

### Our Prayers

All of our service men and women

Those in Nursing Homes

Barbara Towarnicky ~ Emeritus

John Morris ~ Eagle Pointe

Glenna Scott ~ Worthington Manor Skilled Nursing Facility

2675 36<sup>th</sup> Street & Core Road Parkersburg, WV 26101

Jane Sheppard ~ Parkersburg Rehabilitation (Sunbridge)

Mavadelle Lieving ~ Harmar Place

Tonja Bailey	James Bibbee	John Bosley
Rev. Jim Burdette	Ike Campbell	Rose Coleman
Patty Conner	Cathy Cunningham	*Doris Davitian
Hurl Deem	Owen Dulaney	Gary & Sue Denning
Sharon Hannah	Anne Hart	Melissa Hatcher
Wayne Hatcher	Prof. George Lamb	Cecil Lang
Madison LeMaster	Shirley Lockhart	Rebecca Mangus
Ivy Massy	Ron Mayhew	Sam McClead
George McKown	Family of Carolyn Mills	Adam Metz
Matthew Moore	Dick & Marie Morris	John Morris
*Norman Ruble	Jeff Schmitt	Morgan Schuerch
Christie Schwendeman	Greg Sees	Kelly Sheppard
Ruth Ann Sheppard	*Delores Siers	Brian Smedley
The family of Don Smith	Hazel Starcher	Doug Thompson
Jamie West	Jimmy Wilhelm	

**If you have additional prayer requests, please make note of them on the Friendship attendance pads. Thank you!**

#### **“Shared Blessings Ministry”**

January 22 ~ Peanut Butter, Jelly, Biscuit Mix

In addition to these items, we also provide dishwashing detergent, toilet paper, toothpaste, mouth wash, hand soap, etc.

#### **Bread Baking Schedule**

January 15 ~ Ann Somerville

January 22 ~ Joyce Jarrell-Hicks

**BREAD BAKERS NEEDED** If you would like to be part of the ministry welcoming visitors with a loaf of homemade bread, please call the church office – 304-489-1965 – or mark your friendship pad.

**WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY** The Thursday morning Bible study group will begin a new study on January 26 at 10:00 a.m. We will be using the book “It’s No Secret” by Rachel Olsen. Grab your Bible and a girlfriend and come discover twelve secrets the world doesn’t know. For more information, please call Lori Full ~ 304.489.1424.

**HELP FUND** Members and friends can contribute to our Good Samaritan fund, a “help fund” for a family in need. Checks can be made payable to Mt. Pleasant Church, with your notation: “Good Samaritan Fund.”

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Welcome Center Assistants for January:		
<b>Greeters:</b>	<b>January 8</b>	<b>January 15</b>
	Jean Evans, Nancy Miller	Bob & Debbie Sheppard
	Betty Jo Pryce	
<b>Pianist:</b> Jason Caltrider		<b>Nursery:</b> Jodi Lockhart

Join us for the Journey [www.mt-pleasant-umc.org](http://www.mt-pleasant-umc.org)

**OWEN DULANEY BENEFIT** This 5 month old boy is Jeff and Melanie Matheny's great nephew. He has a rare genetic disorder that usually results in a life expectancy of only 13-15 years old. He is currently in Children's Hospital of UPMC in Pittsburgh. He was able to receive a stem cell transplant in December--hopefully this procedure will slow the progression of the disease and/or cure him. He will be in Pittsburgh about six months. There will be a benefit for him today, Sunday, January 15 from 12-4 p.m. at the Parkersburg South High School cafeteria. There will be a spaghetti dinner (\$5.00 a plate), and raffle. Tickets will also be sold for a raffle for an ATV or motorcycle from Lemon and Barrett's. Please plan to attend to help support this family with their expenses. If you would consider donating a dessert to help, please contact Melanie Matheny at 304-489-1541.

**LAY TRAINING** The Little Kanawha District sponsors an annual leadership training for our ministry teams. Members of the following committees can explore their role with experienced teachers at the session this Saturday, January 21, from 9 a.m. to Noon here at Mt. Pleasant UMC; Staff Parish Relations Committee, Nominations and Lay Leadership, and Lay Leaders. Cost for each class is \$5.00.

*We are blessed to have you worship with us today!*

## Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church

*“Friends Bringing Friends”*

Welcome to Worship

January 15, 2012

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ritual of Friendship

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN No.140

*“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”*

MORNING PRAYER

The Lord’s Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

STORY FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

SHARING TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

\*Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.**

**Praise Him, all creatures here below.**

**Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts.**

**Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH No. 881

The Apostles’ Creed

\*HYMN No. 368

*“My Hope Is Built”*

MUSIC SPECIAL

Samantha Burdette

**PASTOR'S PRAYER**

**PSALTER** No. 822

Psalm 102:1-11

**SERMON** "Coping With Depression" Pastor Kevin Lantz

Psalm 102:1-11

**\*PRAYER RESPONSE**

[in unison]

**God of our life,  
there are days when the burdens we carry  
chafe our shoulders and weigh us down;  
when the road seems dreary and endless,  
the skies gray and threatening;  
when our lives have no music in them,  
and our hearts are lonely,  
and our souls have lost their courage.**

**Flood the path with light, we implore You;  
turn our eyes to where the skies are full of  
promise;  
tune our hearts to brave music;  
give us the sense of friendship with heroes and  
saints of every age;  
and so quicken our spirits that we may be able to  
encourage the souls of all who journey with us on  
the road to life, to Thy honor and glory. Amen**

(St. Augustine, 354-430 A.D.)

**\*INVITATION TO FAITH** No. 130 "God Will Take Care of You"

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*GREETING**

*Before departing, please take time to greet friends old and new  
worshiping around you today.*

**\*POSTLUDE**

*The Worship has ended; let our Service begin!*



<b>Our Presence</b>	
<b>Worship ... 182</b>	<b>Sunday School ... 57</b>
<b>Our weekly budget goal for this year is: \$ 5,932.00</b>	
<b>Worship Offerings Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,253.00</b>
<b>Sunday School Offering</b>	<b>30.00</b>
<b>Food Pantry</b>	<b>90.00</b>
<b>Emergency Fund</b>	<b>20.00</b>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<b>490.00</b>
<b>General Fund</b>	<b>\$ 4,623.00</b>

**COPING** Pastor Kevin will lead a group to help understand the dynamics of depression – **beginning next Sunday, January 22, 6:30 p.m.** Using the book, "Coping With Depression", participants will gain an understanding of the cause and effects of depression, and discuss a path by which we can practice better feeling, acting, and thinking habits in our lives. We will also hear from two special presenters, licensed counselor Derek Snyder and Christian Psychiatrist, Dr. Kuncheriah in two separate sessions, sharing from their experiences and answering questions for the group.

Each participant will need a book, cost: \$12; Kindle edition: \$10 through Amazon. Please contact Pastor Kevin or the Church office if interested: 304 489-1965. (Currently 12 books available)

**FINANCIAL PEACE** With the "Financial Peace University" study curriculum, people are invited to explore ways to manage debt, the best way to save money, make investments, and prepare for a healthy financial future. Classes will be offered on Thursday evenings beginning with an orientation on January 26, 7 p.m. in the Church conference room adjacent to the offices. The first of the 13-week sessions are scheduled to begin on February 9, 7 p.m. With your enrollment you will receive the informational workbook and valuable listening CDs. There is a cost for the workbook, but those who have taken the class can revisit the study at no additional cost. See John Mendenhall, Kyle Criss, or HR Lockhart, our group leaders, if you have any questions.

**APPRECIATION RECEIVED**

**From Mercy's Well** who presented a concert at Mt. Pleasant on January 1: "We thoroughly enjoyed the time we spent together this past weekend, and wanted to thank-you once again for allowing us the opportunity to share our ministry with your community. It was a privilege to welcome in the New Year surrounded by brothers and sisters in Christ! May God bless you all as you continue to serve Him!"

**From Scot Clark** at the time of family loss: "...Thank-you also for the meat tray, bread and chips. It was right on time as a lot of family arrived that evening. You are the best of what Church Family represent!"

**Weekly Calendar**

**Sunday, January 15**

Worship Service 8:15 a.m.  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service 10:45 a.m.  
Benefit Spaghetti Dinner for Owen Dulaney~PSHS 12-4 p.m.  
STOMP the Sanctuary Youth 6-8 p.m.

**Monday, January 16 – Martin Luther King Day ~ Office Closed**

Weight Watchers 9:00 a.m.  
Weight Watchers 5:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, January 17**

Exercise Class 6:15 p.m.  
"Believe" Study Group 7-8:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, January 18**

"Shared Blessings" Food Pantry 10 a.m. – Noon  
Youth Ministry Team 5:30-6:30 p.m.  
Children's Choir 6:30-8 p.m.  
STOMP Youth Meeting 6:30-8 p.m.

**Thursday, January 19**

"Shared Blessings" Food Pantry (Note Time Change) 5-7 p.m.  
Exercise Class 6:15 p.m.  
"Outside the Boat" (Tim Horten's) Small Group 7:00-8:30 p.m.

**Friday, January 20**

"Shared Blessings" Food Pantry 10 a.m. – Noon

**Saturday, January 21**

Men's Small Group 8:00 a.m.  
District Training Event 8:30 Registration 9 a.m.-12 noon

**WEB SITES OF INTEREST "Focus on the Family"** ministries have web sites you and your family may find of special interest in this "Sanctity of Life" and for those with an unplanned pregnancy:

"We have some great resources available; BeAVoice.net offers information on pregnancy centers in your area and free resources. And TroubledWith.org offers a collection of articles, resources and referrals organized by topic around family issues and concerns.

"On TroubledWith.org, you'll find a multitude of topics. Under 'Love & Sex' you'll find the topic, 'Unplanned Pregnancy.' You'll find a Q & A section that provides some amazing answers to many, if not all, of your concerns.

"Additionally, there are resources to help your daughter as she grapples with some of her own emotions. Specifically, there's a website, StandUpGirl.com, that offers online support, fetal development information, true stories of girls who've faced unexpected pregnancies and a confidential crisis pregnancy help line."

