

March 1, 2011

Sunday worship schedule: 8:30 A.M. & 10:40 A.M.



From the Minister's desk

It's definitely been an interesting winter and in a lot of ways. I can't remember when it got cold so early and stayed on so long. Even so, in the past couple of days I've seen various shoots poking out of the ground as though to say, "spring is on the way." For those of us who suffer from allergies, this is a mixed blessing. It's great that the cold and snow are coming to an end, but not so great that allergy issues will "kick in."

During the past couple of months, I've been sniffing a lot. Some of it has been allergies, I think, but I have no clue as to what. Then there was the stubborn sinus infection that didn't go away until the \$45.00 pills. Wow! But they worked. Then, onto congestion and more sniffing. Who knows what now? I'll be glad to see things change.

Over the past months, things have changed at church. Our new facility has enabled new things to happen involving a range of people. It is wonderful that we have been able to increase our ability to reach out to the Berea community! Each week provides a new challenge and opportunity. As we move ahead, I hope that you will consider ways in which you might be involved in new and vital ministries.

Ed

Please pray for ...

Ernie Murray
Vickie Simmons
Steve Taulbee
Laura Crawford
Peggy Kelly
Pat Hensley
Ozella Gilbert
Diana Berry
Charles Hughes
Wanda Moreland
Dick Howser
Janie Taulbee
Linda Coyle

Financial Note

Please remember that our operational expenses have increased significantly with the opening of the new building.

Please remember that good stewardship is important.

Note From the Treasurer

Please remember to note on your checks where

you would like your offering to go (Building Fund, General Fund, Capital Campaign).

Dorothy Wagers "Sisters of Spirit"

The DWSOS will meet on Mar. 24th (Thursday), 7:00 pm to watch a movie and plan for the Flower Sale.



CWM

The Rebekah Circle will meet on Tuesday, Mar. 15th at 7:00 pm.

2011 Spring Conference – Apr. 16th, 9:30am, Clarion Hotel, Lexington. Dr. Sharon Watkins, Gen. Minister of the Christian Church (DOC) in the US and Canada, will be the speaker. The fee is \$25.00, see Jackie Perman for more information.

The CWM Rebekah Circle & DWSOS will host a Chili/Soup Dinner and Silent Auction on March 20th after the 10:40 service. All proceeds will go to Outreach Ministry. Please bring NEW or GENTLY used items to donate for the Silent Auction.

April Birthdays

Judy Gilbert	April 2
Pat W. Jr. Wear	April 2
Pat Greathouse	April 3
Steven Gadd	April 4
David Gadd	April 6
Jettie Howser	April 8
Patty Howser	April 10
Diana Berry	April 12
Russell Grandgeorge	April 12
Brooke Harrison	April 13
Allison Harrison	April 15
Janie Taulbee	April 15
Doris Rominger	April 16
Jason Wagers	April 17
Mark Workman	April 17
Madeline McLin	April 18
Steve Robinson	April 18
Anne Chambers	April 19
Elizabeth Walker	April 20
Rachel Peyton	April 21
Jennifer Kelley	April 24
Grace Davidson	April 27
Kyle Sowers	April 28
Jerry Fish	April 28

Wednesday Family Night

Wednesday Family Night continues. On Mar. 2nd & 16th, there will be a "Pot Luck" dinner at 5:30 followed by time for visiting & fellowship in the Fellowship Hall or free time in the basement of the New Building.

Sunday Family Time

On Sundays, the Multi purpose room will be open on Sundays from 2-5:00 pm for **families**. For this to be successful, we need to have an adult willing to unlock the facility; and to lock when everyone has left. Sign up sheet for volunteers is located in the Narthex.

Youth News

Our Red & White Dinner and Dance was a lot of fun for all that attended. We raised \$300.00 with the dinner and \$64.00 for "Week of Compassion" with the sale of Sweets for a Sweetheart.

Thanks to **ALL** who helped bring this evening to such a fun success.

Our "Love Calendar" helped raise \$1,775.06 and awareness for "Week Of Compassion". Thanks to who participated.

The Youth had a very busy month during Feb. with the Red & White Dinner and Dance and tubing at Perfect North Slopes. We had 25 people sliding down the slopes at Perfect North Slopes, while it was a bit warmer than it had been, it was still a lot of fun.

Each Youth group will have a movie night during this month. What movie do you want to see? Let Miss Margaret know.

Spring Children's Program

The Spring Children's program, "Down By the Creek Bank" is set for Mar. 27th, at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. Practices will continue on Wednesdays at 6:00pm and Sundays at 5:00 pm. It is shaping up to be a wonderful program.

Sanctuary Flowers

If you would like to provide flowers in honor or memory of someone, please contact the office. The cost of flowers has increased since we last provided this service. The cost now is \$40.00, you may bring money for flowers to the office or place it in the offering tray **CLEARLY** marked "FLOWERS".

Thank You Note

Thank you for the beautiful flowers you provided in memory of Jan Crase. We appreciate all your kind words & support during Mom's illness. Thanks to Ed & the Griffiths for attending the viewing. It's so nice to have such a caring church family.

Joe, Kim, Laura & Neil Claytor

Dorothy Wagers' Sisters of Spirit would like to take this opportunity to say a **MIGHTY THANK YOU** to the congregation for stocking the new kitchen!!!

We love how church members and friends of the church really opened their wallets and got into the giving spirit! Please pop down to the kitchen to take a look around. Again, we say THANK YOU for joining us in taking on the challenge of equipping our new kitchen! Blessings!

Dorothy Wages Sisters Of the Spirit

Summer Camp

Information on Summer Camp is in the office. If you are interested in attending, please contact Miss Margaret in the office to get an application to attend Summer Camp.

Announcements for Newsletters & Bulletin

Please be aware of the time deadline for announcements to the weekly bulletin and newsletter:

Weekly Bulletin:

Wednesday by 12:00

Monthly Newsletter:

12:00 on the 20th of Each Month

It would also be most helpful if the individual Committee Chairpersons would pass on any Committee announcements to the office. Thank you for your help in these matters.