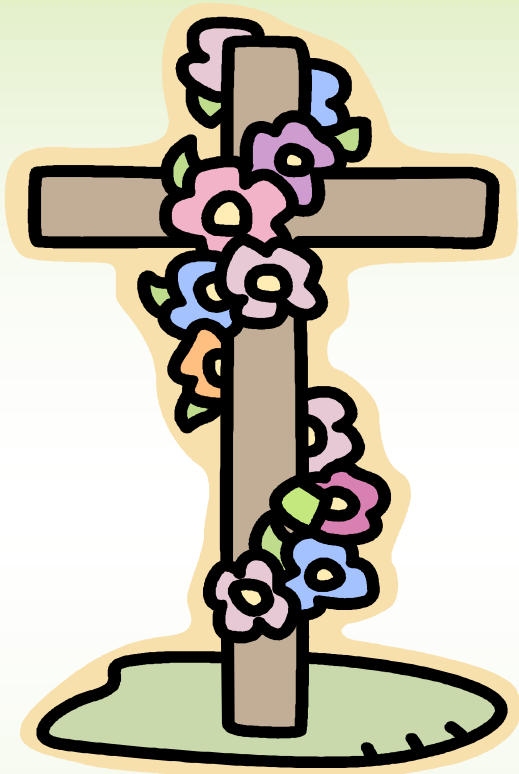


Loyd Newsletter

Loyd Presbyterian Church

April 27, 2011



**THE LORD IS RISEN!
HE IS RISEN INDEED!**



Our children enjoyed the annual Easter Egg Hunt at John and Pam Darden's!

From the Pastor

BEGINNING AGAIN

Easter Sunday is now upon us. New beginnings, starting over, and renewal are all a part of this season.

With Tony's leaving, having an interim, and then calling a new installed pastor, this is also a time for new beginnings and more.

But it is also not an easy time. Many wish the new pastor could be called more quickly. Others won't join until they know who the new pastor will be. Some are grieving the loss of Tony.

Some members left with Tony, others returned; some lowered their giving, others increased. All normal.

I have now pastored with you for 7 months. We have learned some things about each other. It looks as though my ministry will last another 6 to 9 months.

During this interim time, my call is to be different from Tony. I am not here to sound, look, or talk like Tony. I am here to be me. My being different is designed to help you transition from Tony to whoever will follow, and he will also not be like Tony. This transition time with all its differences gives the next installed pastor a chance to be successful.

Tony's ministry with you was successful, and it is always difficult for a new installed pastor to follow someone who has had a successful ministry.

If you are grieving Tony, I understand. If you are having a difficult time with church right now, I understand. This is normal, so please don't feel guilty. Just keep on being part of the congregation, and in God's own time we will have a new installed pastor.

So while I am here, I am enjoying my time with you, and I hope you with me! You are a wonderful congregation, and any pastor who receives the call to Loyd Church will be very fortunate!

Thank you for letting Barbara and me be part of your lives during this short time. Barbara and I both believe that our time with you is a blessing for us.

DAVE

Please continue to remember in your prayers
the following people:

Pete Gordon

Marie Holcomb (Anne Hall's mother)

Myrtle Rowe

Frances Hollis **Brett Lamb** (in Afghanistan)

Betty Thompson

**Macel Ballew,
Jr.**

Alice Cavender

Please help keep our prayer list up to date. Notify us if someone needs to be added or removed.

Prayer Requests from Sunday, April 24

Sara Daniell

Kathleen Boyd

Mary Edmondson

John Goddard

Georgia Haynes

Richard Hudson

Bryan Anderson

Ruth Holloway

Russ Cook and Family

The Hurd Family

Fred Darden and Family

Our Troops and Families

The People of the Middle East

World Peace

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR SUNDAY, MAY 1

Liturgist: Elaine Partin

Elders on Duty: Arnold Darden and Koren Stapp

Ushers: Bobby Goldston, Suzi Goldston, Joe Calhoun, Trudy Calhoun

Greeters: Lois Vincent and Vaughn Yarbrough

Nursery: Koren Stapp and girls

Toddler Room: Tim and Theresa Henke

Children's Church: Michael and Pamela Carrne

Attendance last week: Worship - 262

Operating Fund:

Received 04/24 - \$3,349.26

Month to date - \$14,808.40

Budget per month - \$16,250.00

Building Fund:

Received 04/24 - \$1,030.00

Month to date - \$3,410.00

Monthly Loan Payment - \$4,000.00

Building Fund Balance - \$12,968.07

Building Loan Balance - \$183,427.02

Building Repair Fund Balance - \$2,423.66

Please make your reservations for the **MOTHER / DAUGHTER BANQUET**, an “English Spring Tea Party,” by **this Sunday, May 1**. You may call or e-mail Cathy in the church office to do so. The Banquet will be held on **Saturday, May 7**, at 6 p.m. in Darden Hall. If you can loan some pretty “tea party” decorations, please e-mail or call Theresa Henke (tnthenke@bellsouth.net or 706-812-1317).



On Sunday, May 8, we will honor our graduating high school seniors during worship. Congratulations to the Class of 2011: Caitlin Darden, Mary Gail Golden, Denver Norris, Dillon Norris, Kim Pauley, and Aaron Puntervold.

DON'T FORGET THE LOYD YOUTH BAR BQ FUNDRAISER FROM 11:30—1:00 THIS SUNDAY, MAY 1!

TONIGHT IS THE LAST NIGHT OF SPRING YOUTH CLUB. THE MENU WILL BE:

HOTDOGS, HAMBURGERS, FRIES, BAKED BEANS, FRUIT, DESSERT, AND TEA.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

MANY THANKS GO OUT TO ALL THOSE WHO HELPED MAKE OUR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER CELEBRATIONS VERY SPECIAL, INCLUDING:

- THE MEN OF THE CHURCH FOR THE EASTER BREAKFAST
- MIKE, LYNN, EMILY, & WILL PAULEY FOR SETTING UP CHAIRS FOR THE SUNRISE SERVICE
- JOHN AND PAM DARDEN AND THE YOUTH FOR HOSTING THE EASTER EGG HUNT
- THE CHOIR AND READERS FOR THE BEAUTIFUL MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE
- BUDDY LOYD AND LYNN PAULEY FOR THE EASTER LILY DISPLAY CROSS

BREAKFAST MENU FOR THIS SUNDAY:

BACON, EGGS, GRITS, BISCUITS AND CEREAL.

PLEASE JOIN US AT 9:00 IN DARDEN HALL!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR VBS!

Vacation Bible School will be held from June 20th through June 23rd. Supper will start at 5:30, and activities will wrap up each night by 8:15 / 8:30. The theme this year is SonSurf Beach Bash. Sign-up sheets for volunteers and registration sheets for attendance will be available beginning this Sunday. Stay tuned for more details!

OUTDOOR WORSHIP AT THE PAVILION

SUNDAY, MAY 22, 11:00 A.M.

- Dress for the weather (casual clothing)
- 30 minute worship (no nursery)
- Bring your own comfortable lawn chairs
- Covered dish lunch at the pavilion after worship
- The Loyd PW will be celebrating the Birthday of the Presbyterian Women. Home-made ice cream will be provided for dessert! The PW Birthday Offering will be received. In 1922, to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Woman's Auxiliary (PCUS), it was decided that an offering should be made for a definite cause. Over the years, that tradition has become known as the Birthday Offering. Presbyterian Women have given more than \$29 million in support of mission projects throughout the world.



This service is an excellent opportunity to invite a new family! Put this date on your calendar now along with the name of a family to invite.

PASTORAL CARE TEAM

The Pastoral Care Team has finished its training. This required meeting weekly for 6 weeks. Soon this group will be installed into their positions in front of the congregation.

Members of the team have signed up for one year with renewal available. People seeking to become part of the team will be offered training in a year.

Our meetings will be on a monthly basis for ongoing training.

We have combed our membership list for those in nursing homes, congregate living facilities, the homebound, etc. We will begin our visits to these persons soon.

The team has been trained to listen and visit, not to counsel. They will make calls in homes and institutions where there is a need, in the name of Jesus Christ and Loyd Church.

If you know of someone who has gone into the hospital, has had surgery, etc., please contact Dave (678-353-4905). Our team does not want to miss anyone who is a part of our congregation and in need of pastoral care.



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A Partner in Education with Long Cane Elementary School

Session Members

Maggie Brown (2011)
Carolyn Chaput (2011)
Lynn Pauley (2011)
Bill Rowden (2011)
Arnold Darden (2012)
Gary Headrick (2012)
Jane Moat (2012) - Clerk of Session
Koren Stapp (2012)
Ann Cathey (2013)
Charles Darden (2013)
Hal Davidson (2013)
Carolyn Stephens (2013)

LOYD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PROGRAM TEAM

David Omerod	Interim Pastor
Cathy Sargent	Office Manager
Shelley Skinner	Financial Secretary
Mike Pauley	Youth Director
Marty Davis	Music Director
Zack Wright	Pianist
Jo Loyd	Organist
Jayne Pauley	Nursery Coordinator
Pam Darden	God's Promised Land
Kathey Sandiford & Donna Barton	Children's Church Coordinators

