

FEBRUARY RESPONSIBILITIES

<u>7TH</u>		<u>14TH</u>
Infant Nursery		
SS	G. & L. Palaima	W. & H. Shelton
Worship	M. Kiger & J. Cooke	C. Swink & E. Couch
Children Worship		
Preschool	M. & S. Moorefield	Jo Hunter
K-2	C. Cooke	E. Couch & C. Kleinfeld
Children's Time	Bells	Pastor Sid
Flowers	Open	Griggs
Cupcakes		
<u>21ST</u>		<u>28TH</u>
Infant Nursery		
SS	M. Hunter & B. Grubbs	D. Dougherty & M. Kiger
Worship	J. Stewart & S. Denny	D. & S. Davis
Children Worship		
Preschool	N. Lemons	G. Swaim
K-2	R. & K. Middleton	C. Swink & R. Foust
Children's Time	Children sing	Youth
Flowers	Open	Open
Cupcakes		

Acolytes: Rachel Kiger, Kelby Lemons, Matthew Love, Tanner Moore, William Swink

Safe Sanctuary Monitoring: Faith Seekers Class

Wild Cards: Jeannie Holcomb

Luke's Group: Eddy & Janet Andrews

Ushers: Wayne Shelton captain, Jack Cooke, Mark Moorefield, Brian Hansel, Harry Grubbs, Lee Ratcliff, Bob Verdinek

Bereavement: (Same as January) Ivah Harris chair, Shirley Moorefield, Sharon Gentry, Lori Redmond, Pat Stone, Diane Tuttle, Barbara Ziglar

Giving Report	
Year-to-Date Through December 31	
Offering	\$299,628
Expenses	\$303,141
*Includes PlaySchool Donation	

Crisis Control Gift for February
Beef Stew

Samaritan Ministries Gift for February
Ground Coffee; Toothbrushes & Toothpaste (sample size)
Please place items on the table downstairs.

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The Messenger

February, 2010

Return Services Requested

PlaySchool Corner

Everything is going well. We are looking forward to nice weather and being able to go outside. Registration for the fall begins the end of February. More information to come.

LuAnn

Youth News

The new year is off to a great start. We have several things planned.

Our annual Valentine's Spaghetti Supper is February 13 at 5:30 pm. Please mark your calendar and plan to come and join us.

We hosted a Soup & Salad lunch following Worship on January 31 and will host another luncheon of Chili & Salad luncheon on February 28. A love offering will be accepted. Plan to come and join us!

In Christ,

LuAnn & John

Earthquake in Haiti

After the devastating earthquake we encourage churches and members of the WNCC to give generously as we work through our partner organizations, including the UM Committee on Relief.

We do have persons from the WNC on the ground in Haiti and we are praying for them as they continue in the aftermath of the earthquake.

The United Methodist Church is committed to a Long-term Commitment in Haiti. Some needs, such as getting food, water and medicine, can be addressed quickly, said Melissa Crutchfield, UMCOR executive and team leader. She stressed that The United Methodist Church's response will be a long-term one. "UMCOR is committed to staying for the duration," she said. "We are going to build a solid foundation for the long term."

Donations to support UMCOR's Haiti Relief efforts can be made to **Haiti Emergency, UMCOR Advance #418325**. You can donate online or checks can be made to **UMCOR with "Advance #418325 Haiti Emergency"** in the memo line. You can also make your donation through your local church. Checks can be put in the church's offering plate or mailed to: UMCOR, PO Box 9068, New York, NY 10087. The entire amount of each gift will be used to help the people of Haiti.

The following was received from Mineral Springs Elementary School

To the members of Kingswood,

We want to thank you for supporting some of our families for Christmas again this year. It is such a joy to know that our students were able to have a wonderful Christmas. You bless many lives, including ours.

Sincerely,

Constance Hash

Melissa Rivera

Rachel Nichols

Youth Spaghetti Supper

The Youth are sponsoring their Annual Spaghetti Supper on Saturday, **February 13, 5:30-8:00 pm**. We welcome all PlaySchool and community families to join us for a delightful dining experience. Join us for dinner in the fellowship hall, or order takeouts for the entire family.

Spaghetti & Salad

Bread

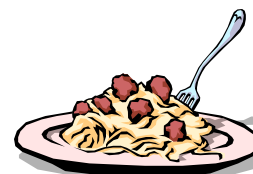
Beverage

Homemade Desserts

Cost: \$7.00 Adults

\$3.00 Children

Children 5 & under free



Third Thursday

February's program will be held on Thursday, February 18 beginning with dinner at 5:30. Details on food provided and programming will be coming soon.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

In following with Kingswood tradition, we will hold an Ash Wednesday service on February 17 at 7:00 pm. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the season of Lent.



PHONE TREE

Our Phone Tree System is an excellent source of communication. It gives us the opportunity to provide information to our entire congregation or select groups. However, there are a few important aspects to this system that we need to explain.

There are many circumstances that interfere with the system's ability to leave the recorded message on an answering machine. It cannot leave the message if your outgoing message:

- ◆ Is longer than 10-15 seconds
- ◆ Begins with "hello"
- ◆ Plays any kind of music

The system also provides detailed information on calls that are made. For example, it indicates if a call was received by a person or an answering machine; or whether the call was not answered at all and why.

The system is not perfect but for the most part is very effective. If you are experiencing problems receiving the messages please contact the church office (969-5437) and we will try to resolve your problems.

NEWS FROM THE CHILDREN

- ◆ Exciting news! Plans are moving forward for our pre-UMYF program for 3rd-5th graders. Watch for details soon.
 - ◆ In Children's Worship, during our combined focus-on-worship time, we are learning the words to the Doxology, and Miss Madeline and Miss Deb continue helping us learn songs to share with the congregation. On February 14, we'll sing "This Little Light of Mine" with the adult choir.
 - ◆ We're also focusing on giving, and will be preparing special valentines for our shut-ins. In January we helped prepare packages of needed essentials for people in Haiti.
 - ◆ Many thanks to Miss Missy ... Miss Patricia and Miss Rebecca ... and Miss April for providing wonderful leadership for our Sunday School classes. They truly are doing a fantastic job with excellent literature. Our hope is that every one of our children will be able to take advantage of this wonderful learning. (Parents: if you don't have a Sunday School class for yourself, check with Miss Jo or Miss Lisa about suggestions for classes to visit.)
 - ◆ Coming up: Some fun "Men as Mentors" activities, as we help our children get to know additional adults in the congregation. For example, Mr. Brett (Beardsley) is going to bring his drums for a "jam session." And we're working to schedule a session on "How do you play competitive sports and still act like a Christian?"
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February Birthdays

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| 1 Jimmy Ziglar | 16 Linda Potter |
| 2 Kristy Whitaker | 22 Carri Davis |
| 3 Jeannie Holcomb | 23 Doris Tuttle |
| 7 Ann Burton | 24 Bob Hutchinson |
| 13 Bettie Wilson | 25 Alek Elder |
| 13 David Stone | 26 Lynn Boyles |
| 14 Krista Kiger | 27 Davis Thompson |
| 15 Jan Stewart | 28 Melissa Kiser |
| 15 Edwin Swaim | |

OFFICE ASSISTANCE

January is typically the busiest month of the year for our church office. Thanks so much to Toni Cromwell, Cara Swink, Davis Thompson and Diane Tuttle for helping out!

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Consecration Sunday is Coming

February is known as the love month due to Valentine's Day. We are going to ask that you give of love to your church for Valentines. We are going to use the Consecration Sunday approach.

Congregations that approach stewardship from a biblical perspective do not view the money Christians give to their church merely as a way to pay its bills. Rather, such congregations see contributions as a way to help people grow spiritually in their relationship with God by supporting their church's mission and ministry with a percentage of their income.

We have once again selected the Consecration Sunday Stewardship emphasis as a way to teach biblical and spiritual principles of generous giving in our stewardship education and emphasis this year.

We do want to thank you for your support of our ministry and programs last year, and we have included below how well we did in our faithfulness. Thank you for your support in 2009.

During morning worship on February 21 we will be asking our attendees and members to make their financial commitments to our church's missionary, benevolent, and educational ministries in this community and around the world.

Every attendee and member will receive information, including an Estimate of Giving Form, in the mail. This will include a step of faith chart, information about our current 2010 budget, and an Estimate of Giving Form. We ask you to return this form on February 21 in the regular offering during worship.

Again thanks in advance for your enthusiastic participation in our Consecration Sunday emphasis.

This past year we were been blessed by your faithfulness. We received gifts to our General Budget from all causes...\$310,521; our budget year was \$314,937 and we spent \$303,142 toward the Budget.

Thanks be to God for your faithfulness. Let us continue to be faithful stewards.

His Servant,
Pastor Sid

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Rebecca Austin – Trudy Cox's mother

Howard Benfield – Janice Wall's brother-in-law

Doug Butler – Sarah Butler's husband

Jim Gardner – Mame Verdinek's brother

Kitty Hutchinson – Bob Hutchinson's step-mother

Eva Kiger

Tina Leehr – Redmond family friend

Kiera Mesmer – Dale & Diann Holland's new granddaughter

Debbie Moore – PlaySchool Mom

Shirley Thomas – Dora Lee Shouse's niece

Mitch Venable – Cheryl Venable, PlaySchool teacher's, husband

Claris York, Carolyn Cooke's mother



February Calendar

Sundays	9:45 am Sunday School weekly 11:00 am Worship weekly 4:00 pm Adult Bible Study 6:00 pm Youth
Mondays	7:00 pm Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm Boy/Cub Scouts
Wednesdays	6:30 pm Handbells 7:30 pm Choir
Tuesday, 2	11:30 am Senior Citizens 7:00 pm Church Council
Monday, 15	Office Closed President's Day
Wednesday, 17	7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service
Thursday, 18	5:30 pm Third Thursday
Friday, 19	Messenger deadline
Tuesday, 23	10:00 am Circle Meeting

