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January 28, 2019

Number 1

Music Director: Michael Hefner

**Moderator:** Larry Chamberlain

**Elders:** Sharon Amburgey

Natalie Byrd
Roger Byrd
Dave Lombard
Karen Powers
Guy Stone
Marilyn Strong
Cliff Thompson
Karen Thompson

#### **SEE YOU SUNDAYS:**

Adult Sunday School – 9:15 Worship – 10:30 a.m.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Tuesdays- Bible Study 7 PM Wednesdays- Choir practice 6:30 pm Wednesdays- Literacy class 6:30 pm

01/28, 01/30, 02/01 Serving SHALOM
02/03 Boy Scout Sunday; Blanket Sunday
02/06 Esther/Rebekah 1 PM
02/07 Sarah Circle 7 PM
02/10 Middletown Youth Connection
02/17; 02/24 Week of Compassion
02/18 Elders Mtg. 7 PM
02/24 Souper Bowl Cook-Off
02/25 Board Mtg. 7 PM



February 3 Rev. Louis Vetri
February 10 Cliff Thompson
February 17 Dr. David Lombard
February 24 Rev. Sue Glaab

#### **ELDER'S MOMENT**

Elders have been active in assisting those pastors who have helped to provide a message during Sunday service in the absence of a settled pastor for our church. Thus, in addition to serving at the communion table, Elders have handled the announcements, Invitation to Discipleship and Pastoral prayer as needed. Elders have also assisted the New Beginnings Committee in identifying candidates to serve as trainers for the upcoming House Meetings to be held in February.

As always, Elders have continued to provide communion and twice monthly visits to our special needs members. Prayers were given to members who recently underwent medical procedures as requested. Elders were able to enjoy a Christmas holiday gathering and meeting at the home of Dorice Perkins in December and were able to welcome new Elders Natalie Byrd and Karen Thompson to the rotation of visits and service at the Table beginning in January.

#### **STATISTICS:**

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| Attendance Offering |            |            |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 01/27/19            | 36         | \$3,566.52 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 01/20/19            | No Service |            |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 01/13/19            | No Service | !          |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 01/06/19            | 47         | \$2,242.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12/30/18            | 44         | \$447.00   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12/23/18            | 48         | \$1,860.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Coins for Cam       | n De       | - \$6.00   |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Coins for Camp Dec. -\$6.00

Single for the Sign - \$5.00

Christmas - \$240.00

Blanket Sunday \$5.00



#### Prayer List:

**Health:** Ellie Belcher, Becky Brondt, Barbara Gray, Sharon Smith, Larry Steele

**Special Needs:** Edna Bartlett, Jean Greathouse, Helen Hall, Janet O'Neal.

**Others:** Caregivers, children and teachers, the homeless, heroin epidemic, racism, and all human rights, our Country, war, violence, our church, our congregation and our church leaders.

#### THANK YOU

I would like to say thank you to those involved in making sure I receive a large print copy of the Chalice Communicator. I look forward to receiving the Church newsletter each month and the new format makes it much easier to read and keep up with everything.

Sincerely, Jean Greathouse

#### THANK YOU

The Worship Committee would like to acknowledge and thank both Dorice Perkins and Guy Stone for purchasing the new beautiful banners that are here in the Sanctuary. Thank you.

#### **OUTREACH**

In February, we will resume our monthly donations to the Salvation Army food pantry. Any nonperishable food item is welcome and our suggested items include soups and/or peanut butter or jelly.

Outreach has been focusing on hosting SHALOM guests this month and are extremely thankful to all who volunteered to help. Our first week began on New Year's Eve and our second week began on January 28<sup>th</sup>. With everyone's help, we fed, helped provide clothing and supervised overnight stays for individuals who would have been without shelter during some extremely challenging weather conditions. The latest count of guests who have been helped this year is 101 and growing. We would like to thank our volunteers who include: Mandy and Aidan McMonigle, Brenda Gulley, Carol and Jerry Hall, Cliff and Karen Thompson, Crystal Watson, Dave and Linda Lombard, Ginger Alley, Judy Lemmert, Karen and Tim Powers, Larry Back, Larry Steele, Libby Benson, Linda Poynter, Marilyn Chamberlain, Matt Lyons, Monica, Tyler and Travis Hendricks, Peggy and Steve Davish, their daughter and grandsons, Jenny, Nick and Chris Holland, Sharon Amburgey and Zola McClish. We also thank our congregation for prayers and always being supportive of all of our Outreach endeavors. It is truly amazing how much we receive when we take time to give a hand up to others.

Sharon Amburgey and Linda Poynter

## SOUPER SUNDAY COOK-OFF FEBRUARY 24<sup>TH</sup>

Get your Crock Pots ready for the 2019 Souper Sunday Cook-Off! The 2019 fierce competition will be held after service on February 24<sup>th</sup>. Please bring in your favorite crockpot soup or chili before service. The church will provide shredded cheese, peanut butter sandwiches, beverages and dessert. Bragging rights will be claimed by the top 3 entries by way of coin voting by placing your change or monetary donation in the jar next to your favorite dish. All proceeds will go to the Coins for Camp Fund. For more info please contact Crystal Watson or Karen Thompson.

# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY CHURCH

Did you know many people meet the church before they ever step foot in it? The first place people checkout a church today, is on the internet! We are looking for a few people who are interested in helping maintain our website and social media feeds (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter.)

Did you ever wonder how we run slides in worship?

We are looking to add multiple people to all of these, as we are stretched a little thin.

If you are interested in any of these opportunities, talk to Connor, or shoot him an email at bobwhiteeagle2012@gmail.com

#### **BIBLE STUDY**

Tuesday night's small group started back on January 22 viewing the movie, The Shack in preparation of our study. We meet on Tuesday nights at 7 PM at the church. All are welcome.

### *SPRING FLING 2019*

There will be a Spring Fling planning meeting Sunday, February 17<sup>th</sup> following the Worship Service. CWF, Worship / Membership and Outreach members are asked to attend. As always anyone interested in providing input is welcome to attend.

Thank-you, Crystal Watson

#### **CWF NEWS**

CWF has been busy the last 2 months with various projects. On December 9th church members and CWF provided refreshments for the reception after the Civic Chorus' Messiah production. Thank you to all who prepared or served at this event. On December 16<sup>th</sup> we met after church for a light lunch and then we worked on fleece blanket throws which will be given to the residents of the Close to Home Assisted Living Facility. On January 24th the members of Sarah Circle met to work on the fleece throws. We will be having a dedication service on February 3<sup>rd</sup> for the blankets and then we will be making a trip to Close to Home to deliver the blankets the week of February 3 – 9. All who participated in making the blankets are invited to go along to deliver them. We will be going at 10:00 in the morning and we will be announcing a date for our trip next Sunday depending on the weather for the week. Thank you to all who participated in this project.

Next Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, is also Blanket Sunday. We will take a separate collection for Blankets which will be sent to Church World Service. Envelopes will be made available next Sunday for this collection.

Also, we would like to have a short CWF General Meeting after church on February 10<sup>th</sup> in the Memorial Room. There are two items of business which need to be discussed. All ladies of the church are invited to join us.

# MIDDLETOWN YOUTH CONNECTION

Middletown Youth Connection will meet on Sunday, February 10th @ 3 pm. at the Gathering. We will explore Valentine's Day from a biblical perspective.



| F            | ebruary                                    | , 2019  | Birthdays  |   |   |
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| Monday       | Tuesday                                    | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday  |
|              | January 29  Judy Andrews  Bible Study 7:00 | 30 Choir Practice 6:30 PM Literacy Class 6:30 pm SHALOM   | 31   | February 1  Allanah Caudill  SHALOM   | 2   |
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| 11           | Bible Study<br>7:00                        | Choir Practice<br>6:30 PM<br>Literacy Class<br>6:30 pm  | 14 Edna Bartlett   | 15  | 16  |
| Nancy Milton | Bible Study<br>7:00                        | 20 Choir Practice 6:30 PM Literacy Class 6:30 pm  | 21   | 22  | 23  |
| 25           | Bible Study<br>7:00                        | Choir Practice 6:30 PM Literacy Class 6:30 pm   | 28   |   |   |
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