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Sermon Series Beginning February 2022

January's sermon focus will be on the *Armor of God*. Then in February, I will present sermons focusing on our spiritual well-being. In preparation for this series, church members are encouraged to take the GPS Spiritual Inventory.

The GPS Spiritual Inventory measures the health of our souls. Our souls are informed by our relationships with God, with ourselves, and with other people; and the GPS measures the depth of those relationships. The GPS helps us locate where we are right now so that we can begin a journey led by the love of God.

The three factors of spiritual health are our level of attachment to God, our level of self-differentiation, and our level of empathy for others. Each factor has three essentials to guide us along the way.

In terms of *our attachment to God*, the three essentials are
trust in God,
communication with God, and
a sense of closeness to God.

Our *level of self-differentiation* includes
forgiveness,
emotional regulation, and
vulnerability.

The essentials of our *level of empathy for others* includes
listening to others,
feeling what others feel, and
actively loving others.

This Spiritual Health Checkup includes a personal feedback report and a teaching/coaching/studying session which will help address one's spiritual needs and will assist in developing a spiritual health maintenance plan. As a certified GPS coach myself, I will provide coaching services for free through the Sunday sermon series, adult Sunday School, the Spring Pastor's Bible Study, and through individual counseling for anyone who requests it.

--Pastor Gladys

(more information about the GPS on page 5)

"Church isn't just a place we go."



The Church is who we are."

—anonymous

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2021

End-of-Year To Do List

★ Complete Church Annual Report

Elders & others: Please begin getting together information you want to include in this year's Church Annual Report. An email with specific dates and list of what is needed was sent out in early December. Due date for reports is Tuesday, January 18. Please contact the secretary if you have any questions.

January

Celebrate!



-Thank you!!

GUIDED PRAYER LABYRINTH

Last October, our youth group put together a labyrinth on our church parking lot for all to enjoy! This is open to our church members and the public, to be used as a way to pray or meditate . . . to make a closer connection with God and to find peace and purpose.



While there is no one right way of praying that is fruitful for everybody all the time, stepping into the labyrinth can physically be an intentional way of stepping out of the chaos in our lives and focusing on turning that chaos over to God, receiving the Holy Spirit, and listening to God.

An optional guide is offered below:

- 1) Walking in . . . pray for a release of your fears and distractions, "Let Go and Let God."
- 2) At CENTER . . . pray for illumination, pray for the Holy Spirit to fill you with life anew.
- 3) Walking out . . . pray for intention. Let the Holy Spirit guide you in living out God's will. Love one another.

We pray this reflection brings calmness to your hearts and minds and renewed energy to go into the world as the gifts God intends you to be. We encourage you to visit it as often as you'd like!

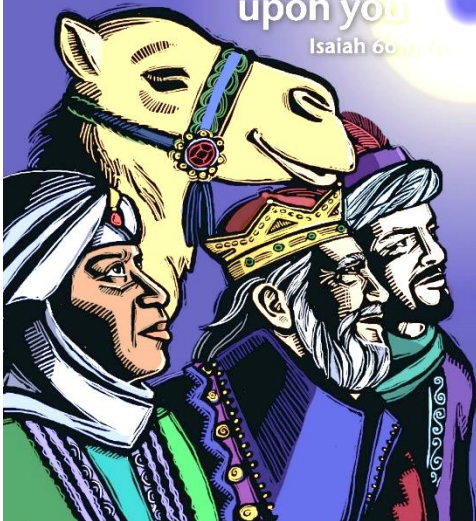
Information about the prayer labyrinth and a suggestion for its use are available at the site.



♥ Peace be with you!!! ♥

"Arise, shine, for your
light has come, and the
glory of the LORD rises
upon you"

Isaiah 60:1, 2



?? ? Bible Quiz ? ?

In the story of the Magi, what word is used to give a sense of Jesus' age when the wise men visited? What does it tell us?

- A. "baby"; Jesus was still a newborn in a manger
- B. "child"; when the wise men visited, Jesus had grown past infancy
- C. "youth"; Jesus was probably between 10 and 14
- D. No word is used to suggest Jesus' age at the time of the wise men's visit.



Answer: B (See Matthew 2:1-12.)

Who refreshes others will be refreshed.

—Proverbs 11:25

KIDS' CLOSET—

NEW “SYSTEM” CATCHING ON!!!

Our usual monthly Kids' Closet continues to be closed due to the COVID19 pandemic, but we are operating in a new way to address the needs of families in our community.

Our new system seems to be working; we are generally helping 2 to 4 families each month.

We are currently taking clothing orders from families in need and using curbside pickup to get those orders delivered to our shoppers in the safest manner we can. KC shoppers complete order forms that are available through Facebook, our website (once the site has been updated), and in the Church office during Thursday office hours—9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

We are also accepting new or gently used donations and are asking that the donations are clean, placed in clean containers, and the containers/bags dated. Donations are accepted during office hours—Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Please keep a watch in our newsletters, Facebook page, and Church website for any further updates or changes.

For questions, please contact Julie Boles or Muriel Grimes.



Church Office Hours & Contact Info:

**Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday**

9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Phone: 765.296.3199

Email:

secretary@daytonpres.org

Website: www.daytonpres.org

**Facebook: Dayton Memorial
Presbyterian Church Group
(private page)**

*and Dayton Memorial Presbyterian
Church /Religious Organization
(public page)*



Please encourage anyone in need in our area to visit our Food Pantry, using either the traditional walk-in option from 9 to 11 a.m. on Thursday mornings OR the pre-order & pick up option on Thursday afternoons, 3 to 5 p.m. The new option operates in a way similar to the current Kids' Closet process. We are asking individuals to submit their names, phone numbers, addresses, and number of people in their families to let us know

they would like to use our pick-up option. We will do our best to fill orders received by Friday to be ready for pick up on Thursday of the following week. However, we will also contact individuals by phone to confirm when their orders will be ready. **NOTE: All restrictions on geographic area served and number of times individuals can come in will continue to apply. Order forms are available through the Church's Facebook pages and website, as well as on the Dayton and Mulberry town Facebook pages.**

Donations that have been made of food items and grocery bags continue to be most greatly appreciated! Just drop off donations at the office any Thursday between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. **Bring your receipt to the office, and you'll be reimbursed.**

If you have ideas of how we can better reach families in need about our Thursday morning and afternoon programs at the Dayton Food Pantry, please contact the office (see pages 1 & 2 for contact information).

If you'd like to volunteer, please contact:
Paul Houser, (765) 404-3317



Food Pantry

Geographic Requirements

The DMPC Food Pantry serves the geographical areas of Sheffield Township (which includes the town of Dayton, IN), Lauramie 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. Each family/individual may come to the Food Pantry once every 30 days.



POINSETTIA DEDICATIONS

<i>Given by:</i>	<i>In Memory of:</i>	<i>In Honor of:</i>
Elizabeth Barger	Richard Barger; Keith & Helen Barger	
Marilyn Yoder	Marvin, Lucy, Morris, & Marlene Yoder	
Patty Hicks	Henry Ray Hicks	Henry's 3 Boys
Ron Berry Family	Wilson & Oreal Bull; Stanley Bull	
Carol Frantz & Family	David & Greg Frantz	
Paul Haynes & Family	Lydia Godsey; Gladys Haynes	
Michael & Jon Grimes	Donald & Margaret Grimes; Bob & Janet Walters; Rob Walters; Louise Zahn	
Sharon Wills, Sally Maroska, Deb Watkins, & Susan Gibson	Floyd (Frog) & Lola May Dixon	
Their Grandchildren James Gibson, Adam Gibson, Nick Watkins, Landon Maroska, Alyssa Commons, Bryce Millikan, & Connor Millikan	Jim & Mae Whitlock	
Marcia Strigin	Peter Strigin	
The Don Connelly Family	Debbie Wiggins; J. Kenneth & Elma Biery; Bonita Jo Wiggins; Virginia Flora	Max & Marsha Biery
Kelly, Kim, Kaylee, & Kameron Little	Barb & Gene Smith; Dick & Irene Little	
Jane Phillips & Maddox Bramer	Grandparents/Dad & Jane	Our Church Family
Mary Sugar	Virgil & Margaret Mullins, William & Robeson Bull	
Esther Miller	Ron Miller	
Muriel Grimes	Donald & Margaret Grimes; Lois Miller	Harold Miller
Debbie Ward		My Church Family
Paul & Mary Houser	Ken & Norma Houser; Frank & Virginia Makovitch	Family of Jean Reynolds
Nancy Edwards	Maurice Metten; Linda & Harvey Edwards; Violet & Charles Teed	
M/M Gary Vyse Family, M/M Roger Gregory Family, M/M Steve Massey Family, M/M Randall Smith Family, and M/M Nicholas Smith Family	Eugene B., Barbara L. Smith, and Rick E. Smith	

Introducing the GPS: God – Personal - Social



The GPS Spiritual Inventory navigates, measures, and targets spiritual vital signs. This is the first of its kind. It measures the health of the soul and enables one to know where they are spiritually. It identifies the areas in which one does well and the areas that need improvement. The result of the assessment will amaze anyone. The website to take the assessment is soul-metrics.com. The GPS Inventory costs \$29.95, which goes to the founder and developers of the program. You will be glad you spent this money. *(If the cost is prohibitive, Pastor Gladys will cover the fee. Contact her by phone or her email.)* The assessment takes about 10 minutes to complete and the results of the survey will be sent to you by the sponsors of the program. The Spiritual Health Checkup includes a personal feedback report and a teaching/coaching/studying session which will help address one's spiritual needs and assist in developing a spiritual health maintenance plan. When you fill out your information, you will be asked to supply the email of your coach. You may put my email, gabisglad@gmail.com. I am a certified GPS Spiritual Inventory Practitioner. GPS coaches and practitioners provide services through the teaching of the 9 essentials of spiritual growth and each coaching session costs \$150-\$250; counseling sessions costs \$250-\$350. However, I will provide the services for free through the Pastors Bible Study, Sunday School, and Sunday Sermons and individual counseling.

By improving one's spiritual life, one can contribute to the healing process of the soul. As spiritual health grows for an individual, his/her overall health and wellness grows; and with increased health and wellness comes a greater ability to move forward in one's personal development and goal achievement. This tool, when combined with coaching, has helped church members bounce back to life in their relationship with family members, church members, friends and neighbors. It can give renewed vigor to leadership, and it can even be designed as an adult Sunday School program to keep people engaged.

*We always thank
God for all of you
and continually
mention you in
our prayers.*

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS:

Our military, our nation & its leaders, persecuted Christians; people locally & nationally in need; victims

Russell Lucas	Jeff Smith	Janet Arvin
Jackie Ginther	Ron Berry	Ron & Harriett Berry
Kevin Konrad	LuAlice Huston	Peggy Fields
Terry Lynn Pfeiffer	Don & Joy Schwartz	Rhonda Stangle
Bob Yost	Jack Norris	Bonnie Robinson
Kennedy Alkire	Jean McGill	Nancy Hammond
Betty Pfeiffer	Fred Reichart	Mike Babb
Cindy DeGolyer	James Franks	Jim Mitchell
Tracey Harris	Mary Dillman	Paul Clevenger
Jon Grimes	Levi Chisholm	The Family of Joann Shoemaker
Sandi Stingley	Jerry Arvin	Judianne Chester
Zachary King	Bob Parker	The Family of Matt Devine
Terry McKillip	Becca Schultz	

... and all who are dealing with the effects of COVID—health-related, financial challenges, separation from family and friends.

WELCOME 2022!

Things to Consider in
2022:

Volunteer

Donate

**WRITE
THANK YOU
NOTES**

*Stop talking and
listen, listen, listen!*

**Do random acts of
kindness at your
pace**

**Call or FaceTime
friends or family
instead of texting**

**Let go of grudges
and hate**

GIVE BLOOD

*Check in on your
neighbors who live
alone or are isolated*

Pay it Forward

Our Church Family



JANUARY ELDERS: *Nancy Edwards, Communion and Devotions*

JANUARY DEACONS: *Beth Barger, Captain; Cindy Stanford*

9 Susan Parmely
10 Jill Edwards
10 Steve Norris
10 Robert Jay Reichart
12 Gideon Basden
13 Susan Clawson
13 Becki Sprague
16 Melody Valenta
19 Harriett Berry
20 Jonah Grimes
20 Cindy Suter
22 Michael Edwards



23 Dennis Fields
23 Nolan Mitchell Yoder
23 Tom Yost
25 James Murray
28 Tim Fogarty
28 Linda Miller
28 Deb Vyse
29 Brianna Snyder
31 Eli Boles
31 Roland Jacob Neito
31 Danielle Parmely



ANNIVERSARIES

1 Bernard & Susan Parmely
3 Gary & Deb Vyse
22 Don & Joy Schwartz

Omissions and/or Errors

If you notice any omissions or incorrect entries in the birthdates and anniversaries each month, please contact Mary Houser at secretary@daytonpres.org or call the Church office at 296-3199.



January 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Food Pantry is open Thursdays from 9 to 11 a.m.; NEW: 3-5 p.m. pre-order & pick up. Kids' Closet is providing services curbside.					December 31 Happy New Year!	1 New Year's Day New Year's Day
2 9 am Sunday school 10:30 am Worship with Pastor Dan Berger After worship: Prayer Team	3	4 7:15 pm Trustees meeting	5	6 Epiphany 9:30 am-12:30 pm, Office Open Food Pantry, 9-11 am, Drop in 3-5 pm, Pick Up	7	8
9 Baptism of the Lord 9 am Sunday school 10:30 am Worship with Pastor Dan Berger Change for Change After worship: Prayer Team Deacons Qtrly Mtg	10	11	12	13 9:30 am-12:30 pm, Office Open Food Pantry, 9-11 am, Drop in 3-5 pm, Pick Up	14	15
16 9 am Sunday school 10:30 am Worship with Pastor Gladys After worship: Prayer Team	17	18 7 pm Session meeting	19	20 9:30 am-12:30 pm, Office Open Food Pantry, 9-11 am, Drop in 3-5 pm, Pick Up NEW Bible Study, 10am & 7pm	21	22
23 9 am Sunday school 10:30 am Worship with Pastor Gladys After worship: Prayer Team	24	25	26	27 9:30 am-12:30 pm, Office Open Food Pantry, 9-11 am, Drop in 3-5 pm, Pick Up Bible Study, 10am & 7pm		29
30 9 am Sunday school 10:30 am Worship with Pastor Gladys After worship: Prayer Team	31	<div> CONGREGATIONAL MEETING </div> <div> NOTICE! Date and specifics for the Annual Congregational Meeting of Memorial Presbyterian are yet to be determined. Information will be sent out separately. </div>				



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Sunday School for all ages begins at **9:00 a.m.**

In-Person Worship with Rev. Dr. Gladys Nwabah
Sundays at **10:30 a.m.**

January



... for a
Blessed and
Happy New Year!!!

February 2022 Newsletter DEADLINE

**Please have submissions sent in by
Tuesday, January 25**