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First Robbie Burns Night a Great Success



Presentation of the Shepherds Pie



Dancing a Highland Fling

What's better than an evening of Shepherds' Pie, Haggis, toasts and jokes, bagpipes and fiddles?

If you missed the first Robbie Burns Night on February 8, you missed a rousing good time.

The dinner attended by nearly sixty and emceed by our own Dan Rak, featured traditional Scottish fare, toasts and jokes and a lot of just plain good fellowship.

After dinner, we retired to the Sanctuary to learn more about our Scottish heritage with a presentation on Scottish dress and weaponry, the bagpipes and how they are played, some good old fashioned fiddling as well as an opportunity for members of the congregation to dance a

Highland Fling. One of the highlights of the evening was Rev. Ralph on the spoons accompanying the fiddlers.

Be sure to Mark your calendars for next year's celebration of this great Scottish poet!

Souper Bowl of Caring Nets Record Donations



Thanks to everyone's generosity on Super Sunday, February 2, we donated 154 pounds of food and \$901.00 to Dixie Care and Share. This tied last year's record for the amount of food and was \$62.00 more than we raised in 2013. We look forward to participating in the Souper Bowl of Caring again next year.

Prayer Concerns

Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it
John 14:13-14

Jim Coupethwaite Gene Carney
Jerry Hayes Lyn Jacobczek

Wendy Christianson as she continues her studies for the ministry
Our sister congregation in Dorogobuzh, Russia
Those Serving Our Country

Welcome New Members

If you are interested in joining our fellowship, please see Rev. Ralph or Session Clerk Ruth Ann Horvath

Deadline for March Newsletter

March 23, 2014

Worship Schedule

8:45 – 9:00 am
Service of Morning Prayer and Holy Communion - Sanctuary

9:00 – 9:45 am
Adult Education with Rev. Ralph
CE Building

The History of the Bible
Who, What, When, Where and Why

10:15 am
Children's Sunday School

10:30 am
Traditional Worship - Sanctuary

11:45 am
Fellowship Time

Ruling Elders Monthly Scriptures

Each month at our stated Session meetings, our Teaching and Ruling Elders are invited to share any scripture that has spoken to their hearts in the previous month as part of their report. I encourage our congregation, as part of their prayer life for the congregation, our Session and Pastor, to review their selections and continue to uphold them and one another in prayer.

The scriptures for February were:

Rev. Ralph	2 Corinthians 5:16-21	Ambassadors
Elder Ruth Ann Horvath	Romans 8:38-39	Love of God
ElderCarolynn Jentzer	Romans 1:16-17	Power of God
Elder Amy Craig	Psalms 55:22	The Lord will restore
Elder Chris Schleiter	2 Chronicles 31:5	Tithe of all you bring
Elder Jim Horvath	Galatians 6:10	Work for God
Elder Gay Cunningham	Ecclesiastes 3:1f	There is a season
Elder Pebble Mowery	John 16:33	Be of Good Cheer
Elder Mary Contreras	Psalms 145:44-49	God's Majesty
Elder Cathy Overkamp	Matthew 22:37-40	You shall love the Lord
Elder Scot Florence	Ecclesiastes 3:1-2	There is a time

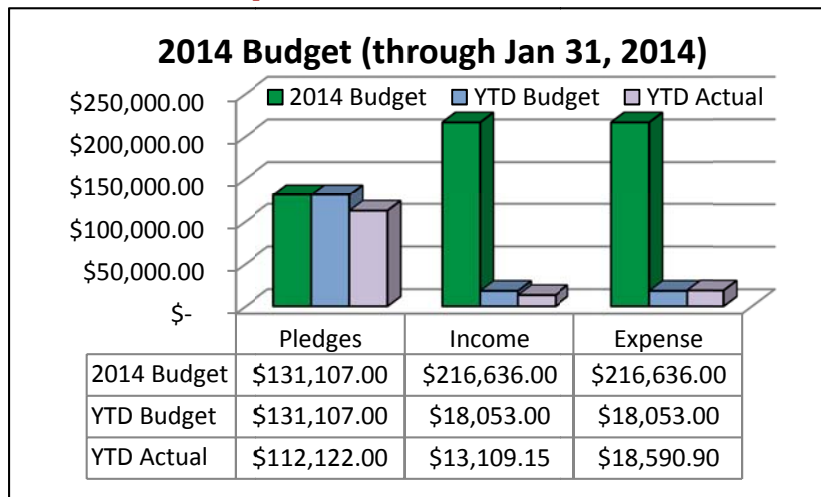
Thanks to our Volunteers

	Flowers	Fellowship
March		
Mar 2	<i>Available</i>	Pebble Mowery
Mar 9	Gene & Doris Thomas	<i>Available</i>
Mar 16	Alan & Sandy Paige	Alan & Sandy Paige
Mar 23	Marjorie Bayle	Bill & Marge Linn
Mar 30	<i>Available</i>	<i>Available</i>
April		
Apr 6	<i>Available</i>	<i>Available</i>
Apr 13	Donna Baker	<i>Available</i>
Apr 20	<i>Available</i>	<i>Available</i>
Apr 27	Paul & Charlotte Phipps & Laura Sanda	Fred Hampton

Signup on the boards between the narthex and the Fellowship Hall or on our Website gspcsg.org

Treasurer's Report

General Fund	
As of January 31, 2014	
January	
Receipts	\$ 13,109.15
Expenditures	\$ 18,590.90
2014 Budget vs Actual	
Budgeted Receipts	\$ 216,636.00
Actual Receipts	\$ 13,109.15
Budgeted Expenditures	\$ 216,636.00
Actual Expenditures	\$ 18,590.90
Building Fund	
Building Fund Cash	\$ 72,194.83
Loan Balance	\$ 175,554.21
Net Building Fund	\$ (103,359.38)
Fund Balances	
General Fund	\$ 16,040.61
Memorial Fund	\$ 3,231.54
Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 28,293.81



Pastor's Page

Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.

Gen. 3:19

Rev. Ralph's Food for Thought



Rev. Ralph enjoys his Haggis

Thus with these words the ashes are imposed on the forehead and the liturgical season of Lent begins.

This year the season of lent begins on March 5 and depending on your faith tradition ends either with Palm Sunday on April 13 or on Easter/Resurrection Sunday, April 20, 2014.

You may have noticed the dates of Lent and Easter are different every year. This year Lent begins in March whereas last year in began in early February. This is due to the fact that the dates of Lent and Easter are based on the lunar calendar. This is due to the fact that the date of the Jewish High Holiday Passover is based on the lunar calendar. Remember, Jesus entered Jerusalem for the purpose to observe Passover.

The season of Lent last for 40 days and ends for us with Palm Sunday and for Roman Catholics on Easter due to their not counting Sundays during the season, the forty days symbolize Israel's sojourn in the wilderness for 40 years or Noah's flood lasting for 40 days or nights or Jesus dealing with temptation for 40 days in the wilderness or all the above.

The word Lent is the anglicized version of the Anglo-Saxon word "Lenchten" meaning lengthen as in the lengthening of days in the spring.

The ashes used for Ash Wednesday are the ashes from the left over palms from the previous year's Palm Sunday. I continue to be amused by a colleague who years ago quipped that it would be far more appropriate for Presbyterians to use the ashes from the previous year's annual reports.

In essence the purpose of Ash Wednesday and the season of Lent are to prepare us for our remembrance of what Jesus has done for us by his journey to the cross and what the empty tomb means for us in our lives and living today. Is a time to spiritually remember where have failed in living our Christian lives, and to be renewed again in the living hope we all share in the resurrection of our Lord and Savior.

It is a spiritual journey that begins with our remembering that "we once were dust..."

*In Christ,
Rev. Ralph*

Ash Wednesday Services

Ash Wednesday has been observed by the Christian Church since about the 4th century. For Presbyterians and Protestants Ash Wednesday was a causality of the Protestant Reformation and only in the last 50 years has been reclaimed by the Reformed as day of penitence and repentance as we begin our journey toward the joy of Easter.

This year, on March 5th, we will have two services: one at 11:00 am and our traditional service at 7:00 pm. I would encourage all to take this time of worship to again refocus our lives on the living Christ – to see honestly where are and who we are and in Christ and who we may yet become.

****Home Communion****

If you have difficulty getting to worship and would like to have the Visitation Pastor or Pastor serve you the Lord's Supper at home, please call Amy in the church office (628-9158).

****Pastor Note Regarding Hospital Visitation: ****

Please keep in mind that with the federal laws that went into force a number of years ago, hospitals are no longer allowed to give out any information in regards to patients to visitors, including clergy. Unless a visitor requests a specific name, the hospital desk is not allowed to give out any information, including religious affiliation.

So, if you or a family member is hospitalized please alert the Pastor, your Deacon, or the church office. Otherwise, we will not be informed of your presence there and unable to assist or offer pastoral care.

The Acts 16:5 Initiative

"We must become the people of God before we can do the work of the people of God." Dr. Stan Ott

Our Session has begun planning for our participation in an exciting initiative – The Acts 16:5 Initiative – that our presbytery's churches have decided to join. Acts 16:5 is an initiative that seeks to lead congregations and denominational regions into a fruitful future.

At our Session's annual training event we considered where the Lord is calling us and we might strengthen our ongoing mission and ministries and build upon the solid base of fellowship that we are so richly enjoying.

Our conclusion was that one the first areas that we would focus on would be development of small group fellowship and ministries. Our various committees in the months ahead will be focusing on their particular mission and, through the forming of small groups, accomplishing their serving and reaching out in the name and love of Christ. At the same time we would ask that you prayerfully consider where the Lord is calling you and to feel free to share with our Elders the vision that is in your heart.

Our Session is excited by the wonderful ways the Holy Spirit is leading into an exciting future and we invite all to share to the journey.

*Blessings,
Rev. Ralph*

Missional Happens Wherever You Are!

By E. Stanley Ott, Ph.D., president of the Vital Churches Institute

In the missional movement some folk take the position that the concepts of "attraction" and "missional" are opposites. The basic thought is that in our post-modern culture the missional work of the church in bearing witness, showing compassion, and standing for justice is best accomplished where we live and work rather than in the various gatherings of our congregations. The contention is that while churches seek to "attract" people to their various programs and to hear the grace of the gospel, such practices no longer bear the fruit they once did and instead the missional future of the church is through its people as they scatter throughout their communities.

Such an approach actually truncates the full idea behind the missional concept – the *Missio Dei* – the mission of God. The term missional embraces the full work of God that happens when we gather and when we scatter. The "Gathered-Scattered" Attentive is one of the foundational signs of a vital church (see *Twelve Dynamic Shifts for Transforming Your Church* p. 32-34), because in many contexts today people certainly are clearly attracted to congregational events that address some facet of their lives. Yes, we are "sent" to our homes and places of work in a missional lifestyle; and yes, the church is an assembly to which people may be drawn and introduced to faith. Acts 2:42-47 speaks of the practices and passion of the early church. They had no "program" of outreach, yet the magnetic lives of the individual believers and the warmth of their fellowship drew people in so that the text concludes, "And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved." Acts 2:47 NRSV

One way to think about this is the concepts of attraction and diffusion. By attraction, I specifically mean attracting those who are not active in Christian faith or in a Christian church. When a ministry to some people group such as women, men, or youth only involves church members you know, it is not very attractive from a missional viewpoint. However, when such a group is imaginative and willing to try a variety of approaches (which may mean moving some meetings to sites away from the church building), it is amazing how effective it can be. While it is true we live in a rapidly changing culture, it is also true that the way Jesus saw people as harassed and helpless is as true of people today. People will respond to gatherings that understand that.

By diffusion, I mean the way you might watch a drop of food coloring spread throughout a glass of water. When we as believers scatter to our homes and places of employment, we know that Christ who indwells us has something he wants to do through us. Equipping our people to be willing and able to bear witness to their faith, to offer the deed of compassion, and to stand for that which is just in their homes, places of employment, and communities is equipping them to be missional people apart from the gatherings of the church.

Courtesy of The Vital Churches Institute

Choir Notes

As we look forward to Spring, we also know the Chancel Choir and the Bell Choir are preparing music for Lent and Easter. Both choirs will celebrate Palm Sunday with music for that special day! We will also feature a tenor solo by Al Carter and a violin solo by Ann Hogan.

You may notice a few new faces in our choir. We welcome our "Snow Birds," Cindy Weiler and Jim Cosey, back for a few months. We also wish to thank our organist, Fred Hampton, for providing beautiful music every Sunday as well as accompanying the Chancel Choir! Fred puts in many hours of practice every week.

This has been a wonderful year for both choirs! I hope they give you as much joy as I receive for having the privilege of directing them! It is truly a spiritual experience for me!

*Barbara McConnell
Music Director*

Christian Education

As we move toward spring, I hope you will join us on Sunday mornings at 9:00 am for our weekly Adult Education class led by Rev. Ralph. Currently we are studying "The History of the Bible: Who, What, When, Where and Why". Please join us as we continue to explore a wide range of topics, not only about the Bible but, also, about the nature and history of our faith and the Presbyterian Church.

We have decided not to have a Spring Children's Workshop this year. With so few children available, we believe that these resources can be put to use in other ways.

*In Christian Love
Catherine Overkamp and the Christian Education Committee*

Deacons

On February 15th, the Session and Deacons participated in our annual Elder-Deacon Training. We met together for worship and an introduction then broke into two groups. Our Deacon training was led by Rev. Harold who explained the history and role of the Deacon in the Presbyterian Church. We talked about our responsibilities and how best to serve our parishes.

We welcomed three new Deacons: Scott and Barbara Henstrom and Ann Abbott. Scott and Barbara are assigned to East Bloomington and South Gate Parishes and Ann Abbott will take care of West Bloomington. Shirley Fromknecht and I will each cover half of the Green Valley Parish. We are looking forward to getting to know you better and encourage you to call your Deacon if you need some help or have questions.

Contact information for each of the Deacons is below. If you aren't sure which parish you are assigned to, please contact me or one of the Deacons.

Parish	Deacon
Bloomington	Evelyn & Bob Morgan (673-3032)
East Bloomington	Scott & Barbara Henstrom (772-5588)
South Gate	Scott & Barbara Henstrom (772-5588)
West Bloomington	Ann Abbott (628-4894)
Old St. George	Judy Stringham (652-6295)
Dixie Downs	Shirley Fromknecht (628-2381)
Ivins	Anne Patten (733-4307)

Parish	Deacon
Santa Clara	Dottie Malcolmson (673-4472)
Pine Valley	Tineke Ingold (574-3614)
East St. George	Don & Shirley Fennell (628-5002)
Green Valley	Tineke Ingold & Shirley Fromknecht
Red Cliffs	Fred Hampton (627-1221)
Washington	Janice Klein (628-1158)
Hurricane	Jan Hirschi (680-1012)

Please remember that pretty much everything you might need after a hospital or rehab visit is available from the Deacon's Shed. Please contact Bob Morgan if you need to borrow something.

Tineke Ingold

Fellowship

The Robbie Burns Night Celebration was a great success. Over 70 people came to join in the fun. Not everyone was brave enough to try the Haggis, but the shepherd's pie completely disappeared. The pipers' rendition of Amazing Grace was fabulous and the fiddlers even had Rev. Ralph playing the spoons. The Highland fling lessons were great. We hope you had a wonderful evening.

Each member of the Session has a specific area of responsibility in the day-to-day activities of the church as well as their leadership role in the congregation. There are many roles you can play as members of the church when you volunteer to

join the committees chaired by Session members. I have posted descriptions of the various activities of the Session members along with their telephone numbers on the Fellowship bulletin board in Conklin Hall. There is a sign-up sheet if you would like to be contacted by a session member about their committee. You may also copy down the name and phone number of a session member and contact him or her directly about what their committee does. We urge you to share your talents with Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church.

Spring will be here before we know it and it will be time to get out your Easter bonnets. Ash Wednesday is March 5 and Easter is April 20. Look for information about our Easter brunch soon.

Carolyn Jentzer

Mission/Outreach

As noted on page 1, your generosity for this year's Souper Bowl of Caring was overwhelming. Thank you to all who donated food and money to help the hungry in Washington County. We've already set a goal of 200 pounds of food and \$1,000 for next year! As a reminder, we will continue to collect food and cash donations for Dixie Care and Share on the first Sunday of each month.

We have decided to donate this year's Change for Change collection to Habitat for Humanity. Habitat will be doing a women's build this year and we have obtained a stud for the new building. When you donate to Change for Change, please sign the stud. It will be used in the new home and will have both the Good Shepherd name as well as the names of the members of the congregation who have made cash donations.

One of our ongoing projects is serving meals once a month at the Soup Kitchen. Gloria Reynolds is indispensable in leading our team in this activity. Her coleslaw is always a favorite among the recipients of the meals but it comes at a cost – cabbage and the other ingredients are becoming quite expensive. We are asking members of the congregation to donate either cabbage or money to help to reduce this expense. Please see Gloria if you are interested in helping.

Our projects for the remainder of the year will include Bike & Build in July, and the CROP Walk and Operation Christmas Child in November. We'll have more information on these as we get closer to the dates.

Once again, we thank God for allowing us to spread his Word through our works.

Chris Schleiter

Parish Nursing Ministry

Brown Bag Lunch – February 19

On February 19, Mark Heiner, of Heideman-Hughes Mortuary, spoke at our Brown Bag lunch on how to ensure that your final wishes are carried out.

He started with the question, "Would your family know what to do when you die?" He emphasized that decisions are much easier to make and much less stressful when you make them together ahead of time. There are so many questions to answer: do you want a burial or cremation; where do you want the service; do you have plans to be interred; if so, what kind of casket; do you wish to have a viewing; if so, what clothes; who will be your pallbearers and such details as to what music would you choose or what Bible passages would you like read. These are just a few of the many decisions to make. These instructions are made out of love and concern for your loved ones and will help them at a most difficult time.

On a practical note, what is your budget? How much do you want spent? When asked what the average funeral cost, Mark said that at today's prices in St. George a vault package (full body burial) would be around \$4500 and a cremation package around \$2295. Actual cost will depend on the services that you choose. Veterans if honorably discharged may receive free of charge either a bronze plaque, light gray granite or white marble headstone, although there will be a charge for installation.

Your Mortician can provide you with a Planning Guide in which you can write down your instructions as well as a life insurance policy which not only provides for the funding of the funeral but is designed to keep pace with inflation.

On March 26, someone from Dr. Duke's office will speak to us about sun protection and skin care and on April 30, Drs. Leukenga and Whitaker will return to speak on Tinnitus and how it can be treated. We hope you'll bring your lunch and join us for these enlightening programs.

Our semi-annual blood drive will be held on Friday, April 11 in the CE Building. Please see Anne Patten to sign up for a time to give the Gift of Life.

Mitzi Rak & Anne Patten

Prayer Chain

I would ask anyone in the congregation that would like to join in prayers for the ill, people with problems, or those with happy news like a mending body to please contact Louise Routh at 628-7725 or on her cell 229-4733.

All prayers are important.

Louise Routh

Senior Ministries

We hope you were able to join us for our Soup and Bread Fellowship on February 26, when Chris Schleiter talked to us about his experiences working at seven Olympic Games. This program was especially timely with the Olympic Winter Games wrapping up in Sochi on February 23rd.

Our next Soup and Bread Fellowship will be on March 12th when Gloria Reynolds will share her talents for and love of ceramics. Please come and share some great soup and fellowship and learn more about Gloria.

Pebble Mowery

Session News

Session held their regular monthly meeting on February 11, 2014. Here is a synopsis of the actions:

- Karen Kirkland met with Session and will be received into membership on March 2, 2014.
- Approved the wedding of John Beckman and Melissa Contreras for June 7, 2014.
- Set a Called Congregational Meeting for March 2, 2014 after worship for the purpose of appointing a Nominating Committee for 2014.
- After hearing a report of items that have gone missing from the kitchen, Session voted to create a written policy for groups using the kitchen. Instructions and sign out sheets will also be developed.
- There will be no Spring Children's Workshop will be held this year.
- Approved a slight increase in the expenditure to improve the sound system in the sanctuary as well as the purchase of a table for the equipment to be paid from the Thelma Fund.

Ruth Ann Horvath
Clerk of Session

Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers and Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church

We continue to be blessed with a wonderful group of Stephen Ministers. Stephen Ministers provide high-quality, confidential, Christ-centered care and support to people experiencing grief, divorce, cancer, job loss, loneliness, disability, relocation and other life difficulties. All interactions with Stephen Ministers are completely confidential.

We have twelve Stephen Ministers in our congregation, eleven of whom have been assigned care receivers. They are led by Rev. Ralph, Bob McGrath and Anne Patten.

You will notice cards in the pews that allow you to communicate with us. If you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister or if you believe you would benefit from working with a Stephen Minister, you can indicate that by filling out the card and placing it in the offering plate on any Sunday. You may also communicate directly by speaking with Rev. Ralph, Anne Patten or Bob McGrath.

Stewardship

Pledge Update

Thank you so much to all of you who have pledged. Through February 23, we had 44 pledges totaling \$112,122. With a budget of \$211,107 we do have a ways to go. Please be in prayer for how God wants you to support the ministry of this congregation.

March is Per Capita Month for Good Shepherd!

You may have noticed blue envelopes in the pews, in the narthex, and in your box of offering envelopes marked "per capita." Like many Presbyterians, you may have wondered, "Exactly what does per capita do?"

Per capita is an amount of money per member (this year, \$38.61) that our congregation pays to our larger Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). This money is part of the glue that holds Presbyterians together. It is the money that enables us to work

with other Presbyterian churches in our presbytery and across the country. It is also money that allows us to work with other churches to further the mission of Jesus Christ around the world.

How important is per capita? Here are some examples:

- Does our congregation want to benefit from relationships and cooperation with other Presbyterian churches across the country? Your per capita pays for the General Assembly meeting every two years where Presbyterians gather together to worship and discern the mind of Christ for the church.
- Does our congregation want to be involved in mission work throughout the world, sharing the gospel in all parts of the earth? In many places in our world, it is difficult to “do mission” except by working ecumenically with other churches. Your per capita helps to pay for meetings of Presbyterians with people of other Christian churches, allowing us to maintain those ties for mission.
- Do we want to benefit from helpful Presbyterian resources such as the *Book of Order* and *The Book of Confessions*? Your per capita pays for producing these basic resources, including in Spanish, Korean, and Braille.
- Do we want future generations to learn about our congregation’s present work (e.g., anniversary celebrations, membership rolls, session actions)? Your per capita helps to fund the Presbyterian Historical Society – preserving and sharing the Presbyterian experience.
- Do we want pastors who are well prepared to lead our congregations? Your per capita funds the preparation, administration, and grading of standard ordination examinations for seminary students.
- Do we want well-trained leaders for our presbyteries and more? Your per capita pays for annual training events for presbytery executives, stated clerks, and others who help lead our work and mission.

In addition, our per capita pays for the travel expenses of the Moderator and Vice Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) as they make their way across the church to share with and listen to folks like us about the exciting things God is doing in our midst.

We do not believe in being lone rangers in the PC (USA). We need each other as we work together to share the good news of Jesus Christ. As we benefit from the gifts, skills, vision, and ministry of each other in this place, so, too, do we benefit from an even wider array of gifts and ministry of our Presbyterian brothers and sisters across the church. Your per capita pays for the programs, training, and resources that help us work together and discern the mind of Christ for the PC (USA).

Thank you to all of you who have already paid your share of \$38.61. By contributing your portion of per capita, you have freed up dollars in our regular budget for the work of our congregation in this community. If you haven't yet contributed, we hope you will consider doing so.

Quick Stewardship Quote

“To be grateful is to recognize the love of God in everything He has given us – and He has given us everything. Every breath we draw is a gift of His Love, every moment of existence is a grace, for it brings with it immense graces from Him.” Thomas Merton

Amy Craig

Congregation News

Rummage Sale

The Rummage Sale is ON! Join us in the CE Building on March 28th and 29th for some of the best merchandise ever to come out of your garages. You never know what treasures you might uncover. If you have any questions, please contact Evelyn Morgan or Nancy Linden. Thank you for all your support.

Aluminum Can Recycling Program

The aluminum can recycling program has ended. Please do not bring cans to church to recycle but DO recycle your cans. Bins are located all over Washington County. Thanks to all who have supported Presbyterian Women by recycling their aluminum cans.

MARCH 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Dixie Care & Share PW Rummage Collection 8:45 Prayer Service am 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Communion Worship am 11:45 Fellowship am 5:00 Bible Study pm @Clingan's Home	3 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm 1:30 Parish Nursing Ministry Meeting pm	4 9:30 Staff Meeting am 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Egg & I 3:00 Exercise Class pm 3:45 Bell Choir pm	5 Ash Wednesday 11:00 Ash Wednesday am Service 1:00 Stephen Ministry pm Supervision Group Meeting 7:00 Ash Wednesday pm Service	6 11:00 Men's Bible Study @ am Cracker Barrel 3:00 Exercise Class pm 3:45 Chancel Choir pm	7 7:45 Men's Bible Study @ am Bishop's	8
9 Daylight Savings Time Begins Spring AHEAD! 8:45 Prayer Service am 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Worship am 11:45 Fellowship am 11:45 Blood Pressures am Taken 5:00 Bible Study pm @Clingan's Home	10 10:00 CPR/AED Class am \$20 payable at class. Please see Rev. Ralph for info 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	11 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Egg & I 3:00 Exercise Class pm 3:45 Bell Choir pm 5:15 Session Meeting pm	12 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Promenade Bakery 12:00 Soup & Bread Noon Fellowship – Gloria Reynolds on Ceramics	13 11:00 Men's Bible Study @ am Cracker Barrel 3:00 Exercise Class pm 3:45 Chancel Choir pm	14 7:45 Men's Bible Study @ am Bishop's	15
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PLEASE NOTE: This calendar is subject to change. Always check the church website gpspcsg.org for the latest information.

Lectionary Readings for March

Date	Reading 1	Reading 2	Reading 3
Sunday, March 2 Transfiguration of the Lord	Exodus 24:12-18 Psalm 2 or Psalm 99	2 Peter 1:16-21	Matthew 17:1-9
Wednesday, March 5 Ash Wednesday	Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 or Isaiah 58:1-12 Psalm 51:1-17	2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10	Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21
Sunday, March 9 1st Sunday in Lent	Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7 Psalm 32	Romans 5:12-19	Matthew 4:1-11
Sunday, March 16 2nd Sunday in Lent	Genesis 12:1-4a Psalm 121	Romans 4:1-5, 13-17	John 3:1-17 or Matthew 17:1-9
Sunday, March 23 3rd Sunday in Lent	Exodus 17:1-7 Psalm 95	Romans 5:1-11	John 4:5-42
Sunday, March 30 4th Sunday in Lent	1 Samuel 16:1-13 Psalm 23	Ephesians 5:8-14	John 9:1-41

Lectionary Readings for April

Date	Reading 1	Reading 2	Reading 3
Sunday, April 6 5th Sunday in Lent	Ezekiel 37:1-14 Psalm 130	Romans 8:6-11	John 11:1-45
Sunday, April 13 Palm Sunday	<i>Liturgy of the Palms</i> Matthew 21:1-11 Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 <i>Liturgy of the Passion</i> Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31:9-16	Philippians 2:5-11	Matthew 26:14-27:66 or Matthew 27:11-54
Monday, April 14 Monday of Holy Week	Isaiah 42:1-9 Psalm 36:5-11	Hebrews 9:11-15	John 12:1-11
Tuesday, April 15 Tuesday of Holy Week	Isaiah 49:1-7 Psalm 71:1-14	1 Corinthians 1:18-31	John 12:20-36
Wednesday, April 16 Wednesday of Holy Week	Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 70	Hebrews 12:1-3	John 13:21-32
Thursday, April 17 Maundy Thursday	Exodus 12:1-4 [5-10] 11-14 Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19	1 Corinthians 11:23-26	John 13:1-17, 31b-35
Friday, April 18 Good Friday	Isaiah 52:13-53:12 Psalm 22	Hebrews 10:16-25 or Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9	John 18:1-19:42
Saturday, April 19 Easter Vigil <i>A minimum of three Old Testament readings should be chosen. The reading from Exodus 14 should always be used.</i>	Genesis 1:1-2:4a & Psalm 136:1-9, 23-26 Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18, 8:6-18, 9:8-13 & Psalm 46 Genesis 22:1-18 & Psalm 16 Exodus 14:10-31, 15:20-21 & Exodus 15:1b-13, 17-18 Isaiah 55:1-11 & Isaiah 12:2-6 Proverbs 8:1-8, 19-21, 9:4b-6 & Psalm 19 Ezekiel 36:24-28 & Psalm 42 and 43 Ezekiel 37:1-14 & Psalm 143 Zephaniah 3:14-20 & Psalm 98 Romans 6:3-11 & Psalm 114		Matthew 28:1-10
Sunday, April 20 Resurrection of the Lord	Acts 10:34-43 or Jeremiah 31:1-6 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24	Colossians 3:1-4 or Acts 10:34-43	John 20:1-18 or Matthew 28:1-10
Sunday, April 20 Easter Evening	Isaiah 25:6-9 Psalm 114	1 Corinthians 5:6b-8	Luke 24:13-49
Sunday, April 27 2nd Sunday of Easter	Acts 2:14a, 22-32 Psalm 16	1 Peter 1:3-9	John 20:19-31

Regularly Scheduled Activities

Dixie Care & Share – contributions of money & food – 1 st Sunday of each Month			
PW Rummage Collection – at the shed behind the CE Building – 1 st & 3 rd Sunday of each Month			
Shawl Ministry	Monday	1:00 pm to 3:00 pm	Conklin Hall
Exercise with Rev. Ralph	Tuesday	3:00 pm to 3:30 pm	Conklin Hall
	Thursday	3:00 pm to 3:30 pm	Conklin Hall
Co-Ed Bible Study	Sunday	5:00 pm to 6:00 pm	Rev. Ralph's home
Women's Bible Studies	Tuesday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	The Egg & I
	Wednesday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	Paradise Bakery @Promenade Mall
Men's Bible Studies	Thursday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	The Cracker Barrel Restaurant
	Friday	7:45 am to 8:45 am	Bishop's Restaurant
Choir Practices	Tuesday	3:45 pm	Bell Choir
	Thursday	3:45 pm	Chancel Choir



Building Fund Update

As you all know, we have a mortgage payment of \$1,343.51 due each month. The mortgage has a principal of \$184,117 and a 15 year term which means that if it goes for its full term (although we hope to continue our tradition of paying off our mortgages early), we will pay a total of \$241,831.80. We also need to replenish the \$45,000 that was in the fund when we began the project meaning we need to raise almost \$287,000.

Through the February, we had received pledges totaling \$68,826.00 and cash donations of \$21,169.45 for a total of \$89,995.45 or about 31.4% of the way to the \$287,000 goal.

If you have pledged to the building fund, thank you. If you have not yet made a pledge, please prayerfully consider how you can help us to pay off the mortgage early and free funds to be used for additional improvements that we need to make.

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	Cathy Overkamp	703-8257	Christian Ed

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Class of 2015	Don Fennell, Shirley Fennell, Fred Hampton, Jan Hirschi, Janice Klein, Bob Morgan, Evelyn Morgan, Shirley Fromknecht
Class of 2016	Ann Abbott, Barbara Henstrom, Scott Henstrom



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