



# The

# Lighthouse

May 2019

# News

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A Lighthouse to our Community

## Pastor

Edgar L. Evans

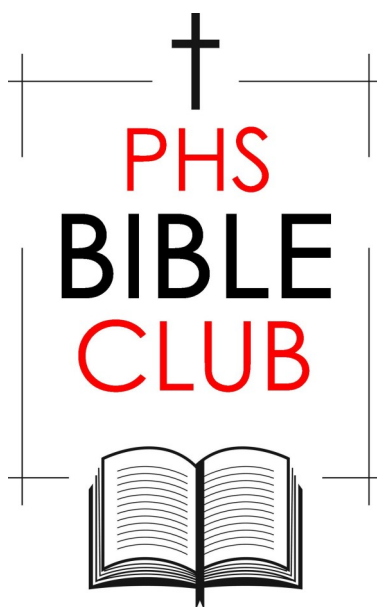
## Music Minister/

## Youth Minister

Roland Smith

## Children's Minister

Tammy Fletcher



## Our Services

### Sunday

Bible Study-all ages	9:45AM
Morning Worship	11:00AM

### Wednesday

Intake Meal	5:15PM
Prayer Meeting	6:00PM
Adult Bible Study& Ministries	6:00PM
Mission Friends	6:00PM
Children's Ministry	6:00PM
Cooper Student Ministries	6:00PM
Choir Practice	7:00PM

## *Mother's Day Services*

On Sunday, May 12th we will have a breakfast for ladies and girls in the Family Life Center at 9AM. The meal will be prepared by the Men of Cooper Baptist Church.

For Mother's Day we are preparing a slide show. Please send pictures with your mom, or with your kids. If you have pictures of some of the Mother's in the church that have already passed on, please include them too. We want to honor all of our Mother's past and present.



**Psalm 23:3     He restores my soul**

**Soul - life**

**Psalm 42:11**, "Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God."

**Cast - cannot get up by itself.**

Psalm 23 is about the LORD as our Shepherd. A problem sheep have is that they become cast down and cannot get up. But the good news is the LORD restores.

**1 Cor. 10:12**, "Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall."

Christians become cast by:

1. Looking for the soft comfortable spot.

2. Having too much wool. **Galatians 2:20**, "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me."

3. Comparing material success to spiritual success. **Rev. 3:17**, "Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:".

**Restoreth - bring back to a place once enjoyed.**

1. Restores through reverence, John 4:23-24.

2. Restores through reminders, Eph. 1:3.

3. Restores through replenishing, Isaiah 40:31.

4. Restores through resolving conflicts, James 5:16.

5. Restores through relieving tension, Philippians 4:6-7.

6. Restores through refocusing, Psalm 23:1.

7. Restores through repositioning, Col. 3:1-3.

I pray as you study this further that it will bless your soul.

Love "in Christ",

Bro. Evans



## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD (AGES 2-14) THROUGH THE YEAR

JANUARY:	Hats, scarves, gloves, socks, underwear, slippers, pajamas, etc.
FEBRUARY:	Combs, brushes, washcloths, soap, clippers, sponges, toothbrushes, deodorant, etc. ( <b>Hygiene Items – no liquids</b> )
MARCH:	Thread, jewelry making items, etc. ( <b>Craft Items</b> )
APRIL:	Stuffed animals, barbies, small dolls, etc.
MAY:	Cards, dice, pick up sticks, jacks, slinky, etc. ( <b>Games</b> )
JUNE:	Sunglasses, watches, hair bows, rings, necklaces, flip flops, chap stick, etc.
JULY:	Toys, cars, etc.
AUGUST:	Pencils, sharpeners, pens, colors, markers, scissors, coloring book, etc. ( <b>School Supplies</b> )
SEPTEMBER:	Clothing items for kids
OCTOBER:	Envelope with \$9.00 – shipping cost per box

WATCH FOR SALES!!!



### Do Not Include

Candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

Dear Choir,

I would like to thank you for being a very important part of our Easter Celebration last month. Your continued dedication and support is truly appreciated. Special thanks to Henry Kunath and T.C. Bradford for helping us, as well.

Regular choir practices will resume this month on Wednesdays from 7:15-8:00PM. I look forward to working with you!

Love in Christ,

Bro. Roland Smith



Dear Students,

Thanks for a great time last month! Mrs. Devon and I really enjoyed spending time with you in fellowship and Bible study.

We have a RAC coming up this month on Sunday, May 26th. I hope that you would join us and invite friends.

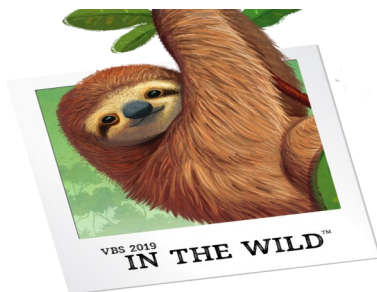
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Join us May 5th for a VBS Teachers/Volunteers lunch and prayer commitment training. The lunch and training will take place following morning worship. If you haven't already signed up you will be able to sign up to teach or help at VBS. We will also have a short prayer commitment training following the VBS part of the meeting.



VBS Shirts



Our 2019 VBS Shirts have arrived!!! We have a limited number of shirts and sizes available this order. Please contact the church office if you are interested in purchasing one, they are \$10.00. We will place a second order in June, for additional sizes. Please contact the church office to make sure your size is ordered.





# Children's Ministry



Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> and May 8<sup>th</sup> children will be making Mother's Day gifts. In-take begins at 5:15 and our ministry begins at 6:00. We will also be working on Bible Drill and New Believers Class. The making of Mother's Day gift will include 3-year-old - kg. as well as our 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> graders. We will be passing out our gifts on Mother's Day to all Mothers on that day.

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Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> - we will be celebrating the End-of-the-School with a party in the Family Life Center. This will be for 3 years old to 5<sup>th</sup> graders.

Be ready for some food, fun, and fellowship!

See you in Sunday School!

Ms. Tammy and the Children's Ministry Team



# May Events

5th Sunday: Senior Recognition @11AM.

5th Sunday: VBS Teacher Meeting & Prayer @12PM

8th Wednesday: Audio/Visual meeting with Committee @5PM.

12th Sunday: Mother's Day - Breakfast in the FLC at 9AM for ladies and girls.

12th Sunday: Baby/Dedication @11AM, call office by May 6th to sign up.

19th Sunday: Staff/Meeting @5PM.

21st Tuesday: Senior Adult Game Night @6PM

22nd Wednesday: Children's End of Year Party @6PM.

26th Sunday: Patriotic Service for Memorial Day

27th Monday: Memorial Day - Church Office Closed

## Men's Fishing trip and Fish Fry

On Saturday, May 4th the men will have a fishing trip/fish fry. They will fish in the morning and have the fish fry around 1pm. It will be held at James Brown's Camp on Toledo Bend. This event is sponsored by the Men's Class, for more information please contact Jay Donaldson 208-1642.

## Father's Day

We will have Breakfast for Dad's and boys on June 16th in the Family Life Center at 9AM. The meal will be prepared by the ladies of Cooper Baptist Church.

## Father's Day Slide Show

We are preparing a slide show to honor all the Father's in our church past and present. Please email your pictures to the church email at [cooperbaptistchurch@yahoo.com](mailto:cooperbaptistchurch@yahoo.com) or stop by the office and have them scanned.



On Sunday, May 5th we will honor and celebrate our 2019 graduates. We are so proud of your accomplishment. We pray the Lord blesses as you start a new chapter.

## Thank you

We would like to take a minute to thank the Cooper Baptist Church for honoring our mother Frances Exerneck during her illness and her passing. She had not been a member of your church for very long but she knew most everyone being a life long resident of the Pickering area. The relocation of her faith to your church was a blessing to her. She loved going to the events and hated missing on Sunday mornings when she was sick.

I can't help but to reflect back - as young person I couldn't wait to leave the small town and move to a larger city. But I was wrong. The fellowship, love and community from Cooper Baptist is not often found in a larger city. The way that the Pastor visited regularly no matter which hospital mom was in showed his dedication to his church members. The true compassion and ministry provided by the church even before mom's passing was remarkable. You should all be proud of what you have in this community.

We thank you with all of our hearts for the wonderful food, the beautiful blanket and the ministry of service that was provided to honor Frances.

May God bless each and everyone of you,  
The Family of Frances Ezernack



# UNIFORMS - UNIFORMS- UNIFORMS

Have your children grown during the past school year?

Of course they have!

Come to a **UNIFORMS EXCHANGE** hosted by Cooper Baptist Church on July, 31st 2019 beginning at 10:00AM and ending at 6:00PM. If you can't make it between those times, you can drop off your uniforms anytime at the church office.

Please bring your children's clean uniforms and exchange them for the sizes they will need for the coming year. If you have extra uniforms and wish to donate them we would be happy to find a home for them. This is at no cost to you.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Registration for our VBS will start with a Family Fun Day on July 21st immediately following our Worship Service. There will be food and games for all and a chance to meet with all the teachers that will be guiding you "In the Wild"

Our Vacation Bible School will begin on July 24th at 6:00PM and finish on Sunday, July 28th. Join us for all of the excitement. Need more information? Contact our church office at 337-537-3735 or Susan Redmond, VBS Director at 337-208-4999.



### Children's Church Schedule

May 5th: Alycia Evans & Christina Wheeler  
 May 12th: Anita Jeane & Tonya McKee  
 May 19th: Gwen Bassett & Elizabeth Fletcher  
 May 26th: Dana Donaldson & Lacon Eaves

### Nursey Schedule

May 5th: Jean Midkiff  
 May 12th: Ronnie Redmond  
 May 19th: Lynda Garman  
 May 26th: Irma Ruth Blackwell

### Parking Lot Security

April 28th - May 4th: Danny Roshong  
 May 5th - 11th: Dan Atchison  
 May 12th - 18th: Phillip Fletcher  
 May 19th - 25th: Ronnie Redmond  
 May 26th - June 1st: Jody Littleton

### Deacons for May

Elroy Treme: 392-9313

Paul Eaves: 397-1642

6 Rebecca Durrett	29 Josh Furlong
6 Pearl Menard	31 Rebecca Evans
6 Tracy Perkins	31 Tessa Lindsay
10 Jessica Spencer	
15 Dave Grover	
16 Evan Bush	
20 Tiffany Alexander	
21 Spring Atkins	
21 Abigail Jones	
22 LeAnn Perkins	
25 Briar Green	
25 Jonathan Gross	
27 Doug Bowers	
27 Kensley Peek	
27 Jerry Roshong	
28 Martha Vinson	

### Baby / Child Dedication

On Sunday, May 12th during  
 Worship we will have a baby  
 child dedication. If you would  
 like to have your child  
 dedicated please call the church  
 office at 537-3735.



On Sunday, May 26th we  
 will honor those soldiers  
 who gave their lives for  
 our freedom.



**Memorial Day**  
Remember Those Who  
Gave Their Lives