



# THE ADDISVILLE ANNOUNCER

## PASTOR'S CORNER

### THE CHOICES WE MAKE

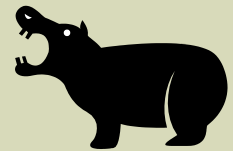
Life  
is  
a sum  
of all your  
choices.

Albert Camus

As I am writing this May Pastor's Corner we have just had several days of rain in what has been an unusually dry spring. Doing spot grass seeding this year has been an added bother as you had to water the lawn every day for the seed to germinate since there has been virtually no rain! This weather reminds me of a spring when I was a boy-around 9 or 10 years old. My Aunt had sent me out in the back yard to water her parched garden when two neighborhood girls, cutting through the back of our yard, called to me. "We're going to Sharon's birthday party and you're not!" I didn't particularly like Sharon, as I remember, and did-

n't care that I wasn't going to her party but I made a split second decision I would soon regret. My two neighbors were dressed in those frilly short party dresses that were apparently the rage in the late 1960's and were holding wrapped presents for Sharon with big bows on top. I spun around and quickly changing the force of the hose nozzle and sprayed my two neighbors. "Douglas Dwyer, you're the meanest boy in the whole world!" one of them cried as they ran home screaming and totally drenched! My momentary pleasure didn't last long as within minutes our phone rang and you

can imagine the rest! Carl Sandburg said, *"There is an eagle in me that wants to soar, and there is a hippopotamus in me that*



*wants to wallow in the mud."*

He may not have known it, but he was describing the life of every believer in Jesus Christ. It's our dual nature, as Paul described in Romans 7:22-23:

***I love God's law with all my heart. But there is another law at work in me that is at war with my mind. This law wins the fight and makes me a slave to the sin that is still within me."***

Every day you have to choose:

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## Pastor's corner continued

Will you live according to the new nature  
or the old?

Will you soar with the eagles or  
wallow in the mud?

Your decision determines everything! It determines how you greet your day, what you think about, how you talk to (or talk about) your co-workers, how you spend your spare change, how you spend your spare time-how you treat a neighbor!

Every day, and every moment of every day, you have the power to choose:

**the clear blue sky or  
the local hippo hangout.**

You've got a key to both places, and access is unrestricted -- it just depends on where you prefer to be.

**Remember today that  
God is calling you upward.**

In Christ,  
Pastor Doug



## W O R S H I P

### WORSHIP IN MAY

#### May 6

Celebration of the Lord's Supper  
Message: Following Jesus  
First Fruits

#### May 13

Message: Keep the Fire Burning  
Combined Cherub/Youth Choir  
Happy Mother's Day  
*A flower for every lady at worship!*

#### May 20

Confirmation Day

#### May 27

The Great Escape  
Baptism at Second Service  
Special Tribute for Memorial Day!

9:00 AM Traditional Service

10:45 AM Contemporary Service



### **National Day of Prayer: Thursday, May 3**

The Newtown Reformed Church will be opened at Noon and invites you to stop by and spend some time in prayer to the Lord on behalf of our nation. They will have a PowerPoint with suggested prayer focuses.

### **Weekly Prayer**

Please join us on Tuesday Evenings at 6:30 PM or Wednesday mornings at 10 AM in the Lounge for prayer. Our congregation, our community and nation, our church plant, our missionaries and our world needs your prayers being lifted up on their behalf!

## Short and Sweet Words

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Last week, I had the opportunity to go to a conference in Holland, Michigan, for recent graduates of Western Theological Seminary. It was a great time of learning, worship, and fellowship. We spent a majority of our time exploring the idea that in order to be a great leader, one must also be able to be a follower.

To explore this further, we turn to Acts 18 and a sampling of a lecture I was blessed to hear during my recent time at Western. Acts 18 starts out with Paul coming into Corinth, where he meets Priscilla and Aquila. Together they begin to proclaim the name of Jesus to Jews and Gentiles alike. After some time, Paul leaves Priscilla and Aquila in Ephesus to continue their ministry in that city, while he sets forth on his journey to Caesarea and beyond. In essence, the followers become the leaders.

Now this is a very brief overview of this incredible chapter of Acts, so I encourage you to take a few moments and read this remarkable story of leadership and followership.

But before you do that, I want to remind you all that we partake in this reality at Addisville. Next time you find yourself in worship on a Sunday Morning, take a

look at the back of the bulletin. About half way down the page, you will find a list of all of our staff: listed first is “**Ministers.**” The name that follows is not me or Pastor Doug; instead, it is rightly stated, “**All of our Members.**”

This is learning to follow and learning to lead at its best! Each of us in Jesus Christ is called to be a minister for His kingdom and His Righteousness. And all of us together are called in Christ to be prepared to give an answer for the hope that we have in Him. We lead, and we follow, in Christ.

In Him,  
Pastor Ryan

### Welcome to the Family!



On April 22 we received the following brothers and sisters into our church:

**Jennifer Campbell** (married to John with a son, Jake)

**James Evanson & Diane C. Rhone, Margaret Harding, Margie Harding, Suzanne Gwilliam** (married to David with two children: Brandon and Nathan)

**Leonard Ulan**

**Lois and Harold Williams**

**Nancy Witherington**

# Treasurer's Message

## TREASURERS REPORT – MARCH 2012

**The following report shows the expenses using the austerity budget, which included elimination of funding for Vacation Bible School, reduction of funding for youth work trips, several building projects, and reduction in Missionary support totaling \$43,220.**

Actual Income \$137,247  
Actual Expenses \$121,029  
YTD Surplus \$16,218.

**The following report shows the information using the original budget.**

Actual Income \$137,247  
Budgeted Expenses \$145,622  
YTD Deficit would have been \$8,375 as compared to \$16,218 Surplus

For more details, please see copy of the Treasurers report on the bulletin board outside the Church Office.

Michele Hinchliffe, Assistant Treasurer 4/16/12



### **ELECTRONIC GIVING IS NOW AVAILABLE.**

You are now able to make your contributions electronically by visiting our website [www.addisville.org](http://www.addisville.org) or by completing an electronic giving form available in the church office. These contributions can be deducted directly from your checking or savings accounts only. If you have any questions regarding the electronic giving please see Charles Brown or Michele Hinchliffe.

### **WOULD YOU LIKE 2012 OFFERING ENVELOPES?**

Please call the church office if you would like 2012 offering envelopes. Let us know if you would like your quarterly statement emailed or printed and mailed to you. The envelopes will be available on the following Sunday in the church office.





# H2O: Here to Obey

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- 5/05 - Church Work Day
- 5/12 - Church Work Day Rain Date
- 5/13 - No H2O - Mother's Day
- 5/20 - 2nd Mission Trip Payment Due
- 5/26 - Happy Tymes - Mini Golf, Go Karts, Rock Wall and Batting Cages

### MISSION TRIP NEWS

The Mission Trip is coming up sooner than you think! In a few short months, we'll be on our way to Blue Knob, PA to help out those in need and grow closer together as a group.

We ask for continual prayer as we set out for this trip with 38 people this summer.

The second payment of \$100 for the trip is due May 20th.

Hope everyone is excited as I am for this trip!

### Mission Trip Reflection

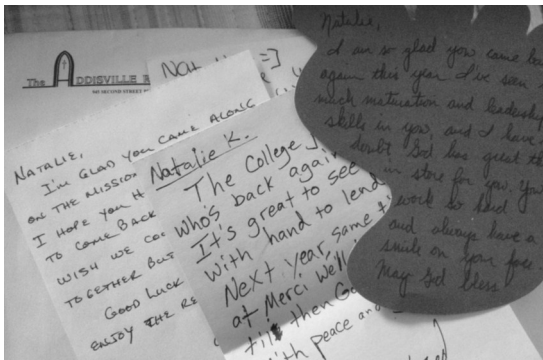
In 2005, I went on my first Mission Trip with Addisville Reformed Church to M.E.R.C.I. in Goldsboro, North Carolina. The night before we left I remember a mixture of fear and anticipation. As soon as I got into the van for the drive the next day, all I had was excitement for what was going to happen throughout the week. All throughout the week I found myself working hard and getting to know more people from our very own church. I had so much fun in North Carolina that I didn't even call my parents to check in with them all week!

After such a great time the first year I went, each summer I couldn't wait until the Mission Trip came around. Not only did I get to have a blast with my friends for a week, but I also got the opportunity to make a difference while doing so.

My favorite thing each year was not only meeting the amazing people of the homes we worked on, but was reading the care cards we wrote to each other throughout the week. I still have all the cards starting from the very first year I went on a Mission Trip. Reading these cards helps you see how you even can make a difference with the people you already know. These cards are beautiful reminders of the memories made on each Mission Trip, and I have found they have far more meaning than any picture ever taken.

Mission Trips can really be life changing. They give us countless opportunities to see and experience things in a way that we could have never imagined.

*Natalie*



Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity.  
1 Timothy 4:12 NIV

# Christian Education

**NATIONAL  
DAY OF  
PRAYER**

T A S K



F O R C E

## National Day of Prayer

The United States of America is, arguably, the most powerful and prosperous nation that has ever existed in all of creation.

Yet, we are not without our struggles. We are currently raising a generation of children who, for the first time in our history, may not prosper as the generations who have come before them. An education is no longer the promise of a better life in America. Seemingly, every time we turn on the television to watch the evening news, we are faced with a barrage of horror stories about teenagers being murdered in our streets, professional athletes and politicians embroiled in sex scandals and young people opening fire on high school and college campuses across the country.

As a nation, we are moving steadily away from the Judeo-Christian values upon which we were built. The God of the Bible is being squeezed out of our schools, our government and our homes. We need to bring the God of our fathers back to the center of our American lives. How do we do this? Where do we start? On our knees with lifted hands.

The National Day of Prayer Task Force wants to communicate to each of us the need for personal repentance and prayer. They strive to mobilize the Christian community in this country to pray for America and its leadership in the seven centers of power which are Government, Military, Media, Business, Education, Church and Family.

The 61<sup>st</sup> annual observance of the National Day of Prayer will take place on Thursday, May 3, 2012. To learn more about the National Day of Prayer, please visit [www.NationalDayofPrayer.org](http://www.NationalDayofPrayer.org).

## 2012 Prayer for Our Nation

Dr. David Jeremiah

Heavenly Father,

Every good gift and perfect gift comes from You.

You are a faithful God and Your mercy endures forever.

You have promised to bless the nation that trusts in You.

Our currency proclaims "In God We Trust," but in our culture we are far from You.

In the words of the prophet Daniel,

"We have sinned and committed iniquity, we have done wickedly and rebelled, even by departing from Your precepts and Your judgments."

We come before You once more, seeking Your forgiveness and mercy.

You, O God, are our only hope...

Hear our prayer and, for Your honor's sake, shine Your face upon this nation.

Give our leaders the desire to seek Your wisdom and the courage to follow Your guidance... and watch over the men and women of our armed forces as they sacrifice for the cause of freedom.

We give You thanks for all You have done for us, and we earnestly pray that You will help us become, once again, a nation whose God is the Lord. In the name of Your Son, and our Savior, we pray this prayer.

Amen.

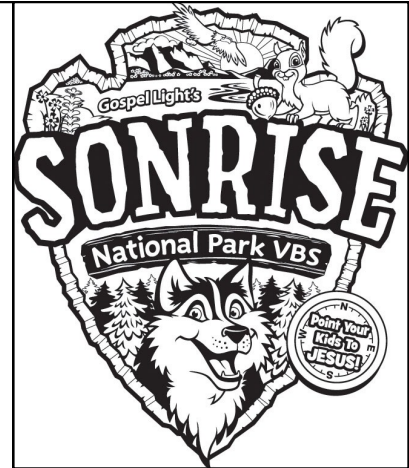
# Christian Education

## VBS Registration

Registration for SonRise National Park is well under way with half of our available spots already filled!

We don't want your children to miss out on this exciting adventure, so pick up your Registration Form today! The forms can be found on the window directly outside of the Christian Education Office. Please fill out one form for each child attending. There is a bin outside of the Christian Education Office for completed forms.

Once your completed forms are received, you will be given a CD and Songbook for this year's program so that all of our Addisville children will be ready to sing on opening day.



If you have any questions, please contact April Pflueger at (215) 355-0674 or [education@addisville.org](mailto:education@addisville.org).

See you in June!

## Read More

*Righteousness exalts a nation,  
but sin is a disgrace  
to any people.*



**Proverbs 14:34**

## Memorial Day

John 15:13

*Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends.*

This Memorial Day,

let us each offer a prayer of gratitude to our Father  
for those who lived this command and gave their lives for freedom's call.

John 15:12

*My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.*

Let us be a sanctuary for the families of the fallen.

Let us show them the love the Father has shown us through Christ Jesus.



# Ministries

## Addisville Active Adults

**You are invited:** Covered Dish Luncheon on Monday, May 14th at 12 noon. Kindly bring a main dish or a salad or a dessert to share.

**Program:** Rockne Anderson will present a salute to the Armed Forces to celebrate Memorial Day. In addition, he will play some of his and our favorites.

Please RSVP to Barbara Schaefer at 215-355-6999.



**MOTHER-  
DAUGHTER BAN-  
QUET**  
*Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>*  
**6:00 P.M.**

Our annual MOTHER-DAUGHTER BANQUET will be held on Tuesday, May 8 at 6:00 P.M. in Fellowship Hall. Chef Brechtle will prepare a delicious meal. Our program will feature,

***A Visit with Martha Washington,  
by Carol Spacht***

Cost: Adults - \$8.00,  
Children 5 to 10 - \$5.00,  
Children 4 and under free.

***I remember my mother's prayers and  
they have always followed me. They  
have clung to me all my life.***

— Abraham Lincoln

**CLOTHING DRIVE**  
Monday, June 4  
9:00 A.M.  
Fellowship Hall



As you do your spring cleaning, we ask that you remember the Addisville Church Women's Clothing Drive. **WE NEED YOUR CLOTHING!! (Men's, Women's, & Children's Clothing)**. All should be clean with no buttons missing and with working zippers. Again this year, we have had requests from local organizations asking for clothing. This year's clothing donations will be given to area organizations to fulfill their requests. **Donations can be placed behind the curtain in Fellowship Hall from Wednesday, May 9 until Sunday, June 3.**

We also need your help in sorting and packing the clothes on **June 4**. Bring a bag lunch. Beverage and dessert will be provided.

Questions, contact Donna Stewart at 215-355-3584.



# Ministries



THANKS DONORS AND VOLUNTEERS  
BLOOD DRIVE APRIL 20TH

46 units donated

VOLUNTEER CALLERS Kathy Barwis, Doris Brown, Jim Reno, Donna Stewart, Nancy Turner, Nancy Miller, Barbara Parke, Gloria Medaglia, Eleanor Tanzler, Carolyn Bunke, George Lange, Janet Schuch

Canteen: Joan Luff, Ginny Urbanski, Norann Stohler

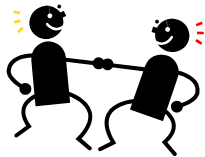
Registration: Carolyn Bunke, Donna Schmidt, Carolyn McIntosh, Justine Mascaro Pickwell

**Nice Work!**

*Pat and Frank Claus*

## Couples with Young Children Small Group Ministry

Our next meeting is  
Saturday, May 19 at 6 PM.  
Childcare is provided!  
Questions? E-mail:  
[ourhope@addisville.org](mailto:ourhope@addisville.org)



## Morning Manna

Come and join our study of the Women of the Bible. You may come for one session or for many. We welcome newcomers at any time. We meet in the lounge on

**Monday mornings from  
10:30 AM to 11:30 AM**

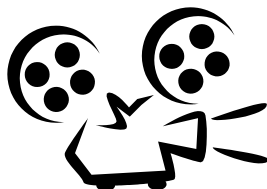
For more information  
call Jane Dwyer at 215-357-4287

## Summer at the Movies!

Keep your eyes and ears open!

We are planning a special showing of the movie: *Courageous*.  
In addition we are planning a child appropriate film to be shown  
at the same time on site.

This will be an opportunity for you to invite neighbors and friends to see an inspiring film as well as a great follow up for Vacation Bible School!



# Ministries

## SPRING WORK and FUN DAY May 5, 2012 Rain Date May 12, 2012

Once again it's time for our spring clean up. We hope you will join us for a day of work and fellowship as we spruce up our church and grounds just in time for Mother's Day. We will even provide lunch for all who volunteer.

Some of the projects we wish to do are listed below. If you wish to participate in a particular project or have a special skill that would help a project along, check the line(s) next to the project(s). We will attempt to assign you to the project of your choice and contact you by phone so that you will know what tools or supplies you may need to bring with you.

Turn this form into the church office or place it in the offering plate. Should you want to contact a member of the property committee call: Frank Bauman, 215-355-9726; Fred Harding, 215-598-3715; or Frank Parke, 215-355-1806.

- Water seal the fellowship hall outside wall ..... \_\_\_\_\_
- Wash windows..... \_\_\_\_\_
- Assist in removal of dead branches in trees around church..... \_\_\_\_\_
- Trim evergreen branches..... \_\_\_\_\_
- Clean vegetable garden ..... \_\_\_\_\_
- Spread mulch in the flower beds..... \_\_\_\_\_
- Clean kitchen mats and floor under mats..... \_\_\_\_\_
- Pressure wash doors and trash area..... \_\_\_\_\_
- Clean the electric sign in front of the church ..... \_\_\_\_\_
- Clean out rain gutters ..... \_\_\_\_\_
- Clean out the basements, mechanical room, etc..... \_\_\_\_\_
- Remove rust and paint steel plate over sump pump pit..... \_\_\_\_\_
- Paint handrails on portico and steps by street..... \_\_\_\_\_
- Secure loose pavers in courtyard..... \_\_\_\_\_
- Clean and paint office windows facing courtyard..... \_\_\_\_\_
- Refurbish traffic cones..... \_\_\_\_\_
- Move first aide cabinet to new position..... \_\_\_\_\_
- Paint parking lot light poles..... \_\_\_\_\_
- Refurbish Addisville sign at rear exit..... \_\_\_\_\_
  
- Any job that needs to be done (odd jobber)..... \_\_\_\_\_

List below a project that you think needs to be done that has not been mentioned.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Lunch will be served to our volunteers.**

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Skills \_\_\_\_\_

## News from Lakewood Ranch

(March 26, 2012)

Beloved Prayer Partners of Current,

Thank you so much for the prayers you have offered on our behalf as we had our first preview service yesterday. We know that many of you have since contacted us inquiring about how things went, so this email offers opportunities for information, praise, and continued intercession.

On a personal note, Nicole and I were both discouraged and encouraged. With the amount of contacts we have, personal invites for the preview service, and RSVP's, we were expecting more in terms of attendance. Some of our RSVP's didn't show, and some closer friends we expected/hoped would be there to support us also didn't make it. There was a monsoon Sunday morning, so we're not sure if that didn't help (though I would think that bad weather is a good thing here in Florida...otherwise they'd be at the beach!) 20 adults. 27 kids. So that's the discouraging part personally because we had it in our minds that there would be twice the adults...what we thought was realistic.

The encouraging part is this: We had 3 single spouses attend to "check it out" on behalf of their families...They weren't sure what to expect, so they were scoping it out. We're hoping they'll bring the spouse and rest of the family next time based on the positive responses we heard. And we did have one family commit to our church.

On a particular praise, two families attended that are unchurched and apathetic toward God...one of which the husband left with tears in his eyes (and he checked off "I want to know more about what it means to be a Christ-follower" on his Connection Card). Pray for the family.

In every case, everyone said that what we're doing, we're doing well...they expected low production value, but were impressed with how put together we are from sound to space to spoken word.

So while we were bummed because we were expecting more, God was stirring today.

Here's a takeaway that we all know to be true, but need to be reminded of in established and emerging churches: We can have hundreds of contacts and rub shoulders with community leaders; and while those are necessary and can pay off down the road, the real draw is the deep, personal relationships with people. The folks who came were there because of a love for our family and hours of personal relationship building. It's a reminder of what each person, pastor, church, etc needs to do for real impact/growth.

Please continue to keep us (and our Network of planters) in your prayers in the days ahead...esp. as we prepare for Easter. It's a reminder of the joys and challenges we all face, and the need for perseverance. Thank you, again.

Grace & Peace,

Aaron & Nicole Klein

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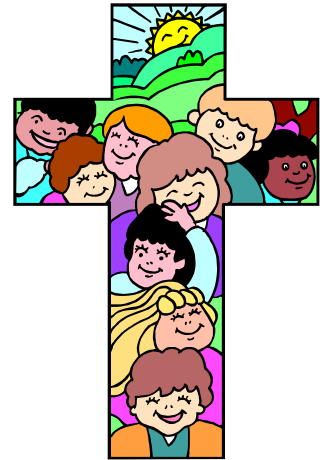
## Addisville Christian Preschool

NOW ENROLLING FOR 2012—2013 SCHOOL YEAR

Tuition \$130.00 per month

### Nursery Classroom (3 year olds)

- allows children to be children while learning in a safe, loving, and nurturing environment
- the first step beyond home and family, so focus is on social structure and behavior
- activities include, music, varied art forms, story time, free play, games etc.



### PreK Classroom (4 year olds)

- designed to prepare children for the Kindergarten classroom
- more formal and structured learning process including writing, sequencing and math readiness
- activities include arts and crafts, dramatics, field trips, games etc.

Program runs Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday  
mornings from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM

Each classroom has one teacher and one Assistant.

Bathrooms are located in each classroom.

Both classes enjoy a new outside playground, an indoor activity room for gross motor play, and a kitchen for special projects.

Preschool follows the Council Rock School District calendar.

**Please contact Susan, Preschool Administrator, for registration information  
at 215-357-4277.**

**\*\*\*A community preschool for 48 years\*\*\***

# Addisville Christian Preschool

Sessions are from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM Tuesday through Thursday \$130.00 Monthly Tuition

*Please check session desired:* \$35.00 Non refundable Registration fee

Nursery School 3 year old

Check Cash  
(please circle one of the above)

Morning Pre-Kindergarten

(Make checks payable to  
Addisville Reformed Church)

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address (including zip code) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

Religious Faith of family \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Church \_\_\_\_\_

Any known allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any personality, social, etc. traits or problems of which the teachers might be apprised in order to help your child? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Siblings? Names/  
Ages \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about our Nursery School?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Registration is not completed in the desired session until this application form and the registration Fee are accepted by the Nursery School.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Mail Registration form to the above address, Attention: Susan Hoare / Nursery School