

Announcements & Prayer Requests

Sunday, February 12th, 2012

Congregational Meeting next Sunday, February 19th, 2012

A congregational meeting to discuss various proposals for the church sign will be held next Sunday, February 19th, 2012 between services, with breakfast served.

For those of you who will be out of town that weekend, Pastor Mentz will be available to talk with you the following Sunday, February 26th.

It is our hope to have a final vote on the sign sometime in early March.

Sunday Evening Bible Study

This evening – February 12th, 2012 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. – in the Church Parlor

Parables of Luke: The Good Samaritan

Jesus' parables are timeless, powerful, and profound. Yet there is a dimension to them that can be appreciated fully only when seen through ancient Middle Eastern eyes. Drawing on remarkable cultural and historical insights from renowned New Testament and Middle East scholar Dr. Kenneth Bailey, this course explores how Jesus' audience would have understood eleven of Jesus' parables as recorded in Luke. Come join us on this journey!

Altar Flowers & Sanctuary Light



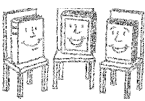
Please note that the sign-up charts for contributing Altar Flowers and a Sanctuary Light are on the bulletin board in the Narthex. **The next available date for contributing Altar Flowers is next Sunday, February 19th, and the next available date for contributing a Sanctuary Light is March 4th, 2012.**

Lunch with Pastor



All are warmly invited to bring a bag lunch and dine with Pastor at 12:00 noon this Friday, February 17th, in the Church Parlor. Come join us for vibrant fellowship & thought-provoking discussions! ☺

C. S. Lewis Book Club



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Book Club

This Friday, February 17th, 2012 we will meet at 6:30 p.m. here at church for dinner and discuss *Reason for God, Part 2* by Timothy Keller. Please contact Kristi Keller at 301-642-1453 or kakeller@mad.scientist.com with any questions you may have.

Widowed Persons Support Group



The Patuxent Widowed Persons Service (PWPS) offers a program to help widowed persons adapt to their new circumstances. A six-week mutual support group, led by trained volunteers, will begin February 24th, 2012. The program is co-sponsored by AARP/PWPS and the Greenbelt Senior Citizens Advisory Committee. Both emotional support and practical information are provided.

The group will meet on Friday afternoons from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at The Residence on Greenbelt (formerly Rexford Place), 9885 Greenbelt Road, Lanham, MD, starting Friday, February 24th and ending Friday, March 30th, 2012. The program is free and open to widowed men and women of all ages, races and creeds, but registration is required. To register, or for more information, call 301-474-6892 or 301-441-8943.

Prayer Requests



- **Dorothy Baluch**, mother of our Church Custodian John Baluch (*recovering from heart attack*)
- **Elsa Lester**, colleague of Dawn Felix (*recurrence of cancer*)
- **Hank Stuen** (*recovering from stroke, at home*)
- **Henry Wilcox**, Amy Minor's brother (*continuous health issues*)
- **Ian Holstrom**, grandson of Marian Evans (*health issues*)
- **Jan Beeching-Piper**, friend of Bill & Julene Pichel (*now in hospice care*)
- **Justin Davis**, grandson of Bob & Joan Smith (*a Seabee deployed to Afghanistan with the US Navy*)
- **Lael Carriere** (*at Hillhaven Nursing Center*)
- **Marty Pichel**, Bill & Julene Pichel's sister-in-law (*abdominal surgery*)
- **Mary Anne Holien** (*broken leg, recuperating at home*)
- **Patrick Fiddler**, teenaged son of John Minor's friend (*Lyme disease*)
- **Ron & Kelly Pichel**, son & daughter-in-law of Bill & Julene Pichel (*unborn child has heart problems*)

**Announcements & Prayer Requests will be listed for a period of 4 weeks, unless otherwise requested.*

**“When not in use, turn off the juice!”
Let's all do our part to keep utility bills down!**

This Week at Holy Cross

February 12th – 18th, 2012

- Today** 8:15 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. – Worship Services (*Congregational Mtg. after late svc.*)
9:00 a.m. – Fellowship / 9:30 a.m. – Education Hour
***12:30 p.m. – Hot Meals Ministry (Fellowship Hall)**
2:00 – 7:00 p.m. – IDDP (*Parlor, Sanctuary, Sunday School Rooms*)
6:00 p.m. – Evening Communion Service / **7:00 p.m. – Bible Study (Parlor)**
- Monday** 6:30 p.m. – Narcotics Anonymous (*Fellowship Hall*)
7:00 p.m. – Mission & Ministry Committee Meeting (Pastor's Office)
- Tuesday** ***Happy Valentine's Day!**
12:00 – 2:00 p.m. – Rethink Education (*Parlor*)
5:30 p.m. – Four Positive Paws (*FH*) / 7:00 p.m. – IDDP (*Parlor & Sanctuary*)
- Wednesday** **9:00 a.m. – Sunday bulletin announcements due!**
12:00 – 2:00 p.m. – Rethink Education (*Parlor*)
- Thursday** 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. – Thrift Store Open
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Rethink Education (*Parlor*)
11:00 a.m. – Bible Study (*Greenridge House Dining Room*)
- Friday** 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Rethink Education (*Parlor*)
***12:00 noon – Lunch with Pastor (Parlor)**
***6:30 p.m. – C. S. Lewis Book Club (Sunday School Room)**
6:30 p.m. – Narcotics Anonymous (*FH*) / 7:00 – 11:00 p.m. – IDDP (*P&S*)
- Saturday** 6:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Iglesia De Dios Pentecostal Retreat (*Parlor & Sanctuary*)
***10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Confirmation Class (Pastor's Office)**
***10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Thrift Store Open**

Lectionary Readings for Transfiguration Sunday, February 19th, 2012

2 Kings 2:1-12; 2 Corinthians 4:1-6; Mark 9:2-9.

Anniversary

2/17: John & Amy Minor

Birthdays

2/14: Susanne Roberts 2/15: Dorothy Ball 2/16: Irene Day 2/17: Carolyn Madison

Upcoming Events

Sunday, February 19th, 2012

***Transfiguration Sunday!**

8:15 a.m. & *10:30 a.m. – Worship Services / 9:00 a.m. – Fellowship / 9:30 a.m. – Education Hour
***Congregational Meeting between services to discuss church sign – Breakfast will be served!**
2:00 – 7:00 p.m. – Iglesia De Dios Pentecostal (*Parlor, Sanctuary, Sunday School Rooms*)
6:00 p.m. – Evening Communion Service



Monday, February 20th, 2012

***Presidents Day Holiday – Church Office closed!**

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. – Mobile Health Fair (*Parking Lot*) / 6:30 p.m. – Narcotics Anonymous (*FH*)

Tuesday, February 21st, 2012

***9:00 a.m. – March newsletter deadline!**

12:00 – 2:00 p.m. – Rethink Education (*Parlor*) / 5:30 – 9:30 p.m. – Four Positive Paws (*Fellowship Hall*)
7:00 – 10:00 p.m. – Iglesia De Dios Pentecostal (*P & S*)



Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, February 22nd, 2012

12:15 & 7:00 p.m. – Service with Imposition of Ashes

9:00 a.m. – Sunday bulletin announcements due! / 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. – Rethink Education (*Parlor*)

Thursday, February 23rd, 2012

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. – Thrift Store Open / 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Rethink Education (*Parlor*)
11:00 a.m. – Bible Study (*Greenridge House Dining Room*)

Friday, February 24th, 2012

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Rethink Education (*Parlor*) / 6:30 p.m. – Narcotics Anonymous (*FH*)
7:00 p.m. – 2:00 a.m. – Iglesia De Dios Pentecostal – Prayer Vigil (*Parlor & Sanctuary*)

Sunday, February 26th, 2012

First Sunday in Lent

Wednesday, February 29th, 2012

***Leap Day!**

12:15 p.m. – Midweek Noon Lenten Service

6:15 p.m. – Lenten Supper (Parlor) / 7:00 p.m. – Midweek Evening Lenten Service

**Some dates & events listed here are tentative and subject to change.*