



THE LAMPLIGHTER

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ATTENTION 1ST-4TH GRADERS

On Ash Wednesday, March 9th, you are invited to a St Patrick's Day Party at the church from 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Pastor Stephanie, Kate Ebert, Janna Seeger and Alexis Shaw are planning a bible study, crafts, and games. Here's what we need from you:



- Make sure to wear **GREEN**!
- We would like every family to bring a **GREEN** food to share with everyone—see how creative you can be.
- We would also like you to bring a non-perishable food item for the food pantry.

Feel free to bring a friend or two with you – just make sure they follow the things above! PLEASE email Pastor Stephanie (cre8or59@yahoo.com) by March 7th and let her know how many of you will be attending. Hope to see you there!



Relay For Life team, PRES'ing for a Cure, Upcoming Fundraisers



PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Relay for Life will be holding a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, February 20th from 8:15 to 10:00 AM. We will be serving pancakes, fresh fruit, juice, milk coffee, this will be a free will offering.

MEATBALLS & LEFSA



The Meatball and Lefsa lunch will take place on Sunday, March 20th from 11:15 AM until 2:00 PM, the cost will be \$9.00. Lunch will include; meatballs, lefsa, mash potatoes, gravy, veggie and dessert and beverage.

All proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society.

December 2010 Financial Summary

Operating Budget

Balance December 1st	(\$5,003.35)
Receipts	11,990.33
Expenses	(13,194.70)
Transfer from Money Market	5,000.00
Balance December 31st	(\$1,207.72)



**To reach
someone in
the kitchen
via telephone,
please dial
786-0675.**

Thank you!

Highlights from Session:

- Session heard from Deacon Moderator Camille Lusk about how the Deacons will be oriented this year.
- Session approved Charles Engel and Ann Terry as the two session representatives on Personnel Committee.
- Session agreed to discuss at the congregational meeting a protocol for filing of complaints.
- Session approved Sherry Bonsall as one of the session members for Nominating Committee and is still looking for the second.
- Session approved the four Denominational special offerings; One great Hour of Sharing, Pentecost, Peacemaking and the Christmas Joy Offering.
- Session approved use of fellowship hall on these dates:
 - Emmylou Hetland Spaghetti cancer fund raiser Saturday, February 5, 2011 from 4 - 7
 - Pres'ing for a Cure - Pancake Breakfast Sunday, February 20, 2011 at coffee hour
 - Nikki Auna baby shower Saturday, March 12, 2011 from 12 - 4
 - Pres'ing for a Cure – Meatball and Lefsa lunch Sunday, March 20, 2011 from 11:15- 2:00

Hats off to:

- Bob Shaw, Tomi Carlson and Shirley Beaty for the mailing of the January issue of *The Lamplighter*
- our January nursery volunteers: Chase Aleckson, Brianna Holt, Lydia Sells & Sean Horton
- our January acolyte volunteers: Grady LaJeunesse, Katrina Houser, Mariah Terry, Noah Reynolds, Ryan Beirne, Alanna Wuensch, Janna Seeger, Dylan Noel & Grant Bohnsack
- our January liturgists: Becky Auna, Holly Kleiner, Tracey Rogers, Nancy Olson & Marie Haugen
- Meals on Wheels were delivered the week of December 27-31, 2010 by: Greg Ashland, Bob Shaw, Paul & Nelda Manter, Bob & Marilyn Bahr & Susan & Charlie Evans.
Thanks to everyone!



Elders

Class of 2011

Jane Foner
Sherry Bonsall
Brian Lusk
Nancy Olson
Michael Ebert (Youth Elder)
Rachel Auna (Youth Elder)

Class of 2012

Mike Siekert
Ann Terry
Marcia Kazmark
Lisa Betsinger

Class of 2013

Charles Engel
Todd Kleiner
Greg Meeuwssen
Tracey Rogers

Deacons

Class of 2011 Helen Harold, Joyce Garves, Howard Garves, Beth Hinck, Alice Sprain

Class of 2012 Kathy Anderson, Loris Griffin, Camille Lusk, Diana Swim, Ted Yankee

What's Love Got to Do with It?

Well we have moved into February the month of love, when we see red hearts all over the place. When we think about our Valentine and what we might do to help them know how special they are to us. (At least the romantic types do that, please don't ask Claudia how romantic I am.)

Tina Turner made a mint out of a song titled "What's Love Got to Do with It" and the chorus is this:

Oh what's love got to do, got to do with it
What's love but a second hand emotion
What's love got to do, got to do with it
Who needs a heart
When a heart can be broken

Well let's think about love for a moment: Jesus said, "This is My commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this that one lay down their life for their friend." John 15:12-13 and then a few verses later Jesus rephrases the verse 12 when He said, "This I command you, that you love one another." John 15:17

Of course we have all heard many times at weddings 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 "Love is patient, love is kind and it not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant, does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own; is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered. Does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices in the truth; bears all things, hopes all things, endures all things."

We could say love has everything to do with living life for God. Isn't it amazing that in Galatians 5:22-23 the fruit of the Spirit begins this way: "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace... If love were not important why list that first?"

Finally I lift up 1 John 4:15-21 "Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in them, and they in God. We have come to know and have believed the love which God has for us. God is love, and the one who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in them. By this, love is perfected with us, so that we may have confidence in the day of judgment; because as He is, so also are we in this world. There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves punishment, and the one who fears is not perfected in love. We love because He first loved us. If someone says, 'I love God,' and hates their brother or sister, they are a liar; for the one who does not love their brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. And this commandment we have from God that the one who loves God should love their brother and sister also."

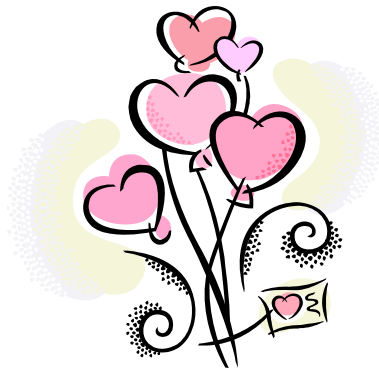
As people of God, loving one another is to be our secondary goal, immediately following our primary goal of loving God. Let us join together, arm in arm walking the path of Christ; loving one another.

So Tina, what's love got to do with it? Everything! Loving is the call of the Christian; loving God and loving one another.

Pastor Larry

Just for Kids answer:

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength...Love your neighbor as yourself."



PER CAPITA 2011: Per Capita is a financial responsibility for every adult member of a Presbyterian congregation. For 2011 the per capita will be \$27.40. When submitting, please write in "per capita" on the memo part of your check or on the outside of your envelope. ***Thank you!***

FEBRUARY VOLUNTEERS

HEAD USHER: Todd Kleiner

LITURGISTS

6—Bob Harold
13—Marcia Kazmark
20—Tracey Rogers
27—Kathy Schedin

NURSERY CARE

6—Kathryn Ebert
13—Grace Griffin
20—Colin Hass
27—Alex Galbraith

* with a Parent/Guardian/Adult,
over 25, accompanying them

ACOLYTES

6—Connor Dunn & Will Griffin
13—Janna Seeger & Alexis Shaw
20—Erick Sells & Patrick Zalewski
27—Logan Aleckson & Grady LaJeunesse

FELLOWSHIP (Serve & Clean-up): Membership & Evangelism

COMMUNION BREAD BAKER: Marie Haugen

*If you love God most,
you will love others more.
-Ray Hamilton*

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to:

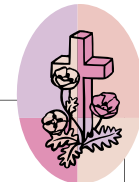
...Nelda Manter and her family on the
death of her sister Neva Piepho.

...Helen Harold and her family on the
death of her brother Deane Pearson.

...Gus Gotisha & Jane Hunt-Gotisha on
the death of Gus' brother Joe.

...Paul Manter and his family on the
death of his sister Anita Burnham.

...the family of Edgar Zellmer on his
death, January 21st.



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1 - Bette Bachman-Granberg

2 - Ted Yankee

3 - Corrine Eggen, Mason Gress, Anthony Gullickson,
Sarah Winther

5 - David Motes, Jacob Cvikota, Kathy Schedin

6 - John Holt

8 - Jim Cullmann, Kelly Lusk, Genevieve Merkel

9 - John Schmaltz, Diane Adams, Jenna Bonsall

10 - Valerie Olson, Erick Sells, Amy Silbaugh

12 - Ray Ebert, Jeanette Kroll, Kennedy Zeman

14 - Christine Matthews

15 - Brody Rogala, Anne Zalewski, Andy Raymer,
Brandon Knaack

16 - Faith Holt, JT Rogala, Faith Zoerb

17 - Tom Sprain

18 - Andy Severson

19 - Pam Eggen, Dave Miller, Shelly Servais

20 - Laura Burdick, Teresa Schnitzler, Janna Seeger,
Kris Schwier

21 - LaVerne Torgerson

23 - Kathy Brummond, Bob Shaw, Aric Tourville

25 - Mary Winther, Tiffani LaJeunesse

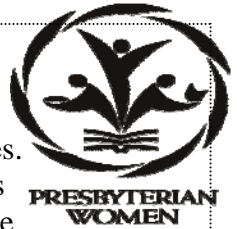
26 - JoDeen Kobishop

27 - Lawrence Everson, Nicole Griffin,

Kyle Willinger, Jenni Hauser, Ben Olson, Jaymie Holte

28 - Porter Blum

29 - Nathan Wilczynski



PW BREAKFAST MEETING

February 10th begins the new year of PW activities. Please join us for a potluck breakfast at 9 A.M. in the large Sunday school classroom. Diana Engel and Jane Foner are the hostesses. The Birthday offering will be received. Following the business meeting we will make diapers from tee shirts. Sounds strange? It is, but mothers in Africa are delighted with them. They are easy to do. Join us as we fellowship and do this fun work project.

BIBLE STUDY

We will continue the study of Revelations on Wednesday, February 16th and 23rd in the room between the offices beginning at 1 P.M. Please join us for fellowship and study. Each lesson is complete by itself so come whenever you can.



PROTOCOL FOR CONCERNS

- Confidentiality is key for all involved.
- The first course of action is to talk directly to the person that is at the center of your concern.
- If the issue is not resolved and you need to take your concern to the next level; address the committee chair.
- If your concern is still not heard or resolved, please correspond with the Session.
- We have a clergy team; concerns need to be directed to both.

Youth Group

February Schedule:

Wednesday February 2, 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm

To Save A Life—Free Youth Movie Event

Free Pizza & Snacks

Hope Community Church on Hamilton St.

(Across from the West Salem Village Park)

**Youth Group will attend City Prayz
on Friday, February 4th**



**Regular Group Meeting—
Wednesday, February 16th at church**

Confirmation Schedule for February:

6th-7th Grade -

February 9, 6:30 PM—Worship Wednesday

February 23, 5:00 PM—Community Dinner—
(6th & 7th in craft room)

8th-9th Grade -

February 9, 6:30 PM—Worship Wednesday

February 16, 6:30 PM—Confirmation Lesson

February 23, 5:00 PM—Community Dinner—
8th graders assist (9th in craft room)

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Change Service Requested

Looking Ahead:



- **February 10—PW Breakfast at 9 AM**
- **February 19—Presbytery Meeting at Muscoda, WI**
- **February 20—PRESing' for a Cure Pancake Breakfast**
- **March 6—Confirmation Sunday**
- **Ash Wednesday Worship, March 9, 6:30 PM**
- **Lenten Services March 16-April 13, 6:30 PM with
Soup Suppers at 5:30 PM**

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Please inform the church office of any change in your address.