



FPC News

First Presbyterian Church

February 15, 2008

Please join us in welcoming Art & Sandy King at a Covered Dish Luncheon on Sunday, February 17th following the 11am worship service. Please bring your favorite dishes and enough food to feed your family.

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Daryl Perry and Family in the death of Wanda.

The Men of the Church Breakfast will be held on Sunday, February 17th at 8:00 a.m. in the Harper Center.

Mrs. Green from the Helping Hand Clinic will present the program on the clinic's services. All ladies are invited to the breakfast this month!

Please plan to attend this time of fellowship with a delicious breakfast (\$3.00) and a great program!

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?

A CLOSER LOOK AT WHAT WE'RE DOING AND WHY WE GATHER TO WORSHIP TOGETHER.

A Lenten study will be conducted at three different times weekly through Wednesday, March 19th. The sessions will be held on Sundays at 5:00 p.m. and on Wednesdays, one at 10:30 a.m. and one at 6:00 p.m. All sessions will be held in the Chapel. Folks are encouraged to attend whenever it works best and may switch sessions from week to week when necessary. The purpose of the study will be to better understand how and why we worship and view it from our own perspective as well as through the eyes of a stranger. We are hoping for lively discussion and fresh understandings about the center of who we are and what we do together. Please join us as often as you can!

Reminder:

If you have not turned in your Estimate of Giving Card, please do so. The Stewardship & Budget Committee need the cards to have an accurate estimate of finances for 2008. You may mail the cards to the church or put in offering plate. Thank You!

Youth News

The Sr. High Yard Sale was a huge success! A BIG thank you to all the youth, parents, advisors and volunteers who worked so hard. Also many thanks to everyone who donated items. The youth made over \$1,100 to put towards their Summer Mission Trip to Arizona.

There will be an *Acolyte Training Session* on February 24th from 3 - 4pm in the sanctuary. To become an acolyte, you must attend the training program and be between the ages of 7 and 13. Veteran acolytes are encouraged to attend to share their expertise. Please call Becky at the church office to sign your child up.

The *Children's Spanish classes* started again on Tuesday, February 5th. The Level 1 and 2 classes are both full with 7 - 8 students in each class and both have long waiting lists. This outreach program that our church houses proves to be popular and successful every semester.

Treasurer's Report January 2008

	<u>Jan. 08</u>	<u>Jan. 07</u>
Income		
Operating Income	32,672	46,417
Total Income	32,672	46,417
Expense		
Witness	2,313	2,175
Administration	15,513	20,526
Property	8,740	12,752
Worship	43	138
Christian Education	(5,608)	(6,278)
Congregational Care	161	569
New Membership	0	71
Stewardship	22	605
Building Loan Payment	<u>4,025</u>	<u>7,940</u>
Total Expenses	25,210	38,498
Net Income	7,462	7,919

Financial Update

"It's Time to Be Mortgage Free" Status (through 1-31-08)	
Pledged:	\$270,413.56
Collected:	\$330,358.64
Match Received:	\$245,100.68
Paid Against Loan Principal:	\$659,500.00
Mortgage Balance:	\$627,675.08

**Lee Co. Centennial Plates with Picture of
First Presbyterian Church**

The Carson S.S. Class will be taking orders for a commemorative plate with a picture of FPC, that will be available by the Lee Co. Centennial Commission. These plates will be locally hand-made heavy china plates in two styles, one with a blue/gray border and one with a tan border. Samples of these plates (with other churches pictured) will be on display Sundays in the colonnade between church services, Sunday School and after church and in the church office during the week. An initial order of 25 plates of each style is required by the manufacturer before the plates are made. Additional orders of 10 plates may be made after the initial order. Plates are \$50 each. If you would like to have a plate or plates, please sign up. Payment will not be necessary, initially, when signing up. If you receive enough requests for an initial order, you then will be contacted for payment. Please make the checks payable to FPC with "centennial plate" written on the message line.

*Stephen Ministers/Leaders will meet
Tuesday, Feb. 19th at 5pm in the church library.
Melanie Rodgers from the Lee Co. Enrichment
Center will be our guest speaker.*

Offering will be collected on Sunday, March 23rd.

What's Happening in February??

<p>Sun., Feb. 17 - 8am MOC Breakfast; 9am Contemporary Service; 9:45am Sunday School; 11am Worship; 12pm Covered Dish Luncheon; 5pm Lenten Study; 6pm Youth</p> <p>Tues., Feb. 19 - 9:30am Staff Meeting; 10:15am CDC Chapel; 10:30am Seniors' Choir; 5pm Stephen Ministers/Leaders meet; 6pm Cardio./Sculpting</p> <p>Wed., Feb. 20 - 10:30am Lenten Study; 12pm Singles' Luncheon; 6pm Lenten Study; 6:30pm Contemporary Choir; 7:30pm Choir Practice</p> <p>Thurs., Feb. 21 - 6pm Cardio./Sculpting</p> <p>Sun., Feb. 24 - 9am Contemporary Service; 9:45am Sunday School; 11am Worship; 3pm Acolyte training class; 4pm Wit-</p>	<p>ness Comm., Congregational Care Comm.; 4:30pm Christian Ed. Comm.; 5pm Lenten Study; 6pm Youth; 7pm New Member Comm.; 7:30pm Committees Meet</p> <p>Mon., Feb. 25 - 10am Bible Study</p> <p>Tues., Feb. 26 - 9:30am Staff Meeting; 10:15am CDC Chapel; 6pm Cardio./Sculpting</p> <p>Wed., Feb. 27 - 10:30am Lenten Study; 5pm Worship Comm. Meets; 6pm Lenten Study; 6:30pm Contemporary Choir; 7:30pm Choir Practice</p> <p>Thurs., Feb. 28 - 6pm Cardio./Sculpting</p>
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