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# The Presbyterian Messenger



Rev. Meta S. Cramer, Pastor  
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)  
9:15 Sunday School - *Classes at 9:30 a.m.*  
10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour (Fellowship Hall)  
10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

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## March 15 — The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Scripture: Psalm 24; Colossians 1:9-13;  
Luke 11:1-8  
Sermon: *Thy Kingdom Come*  
Liturgist: Barbara Loudon  
Music: The Carillon Ringers and Haviland Choir



Chili & Cornbread Luncheon immediately after Worship

## March 22 — The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Scripture: Psalm 85:4-9; James 5:13-16;  
Luke 11:9-13  
Sermon: *“Unanswered” Prayer*  
Liturgist: Lauren Arnold  
Music: The Cherub and Haviland Choirs

Soup-to-Go will be available after Worship

Dear Friends,

Almost half of the 40 Days of Lent have come and gone. So, some reminders about Lenten observances:

Mid-week Lenten services continue at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church on State Street at 12:30 on Wednesdays. I will be preaching the homily this week, on March 11. Pastor Alan Smearsoll of Emmanuel Lutheran Church will preach on March 18 and March 25. These services are 30-40 minutes in length and include the Eucharist/Lord's Supper.

We will meet on two more Tuesday evenings for a brief video presentation followed by discussion and conversation on the topic of prayer. These classes will take place at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 17 and Tuesday, March 24 in the Church Library. You are invited!

A Lenten “discipline” that we follow every year is the collection of the One Great House of Sharing. This special offering is divided among three causes: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People. If you were able to hear the Revs. Elmarie and Scott Parker, you heard repeatedly of the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance among displaced people in Syria. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance has also been on the scene in New England, where this winter's 100+” of snow caused significant damage and hardship:

Thirty-three congregations and seven immigrant fellowships have been impacted by the successive storms. PDA assessment teams will work with churches to determine the best ways to meet needs, help churches resume worship and provide emotional and spiritual care. “Not being able to gather for worship with your faith family and meet in the presence of a caring community is missing for many of us. There is a spiritual component in our lives that has been lacking going on a month or more,” says one spokesperson. PDA volunteers experienced in working with insurance companies will help congregations resolve coverage issues. Others will provide emotional and spiritual care for pastors and church leaders. Teams will be organized in the spring to assist with building repairs.

Please give prayerfully and generously to the One Great Hour of Sharing. “Gracie the Fish,” created by Andrew Skiba and located in Fellowship Hall, will track our progress toward our goal of \$4000.

*Blessings, Meta*

## Prayer Concerns

Jean Johnson (*recovering from hip surgery*) - The Brenntity at Vero Beach, Room E125, 7975 17th Lane, Vero Beach FL 32966

Others — Darla Allen (*Kevin Chumney's sister*), Vince Anderson, Joyce Barbe (*Gloria Shafer's sister*), Marianne Barr (*Debbie Blair's mother*), Eddie Broome (*Sally Collins' brother-in-law*), Darby Jeffries Colian, Audrey Crawford (*Linda Crawford's sister in law*), Matthew Drake (*Jim and Nancy McNeal's grandson*), Morgan Fennema and Nicole Fennema (*Paul and Barbara Fennema's granddaughter, daughter-in-law*), Berneda Fitch, Debbie Goulish (*Meta Cramer's friend*), Tom Henry (*Susan Merry's brother in law*), Daryl Hill, Jack and Rita Hovis, Hayden Johnson, Jan Joan Jones (*Sally Collins' mother*), Gary Kekel, Sue Kyser, Jean Leimbach (*15100 Birchaven Ln Apt 129, Findlay OH 45840-7766*), Brenda Lipp, John Peterson (*Dawn Peterson's husband*), Sam Pridon, Tracy Rees (*Penny Judge's daughter*), Charles and Charity Ricciardi, Scot and Rory Robertson, Dr. Marilyn Roderick (*Juanita Latham's daughter*), Gene Shafer, Gloria Shafer's stepfather, Lorin Shepard, Julie Smith (*Joyce Smith's daughter-in-law*), Jana Stitle (*Steve and Kathy Stewart's daughter*), Bob Stroble (*Member of Eastminster Presbytery Committee on Ministry*), Lana Tonkinson (*Ed and Melissa's daughter*), Robert Wheatley (*Gloria Shafer's co-worker*), Nelson Works (*Lucy Works' brother*)

## Special Care Facilities

Auburn: Helen Hum; MaryLou Timmins

Blossom: Georgiana Costa, 204B;

Mary Smith (*Susan Smith's mother*)

Courtyard: Phyllis Lamb, 109

Crandall: Sally Darling, 298; Betsy Johnson, 251 (*Tom Johnson's wife*)

Essex III: Ibbey Dales, 215

Lake Huron Woods: Joyce Smith; 5221 Lakeshore Rd, Fort Gratiot MI 48059

Sterling House: Pat Butler; Dorothy Gibson, 303

Weatherwood Manor: Dolores Kynett, 201; 896 Weatherwood Lane, Greensburg PA 15601

Whispering Pines: Rolin Herron, 146; 937 E Park Ave, Columbiana OH 44408

Envelope Income received February 1	\$ 2,285.00
Envelope Income received February 8	\$ 7,611.00
Envelope Income received February 15	\$ 1,755.00
Envelope Income received February 22	\$ 5,155.00
Envelope Income received March 1	\$ 3,080.00
Envelope Income received March 8	\$ 6,083.00
One Great Hour of Sharing (Goal: \$4,000)	\$ 1,074.00
Per Capita (\$32 per Active Member)	\$ 2,222.00

## Military

FENNEMA, JOHN T. SGT  
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*Paul and Barb Fennema's son*

HARP, ALEX LCPL  
[alex.j.harp@gmail.com](mailto:alex.j.harp@gmail.com)  
*John and Joetta Tonti's grandson*

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### In Memoriam

Helen (Felton) Hildenbiddle

United with First Church  
 October 16, 2008

Died  
 February 25, 2015

*"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 the family of Helen Hildenbiddle, and to Rob and Debbie McCulloch and the family on the death of Debbie's father, John D.L. Beebe.

*Upper Room* devotionals for March-April in small and large print are available at the Sanctuary entrances.

**Spring Cleaning?** LOGOS will be holding their Annual Rummage Sale in April and will begin accepting donations in late March.



## Easter Plants

Daffodils, Hyacinths,  
 Lilies, Tulips — \$8.00 each  
 Order on Sundays,  
 March 15, 22, and  
 through Church Office.  
 Deadline — Monday, March 23



Congregational Care's Potluck Dinner benefitted the Salem Community Pantry with 12 cases of peanut butter.

Special thanks to Karl Wright for making the wooden dowels for the Carillon Ringers. We will use them for the new Singing Bell technique in our March 15 offertory.

*Cheryl McDevitt*

## Preschool Fundraiser

Pepperoni Rolls made by *That's A Wrap*, a café in Boardman, may be ordered by contacting Sue Skiba. Cost is \$3.00 per roll and orders and money are due by Tuesday, March 31. Delivery will be on Wednesday and Thursday, April 15-16.

## Preschool Registration for 2015-2016 School Year

Tuesday, March 24  
 9:15-11:30 / Fellowship Hall  
 Call 330-332-8620 for details.



## Chili Tasting and Cornbread Luncheon

Sunday, March 15  
following Worship

Contributions of Chili Welcome!

Sponsored by  
Congregational Care  
Committee



## “Soup to Go”

Sunday, March 22  
following Worship

French Onion  
\$5.00 / Quart

Wavelene Arnold, Leader

*Remember to return  
glass jars and lids  
so they can be used  
again.*

## RECYCLING NOTES

### A Reminder of What Can Be Recycled...

- Styrofoam plates and cups cannot be recycled. The Recycling Interest Group discourages the use of products made from Styrofoam. It is a health matter as well as environmental.
- All metal cans and foil can be recycled.
- Paper cartons from milk, juice, broths
- All glass containers can be recycled.
- All plastic containers with numbers can be recycled.
- At this time, no other plastic can be recycled.
- Cardboard boxes should be broken down before being placed in the recycle bins.
- All paper can be recycled — anything that can be torn.
- Plastic bags should be bundled and placed in the box for the Food Pantry or in the recycle bins at local stores.



**PLEASE REMEMBER:** YOU CAN NOW BRING YOUR RECYCLABLES TO CHURCH WITH YOU AND PLACE THEM IN THE LARGE BLUE RECYCLE BIN OUTSIDE THE CHURCH.

## Youth News

### Sunday School:

9:15 a.m. — Gathering Time / 9:30-10:15 a.m. — Classes

March 29	Easter Egg Hunt following Worship Pre Kindergarten — Grade 1 (FH) Grades 2-6 (Library) Donations Needed — Thank You!
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### Pres-Bees Youth Club:

Youth age 4 through Grade 5 / Wednesdays, 5:00-6:45 p.m.

Service Project:

Paper Products for Salem Community Pantry

March 11	Regular Gathering / Spaghetti and Carrots
March 18	Regular Gathering / Pizza and Salad
March 22	Cherub Choir sings in Worship
March 25	Regular Gathering / Walking Tacos and Fruit
March 29	Palm Sunday - children process with palms

### LOGOS:

Youth in Grades 6-12 on Sundays, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

March 15	4:15 LOGOS Bell Choir / No LOGOS
March 22	No LOGOS Bell Choir / Regular Gathering
March 29	4:15 LOGOS Bell Choir Regular Gathering

## Wednesday Lenten Services

12:30 p.m.

Held at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 1089 E State Street  
A joint service of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, and First Presbyterian Church

### Wednesday, March 11

Gospel Lesson: Luke 12:22-31

*Give us this day our daily bread*

Homily: Rev. Meta Cramer

### Wednesday, March 18

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 6:14-15, *Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us*

Homily: Pastor Alan Smearsoll

### Wednesday, March 25

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 4:1-11, *Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever.*



Homily: Pastor Alan Smearsoll



*The Lord's Supper (The Eucharist) will be shared at all services.*

# March

## Happy Birthday!

Shirley Devan (14), Ellen Tetlow (16), Joe Marra (21),  
Sam Pridon (21), Suzanne Cain (24),  
Dick Shanker (24), Dick Dougherty (31)


- 11 / Weds 12:30 Lenten Service at  
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church  
5:00 Pres-Bees Youth Club  
6:15 Carillon Ringers (S)  
7:00 Haviland Choir (S) / Men's Study (110)
- 12 / Thurs **7:00 Finance and Administration (110)**
- 15 / Sun 9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)  
9:15 Sunday School: *Classes start at 9:30 a.m.*  
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)  
10:30 Worship (S) - *Carillon Ringers*  
11:30 Chili Tasting and Cornbread Luncheon  
4:15 LOGOS Bell Choir (200)  
6:00 Cub Scout Den Meeting (B)
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- 16 / Mon 6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)  
6:30 Quilt Show Meeting (107)
- 17 / Tues 7:00 Lenten Study and Conversations (107)
- 18 / Weds 12:30 Lenten Service at  
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church  
5:00 Pres-Bees Youth Club  
6:15 Carillon Ringers (200)  
7:00 Haviland Choir (S) / Men's Study (110)
- 19 / Thurs **7:00 Session (107)**
- 20 / Fri 9:00-4:00 Quilt Group (107/109)
- 21 / Sat 9:00 Making "Soup to Go" (K)
- 22 / Sun 9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)  
9:15 Sunday School: *Classes start at 9:30 a.m.*  
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)  
10:30 Worship (S) - *Cherub Choir*  
11:30 "Soup to Go" - *French Onion*  
4:30 LOGOS (FH)  
6:00 Cub Scout Den Meeting (B)
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- 23 / Mon 6:00 April Circle (BB Rooners;  
RSVP Carol Ricciardi)  
6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)
- 24 / Tues 9:15-11:30 Preschool Registration (FH)  
7:00 Lenten Study and Conversations (107)
- 25 / Weds 12:30 Lenten Service at  
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church  
5:00 Pres-Bees Youth Club  
6:15 Carillon Ringers (200)  
7:00 Haviland Choir (S)  
7:00 Men's Bible Study (110)
- 28 / Sat 10:00-12:00 American Red Cross Adult and  
Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED
- 29 / Sun 9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)  
9:15 Sunday School: *Classes start at 9:30 a.m.*  
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)  
10:30 Worship (S)  
Easter Egg Hunt following Worship  
4:15 LOGOS Bell Choir (200)  
4:30 LOGOS (FH)  
6:00 Cub Scout Den Meeting (B)
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- 30 / Mon 6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)
- 31 / Tues 10:00 Eastminster Presbytery C.O.M. (110)

# April

## Happy Birthday!

Roberta Bell (12), Beverly Mosher (18),  
Georgiana Costa (20), Jeanne Smith (16)

- 1 / Weds 12:00 Daytimers (FH)  
*Almost Lost Art of Tatting* by Sandre Kille  
6:15 Carillon Ringers (200)  
7:00 Haviland Choir (S)  
7:00 Men's Bible Study (110)
- 2 / Maundy Thursday 7:30 Maundy Thursday Service (S)  
*Sacrament of the Lord's Supper*
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- 3 / Good Friday 9:00-4:00 Quilt Group (FH)  
Church Office closes at Noon  
12:00 Good Friday Service (S)

## Worship Schedule on Cable TV Channel 9

Sunday – 1 & 9 am / Monday – 1 am  
Tuesday – 3 am, 12 & 4 pm / Wednesday – 1 am, 4 & 9 pm  
Friday – 1 am / Saturday – 3 am, 12 & 4 pm  
*Schedule Subject to Change*



## Salem Community Pantry

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

**Items needed — canned soup, small jars of peanut butter, personal hygiene items, and plastic bags.**  
**Place items at north entrance.**