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Newsletter

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TRUST IN GOD FOR THE FUTURE

Lenten Series at Old South Church

The Annual Lenten Series will be held this year at Old South Church, 645 Boylston Street, on Wednesday evenings beginning on March 12th. Each Wednesday there will be worship in Gordon Chapel at 6:00 PM, followed by a light supper. At 7:15 there will be a presentation by ordained members of the Old South congregation on Jesus as seen by various gospel writers, followed by small group discussions and a closing benediction at 8:15. If you are interested in attending, please sign up for the weeks you are interested in on the sheets provided in Wayland Hall or call the church office. All are most welcome, no matter which dates you're able to attend. Old South does need to know how many are attending so please let us know as soon as possible. Thank you !

Family Portrait

A surprise birthday celebration was held in Wayland Hall for *Charles Mathis* on February 16. Many were in attendance including *Kara Mathis* who is now back from working in Los Angeles, *Milt and Helen Ryder*, *Earl Norman, Jr.* *Marianne Norman*, *Donald Thacker*, *Barbara Pfenning*, *Isaura Delgado*, *John Gomes*, *Bruce Herrick*, *Edet and Vicky Ituen* and grandchild, *Mel and Gwen*

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Pastoral Search Committee

The Pastoral Search Committee met in February and had a most engaging meeting with a potential candidate. Keep us in your prayers please.

Prayer Meeting News

The prayer group will meet on the third Friday of each month at 7:00 pm until summer.. We deeply appreciate all the support , encouragement from the congregation for the FBC Prayer Group.

The Book of Remembrance

is open to the pages honoring

Constance C. Hanson beginning 3/2

Edna C. Morse beginning 3/16

*The Flowers in the Chancel this Month
Are given
For the glory of God
And in remembrance of*

3/2 Charles Porter and Albert Jemmison
by Gwen and Mel Jemmison
3/9 Open
3/16 Open
3/23 Open

Family Portrait (from page 1)

Jemmsion, Annie Mae Everson, Deborah Porter, several parishioners from St. Pauls's in Cambridge, and many other friends and relatives.. **Happy Birthday Charles !!!**...*Annie Mae Everson* is recuperating from a recent fall and is doing nicely...a special thank you to *Earl A. Norman, Jr.*, who donated a new, easy to read clock for Wayland Hall...and to *Percy Mathis* for donating new cloak racks.....Church service was well attended on the February 16 as the church was graced with guest minister *Rev. Dr. Mark G. McKim* from Canada...It was good to see *Ann Herrick* and *Alan Andersen* at worship service recently...*Frowis Roewer* spent holiday time in Palm Beach recently with *Henry Henderson*...Address Change for *Mark and Sarah Magnusen* is 8 Haviland Street, Apt. D, Norwalk, CT 06854, and they are the proud parents of a beautiful daughter, *Audrey* It is with sadness we note that *Mr. John R. Kelley* died suddenly on February 14th, who had been on our prayer list.

The Rock That is Higher Than I

O sometimes the shadows are the
path to the goal;
And sorrows, sometimes how they sweep
Like tempests down over the soul!

O sometimes how long seems the day,
And sometimes how weary my feet;
But toiling in life's dusty way,
The Rock's blessed shadow, how sweet!

O near to the Rock let me keep,
If blessings or sorrows prevail;
Or climbing the mountain way steep,
Or walking the shadowy vale.

O then to the Rock let me fly,
To the Rock that is higher than I;
O then to the Rock let me fly
To the Rock that is higher than I!