



NOVEMBER &amp; DECEMBER 2010



## Celebrating the Holidays on the Ridge!



### Advent – decorations and expectations

Are you getting in the spirit of the season? How do you remind yourself that we are people who may live in the Light even when there's darkness around?

In our church we decorate the sanctuary. We put up a *tree* that always stays green as a symbol of eternal life. We place *strings of little lights* in it. They remind us of our fellowship as Christians. We're all called to take our place and spread the Light of Christ around us. And then we have *Chrismons*.



In the early church Christians used symbols for different aspect of Christ and Christian life, monograms of Christ. Years ago women and youth in our church made those decorations of white and gold. White reminds us of the purity and perfection of Christ. Gold reminds us His Majesty and Glory.

During this Advent we will revive the meaning of those symbols. Every Sunday of Advent we'll light the Advent candles and we'll explain another Chrismon before we put them in the tree. We pray that in this season your spiritual eyes may be opened for some awesome sign language that is spoken world wide!



### *Metairie Ridge Christmas Eve Candle Light Communion Service* *Friday, December 24th at 5:00pm*

Our Chancel Choir will sing under the direction of  
Organist/Choir Director, Gloria Cuadrado



After four weeks of expectation we celebrate the birth of Christ. In October we asked what you would like to bring for His birthday party. Hopefully you all marked that you want to worship with the congregation! Apart from that several people volunteered to serve in other ways. The worship committee will combine as many offerings as possible so that we can worship together with joy and reverence. We'll read the scripture, reflect through poems and respond with (special) music and singing. At the end of the Service we'll all light our candles, a symbol of passing the Light and taking it into the world.

### PLEASE JOIN US FOR CHRISTMAS CAROLING!



We will be visiting the elderly and the shut-ins and singing Christmas Carols to them on  
*Sunday, December 19, 2010 at 6:00pm.*  
Afterwards everyone is invited to come back to  
**Fellowship Hall for Cookies, and Hot Chocolate!**



# THOSE NEEDING OUR PRAYERS, CALLS, CARDS, AND ENCOURAGEMENT



Pat Benton - 231 Forest Loop, Mandeville, LA 70471 - (985) 792-5258

Esta Bolint 123 Estes St., Metairie, LA 70001

Jack Boudreaux 783 Place St. Etienne, Covington, LA 70433 - (985) 892-9872

Georgette Broderick 444 Orion Ave., Metairie, LA 70005 - 835-2865

Bessie Buras - 1805 Neyrey Dr., Metairie, LA 70001 - 834-6384

Jean Favaloro

Margaret Favor - 899-8474 Poydras Home, 5354 Magazine St. Rm.2 N.O., LA 70115

Kathryn Hanners (June Miestchovich's Mother) recovering at Chateau De Notre Dame  
Nursing Center (866-2741) 2832 Burdette St., New Orleans, LA 70125 Room 328

Kim Lafler (mother of Day Care child, Gabbie) undergoing rare medical tests

Buddy Laker (Bonnie's husband) recovering from surgery

Mickey Landwehr - 104 N. Gatehouse Dr. Apt. J, Metairie, LA 70001 - 837-3435

Henrietta Langtry 835-4190 1013 Elmeer Ave, Metairie, LA 70005

Eve LeGuenec - 6400 Ithaca, Met., LA 70003 (887-1525)

Richard & Frances McCabe - 835-7709; 3808 Derbigny, Metairie, LA 70001

Beattie McNeal (Carol McNeal's Grandson) hospitalized

Marjorie McSherry 837-0303 - 1105 E. William David Pkwy., Metairie, LA 70005

Mabel Monguillot - 486-0509 - 55 Allard Blvd., New Orleans, LA 70119

Dixie Myers - 833-2241, 3209 39th St., Metairie, LA 70001

Johnny Ng - 77 Lisa Ave., Kenner, LA 70065

Muriel Palmgren (Frieda & Muriel's Mother)

Judy Plaisted - 738-5890 - 7608 Richard St., Metairie, LA 70003

Frances Pohlig, 835-5319 - 1422 Sylvia Ave., Metairie, LA 70005

Jackie Ruiz 833-7183 - 1405 N. Turnbull Dr, Metairie, LA 70001

Mr. & Mrs. Schwab (Pattie Stanley's Parents)

Luella Tickle -3823 Bauvais St., Metairie, LA 70001 - 833-7854

Fred & Audry Tyrrell (Kathe Posin's Father & Mother)



# BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

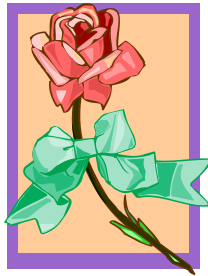
## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Garland Rolling, 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Spencer Scharfenstein, 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Kim Posin, 4<sup>th</sup>  
Tim Parker, 8<sup>th</sup>  
Linda Mayer, 8<sup>th</sup>  
Kathe Posin 9<sup>th</sup>  
Winifred Hollyfield, 14<sup>th</sup>  
Jewel Kathmann, 15<sup>th</sup>  
Dixie Myers, 15<sup>th</sup>  
Clyde Stanley, 16<sup>th</sup>  
Bertha Scharfenstein, 18<sup>th</sup>  
Leo Prange, 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Yvonne Stanley, 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Claire DeLucca, 29<sup>th</sup>



## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Margaret Favor, 5<sup>th</sup>  
Georgette Broderick, 7<sup>th</sup>  
Toni Needham, 7<sup>th</sup>  
Gloria Cuadrado, 8<sup>th</sup>  
Susan Acosta, 9<sup>th</sup>  
Barbara Spencer, 14<sup>th</sup>  
Velma Easker, 15<sup>th</sup>  
Melissa van der Meulen, 15<sup>th</sup>  
Mike Alexander, 17<sup>th</sup>  
Diana Ng, 17<sup>th</sup>  
James Tobias, 17<sup>th</sup>  
Frank Cuadrado, 30<sup>th</sup>



## NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

John & Alana Breaux,  
Celebrating their anniversary November 1<sup>st</sup>  
Rick & Pattie Stanley,  
Celebrating their 19<sup>th</sup> anniversary  
November 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Craig & Julie Boudreaux, Celebrating their  
26th anniversary November 17<sup>th</sup>  
Jack & Cindy Boudreaux, Celebrating their  
23rd anniversary November 21<sup>st</sup>  
Ken & Nadyne Manson, Celebrating their  
68<sup>th</sup> anniversary November 30<sup>th</sup>

## MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSARIES

Richard & Ella Gieseler - 5 years  
(11-20-05)  
Muriel Palmgren - 21 years - (11-26-89)  
Guy & Brenda Wilson - 4 years  
(11-20-05)  
Marlene Duronslet - 62 years  
(12-12-48)  
Garland Rolling - 62 years - (12-12-48)  
Pam Bush - 40 years - (12-20-70)  
Rowena Bolint - 6 years - (12-15-04)  
June Miestchovich - 28 years - (12-12-82)



## RECIPE CORNER



### 5 Minute Chocolate Mug Cake




4 tablespoons flour or whole wheat flour  
4 tablespoons sugar or Splenda  
2 tablespoons cocoa  
1 egg or 1/4 cup egg beaters  
3 tablespoons milk or skim milk  
3 tablespoons oil (vegetable or canola)  
3 tablespoons semi sweet chocolate chips (optional)  
a small splash of vanilla extract  
1 large coffee mug (microwave safe)








Add dry ingredients to mug, and mix well. Add the egg and mix thoroughly before pouring the milk and oil in. Keep mixing. Add the optional chocolate chips next and vanilla extract, and mix again. Put your mug into the microwave and cook for three minutes at 1000 watts. The cake will rise over the top of the mug, but don't be alarmed! Allow it to cool a little, and tip out onto a plate if desired.

# November 2010



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 Turn clocks back one hour!	1 John & Alana Breaux's Anniversary	2 Beth Moore Bible Class 7:00pm - Parlor Garland Rolling's Bday	3 <b>SESSION MEETING 6:30pm</b> Spencer Scharfenstein's Bday Rick & Pattie Stanley's 19th Annv.	4 Kim Posin's Bday	5 Worship Committee Meeting 1pm - Parlor	6 Spruce Up 9am-4pm Church Campus
7 Stewardship/Daylight Saving 9:30 Sunday School - All Ages 10:30 Worship - COMMUNION 11:35 Potluck Fellowship	8 Linda Mayer's Bday Tim Parker's Bday	9 Beth Moore Bible Class 7:00pm - Parlor Kathe Posin's Bday	10	11 Veteran's Day 	12	13
14 9:30 Sunday School - All Ages 10:30 Worship 11:35 Fellowship & Snacks Winifred Hollyfield's Bday	15 <u>Week to bring in Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes</u> Jewel Kathmann's Bday Dixie Myers' Bday	16 Beth Moore Bible Class (LAST CLASS) 7:00pm - Parlor Clyde Stanley's Bday	17 <b>CHURCH SUPPER &amp; PROGRAM 6:30PM</b> Craig & Julie Boudreaux's 26th Anniversary	18	19	20
21 Christ the King/Reign of Christ 9:30 Sunday School - All Ages 10:30 Worship 11:35 Fellowship & Snacks Jack & Cindy Boudreaux's 23rd Anniversary	22 CDC CLOSED	23 Yvonne Stanley's Bday Leo Prange's Bday	24 CDC CLOSED	25 Thanksgiving Day <b>ALL CLOSED</b> 	26 <b>ALL CLOSED</b>	27
28 1st Sunday of Advent 9:30 Sunday School - All Ages 10:30 Worship 11:35 Fellowship & Snacks	29 Claire DeLuca's Bday	30 Ken & Nadyne Manson's 68th Anniversary	<b>Give Thanks to The Lord</b>			

# December 2010 Jesus is the reason for the season

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 <b>Session Meeting 6:30pm</b>	2 <b>Offering Books in the Narthex</b>	3 	4 <b>N.O. area CROP Hunger Walk - 1pm Audubon Park</b>
5 <b>COMMUNION</b> 2nd Sunday of Advent 8:30 Service Comm. Mgt. 9:30 Sunday School - All Ages 10:30 Worship 11:35 Fellowship & Snacks 11:45 Worship Com Meeting Margaret Favor's Bday	6 	7 Toni Needham's Bday Georgette Broderick's Bday	8 Gloria Cuadrado's Bday	9  Susan Acosta's Bday	10 	11 
12 3rd Sunday of Advent 9:30 Sunday School - All Ages 10:30 Worship 11:35 Fellowship & Snacks	13 	14 Barbara Spencer's Bday	15 Velma Easker's Bday Melissa van der Meulen's Bday	16 	17 James Tobias' Bday Mike Alexander's Bday	18 
19 4th Sunday of Advent Christmas Joy Offering 9:30 Sunday School - All Ages 10:30 Worship 11:35 Fellowship & Snacks 6:00 Christmas Caroling	20 	21 	22 CDC CLOSED	23 	24 <b>Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service 5pm</b> <b>ALL CLOSED</b>	25 Christmas Day 
26 9:30 Sunday School - All Ages 10:30 Worship 11:35 Fellowship & Snacks	27 CDC CLOSED	28 	29 CDC CLOSED	30 Frank Cuadrado's Bday	31 <b>New Year's Eve</b> <b>ALL CLOSED</b>	

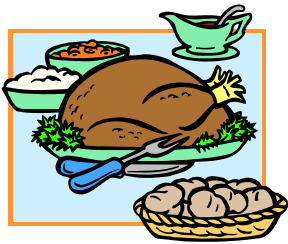
## IMPORTANT INFORMATION & EVENTS

**"Spruce Up" Day**  
**Saturday, November 6th**  
**9am-4pm**

**Volunteers are needed. Please come share  
any of your time and talents  
cleaning up the campus.**



Don't forget to  
turn your clocks  
back one hour for  
Daylight Saving  
Time at 2am on  
Sunday, Nov. 7th



**CHURCH SUPPER AND PROGRAM**  
**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH**  
**6:30PM - Fellowship Hall**

**Everyone is invited! Bring family, friends  
and neighbors!**



*Come enjoy a delicious Thanksgiving meal and after dinner stay for our program .  
Chefs Esta Bolint & Rachel Benton will prepare Roasted Turkey, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, and  
for dessert, Pumpkin Pie. Cranberry Dressing will be made by Carol McNeal and the MRPC Children.  
District 5, Jefferson parish Council Woman, Cynthia Lee Sheng will be our guest speaker sharing current  
events in our district. The cost is only \$8 per person-program included.*

**Please call 833-6357 today to make you reservations for this special event!**

**Reservation Deadline is: Sunday, November 14th!**

**Child Development Center will be closed Nov. 22nd thru 26th & Dec. 22nd thru Jan. 3rd**

**The Day Care Center will be closed Nov. 25 & 26th, Dec. 24th & Dec. 31st**

**The Church Office will be closed Nov. 25th & 26th, Dec. 24th & Dec. 31st**

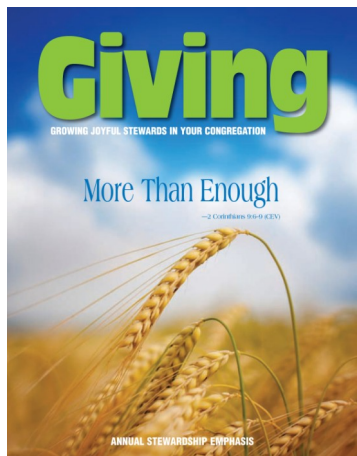
*Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year  
From the Metairie Ridge PC Staff*

# STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2010



DON'T  
FORGET  
TO  
PLEDGE

Some of you may have already received your Stewardship letter & estimate of giving cards in the mail, if not please call Julie in the office at 833-6357. Please contemplate & pray on an amount you can pledge for next year. There will be a Stewardship Dedication on Sunday, November 7, 2010 and at that time you may wish to bring your pledge card and place it in the dedication box during worship service. Thank you!



**2 Corinthians 9: 6-9 (NIV) Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. As it is written: "He has scattered abroad his gifts to the poor; his righteousness, endures forever."**

## Join us for a Potluck Fellowship on Sunday, November 7th after Worship Service to Celebrate and Begin our Stewardship Season!



Fellowship  
Potluck

Everyone is invited and asked to bring their favorite cold dish according to the letter of their last name.  
A-H: Main Dish, I-P: Side Dish, Q-Z: Dessert.

**Please Don't Forget to Bring or Send in Your "YES! 2011!" Estimate of Giving Pledge Cards**



Your 2011 offering books will be located in the Narthex (in alphabetical order) starting on Sunday December 5th and for the whole month of December for pick-up.

If you did not get a 2010 offering book and would like to receive a 2011 offering book, please call Julie in the church office (504) 833-6357.

Anyone who is unable to pick-up their book may contact the church office to have it mailed.

If your book has not been picked up by the end of December, it will automatically be mailed to you. Also, some of you will have new envelope numbers - this will not and does not in any way affect how you have been contributing. This is so that we can save money on the over-ordering of the envelope books. Thank you for your continued support!

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#### CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Robert E. Malsbary, Interim Pastor

Leo Prange, Business Manager

Julie Boudreaux, Church Administrator

Gloria Cuadrado,  
Organist/Choir Director

Pam Bush,  
Sunday School Superintendent

Darlene Evans,  
Director, Child Development Center  
(833-9463)

Susan Acosta, Director Day Care Center  
(831-2887)

James Tobias, Sexton



#### “Leading by following the light of Christ”

“As a family of faith, our purpose is to grow in relationship with God through worship, spiritual growth and mission. Inspired by Christ, we strive to lead with intelligence, energy and imagination in the church and community. In response to the grace given to us, we welcome all, as God made them and as we may find them, to be a part of our family.”

Rick Stanley, Clerk of Session  
Karen Eigenbrod, Treasurer

Class of 2010  
Peter Apostolos  
Rachel Benton  
Garland Rolling

Class of 2011  
Karen Eigenbrod  
Rick Stanley

Class of 2012  
Ineke Dolfsma-Troost  
Bill Olivier  
Frieda Palmgren

### METAIRIE RIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SCHOOLS



#### Child Development Center

Darlene Evans, Director  
(504) 833-9463

M - W- F 9am-2:30pm  
12 months (walking) - 4yrs.

Email: [metridge\\_cdc@bellsouth.net](mailto:metridge_cdc@bellsouth.net)



#### Day Care Center

Susan Acosta, Director  
(504) 831-2887

Mon. - Fri. 7am-6pm  
6 weeks - 2yrs.

Email: [metridgedacare@yahoo.com](mailto:metridgedacare@yahoo.com)