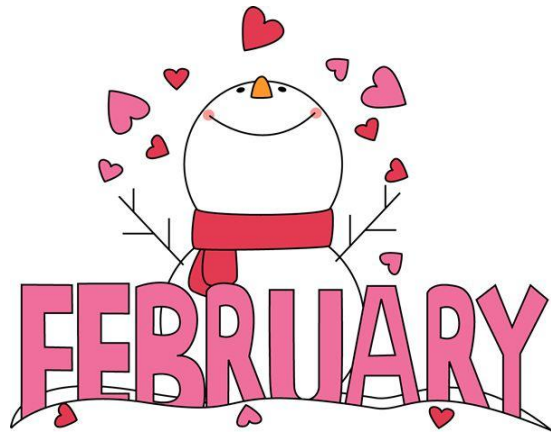


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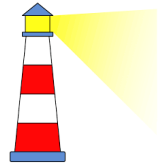
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From the Pastor's Pen...

Come and Support the Souper Bowl of Caring on Sunday, February 4th.

It is an exciting time. Who will represent the AFC? Will the Jacksonville Jaguars be able to beat Tom Brady and the New England Patriots? And in the NFC, will the Minnesota Vikings and quarterback Case Keenum strike gold again and upset the Philadelphia Eagles to play for a title on their home field? As of the time I am writing this these questions are still unanswered. By the time you are reading this column, though, the stage will be set for the 2018 NFL Super Bowl.

And what, pray tell, does this have to do with church? I'm glad you asked.

In the early-90's, an organization focused on helping youth help others was founded in Columbia, South Carolina (by a Presbyterian, by the way).

The leaders of the group sought to raise awareness about hunger here in the United States. They borrowed the popularity of our nation's gridiron extravaganza, named their "event" the Souper Bowl of Caring, and sought to communicate a message of God's grace and our giving. Using the energy of the Super Bowl, they sought to mobilize youth in a united national effort to care for people in their local communities who are hungry and in need.

That effort continues today, and we continue to participate in the Souper Bowl of caring with a Soup Lunch/fundraiser/food drive. The proceeds go to the Taylor County Ministerial Association Food Pantry.

As a representative and volunteer of the Food Pantry, it brings me great joy to see our youth and our church join in support of this important cause. Taylor County has a tremendous need, and we continue to need to raise awareness and support in our community. Thank you ahead of time for your support of this event, and for your ongoing support of the efforts of the Taylor County Ministerial Association Food Pantry. See you at the Souper Bowl lunch!

(And following the lunch, I hope that you will stay to hear my 2017 Sabbatical report.)

Grace and Peace,
Jim



Everyone is invited to celebrate the Souper Bowl of Caring on **Sunday, February 4th after Worship services. Soup will be provided. Members bring sandwiches or dessert.** Remember to bring your donations. Proceeds will benefit the Taylor County Ministerial Association Food Pantry.



Yoo—Hong Kong, China

Myoung Ho is professor of liturgical studies and sacred music at the Divinity School of Chung Chi College, a part of the Chinese University in Hong Kong. Ji Yeon supports him in this ministry. Their service is in response to a call to international mission that each of them sensed several years ago in their native South Korea, "It is our vision

that the people in the world know and worship God, acknowledging God as their Creator, Redeemer, and Lord," they write.

We believe that we are called to serve in this vision by proclaiming the word of God, sharing the love of God, and preparing pastors and missionaries through a ministry of teaching."

2/12—James and Nancy Adams—Germany

Jay and Nancy are long-term volunteers serving at Black Forest Academy (BFA), a school for the children of people serving in mission. The parents of BFA students work in approximately 50 countries and represent more than 25 mission agencies and denominations, including the PC (USA). BFA serves 300 students in grades one through twelve.

Nancy teaches English to high school students, and Jay is a senior administrator.

2/19—Rev. Nadia Ayoub—Ukraine

Nadia serves as a trainer in an early childhood education program that is an outreach of the Reformed Church in Carpath-Ukraine to the Roma people. The Roma are one of the

most marginalized groups in Europe. "I believe through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the leading of the Holy Spirit, I was called and enable to serve Christ among unreached people." Nadia says.

2/26—Rev. Doug and Elaine baker—Northern Ireland

Doug and Elaine work for reconciliation in Northern Ireland alongside churches and other institutions. Doug is the site coordinator for the Young Adult Volunteer program in Northern Ireland, and he has mentored over 100 volunteers. In addition, he is the PC (USA)'s regional liaison for Ireland and the United Kingdom. Doug has been under PC (USA) appointment in Northern Ireland since 1979. While in mission service, he met and married Elaine, who came under appointment in 1985.

Kingdom Kids And B.Y.G.

Hello! I hope you enjoyed the snow. I don't know about you, but I am ready for spring! We will be helping with the Souper Bowl luncheon on Sunday February 4rd. We will need to help set up, collect money, and help clean up after the meal. I will need everyone there by 9:30 Sunday morning on the 3rd. This is a great opportunity for us to help those who are less fortunate than us.

We will then be meeting on Wednesday, February 14th at 5:30. We will be meeting at church for some fun Valentine activities. I hope to see everyone there. Remember, friends are always welcome.

God Bless,
Michelle

**Come in from the cold!
February 6, 2018 at 7:00
pm!**



Join us for a new way to experience movies with "Faith and Flicks".

Who: Laura Farrar, a former film and literature teacher at Larue County High School, will guide us.

What: Our first movie will be **The Shack**.

When: The first Tuesday of each month. Our first meeting will be on February 6th at 7:00 pm.

Where: Bethel First Presbyterian in the library.

Why?: Because it's FUN (and educational)

Circle #34

Circle #34 will meet on
Tuesday, **February 20th** at
7:00 p.m.

Opportunity Circle

The Opportunity Circle will
meet **Wednesday, February
14th, 1:00 p.m.**

All ladies are invited to join us!

Men of The Church

Men of the Church will
meet on **Tuesday,
February 13th** at **6:30 p.m.**

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Deadline February 19
At NOON.

Mid-Kentucky Pulpit Exchange Sunday, February 11th

We are pleased to have the opportunity to join with our friend's in the Mid-Kentucky Presbytery for a Neighbor to Neighbor Pulpit Exchange. We look forward to sharing our pulpit and getting to know a neighboring congregation to build up the community life of our presbytery. We look forward to having Reverend Oliver Hoffman from First Presbyterian of Glasgow as our preacher on the 11th.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4 10:00 a.m. Church School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service Souper Bowl Lunch after Worship	5 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout #616 Meeting	6 7:00 p.m. Movie Night Bethel Library	7 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice	8 12:00 p.m. Presbyterian Women		
11 10:00 a.m. Church School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service- MKP Pulpit Exchange	12 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout #616 Meeting	13 6:30 p.m. Men of the Church Meeting	14 1:00 p.m. Opportunity Circle 5:30 p.m. Session 5:30 p.m. Kingdom Kids 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice			
18 10:00 a.m. Church School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service	19 Newsletter DEADLINE 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout #616 Meeting	20 7:00 p.m. Circle #34	21 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice			
25 10:00 a.m. Church School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service	26 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout #616 Meeting		28 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice			

February Birthdays

3rd: Connie Moore Stogner
 9th: Gary Feather
 Terry Feather
 14th: Stanley Feather
 15th: Gerald Myers
 17th: Emily Turner
 18th: Pam Ewing
 20th: Chase Powell
 23rd: Chris Ferguson
 24th: Jane Horn
 26th: Tammy Payne
 28th: Sarah Caldwell
 Dwight Sandidge

Budget Information

Average Weekly Giving
 \$2,955.56 (as of 1/21/2018)
 Average Weekly Needs
 \$3,258.86

REMINDER:

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