
The Bridge Builder

A Monthly Newsletter from Heritage Presbyterian Church

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Love is in the air!

After all this is the month for it. With Valentine's Day falling on Ash Wednesday this year it may be time to reconsider just what kind of love we wish to experience. This may seem a little manipulative considering the fact that of course on a basic level we understand that whatever love we might experience as husband and wife, boyfriend and girlfriend, etc. pales in comparison to the love which God shows us and yet love of and for and even from God can be the tougher way as we enter Lent.

Consider for a moment the lyrics of my favorite Lenten hymn, "What Wondrous Love is This." This hymn speaks of the kind of love which Christ has for us, "what wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dreadful curse for my soul." The Lord who enjoys eternal bliss with the Father and the Holy Spirit, bears the curse of death for us. The song goes on to talk about the crown which Christ lays aside while we are standing beneath God's righteous frown. It may seem a bit harsh and yet God loves us so much that He sends his only son to be with us for our sakes, so that we might learn to be with one another. The desire of God to be with his created order is so strong and embodied in such radical ways by Christ that ruling establishments of empire and organized religion put him to death for it.

I have certainly learned this year that love is and must be disruptive, if it is to be considered love at all. We cannot for a moment experience love from another, including God, that does not in some way change who we are, how we experience the world and how we experience being with one another. So be not afraid to celebrate love this month in all the ways possible and as we move into the Lenten season reflect on the ways God has loved you!

Blessings,

Pastor Brian

Chocolate Extravaganza

February is a month where we recognize and celebrate those we love. Love chocolate? It's time for this year's Chocolate Extravaganza at Heritage Presbyterian Church on Saturday, February 10th from 7-9 p.m. Relax and enjoy chocolate fountains, delectable desserts, good company and wonderful piano music. Get your best chocolate dessert ready for our baking contest, too. Join us at Heritage (2262 Rochester Road, Pittsburgh, 15237). Tickets are \$3 per person or \$5 per pair and can be purchased after the church service or in the church office. Contact the church at 412-366-1338 for information.

Ash Wednesday

It's time to prepare for the time of preparation...Lent, that is. Ash Wednesday is February 14. It will start the 40 days of preparation for the commemoration of Christ's crucifixion and death on Good Friday, culminating in the joyous celebration of His resurrection on Easter morning.

This year Heritage will observe Ash Wednesday with a worship service at 7:30 pm on February 14. There will be the imposition of ashes at this service to remind us of what we really are without God. Please join us in worship on Ash Wednesday and throughout Lent.

Nursery

The volunteers for the nursery have been doing a great job, but we are always in need of more help. Any members of the congregation and high school students who are interested in helping out in the nursery, please email Karen Hayworth. Her email is khaywort@yahoo.ca

Light of Life Mission

*3rd Monday of each month,
February 19, 2018*

Volunteers are needed for hands-on outreach at the Light of Life.

*4:45 - 6:00 pm - Volunteers serve meals and clean tables.

*6:30 pm - Chapel Service - Volunteers needed.

If your gifts include preaching, teaching and sharing the Gospel with others (either in word or song), consider volunteering.

Chocolate Extravaganza Baker or Candy Maker

Are you an excellent baker or candy maker? Or do you just have a special chocolate recipe that everyone loves? Here's your chance to share your talents with other church members, their friends and families. Join us as a contestant at the Chocolate Extravaganza on Saturday Feb 10th. We are hosting the 4th Annual Chocolate Extravaganza Baking Contest. Enter your best chocolate dessert for the Judges' Choice or Peoples' Choice Awards. You can enter for one or both. For the Judge's Choice, a secret panel of 3 chocolatiers will select their favorite based on presentation, taste and use of chocolate. Please provide 3 samples of your item.

For the People's Choice, you are asked to provide a maximum of 40 tasting bites for folks to try and vote for. They are voting for their favorite taste!

The winners will win fabulous prizes (hint: Linda Felkar is donating one of her beautiful flowers), permanent recognition on our Heritage Chocolate Bar and bragging rights for a year!

There is no age limit for entry – if you can make it, you can enter it! The sign up sheet will be in Fellowship Hall, along with specific rules. If you have any additional questions, feel free to call Cyndi McAleer at 412-302-4335. Hope to see you there!

Secret Sisters

Ladies, did you sign up for Secret Sisters yet? If you haven't already, it's not too late! Contact Cyndi McAleer (cyndidmac@gmail.com or 412-302-4335) if you wish to join in this fun way to bless another! You will be matched with another woman, to whom you will send an encouraging note/remembrance in February, March, April & May. At the same time, your Secret Sister will be encouraging you!

Sisters, remember that this is a way to offer encouragement and support to your Secret Sister. Possible ideas include a note, a small devotional like Our Daily Bread, a sweet treat or whatever your imagination can come up with!

We will meet our Secret Sisters during the festivities at the May Tea.

Mission, Service & Outreach
Prayer Ministry



...Please pray for those we know who are ill or have concerns:

Barbara Berger - classmate of Donna Johnston
Betty Jane Burke - cousin of Wayne Dillner
Annette Curtis - neighbor of Johnston's
Evan Dillner - grandson of the Dillner's
Bob & Joan Donaldson - former members
Linda Felkar - member
Jennie Hilliard - Donna Johnston's sister-in-law
Joyce & Pete King - Donna Johnston's sister & brother-in-law
Louise & Jim Martin - Terry Martin's mother-in-law & father-in-law
Eric McAleer - member
Heather McAleer - wife of Eric McAleer
Mike McAleer - member
Tim McAleer - member
Cammy Nichols - daughter of Donna & Bill Johnston
Alan Pettengill - Nancy Pettengill's brother
Chrissy Mills uncle
Alta Pettengill - Nancy Pettengill's mother
Chrissy Mills grandmother
Ron Reibie - former member
Carol Jo Seapker - member
Michael Seapker - son of Carol Jo & Milt Seapker
David P. Shreiner - father of David Shreiner
Mike & Maggie Snyder - former members
Ralph Tissue - brother of Carol Harvey
Elaine Wilson - member
Caroline Wise - member

Contact Terry Martin in the church office at 412-366-1338 or heritagepcusa@verizon.net. Also, if you are willing to prepare and deliver a meal, drive to doctor appointments or grocery shopping, or can babysit, the Deacons have an "at need" individual that they can pair up with you.

PRAYER CHAIN

If you wish to put something on the Prayer Chain, first contact Terry Martin in the office between 8:30 am and 2:30 pm, Monday through Friday 412-366-1338 or at heritagepcusa@verizon.net. If your request is other than the church hours, please contact Donna Johnston at 412-364-3340 or dmj5393@verizon.net. Thank you.



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS	
Hank Cibula	2/3
Tammy George	2/3
Morgan Halyama	2/3
Lex Felkar	2/6
Colleen Brown	2/9
Hank Lawhead	2/14
Katy Joseph	2/18
Margie Barton	2/19
Bob George	2/21
Ben King	2/23
Bobbie Berg	2/24
Tilly Joseph	2/28



FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES	
Sue & Hank Cibula	2/9

Worship Volunteers for February					
Date	Worship Leader	Sound System/ Projection	Coffee Setup/ Cleanup	Nursery (Worship)	Ushers
2/4	Mike McAleer	Winn Dunmyre Quentin Halyama	Lisa King Linda Felkar	Julie Halyama Courtney Young (B) Dolores Boeh	Lex Felkar Winn Dunmyre
2/11	Rick Berg	Jim Cummins Wendy Cibula	Barbara White Bobbie Berg	Carolyn Briggs Karen Hayworth (B) Nancy Wise	Melanie Thomson Maggie Nestor
2/18	Reed Harvey	Bill Johnston Rick Berg	Betty Olson Dolores Boeh	Erika Jani Melanie Thomson (B) Sonny Jani	Sonny Jani Matt Joseph
2/25	Donna Johnston	Alex Dunmyre Grace Cibula	Lisa King Joanne Dunmyre	Joanne Dunmyre Katy Joseph (B) Matt Joseph	Roy & Quentin Halyama

B = Backup for Nursery

Please consider joining our volunteers, contact the following:

Coffee Setup/Cleanup, call Carol Jo Seapker 412-366-8211

Nursery Worker, call Karen Hayworth 412-259-8056

A/V Sound System, call Jim Cummins 412-364-3172

Usher, call Bob Nestor 412-369-9278

Projection Crew Phone Numbers

Rick Berg 724-709-8601
 Dave Briggs 412-364-6225
 Grace Cibula 412-364-7885
 Pam Dierker 412-812-3599
 Morgan Halyama 412-548-3270
 Quentin Halyama 412-548-3270

Sound Team Phone Numbers

Marilyn Bond 724-625-2537
 Jim Cummins 412-364-3172
 Alex Dunmyre 412-367-4771
 Winn Dunmyre 412-367-4771
 Bill Johnston 724-816-0103

Thank you for taking the time to serve!

	Communion Preparation	Communion Servers	February Counters
February 4	Julie Halyama	John & Wendy Cibula Joanne Dunmyre	Reed Harvey Connie Vitale
February 18	Julie Halyama	Jim & Karen Cummins Nancy Pettengill	



Communion Dates

DAY	DATE
Sunday	March 4, 2018
Sunday	March 18, 2018
Thursday, (Maundy Thursday)	March 29, 2018
Sunday	April 15, 2018
Sunday	May 6, 2018
Sunday (Pentecost)	May 20, 2018
Sunday	June 3, 2018
Sunday	June 17, 2018

February CHILDREN'S SERMON SCHEDULE	
DATE	TEACHER
February 4	Ted Griffin
February 11	Pastor Brian
February 18	Cyndi McAleer
February 25	Bobbie Berg

Heritage Calendar of Dates February, 2018						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 7:00 am Men's Breakfast at Bob Evans in Cranberry	3
4 10:00 am Worship Service Communion 11:15 am Sunday School Adult Bible Study	5	6	7 6:00 - 7:45 pm SPIN - Single Parents Information Network 7:15 pm SAF Team Meeting	8 7:00 pm Worship Team Meeting	9 7:00 am Men's Breakfast at Bob Evans in Cranberry	10 7:00-9:00 pm Chocolate Extravaganza
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18 10:00 am Worship Service Communion Congregational Meeting following the service No Sunday School	19 4:45-6:00 pm Light of Life	20	21 6:00 - 7:45 pm SPIN - Single Parents Information Network	22 6:00 pm Session	23 7:00 am Men's Breakfast at Bob Evans in Cranberry	24
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CE=Christian Education
M&E=Mission & Evangelism
MFC=Membership, Fellowship & Care
SAF=Stewardship, Administration, Finance
FH=Fellowship Hall

**SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
AT
HERITAGE**

10:00 am Worship Service

**11:15-11:50 am Sunday School
Adult Bible Study**

HERITAGE CHURCH OFFICERS

ELDERS

<u>Christian Education</u> Melanie Thomson '18	<u>Worship</u> Peter Wildfong '20	<u>Mission & Evangelism</u> Wendy Cibula '19 Jim Cummins '19
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Stewardship
Administration & Finance
Randy Thomson '18

Membership,
Fellowship & Care
Carol Jo Seapker '20

BOARD OF DEACONS

(Class of 2018)

Dolores Boeh
Sara Briggs
Pam Dierker
Chrissy Mills
Nancy Pettengill
Barbara White

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