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"Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small. Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all."

Stanza 4 of "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

These words haunt me during Lent. They haunt me because they are convicting. Recognizing that God's love is amazing and divine is one thing. Seeing God's love as beautiful is one thing. Realizing that Jesus is the Prince of glory who will die on a cross for the sins of the world is one thing.

But, responding by giving my soul, my life, and all that I am is another thing.

It's that little word, "demands." Parents demand obedience from their children. Teachers demand respect from their students. Friends demand consistency from one another. Employers demand hard work from employees. There are a lot of demands in our lives.

After a demanding day at work and a demanding day at home and a demanding family, we are done with demands. We go out to eat because we are so done with the demands of having to cook something. We go to yoga because we need to release stress from all the demands in our lives. We play golf, listen to music, hit the gym, pick up a hobby to release the demands of the day.

And then our faith demands from us everything we are. But this demand is a little different. This demand looks a little more like surrender than anything else. The love of God that is so amazing and so divine requires from us a total 'letting go.'

Oh, joy. It's everybody's favorite lesson to learn and re-learn. Let go. Surrender. Because God's love is so great that it demands all of us.

In response to the Prince of peace who will journey to the cross over the next two weeks, in response to the sorrow and love that flow from his head, his hands, and his feet, in response to the wondrous cross, we surrender.

A Closing Prayer:

Lord, we are overwhelmed and grateful for your sacrifice. Today we surrender to you, once more. Take my soul, my life, and my all, for I am forever yours. In Christ's name, Amen.



Easter Sunday

Worship Service at 11AM
All are Welcome

Our Last Experiencing Prayer Sunday School Class
will be this week: Sunday March 20th.
Please Join Us!

Regular Sunday School classes
will resume on April 3rd.

NO Sunday School or Youth
Sunday March 27th: Easter Sunday

Prayers of the People:

Shelia Amos, Mary Jo Bradford, Stroby Stewart; David Patrick; Des Noble; Jim Holmes; Judy Hood, Christine Miller, Andy and June Vaughn, Rex Parris, Mike Lee, Viki Harrell, Miriah Penick, Angie Feldwich, June Stripling, Alison McCracken, James Bowman, Christy, Jane Radon, Kelli Newman, The family of Marie Edwards, Gene Marable, Denise and Todd Holdridge, James Colus, Roy Hall, Marlyn Hagen and Family and others in our thoughts and prayers from Sunday, March 13th.

If you have a name to add to the prayer list please use the Christian pads in the pews and drop it in the offering plate Sunday morning. You may also email them to: scottsborocpc@gmail.com.

Mark Your Calendars:

Men's Fellowship Breakfast
Sunday March 20th at 9AM
All are invited to attend!



Tenebrae Service
Thursday March 24th
** Time Changed from 6:00 to*

Good Friday Service
Friday March 25th At Noon



24 Hour Famine:

The Youth are looking for sponsors for their 24 hour fast. If you want to sponsor a youth, please contact the main office, and we can put you directly in touch with one of our kids. Donations will be due the day of the fast March 25th. You can send your money with the youth, OR leave your donations in the main office. Make checks payable to Scottsboro CP Church with "24 Hour Fast" in the subject line.

YOUTH

Don't forget to ask friends, family, and church members to sponsor you for the 24 hour fast. You will need to get the money from your sponsors before the fast and bring it all with you to the fast on Friday, March 25th!



Session Spiritual Gifts Retreat

Sunday April 17th immediately
following worship.
Session Elders, please make plans to attend.



Kitchen Gadget Plus \$1 Shower

Sunday April 3rd at 2PM

Honoring Alison Wright, Bride of Austin Wright

Hosted by:

Scottsboro Cumberland Presbyterian Church



Brian Tanck's Ordination Service

Saturday April 9th at 1PM at SCPC

A reception will immediately follow in the Fellowship Hall
All are invited to attend the service and reception to celebrate
Brian's Ordination

EASTER EGG HUNT

**Join us at Scottsboro Cumberland Presbyterian Church
For our Annual Egg Hunt, Games and Snacks!
March 26th
9 AM**

For Ages 12 and under



Join us this spring as CPYC hits the road to bring the CPYC experience to a town near you.

Register online at cpmc.org/cpyc



Chandler, IN
Saturday, April 23
1PM-8:30PM

Chandler Cumberland Presbyterian Church
338 S. State. St
Chandler, IN 47610

Huntsville, AL
Saturday, April 30
1PM-8:30PM

Church Street Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America
228 Church Street Northwest
Huntsville, AL 35801

Register for both one-day events online at
cpmc.org/cpyc



And don't forget to
register for CPYC
June 26-July 1
at Bethel University

Update from Room In The Inn {RITI} March 2016

The RITI board reports that as of 28 Feb 2016 we served 34 individual guests, 1622 meals, 529 cumulative nights of shelter. To date last year we served 30 guests, 1184 meals, and 395 nights. This season many of our guests have found full time/part time employment and some have been able to have their own vehicles. The little we do, helps many.

We will serve as the Host Church again on Friday, March 18th and again Saturday March 26th.. If you are willing to serve in any capacity, please contact Lil Noble or see the sign up sheets in the back hallway.

As you know, St Jude's church used our facilities while they served as host church last season and the first part of our current season, from 15 Dec through 18 February. On 19 February they opened their own facilities to the Room in the Inn ministry.

On Friday March 18th, St Jude's has invited us to bring our guests to enjoy the Knights of Columbus Fish Fry {prepaid already}. The fish fry is from 5:30 – 7:30 PM. This means a change to our usual procedures. We need a volunteer to pick up {and accompany} our guests at Calvary at the usual time {5:45 PM} and take them to St Jude's Family Life Center (building behind the church) for dinner. The Volunteer will stay and join the guests for fish fry dinner before bringing them to the fellowship hall for the night. It would be marvelous if others who enjoy a fish diner {\$7.00/person} will consider meeting up with them at the hall and stay to fellowship with our guests. Anyone willing to transport our guests and enjoy a delicious fish dinner should contact Lil Noble or sign up on the sheet.

A big and very special "Thank you" to everyone who has helped this season. Many hands make lite work. God bless each and every one.

**The Building Fund has hit the ground running thanks to all
the generous donations!!**

Please prayerfully consider donating to the building fund!



GUATEMALA MISSION TRIP

Pictures of the Hot Lunch Program in Guatemala City.



Guatemala is a country located in Central America, south of Mexico. Its capital is Guatemala City, and that is where our team will be serving.

Guatemala was once the core of the Mayan civilization. As such, a rich tradition of Mayan culture, language, and crafts still exist. Guatemala endured a long civil war between 1960-1996. That civil war left the country in much disarray.

Several years ago, the Cumberland Presbyterian Church decided to focus on Central America as a mission point. The CP Church has a lot of churches, schools, and ministries already in existence in the United States and in Colombia, South America. Central America is located nicely in between the two, and so our mission's boards decided to focus on Central America. Since this focus began, the CP Church has sent 3 Colombian missionaries to begin work in Guatemala: planting churches, administering a medical clinic, and now starting a Hot Lunch Program.



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

A team from Scottsboro CP Church will be headed to Guatemala to work in this Hot Lunch Program, and to service the kids' medical needs in any ways we can.

In order for this trip to be possible, we are asking **that you prayerfully consider donating to this trip.** We will need to buy plane tickets, lodging, and supplies for this team to go.

Please pray for the team as things begin to come together. And if you feel so led, please donate to the church with "Guatemala Mission Trip" in the subject line.

2016

General Fund

March 13th offering: \$5,923.00

Total Offering to date: \$ 70,885.40

Budget Requirements

Giving Required per Sunday: \$6,747.40

Required to meet budget to date: \$ 74,221.23

Attendance for:

Sunday 3/13/16

Sunday School: 59

Worship: 123

Worship Aids for Sunday

Head Usher: Eddie Sisco

Pastor: Micaiah Tanck

Worship Leader : Brian Tanck

Greeter: Bill and Gay Zimmerman

Flowers: Lynda Hodges

If you cannot serve, please find someone who will replace you.

If you need something please call the Church office If no answer please call Micaiah, (205) 478-5985; Brian (630) 730-1577 . Your concerns and needs are important to us.

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