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It's time to order your Easter Lilies! If you would like to purchase an Easter Lily in honor or memory of a loved one, please fill out our bulletin insert or call the office and let us know. The price is the same as last year \$10.



EASTER

Daylight savings time is Sunday March 11, so don't forget to Spring forward! We may be losing an hour of sleep but we gain sunshine in the evenings!



Time to Spring Ahead

Our Easter Cantata will be on April 1st this year!



PLEASE SAY "M. SHAWL"

If anyone is in need of a prayer shawl please get in touch with Pam Mitchell.

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Sunday Worship

Church School
9:30 a.m.

Worship
10:45 a.m.



LENTEN CALENDAR

Worship Service is from 12:30 to 1:00

March 7th

Speaker: Rev. Greg Godwin
First United Methodist Church

Music: James Harris

Soup: Chicken & Rice

March 14th

Speaker: Rev. Mark Smith
Duff St. United Methodist Church

Music: David Nuzum

Soup: Chili

March 18th

Lenten Happenings
After Church on Sunday

March 21st

Speaker: Bruce Macbeth
Church of Our Saviour/
Clarksburg

First Presbyterian Church/
Weston

Music: Terra Burnett & Jeff Mitchell

Soup: Potato

March 29th

Maundy Thursday Service
7:00 p.m.

Rev John Koerner



Worship Schedule for March

- MARCH 4th: 3rd Sunday in Lent**
SCRIPTURES: Exodus 20:1-17 *John 2:13-22
SERMON TITLE: ðIs Anger a Sin?ö
THEME: Because angry people often do stupid and destructive things, many people consider any show of anger to be sinful. Yet Jesus, the sinless one, got angry and drove the money changers from the temple. Is it possible that in some cases, the failure to get angry could be sinful?
- MARCH 11th: 4th Sunday in Lent**
SCRIPTURES: Numbers 21:4-9 *Ephesians 2:1-10
SERMON TITLE: ðGodø Still Working On Me!ö
THEME: The phrase, ðHe or she is a piece of work,ö is used mostly in a negative sense. This was not always the case. At one time the phrase simply referred to something created or made. Whether it was good or bad a piece of work depended much on the artist. If we are a piece of work created by our world and the forces of evil then that is bad. But if we allow God to recreate us in his image, we become a great masterpiece.
- MARCH 18th: 5th Sunday in Lent**
SCRIPTURES: Jeremiah 31:31-34
SERMON TITLE: ðWe Want to See Jesusö
THEME:Some Greeks come to the disciples and say, We want to see Jesus.ö That is our challenge as Christians. We want to help people not just to hear about Jesus. We want to help them see Jesus.
- MARCH 25th: Palm/Passion Sunday**
SCRIPTURES: Psalm 118:1-2; 19-29 *Mark 11:1-10
SERMON TITLE: ðJesus and the Donkeyö
THEME: By riding a donkey, Jesus showed both his humility and that he was the long promised Messiah.
 *Indicates main text for the sermon.

Activities & Meetings for

- PRESBYTERIAN WOMAN ó Monday, at 12:00
 DEACON MEETING ó Tuesday, March 13th at 5:30
 PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING ó Tuesday, March 20th at 5:00
 SESSION MEETING ó Tuesday, March 20th at 5:30
 CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ó Sunday, March 18th
 WORSHIP & MUSIC ó Sunday, March 18th
 PRAYER GROUP ó Monday Mornings at 10:00
 BIBLE STUDY ó Wednesdays at 6:30



Flowers
in Memory of...

The 2018 Flower Calendar is in place.
Honor or remember your loved one and reserve your date by calling the church office.

Office Hours

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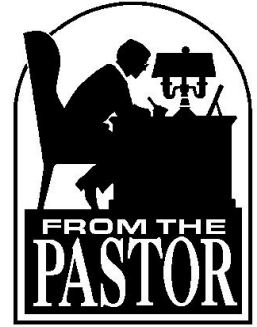
Isabella Keller



Treasurer's Report

NET CASH FLOW - JAN	2017	2018
INCOME	\$11,315	\$37,139
EXPENSES	\$14,829	\$16,064
NET INCOME	-\$3,514	\$21,075

Pastor John's Jottings . . .



Have you ever been through computer hell? A couple of week ago my computer crashed. After a long conversation on the phone with Dell, it was decided that the computer was not just kind of dead, it was completely dead.

It was under warranty, but I would have to send the computer back to the company for a new hard drive. And öOh by the way,ö I would lose all the information that was on the hard drive. Terrible news! I could feel my stomach drop. I had everything on my computer from bulletin formats, special services, past sermons, and personal writings. Some of it I could recreate, but much would just be lost.

Then I remembered that I had an external back up disk. That was good. Most of the information I needed was on the back up disk. It had been six months since I did a back up, but that wasn't too bad. Then, a couple of days later, the external hard drive failed. It too was under warranty, so it would be replaced no charge. However, all my data would be lost. This was not good. It was definitely not good!

Fortunately, I discovered that Microsoft was saving my information automatically to öthe cloud.ö What good news that was! It wasn't even something I remember setting up. It was just there for me by grace!

I would have to send my computer back twice before it was fixed. But I was able to keep on operating with my laptop without much difficulty. My computer is now back up, all the programs and memory is restored. Yay!

The whole experience reminded me of God's grace. When we couldn't save ourselves, Jesus stepped in and did it for us. It was not something we earned or deserved. It was pure grace.

As we come into Spring again, and all around us the grass and trees are coming back to life, we remember and give thanks for God's grace and new life in Christ.

Hope and Confidence,

Pastor John

Wednesday Night Bible Class

Join us on Wednesday nights with Pastor John. We gather at 6 for social time, with a lesson beginning at 6:30. Currently we are studying the book of Mark.



McClelland-Parlor Class invites you to attend Sunday School Class taught by Wayne Northey on Sunday mornings at 9:30. We spend a little time in fellowship with the lesson starting at 9:45 and continuing until 10:30. Currently we are studying the synoptic gospels.

Monday Morning Prayer Group

We invite you to join us at 10:00 to a relaxed and friendly meeting to lift up the prayers and praises of our church and our members, their families and friends, our community, and ourselves.

Presbyterian Women

First Presbyterian Church

Session Highlights

Tuesday, February 20, 2018 5:30 p.m.

- Received Doris Holt as a member by letter of transfer from Kirk in the Hill Presbyterian Church of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan.
- Approved communion dates for the year.
- Approved VBS tentative dates June 10-14 or June 17-21
- Approved date for Lenten Happenings - March 18
- Easter Cantata will be April 1
- Approved \$75 advertisement with Kiwanis Radiothon
- Approved offering for sixth Lenten Service to go to Health Access.
- Approved plaster work and painting in sanctuary. Harry Greaver will do the work for \$3,000.
- Elected Connie Leuliette to be commissioner to Presbytery on Feb. 24th.
- We have lost the radio broadcast with Froggy Country 92.7 FM. We are looking into the possibility that FM 104.9 will carry our service live.

Pastor's Report:

January hospital visits: 6 Other significant Pastoral visits: 12

February hospital visits: 5 Other significant Pastoral visits: 21

Funerals: 2-3-18 Lois Nelson (dod 1-28-18) burial in Belle Vernon, PA

Sacrament of Communion: Was celebrated on Jan. 14, deacons report 47 served and on Feb. 4, deacons report 37 served.

Home communion was served in January to 7 people and in Feb. To 10 people with the help of elder Connie Leuliette.

Pastor's Discretionary Fund 2018

MONTH	REQUESTS	COMPLETED	AMT PLEDGED	AMT DISBURSED
January	11	11	\$ 691.03	\$ 691.03
February	8	7	\$ 695.60	\$ 625.60
TOTALS	19	18	\$ 1,386.63	\$ 1,316.63



SCHEDULE OF VOLUNTEERS

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

- March - 4 Kandy Atkinson
- March - 11 Cassie Delawder
- March - 18 Janet Wilson
- March - 25 Terra Burnett



WORSHIP LEADERS

- March - 4 Steve Goff
- March - 11 Jeep Wilson
- March - 18 Pam Mitchell
- March - 25 Dick Ogden

DEACON GREETERS

- March - 4 Karen Nickerson
- March - 11 Ginger Delawder
- March - 18 Dottie Rhinehart
- March - 25 Harriett Northey

ACOLYTES

- March - 4 Bradley Burnett and Anderson Mitchell
- March - 11 Hannah Burnett and Molly Hugus
- March - 18 Bradley Burnett and Anthony Corsini
- March - 25 Hannah Burnett and Gia Corsini



Reredos Flowers

Dates available:

*March 4th, 11th, 18, and 25th
April 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th*



March BIRTHDAYS

- 2 - Nanette Lafferty
- 2 - Kay Devono
- 2 - Radetta McQuaid
- 5 - Jeff Northey
- 7 - Connie Leuliette
- 8 - Hank Lawrence
- 14 - Ralph Graves
- 14 - Sancier Smallwood
- 17 - Rev. Susan McGhee
- 19 - Dakota Sabo
- 21 - Guy Davis
- 21 - Missie Kaul
- 21 - Kim Sabo
- 22 - Mark Alvaro
- 22 - Casey Nuzum
- 23 - Jim McQuaid
- 26 - Barbara Morris
- 26 - Joel Sabo
- 30 - Jane Simmerman



In Special Care Facilities:

- Roberta Davis
- Marj Faris
- Joyce King
- Carrie Waters
- Sara Graham



*IN OUR THOUGHTS
& PRAYERS...*

- ADKINS, Charles
- FOWLER, Angie
- GAINER, Hugh
- HEGER, Suzi
- HOLT, Jack
- HOOD, Robbie
- KING, Buddy & Joyce
- KESLING, Lee
- KUHENS, Eric
- LYNCH, Jeanne
- MCCAMMON, Kyle
- MORGAN, Misty & Todd
- MUMMERT, George
- OLDAKER, Kenneth
- OLDAKER, Wilma
- SHIFFRA, Donna
- SHIFFRA, EVERETT
- SMITH, Donna
- STROMBERG, Rosemary