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The Presbyterian Messenger



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9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
10:30 a.m. Worship

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Sunday, February 27 — The 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sermon: "Security Blanket"
Scripture: Isaiah 49:8-16a; Psalm 131; Matthew 6:24-34
Music: Praise and Haviland Choirs
Liturgist: Denise Weingart

Sunday, March 6 — The Transfiguration of the Lord

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper



Sermon: "Night Light"
Scripture: Psalm 99; 2 Peter 1:16-19; Matthew 17:1-8
Music: Haviland Choir
Liturgist: Andrew Skiba



Pasta Dinner
(LOGOS)
following Worship
* Donations *

Dear Friends,

Some of you have been noticing that Easter will be "late" this year. I for one always have to be reminded of just how the date for Easter is calculated; Easter arrives on the first Sunday after the full moon following the northern hemisphere's vernal equinox. Got that? In any case, Easter can be celebrated any time between March 22 and April 25. It is a "movable feast."

One benefit of having a later date for Easter is that Lent, too, begins when the weather is (we hope) starting to improve. This year Ash Wednesday, the first day of the forty days of Lent, arrives on March 9. We will have both a noon service and a 7 p.m. service, with a special worship time for the Pres-Bees children earlier in the evening.

Elsewhere in this newsletter, you'll see a schedule of the Lenten services we will hold jointly with Emmanuel Lutheran Church and Holy Trinity Lutheran Church on Wednesday evenings. (Noon services will also be held each week at Holy Trinity.) *By the time these services start on March 16, Daylight Savings Time will have begun!* I hope that you will take advantage of these longer days to participate in these Wednesday events. Each will begin with an optional simple meal at 6:30 p.m.; continue with a brief worship service inclusive of the Lord's Supper; and continue with an optional study of how to share our faith, using the book *Unbinding the Gospel* as a resource.

Lent is a season when we are reminded that we belong to the LORD -- who claimed us in our baptism, who calls us to follow him, and who promises to be with us always. I hope that we will take full advantage of the gifts that this holy season offers us.

Blessings,
Meta

Prayer Concerns

Salem Hospital — Barbara Double
Northside — Celia Ryser (*cardiac surgery Feb. 22*)
Cleveland Clinic — Fred McNeal (*Jim McNeal's brother*)
Others — Warren Bettis, Goldie Burrier, Terry Carman (*Wavelene Arnold's brother-in-law*), Rev. Larry Chamberlain, Everett Dennison, Joe Gibson (*Barb Gibson's son, Nancy Fawcett's nephew*), Sonny Griffitt (*from Gloria Shafer's mother's church*), Bekah Hanlon (*Jo Hendrick's granddaughter*), Hayden Johnson: www.caringbridge.org/visit/haydenjohnson, Patti Johnson (*Mickey Buck's friend*), Mary Kekel (*Gary Kekel's mother*), Polly Kendall, Family of Al Kenreigh, Tink Layden, Char McDevitt, Bessie McQuiston (*Mickey Buck's friend*), Pat Milligan, Janie Mowery (*Marilyn Ward's friend*), Doris Nuckols, Bill Phillips (*Joyce Smith's son-in-law*), Bryan and Jennifer Milheim Ramsey and Family (*Overseas Ministry*), Steve Reiter, Brenda Romack (*Friend of John Krauss and Choir*), Bill Schuller (*John Krauss' friend*), Gene Shafer, Karlie Stith (*Harvey and Sally Mason's great granddaughter*)

Special Care Facilities

Blossom: Georgiana Costa, 211 B
Briarwood: Norman Pim, 601 (3700 Englewood Dr., Stow OH 44224)
Clare Bridge of Austintown: Bill Butler (*Pat Butler's husband*); 1420 S Canfield Niles Rd, Austintown OH 44515
Copeland Oaks: Marilyn Clark, 2101; Chet Roof, 6202
Courtyard: Phyllis Lamb, 109; Betty Potter, 202 (*Helen Hayes' mother*); Linda Tonti, 209 (*John Tonti's mother*)
Crandall: Minnie Rhea Carter, 183F (for Rehab); Betsy Johnson, 251 (*Tom Johnson's wife*)
Essex 3: Ibbey Dales, 211
Grace Woods Village: Jo Hawkins, 234
Southern Manor: Elvira Bass (*Mary Frances Breit's sister*); Lebanon TN
Weatherwood Manor: Dolores Kynett, 201 (896 Weatherwood Lane, Greensburg PA 15601)

Armed Forces

† SGT Double, Casey (*Barbara Double's grandson*) 446 Canyon Dr #9 Oceanside CA 92054

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Financial Report

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Envelope Income received February 6	\$ 6,785.00
Envelope Income received February 13	\$ 3,537.00
General Fund Balance, 12/31/10	\$14,274.17
January Revenues	\$23,045.98
January Expenses	\$24,837.52
General Fund Balance, 1/31/11	\$12,482.63
Per Capita (\$29 / 2011 Goal: \$12,963)	\$ 1,285.00

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 † SSGT Stith, Ryan (*Harvey and Sally Mason's grandson*)
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Please call the Church Office with addresses of young people who are away at school and in the military. The Congregational Care Committee will soon be making care packages.

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In Memoriam

Susan Ware Wooding

Joined First Church
 May 19, 1988

Died — February 15, 2011

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord hence forth...that they may rest from their labors for their deeds follow them."
 . . . Revelation 14:13

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The Sympathy and Surrounding Love of Our Congregation are extended to Jim Wooding and the family on the death of his wife, Susan; and to John and Jane Stoffer and the family on the death of John's mother, Elizabeth Stoffer.



Thanks to everyone who sent cards, delivered flowers, and food. I am doing much better and hope to be back soon. It is nice to be taken care of by friends.

Goldie Burrier

As we continue the ups and downs of every day care-giving, Cheryl and I extend a heartfelt (and overdue) thanks to our church family for your thoughts, prayers, flowers, and inquiries during my mother's extended trials. Special thanks to Meta for her personal support, to John and the Haviland Choir, and to Nancy McNeal for delivering the chancel flowers to the hospital over the holidays.

Gary and Cheryl Kekel



Friday, March 4 at Faith Chapel Program — Pastor Larry Paxson
 Call Penny Lippiatt for Reservations
 Deadline — February 28

BULLETINS — OPEN DATES:

Mar. 6, 27, Apr. 3, 24, May-June, July 3, 10, 17, 31, Aug., Sept. 4, 11, 25, Oct., Nov. 6, 13, 27, Dec. 4, 18, 25 (\$15 a Sunday)

FLOWERS — OPEN DATES:

Feb. 27, Apr. 10, May 1, 15, 22, June 5, 12, 19, July 10, 17, Aug. 7, 14, 28, Sept. 11, 18, Oct. 2, 9, 30, Nov. 6, 27, Dec. 4 (\$10 a vase)

More of our Church History . . .

From the Messenger, February 4, 1940:

NEW MEMBERS

Since last April 1st, we have received 69 new members. We are trying to reach 100 by Easter. Mrs. Ralph J. Carnahan, 512 No. Ellsworth Ave. is No. 70. She has asked the pastor to get her letter from the First Presbyterian Church, East Liverpool. Mrs. Alfred L. Fitch, 128 Highland Ave. is No. 71. Her letter is coming from the Methodist Church, Harrisburgh, Ohio. Who will be next? If your letter is in the church back home, call the pastor and have it transferred. If you want to join the church at Easter by confession, or reaffirmation, speak to the pastor or any member of session.

From the Messenger, February 23, 1941:

DISCUSSION GROUP

Saturdays at 11:30 in the study, the pastor is meeting with several young adults who are looking forward to church membership. If there are others of college age, or over, who are interested, we would be glad to have you join us. Our general discussion will center on what it means to follow Christ, and to be a member of the church.

From the Messenger, February 28, 1971:

ADULT STUDY

Last Sunday marked the end of the first six weeks of the Adult Study Seminars. The next two series of sessions will be as follows:

5 weeks (from Sunday, Feb. 28 through Sunday, Mar. 28)

6 weeks (from April 18 through May 23)

Each of these series is meant to be independent of the ones coming before and after, but the general topics will remain the same. You need not continue with the class which you first chose, *but* you may very well continue for one or two of the remaining series if that topic has been interesting to you. Discussion leaders will register their groups when they meet Sunday morning, February 28.

1st Hour (Room 202, Wally King is discussion leader)

Topic: Theology / Book: *Parables of Peanuts*, Short

2nd Hour (Room 104, Lou Weirick is discussion leader)

Topic: Church Renewal / Book: *A Second Touch*, Miller

We are anxious to add a weekday seminar to the program. As of today, three people have expressed an interest in such a program. Perhaps we could engage in a community experiment with one or two other churches for such a *weekday evening* group. If there are *other* members interested in this possibility, please contact the church office. We would like to begin this seminar the week of March 8 through 13th. Topic, day and hour will be determined by the group itself. Let us hear from YOU!

Your Session at Work

Your Session, meeting on February 17. . .

- † read and discussed "The Belhar Confession" which will be studied at the March meeting of the Presbytery;
- † heard that Elder Corey Kuhns volunteered at the recent Lock-In at The ROC of Salem youth center;
- † was reminded of the Soup and Bread Luncheon to be held after worship on March 20 with donations being given to Christina House;
- † heard that "care packages" will be prepared for college students and military personnel;
- † approved a goal of \$5000 for One Great Hour of Sharing;
- † approved Lenten services held jointly with the Lutheran churches of Salem;
- † heard that the Personnel Committee is considering applicants for the position of Financial Secretary since Carolyn Funk has submitted her resignation;
- † heard with gratitude that Presbyterian Women are purchasing a bulk order of coffee;
- † heard that a Spaghetti Dinner to benefit Relay for Life will take place on April 10 at the Italian Club;
- † was reminded that we will be hosting the meeting of Eastminster Presbytery on May 10 and that many volunteers will be needed!

HELP! Snow Emergency. Salem Mobile Meals has been delivering meals since 1975 and has never missed a delivery in 36 years. To date, we have delivered over 350,000 meals, however, due to many of our drivers vacationing in the South during the winter, we have now reached the point that we need help. If you can drive on any day between 11:00 and 1:00 and are willing to undergo an orientation program, please call Jo Anna Bosel, 330-332-2160.

Cookbook Corrections

p. 67 — Crock Pot Macaroni and Cheese (Wavelene Arnold) / Include 2 eggs — beaten

p. 172 — Date Pudding Cake (Teri Lou Pike)
Lemon Sauce: Blend sugar, flour and salt in a pan. Add boiling water to the mixture and stir until smooth. Boil for 3 minutes. Add butter and stir until completely melted. Add the lemon juice. Pour over the date pudding cake.
Yield for cake and sauce, 12-16 pieces.

p. 174 — Wassail (Meta Cramer)
½ C. brown sugar; 2 tsp. cloves; dash ginger and/or nutmeg
Bring to boil, then simmer 5 minutes to an hour.
Optional: Floating Cloud Oranges — put whole cloves ½" apart in oranges. Bake, uncovered, at 325 with water in bottom of pan. Cover and refrigerate.

p. 89: Grandpa's Party Potatoes (Barbara Bozich)
Add ingredient: 8 oz. Philadelphia Cream Cheese

If you submitted a recipe and it is incorrect in the Cookbook, please call the Church Office.



February

- 23 / Weds 9:00-3:00 United Quilt Guild (FH)
5:00 Pres-Bees Youth Club
7:00 Haviland Choir (S)
7:00 Men's Bible Study (110)
- 24 / Thurs 9:30-3:00 Preschool (FH) — Th/F
- 26 / Sat 12:30 Calling Hours (107)
1:30 Memorial Service for *Marvin Sutcliffe* (S)
- 27 / Sun 9:00 Sunday School
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
9:00 Confirmation Class (107)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S) — *Praise Choir*
No LOGOS — Serving Dinner at St. Vincent DePaul in Youngstown
6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (B)
- 28 / Mon 9:15-11:00 Preschool Registration (FH)
5:00 Book Study (107) — *Altar in the World*
6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)



March

Happy Birthday!

Lois Roth (5), Rolin Herron (8), Jim Mohr (10),
Shirley Devan (14), Ellen Tetlow (16), Joe Marra (21),
Sam Pridon (21), Suzanne Cain (24),
Dick Shanker (24), Dick Dougherty (26)

- 1 / Tues 10:00-9:00 United Quilt Guild (FH)
7:00 Book Study (107) — *Altar in the World*
- 2 / Weds 12:00 Daytimers (FH) — *Bring Covered Dish*
Program: *Juanita Latham*; Mill Creek Park
5:00 Pres-Bees Youth Club
7:00 Haviland Choir (S)
7:00 Men's Bible Study (110)



Salem Community Pantry

Mon., Fri., 9-11:30 a.m. / Tues., 5-7:30 p.m.
Closed Wednesday and Thursday

Monetary donations should be made out to:
Salem Community Pantry / PO Box 222, Salem OH 44460

- 3 / Thurs 9:30-3:00 Preschool (FH) — Th/F
7:00 Salem Bird Study Club (110)
7:00 Committee Night:
Christian Education (106)
Mission I and S (FH)
Property and Maintenance (107)
Worship, Music and the Arts (100)



- 4 / Fri **Newsletter Deadline**

- 6 / Sun 9:00 Sunday School
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
9:00 Confirmation Class (107)
9:15 Self Study Committee (202)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship — *Cherub Choir / Communion*
Pasta Dinner following Worship (FH)
No LOGOS
6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (B)



- 7 / Mon 12:00 Preschool Advisory Board (107)
5:00 Book Study (107) — *Altar in the World*
6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)
7:00 Board of Deacons (107)

- 8 / Tues 5:00 Eastminster Presbytery Meeting at Northminster PC, Cuyahoga Falls
7:00 Book Study (107) — *Altar in the World*

- 9 / Weds 9:00 February Circle
9:15 March Circle (110)
12:00 Ash Wednesday Service (S)
5:00 Pres-Bees, including Worship (S)
7:00 Ash Wednesday Service
7:30 Men's Bible Study (110)
7:30 Haviland Choir (S)



- 10 / Thurs 9:30-3:00 Preschool (FH) — Th/F
7:00 Finance Committee (107)

- 12 / Sat **TURN CLOCKS AHEAD 1 HOUR**

- 13 / Sun 9:00 Sunday School
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
9:00 Confirmation Class (107)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S) — *Cherub Choir*
4:30 LOGOS (FH)
6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (B)

Worship Service Schedule

Cable TV Channel 9 / *Schedule subject to change
Sunday – 2 a.m.* / Tuesday – 12:00 and 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday – 4:00 a.m.*, 4:00 and 9:00 p.m.
Friday – 4:00 a.m.*, 4:00 p.m.* / Saturday – 2:00 a.m.*