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FEBRUARY



February is National Heart Month

We have begun a fundraising campaign to purchase a defibrillator for the church. The cost to purchase this life-saving device is approximately \$1,400.

Please prayerfully consider a donation to this appeal.

Envelopes marked as "AED APPEAL DONATION" can be found in the pews and on the tables in the narthex and Stone Street entrances. Or you can send a donation to the Church office.

THANK YOU!



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

As I write this letter, I am only days away from going on the Nicaragua Medical Mission. Our team of 14, including Bryn Mancarella and Cindy Bonville from our church will team up with a very dedicated and enthusiastic team that will provide medicines, food, seeds, and love to the people who live in areas surrounding Managua and Jinotega.



I believe that the greatest things we can do in life are to love God and love one another - just like Jesus did. That type of love is a deep, sacrificial love. That is the type of love we hope to bring to the people of Nicaragua. Please pray for us.

Not long after my return we will begin the Season of Lent. Plan now to join us for our Ash Wednesday Service at 7:00 PM. We will have the imposition of ashes - a sign of mortality and repentance. We will also celebrate the Lord's Supper that evening.

Lent is a time of individual and communal reflection to repent our sins, to renew our faith, and to prepare ourselves for the joyful celebration of Easter. Though lent, meditate on God's love. Devote time daily to reflect on all He did for us.

As we move through The Season of Lent this year let us look forward to the ways in which together, we can connect to God and neighbors by looking for opportunities for service.

To aid you in this meaningful journey you will find The Promises of Lent – a Scripture Reading Calendar within this newsletter. This plan starts on Ash Wednesday and continues through the Saturday of Holy Week.

I wish you a blessed Lenten Journey!

Pastor Mike



Souper Bowl of Caring

Don't forget the special offering on Super Bowl Sunday, February 12th. It is collected by the youth after the worship service at the exit locations.

This Souper Bowl donation will go to the deacon's Food Sense Ministry to help feed the poor in our community. If you want to contribute to the Souper Bowl and you won't be here on February 12th, you can donate online at tacklehunger.org Your online donation will go to food banks nationally.

The Promise of Lent

SCRIPTURE READING CALENDAR

<i>Amazing love! How can it be That thou, my God, should die for me!</i>		<i>Ash Wednesday</i> ECCLESIASTES 3:18-20		2 2 CORINTHIANS 2:5-17	3 2 CORINTHIANS 5:6-8	4 HEBREWS 4:15-16
<i>First Sunday of Lent</i> 1 COR 15:20-23	5 LUKE 13:18-19	6 2 PETER 1:3-4	7 ROMANS 6:3-11	8 ISAIAH 55:8-9	9 JOHN 16:33	10 1 PETER 2:9-12
<i>Second Sunday of Lent</i> 1 COR 15:42-49	11 1 JOHN 1:5-9	12 PHILIPPIANS 3:13-14	13 PSALM 30:4-5	14 ROMANS 8:28-32	15 PSALM 77	16 ISAIAH 61:1-7
<i>Third Sunday of Lent</i> JOB 19:25-27	17 ROMANS 8:1-11	18 PSALM 30:11-12	19 LUKE 4:16-21	20 PSALM 103:1-5	21 PROVERBS 28:13	22 1 CORINTHIANS 2:1-5
<i>Fourth Sunday of Lent</i> ISAIAH 25:6-9	23 EPHESIANS 3:1-8	24 2 CORINTHIANS 12:8-10	25 JOHN 1:14	26 EPHESIANS 1:11-14	27 HEBREWS 12:25-29	28 1 PETER 2:9-12
<i>Fifth Sunday of Lent</i> ISAIAH 52:7-10	29 ISAIAH 43:18-19	30 ROMANS 4:18-22	31 1 JOHN 2:15-17	32 1 JOHN 5:4-5	33 NUMBERS 23:19	34 HEBREWS 3:1-6
<i>Palm Sunday</i> MATTHEW 21:1-9	35 ZECHARIAH 8:1-2	36 PHILIPPIANS 2:5-11	37 HEBREWS 12:1-4	38 <i>Maundy Thursday</i> 2 COR 6:1-10	39 <i>Good Friday</i> PSALM 22:1-8	40 <i>Holy Saturday</i> JOHN 20:19-23
<i>Easter Sunday</i> MATTHEW 28:1-9	<i>You have been given an opportunity to reveal the character and nature of God to the world. Let the light shining in your heart scatter its rays into other hearts around you.</i>					



NEW OFFICE HOURS

Beginning February 1st the office
hours will be

9:30-12:30 Monday thru Friday

The staff thanks you for patience and
understanding.

**ONEIDA BAPTIST CHURCH
242 MAIN STREET
"FREE ON FRIDAY NIGHT"
WELCOMES
MASTER'S TOUCH CORALE
PERFORMING "THE ORIGINAL
LOVE STORY"
FEBRUARY 17TH AT 7PM
DOORS OPEN AT 6PM
A FREEWILL OFFERING
WILL BE COLLECTED**

The Per Capita for
2023 will be \$45



LONG TERM PRAYER CONCERNS

For the month of February 2023

Barb Arnold	Victor Johnson
Abby Bartell	Victor Johnson III
Brody	Jean Kowalik
Pam Carrigan	Val Lowry
Timothy Carver (Jen Bailrey's Father)	Sam Messina
Scott Colvin	Maribeth Matthews
Fran Dowd (Jim Sweet's sister)	Jason Maycock (Sandy Glynn's brother)
Peggy Eastman	Tom Panasci
Maria Erdo	Dan & Claudia Rayome
John Ferguson	David Rice
Robert Feldman (Melinda's Father)	Doug Rosekrans
Jillian Felt	Judy Sweet
Don Fuller (Stephanie Gwilt's Father)	Jim Thorpe
Pat Grabow (Chrissy Thompson's Mom)	Jan Whiting
Becky Grasso	Milicent Vidal
Alison Hilgenberg (Phyllis Little's Daughter)	Nancy (Friend of Chrissy Thompson)
Wendy Holtz	Brittany (Friend of Chrissy Thompson)
Joyce Helms	
Millie Johnson	

Thank you for your prayers. If you know of anyone who is sick, in the hospital, or in need of our prayers, PLEASE call the Church Office, 363-7590.

SHORT TERM PRAYER CONCERN

If you have a prayer need, there are cards in the pews. Fill it out and hand it to an usher. If you know of anyone who is sick, in the hospital, or in need of our prayers, PLEASE call the Church Office, 363-7590. Please let us know also when they are healed and can be taken off the prayer list.

FOOD PANTRY

Our food pantry is always in need of several items. Most of these are usually a dollar or under. With two major holidays approaching please take into thought helping those that come to our emergency pantry stop. These items that always go quick are canned corn, canned beefaroni, tomato soup, chicken noodle soup, rice sides, pasta sides, most dried pastas, and canned fruit. You are by no means limited to these items. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Especially by those in need.



ELDERS

CLASS OF 2023

Paul Mancarella
Nancy Rinehard
Dave Schellhase
Jan Whiting
Cathy Opperman
Sharon Warren

CLASS OF 2024

Randy Bonville
Frank Kordziel
Lucille Merriman
Michael Merriman
Pat Thorpe

CLASS OF 2025

Kim DeRuby
Doug Lippert

FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO ARE GRIEVING FOR:

Bill Young

Kelly Miller

SPECIAL CONCERNS:

The citizens of Ukraine

Pray for those who are serving overseas and our Police/Fire Safety personnel.

All victims and survivors of gun violence.

All people who feel unloved, alone, and displaced during the holiday season.

MISSION EMPHASIS:

First Presbyterian Church, Booneville
The Presbyterian Homes & Services, New Hartford
First Presbyterian Church, Cherry Valley
Stone Presbyterian Church, Clinton

DEACONS

CLASS OF 2025

Sue Kordziel
Rose Lockwood
Doug Lockwood
Janel Milana
Kathy Nichols
Chrissy Thompson

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PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS: Pray for those who are stationed in non combat zones: Stephen Cafalone, Jack Sharkey, Mark Sia, Nicholas Young, Philip Messina, Ryan Geer, John Goodwill, Errol Crossman, Corey Reed, Michael McMahon, Andrew Fargo, Jim Jennings, Michelle Ludwig, Peter Thompson, Dylan McClelland

Those currently serving in a combat zone:



5th-Communion

7th-Team Meetings

1, 8, 15, 22th-Living Waters Youth Group

12th-Sweetheart Brunch in the Auditorium after service

14th-Presbyterian Women's Meeting

19th-Deacons Meeting

20th-President's Day Office Closed

22nd-Ash Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

28th-Session Meeting

COFFEE SERVERS

You will be receiving soon (February) a list of Coffee Servers for the year 2023.

The Fellowship Committee is thankful for your service to your church. You will be reminded two weeks in advance of your time. If you are unable to serve at that time, it would help the committee if you could switch with a friend. **PLEASE**, mark your calendar upon receiving the list.



SWEETHEART BRUNCH

Join us on Sunday February 12th after service for a Sweetheart brunch. Bring a date or a friend and enjoy some fellowship and good food for a good cause.

On the menu: (2) Breakfast Casseroles, Potato breakfast bake, breakfast sausage, Muffins and assorted breads, fruit salad, and coffee, tea, and fruit juice. Price is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12, children under 5 eat for free. All donations go to the Deacon's Scholarship fund.

Volunteer opportunities are available for set up and clean up. If you would like to volunteer for set up or clean up please call the office @ 315-363-7590 or let one of the Deacon's know.

Baby bottles filled with change –
that's The Baby Bottle Campaign

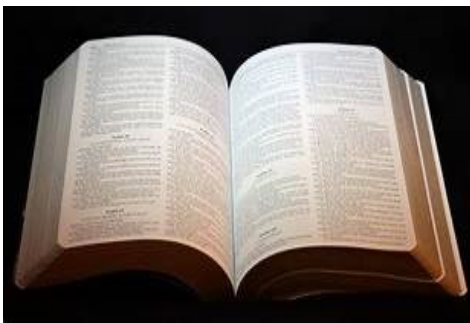
It's a simple idea that provides thousands of dollars to save lives.

Each year the money raised from the Campaign helps support those facing unplanned pregnancies and their babies through the ministry of Care Net.

It's easy. Pick up a baby bottle from the table in the auditorium. Fill it up with change (or dollars too!) and bring it back to the church.



<i>Feb. 2</i>	<i>Perry Tooker IV, Jennawade Skellham</i>
<i>Feb. 5</i>	<i>Perry Tooker III, Cindy Morey</i>
<i>Feb. 6</i>	<i>Alexander Mastriano</i>
<i>Feb. 8</i>	<i>Sydney Paul</i>
<i>Feb. 9</i>	<i>Dylan Bartell</i>
<i>Feb. 11</i>	<i>Jerry DeRuby</i>
<i>Feb. 17</i>	<i>Kristin Tooker</i>
<i>Feb. 23</i>	<i>Emily Oot</i>
<i>Feb. 25</i>	<i>Debbie Todd</i>
<i>Feb. 27</i>	<i>Jerry Fuller</i>



Scripture Readers for February

February 5th - Andy Williams

February 12th—Paul Mancarella

February 19th - Perry Tooker

February 26th— Barb Schwartz



Coffee Servers for February

February 5th – Doug and Alicia Lippert

February 12th — Dylan and Abby Bartell

February 19th — Ethel Abbott and Janet Sarensky

February 26th — Gerry Fuller and Janel Milana

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

**DEADLINE FOR THE MARCH
NEWSLETTER IS FEBRUARY 21st**

