

PCPH Calendar

Sunday, March 19

- 9:15a Confirmation Class (Youth Room)
- 9:30a Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 10:15a Family Worship (Sanctuary) – **Rev. Bruce Mulder**
- 10:30a Children’s Sunday School (4’s & 5’s Rm 114; 1st to 5th Lib)
- 11:15a **Congregational Meeting**
- 11:15a Coffee, Cookies, and Conversation

Monday, March 20

- 12:30p Growing Tree Staff Meeting (104)

Tuesday, March 21

- 10:00a Library Committee (LIB)
- 1:00p Bridge Club (FH)
- 1:30p Bob Wiley Memorial Service (St. Mark Village)
- 5:45p Brownie Troop (FH)

Wednesday, March 22

- 11:30a Growing Tree Chapel (Sanctuary)
- 6:30p Middle School Youth Group “Thrive”

Thursday, March 23

- 9:00a Property Ministry (Ongoing Projects)
- 10:00a Covenant Women (LIB)
- 1:30p Free Spirits (FH)
- 6:00p Brownie Troop (FH)
- 7:15p Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Sunday, March 26

- 9:15a Confirmation Class (Youth Room)
- 9:30a Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 10:15a Family Worship (Sanctuary) – **Rev. Penny Pitts**
- 10:30a Children’s Sunday School (4’s & 5’s Rm 114; 1st to 5th Lib)
- 11:15a Coffee, Cookies, and Conversation
- 3:30p “The Friendlies” (Ruddle Home)
- 7:00p High School Youth Group “Alive”

Worship Attendance	Feb. 19	Feb. 26	Mar. 5	Mar. 12
	177	146	225	128

Worship

Welcome worship guests! You are special because God brought you into our presence. Together, we rejoice and celebrate God’s blessings in our lives.

The chancel flowers are from Betsy Mapes to the Glory of God and in memory of her husband Dr. Edward Grattan.

The congregation is invited to the **Coffee, Cookies, and Conversation** time held in the Fellowship Hall after worship. Be a friend, and make a friend as you enjoy the treats provided by the Fellowship Ministry.

Pray

Members and Friends: Dick and Iris Thomas, Ray and Marilyn Inman, Mike Craig, Pat W., Marcy P., Rocco, Phil O., Gail K., Diane L., Kathy B., Robert P., Jean S., Davis K., Bud B., Jerry B., Rob K., The Andresen Family, The Falk Family, Jim & Joan B., Shiela B., Roxanne G., Julie, Sheri, Carol, Ray and Deloris H., Mary G., Don, Lois D., Sandy J., The Roy Family, Laurie B., Fred & Helen K., Kevin N., Teddy B., Shirley H.

Military men and women: Brian Jacobson, Bryson Boyd, David Wallingford, Georgette Encinia, Patrick Bannon, Chris Hargis, Rosie Mundhenk, Adam Armstrong, Ashley Miller, Alex Durstein, John Albright, Gary Leonard, Jr., Tom Whissel, Nick Lozar, Hillary and Richard Durstein, Samuel Leyford, Tyler Meade

Church Life

F.E.A.S.T.: The food for March is 16 oz. canned fruit.

Women’s Mission Project for F.E.A.S.T.: The items for March are paper products and bath soap or body wash.

Memorial Service: There will be a memorial service to celebrate the life of Bob Wiley at St. Mark Village (2655 Nebraska Ave, Palm Harbor, FL 34684) on Tuesday, March 21st at 1:30pm.

Congregational Meeting is today, March 19th after the service.

The reason for the meeting is twofold:

- (1) to elect the Nominating Committee for 2017
- (2) to hear from the Pastor Nominating Committee

The congregation welcomes to our pulpit this morning the Rev. Bruce Mulder. The PNC recommends Pastor Bruce as our nominee for Pastor of PCPH. Please see the insert for Pastor Bruce’s bio.

Women's Lenten Communion Breakfast will be on Saturday, April 8th with registration at 9:30am and breakfast starting at 10:00am with program to follow. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex or the bulletin board outside the office. We on the Coordinating Team hope you will join us for this special tradition for the women of PCPH.

Ditty Bags: Ditty bags are available in the Narthex. You have one more week in which to fill the bags. Please return by Sunday, March 26th.

POSTPONED - Theology on Tap: Our next meeting is Thursday, March 23rd at 7:00pm. We postponed this for one week, so we will meet the fourth week of this month. We will be meeting at **Glory Days Grill** in Palm Harbor (34200 US Highway 19 N). We will still have free childcare at PCPH, and this semester we will be offering a video-based study with the Nooma series. For more information please contact Malissa Garcia. We cannot wait to see what God has in store for this fellowship group. All are welcome!

Member - Marcy Page: One of our choir members, Marcy Page, is currently unable to come to church and would like visitors. She is at the Walton Place Assisted Living Facility in Tarpon Springs. Please contact the office if you need the address.

Growing Tree: Registration for the 2017-2018 school year started Feb. 13th! Full or half day programs for children who are 2, 3 or 4 years of age by September 1st are available. Call the Growing Tree office for details (727-786-6158) or visit our website at www.gtpreschool.org. We are APPLE accredited and are recognized as a GOLD SEAL Quality Program through the State of Florida Department of Children and Families.

Sunday School: Each week our elementary age children have the privilege of participating in Sunday School which takes place during the same time as worship.

Children

Immediately following the Children's Message, children between the ages of 4 and 11 leave the Sanctuary with our Sunday School Teachers to continue with their age-appropriate curriculum. Our hope is that children will learn God's Word and have a strong Christian foundation for their future as they grow up in His Word.

Nursery (Birth - Age 3) "Frolic": A curriculum created for babies and toddlers that was developed by early childhood experts, Frolic resources introduce little ones to faith concepts in age-appropriate ways. Our hope at PCPH is to equip all families with children of any age with the right materials to start their faith journey at a young age.

Little Ones (Age 4 – 6) SparkHouse Lectionary Curriculum: Kids and leaders gather to explore their Bibles, enjoy fun activities, pray, and grow in faith. The curriculum follows the church lectionary in a fun and exciting way to create a faith that is grounded in truth. *Little ones may be picked up after worship in the Old Narthex.*

Older Ones (Age 7 - 11) "Connect": Connect takes children on a journey through the Old Testament and into the New Testament exploring the connections between several stories each week. The curriculum includes a video, lesson, and hands on projects. Older ones may be picked up after worship in Fellowship Hall.

Easter Egg Hunt: PCPH will once again host our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday April 1st from 10:00am - 12:00pm. The event will be filled with fun, fellowship, games, and much more. The egg hunt is for children of all ages, and their families. PCPH will have a Kona Ice truck on site, a bounce house, crafts, games, activities, and much more. Be sure to bring your own Easter egg basket, and to arrive not later than 10:00am as our Egg Hunt will begin promptly at 10:00am. **As in years past, we also need some adults to arrive early to hide eggs. Please contact Malissa Garcia if you wish to help or if you have concerns or questions.**

"Spring Bash" at Cedarkirk this April 21st - 22nd. This is a 24-hour retreat that gives your children a chance to swim, zip line, climb the rock wall, play large group games, participate in arts and crafts, share meals, s'mores, and worship with new friends. The cost is \$45.00 per person with a \$25.00 deposit - and this would provide transportation, meals, all fun activities, and lodging in cabins. If your child (2nd – 5th grade) is interested in participating in this trip please let Malissa know by April 1st. Please contact Malissa with any questions!

Middle School Ministry (Thrive 6th – 8th): Will meet regularly throughout the school year on Wednesday nights from 6:30pm - 8:00pm. Come meet new friends, join a small group, and play wacky games that you couldn't play anywhere else. Our middle school group is dedicated to getting to know and love God as we form a Christian foundation that can last a lifetime.

Youth

High School Ministry (Alive 9th – 12th): Will meet regularly throughout the school year on Sunday nights from 7:00pm - 8:30pm. During this time, we will learn, eat, fellowship, play games, and support one another in a Christian atmosphere. Our hope is that as a student and growing young adult that you will form an anchor in Christ as you transition to your adult life.

Upcoming Events:

April 1st – Easter Egg Hunt

Spring Confirmation:

- 4 - Week Class (March 19th, March 26th, April 2nd, and April 9th)
- 9:15am - 9:45am - in PCPH Library

Welcome worship guests! On this third Sunday of the Lenten season, join us on our journey to the cross, as we walk humbly beside Jesus in the wilderness.

GATHER JOYFULLY

Welcome, Announcements, Moment for Mission, Quiet Time Melanie Haslam
PW Communion Breakfast • Joan Ruddle
PNC • Angela Ashe

***Call to Worship** (*Please rise for the Call to Worship*) Liturgist: Cathy Driscoll

Leader: The season of Lent has set us on a journey.

People: The journey began in the wilderness.

Leader: We follow the way of Jesus, who faced trials, trouble, temptation, and testing.

People: Like Jesus, we are not alone. The Holy Spirit is with us. God's Word is on our lips.

Leader: Our call is to trust in God alone, to do God's will in all things.

People: For God leads us not only into the wilderness, but also through the wilderness.

All: Together, we will worship God!

***Song** (insert/wall) "Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" Hymn 377

***Prayer of Confession** (together)

Holy God, we confess that we have grown complacent in our response to you. You set before us a rich feast of blessing, but we are drawn to lesser things that cannot satisfy. You call us to attend to urgent needs in the world, but we indulge in our own desires. Our ways are not your ways; our thoughts do not ascend your thoughts. Forgive us when we fall short of your claim upon our lives. Be patient, we pray, as we amend who we are, in the hope of becoming who you intend us to be. We ask this in the name of our Savior, your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

***Words of Assurance**

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

***Praise Response** (all sing) "We Are Forgiven"

We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

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GROW SPIRITUALLY

Children's Message Pastor Penny
(Children will go to Sunday School after the Children's Message.)

***Song** (insert/wall) "O for a World" Hymn 386

Prayer of God's People, Lord's Prayer, Choral Response

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Call for Offering

***Doxology** (together)

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.

Prayer of Dedication

Anthem

Scripture Psalm 95 NRSV
Romans 5:1 - 11

Message "Got Hope?" Rev. Bruce Mulder

***Song** (insert/wall) "Song of Hope" Hymn 432

GO FAITHFULLY

***Blessing**

***Response** (all sing) "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" (Verse 3) Hymn 369

I'm gonna pray so (pray so) God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna pray so (pray so) God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! (anytime!)

**Congregation stands. If standing is difficult, please remain seated.*

Large print bulletins are provided for those with compromised sight. Please speak with an usher for assistance.

Listening devices are available for those with hearing issues. Devices are located in the center entryway to the Sanctuary. A small step-by-step instruction page is there to help you to use the device effectively.