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** SESSION NOTES **

Your Session met on Tuesday evening, January 21, 2020, and during the meeting the Elders:

- Learned that the Board of Trustees have engaged a contractor to complete the West Door project
- Read cards of thanks from the YWCA, CASA, Presbyterian Mission Engagement (Zambia Mission) and LUM for donations received from our church
- Reported the Ordination and Installation of Deacons and Elders for 2020
- Approved the 2019 Church Statistical Report for Presbytery and General Assembly
- Approved holding evening worship on Ash Wednesday and Maundy Thursday, led by the Rev. Dan Berger, as well as an evening Lenten Bible Study on the Book of Revelation
- Re-appointed the 2019 Committee Chairs for 2020
- Approved the Dayton Mothers' Club holding a Kids' Closet Sorting event on April 5
- Learned of the LUM's Joe Micon Appreciation Follies, scheduled for March 6, to celebrate his 41 years of service to our community, as well as his retirement

Michael E. Grimes, Clerk of Session

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Let all that you do

be done in Love

--1 Corinthians 16:14





Souper Bowl of Caring

Each year our youth take part in the Souper Bowl of Caring, a national movement of young people working to fight hunger and poverty in their own communities around the time of the Super Bowl football game. Young people in the congregation take up a collection (many use a soup pot), asking everyone to donate one dollar or one item of food for people in need. Youth give 100% of their donation directly to the local hunger-relief charity of their choice, which for us will be our own Dayton Food Pantry.

**This year
Souper Bowl
Sunday
will be
February 2, 2020!**

FROM CE COMMITTEE:

Adult Class Continuing Matthew 25 Church

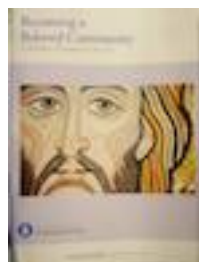
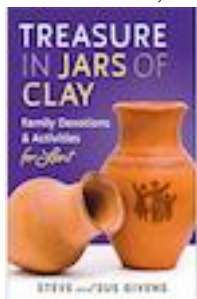
On January 19, the Adult Sunday School class began an eleven-week study of what it means to be a “Matthew 25 church.” On that Sunday, we looked at the 25th chapter of Matthew, which relates three parables: the Ten Virgins, the Talents, and the Sheep and Goats (Whenever you did it unto the least of these, you did it unto me). General Assembly has identified three requirements for a Matthew 25 church: **fight systemic poverty, promote congregational vitality, and promote structural equality.** If you missed the first installment of this on January 19, it is not too late to join us.



On January 26, we will begin our study of the book *Neighborhood Church* by asking “What is our neighborhood?” and how can we focus on it? The class on February 2 will look at “The DNA of Listening.” On February 9 and 16, we will consider the chapters titled “Transforming Partnership” and “Integrating Our Space.” Both of these chapters encourage ways to optimize the use of our church building. The chapter for February 23, “Sustaining the Vision,” looks at worship styles. In March, we will supplement this book with readings from some other sources. We have several copies of *Neighborhood Church*. Copies of the other readings will be provided. All are welcome to gather in the Board Room for the class, Sundays at 9:15, coffee in hand.

Lenten Devotionals Available March 1

On March 1, the devotional materials for Lent will be available at both entrances to the sanctuary. This year the Christian Education Committee has provided a choice of two booklets. Please select the one that best meets your needs. **Treasure in Jars of Clay: Family Devotions & Activities for Lent**, by Steve and Sue Givens, offers reflections and activities that reveal that true fulfillment and peace come from God. That power, that forgiving love, is ours to share. **By His Wounds We Are Healed**, by Paul Scheidt, shows us that it was our sin, our disobedience that Jesus bore in his body on the cross and “by his wounds we are healed.” If you take *Presbyterians Today*, the current issue contains a book of Lenten devotions titled **Becoming a Beloved Community: A Matthew 25 Journey to the Cross**. This 37-page, 8 ½ x 11” book helps us look beyond personal disciplines and commit to creating “beloved communities” in our own backyards—communities reflecting the inclusive and healing love that Jesus modeled as he made his way to the cross. “Beloved community” is a concept first coined by 20th-Century American philosopher Josiah Royce and picked up by Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., who popularized it as a society based on justice for all and selfless love of one another.



Annual Cookie Walk, Sunday, February 16

We are ready for the annual Cookie Walk on Sunday, February 16. We will need lots of yummys for “THE WALK!” We welcome cookie donations from all. Please bring your cookies, etc., before church to the kitchenette. This fundraiser supports youth group activities.



Who refreshes others will be refreshed.

-Proverbs 11:25

New or gently-used donations of **cold-weather clothing** are needed for February and March. We accept girls' and boys' sizes, newborn through girls' junior and young men's and maternity wear.



KIDS' CLOSET

Kids' Closet distributions are being held the second Saturday of each month. Hours have also changed somewhat: Doors will be open for shoppers from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. The time from 9 a.m. to 12 noon will be used for sorting and refilling racks. Other times for sorting have yet to be determined—keep watch!

If you would like to help, please contact Julie Boles or Muriel Grimes for more information.

NO KIDS' CLOSET IN DECEMBER

	Shoppers	Sorting/Refilling Racks
February 8, 2020	9 a.m.-11 a.m.	9 a.m.-12 p.m.
March 14, 2020	9 a.m.-11 a.m.	9 a.m.-12 p.m.



Change for Change! This offering is meant to support local, national, and international mission projects this year. Please, **SAVE** your loose coins (no bills – **we want to make the offering buckets ring again this year!**). The second Sunday of each month - bring your change to help with Change in our community and throughout the world!

Thank you for your generous giving to Change for Change in January, which went to the Presbyterian Giving Catalog fund. We collected **\$129.00!!!**

Change for Change will be collected on February 9. Monies collected in February will go to livestock purchase through Presbyterian Giving Catalog.



6:15 on Wednesdays.

\$4 per class with a certified Zumba instructor.

LENT AND EASTER CELEBRATIONS



Feb. 26
Ash Wednesday Service

7:00 pm

Led by Rev. Dan Berger



April 5
Palm Sunday Service

10:30 am

Led by Rev. Dan Berger



April 9
Carry-In Dinner

6:00 pm

Maundy Thursday Service

7:00 pm

Led by Rev. Dan Berger



April 12
"Sonrise" Service

7:00 am

Led by Memorial
Presbyterian Youth
*Breakfast after "Sonrise"
service*



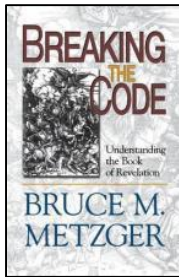
Easter Sunday Worship

10:30 am

Led by Rev. Dan Berger

COMING IN MARCH! LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

Pastor Dan Berger will be leading a four-week bible study on the Book of Revelations during the Lenten season. The dates are **March 4, March 11, March 18, and April 1 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.** and will be held in the boardroom. There will be a study book, **BREAKING THE CODE** by Professor Bruce Metzger of Princeton University, with an approximate cost of \$9.00 (firm price to be announced later) for participants. Sign-up sheet will be placed in the parlor and those wishing to participate will need to sign up by February 26th so we may order the study books. Save the dates and plan to join us!



From Pastor Dan:

"Is the Book of Revelation (the revelation of John), the playground of the eccentrics, or does it have a message for us today? What was John saying in these often times cryptic chapters? Can the book be deciphered; or is it one of those works which can't be fully understood? These questions will be discussed and new insights will be gained as we delve into this most difficult book in the New Testament."

Debbie Ward
Worship & Music Committee
Chair

**Sign Up in the Parlor
by Feb 26!**



Food Pantry

Your help continues to be needed as we serve our community and the surrounding area in our Food Pantry mission.

The DMPC Food Pantry serves the geographical areas of Sheffield Township (which includes the town of Dayton, IN), LaRamie Township (which includes the towns of Clarks Hill and Stockwell, IN), and Clinton County. Families whose children attend Dayton Elementary may also be served by the DMPC Food.

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the parlor. Please consider donating two hours of your time to help us out!

Thank you to all who are helping now.

Paul Houser, (765) 404-3317



Scout Sunday 2020!



Typically held on a Sunday around February 8 (Scouting Anniversary Day), Scout Sunday gives church-chartered packs a chance to say thank you and to demonstrate that the pack and the church have similar goals. This year we will be celebrating our 6th annual Scout Sunday on February 9, 2020!

By participating in worship with the Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts, you offer a subtle reminder that these groups aren't just our charters, but they are a part of the ministry of the congregation, not just an outside group that meets in our building.

Once again the Boy Scouts will be providing a pancake breakfast from 9 to 9:45 am prior to worship. Please mark your calendars and plan on both enjoying a wonderful breakfast and an inspiring worship service with the scouts and their families!

Your Church Officers For 2020



Susan Clawson
Nancy Edwards
Candy Fitzgerald
Michael Grimes,
Clerk of Session
Steve Hancock
Paul Houser
Tammy Lineback
Fred Reichart
Deb Ward



Elizabeth Barger
Jane Coleman
Michele Darnell
Bill Edwards
Malinda Hannah
Todd Lineback
Esther Miller
Bernie Parmely
Jane Phillips
Kathy Shaw
Cindy Stanford
Lisa Stevenson



Ron Berry
Donald Boles
John Brand
Steve Norris
Lynn Ryan
Ken Stanford



Local Church & Mission Treasurer	Wes Shaw
Asst. Church & Mission Treasurer	Patty Hicks
Church School Superintendent	Cindy Stanford
Asst. Church School Superintendent	Jane Coleman
Cradle Roll Superintendent	Kayla Fields
Church School Secretary	Phyllis Hill

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS:

Our military, our nation & its leaders; persecuted Christians; people locally & nationally in need; victims of domestic violence; Carolyn Finkenbinder; Russell Lucas; Jackie Ginther (Niece/J.Schwartz); Kevin Konrad; Margaret Stonecipher (friend of C. Stanford); Terry Lynn Pfeiffer; Bob Yost; Kennedy Alkire; Betty Pfeiffer; Cindy DeGolyer; Tracey Harris; Mary Ellen Bowers; Sandi Stingley; Ward Suter (father-in-law of Cindy Bull Suter); Dougie Harden; Jason Trail, Sr., and his family; Zachary King; Terry McKillip; Fred Reichart; Sally Smith; Jeff Smith (son of Marge Smith); Gerald Young (cousin of Cindy Stanford); Jon Grimes; Laszlo & Joanne Kovacs; Joan Shoemaker (mother of Nancy Grimes); Don Schwartz; Betty Barnett; Ron Berry; Dan Berger; the family of Terry Garrett; the family of Jack Carson; the family of Marcos Sugar; Thomas Snyder (uncle of Teresa Mundell).



Happy Birthday, Margaret Grimes!

In honor of Margaret Grimes' 95th birthday, the congregation is invited to a cake and punch reception immediately following worship on Sunday, March 1, in the church parlor. No gifts please, but you are welcome to "shower" her with cards, and wish her a happy birthday!



Our Church Family



FEBRUARY ELDERS: Candace Fitzgerald, Communion;
Susan Clawson, Devotions

FEBRUARY DEACONS: Esther Miller, Captain—Feb 2; Cindy Stanford
Beth Barger, Captain—Feb 9
Bill Edwards, Captain—Feb 16
Jane Phillips, Captain—Feb 23

FEBRUARY NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:

Volunteers Needed!



FEBRUARY 2 ????????

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FEBRUARY 9 ????????

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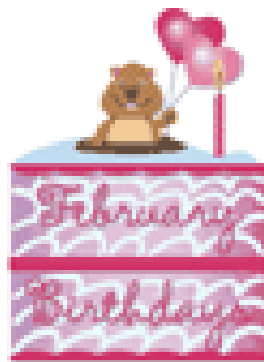
FEBRUARY 16 Little/Rosen families

Little/Rosen families

FEBRUARY 23 ????????

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1 Laura Houser
2 Alan Michael Spray
5 Courtney Breanne Biery
6 Nancy Edwards
6 Muriel Grimes
6 Kelly Reid
10 Evan Fitzgerald
14 Peggy Fields
14 Ryan Fitzgerald
14 Ryan Gard
14 Evelyn Leming





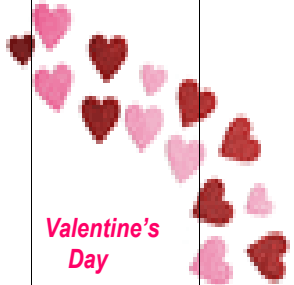
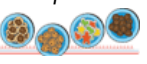

16 Emily Mundell
16 Quinton Alex Shaffer
17 Stephanie Valenta
18 Bethany Grimes
18 Alexander Jones
18 Kenny Stanford
19 Jill Gard
20 Marilyn Yoder
24 Ron Berry
26 Dylan Holsclaw



16 Ron & Harriett Berry
21 Jerry & Charlotte Avery

February 2020



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
CFC—Change for Change MFM—Minute for Mission						1
2 8:45 am Carry-in Continental Breakfast 9:15 am Sunday School 10 am Carry-in Continental Breakfast 10:30 am Worship/Rev. L. Penney Bade Souper Bowl of Caring Annual Congregational Meeting, after worship 	3 Boy Scout Troop #316, 6:30 pm	4 Cub Scout Pack #3316, 6:30 pm Trustees Meeting, 7:15 pm	5 Zumba, 6:15 pm	6 Food Pantry 9-11 am Choir practice, 7 pm	7	8 Kids' Closet, Shoppers, 9-11 am; Sorting/refilling racks, 11 am-12 pm Boy Scout Overnight
9 9-9:45 am Scout Sunday Pancake Breakfast 10:30 am Worship/Rev. D. Berger CFC/ Presbyterian Giving Catalog  Worship & Music Cmte meeting, after worship	10 Boy Scout Troop #316, 6:30 pm	11 Scout Blue & Gold Banquet, 6:30 pm C.E. Mtg, 6:30 pm	12 Zumba, 6:15 pm	13 Food Pantry 9-11 am	14  Valentine's Day	15
16 8:45 am Carry-in Continental Breakfast 9:15 am Sunday School 10 am Carry-in Cont'l Brkfst 10:30 am Worship/Rev. D. Berger  Annual Cookie Walk, after worship	17 Boy Scout Troop #316, 6:30 pm	18 Cub Scout Pack #3316, 6:30 pm Session, 7 pm	19 Zumba, 6:15 pm	20 Food Pantry 9-11 am	21	22
23 8:45 am Carry-in Continental Breakfast 9:15 am Sunday School 10 am Carry-in Cont'l Brkfst 10:30 am Worship	24 Boy Scout Troop #316, 6:30 pm	25 Cub Scout Pack #3316, 6:30 pm	26  Service, 7 pm, w/Pastor Dan NO ZUMBA	27 Food Pantry 9-11 am	28	29 Leap Day!

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***Sunday Fall/Winter/Spring
Schedule***

*8:45 am Carry-in Continental
Breakfast*

9:15 am Sunday School for All Ages

*10:00 am Carry-in Continental
Breakfast*

10:30 am Worship



February