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PRAYER requests

Special Prayers for:

Barbara Peters, Bryan Gibbs, Chelly Wunderlich (surgery for brain tumor) Colleen McSeveny, Chris Domino, Courtney Ditto, Dale Mulvaney, Tim Mulvaney, Dave and Sheila O'Rear, Eileen Elson, Gail Main, Glenna Squilletts, Helen Langdon, Jerry Kennedy (brother of Rita Gibbs), Joan Herrington, Joey Koslowski (9 y.o. relative of Chris Domino undergoing cancer treatment), Kay McCue, Lynne and Matthew, Kim Tutas (friend of the Parys') Mabel Cotter, Mike Smith, Sally McDougall, Walt Couture, Brian Shott, Richard Oakley (brother of Gail Main), to the family of Cody who entered the Church Triumphant.

We continue our prayers for the concerns we hold in our hearts, for the world, our country, and our children.

OUR FATHER
 WHO ART IN
 HEAVEN
HALLOWED BE THY NAME
 THY KINGDOM COME
THY WILL BE DONE, ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN
GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD
 AND FORGIVE US
 OUR DEBTS, AS WE
 FORGIVE OUR
 DEBTORS; AND
 LEAD US NOT INTO
 TEMPTATION
 BUT DELIVER US
 FROM EVIL
 FOR THINE IS THE
 KINGDOM
 AND THE POWER
 AND THE GLORY FOREVER.
 AMEN



February Birthdays

Louis	Goodlow	2/2
Pauline	Jordan	2/5
Helen	Phelps	2/11
Anne	Minch	2/14
Dave	Holt	2/19
Betty	Bennett	2/23
Glen	Keeley	2/25
Sharon	Osmond	2/26
Lila	Dunn	2/29



Date	Leader	Usher Team	Counter Team	Fellowship
2/2	Zinnah Kolliesuah	2	4	Session
2/9	Scott Minch	3	1	Deacons
2/16	Ariel Novak	4	2	PW
2/23	Dave Holt	5	3	Volunteers



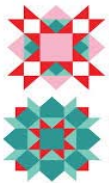
Prayer Warriors

"You may never know that Christ is all you need, until
Christ is all you have" *Carrie ten Boom*

*Join the Prayer Warriors
Every Sunday morning at 9:15AM
in Fellowship Hall*

News from Sewing Hope

As the new year began, we sat down and talked about the new year and our goals. Pretty much the same, we are keeping our commitments to Project Linus and Garden City Hospital. We are also planning ahead in case we are asked to contribute to the American Legion baby shower they participate in. We are also stocking up on quilts for baptisms and for our shut ins. We would like to extend an invitation to anyone who might be interested in sewing with us. We meet the first Saturday of the month in Sutherland Hall, 10 am to 4 pm. Our next meeting is February 1st, stop by and check us out.



**Food Pantry Delivery
February 17th at 9A**

Hunger takes no holiday. Please do whatever you can to help us out.



Don't forget to buy a little extra non-perishable food to support our Deacons Food Pantry.

Requests for food bags must be arranged by calling the church on Tuesday and Friday. If anyone needs a food bag, all requests will be held in confidence.

The Food Pantry is always in need of donation!

Please help keep it stocked.

Peanut Butter (small jars)	Dry Cereals including
Macaroni @	Oatmeal
Cheese	Juice (non- refrigerated)
Canned Tuna	Paper products
Canned Meat	Toilet Paper
Canned Vegetables	Feminine Products
Soups and soup Broth	Diapers
Tomato Products	
Noodles, Pasta, Rice	

**Cash Donations to the Deacons
Food Pantry**



PRAYER WORKS!

Do you have time to make a few phone calls when necessary?

The news of a special prayer concern can mean a great deal to whomever needs the prayer. If you are interested in becoming a part of this very important ministry, please contact either Gail Main or Jackie Zopff.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



It's hard to grasp that it is almost February!! 2020 is racing along for me. Winter is difficult for many in the congregation due to slippery surfaces. I understand the extra effort one takes NOT to fall and avoiding situations which could put you in jeopardy. Even so, we are missing many of you.

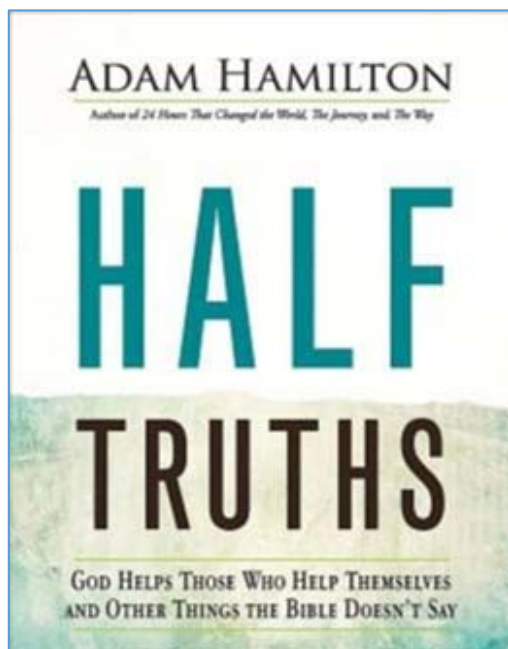
This year during February we will begin our Lenten Journey with an Ash Wednesday Service on the 26th. We are still working out the details. Lent is one of those times as faithful followers, we are called to even more repentance and dedication. We are to recall the road Jesus walked, look at his spiritual practices, remember his dedication and his suffering and intentionally “practice” to be in a closer relationship with him.

While lent invites us to work on our internal selves, “faith without action is dead” so says scripture. So what actions are we going to take to “practice” the internal work? This year we will have devotionals out plus will offer a daily email, like we did for Advent. My hope is that we will all engage in growing our faith more deeply.

February and March will also be months the Self-Study Team will be engaging the congregation in developing an updated mission and vision statement. They have met twice in January. I hope you will make every effort to be a part of the conversations which will take place. As the congregation considers who it wishes to be in the future, that will set the course for the type of pastor/leader you should call. Continue to pray that God will guide you on this way.

“We walk by faith, not by sight.” 2 Corinthians 5:7 May we be up for this challenge.

Pastor Teresa



Half Truths sermon series will begin February 2nd. It will be the first of a four-part series based off of Adam Hamilton's book of the same title.

Most of us have been guilty of saying some of these “half-truths.” We mean well. How are they slightly off? Each week we will take a look at how the saying became popular, where it strays and how we might consider to rephrase it.

Feb 2, Week 1: Everything Happens for a Reason & God Helps Those Who Help Themselves

Feb 9, Week 2: God Won't Give You More Than You Can Handle

Feb 16, Week 3: God Said It, I Believe It, That Settles It

Feb 23, Week 4: Love the Sinner, Hate the Sin

Traditionally, the Christian church has observed the 40 days (plus six Sundays) before Easter as a time of penitence and spiritual self-examination.

Ash Wednesday, which marks the beginning of Lent, derives its name from the ancient practice of marking the forehead of worshipers with ashes from the unused palm branches of the previous year. Ashes historically have had a dual significance.



Ash Wednesday
— Lent Begins

February 26, 2020

First, they are Old Testament symbols of sadness and humility. Job, in the midst of all his troubles, cried out to God from the ash heap. Job is just one of many who have shown this humility before God.

The second symbolic meaning of ashes is as a reminder of our mortality. Each of us faces the inevitability of physical death. Our bodies and material possessions eventually will turn to dust and ashes. This is a reminder that we dare not trust in things that crumble.

But Lent does not leave us on the ash heap. It begins with Ash Wednesday, but ends with Easter. And Easter proclaims that, through Christ, God resurrects us from our dust and ashes, makes us new creatures and bring slife out of death!

Please join us, Wednesday evening (time to be determined) as we begin this special season of the church year.

Don't drive after dark? We'll be glad to stop by and bring you. Let the office/Carol know of your ride need.

40acts: The Generosity Challenge



During Lent, beginning February 26th, “*40acts: The Generosity Challenge*” will be offered via email. Each day a brief devotional is offered with a focus for the day plus options on how you might do the generosity challenge for that day. There are usually three options: 1) fairly easy; 2) takes a little more thought and effort; 3) serious

planning.

The last three years, I, Pastor Teresa, have found these to be exceptionally helpful in keeping me thinking about how I live out my faith as I work on my own spirituality. I hope you will join me on this challenge.

Note: This is from the UK (United Kingdom), so you will have to interpret some of the lingo (i.e. boot=trunk; trolley=shopping cart) and think of our own nonprofits which would be comperable. As always, if you do not wish to receive the daily emails, LMK and I will remove you from the group.

Update from the Session:
January, 2020 Meeting
No meeting in January.



Valentines
for our
VETERANS



Hard to believe...we aren't even through Christmas yet and we're talking Valentine's Day!

Attached to this PN, will be a list of the items needed for the Valentine's for the Vets bags. We are planning on delivering on Feb. 9th. So keep this in mind as you shop between now and then.



There is a Joy Unspeakable...

I've known it and I have lived it in my daily walk, for these many years. I have held tight to the hand of my Savior from the 1990's, to the 2020's of life on this earth.

Physical illness, the loss of a loved one, bitterness and discord in our family, transition of home, new surroundings, however in the lovely home of my daughter, Sue, yet always the absence of what WAS my home, as it was when I was mistress, long gone but, not forgotten. Even when the outreach of home is completely extended by others. What is that well known saying? The best laid plans, dot...dot...dee...dot!

We don't know do we what the dawning of each day will bring. "Hello, God, it's me again, Kaye. How? God I pray. Please don't hide your face from me today!"

Being ill, physically, can affect our whole being, especially when the greatest part of our being here on planet earth is our relationship with our Heavenly Father. Something has always been of keen importance to me, going back many years to when I was very young (very!). I can't remember when I first knew the name Jesus. But, I praise God for that gift. Ours has been a lifetime (to date) an unmatched

blessing. From that time until now it has never changed. It has been me, Kaye McCue, also known as “Child of God”

I hear faintly in the road ahead choirs of celestial angels. I see in my mind’s eye sunsets of only the handiwork of God. I see answers to prayer, not always as I seek it, but God answers in His way.

It is a New Year in the beginning. My beginning was in the 1900’s. it is now the 2000 “SHA-ZAM” That’s a “fer piece” isn’t it?

Those of our church family who have lived it, have seen some unimaginable events... Life on this earth is ever changing, as I write words on these lines on this paper, changes in my life are in movement.

Let’s now think of the New Year we have entered into. Let’s place no requirements on family, friends and people of genuine human relationships. Let’s love. Let’s practice love. Let’s think Love. Let’s share with all others the love of Christ Jesus.

(Dear Choir...another song, much loved, very special, you would sing beautifully, “The Love of God, perhaps the sun”)

My New Year Prayer and mini-prayer is this...

May I know physical health. May God use me in His way to add to His kingdom. May I be a sincere, true friend to those I say it to. May I be a help to everyone. And may I feel unspeakable Joy. That wonderful joy, that only God alone can give.

To my earthly family, a heartfelt thanks you for loving me, caring for me, putting up with me and forgiving me.

Praise our AWESOME God
Kaye



PUZZLES WANTED!



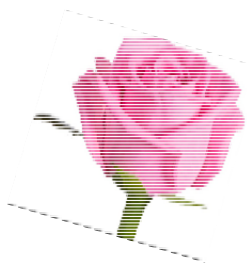
Garden Towers apartments in Garden City (where I live) are always on the hunt for different jigsaw puzzles. They would appreciate any size, even with maybe a few pieces missing. If you have any to donate or loan, please see me.

Barb Keough

Please Come Join Us For
A Valentine Tea
Sponsored by Garden City P.W.
on
Thursday, February 13, 2020
at 5:30 pm
in Sutherland Hall
Garden City Presbyterian Church
1841 Middlebelt Rd, Garden City

Dinner, Desserts and Tea will be served.

Looking for Table Hostesses
if interested, please contact the Church
office 734-421-7620 or Chris Domino



Our family would like to thank our GCPC family for all of your support and well wishes upon the passing of Launa. Whether you visited us at Santeiu's, participated in the Funeral Service, helped with the luncheon, or offered a handshake or hug, it was all greatly appreciated. Special thanks to Theresa, Marilee, Chester and Pam (and their kitchen crew), and all who sang with us at the end. You all made this difficult time just a little easier, and makes me again realize why I Love this Church so much.

Dave Radcliffe

Valentines for the Vets

For John D. Dingell VA Medical Center:

Supplies:

Scuffies	Travel-Size	Shampoo
Ditty Bags	Comfort Items	Denture Cleaner
Feeding Bibs (18x36)	Paperback Books (no romance)	Hand & Body Lotion
Tracheotomy Bibs	Crossword Puzzle	Deodorant
Hair Brushes	Books	Liquid Soap
Lap Robes (48X48)	New playing Cards	White socks (no elastic)
Afghans (40X60)	Shaving Mirrors	Magazines (No older than 3 months)
Writing Paper	Magic Slates	Word Search Books
Shaving Cream	Wheelchair Bags	
Toothpaste & Toothbrushes	Large Combs (no rat-tail)	

Recreation and Craft Department Needs:

Table Games (Monopoly,
Checkers, Scrabble, Chess, etc.)
CD's
Model kits (cars, ships, etc.)
Paint by Number Sets
Rug Kits
Craft Supplies
(Needles, Yarn, Thread, Art
Brushes, Beads)

Items for Nurses' Station Only

Mouthwash
After Shave Lotion
Razors
Toe & Fingernail Clippers
Pre-Shave Lotion
Cologne
Pens & Pencils

DO NOT want:

Bar Soap (Infection Control)
Used Playing Cards
Artificial Limbs
Hard cover Books
Metal Hair Picks
Matches

Cassette
Home Baked Goods
Old Magazines
Glass Containers
Cigars or Cigarettes
Jigsaw Puzzles

Garden City Presbyterian Church

Feb 2020 (Eastern Time - New York)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	31	1 10 am - Sewing Hope
2 8:30am - Adult Bible 10 am - Communion 2:15pm - Bowling 8 pm - AA	3 7 pm - Property	4 11 am - Bible Study	5 6 pm - Bell Choir 7 pm - Chancel Choir 7:30pm - AA	6 Office Closed 10 am - Craft Circle	7 8:45am - TOPS 8 pm - AA @	8
9 8:30am - Adult Bible 10 am - Valentines 11:30am - Deacons 8 pm - AA	10 7 pm - Finance	11 11 am - Bible Study	12 6 pm - Bell Choir 7 pm - Chancel Choir 7:30pm - AA	13 Office Closed 9 am - Valentine Tea 10 am - Craft Circle 5:30pm - Valentine	14 8:45am - TOPS 8 pm - AA @	15
16 8:30am - Adult Bible 3:50pm - Bowling 7 pm - GCCP Board 8 pm - AA	17 7 pm - Worship Team	18 11 am - Bible Study 6:30pm - Radio Club	19 6 pm - Bell Choir 7 pm - Chancel Choir 7:30pm - AA	20 Office Closed 10 am - Craft Circle 7 pm - Session	21 8:45am - TOPS 8 pm - AA @	22
23 8:30am - Adult Bible 8 pm - AA	24	25 11 am - Bible Study	26 6 pm - Ash 7:30pm - AA	27 Office Closed 10 am - Craft Circle 7 pm - GCCP General	28 8:45am - TOPS 8 pm - AA @	29 Trivia Night TBD