



March 2020

THE CHRONICLE

LADY LAKE UNITED METHODIST

109 W. McClendon Street
Lady Lake, FL 32159

Rev. Dr. Jan Justice, Pastor

Contemporary Worship – 8:30 AM
Sunday School – 9:00 AM
Sunday Worship – 10:00 AM
Tuesday Bible Study – 11:00 AM

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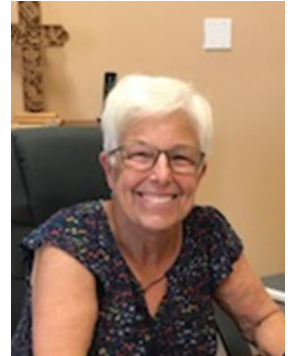
*To be a welcoming Church
drawing people to Christ*

OUR MISSION:

*Seek God's Love
Teach God's Word
Equip us to grow spiritually
Provide inspiring worship
Serve the Community*



In a world of impermanence, Love is the constant



When I think about Lent, I can't help but be amazed at the love that God showed for us by sending Jesus to earth. Isn't it hard to fathom a love so deep that Jesus would be willing to go to the cross and die for us? It is an amazing love that is given to each of us each second, each minute, each hour, of each day. God's love is everlasting. Yet, we tend to cling to things of this world even This being so, the

miracle of love between two people, or within a family, is something precious. We are together for a while and then inevitably we part. To love someone truly is to see the preciousness of the time we have together, and to make the effort to open our hands, so that instead of holding on we are nurturing and supporting. People often wonder how it is possible, in the face of impermanence, to make a commitment to a relationship. We have two choices when it comes to impermanence - we can deny that people and things here on earth are temporary and as a result try to control and hold on, or we can accept it and live each moment to the fullest. But ironically, it is exactly impermanence that inspires commitment because deep down we know that things always change. We give our vow to remain faithful to love, because love is the only thing that is in harmony with change.

Love is a feeling of openness, and appreciation for the wonder of the world, a feeling that we can be true to, no matter what circumstances may bring. Jesus shows us how to love by giving and asking for nothing in return. That is what love really is. *"This is my commandment: Love each other in the same way I have loved you. There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends."* (John 13:12-13). To really love someone without expecting something in return is to lay one's life down. We live in a world of self-interest. Therefore, it seems to me that truly



learning to love is a spiritual practice. The journey of a loving relationship is our best chance to develop love and compassion for others – to grow in the traits of Jesus. It seems only logical that in order to develop a deep and abiding love for all, even our enemies, we need to have somewhere to start, someone to practice on. To really love your friend, husband, wife, or child expecting nothing in return is to take on the most challenging and worthwhile of life's projects. We know it is possible to do this because we have all felt the deep, abiding type of love at one time or another.

Our most precious relationships appear when we are fully met. When we hide nothing, distort nothing, justify nothing, protect nothing, hold back nothing. It is a moment when the person we encounter will accept, treasure, and celebrate “the us” that is then touched by “them”. At this moment we can fully relax, trust-and consequently all anxiety and frustration drop away. We find ourselves being wholly received. Have you felt like this? Seen it in others? Do you deeply long for this meeting?

God wholly receives us in this manner. Even though life on earth has a timetable, God's love never ends. Romans 8: 38-39 tells us that *“And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow—not even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love. ³⁹ No power in the sky above or in the earth below—indeed, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord.”* This is what Lent is all about. It is about a God that loved us so deeply that He suffered and died for us that we might have eternal life. During all of the weeks of Lent, I hope that you might take some time reflect on what it means to you that God loves you this deeply. With God you can be wholly received and be accepted and treasured. Our greatest growth comes when we can tell God anything. How can you build your relationship with God this deeply? How could you learn to love others in this same way – expecting nothing in return except the joy of the precious time that you have together? For March, I pray that you seek and find the incredible love that God has to offer. Pastor Jan

Lenten Sermon Series: Simon Peter: From Fisherman to Follower

March 1	The Call of Simon
March 8	Walking With Jesus in the Storm
March 15	Rock Talk
March 22	Deny you? Not me!
March 29	From Coward to Courageous
April 5	A Happy Ending?



What is Lent? Lent is a season of forty days, not counting Sundays, which begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday. Lent comes from the Anglo-Saxon word *lencten*, which means “spring.” The forty days represents the time Jesus spent in the wilderness, enduring the temptation of Satan and preparing to begin his ministry. Lent is a time of repentance, fasting and preparation for the coming of Easter. It is a time of self-examination and reflection. In the early church, Lent was a time to prepare new converts for baptism. Today, Christians focus on their relationship with God, often choosing to give up something or to volunteer and give of themselves for others.



Ash Wednesday Prayer Stations February 26th, 4:00-6:00 p.m. What is Ash Wednesday? Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the season of Lent. Ash Wednesday emphasizes two themes: our sinfulness before God and our human mortality. The use of ashes as a sign of mortality and repentance has a long history in Jewish and Christian worship. Historically, ashes signified purification and sorrow for sins. The ash cross on the forehead is an outward sign of our sorrow and repentance for sins. This Ash Wednesday we will have a number of prayer stations including a “wailing wall” to leave our deepest sorrows, an anointing station for healing, and, of course, a station for the application of ashes. This will truly be a spiritual experience. Don’t skip Ash Wednesday – make it part of your Lenten practice.

Other Lenten/Easter Dates

Sunday, March 29th 5th Sunday of Lent and Youth Sunday.

Sunday, April 5th Palm and Passion Sunday

April 9th, Maundy Thursday Service 6:00 pm.

Maundy Thursday is an alternate name for Holy Thursday, the first of the three days of solemn remembrance of the events leading up to and immediately following the crucifixion of Jesus. The English word “Maundy” comes from the Latin *mandatum*, which means “commandment.” As recorded in John’s gospel, on his last night before his betrayal and arrest, Jesus washed the feet of his disciples and then gave them a new commandment to love one another as he had loved them (John 13:34). The service also includes communion which was known as the Last Supper.

April 10th, Good Friday Stations of the Cross at 3:00 p.m.

We will follow Jesus on the Via Dolorosa to Calvary by reading and praying the stations of the cross.

April 12th, Easter Sunday

**7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service at the Lady Lake Welcome Center
followed by a light breakfast in the CLC Fellowship Hall**

10:00 a.m. Traditional Easter Worship Celebration



Children’s Home

During the Lent season we will have a loose change collection for the Children’s Home in Enterprise, FL. Look for the cans placed in the pews; we encourage you to faithfully support this ministry.

MINISTRY NEWS

March Celebrations

Happy Birthday

- 1 – Linda Jefferies
- 2 – Mary Davis
- 6 – Joan Mackenzie
- 7 – Linda Fulkrod
- 9 – Monika Welak
- 10 – Laura Terry
Arlene VanMeter
- 11 – Sharon Chernoff
- 13 – Harold Huff
- 14 – Kiara Belanger
- 16 – Jerry Crawford
- 18 – JoAnna Turner
- 21 – Debbie Elyea
Doris Keister
Jim Selock
- 22 – Carolyn Dean

Happy Anniversary

- 6 – Larry & Mary Ann Morrison
- 13 – Bruce & Gail Peasley
- 20 – Jerry & Marielle Crawford
Charles & Mona Hyde
- 28 – Bob & Janet Bildstein

Communion & Mission Offering

We will celebrate the Lord's Supper on Sunday, March 1st, at the morning worship service remembering God's love in sending His Son. We will also receive a mission offering in support The Mission Society. Please designate your gift "missions".

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS
MARCH 8

REMINDER...
SET YOUR
CLOCKS
AHEAD
1 HOUR



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Beginning on March 8th you will begin hearing about the new Capital Campaign here at Lady Lake UMC.

The purpose of a capital campaign is to generate specific money for large priced improvements which would be over and above our regular maintenance and repairs.

The projects we are including in this capital campaign are: an electronic sign along 27/441 which could be updated from the office computers, repaving of the existing parking lot, carpet in the sanctuary to remove the wrinkles and make the aisles safer, a new roof on the sanctuary within the next 5 years, and improvement of the sound systems in both the CLC and the sanctuary.

It is my hope as Finance Chair that you will consider supporting these projects. A capital campaign is always over and above your regular giving and could be paid over a year, 2 years etc. So, God needs to be in your mind as you pray over this decision. Perhaps you would like to consider giving a donation in memory of a loved one who had a special relationship with LLUMC.

Remember you'll never be able to give back to God, what God's already given to you.

Linda Jefferies
Finance Chair

MINISTRY NEWS



**LADY LAKE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
109 W. MCCLENDON ST., LADY LAKE
(AT INTERSECTION OF 466 & 441/27)**



SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

Wednesday, March 11 - Saturday, March 14

Wednesday, March 11 - 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 12 - 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Friday, March 13 - 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Half Price Day

Saturday, March 14 - 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Bring a Neighbor!

APPLIANCES

Something for Everyone

CLOTHING

Bring a Friend!

COLLECTIBLES

BOOKS

ELECTRONICS

LINENS

TOOLS

HOUSEWARES

**HOME
DECOR**

PICTURES

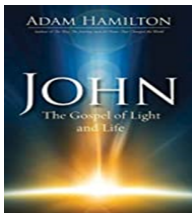
Breakfast & Lunch will be available

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Rummage Sale Volunteers Needed

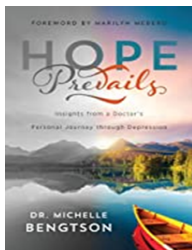
Our Rummage Sale is our biggest fund raiser and we need Volunteers for all areas. If you are new to the church this is a good way to get involved. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex or if you have any questions please contact Joan Mackenzie at 259-3094.

Volunteers are also need in the kitchen and to help serve. Do you bake pies? Pies are needed to sale for dessert. We are known for serving great pies. There is a sign-up sheet to help with this in the Narthex.



John: The Gospel of Light and Life

This Lent experience a season of spiritual growth and insight as we study together the Gospel of John
Tuesdays at 11:00 am
through April 7



Hope Prevails Bible Study

Tangible Hope, Help and Healing for Depression
Wednesday at 10:30 am
through April 8

Cottage Inn Breakfast Group

The Cottage Inn Breakfast Group meets the first Thursday of each month and is headed by Doyle & Jean Gilliam. Next meeting is March 5th, 8:00 a.m., at the Cottage Inn Restaurant on 27/441.

Everyone is welcome to join us.

LLUMC Men's Fellowship

Join the Men of Lady Lake UMC Wednesday, March 11th, 8:00 a.m. at Cracker Barrel. This group is led by Doyle Gilliam and meets the second Wednesday of each month.

All men are welcome!

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Easter Lilies

We will be ordering Lilies for Easter Sunday and are inviting you to order a plant in memory or honor of a loved one. Order forms will be available in the Narthex and must be returned by 9:00 a.m., Monday, April 6th. Flowers are \$7.00 each and will be available for pickup after services on Easter Day.

Lady Lake Easter Egg Hunt

We are in need of volunteers at our table and bags of candy, **no chocolate please**, to hand out.

Join us Saturday

April 4th, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon for this great outreach opportunity. Please bring your candy to the church or the office.



**Promoting fellowship
within the women of the church
in a spiritual context and an
atmosphere of service with a
focus on hospitality to
the larger church family.**

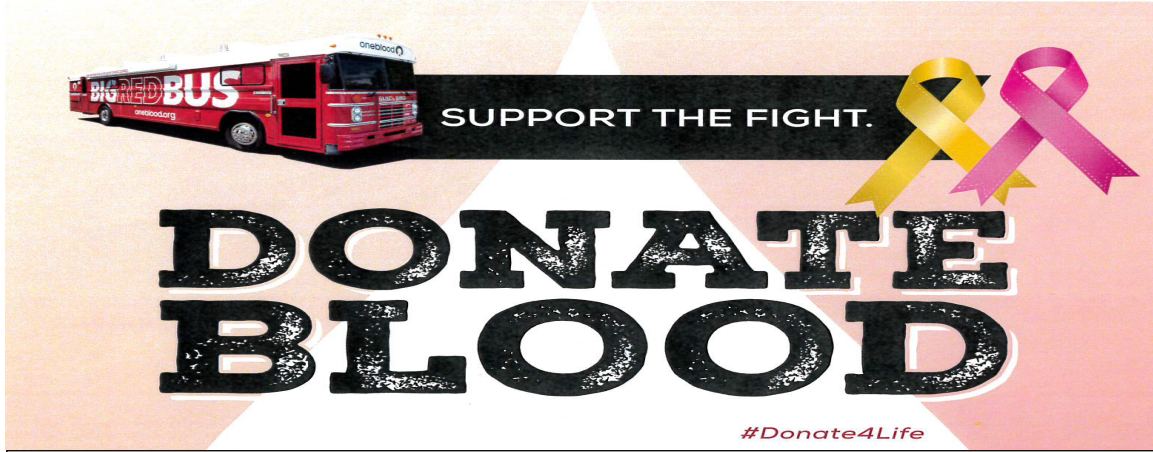
Mary Martha Circle

Will meet Wednesday, March 25th at 1:00 p.m. in the CLC Fellowship Hall.
We welcome all women of the church to join us on the last Wednesday of each month.



Confirmation Classes will begin Sunday, March 29th following Worship Services.

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Sunday, March 15, 2020
9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Lady Lake United Methodist Church


Ladies Charity

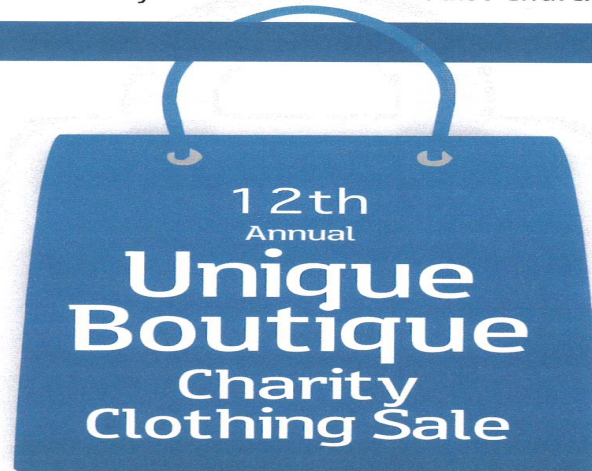
**Pre-Sale to
Church Members!**
Wednesday, March 25
9am – Noon
Lady Lake United Methodist Church

PRESENTS

Come Shop With Us!
**A GREAT Cause With
GREAT Bargains!**

Open to All:
Thursday, March 26
Friday, March 27
8:00am – 2:00pm

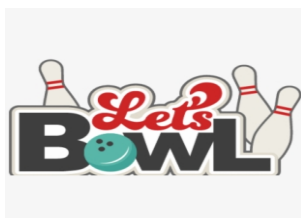
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**Sunday's
Fiesta Bowl**
\$5.00 cover, .50 a game
Contact: Sue & Rich Symes 239-322-9928

MARY MARTHA'S "SOUP, SALAD & SUNDAES" DINNER

Mary Martha's Annual Soup, Salad & Sundaes Dinner was enjoyed by all. This is a fund raiser that sends children to the Warren Willis UM Summer Camp.





ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cancer Support Group

The Cancer Support Group meets 1st Wednesday of each month, 9:30 a.m. at St. Timothy's Catholic Church, Parish Hall, Room 3. This is a non-denominational group and all cancer patients, survivors, care-givers and friends are welcome. For information call Michele Brady 566-7160 or Betty Anderson 753-4068.

Overeaters Anonymous

The Overeaters Anonymous group meets each Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. in the CLC. For additional information please contact Ann Marie at AAF3933@gmail.com.

Gamblers Anonymous

Gamblers Anonymous support group meets in the CLC 'Linen Room' each Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Meetings are confidential using a 12-step program. For more information contact Jim W at 352-205-6806 or email djimiwarren@aol.com.

Angel's Touch Clothing Ministry

Is open the second Tuesday of each month from 10:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m. and is located in the Children's Sunday School building.

Facebook



Check us out on Facebook! Our church Facebook page will give you up to date information, not only to show what we are doing as a church, but also to share with others the joy and excitement we have in our church ministries at Lady lake United Methodist Church!

<https://www.facebook.com/ladylake.umc.52>

Our Services are streaming on Facebook.

Upper Room Edwards Small Group

The Upper Room small group will meet at 4:00 p.m. Monday, March 9th and March 23rd at the home of Kerry and Sandra Edwards.

Upper Room Peasley Small Group

The Upper Room small group will meet at 7:00 p.m. Monday, March 9th at the home of Larry & Penny Irwin and March 23rd Location to be announced.

April Newsletter Deadline

Please submit your articles, pictures and any meetings for the April newsletter no later than **Thursday, March 19th**.

March Meetings

Administration/Finance Committee – Will NOT meet Monday, March 9th.

Choir practice

Each Thursday 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
If you love to sing, come join us. Contact Robbie Milam at 478-521-2999.



Save your Box Tops for Education! They will go to the Villages Elementary School on Rolling Acres. You **can bring your Box Tops to the church office. We are also collecting aluminum pop tops.** Help support our local school.

SUNDAY SERVANTS

Serving for March

March	1 st First Sunday in Lent	8 th Second Sunday In Lent	15 th Third Sunday In Lent	22 th Fourth Sunday In Lent	29 th Fifth Sunday In Lent
Liturgist	Doris Cherubini	Judy Selock	Linda Fulkrod	Judy Dudley	Youth
Scripture Readers	Margie Perry	Doris Devoti	Sue Burton	Gary Hoopengardner	
Acolyte	Joan Mackenzie	Madison Veith	Rose Cherry	Destiny Horton	
Children's Church	No Children's Church	Janet Bildstein, Jean Gilliam	Debbie Elyea, Joan MacKenzie	Jean Gilliam, Sherri Thornton	No Children's Church
Youth Group	Bruce Sperry	No Youth Group	Bruce Sperry	No Youth Group	
Ushers	Joan Belanger, Cal Grabofski, Pat Rogers, Chuck Schreiber, Gary Hoopengardner, Norma McClean	Joan Belanger, Cal Grabofski, Pat Rogers, Chuck Schreiber, Gary Hoopengardner, Norma McClean	Joan Belanger, Cal Grabofski, Pat Rogers, Chuck Schreiber, Gary Hoopengardner, Norma McClean	Joan Belanger, Cal Grabofski, Pat Rogers, Chuck Schreiber, Gary Hoopengardner, Norma McClean	Joan Belanger, Cal Grabofski, Pat Rogers, Chuck Schreiber, Gary Hoopengardner, Norma McClean
Greeters	Nancy Chop, Jan Ray	Nancy Chop, Jan Ray	Nancy Chop, Jan Ray	Nancy Chop, Jan Ray	Nancy Chop, Jan Ray
Communion Steward	Bruce & Gail Peasley				
Communion Servers	Jim & Judy Selock, Dale & Phyllis Horn, Linda Jefferies, Sheri Thornton, Val Pieri, Chuck Schreiber				

REFLECTIONS

Please Pray for

- * Those serving in our military and their families as well as for the people who are suffering through war torn countries.
- * Our sick and shut-ins (make it a point to go visit someone, send them a card or call them).
- * Those who may be struggling financially and struggling to find jobs.
- * Those who have family problems.
- * Those who mourn the death of a loved one.

Please help the office keep the prayer list current. Let us know of any names to be removed or changes that need to be made to the prayer list on the back of our weekly bulletins.

Scripture Readings for March

March 1

First Sunday in Lent

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7
Psalm 32 (UMH 766)
Romans 5:12-19
Matthew 4:1-11

March 8

Second Sunday in Lent

Genesis 12:1-4a
Psalm 121 (UMH 844)
Romans 4:1-5, 13-17
John 3:1-17 or Matthew 17:1-9

March 15

Third Sunday in Lent

Exodus 17:1-7
Psalm 95 (UMH 814)
Romans 5:1-11
John 4:5-42

March 22

Fourth Sunday in Lent

UMCOR Sunday
1 Samuel 16:1-13
Psalm 23 (UMH 754 or 137)
Ephesians 5:8-14
John 9:1-41

March 29

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Ezekiel 37:1-14
Psalm 130 (UMH 848)
Romans 8:6-11
John 11:1-45

ON THE CALENDAR

March 2020

- Holidays
- Events
- Home
- Lady Lake United Methodist Church

February 2020	March 2020	April 2020
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23 24 25 26 27 28 29	29 30 31	26 27 28 29 30

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Communion Sunday One Great Hour of Sharing ■ 8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service ■ 8:30 AM Grace AME Church ■ 9:00 AM Sunday School ■ 10:00 AM Traditional Worship	2	3 ■ 8:00 AM Central Security ■ 9:00 AM GA ■ 11:00 AM Bible Study, Gospel of John ■ 1:00 PM SPRC	4 ■ 9:30 AM Cancer Support Group ■ 10:00 AM Overeaters Anonymous ■ 10:30 AM Hope Prevails Bible Study on Depression	5 ■ 8:00 AM Breakfast Group @ Cottage Inn ■ 12:00 PM Grace AME Church Bible Study ■ 12:30 PM Choir Practice	6 ■ 8:30 AM Sorting of Rummage ■ 7:00 PM Foresquare Church	7 ■ 2:00 PM Thornton & Kline-felter Wedding & Reception
8 Daylight Savings Time Begins ■ 8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service ■ 8:30 AM Grace AME Church ■ 9:00 AM Sunday School ■ 10:00 AM Traditional Worship ■ 11:00 AM Rummage Sale	9 Rummage Sale Setup ■ 3:00 PM Finance/AdCouncil Mtg Cancelled ■ 4:00 PM Upper Room Edwards ■ 7:00 PM Upper Room Peasley's	10 Rummage Sale Setup ■ 9:00 AM GA ■ 10:00 AM Angel's Touch Clothing Ministry ■ 11:00 AM Bible Study, Gospel of John Will Not Meet	11 Rummage Sale ■ 8:00 AM LLUMC Men's Fellowship ■ 10:00 AM Overeaters Anonymous ■ 10:30 AM Hope Prevails Bible Study on Depression Will Not Meet	12 Rummage Sale ■ 12:00 PM Grace AME Church Bible Study ■ 12:30 PM Choir Practice	13 Rummage Sale ■ 7:00 PM Foresquare Church	14 ■ 8:00 AM Rummage Sale
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22 ■ 8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service ■ 8:30 AM Grace AME Church ■ 9:00 AM Sunday School ■ 10:00 AM Traditional Worship	23 Harbor Hills - Set-up ■ 4:00 PM Upper Room Edwards ■ 7:00 PM Upper Room Peasley	24 Harbor Hills - Set-up ■ 9:00 AM GA ■ 11:00 AM Bible Study, Gospel of John	25 ■ 9:00 AM Harbor Hills Boutique - Private PreSale ■ 10:00 AM Overeaters Anonymous ■ 10:30 AM Hope Prevails Bible Study on Depression ■ 1:00 PM Mary Martha Circle	26 HarborHillsBoutique-PublicSale ■ 12:00 PM Grace AME Church Bible Study ■ 12:30 PM Choir Practice	27 ■ 8:00 AM Harbor Hills ■ 7:00 PM Foresquare Church	28 Lay Servant Training
29 ■ 8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service ■ 8:30 AM Grace AME Church ■ 9:00 AM Sunday School ■ 10:00 AM Traditional Worship ■ 11:00 AM Confirmation Classes Start after church	30	31 ■ 9:00 AM GA ■ 11:00 AM Bible Study, Gospel of John	1 April Fool's Day ■ 9:30 AM Cancer Support Group ■ 10:00 AM Overeaters Anonymous ■ 10:30 AM Hope Prevails Bible Study on Depression	2 ■ 8:00 AM Breakfast Group @ Cottage Inn ■ 12:00 PM Grace AME Church Bible Study ■ 12:30 PM Choir Practice	3 ■ 8:30 AM Sorting of Rummage ■ 7:00 PM Foresquare Church	4 ■ 10:00 AM Lady Lake Easter Egg Hunt

SAVE THE DATE
FAMILY FUN DAY
SATURDAY, MAY 30TH
VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED. THERE IS A SIGNUP SHEET IN THE NARTHEX.