

NEW HORIZONS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March Newsletter

New Horizons PCUSA
9424 Everman Ave.
Overland, MO 63114

Important Dates for March

World Day of Prayer	March 2
International Women's Day	March 8
Daylight Savings	March 11
Palm Sunday	March 25
Maundy Thursday Service	March 29
Good Friday	March 30

Church Office Hours:
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NEW HORIZONS PC(USA)

News 'n Views

Seek ye the Lord, with heart, mind, and soul

Words from the Pastor

Dear friends:

It is hard to believe, but we are already half through Lent. Let me give you a recap of upcoming programs and services during the remaining days of Lent.

- Community Lenten Services, sponsored by the Ritenour Ministerial Alliance, continue at the West Side General Baptist Church on Wismer Road in St. Ann. I will be the speaker on Thursday, March 8. Speakers on March 15 and 22 are to be determined. Lunch begins at 11:30.
- Maundy Thursday Services will be held at Calvary United Church of Christ at 7 pm on March 29.

Looking ahead to Easter, we will receive the Communicants Class into the membership of church. Class members are Samantha and Julia Lohnes. They have been coming to class faithfully every Thursday since January. My wife, the Rev. Shari Maddox, and I have been the teachers and we find them to be delightful, yet serious, students. They will be a wonderful addition to the church as official members.

Lent always begins on Ash Wednesday; this year it was on February 14, also known as Valentine's Day. (This was the first time this had happened since 1956.) Easter this year is April 1, also known as April Fools' Day. These coincidences have generated clever themes for Lent this year such as "Lovers to Fools" and "The Foolish Heart." The women who discovered the empty tomb on Easter rushed back to tell the disciples, but it is dismissed as "an idle tale." Were their hearts foolish? Was it an elaborate April Fools joke? Come to our Easter Service on April 1 to find out!



Evelyn Reed
Edie Roberts
Marion Brewer
Lore Bailey
Tom Highfill
Julianna Yamnitz
Tamara King
Michele Klous
Jennifer Einfeldt
Crystal Freeman
Matt Woods
Claudia Commons
Herman & Phyllis Jackson
Brenda Jones
Harry and Charity Sherrington
Wray and Doris Darr
Dorothy Alexander
Barbara McHugh

****Please submit new prayer requests to the Office, church email, or After Hours Mailbox.**

Office Hours:

Tues, Thurs, Fri 8:30am—2pm

Pastor's Hours:

Tues* & Thurs 1pm—4pm

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See you in church,

Pastor Mark

Lenten Prayer

Heavenly Father,
As I enter another week of my Lenten journey,
guide me to the path that leads to you. Fill my
heart with gratitude, patience, strength, and
peace as I strive to become the-best-version-of-
myself, honestly admitting
my shortcomings and sins.
As I renew my resolve each day to become a
better person, let me hear your voice in the
deepest reaches of my heart.
Give me rest in you.
Help me to accept others, showing them your
great love instead of casting judgment.
Stay with me through the busy days this week
and remind me that when I need comfort,
solitude, wisdom, or guidance,
I can always turn to you.
Help me develop discipline and generosity
through fasting and almsgiving, and come closer
to you through prayer this Lent.
In your name I pray,
Amen.

Award Winning Guitar Concert

Sunday, March 4th @ 4pm

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W. Mark Akin is a winner of last year's
prominent Artist Presentation Award given by
the Artist Presentation Society of St. Louis.
This engaging program takes place at Second
Presbyterian Church on Sunday, March 4, 4:00
p.m. and highlights works by Sergio Assad,
Agustin Barrios, Edvard Grieg, William Walton,
and much more.

Second Presbyterian Church is located at
4501 Westminster Place, Saint Louis, 63108 in
the Central West End. The concert, part of the
Couts Music Series, is free and open to all. For
more information call 314-367-0367 or
www.secondchurch.net.

Lenten Lunches 2018

February 15th—March 22nd @ 11:30am

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You are welcome and invited to join the
Ritenour Ministerial Alliance for food and
fellowship at our annual Lenten Lunches held
every Thursday from February 15th-March 22nd
at 11:30am. This year the Lenten Lunches will
be at West Side General Baptist Church,
located at 3545 Wismer Rd.

- **March 8**
- **March 15**
- **March 22**

Doors will open at Westside General Baptist
Church at 11:15am each Thursday with live
bluegrass Gospel music. Lunch will be served
beginning at 11:30am. After lunch, a different
area pastor will lead a 10 minute devotional.

The suggested donation for the lunch is \$3. All
proceeds will benefit the Ritenour Rent & Utility
Program. Come and get to know your Christian
brothers and sisters attending other area
churches! You'll be blessed and you'll help
provide greater stability and increased academic
productivity in the homes of underprivileged
children enrolled in the Ritenour School District.

Maundy Thursday Service

Thursday, March 29th @ 7pm

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This year our Maundy Thursday Service will be a
community wide worship service held at Calvary
United Church-Christ at 7pm. Calvary UCC is
located at 2501 Hartland Ave, Overland, MO.
All are welcome and invited to attend!

Newsletter Deadline

Newsletter articles for the April Issue should be
submitted to **the office**
by March 25, 2018.



Presbyterian Women Gathering

**Thursday, March 15th, 2018
@ 11:30am—2pm**

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PWGL Midwest/South Metro Winter Gathering to be held on Thursday, March 15, 2018 at the Egg and I Restaurant in Des Peres, MO. Reservations are due by March 9th.

Guest speakers include Rev. Joy Myers, Presbytery Stated Clerk and Matt Schindler, Executive Dir. Of Gateway Greening.

Cost of lunch is \$11, and a free will offering will be taken as well. Please register by March 9th.

Contact Ann Schmid with any questions:
636-699-2142 or email her
at: ann_schmid1@yahoo.com.

'Twas the Night Before Christmas

This past Christmas season, a group called 'Twas the Night Before Christmas came together here at New Horizons with the Ritenour Community to support 192 children in all of the Ritenour Elementary Schools. A gift bag filled with toys, hats, gloves, scarves, fun socks, books, games, and snacks were provided to the children.

"Thank you to New Horizons Presbyterian Church for providing us a space to pack the gifts to give to the children. We had almost 30 participants who came and filled the bags for the children. Next year we expect to grow to 400 students covering the elementary, middle, and high schools. We will be collecting items throughout the year - books, toys, games, pajama pants for middle and high school students, and fun extras are great donations!"

- Jennifer Lohnes

Lenten Quote

"Have patience with all things,
but first of all with yourself."
- St. Francis de Sales



"There Is More" Tour

Tuesday, April 10th, 2018 @ 7pm

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Hillsong Worship and Pastor Brian Houston invite you to join them on their "There Is More" tour coming to Grace Church in St. Louis this April! Ticket prices start at \$28 a person, and every ticket includes a copy of Pastor Houston's book, *There Is More*. Text "Hillsong Tour" to 31996 to enter to win 2 free premium tickets!

Mound Ridge Fundraiser

Saturday, April 14th, 2018 @ 6pm—10pm

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This annual event will be held at Andre's South Banquets and Catering, located at 4238 Telegraph Road, St. Louis, Missouri on Saturday, April 14 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Come join us and help support "The Magic of Mound Ridge. Tickets are \$65 per person or \$500 for a table of 8 and can be ordered at:
<http://bit.ly/2F98XEM>

Lenten Prayer Retreat

Saturday, March 10th @ 9am—12pm

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On Saturday, March 10, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., at Ladue Chapel Presbyterian Church, a Lenten Prayer Retreat will be held where you are invited to rest in God's presence and allow yourself to receive the pure gift of God. This morning of prayer is an opportunity to let God in – as one invites a contractor to do some remodeling in one's home – God is the inner remodeler. What carpenters do with walls and wiring, God does with hearts and minds. Join Dr. Dieter Heinzl and Anne Peacock as we nurture contemplative practices to enhance life's journey. Please join us at 8:45 a.m. for breakfast. The cost of the event is \$5. Friends welcome.

RSVP to Anne Peacock:
apeacock@laduechapel.org
or 314-993-4771 x3122

Lenten Prayer for Transformation

Loving Father,
I invite you into my life today
and make myself available to you.
Help me to become the-best-version-of-myself
by seeking your will and becoming a living
example of your love in the world.
Open my heart to the areas of my life that need
to change in order for me to carry out the
mission and experience the joy you have
imagined for my life.
Inspire me to live the Christian faith
in ways that are dynamic and engaging.
Show me how to best get involved
in the life of my parish.
Make our community hungry for best practices
and continuous learning.
Give me courage when I am afraid,
hope when I am discouraged,
and clarity in times of decision.
Teach me to enjoy uncertainty
and lead your Church
to become all you imagined it would be
for the people of our times.
Amen.

Scripture for Lent

"Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's
mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due
time." - 1 Peter 5:6

"At once the Spirit sent him out into the
wilderness, and he was in the wilderness forty
days, being tempted by Satan. He was with the
wild animals, and angels attended him. After
John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee,
proclaiming the good news of God. "The time
has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has
come near. Repent and believe the good news!"
- Mark 1: 12-15

"Even now," declares the LORD, "return to me
with all your heart, with fasting and weeping
and mourning." Rend your heart and not your
garments. Return to the LORD your God, for he
is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger
and abounding in love, and he relents from
sending calamity. Who knows? He may turn and
relent and leave behind a blessing— grain
offerings and drink offerings for the LORD your
God." - Joel 2: 12-14

SSM DePaul Hospital Volunteers

SSM Health DePaul Hospital is currently seeking
adult volunteers to serve in a variety of areas in
the hospital. Available volunteers positions
include: Shuttle drivers for Glennon Pediatric
Clinic at DePaul; Emergency Department
Treatment Area Aides; Endoscopy Transporters;
ICU Waiting Room Hosts; Information Desk
Clerks and Escorts; Patient Floor Aides, and
many others. A variety of weekday and weekend
hours are available. Adult volunteers must be at
least 18 years old and no longer in high school.
Please contact Barb Toulster at (314) 344-7083
or visit: www.ssmhealth.com/volunteer.

2nd Annual Night at the Improv

Saturday, April 14th @ 5pm

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Uni-Pres Kindercottage Fundraiser, invites you to
a night of laughter, fine dining & frivolity on
Saturday, April 14 at 5 p.m at the Second Annual,
Night at the Improv, featuring Ed Reggi, and The
Paper Slips Troupe "Whose Line Is It Anyway?"
This fun event will be held at St. Paul UCC, 115
West "B" Street, in Belleville, Illinois.

March Birthdays

Anthony Brannon	03/02
Chris Albin	03/20
Lore Bailey	03/22



March Anniversaries

Alva & Lucille Yamnitz	03/08
Dan & Terri Fletcher	03/19



March 2018 - New Horizons' Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 Rev. Mark Vacation 10:30am Worship - Rev. Vicky Brown 12:30pm Pendo Comm.	26 Rev. Mark Vacation 10:00am Free to be Me At-Anon (JH)	27 Rev. Mark Vacation 7:00pm Narcotics Anon (JH)	28 Rev. Mark Vacation 8:30am Mission Sewing	1 11:30am Lenten Lunch (WSGB) 3:00pm Confirmation Class 7:00pm Choir 7:00pm Narcotics Anon (FH)	2 10:00am Freedom At-Anon (JH)	3 10:00am Pendo Prayers in Sanct.
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18 10:30am Worship 12:15pm Deacon Mtg 12:30pm Pendo Comm.	19 10:00am Free to be Me At-Anon (JH)	20 7:00pm Narcotics Anon (JH)	21 8:30am Mission Sewing	22 11:30am Lenten Lunch (WSGB) 3:00pm Confirmation Class 7:00pm Choir 7:00pm Narcotics Anon (FH)	23 10:00am Freedom At-Anon (JH)	24 10:00am Pendo Prayers in Sanct.
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