

THE MESSENGER

First Presbyterian Church, Glendale ♦ 155 E. Fountain Ave, Glendale, OH 45246

Rev. Dr. Dan Sandifer-Stech

February 2012

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS:

Ash Wednesday Service

Feb 22 at 7:00 p.m. in the Church House



Anglican Priest and former Dean of Westminster Abby Michael Mayne writes, “Ash Wednesday is a day for honesty, a realistic assessment of the human heart. By tradition it is a day when we assert (unfashionably but rightly) the sinfulness of our nature, and ask God to “create and make in us new and contrite hearts.”

Lenten Soup and Study Series

February 22 – March 21

Liturgical denominations in the Christian Church view the Lenten season as a period of learning with a focus on what it means to be a follower of Christ. In the 40 days between Ash Wednesday and Palm Sunday we place emphasis on knowing and living the faith.

Living into this tradition during Lent this year our Christian Education Committee will host four “Soup and Study” evenings. Beginning Wednesday, February 29 and continuing on Wednesdays through March 21 all are invited to gather in the Church House at 6:00 p.m. for a simple dinner of soup and bread. Following dinner Pastor Dan will lead a Lenten Study called, “Growing in Faith.” The study will conclude each evening at 7:30 p.m. Childcare in the nursery is available for young children (infants to 3 years) and a movie option is available for older children and youth. Cost of each soup meal is \$3.00, no charge for children or youth. Advance sign up for each week attending is requested, and can be made by contacting the church office.



Chili Cook-Off & Variety Show

Saturday, February 25, 6:00 p.m. Church House



Join the fun as we gather to eat some hearty pot luck chili and witness a show of hidden talents—or talents in the making! There is talk of singing, piano, violin and guitar duets, a steel drum solo, and an intergenerational tuba happening! Variety show participants must sign up in advance with our MC extraordinaire, Bob J. and a run through will be held the afternoon of the show.

Everyone attending the evening is asked to sign up in the Church House to bring chili, salad, or dessert. Hot dogs for children and teens will also be provided. The favorite chili will be selected by a quarter in the jar voting process. All proceeds from the favorite chili voting process will be donated to the Valley Interfaith Food and Clothing Shelter.



WORSHIP

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR FEBRUARY							
February 5		February 12		February 19		February 26	
<u>5th Sunday after Epiphany</u>		<u>6th Sunday after Epiphany</u>		<u>Transfiguration of the Lord</u>		<u>1st Sunday in Lent</u>	
OT	Isa. 40:21-31	OT	2 Kings 5:1-14	OT	2 Kings 2:1-12	OT	Gen. 9:8-17
Psalm	147:1-11, 20c	Psalm	30	Psalm	50:1-6	Psalm	25:1-10
Epistle	1 Cor. 9:16-23	Epistle	1 Cor. 9:24-27	Epistle	2 Cor. 4:3-6	Epistle	1 Peter 3:18-22
Gospel	Mark 1:29-39	Gospel	Mark 1:40-45	Gospel	Mark 9:2-9	Gospel	Mark 1:9-15

The next Lord's Supper will be served on February 19.



DEACONS

The Deacons are willing and prepared to help with your prayer requests, errands, transportation, or meals ministry for our members. If you would like a visit from Pastor Dan Sandifer-Stech or one of the deacons, please call the office (771-6195) to make arrangements.



How Do I Become A Member?

If you are interested in becoming a member, or simply have questions about our church or the PC(USA) denomination, please speak with Pastor Dan. Arrangements can be made for new members to meet with our Session, our church governing body, for an informal conversation prior to being received by the congregation in worship.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2011				
	<u>MTD</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>BUDGET</u> (Remaining)
Receipts	\$ 12,333	\$ 21,166	\$ 97,099	\$ 58,163
Expenditures	(\$ 17,929)	(\$ 15,742)	(\$ 98,270)	(\$ 104,238)
(Deficit)	(\$ 5,596)	(\$ 5,423)	\$ 1,170	(\$ 46,075)

MISSION

Pancake Breakfast & Bake Sale

Saturday, January 14 was a day of fun and fellowship shared at First Presbyterian's annual Pancake Breakfast and bake sale

We served breakfast to a total of 141. Over half were guests and members of the community.

Included were some of Glendale's finest: the Glendale Fire Department and Police Department. Also with us was our newly elected mayor of Glendale, Ralph, who along with Barbara helped with the breakfast.

Profit from the breakfast totaled \$418.94

Profit from the bake sale was \$258.00

Total profit \$676.94

All proceeds will go to Valley Interfaith Food and Clothing Center in Lockland and other Mission projects.

Donna L. organized the bake sale with help from Susan G.. Lots of great bakery items were sold with a record baked goods profit.

A special thanks to Mark B. and Zach H. for some great music and help with our flash mob Sing "Proud To Be An American"

Thanks as well to Randy G. for the donation of the coffee, Jane J. for preparation of the biscuits and Donna C. for preparation of the fresh fruit.

Our sincere thanks to all that helped make it work.

Our Pancake Breakfast flyer was posted in the village office, Fifth Third Bank, the Bluebird Bakery, the Train Depot and Museum, and other Glendale businesses. The event had a number of references in the Cincinnati Enquirer (the hometown section), and we were included on their web site. A feature story was included as well in the Tri-County press.

We enjoyed many reports from guests that they enjoyed a great breakfast and a day of fellowship with First Presbyterian Church.



Bake Sale Thank you

Thank you to the seventeen ladies people who supplied goodies for the annual bake sale. We earned \$258 from the sale Saturday and at coffee hour Sunday. It is great to know so many are willing to volunteer and share talents.



A Scene to Remember...



Here is an opportunity to have a framed reproduction of an original painting of First Presbyterian Church, Glendale, painted by Addison Clipson (a member of our church and a resident of Glendale).

The Mission Committee will be selling three versions of this print:

- Print with gold frame & mat—\$40
- Print with walnut frame & mat —\$40
- Print only— \$5

Orders are being taken during Coffee Hour or through the church office.

Valley Interfaith Food & Clothing Center



VIFCC MANNA LIST

These items are needed this month:

- Canned fruit (peaches, pears, pineapple, fruit cocktail, etc.)
- Cereal
- Chicken Noodle Soup
- Personal hygiene items (soap, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, conditioner, etc.)
- Toilet paper

**And don't forget to Band-A-Buck!
The next Food Offering is February 19.**

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

JAM Fund Raiser for Summer Camp

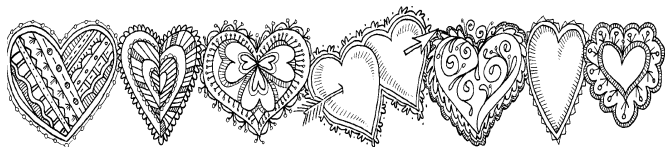


SOUPS UP! Make it a Soup-er Super Bowl Sunday with hot and healthy soup. The JAM Youth Group will be selling a homemade supper of soup and bread to take home for the big game. You can choose between Chicken & Rice or Tomato Vegetable, or order both! A sign up sheet is in the Church House for you to place your order. Then just pick up your supper on Sunday morning after worship, February 5. How easy is that!

Soup will be packaged for sale by the quart (4 cups) with a 1/2 baguette for \$15.00

This is our primary fundraiser this year to support our kids going to a Presbyterian Church Camp in South Carolina, July 18-22.

For more information, contact Leslie M.



Family Freedom Fridays

The next Family Freedom Friday will be February 3 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The cost is \$10 per child or \$30 per family. We are always in need of volunteers to play with the children. If you can help, please contact the church office.

New Village Directory

The C.E. Committee will be publishing a new 2012-2013 version of the Glendale Village Directory. It will be available beginning March 24 at the GHP Pancake breakfast, and in the Church House. The cost is \$10.00.



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Monthly Meeting



We will meet on Monday, February 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the Library. Our study of Women in the Bible will continue with the story of Jochebed and a second famous lady. Their lives are tied together in a very famous Bible story. Curious? Come learn about these ladies and the message for our modern lives. Marybeth L.W. will lead this month's discussion. Each month's study is complete in itself and there is no catching up. Join us!

MEMBERSHIP/FELLOWSHIP

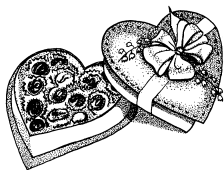
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Arts & Crafts Workshop, which meets on Wednesdays, will take a break during the month of February.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meditative Prayer Group, 7:30 a.m. • Arts & Crafts 1:30-3:30 p.m. 	2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. 	3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Freedom Friday 6:00-9:00 p.m. 	4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jam Youth Group working in the kitchen 1:00 p.m.
5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship 10:30 a.m. • Soup For Sale! 11:30 a.m. 	6	7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mission Committee 7:00 p.m. 	8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meditative Prayer Group, 7:30 a.m. • Arts & Crafts 1:30-3:30 p.m. 	9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. 	10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Session Retreat 6:00-9:30 p.m. 	11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Session Retreat 8 a.m. - 11:45 p.m.
12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship 10:30 a.m. 	13	14 	15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meditative Prayer Group 7:30 a.m. • Arts & Crafts 1:30-3:30 p.m. • HR & A Cmte. 7:00 p.m. 	16 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. 	17 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday *FUN* Night Youth Program 6:30-9:00 p.m. 	18
19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship & Communion 10:30 a.m. • Food Offering • Youth Program 5:00-7:00 p.m. 	20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PW Meeting 6:30 p.m. 	21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M/F Cmte 6:00 p.m. 	22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meditative Prayer Group, 7:30 a.m. • Arts & Crafts 1:30-3:30 p.m. • Ash Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m. 	23 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. 	24	25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chili Cook-Off & Variety Show 6:00 p.m.
26 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship 10:30 a.m. • Session, 7:00 p.m. 	27	28	29 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meditative Prayer Group, 7:30 a.m. • Arts & Crafts 1:30-3:30 p.m. • Lent Soup & Study 6:00 p.m. 			



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Monday & Wednesday

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 Church Office or pastoral visits 2:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

Tuesday & Thursday

Church office 11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
 Church office or pastoral visits 1:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

