SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2014

DEACONS: Wanda Small & Al Ward BUS DRIVER: David McCall (482-8667) BUS RIDER: Al Ward CHILDREN'S SERMON: Dianne Cinkovich CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Susan Biggs & Paula Rinehart AUDIO OPERATOR: Keith Privott VIDEO OPERATOR: Paul Stallings

Shut-In of the Week	Student of the Week
Mrs. Myrtle Hollowell	Mr. Garrett Stanley
Chowan River Nursing	Western Carolina University
PO Box 566	245 Memorial Dr., Suite 9480
Edenton, NC 27932	Cullowhee, NC 28723

Youth News

We will not have HOLLA this week due to the ski trip. We will not have youth group next week, March 2, but families are encouraged to join us in the Fellowship Hall at 5:30pm for our church-wide Mardi Gras celebration. We will resume our regularly scheduled supper and HOLLA time on Sunday, March 9, as we journey through the season of Lent! Be here and bring a friend!



WEDNESDAY NIGHT BOOK STUDY at 6:30 Baptism books available until the end of February.

Our local Food Pantry can use any nonperishable food items at this time. In March we will begin a monthly request for specific items, as we have done in the past. Please check upcoming newsletters for the request.

LGN Registration

The Little Goose Nest preschool is accepting applications for the 2014-2015 school year from Edenton Baptist Church members and siblings of former LGN students. Forms are available in the church office. The Informer (USPS 386-370) Edenton Baptist Church 200 South Granville Street Email: <u>edentonbaptist@yahoo.com</u> Published Weekly by Edenton Baptist Church Periodicals Postage Paid at Edenton, NC 27932 Phone: 482-3217, Fax: 482-7670 Website: www.edentonbaptist.org



A CELEBRATION OF MISSIONS WMU Missions Weekend at Edenton Baptist Church

Friday, February 21

5:30pm Baptist Men & Baptist Women, Meet & Greet 6:00pm Dinner (no charge)

6:45pm Building on the strength of those that have gone before, with Rev. Mari Wiles Honoring past WMU & Baptist Men Directors.

Saturday, February 22

9:30am Our children will focus on South Africa--a different culture, but God is the same, with Rev. Mari Wiles. Includes applied mission and a mission craft project. Concludes at 11:00am.

5:00pm Baptist Men and Baptist Women Challenge: "Hide and Seek" (John 4:39-42), Rev. Mari Wiles

6:00pm Dinner (no charge) and Silent Auction

Sunday, February 23

11:00am WMU Sunday with guest preacher Rev. Mari Wiles Anthem by our Women's Choir

THE INFORMER

Edenton Baptist Church Edenton, North Carolina 27932

A Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Congregation

David B. Brooks	Christopher A. Bunch
Pastor	Pianist
Kelly E. Rhodes	Janet C. Skinner
Associate Pastor	Church Administrator
David N. Shaw	Sue C. Dawley
Director of Music	Financial Secretary
Jackie P. Copeland	Sherry S. Dowd
Organist/Assistant Music Director	Preschool Coordinator
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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2014

The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

Baptist Men's Breakfast, 8:30am



Baptist Women's Day

Sermon: *"The Christ-Story in You"* Scripture: Acts 4:12-20 Rev. Mari Wiles, Minister to the University, Chowan University



All ladies of the church are encouraged to gather at 10:30am Sunday in the choir room to rehearse for the anthem.

WEEKLY REPORT (2/16)

Offerina

Budget Needed 10.048.54 Amt. Received 9.907.10 Under Budaet (141.44)

Other Monies Received

Supper (2/12)	144.00
Memorial Fund	110.00
Reimbursements	710.92
Initial Offering	2.00
Valentine Banquet	1,570.00
Heck Jones Offering	756.00
Griffin Scholarship In	t. <u>28.63</u>
TOTAL	3,556.55

Attendance

Sunday School	130
Chowan River Nursing	0
SS TOTAL	130
Worship TOTAL	236

YTD Offerings (7 weeks)

Amt. Required	70,339.78
Amt. Received	66,154.45
Under Budget	(4,185.33)



American Red Cross Blood Drive February 25 from 3-7:00pm EBC Fellowship Hall

-Mars Hill Universitv

HOSPITAL REPORT (2/26)

Vidant Chowan Hospital

Expression of Thanks

The following wish to express

their sincere appreciation to

members of our church for

the many acts of kindness

and prayers rendered in their

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Our church has received a

letter of appreciation for gifts

we have given through the

Missions Resource Plan of

CBFNC. You can find letters

from the following posted on

the bulletin board in the back

-Baptist Children's Homes of

North Carolina

-Wayland & Peggy Byrum

Pattie Byrum

behalf:

hallwav:

Sunday school teachers, the library currently has the N. T. Wright New Testament commentaries and study guides. Please come by and check these out for your Sunday School Lessons.

Don't forget that Nooks are available for check out in the library. Please call Jackie Adams for any questions regarding check out and the Nooks. You'll love using the Nooks for reading books. Parents of teenagers, teens, and college youth, please know that there are several very good books available on the Nook for very informative reading. Also, anyone knowing of any books they would like to see available on the Nooks, please contact Jackie Adams (482-4736).

Mardí Gras and Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent every year. We will observe Ash Wednesday in just a few days on March 5 as we gather in our sanctuary at 6:30pm for worship. We'll reflect on our humanity and our utter dependence upon God. There will be time for us to confess our sin to God—both corporately and individually. Our music will be reflective and confessional, leading us into the imposition of ashes on our foreheads, reminding us that we are dust and to dust we shall return. Our Ash Wednesday worship is always sobering, yet hopeful—a good way to begin the season of Lent.

But before Ash Wednesday arrives, let's celebrate Mardi Gras. While Mardi Gras celebrations in places like New Orleans, Mobile, and Rio de Janeiro may bring to mind images of irresponsible and drunken partiers in the streets, Christians can celebrate Mardi Gras as a recognition of God's goodness and joy that he shares with us. Throughout the season of Epiphany that leads up to Ash Wednesday and Lent, we remember that God was glad to reveal himself to us through his son, Jesus. We recall that Jesus enjoyed meals and weddings and other celebrations with his followers. So, from a Christian perspective, Mardi Gras can be a celebration of the gifts of life and love that we have with God and with one another.

While Mardi Gras is actually observed on a Tuesday every year, we will gather in our fellowship hall two days earlier on Sunday, March 2, at 5:30pm. Bring your favorite Cajun or Creole dishes: jambalaya, gumbo, étouffée, red beans and rice, beignets, etc. Our social committee will be providing fried chicken, string beans, rolls, and beverages. After we eat, we'll enjoy some fun games and learn about Mardi Gras traditions that are tied to our Christian faith. Be sure to wear purple, gold, and green clothing, and don't forget to bring a mask if you have one! You're also encouraged to think creatively and bring a miniature Mardi Gras-themed float (use a shoebox and your choice of decorations) to compete for prizes. At the conclusion of the evening, we will step outside and burn the dried palm branches from last year's Palm Sunday worship service. Then, we will use the ashes from the burnt palm branches for our Ash Wednesday service on March 5.

LECTIONARY READINGS		
FEBRUARY 23, 2014	MARCH 2, 2014	
7 th Sun. after the Epiphany	Transfiguration Sunday	
Leviticus 19:1-2,9-18	Exodus 24:12-18	
Psalm 119:33-40	Psalm 2	
1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23	2 Peter 1:16-21	
Matthew 5:38-48	Matthew 17:1-9	

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Friday, February 21

A Celebration of Missions (see back of newsletter) Saturday, February 22 A Celebration of Missions Present (see back of newsletter) Sunday, February 23 8:30-Baptist Men's Breakfast 9:45-Sunday School 10:45-Pastor/Deacon Praver 11:00-Morning Worship Monday, February 24 2:00-Helen Hughes Group, Gloria Voigt Tuesday, February 25 3-7:00-Red Cross Blood Drive 5:00-TOPS, Room 117 Wednesday, February 26 5:30-Supper 6:00-Children's Choirs 6:30-Adult Book Study 6:45-Children's Missions 7:30-Adult Choir Practice -Personnel Committee. Room 103 Thursday, February 27 5:30-Handbells. Room 200

6:30-Finance Committee.

Room 103

PLEASE NOTE, there will be no basketball games this Saturday. Our last games of the season will be on March 1.

Birthdays

Monday, February 24 Christina Keeter **Tuesday, February 25** Dot Small Pat Thornton Wednesday, February 26 Katie Klein Marion Mankin Jan Mustian Jason Weeks Thursday, February 27 Ray Davis Friday, February 28 Ruth Bass Jenny Williams Virginia Williams Saturday, March 1 Joy Harvill Sarah Long John Norris Brenda Spruill Anniversaries

Wednesday, February 26 M/M Yates Parrish Saturday, March 1 M/M Matt Boyce