

Adelphi Presbyterian Church News



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April 2010

Minister: Every member of Adelphi
Presbyterian Church

Session

Class of 2010: Jerome Farley, Kathie James,
Priscilla Lancaster

Class of 2011: Jake Masters, Rose Tangham,
Joan Tembunde

Class of 2012: Janet Dolen, Hudson Lancaster,
Kingsley Danso

Interim Pastor: Rev. Karen Doty

Clerk of Session: Janet Dolen

Treasurers: Charles Yancey, Jake Masters

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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 ~



SESSION MEETING

Janet Dolen

The Session met in March and finalized the following dates for events: International Lunch: April 25 and Yard Sale: June 19. We discussed the successes of the Lenten Bible Study and the First Friday Family Night, which were both very well attended. Also, the lounge area has been completed. Approval was given for Adelphi's participation in the Crop Walk--which is on May 2.



. Earth Day

Our worship spaces belong to God, and in them we have the opportunity to honor God by taking seriously our roles as stewards of the earth on **April 22** and find ways to be good stewards of the earth through our worship

spaces. Download *Sacred Spaces and an Abundant Life* and get tips on saving energy, reducing toxic materials and products, and water, land and habitat conservation. Use Earth Day Sunday as an opportunity to create a healthy and safe church environment while working to protect creation.
www.pcusa.org/environment/earth



ADELPHI'S COZY NEW ROOM

Have you seen it yet? Thanks to the hard work of Kingsley Danso, Jerome Farley, Charles Yancey and Jake Masters, Adelphi members now have a comfortable, inviting place to meet and visit or do church work.

The room is now greatly improved with a deep, terracotta accent wall, lovely sofa, easy chair and tables. Great job, gentlemen!! Adelphi is very appreciative!



YOU ARE INVITED

Please join us for Friday Family Night--an evening of food, fellowship, and various activities as we seek God's leading for Adelphi. (Please see the article on our first Friday Family Night, elsewhere in this newsletter—it was great!)

Date: Friday, April 9, 2010

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Adelphi Fellowship Hall

No need to cook dinner! Come directly from work if you wish. Business attire or comfortable attire both are welcome. Come solo or bring family and friends. Child care is provided for infants and toddlers. There will be a men's group, a women's group, youth

choir, adult choir, and movie night--something for everyone of all ages. Don't miss it!



THE FIRST... "FIRST FRIDAY FAMILY NIGHT"

CREATES NEW DIRECTIONS

*GOD IS DOING "NEW THINGS" AT
ADELPHI (See Isaiah 43:19)*

Our first "First Friday Family Night" took place on March 5, with 31 people in attendance. Following an excellent supper of chicken, rice, green beans, bread, salad, desserts, juices, coffee, and tea—provided by Priscilla Lancaster, Cherry Smith, and Evelyn Jones—various groups met. They included a Men's Group, led by Charles Yancey and Kingsley Danso; a Women's Group, led by Priscilla Lancaster; a Youth Choir and an Adult Choir, led by Kathie James; and a movie night for the young people with popcorn and ice cream, thanks to Jerome Farley. The Nursery, for infants and toddlers, was supervised by Jeannine Caldwell, who was wonderful with the children and who will be on hand for all future First Fridays, so babies and little ones are welcome.

While we enjoy fellowship, music, prayer, and study-discussion gatherings, we are eager to discern the directions that God wants Adelphi to take in His ministry. Please come and be with us as we experience new beginnings and the enthusiasm that is created.



LENTEN SERIES RAISES QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS QUESTIONS

During the weeks of Lent following Ash Wednesday, the Christian Education Committee offered a study series on the book of Ecclesiastes, attributed to King Solomon. The attendance ranged from ten to seventeen, averaging thirteen throughout the series. Each Wednesday evening, following a delightful supper (simple, but there was always food left over), we read and discussed the chapters of this fascinating Old Testament book, with different persons leading. While at times we struggled to comprehend the ideas and actions recorded, we came away with the central message that life without being connected to God is indeed meaningless; but life in Jesus Christ is God's purpose for us, which grants fulfillment and satisfaction. During the final session, we were matched with new Prayer Partners, and each pair committed to praying for and with one another this year. We thank Bettye Miller, Candace Philander, Bob Finzel, and Charlotte Ojong for serving as leaders; and we thank Evelyn Jones for preparing a different and delicious soup every week to start the meals. We were nourished both physically and spiritually while enjoying warm fellowship and learning more about God.



Sharing Your Heart

Everybody needs beauty as well as bread, places to play in and pray in, where nature may heal and give strength to body and soul. – John Muir

Please share with your Adelphi Church family anything that may have spoken to your heart.

You may call me here at Adelphi on Tuesdays or Thursdays, 9:30AM – 2:30PM, or other times leave me a message, and I will be glad to write down your note for you. You may send me an email at:

www.adelphipc@yahoo.com. Your name will be kept private if you so request. Elaine



Peace Notes – Things to Pray For -- SOCIAL JUSTICE

“A Place to Call Home”

Arlington, Va. –The ninth annual gathering of the Ecumenical Advocacy Days opened with an enthusiastic show of support for faith-based social justice work.

“Social justice is essential to the gospel that we proclaim,” The Rev. Michael Kinnamon said. “(It’s a) mark of faithfulness to the one who taught us to love our neighbor as ourselves.”

“This is not a call for tolerance,” Kimmamon said. “It is a call for hospitality.”
www:pcusa.org.



Happy Anniversary

April 7 Larry and Kathie James



Happy Birthday

April 5 Charlotte Ojong
April 7 Hudson Lancaster
April 11 Vida Agyei-Obese
April 12 Uzo Anigboh
April 19 Phyllis Samuel



CHILDREN WAITING

The Adelphi nursery still needs volunteers for child care on Sunday mornings during service. Please consider helping. We love our children and want them to have the best care and we need at least one other person each Sunday. Contact Priscilla Lancaster to help. 301-322-4144



SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES!

Classes for elementary and junior students after Children's Time . from approx. 11:25 - 12:10
 (Children leave the worship service after the Time with Children)
 Nursery, 11:00-12:15.

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE! COME AND BRING OTHERS!



**SAVE GOD'S EARTH –
 RECYCLE**

Help us keep Adelphi Church litter free and take responsibility for our trash. There is a recycling bin at the outer door by the church office for bottles and cans. There is paper recycling in the office. Please place empties and paper refuse in the bins.

Thank you.



HELP BY PHONE

FOOD SUNDAY –

EVERY 4th Sunday

Please bring your donations to Help-by-Phone on the 4th Sunday and bring forth your offerings during worship! Thanks.

Please continue to choose from the list here to share your food item with your designated pantry. All foods must be canned or dried and in sealed containers to meet health department requirements.

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

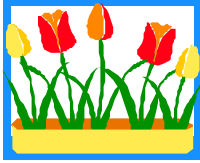
Help by Phone is a tax-exempt agency under Section 501 C (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, for those of you who contribute financially to it. For questions call Lois – 301-699-9009

First Friday Family Nights!
First Friday Night of Each Month
6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Food Fellowship Fun
Youth Choir Adult Choir

Women's Group

Men's Group

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
John 13:1-17, 31b-35



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 1 (Thursday) - Maundy Thursday service, 7:30p.m.

April 2 - Good Friday worship service, 7:30 p.m.

April 4, Easter Sunday – 11:00am Service and Communion

April 9 - "First" Friday Family Night (actually, Second Friday for April only), 6:30 p.m.

April 11, Sunday – 11:00a.m. worship service

April 18, Sunday – 11:00a.m. worship service
Food Sunday

April 22 – Earth Day

April 25, Sunday – 11:00a.m. worship service
Newsletter Deadline



Sunday Lectionary Readings for April 2010

April 1 (Maundy Thursday)
Exodus 12:1-4 (5-10), 11-14

April 2 (Good Friday)

Isaiah 52:13—53:12
Psalm 22
Hebrews 10:16-25 or Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9
John 18:1—19:42

April 4 (Easter / Resurrection of the Lord)

Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 65:17-25
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
1 Corinthians 15:19-26 or Acts 10:34-43
John 20:1-18 or Luke 24:1-12
Easter Evening
Isaiah 25:6-9
Psalm 114
1 Corinthians 5:6b-8
Luke 24:13-49

April 11 (2nd Sunday of Easter)

Acts 5:27-32
Psalm 118:14-29 or Psalm 150
Revelation 1:4-8
John 20:19-31

April 18 (3rd Sunday of Easter)

Acts 9:1-6 (7-20)
Psalm 30
Revelation 5:11-14
John 21:1-19

April 25 (4th Sunday of Easter)

Acts 9:36-43
Psalm 23
Revelation 7:9-17
John 10:22-30

SUNDAY SERVANTS

Date	Greeters	Ushers	Liturgist	Nursery
APR 4	The Milligans	Paul Tembunde Chester Guild	Ndema Ojong	Atiya Jembere
APR 11	Gail Rodman	Janet Dolen Ndema Ojong	Martin Ojong	Cecilia Molungu
APR 18	The Lancasters	Jerome Farley Tad Jembere	Abigail Jembere	Vida Agyei-Obese
APR 25	Janet Dolen	Jake Masters Gail Rodman	Larry James	Vida Agyei-Obese (or other)

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