

Adelphi Presbyterian Church News



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**Minister: Every member of Adelphi
Presbyterian Church**

The Session

Class 2008

Renee Milligan, Charlotte Ojong, Ernestine Tebong

Class 2009

Jennie Cardin, Jake Masters, Eric Yemoh

Class 2010

Jerome Farley, Jessyna McDonald

Pastor: Rev. Y. Eunice Yang

Clerk of Session: Janet Dolen

Treasurer: Charles Yancey

Assistant Treasurer: Jake Masters

God calls us at Adelphi Presbyterian Church to be a Christ-centered community of people experiencing spiritual awakening by praying, caring, welcoming, sharing the Word, and forming relationships with one another. At Adelphi Presbyterian Church, we are called to use our gifts and talents to serve God with energy and love.

~ Our Vision Statement adopted by Session,
September 2007 ~

**2008 LENT BEINGS ON
ASH WEDNESDAY**



“Remember, O mortal, that you are dust; and to dust you shall return.” (Genesis 3:19)

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. Lent is known to have 40 days. Forty in the Bible is a round number referring to a span of time needed to accomplish something. Israelites were wandering in the desert for forty years. Jesus was tempted in the wilderness for forty days. Yet, if you count the number of days beginning on Ash Wednesday until the day before Easter, there are 46 days. In the tradition of the church, every Sunday is considered the Lord's Day, a day to remember and celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore the forty days do not include the six Sundays in between.

Beginning on Ash Wednesday, we enter the time of remembering Jesus' Passover from death to life, and our life in Christ is renewed.

We begin this holy season by acknowledging our need for repentance and for God's mercy and forgiveness proclaimed in the gospel of Jesus Christ.

We are created to experience joy in communion with God, to love one another, and to live in harmony with creation. But our sinful rebellion separates us from God, our neighbors, and creation so that we do not enjoy the life our creator intended.

We begin our journey to Easter with the sign of ashes. This ancient sign speaks of the frailty and uncertainty of human life, and marks the penitence of this community.

As disciples of Jesus, we are called to a discipline that contends against evil and resists whatever leads us way from love of God and neighbor.

Let us observe the Lenten disciplines of – self-examination and penitence, prayer and fasting, works of love, and by reading and meditating on the Word of God.

(Resource: Book of Common Worship)



SESSION

by Janet Dolen

At the January session meetings we approved the Communion schedule for 2008. The Wednesday night soup and study will continue during Lent.

A large part of the meetings, however, was spent discussing the budget and the Pastor's Terms of Call. We discussed the Otto Trust Fund and how to access the money in the trust fund.

There was concern about possible shortfall in meeting Adelphi's obligations. The Session approved the development of a 3-year plan for generating revenues through fund raising, membership, and accessing known reserves in the Otto Trust.

The Treasurer presented the Session with three budget options (which included no change in the Pastor's salary, the one-third increase towards meeting the Presbytery's requirements, and the Pastor going part time).

The Session approved the budget and the Pastor's Terms of Call (to present to the congregation) that gave the Pastor a one-third increase but would require a quarterly evaluation of the budget. If the Session perceives a deficit problem occurring, options to handle the problem would be considered, including strongly looking at having a part time Pastor. The Personnel Committee will be working on evaluations for the Pastor and administrative assistant.

The Session has also met with the Committee on Ministry to discuss issues of concern in the church and the Session. This is an on-going process and other meetings and conversations will continue.



SOUP AND STUDY

Five Wednesdays

Feb. 13 through March 12

6:00PM

Each Wednesday, we will begin with a hearty soup. Then, Elder Bob Finzel and Pastor Eunice will co-lead the study on the basics of the bible: books of the bible, the authors, major themes, major stories and characters. We will end each day with a prayer service to pray for the world, for our church, and for people's lives.

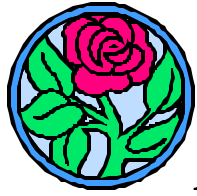


Happy Birthday

February 18 Percy Agyei-Obese

February 19 Crissy Hussain

February 29 Davie Anderson



Happy Anniversary

February 16 Charles and Jean Yancey



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 3, Sunday – 11:00AM Sunday Service

Annual Congregational Meeting follows after worship

February 6, Wednesday 7:30PM – Ash Wednesday Service

February 10, Sunday – 11:00AM Sunday Service

Session Meeting After Service

February 13, Wednesday – 6:00PM, First Lenten Soup and Study

February 17, Sunday – 11:00AM Sunday Service with communion

February 20, Wednesday – 6:00PM, Second Lenten Soup and Study

February 24, Sunday—11:00AM Sunday Service

February 27, Wednesday – 6:00PM, Third Lenten Soup and Study

Children's Sunday School

1st Sunday, 11:00AM (after children's moment)

2nd Sunday, 11:00AM (after children's moment)

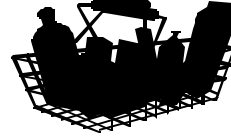
3rd Sunday, 9:45AM, Bible Breakfast Club



Peace Notes – Things to Pray For --

Inspire those who come together in search of ways to bring about peace, and through your Word, change the

hearts of all people so that we shall strive for: peace, and not war; the common good, rather than individual well-being and perspectives – Office of the General Assembly www.pcusa.org/peacemaking



Help By Phone

Beef Stew Macaroni & Cheese Spaghetti Pork & Beans Dried Beans	Soups Tuna Peanut Butter Baby food	Dry Milk Coffee Tea Cocoa	Red, Green & Yellow Vegetables Fruit Apple sauce
Pasta Rice	Cold Cereals Grits Oatmeal	Pancake mix Pancake Syrup Jelly	Jell-o Pudding



Lectionary Reading

February 3 (Transfiguration of the Lord)

Exodus 24:12-18

Psalm 2:1-12 or Psalm 99:1-9

2 Peter 1:16-21

Matthew 17:1-9

February 6 (Ash Wednesday)

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 or Isaiah 58:1-12

Psalm 51:1-17

2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

February 10 (1st Sunday of Lent)

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Psalm 32:1-11

Romans 5:12-19

Matthew 4:1-11

February 17 (2nd Sunday of Lent)

Genesis 12:1-4a

Psalm 121:1-8

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

John 3:1-17

February 24 (3rd Sunday of Lent)

Exodus 17:1-7

Psalm 95:1-11

Romans 5:1-11

John 4:5-42

Sunday Servants

Date	Greeters	Ushers	Liturgist
FEBRUARY 3	The Milligans	Paul Tembunde Chester Guild	Charles Yancey
FEBRUARY 10	Gail Rodman	Janet Dolen Ndema Ojong	Matilda Che
FEBRUARY 17	The Lancasters	Jerome Farley Tad Jembere	Larry James
FEBRUARY 24	Vida Agyei- Obese	Jake Masters Gail Rodman	Chester Guild

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