
First Press

The Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church – Marshfield, WI

FEBRUARY 2012

Dear Friends,

I suppose that it is appropriate in most years that Ash Wednesday occurs in February. For those of us who live in the northern hemisphere, February can be a rather bleak time of the year. By February, the excitement of Advent and Christmas has fallen to the wayside, the flurry of year beginning activities have ceased, and weariness with cold, grey, and snow has set in.

With the development of the renewal of liturgy a few decades ago, Presbyterians started celebrating Ash Wednesday again. When I was growing up, I don't remember that we ever celebrated a worship service on Ash Wednesday, much less received ashes. Such activity was reserved for our Roman Catholic friends, not that we had many in the town of my childhood.

With the publishing of our "new" Book of Common Worship nearly twenty years ago and the supplemental liturgical resources before that, the imposition of ashes became commonplace. Over time I have noticed that more worshipers have chosen to receive the ashes on their foreheads instead of on their hands. We seem more comfortable with the ritual of wearing the ashes where other people can see them.

Even so, Ash Wednesday can be such a melancholy ritual. The words that accompany the ashes, "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return," remain, for me, glum. The words remind us that we are finite and that we have limits. Someday, we realize, we will cease to exist in the body we have inhabited for years. Perhaps such words bring introspection: what have we accomplished, and what shall we accomplish in the time that remains to us?

In the midst of that introspection I hope that we can also realize that we are not alone. The deeds, the thoughts, and the emotions of our lives have been embraced by others in their lives. We are not special because we have done what we have done or thought or felt; we are special because we have been embraced in love and grace by God through Christ. That love enables us to embrace others. We have been claimed by that which is not finite and limited.

Through that love and grace we have hope. We return to the dust but our Creator has already claimed us forever. We are not God but we can touch on God's love and mercy in order to share it beyond our limits and finitude. Because we are not alone, our words and deeds have influence beyond the limits of our lives.

Though we may still be in the midst of winter, Ash Wednesday reminds us that the year is not ended and the seasons will continue. What we begin in the winter ends in the renewal of life in the spring. Life is a gift from God and a precious one at that; we return to dust so let us share the love and mercy of God while we can.

Yours in Christ's love,
Kevin

MARSHFIELD AREA EMPTY BOWLS

Soup or Socks presents the first annual Marshfield Area Empty Bowls event!

When: February 18, 2012 from 11:00 – 1:00

Where: UW Wood County: Cafeteria, entrance off the east parking lot

What: Hand crafted bowls donated by local artists.

Soups donated by local restaurants.

Over 30 raffle prizes donated by area businesses (includes a football signed by the 2011-2012 Packer team and donated by the Packer franchise).

Lunch admission of \$10 includes a bowl of your choosing, and a soup lunch. Age 4 and under are free.

The empty bowl will not be used for the meal but will be taken home to serve as a continuous reminder of the many people in the world whose bowl is regularly empty. Hunger exists in Marshfield, Wood County, WI and beyond.

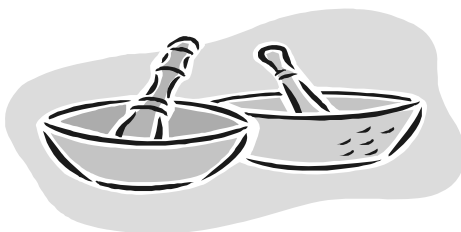
100% of the money raised from our Empty Bowls event will go to Soup or Socks.

Local artisans, students from five (5) central WI school districts, girl scout groups, and others have been busy creating over 500 bowls for this event. FPC is one of the supporters of the event through its donations for clay and glazing compounds provided to the schools to make their participation possible.

The brainchild of artists John Hartom and Lisa Blackburn, Empty Bowls had its beginnings in a single classroom; the project uses ceramic and other arts to fight hunger across this country, and in at least 14 other countries.

Events vary between locations because they are independently organized, but each event shares the Empty Bowls name and mission. At each event potters and other artisans donate handcrafted bowls. Guests select one of the bowls and are served a simple meal of soup and bread/crackers. The money raised is donated to organizations fighting hunger locally and globally.

Go to www.emptybowls.com for information on Empty Bowls including our local Marshfield event.



Silent Auction 2012

Now is the time...the bidding has just started...rush to FPC and check out the 9th Annual Silent Auction display. Bids will be accepted through 9:25 am on Sunday, February 19, when the final bell will ring, ending the bidding process. The deacons would like the top bidders to settle their financial obligation(s) and to take all purchased items home on Sunday, February 19 after lunch.

FPC WILL HOST AN OPEN HOUSE FEBRUARY 12

Pastor Kevin Buchanan suggested that the Membership Committee host a community open house so that people could visit, ask questions and get acquainted with our worship service, programs, and facility. An invitation will be placed in the "community news" section of the Marshfield News Herald. Following worship everyone can attend the Second Sunday Breads fellowship time. Nursery care is available. Please invite a neighbor, friend, or co-worker!

MARSHFIELD CULTURAL FAIR
FEBRUARY 25, 2012 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
UW-Marshfield/Wood County
2000 W. Fifth St. Marshfield
715-389-6521 for general information
FREE ADMISSION

Nearly nine years ago, a group formed whose purpose was to promote community harmony and respect of diversity through education, advocacy, and celebration. The early vision statement of what became Marshfield Justice reads:

The Marshfield Area will share a sense of pride in being recognized as a safe, respectful, peaceful, and intentionally welcoming environment for all people.

(As I reread this after so many years, I'm struck with how closely that vision matches our own mission statement: a safe, respectful, peaceful and intentionally welcoming environment for all people.)

That early idea bloomed into an annual event at the UW Marshfield/Wood County that is wonderfully amazing. Ethnic food, music, and dance celebrate our connectedness with the world. The smells and tastes and sounds of the festival are found nowhere else! (Although you have probably experienced some of these foods at our church potlucks: Jimmy and Joy's Jamaican food, Meda's Norwegian food, and Carmen and Milca's Mexican food have found their way to the fair.)

First Presbyterian members have been active in this social justice activity since its inception, and continue to add energy to the fair. As in the past, we will have a booth that displays our members' international involvement. *If you are one who has been involved, and are willing to share photos of that activity that we could incorporate into our display, please let us know.*

We will sell Fair Trade coffees and teas, giving us an opportunity to explain to fair goers what Fair Trade means and how it impacts the world.

WE NEED HELPERS to tend tables in two hour shifts!!!
It's easy and it's fun!

If you would like to be involved with helping with our booth, please contact either Harriet or me.

- Harriet at our church office: 715-384-2484
- Lyn Zais: 715-384-8748 lzais425@gmail.com

I encourage you to explore the Cultural Fair's excellent website at <http://www.marshfieldculturalfair.com/>

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

Thanks to all who made the Giving Tree a success this year. Through your generosity we were able to provide eight individuals Christmas gifts from the Angel Tree. Tiny Tigers received \$100 for chair covers and \$230 for Tiny Tiger scholarships. In addition, I filled my car with cleaning products, paper products, gifts, and snacks which were delivered to Tiny Tiger. Heifer received \$310 for their projects.

Thank you again for your generosity.

Karen Mitchell, Outreach

QUILTS FOR THE RAINY SEASON

Quilts for the Rainy Season is in need of more used sheets to be used as back for the quilts. The sheets can be any size, or color, fitted or straight. Please bring them to the church by mid-February so I can ship them to Honduras. Christ the King Church in Little Rock, AR has offered room in their container. The quilts will be given to shut-ins and needy families in the Trujillo, Honduras area. The quilts are made by local women who are given a fair wage for their work. The money they receive helps to send their children to school.

- Karen Mitchell

CE News

Where did 2011 go?? When growing up, I was told that the older I get time would start flying by, and all those little ladies who told me that were exactly correct. New Year's resolutions have been made and many are broken by now. Did any of you consider the resolution of becoming more actively involved with the children of the church? They are the future of the church as well as the world at large. Only with guidance of loving adults who are willing to be Sunday school teachers, mentors, to work with them in other capacities, can these children grow in their faith in Jesus and in their faith in humankind.

With the New Year comes planning for the summer as well. We will be having the annual Rummage Sale in June and once again will be offering Vacation Bible School the end of July into August. These projects will need the support of many in the church and we certainly hope you will give consideration to joining us to make them a success. As more plans are finalized, we will be putting information in the newsletters, and requests for your assistance will be made. **Please pencil in June 8 and 9 for the Rummage Sale as well as July 30 – August 2 for VBS.**

Plans are in the works to get Wi-Fi access in the education wing of the church. There are a number of projects for youth group, mid-high Sunday school, and the library that will be assisted by having this installed. The Building and Grounds Committee is getting another estimate of cost before the project becomes reality but hopefully the installation will be completed in the next couple months.

The Library Ladies continue to meet weekly to go through more of the items in the library. They have found a number of interesting VHS tapes recently. In addition, they have added books to the children's bags to be used during the church services. Please encourage the children not to color in the books but enjoy looking at the pictures; some of the older children may find Bible stories to read that they will enjoy. These ladies put a lot of thought and consideration into the choices of items being retained in the library. The decision-making process is a difficult one. If you have questions about how the decisions are being made, Harriet has a copy of the guidelines being used that you can obtain from her. Questions about decisions made need to be directed to Nadene Lautenschlager or Pastor Kevin if you would please. Watch for an announcement of another book sale in the spring.

Any and all questions/suggestions about the CE programs - the Library, Sunday school, Youth Groups, Confirmation, Mustard Seeds, and the Nursery - are welcomed. With your input, we can make these programs much more valuable to the children, and to the congregation at large.

Contact: Nadene Lautenschlager at nablaut@hotmail.com or call 384-5217 after 6 p.m.

***FPC'S ANNUAL
MEETING WILL
BE HELD ON
SUNDAY,
FEBRUARY 12
IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING
WORSHIP IN THE
SANCTUARY***

TRANSITIONS

BAPTISMS

Colby David Bredemann
January 22, 2012

DEATHS

Chester Rinehart
Death – December 8, 2011
Memorial Service –
December 15, 2011

Bert Sandok
Father-in-law of Karna Sandok
Death - December 23, 2011

Verna Lueck
Death – December 30, 2011
Memorial Service –
January 7, 2012

Adult Forum

Those in attendance at the Adult Forum “Talk Back” session 1/8/12 had a very good conversation about some of the traditional things we miss in the church service. Pastor Kevin has offered to take the suggestions to the Worship Committee for consideration. It is amazing how our backgrounds growing up were in a number of different faith communities but we are joined together now and like to have some of the same music, method of communion, and parts to the service that we grew up with and had in common. Please consider joining us for the “Talk Back” sessions the second Sunday of the month. Discussions are extremely varied and any questions you have about the service or suggestions of what you would like to see in the service are welcomed.

We will be continuing the review of the Old Testament stories through use of lectures by Professor Amy-Jill Levine over the next number of weeks. Patty Faber has been serving as the facilitator of discussions and these topics have been very thought provoking. It is not a true Bible Study in the usual sense of the term but is a method of taking a different look at some of the stories, the important people of the Bible, and the traditions which were so important to the way the stories were recorded. You are welcome to join us any Sunday you are available. The topics are new each week and Professor Levine many times gives a brief overview of the previous week so you can better understand the lesson of the day.

Adult Forum will be interrupted for the Annual Meeting February 12th as well as the Everybody’s Birthday Party February 19th and will not meet Easter Sunday. We hope to have you join us and share your thoughts and ideas.

Nadene Lautenschlager – Adult Forum Coordinator

PER CAPITA...Do you know that each Presbyterian congregation is required to pay a “per capita” assessment for every member on its rolls? This money is used to support the Presbytery, the regional Synod, and the General Assembly. With a membership of 353, the amount that First Presbyterian Church will need to pay by March 31 is \$10,724.14 and we are asking members to consider giving \$31 per member to help cover this expense. If you can’t give \$31, please consider giving whatever amount that you can.



LECTIONARY FOR FEBRUARY

***Indicates Scriptures that will most likely be preached on.**

February 5

*Isaiah 40:21-31
Psalm 147:1-11, 20c
1 Corinthians 9:16-23
*Mark 1:29-39

February 12

*2 Kings 5:1-14
Psalm 30
1 Corinthians 9:24-27
*Mark 1:40-45

February 19

*2 Kings 2:1-12
Psalm 50:1-6
2 Corinthians 4:3-6
*Mark 9:2-9

February 26

*Genesis 9:8-17
Psalm 25:1-10
1 Peter 3:18-22
*Mark 1:9-15

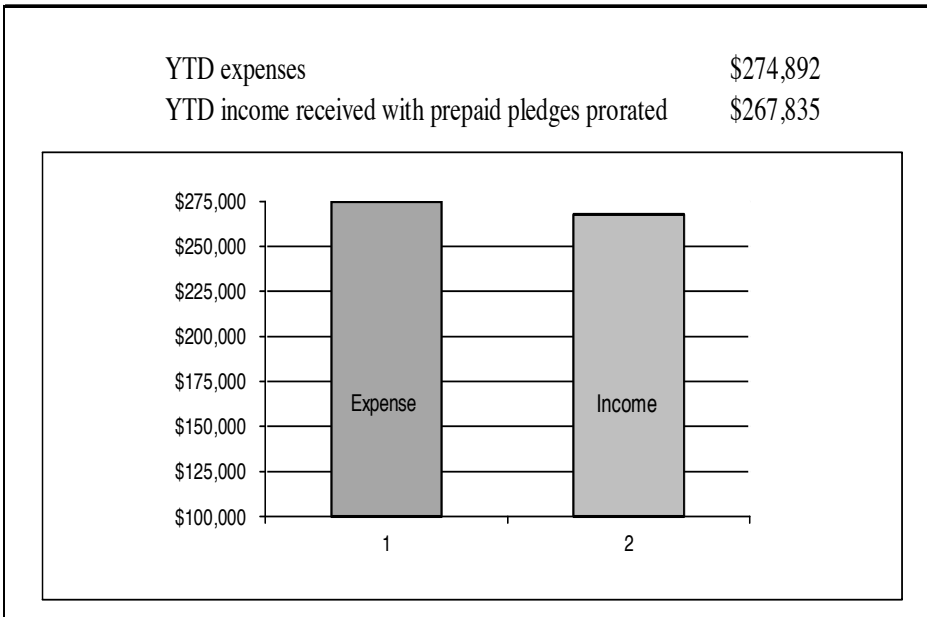


Administrative News

Financial Report

General Fund as of December, 2011

	Dec 2011	Dec 2010	YTD 2011	YTD 2010	YTD Difference
Income	36,143	28,595	267,835	291,318	-23,483
Expenses	30,589	27,391	274,892	213,620	61,272
Income Less Expenses	5,554	1,204	-7,057	77,698	-84,755



Forward Financial Charitable Giving: This year we received \$765.35 from Forward Financial as a donation. Forward Financial will donate ¼% on the average daily balance for the year on anyone’s account who has named First Presbyterian Church as their designated charity.

Per capita: This year the per capita rate is \$30.38 per member. The amount we are asking members to consider contributing is \$31 per member. Envelopes for per capita giving will be available in February. If you wish to contribute before then, please note per capita giving in the memo line of your check.

Financial Report continued on page 7

**Serving Our Church
2011-2012**

✠ Session

- Marilyn Graham, Josh Olson*
- Gayle Strand*
- Don Zais, Clerk of Session*
- Jim Aue, Patty Faber*
- Mary Miech, Carolyn Opitz*
- Bruce Lautenschlager*
- Phil Phillips, Nancy Popp*
- Dot Shields*

✠ Deacons

- Dolores Aue,*
- Clay & Terry Bernick*
- Adele Heller*
- Ron Rank, Janet Singer*
- Janet Crossley, Mary Mabeus*
- Tracy Olson, Chair*
- Kathy Phillips*
- Mary Jo Siebenaler*
- Beth Albee, Jan Clouse*
- Betty Pratt, Beth Walsh*
- Kerri Wichlacz, John Wing*

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 Cornelia Krahn
 Adult Forum Coordinator.....
 Nadene Lautenschlager
 Nursery Attendant.....Therese Brooks
 Business Manager Ellen Leick
 Admin. Secretary.....Harriet Brandt
 Custodian.....Mike Ress

Financial Report Continued

Memorial / Building Fund as of December 2011

Cash and Investments	87,418		
Designated Funds:			
Bldg Items	35,824	Bldg Fund/Parking	20,042
Parish Nurse Program	202	BF Mission	12,798
Music/Worship	1,376	CE Prog./Library	15,603
Youth Programs	701	Audio Tapes	155
H. Scidmore Mem Garden	716		
Line of Credit		0	
Notes Program Loan Payable	168,582.42		
Notes Program Interest Payable	50,459.57		
Building Fund Total Debt	219,041.99		

- Current rates for the Notes are 2.00% for \$10,000 or more and 1.50% for under \$10,000.
- Please call or e-mail me (eleick@frontier.com) if you have any questions or comments ~ Ellen Leick, Business Manager

EVERYBODY’S BIRTHDAY PARTY...FEBRUARY 19

Come one, come all.....to the 2012 Everybody’s Birthday Party! If you are one of the many members or friends of the congregation who have been born, you are welcome to this annual celebration on February 19th, after worship. The Board of Deacons will be hosting this annual event, and it has historically been a good time for everyone. *This year, EBP coincides with some other very famous presidential birthdays, so the theme is patriotic. Come in your best red, white, and blue gear, or as your favorite American icon.* Dessert (cupcakes and ice cream—complete with birthday candles) will be provided, and the rest of the pot luck lunch is up to you. *To keep it somewhat organized, we would ask that people with last names A-M bring a main dish, and people with last names N-Z bring a salad or side dish.* There will be games for children, and photo opportunities for the young (or young at heart). Come celebrate with us, and be a part of the Silent Auction finale, as well.

Tracy Olson
Board of Deacons

**WOOD COUNTY
SCRABBLE
TOURNAMENT**

Thanks to all who participated in the Wood County Scrabble Tournament on January 10. First Presbyterian was well represented with three teams. We raised over \$2,800 for literacy programs that evening and had a good time doing it.

- Karen Mitchell

LENTEN SUPPERS...A

sign-up sheet for sponsoring the light suppers during Lent is on the table outside the office. You can also call the church office at 715.384.2484 or e-mail Harriet at hjbrandt@frontier.com if you are interested in helping out. *Dates still available are February 29, March 21 and March 28.*



TACKLE HUNGER WITH SOUPER BOWL OF CARING!

**OUR COLLECTION WILL TAKE PLACE:
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2012**

WE WILL COLLECT:

FOOD (*jelly, canned or bottled juice, mayonnaise*)

MONETARY DONATIONS

(Please make checks payable to SOS)

OTHER ITEMS:

(paper towels, toilet paper, kleenex)

**SOUPER BOWL OF CARING
IS SPONSORED**

BY

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH'S YOUTH
GROUPS**

CAMP FOREST SPRINGS... OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN... WE ARE PLEASED TO OFFER THESE QUALITY PROGRAMS

Crafting Weekend, March 8-11... Watch your project move forward quickly with the space to spread out, and with focused time. Connect with new and old friends.

REFRESH...a Women's' Retreat...April 13-15... An exhilarating weekend of inspiration, laughter, and encouragement! Guest speaker, Jill Briscoe... Author, speaker, ministry leader. Jill is the author of more than 40 books and is on the teaching staff of Telling the Truth, a worldwide media ministry., These and other involvements take her to every continent teaching and encouraging God's people.

MOTHER...DAUGHTER RETREAT...April 20-22... A weekend to embrace the joy and delight of that special mother or daughter in your life! Guest Speaker, Karen Petkau, Camp Forest Springs... features a special concert by Recording artist Sara Groves.

Brochures with registration forms are available on the table outside the church office. Reservations for any of these can be made on-line at www.campforestsprings.org



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

CONFIRMATION NEWS

Our Confirmation class will attend the FPC Annual Meeting on **Sunday, February 12**, following worship. Students should find and sit with their mentors for this all-church meeting. After the meeting ends, we will head back to our classroom to talk about how Presbyterians run and participate in all-church meetings, and have an introduction to the various committees we have at FPC.

We will have a shortened class on **February 19** (our regular class day) so students may join their families at Everybody's Birthday Party. Our topic this month will be learning more about and using our Bibles.

Families, please mark your calendars for **Wednesday, March 14**, when we will serve the evening Lenten meal for our church family. This is an enjoyable annual project for us. An email for specific food and helping sign-ups will be sent to each family later this month. If you don't receive email, you will also find a sign-up sheet on the wall outside our classroom toward the end of February. Please feel free to contact Deb Murrell (486-1594 or 4murrells@gmail.com) if you have any questions.



Welcome to 2012. I HOPE YOU HAVE A HAPPY YEAR DOING ALL THE THINGS BEING PLANNED BY OUR CHURCH LEADERS. Church membership is an important part of our daily lives and a commitment to that membership does take time and dedication. Like planting a garden plot in the church garden, patience, tender attention to helping the young seedlings grow yields a wonderful result we can all be proud to claim as something we did. Someone dropped a local paper on the floor in the library and I had the opportunity to read some of the opportunities available in the community for my human friends to invest their "free" time in.

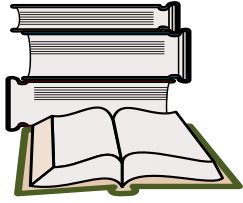
Without a doubt, these activities are worthwhile, but what is more important is giving time, energy, and attention to doing God's work. The commitment to church school teaching, helping in a church project such as the annual rummage sale, or even picking up some trash in the parking lot are just a few ways you all can do God's work. "I can't do that" is something I hear often. I WISH I could do some of those little things. See you next month.

--The Church Mouse

The Youth Groups ended the year with a very successful cookie sale. In less than ten minutes we made \$400 thanks to overwhelming support from church members. This month we are working on a project for The Silent Auction. You'll be surprised by the creativity of this wonderful group of young people. In February we will participate in the Souper Bowl of Caring, and in the Empty Bowls Project. I am very thankful for the help Carmen Lawler provides.

Cornelia Krahn





OPEN BOOK GROUP

**Date: Thursday, February 16, 2012,
9:00 a.m. refreshments, 9:30 a.m. discussion**
**Hostess: Janet Wolfe, Wyndham Villas,
1309 N. Hinman Ave., Apt. 404**
**From Peach, turn east on Kalsched, right into
Wyndham Villas, last building
715-486-9307**
Facilitator: Janet Wolfe
Books: Two by J. Phillip Newell

"The Book of Creation: An Introduction to Celtic Spirituality," Paulist, 1999

"In the Celtic tradition, God is understood as speaking through two books:

the Bible and creation. Influenced by the wisdom tradition of the Old Testament and the mysticism of John's Gospel, Celtic spirituality sees creation not simply as a gift, but as a self-giving of God whose image is to be found deep within all living things. Sin may obscure God's living presence, but never erases it. The divine voice can be heard speaking through all created things.

"For centuries, the view that the world is alienated from God has damaged our understanding of creation, but today, as more people are recovering their Celtic heritage, we are again learning to reverence creation as the dwelling place of God. The book guides us through the seven days of creation as recorded in Genesis and introduces us to a very practical Celtic spirituality which will open our eyes to the presence of God all around us."

"One Foot in Eden: A Celtic View of the Stages of Life," Paulist, 1999

"This book is a prayerful reflection on the stages of human life as seen through a Celtic prism. We are invited to consider the invitation of birth, the innocence of childhood, the commitment of life's middle years, the wisdom of old age and death as a return to the source of life. In every phase of the human journey, we can affirm the goodness of life and the sense of awe that humans can discover in the act of living. 'The purpose of the book,'

writes Newell, is the 'Celtic belief that grace is given by God to liberate the goodness that has been planted at the heart of life. Grace is opposed to what is false in us but not to what is most deeply natural.'"

J. Phillip Newell is a minister in the Church of Scotland. He has served as warden of the Iona Community, as director of spirituality for the Anglican diocese of Portsmouth, and is now companion theologian for the American Spirituality Center of Casa del Sol at the Presbyterian conference center, Ghost Ranch, in the high desert of northern New Mexico.

These two books are available in limited quantities on Amazon. Neither is long; this is the reason that we selected both of them. Retail \$8.95 each
 -Janet Wolfe

PARISH NURSE NEWS AND NOTES

by Carolyn Opitz, R.N.

Many (most?) of the elderly prefer to stay home. There is no dearer place on earth than home.

As health declines, seniors find themselves increasingly confined to home. Although they may wish to be more active, being at home is definitely preferable to a move to an assisted care center or some similar facility.

Yet, for the children and other caregivers, home may seem to be less and less of an option.

The obvious answer is to bring in outside help. But many senior couples will argue that they don't need outside help. This mantra will persist in spite of the obvious. They do, in fact, need help but are unwilling, for a number of reasons, to acknowledge it.

When working with the "children" of elderly parents, it might be gently suggested that any assistance they are suggesting would be a big help to them, the children. If elderly parents can come to understand that by accepting in-home care, they can also have the satisfaction that they are relieving a burden their children are carrying.

By working creatively with the elderly, we can help them realize their goal to stay in their own home, in familiar surroundings, and maintain at the same time some level of normal living.

LIBRARY WISH LIST

- (approximately) 5' X 5' soft child's rug
- Child's big pillows or beanbag chairs
- Two-sided book cart with casters
- Child friendly quilt hanging

If you wish to donate any of these items to the library, please contact Meda Heywood at 715.384.46081 Kristi Huebschen at 715.389.2458 or Harriet at 715.384.2484.



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Bob Aue
Madyson Metcalfe
- 3 Eleanore Nikolai
- 6 Janet Stewart
- 7 Colin Webster
- 8 Carter Chojnacki
Jill Faciszewski
Emily Nordin
Sara Nordin
- 9 James Burt
Kimora Twumasi
- 10 Kathryn Nelson
- 11 Walker Guzowski
Zayne Holroyd
- 12 Mike Grant
David Keel
- 13 Nicole Winch
- 14 Toney Bookhart
- 15 Terry Bernick
Nick Stamas
- 17 Daniel Belongia
Riley Daniel
- 19 Barb Gillespie
Arthur Hokenson
Celeste Jackson
- 20 Kristine Gellerman
- 21 Mike Eberl
Erin Grant
Robynn Lustig
- 23 Susan Mitchell
Alexis Straughan
- 24 Kelly Bredemann
- 25 Cameron Woolworth
- 26 Bob Heck
Duane Helgerson
Paris Miller
Lucas Paulman
- 28 Jayden Kelsey
Deborah Kennedy

REMEMBERING OUR SHUTINS AND HOMEBOUND FOR VALENTINES DAY

Astor Center – 305 S Chestnut
Marshfield 54449
Earl Nelson #223

John Lueck
8951 E 29th St
Marshfield 54449

Helen Wolfe – Bethel
8014 Bethel Rd
Arpin 54410

Delores Madler
207 E 21st St
Marshfield 54449

Norma White – Bethel
8014 Bethel Rd
Arpin 54410

Don & Betty Mueller
1231 E 6th St
Marshfield 54449

Park Apartments 606 S Walnut
Marshfield 54449
Ruth Hefko #501
Evelyn Smith #217

Bill & Lois Myers
1704 Woodsvie Dr
Marshfield 54449

Three Oaks – 209 Wilderness View Dr
Marshfield 54449
Elsie Bluhm #E166
Jim Heersma
Margaret Lenz #101

Stoney River – 1204 W McMillan St
Marshfield 54449
Muriel Mickel #33
Lucille Kalsched

House of the Dove
Alice Guttman

Home Bound

Bonnie Babler
1706 Woodsvie Dr
Marshfield 54449

Marjorie Halle
709 S Pine Ave
Marshfield 54449

Art & Audrey Hokenson
11143 Hwy 10
Marshfield 54449

John & Pat Keel
1419 S Felker Ave
Marshfield 54449



YOUNG AT HEART VALENTINE SOCIAL

Please join us for
an afternoon of
good company,
conversation and
valentine treats.

Tuesday,
February 14, 2012
FPC Fellowship
Hall
2:00 P.M.



First  Press**First Presbyterian Church**

200 S Lincoln Avenue

Marshfield, WI 54449

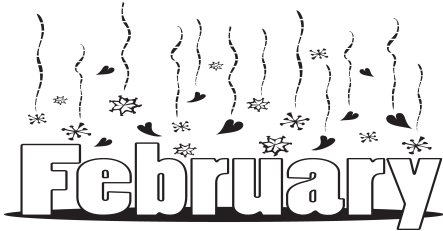
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**Our Mission**

“First Presbyterian Church, Marshfield, Wisconsin, seeks to welcome all to join us on our journey of faith, denying no one, based upon his or her particular human condition, participation in the life of the church. We want to be a safe place, a sanctuary where people are accepted, included, and cared for as they are. We will be agents of God’s transforming power, aligning ourselves with the Holy Spirit as we pray, worship, learn, share fellowship and serve together. By attending to the love of Jesus Christ in our midst, we discover a deepening faith that makes a difference in our lives. As a community based on God’s love, we strive to be of service to our neighbors and to the world.”

Children's Ministry Update



2/5	Joshua Leads the Israelites in Defeating Jericho/ Jesus Performs His First Miracle in Cana
2/12	Elijah Defeats the Prophets of Baal /Jesus Talks to Samaritan Woman in Sychar
2/19	Everybody's Birthday Party/No SS
2/26	Three Friends Survive a Fiery Furnance/ Three Friends Survive a Fiery Furnance

Merci ☞ Thank You ☞ Gracias

A special THANK YOU to:

Linda Lang
Kristin Gerndt
Danielle Brooks
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Valerie Kelsey

April Daul
Christy Rens
Josh Olson
Cathy Schneider

We wouldn't be able to have Sunday School without your dedication and time! Thank you!

HELP WANTED

Be an ACTIVE part of Children's Ministry at FPC! We are always looking for teachers for our kindergarten thru 2nd grade and also for our 3rd thru 5th grade classes. If you are interested but still a little nervous about it, come and see what we are all about.

We are in need of teachers for February and March!!!!!! If you are able to teach, please let Denise know!



February

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
			1 9:00 M/M Class 12:00 Bible Study 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Chancel Choir 7:00 MHYG	2 7:00 Deacons Mtg	3	4 2:00 Oscar Soler and Rosalie Gilbert Recital
5 9:30 Worship/Comm 10:30 Fellowship 10:45 SS/AF 1:30 Palm Sunday Choir Practice SILENT AUCTION SOUPER BOWL OF CARING	6 3-9 Suzuki Lessons 5:30 M/M Class	7 10:00 Staff Mtg 1:00 Membership Cmt Mtg	8 9:00 M/M Class 12:00 Bible Study 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Chancel Choir 7:00 SHYG	9 4-5:30 Youth Basketball 6:30 Pack 381 Boy Scouts	10	11
12 OPEN HOUSE 9:30 Worship 10:30 2 nd Sunday Breads 10:45 SS/Confirmation Class/Annual Meeting 1:30 PS Choir Practice SILENT AUCTION	13 12:30-3:30 SOS 3-9 Suzuki Lessons 5:30 M/M Class	14 10:00 Staff Mtg 12:30-3:30 SOS 2:00 "Young at Heart" Valentine Party	15 9:00 M/M Class 12:00 Bible Study 12:30-3:30 SOS 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Chancel Choir 7:00 Joint Youth Group	16 9:00 Open Book Group @ Janet Wolfe's 12:30-3:30 SOS EVERYBODY'S BIRTHDAY PARTY SET-UP	17 12:30-3:30 SOS EVERYBODY'S BIRTHDAY PARTY SET-UP	18 SOS Empty Bowls Fundraiser 11:00 – 1:00 UWWC Campus EVERYBODY'S BIRTHDAY PARTY SET-UP
19 Silent Auction Ends 9:30 Worship 10:45 Confirmation Class 11:00 Everybody's Birthday Party 1:30 PS Choir Practice	20 3-9 Suzuki Lessons 5:30 M/M Class 5:30 B/G Cmt Mtg 6:00 Green Team Cmt Mtg	21 10:00 Staff Mtg 1:00 Outreach Cmt Mtg 6:00 CE Cmt Mtg	22 9:00 M/M Class 12:00 Bible Study 6:00 Handbells 6:30 Worship 7:00 Chancel Choir	23	24	25 8:00-12:00 Boy Scout Pinewood Derby 8:00-3:00 Wisconsin Federation of Music Competition
26 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship 10:45 SS/AF 10:45 Adult Information 1:30 PS Choir Practice	27 3-9 Suzuki Lessons 5:30 M/M Class	28 10:00 Staff Mtg 6:30 Session Mtg	29 9:00 M/M Class 12:00 Bible Study 5:00 Lenten Supper 6:00 Lenten Study 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Chancel Choir 7:00 Joint Youth Group			

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