

CARE & PRAYER LIST: (Red indicates new prayer for this week.)

- Doris Laughlin (Church friend), is now half way through her chemotherapy. Please pray for her strength as she continues therapy & for a successful outcome. Praise God for the support of her sons who have been staying overnight with Frank & Doris. Bless them & strengthen them in their caregiving;
- **Sympathies to the Family of William VanWinkle (former member), age 40, who passed away unexpectedly 2/16; funeral was 2/25;**
- Sympathies to the family of Courtney (Don Crawford's nephew's partner) who died after being hit by a train on Jan. 22;
- Sympathies to the Family of Roy Flowers (Nursery Attendant, Linda Flowers' Father), age 90, passed 1/31; Funeral service 2/5;
- Sympathies to the Family of Peg Brock (Tabitha & Julie Boggs' Grandmother / Jim's Mother-in-law), age 80, passed 1/29; funeral 2/3;

Church Family & Friends with Cancer

- Janice Hammond (Betty Gieseck's Sister-In-Law), breast cancer;
- Darlie Hart (Dick Lord's Sister) breast cancer;
- Jane Wildman (Wildman's grandmother) lung cancer;
- Gordon Woodring (Sarah Wolfe's friend) kidney cancer;

Church & Family Members at Home/Care Centers

- Connie & Victor DeRose, Howard Efaw, Faye Hammond, Claudia Johnston, Anne Nixon

Remaining FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

27 Billie Ritchey

MARCH BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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| 1 Victor DeRose, Pat Morrison | 11 Beth Vanko |
| 10 Chris Crawford, Richard Gualtieri | 14 Beverly Hammond |
| 13 Alaina Dixon, Delores Spaulding | 23 Joyce Mathews |
| 18 Mike Bowlby, Ava Wandersleben | 29 Brian & Genie Dixon |
| 27 Catherine Baird, Brian Ladd | 31 Betty Gieseck |
| 30 Brian Dixon | |

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
Tuesday, Feb. 28, 5:30 to 7:30 pm**

Suggested Donation: Adults - \$7
(unlimited pancakes & 2 sausages)

Kids under 10 - \$5 (unlimited pancakes & 1 sausage)

FREE refills on coffee & tea! Proceeds go to the Choir Fund.



Old First Church News – February 26, 2017

Childcare offered 9:30 – Noon in the Lower Level Nursery.
If you are visiting today, we thank you for your visit and hope you enjoy the “Welcome Packet” provided by our Church Greeter.

Please call the Office or an Elder for any prayer, needs and emergencies. Call the office at 740-927-4796 and leave a message for changes in the weekly prayer list, updates or announcements.
PLEASE NOTE: Assisted Listening Devices are available in the Sanctuary during Worship. If you need instructions, please see the Greeter.

After Worship, please join us upstairs in Fellowship Hall, for coffee & light refreshments!



Weekly Calendar of Events:

- SUNDAY:** Sunday School 9:30 a.m. / Worship at 10:45 a.m.
Confirmation Classes at 9:30 a.m. through Easter 2017
- MONDAY:** Clogging, 7:30-8:30 p.m.
- TUESDAY:** Cub Scout Pack #4021 (2nd & 4th Tuesdays), 6 – 8 p.m.
- WEDS:** Karate Class, 6:30 to 8 p.m. – Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m.
Illumin8 Youth Gathering – Every Other Wednesday, 6 – 8 p.m.
- THURS:** Girl Scout Troop #386, 5:30 – 9:00 p.m. (Every week)

***** SPECIAL CALENDAR DATES *****

- Good News Club February 23 – March 23 (after School)
- Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper – Feb. 28, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
 - Ash Wednesday Service – March 1, 7:00 p.m.
- Lenten Bible Study “Table Talk With Jesus” Begins – March 5, 1 p.m. --(See enclosure for more dates & times)

Giving Totals for Sunday, Feb. 19, 2017

Deacons \$76 Missions \$10 Per Capita \$165 Plate \$2,522
Past Attendance & PLATE Offering - Budget needs \$3,700 weekly
1/29: 53/\$2,705 2/5: 48 /\$4,262.87 2/12: 46/\$3,290 2/19: 48/\$2,522

Rev. Jen is now keeping office hours on Wednesdays. For prayer concerns or special needs, please contact her Wednesday afternoons at the church – 740-927-4796.

Worship for The Lord's Day

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Feb. 26, 2017 Worship, 10:45 a.m.

**indicates that all who are able, please stand Music license CCLI # 405570*

Gathering of God's People

RINGING of the STEEPLE BELL

\WELCOME: We especially welcome visitors who are here today. To all of you who are not regular church attenders, we are eager to tell you about the joy we have in knowing Jesus and in worshiping together as a community!

ANNOUNCEMENTS (*See Old First News Bulletin Insert*)

RITUAL of FRIENDSHIP (*Please sign & pass the black pew pads*)

GREETING and SHARING GOD'S PEACE

PRELUDE: "Interlude in G" *Hermann Schroeder*

CALL TO WORSHIP: *--Psalm 110:1-2, 20-22*

Leader: Praise the LORD, O my soul;
All my inmost being, praise his holy name.

People: **Praise the LORD, O my soul,
And forget not all his benefits.**

Leader: Praise the LORD, you his angels,
You mighty ones who do his bidding,
Who obey his word.

People: **Praise the LORD, all his heavenly hosts,
You his servants who do his will.**

Leader: Praise the LORD, all his works
Everywhere in his dominion.

People: **Praise the LORD, O my soul.**

***HYMN of Praise No. 407: "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"**

***UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION:** *Psalm 51:1-4, 6, 9-11*

Leader: Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.

People: **Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.**

Leader: For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.

People: **Against you, you alone, have I sinned,
and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you are justified in your sentence
and blameless when you pass judgment.**

Leader: You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

People: **Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.**

Leader: Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.

People: **Do not cast me from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON:**

Leader: Hear the good news!

People: **Who is in a position to condemn?
Only Christ, and Christ died for us,
Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us,
Christ prays for us.
Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.
The old life has gone; a new life has begun.**

Leader: Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***GLORIA PATRI/Response #546:** Glory be to the Father, and
to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the
beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Proclamation of God's Word

ESPECIALLY FOR CHILDREN

Tom Kimble

ANTHEM: "For as the Rain and Snow Come Down" *Hal Hayson*

RESPONSIVE READING No. 13, Page 482: *Psalm 46*

SCRIPTURE READING: *2 Samuel 11: 1-13*

SERMON: "Called to Clean-Up" *By The Rev. Dr. Jennifer L. Turick*

***HYMN of RESPONSE No. 271: "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"**

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** *A Brief Statement of Faith*
In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, The love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

RESPONSE to GOD'S WORD

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP (For Morning Offerings)

OFFERTORY: "Blessed Jesu" *Hermann Schroeder*

***DOXOLOGY:** Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

Dear God, we offer you our praise. We offer you our hearts. We offer you our money. We offer you our lives. Thank you for everything you give to us. Amen.

Sharing of JOYS and CONCERNS of the CONGREGATION

PRAYERS of THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Go Out as God's People in the World

***CLOSING HYMN No. 40: "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"**

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE: "Poco Vivace"**

Hermann Schroeder

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For immediate needs, prayer or counsel – call a church elder.



CHURCH STAFF

Minister: The Rev. Dr. Jennifer L. Turick
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