

The Messenger

February 2017

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

COMMUNION AND COFFEE HOUR

We will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion on Sunday, February 5, during our regular Sunday Worship Service at 10:30 am.



SCOUT SUNDAY



On Sunday, February 5, we will be joined in worship by our Scout Pack and Troop. The young men and their leaders will assist in leading our worship. This is a great service which exemplifies the Scout Oath as they honor God through participating in worshipping Him. They will have a coffee hour afterward and hope you will join them to learn more about their projects and plans for 2017.

VALENTINES FOR VETS



We are collecting Valentines for the residents of the Veterans Administration Hospital. Our veterans truly appreciate the cards and are grateful that someone remembers them and their sacrifices. There is a box in the bell tower for your cards until February 5. Cindy will then take them to the VA for delivery to our veterans.

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From the Pastor's desk

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ! I will say it again. My family and I feel so fortunate to be at Emmanuel UCC in Dorrance! My hope is that you are enjoying me as your new pastor as much as I am enjoying ministering to you.

We have been talking a lot about discipleship the past few weeks. This is a topic I do like to discuss. I also mentioned Dietrich Bonhoeffer in my last "Greetings from the Pastor." If you want to find a great example of discipleship, look him up. Or better yet, read one of his many books on the topic. He truly is a champion of discipleship and one of my favorite faith authors. We will be talking more on the subject of discipleship in weeks to come. Exploring that topic makes all of us a more committed Christian and an overall stronger church.

As a former teacher, my enjoyment comes from being able to facilitate Bible study. During our last consistory meeting I brought up the topic of starting an adult Bible study in the future. I love having everyone's input in the study of scripture, so look forward to this happening in the near future!

I have a few other ideas about all of us growing in Christ and growing our congregation so everyone can share in the banquet offered to us by God and His Son Jesus Christ daily. But I need you! I want your thoughts and opinions about our church, the church we all share together.

In closing, thanks again for choosing me as your minister and all of your hard work that is so evident by the wonderful Christian maturity I have found at Emmanuel United Church of Christ!



Thank You

We received a thank you letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs for the Christmas cards we collected for the veterans residing at the VA Hospital. It is on the bell tower bulletin board.

Tammy Dauber would like to thank the Sunday School families who participated in the advent food boxes to help our food bank. Your generosity will help those in need.

NEWSLETTER INFO DEADLINE

The deadline for information for the March Messenger is Friday, February 24. Please get all information to me before this date.

Thanks, Penny

Our Condolences

We offer our sincere condolences to the Dauber Family on the passing of Jeff's dad, Larry Dauber, on December 23, 2016. We pray that God's love and strength will sustain you in your time of need and sorrow.

CONGREGATIONAL CORNER

The Twilights will meet on Wednesday, February 8, at 12 noon for a covered dish lunch. Bring your favorite dish and spend some time with us. Call Lois Eigenbrod or Mary Eroh for more information.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

CONSISTORY MEETING

The Consistory will meet on Thursday, February 16, at 6:30 pm.

CURRENT OFFICERS AND CONSISTORY MEMBERS

President Deb Dietrich
Vice President Allen Dennis
Secretary Brad Bunnell
Treasurer Jim Rinehimer
Trustees.... Diana Decker & Sandy Kleger

SCOUT SUNDAY

Our Pack 433 Cub Scouts and Troop 434 Boy Scouts will join us for worship on Sunday, February 5. They will be participating in such roles as greeters, readers, ushers and acolytes. After our service, they are hosting a meet and greet in the Fellowship Hall and invite everyone back for refreshments.

Boy Scout Oath

On my honor I will do my best
to do my duty to God and my country
and to obey the Scout Law;
to help other people at all times;
to keep myself physically strong,
mentally awake, and morally straight.

The Cub Scout Promise

I promise to do my best
To do my duty to God and my country,
To help other people, and
To obey the Law of the Pack.

PICTURE PERFECT

Check the front entrance bulletin board for the following pictures:

The Wapwallopen Ministerium Food Bank which is housed here at Emmanuel received a donation from the **Sons of the American Legion**. We are very grateful for all the support from our churches and community groups.

2016 Record of Giving

This is a list compiled by our Financial Secretary, Connie Davis, showing a breakdown of our member's offerings by how much they gave for the year. I hope that you will think about where you want your heart to be and the importance of your church in your life as you review this list. Thank you for believing in Emmanuel and our mission as a community of Christ's followers. Recording Secretary, Penny Smith

Amount Given Last Year	Number of Members Who Gave That Amount
0	18
1.00 to 49.00	40
50.00 to 100.00	5
101.00 to 500.00	20
501.00 to 1000.00	12
1001.00 to 2000.00	18
2001.00 to 3000.00	5
3001.00 to 3500.00	2
Over 10,000.00	1

UPCOMING DATES

Mar. 1 Ash Wednesday

Mar. 12 Daylight Savings Time Begins

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Feb. 5

Greeters: Scouts

Liturgist: Scouts

February 12

Greeters: Diana Decker and Barb DeLuca

Liturgist: Chris Dietrich

Feb. 19

Greeters: Judy Cybulski and Ruth Polashenski

Liturgist: Jim Stewart

Feb. 26

Greeters: Mary Eroh and Lois Eigenbrod

Liturgist: Deb Dietrich

OUR CLEANING VOLUNTEERS

Dave Myers
Jim Rinehimer



1 Ronald Williams	9 Becky Frey	15 Jennis Bunnell
3 Cindy Myers	10 Joshua Rotsi	16 J.P. Jankowski
4 Dave Horensky	10 Olivia Palubinski	16 Brian Myers
4 Donna Walck	11 Taylor Farrell	17 Charles Kania
6 Richie Lenahan	13 Floyd Fenstermacher	18 Brenda Kline
8 Maria Storti	13 Ethan Supkowski	19 Joann Sabonas
9 Morgan Hodle	14 Roy Baker	19 John L. Walck
9 Phillip Aumick	14 Donald Eroh	25 Lisa Rinehimer
9 Bianca Oldershaw	14 Michael Heller	29 Jan Rinehimer
	14 Christopher Peters, Jr.	



February 14, 1988
February 15, 1991

Bob and Rhonda Madigan
Brian and Priscilla Farrell

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