others takes humility and courage – humility to truly listen and courage to make changes.

We need to “listen, truly listen” to each other. During this Pentecost season and throughout the summer months, may we “listen, truly listen” to both the Holy Spirit and to each other.

Be reminded what Rev. Debbie Rundlett wrote, “Like Moses, all too often we take on burdens God never intended for us to carry alone. Like Moses, we find ourselves burned out and over-extended. It takes our ‘Jethros’ (the one who told Moses to learn to share the load) to tell us that this is not good, that the work is meant to be shared and delegated among many.”

May we pray for “humility and courage,” that the Spirit may empower us for the blessed work of ministry!

Thanks be to God,

David



221st General Assembly Convenes in June

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) meets biennially in even numbered years. It consists of commissioners elected by each of its 173 presbyteries. The GA is full of activities including business sessions, committee meetings, an exhibit hall, and daily worship services.

The assembly acts on hundreds of items of business, which it receives through the reports and recommendations of various assembly entities, and through overtures from synods and presbyteries. The 221st General Assembly (2014) will be held in Detroit, Michigan June 14-21. Visit www.pcusa.org/ga221 for ongoing information, updates and photographs of all major events and assembly-related business will be posted.



Elder Stephanie Sanchez recognizes our Sunday School teachers, Rosely Brosz, Iris Froehlich, Heather Hanson, and Donna Westcott. Not pictured is Marie Berndgen.

*Presbyterian Women's
Mother's Day English
Tea*

Deanna Minto, Connie Abel and friends



Kathy Guariglio and Rev. Massey

Kathy Guariglio and guest speaker



Donna Ryan and her daughter and grandchildren



Val Minto and Sonia Anderson



Ruth Magly, Sarah Dixon, and friends



June 1, 2014
**Christian Education Recognition
 and Our Graduates**

PRESCHOOL

Gisele Brosz (daughter of Wade & Rosely Brosz, grand-daughter of Steve and Shari Brosz). She is graduating from pre-kindergarten.

HIGH SCHOOL

Jake Adams (son of Jennifer and Mark Adams and grandson of Darryl and Judy Horton) – Western High School. Future Plans: Florida Atlantic University and performing with the Boston Crusaders this summer.

Paul Stachurski (son of Diane Stachurski) – St. Thomas Aquinas High School. Future Plans: University of South Florida, Tampa in the field of chemical engineering.

COLLEGE AND BEYOND

Avrianna Jean Gore (Godchild of Claire and Al Will) – Florida Atlantic University. Future Plans: Criminal Justice/Master’s Degree.

Sara Mazzoleni (daughter of Stefano & Sue Mazzoleni and grand-daughter of Opal Thompson) – Florida State University, Bachelor of Science with majors in Hospitality and Political Science. Future Plans: She has accepted a Fellowship with Atlantic Media in Washington, D.C. in the Event Planning Department.

Katherine Stachurski (daughter of Diane Stachurski) – ASN from Broward College, December 2013 and RN License March 2014. Future Plans: Cardiac Step Down Unit at North Broward Hospital.

Zak Upshaw (grandson of Bob & Grayce Upshaw) – University of North Carolina (Charlotte). Future Plans: Electronic Engineer with Verizon.



Iris Froehlich and her older students.



Donna Westcott, Heather Hanson, and Rosely Brosz with the younger students.



June Birthdays

5	Brianna McLennon
8	Jean Shaw
16	Komi Touglo-Midodji
17	Lauren and Sue Mazzoleni
18	Emily Sloter
19	Connie Abel
22	Lisa Shulman
24	Cheryl Russell, Ashley Smith, Betty Terrell
26	John Berndgen
27	Danielle Durham
28	Melissa Newman
29	Jake Adams
30	Buddy Rountree

June Anniversaries

3	Michael & Sherry McLennon
5	Bud & Ruth Magly
8	Doug & Beth Doubleday
23	Bob & Sally Beals
24	Winston & Val Minto

July Birthdays

4	David Miller, Jr., Jennifer Adams
5	Donna Boigris, Ivy Campbell
6	Jeff Durham
11	Michelle Berndgen, Savannah Smith
12	Presley Branom

14	Natasha Fletcher
15	Holly Michelle Hartman
16	Shirley Hamilton
17	Albert Will
18	Margaret Ayer, Phyllis Poshard
24	Bobby Warburton
28	Don Hill, Michael McLennon
29	Becky Rountree
31	Bob Beals, Felipe Rodriguez, Donna Westcott

July Anniversaries

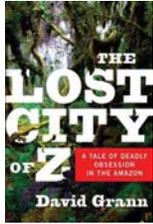
1	Ben and Karen Kreis
4	Samuel and Joy Dixon
13	Alan and Natasha Fletcher
15	Greg Branom and Heather Hanson
27	Gregg and Robin Huddlestone
29	Nandlal and Tara Boodhai

August Birthdays

2	Eileen Jones
3	Paula Smith
7	Mildred Daly
9	Frantz Etienne
14	Stephanie Sanchez
16	David Mikelson
18	Susanna LaJoie
20	Julie Earnest, Alan Fletcher, Linda O'Brien
21	Tina Paulus
22	Sarah Dixon

August Anniversaries

4	Wade & Rosely Brosz
12	Darrel & Judy Horton
26	Warren & Barbara Baity



The PPC Proofreaders...

The Book Group will be discussing David Grann's book, "The Lost City of Z," on Sunday July 13 at 6:00 p.m. After discovering some hidden diaries, Grann was determined to solve the "greatest exploration mystery of the twentieth century." He wanted to find out what happened to the British explorer Percy Fawcett and his quest for the Lost City of Z. Fawcett in 1925 travelled to the Amazon to find an ancient civilization and to make one of the most important discoveries in history. Europeans believed the world's largest jungle hid the sparkling kingdom of El Dorado. Many had died looking for it. Fawcett was determined to prove that this ancient civilization existed, but his expedition vanished. Many others followed him into the uncharted wilderness trying to find out what happened to Fawcett and the Lost City of Z. Grann delved into this mystery and made some astonishing discoveries about Fawcett's fate and "Z." Come to the book group to discuss this complex and enthralling narrative of a true story.

Calendar of Events

July

- 7 Finance Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 15 Session Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 20 Deacons' Meeting, 12:20 p.m.

August

- 5 Finance Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 17 Deacons' Meeting, 12:20 p.m.
- 19 Session Meeting, 7:30 p.m.



Summer Musicians Needed!

We need your help in providing special music for summer worship, June 1 through August 31. Singers, instrumentalists, pianists, ensembles - think about what you might share as we give praise to God through music. A sign-up sheet is posted in the Church Office. Please call Dr. Massey, 954-465-4994 if you need more information, have questions, or would like help in choosing music.

Fellowship Volunteers Wanted!

Volunteers are needed to assist with Fellowship after Sunday service. If you can help, please sign-up for a Sunday. The sign-up sheet is located at the back of the church. Food donations are welcome every Sunday. During the months of July and August only coffee, lemonade, cookies, and small deserts will be served.

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No July and August Spire Issues. September Issue Copy Deadline: August 28, 2014.



Spotlight on New Members...

Jeff and Danielle Durham discovered Plantation Presbyterian Church through a chance meeting with Rev. David Massey when they were looking for a location for their wedding and met him at Bahia Mar where he was going to perform another marriage. They both felt an immediate connection with Rev. Massey and eventually our congregation. They found Rev. Massey warm and inviting and his love of music. After visiting our church, they definitely felt at home with the warm welcome they received. Rev. Massey married Jeff and Danielle on February 14, 2013 at our church and married them again at Bahia Mar on March 23, 2013.

When Danielle met Jeff, he had no idea that she was interested in him. When she heard him sing at a local club, she says it was love at first sight for her. She made sure she met him and the rest is history. Danielle grew up in Hollywood, Florida and is a graduate of Hollywood Hills High School. She has her BA and Masters from the University of Florida. She is currently teaching third grade at Welleby Elementary. She is also an active member of the Plantation Junior Women's Club and very involved with their community service projects.

Jeff is a graduate of Clemson University with a business major. He grew up in Charleston, South Carolina and moved here twelve years ago. His sister lives in the area and he was visiting her during spring break and was able to get music jobs at local clubs. He is a musician and plays the guitar. His performances focus on Southern Rock and country and he plays in several different venues in South Florida. Jeff loves to cook and he was the Plantation Presbyterian Church chili cook-off winner this year.

Both Jeff and Danielle love music and attending concerts. Favorite groups include Darius Rucker, Led Zeppelin, and the Beatles. They also like to travel and plan to visit Vermont this summer.

We are so glad that both are part of our church family and we are looking forward to hearing Jeff sing this summer! Welcome Jeff and Danielle!



Upcoming Fellowship Events

- July 13 – Proofreaders..., 6 p.m.
- July 27 – Sunday Sundaes (make your own ice cream sundae after service)
- TBA – Marlin Baseball Game
- September 7 – Sunday School Rally Day and Potluck Luncheon

Update on Mildred Daly

The family of Mildred Daly has contacted the church office to inform us that they decided to move Mildred back north to Michigan. Her new address: Mildred Daly, Martha T. Berry Medical Care Facility, 43533 Elizabeth Rd, Mount Clemens, MI 48043. (Back in October Mildred suffered a stroke and had been at home, Health South Rehabilitation Center, and Manor Care Nursing Home. On Easter, Dr. Massey visited her at Health South and delivered to her an Easter Lily.)

Presbyterian Women Logo Shirts

Plantation Presbyterian Women are ordering logo shirts for \$29. Show your solidarity with the United Nations' Secretary-General's Unite to End Violence Against Women campaign by ordering the orange shirt. Please contact Kathy Guariglio at 954-881-0406 or fill out the form in the church bulletin.

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