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Rev. Meta S. Cramer, Pastor
9:00 Sunday School; Adult Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour (Fellowship Hall)
10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

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February 16 — The Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Scripture: Micah 6:6-8; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25;
Matthew 5:1-12
Sermon: *How Blessed Can We Get?*
Music: Praise Choir — *Earth and All Stars*
Haviland Choir — *Beautiful Savior*;
Cheryl McDevitt, Flute
Liturgist: Judy Herron

February 23 — The Seventh Sunday after Epiphany “Noodles & Doodles” Pasta Dinner after Worship

Scripture: Isaiah 58:1-12; Psalm 112:1-9;
Matthew 5:13-20
Sermon: *A Collection of Salt Shakers*
Music: Cherub Choir
Haviland Choir — *Simple Gifts*
Liturgist: Mike Newman



Dear Friends,

We were all so sorry to have to cancel our Valentine Potluck Dinner on February 9, especially since a lot of people had already worked hard to bake, to publicize, and to prepare fun activities. Clearly, however, the right decision was made as the snow continued to fall throughout the afternoon.

We will have many more opportunities to eat together and to enjoy one another's company. The LOGOS Youth will be serving “Noodles” and offering “Doodles” right after worship on February 23. DayTimers will meet on March 5, right after the 12 noon Ash Wednesday service. It is anticipated that the Soup Group will have vegetable soup for sale on March 9, and later in the day the LOGOS will be serving a meal at St. Vincent DePaul mission in Youngstown. And Congregational Care will once again care for the congregation by serving a Soup & Bread Luncheon on March 16.

During Lent, I am planning a series of several gatherings called “Soup and a Show,” most likely on three Tuesdays: March 18, March 25, and April 8. We will share a simple meal, then view a film that has something to say about God's redemption of our lives.

Why do we *eat together* so often? Well, we know that Jesus was constantly dining with all sorts of people, and when he gave us a means to experience his presence among us even now, it was all about eating and drinking together. Some years ago, I was doing a children's sermon at the Clarkson Presbyterian Church on a morning when a congregational dinner was taking place later in the day. This was my exchange with a little boy named Michael:

“So, what are we doing after worship today?” “*Eating.*”

“Where do you usually eat?” “*McDonalds*”

“Where else?” “*At home, sometimes.*”

“But who are the people you eat with?” “*My family.*”

“So since we eat together at church, what is the church like?” “*A restaurant!*”

The church is, of course, a family, the household of God. And whether at home, at restaurants, or in the church building, families eat together! Please take advantage of these opportunities to break bread together and to know Jesus' presence among us at whatever table we gather and whatever the food before us.

Blessings,
Meta

Prayer Concerns

Darla Allen (*Kevin Chumney's sister*), Wavelene Arnold, Marianne Barr (*Debbie Blair's mother*), Marilyn Cosier (*Carol Ricciardi's sister*), Audrey Crawford (*Linda Crawford's sister in law*), Dick Dale, Regan Deloach (*Penny Lippiatt's friend's granddaughter*), Stella Dominic, Alex Evans (*Lucy Works' friend*), Morgan Fennema and Nicole Fennema (*Paul and Barbara Fennema's granddaughter, daughter-in-law*), Sandi Flake, Melissa Griffith (*Judy Sicilia's friend*), Bill Hannay, Bud Hays (*Sue Merry's father*), Jack and Rita Hovis, Hayden Johnson, Lynn Kostura (*Lauren Arnold's college friend's mother*), Guy Edward Lindsay and Kip Lindsay (*Phil Tetlow's cousins*), Susan McCullough (*Susan Merry's co-worker*), Dolly Millikin, Helen Newman (*Jim Newman's mother*), Bill Phillips (*Joyce Smith's son-in-law*), Sam Pridon, Charles and Charity Ricciardi, Marie Robinson (*Kim Double's mother*), Connie Bowman Rowe (*Helen Hayes' friend*), Terry Rufer, Gene Shafer, Dick Shanker, Gabriel Smith, (*Norm and Jeanne Smith's great-grandson and Mickey Buck's great nephew*), Julie Smith (*Joyce Smith's daughter-in-law*), Makala Walker (*Lucy Works' friend's great granddaughter*), Denise Weingart (*1322 Eastview Dr*)

Special Care Facilities

Auburn: Helen Hum

Blossom: Georgiana Costa, 204B; Roland and Mary Smith (*Susan Smith's parents*) Austintown OH 44515

Courtyard: Phyllis Lamb, 109

Crandall: Betsy Johnson, 251 (*Tom Johnson's wife*); Kathleen Kirby, 9-162 (*Gregg Rhodes' mother*); Jim Mohr, 263

Essex III: Ibbey Dales, 211

Grace Woods: Jo Hawkins, 234

Lake Huron Woods: Joyce Smith; 5221 Lakeshore Rd, Fort Gratiot MI 48059
Shepherd of the Valley: Jo Hendricks, 218; 4100 N River Rd NE, Warren OH 44484

Sterling House: Dorothy Gibson, 303
Weatherwood Manor: Dolores Kynett, 201; 896 Weatherwood Lane, Greensburg PA 15601

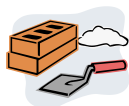
Whispering Pines: Rolin Herron, 146; 937 E Park Ave, Columbiana OH 44408

Envelope Income received February 2	\$ 3,760.00
General Fund Balance, December 31, 2013	\$17,380.22
January Revenues	\$18,010.57
January Expenses	\$24,396.16
General Fund Balance, January 31, 2014	\$10,994.63
“Pick a Brick” for new Church Sign (\$100/Brick)	\$ 3,800.00
Souper Bowl of Caring	\$ 301.76
Per Capita (\$32/2014 Goal: \$11,104)	\$ 1,952.00

Military

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Paul and Barb Fennema's son

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John and Joetta Tonti's grandson



“Pick a Brick”

Remember that donations are being accepted for the proposed new church sign, a drawing of which can be viewed in the Sanctuary. This sign will help us to get the word out to the community about the activities here at First Presbyterian Church in an effective yet tasteful way. You are invited to sponsor one or more bricks @ \$100. (The bricks will not be engraved.) However, gifts of any size are very welcome!



“EVENING OF THE ARTS”

Tuesday, March 11
6:00 p.m. — 8:00 p.m.
Habitat ReStore
*Free and Open to the Public
featuring
Local Artists and Musicians from
Salem School District and Community*

Thank You

We appreciate the visit from Ellen and Frank Maticcik when they delivered a Poinsettia at Christmas, and when Gail and Phil Tetlow delivered flowers recently on a very snowy day.

Jim and Marty Hollinger

Thank you to Meta for her visits and prayers while I was in the hospital, to the Deacons for the DVD's of church services, to the Women's Association for my birthday cake and card, and for all the cards and greetings from the congregation. What a lovely fellowship and church family.

Mary Frances Breit

Hello to everyone at Salem Presbyterian Church! I miss you all!

Joyce Smith

Open Dates for Bulletins

February 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, April 6, 13, 20, 27, May 11, 18, June 1, 8, 15. Cost is \$15 a Sunday.

Open Dates for Flowers

February 16, 23, March 9, 16, June 1, 8. Cost is \$10 a vase.



Sundays:
February 16, 23,
and March 2, 9

Daffodils, Hyacinths,
Lilies, Tulips — \$8 each

Order in Fellowship Hall
during Coffee Hour or
through Church Office
during the week.

DAYTIMERS

Following Noon
Ash Wednesday Service
March 5
Eating at 12:30



Lou Raymond
presents
Extensive Collection of
Antique Music Boxes

Youth News

Pres-Bees Youth Club:

Children Pre-Kindergarten thru Grade 5 / Weds., 5-6:45 p.m.

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| February 12 | Regular Gathering |
| February 16 | Praise Choir sings during Worship |
| February 19 | Regular Gathering |
| February 23 | Cherub Choir sings during Worship |
| February 26 | Regular Gathering |

Mission Project — we are collecting paper products (napkins, paper plates, plastic silverware, paper towels, paper cups for hot and cold beverages), dish soap, toilet paper, and SOS pads for St. Vincent DePaul. You can place them on the stage in Fellowship Hall.

LOGOS:

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

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| February 14 | (Friday) Lock-In at 7:00 p.m. |
| February 23 | LOGOS Pasta Dinner (see below) |
| March 2 | Regular LOGOS |
| March 9 | Serving Meal at St Vincent DePaul |

“Noodles and Doodles”

Immediately following Worship
Proceeds to LOGOS Mission Trip Fund

Homemade Meatballs with Rigatoni
A Raffle of our talented youth's Artwork
Face Painting ~ Silhouette Drawings



Donations needed: Rigatoni Noodles,
Ragu Traditional Sauce, Ground Beef,
Parmesan Cheese, Garlic Toast, Salad,
Ranch, French, & Italian Dressings
(Place in box on stage in Fellowship Hall)

Donations for Dessert are also needed for the Pasta Dinner on February 23. Sign up in Fellowship Hall or contact Kim Double at 234-567-1752.

On Tuesday, February 25 at 9:15 am, we will have Registration Day at the Pre-school when parents can register their children for the 2014-2015 school year. We truly try to give all of our Pre-school and church families special courtesy in filling class openings. Please remember, this can include families who do not have a child in our classes this particular year, but may be interested in having their second, third or fifth child attend next year. I will be in Fellowship Hall taking registration forms and the registration/supply fee of \$50.00 for the 2-day and 3-day classes. If you arrive before 9:15, please sign in on the clipboard provided and I will take your child's registration form in the order in which people have signed in. On Tuesday, April 30, we will have an Open House from 9:15-11:00, during which time you can visit the classrooms and pick up the new handbook and necessary forms for the coming year. I look forward to a really fun day of seeing old and new Preschool family members.



Sue Skiba, Director

The annual meeting of the Salem Community Pantry will be held Thursday, February 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church Education building, 251 South Broadway. Everyone in the community is invited to hear the accomplishments of the past year and the plans for the upcoming year. Please join us to see how your donations are helping.



The Annual Report for 2013 and the Membership Directory for 2014 (no pictures) are available at Sanctuary Entrances and outside the Church Office.

Please Keep Us Informed

Due to strengthened privacy laws and hospital attempts to comply with these laws, it is difficult to gain access to information regarding hospital patients. Therefore, if you or a loved one are hospitalized and would like to receive a pastoral visit, please contact the Church Office with such information. This will enable us to be more effective in our ministry to you. Thank you for your cooperation.

February

- 12 / Weds 5:00 Pres-Bees Youth Club
5:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)
7:00 Haviland Choir (S)
7:00 Men's Study (110)
- 13 / Thurs 12:00 Preschool Advisory Board (110)
Preschool Valentine Party
7:00 Finance and Administration (110)
- 14 / Fri Preschool Valentine Parties 
7:00 LOGOS Lock-In (FH)
- 16 / Sun 9:00 Sunday School; Adult Bible Study (110)
9:45 Brief Session Meeting (107)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S) - Praise Choir
12:00-4:00 Shower (FH)
- 17 / Mon No Preschool
- 19 / Weds 5:00 Pres-Bees Youth Club
7:00 Haviland Choir (S)
7:00 Men's Study (110)
- 20 / Thurs **7:00 Session (107)**
- 21 / Fri 9:00-4:00 Quilt Group (107/109)
- 23 / Sun 9:00 Sunday School; Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S) - Cherub Choir
"Noodles & Doodles" LOGOS Pasta Dinner
immediately following Worship
6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (B)
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- 24 / Mon 6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)
- 25 / Tues 9:15 The First Presbyterian
Preschool 2014-2015
Registration (FH)
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- 26 / Weds 5:00 Pres-Bees Youth Club
7:00 Haviland Choir (S)
7:00 Men's Study (110)
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March

Happy Birthday!

Rolin Herron (8), Marty Hollinger (9), Jim Mohr (10),
Shirley Devan (14), Ellen Tetlow (16), Joe Marra (21),
Sam Pridon (21), Suzanne Cain (24),
Dick Shanker (24), Dick Dougherty (26)

- 2 / Sun 9:00 Sunday School; Adult Bible Study (110)
9:00 Confirmation Class (107)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S) - *Sacrament of Lord's Supper*
4:30 LOGOS (FH)
6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (B)
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- 3 / Mon 6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)
- 4 / Tues 10:00-9:00 United Quilt Guild (FH)
7:00 Board of Deacons (107)
- 5 / Weds 12:00 Ash Wednesday Service (S)
12:30 Daytimers (FH)
5:00 Pres-Bees Youth Club
7:00 Ash Wednesday Service (S)
7:30 Haviland Choir (S) / Men's Study (110)
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- 6 / Thurs 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 Arts (109)**
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- 7 / Fri 9:00-4:00 Quilt Group (107/109)
- 8 / Sat **Turn Clocks
Ahead One Hour**
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- 9 / Sun 9:00 Sunday School; Adult Bible Study (110)
9:00 Confirmation Class (107)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S) - Praise Choir
LOGOS serving Meal at St. Vincent DePaul
6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (B)
- 10 / Mon 6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)
7:00 Congregational Care (107)

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, and personal hygiene items.
Place items on cart at north entrance.**

Worship Schedule on TV

Sunday — 1 & 9 am / Monday — 1am
Tuesday — 3 am, 12 & 4 pm / Wednesday — 1 am, 4 & 9 pm
Friday — 1 am / Saturday — 3 am, 12 & 4 pm
Cable TV Channel 9 / Schedule Subject to Change