



Findings

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Worship Service at 10:00 a.m.

February 5, 2012

5th Sunday after Epiphany
Sermon: "The Energy Source"
Isaiah 40:21-31; Mark 1:29-39
Music: Chancel Choir

February 12, 2012

6th Sunday after Epiphany
2 Kings 5:1-14; Mark 1:40-45
Sermon: "Want to Know a Secret?"
Music: Trinity Bells

February 19, 2012

Transfiguration of the Lord
Sermon: "Encounter with the Holy"
2 Kings 2:1-12; Mark 9:2-9
Music: Chancel Choir

February 26, 2012

1st Sunday in Lent
Sermon: "Denouement"
Genesis 9:8-17; Mark 1:9-15
Music: Vigorous Voices &
Vigorous Vibrations

Tracks in the Snow

"Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise." Deuteronomy 6:6-8

There is a fox that lives in the woods behind my house. I saw him only once, a couple of years ago, making his way through the trees. As you may know, foxes are very shy and skittish around people, and mostly nocturnal. They also generally don't make any noise, moving gracefully and quietly through the forest. So how do I know he's there? It's easy in the winter. If there is snow on the ground, and I am paying attention, animal tracks can reveal a lot about the wildlife that left them. I know where the deer have paused in my yard during the night to nibble at the maple tree twigs; I can also tell the direction they were heading. The tracks of wild turkey are unmistakable; sometimes the print of their wing feathers is visible where they flew away. Squirrels and rabbits are easy also, their hopping motions place their larger hind feet track in front of the smaller front paws. Obviously squirrel tracks usually come from, or lead to, a tree. Sometimes, if I'm really observant, I can see mice tracks – these tiny trails usually end in the place where they burrow back under the snow to get to their nest in the underbrush. And, of course, the fox – his track is distinctive from a stray dog or cat because of its size, and the way the tracks are aligned.

Tracks can also tell a story - not only the direction of travel but whether the animal was running, or jumping, or stopped for awhile. Other seasons of the year I only have chance encounters with wildlife if I'm lucky. But when there is snowfall, I can often figure out what has passed through the woods and sometimes what it was doing. I can even see if there were people hiking the trails!

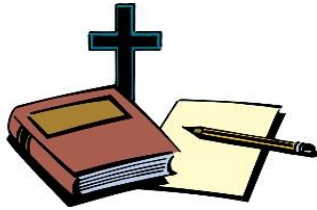
All of which has caused me to think about the "tracks" we leave in life. Sometimes when I'm hiking I'll see a boot print and it will take me a moment to realize that it is my own. We are often too distracted to think much about the mark we leave on the world, or about the long future – ten, twenty, fifty years from now. What tracks are we leaving for our children, for the children of our church and our community? In the Scripture above, God reminds the people of Israel that their faith is to be shared, not just with those of their own generation, but with the generations that come along after them. They are to leave "tracks" of faith by example so that the next generation may follow.

So, a question to ponder on these long winter nights: what kind of tracks are you leaving – at home, at work, wherever you go? What kind of tracks are we leaving as a church – through our worship, education, mission? And what of our responsibility to those who will follow them?

Blessings,

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Lisa's Corner

I wanted to send my heartfelt thanks to the congregation for all the beautiful cards, prayers and especially love during the recent loss of my father. I am so very blessed to have such a wonderful church family! When I hear people say that they don't need a

church, I say you are really missing out! It is a true blessing to be a part of a family of God! I received so many beautiful cards and poems however; this one felt like my father was speaking directly to me! It was shared by Milt and Nancy Kochert and I thought I would share it with my church family:

You can shed tears that he is gone... OR you can smile because he has lived
You can close you eyes and pray that he'll come back... OR you can open your eyes and see all he's left
Your heart can be empty because you can't see him... OR you can be full of love you shared
You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday... OR you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday
You can remember him and only that he is gone... OR you can cherish his memory and let it live on
You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back... OR you can do what he'd want...
SMILE, OPEN YOUR EYES, LOVE and GO ON!

*I will choose to go on in God's Love Forever,
Lisa*



BOWLING

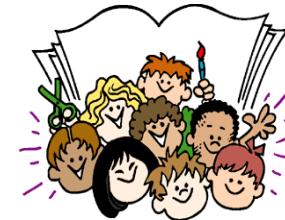
Congratulations to the following 14 students for their excellent Sunday School attendance in the Fall! As a fun gesture, all were invited to a bowling party on January 7 at Amron Lanes in Canfield. Good work for God guys!

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| Dylan Bowald | Lex Prindle |
| Jenna Delisio | Jonathan Scurich |
| Jimmy Delisio | Allison Sleva |
| Amy Goddard | Brandon Sleva |
| Casey Gonatas | Kristen Sleva |
| Justin Gonatas | Seth Velker |
| Evan Heinz | Eryn Willoughby |

Yoga Class Moves To Thursdays

At the request of our members, we are moving Yoga Class to Thursdays from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the Christman Room. Please come join us on the following dates:

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| February 23 | March 15 | April 5 |
| March 1 | March 22 | |
| March 8 | March 29 | |



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

**Rachel Gonatas,
Children's
Ministry Leader**

Hi There:
So many fun things are happening this month! We have begun our new Discipleland curriculum in the Faith Growers, Worship Enrichment and F.E.A.S.T. programs. We are enjoying learning about each others gifts and talents. To make things even more fun we will be hosting a "Discipleland Has Talent" show and also will

be creating our own puppets to act out some of our skits. Each week we will be sending out a parent letter so parents can know what the children have been learning. In our nursery we have begun the "We Believe" curriculum during our F.E.A.S.T. and Faith growers times.

Save These Dates So You Can Join Us!

February 19, 11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m.:

Pizza and Puppets! (Ages 4 yrs-4th Grade)

February 26 During Faith Growers:

"Discipleland Has Talent"

June 18-22:

Vacation Bible School

Have a loving Month!

John 2:16

Mrs. Rachel Gonatas

✓ **Mark Your Calendar
Annual Meeting**



Sunday

February 19th

After 10:00 AM Worship

Special Thanks

Thanks to everyone who helped make the Chili Fundraiser a success! I appreciate all the help and the delicious chili everyone donated! We appreciate all the support we receive from our CPC family.

GIRLS' FRIDAY



Girls' Friday-- We will meet on Friday, February 10th--we will be baking. Meeting will begin at 4:30 with supper, and end at 7 p.m.

Youth Events:

Junior and Senior High begin their combined "Lenten Retreat" on Sunday, February 26th at 8:45!

Sunday Feb. 05: Souper Bowl Sunday—we will be collecting monetary donations and/or canned goods to donate to Operation Blessing.

Sunday Feb. 05:.....No evening Youth Group

Sunday Feb. 12:.....Youth Group 6-7:30, 30 Hour Famine Kick-Off

Friday Feb. 17:.....Tubing for youth in grades 5th-12th! See info

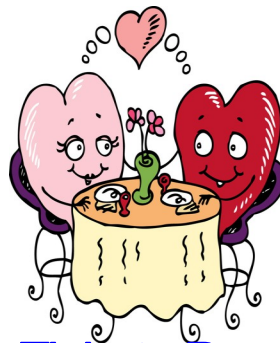
Sunday Feb. 19:.....No Youth Group

Wednesday Feb. 22:..... Ash Wednesday (No FEAST)

Sunday Feb 26:.....Service Project????

Fellowship Committee Up-coming Event:

CPC Valentine's Dinner February 11TH - 6:00 PM



Roast Beef/ Potluck Dinner In Fellowship Hall

Tickets Required - No Charge

(Tickets available after church service or at the church office.

Reservation deadline is February 5)

Bring A Casserole To Share.

Desserts Provided!

Entertainment By:

Ronnie Navarra

"Tribute To "Elvis"

Bring A Friend!

Youngstown Phantom Hockey Verses Team USA Friday, March 2nd



Youngstown Phantom Hockey verses Team USA at the Covelli Centre. Game begins at 7:15 p.m. Cost of tickets is \$8.00 and deadline to purchase your tickets is February 17. If interested on attending the game

please sign up on the sign-up sheet in the Christman Room.

(Fellowship event continued on page 4)



SOUPER BOWL

Sunday, February 5th
11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Souper Bowl Sunday Annual Scavenger Hunt!

Come join us after worship to go out and collect food items for Operation Blessing! You and your team have an hour to see who can collect the most food and earn points. The winning team gets treated to lunch at a later date! After collecting — we will eat a light lunch together.

Attention All Youth 5th-12th Grades:

CPC Annual Tubing Event--- Come join us for Extreme Tubing on Friday, February 17th! We will depart CPC for Boston Mills/ Brandywine at 6:30 p.m. We will tube from 8-12. After tubing we will stop at McDonalds. We should return to CPC between 1:30-2:00 a.m.. The cost is \$25 a person which helps pay for tubing and van rental. You will also need to bring extra money if you want concessions and/or

Extreme Snow Tubing February 17th



McDonalds. Reservations are required and will be accepted no later than **Wednesday, February 8th**. Please contact Miss Julie to reserve your spot soon. Text or call her at 330.301.0664 Thanks!



Opera's Greatest Hits

With the Youngstown Symphony
Orchestra and

Baritone Tom Scurich

Saturday, April 21, 2012

Edward W. Powers Auditorium

8:00 PM

If interested be sure to sign up on the
sign up sheet in the Christman Room
by March 25th.

Cost of Tickets: \$35.00



Special Thanks To
Marilyn
&
Fine

A **BIG THANK YOU** to Marilyn Fine for her many years of service baking the Communion Bread we use in our worship. Her care and kindness have been a blessing to us all!

ATTENTION BAKERS:

if you are able or willing to provide this important service to

our church, we have the recipe and pan to make Communion bread. Please contact the church office or let Pastor Larry know.



At it's December meeting, the Session established a Task Force to plan for an After-School Program to offer homework help for Middle School students. If you are interested in serving on this Task Force, please sign up on the sheet in the Christman

Room. We need help to establish this important outreach to

Prayers Concerns and Celebrations

- ▶ Please pray for Betsy Casgrain; Marty MartineK; Irene Lehtonen, Ginny Boak, Elly Shutz, Audrey Jordan, Sherry Goddard, broken wrist; Chuck Hull, recovering from pneumonia; Tracy Kastenhuber recovering from surgery.
- ▶ Sympathy to John & Jane Ball and family on the loss of their son, Jim Ball.
- ▶ Congratulations to Kameron & Amanda Ziegler on the baptism of their sons, Riley Maddux Ziegler and Jensen John Michael Ziegler, who were baptized on Sunday, January 22, 2012.



Birthdays This Month

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| Feb. 01..... Emily Skovran | Feb. 12 Susan Coonrod |
| Feb. 02..... Jennifer Stefanski | Feb. 13 Sheree Bosze |
| Feb. 03..... Ruth Rose | Tom Scurich |
| Feb. 05..... Edie Renfrew | Feb. 14 Sheila Bishop |
| Feb. 06..... Victoria Latimer | Feb. 15 Moira Fair |
| Eleanor Pricer | Feb. 16 Catherine Brown |
| Feb. 06..... Phil Wilson | Feb. 19 Don Herriott |
| Feb. 07..... Julie Crewson | Feb. 22 Hannah Edwards |
| Ruth Rigo | Feb. 23 Madelyn Docherty |
| Emily Wagner | Jeffrey Clark |
| Feb. 11..... Eryn Willoughby | Brian Perrett |
| | Carol Senediak |
| | Feb. 25 Stephen Rogers |
| | Feb. 26 Devin Shryock |
| | Feb. 27 Raymond DeBonis |
| | Feb. 27 Margaret Matavich |
| | Feb. 28 Damon Brickley |
| | Mary Crump |
| | Alec Pool |
| | Jyl Willoughby |

WORSHIP LEADER

Leadership for Sunday, February 5, 2012

Preaching: Rev. Larry Bowald

Worship Leader: Roger Patton

Ushers: Jim & Louise Hartshorn

Mike Williamson, Madeline Shanks

Leadership for Sunday, February 12, 2012

Preaching: Rev. Larry Bowald

Worship Leader: Mark Velker

Ushers: David & Laurie Moore

Milt & Nancy Kochert

Leadership for Sunday, February 19, 2012

Preaching: Rev. Larry Bowald

Worship Leader: Dean Bosze

Ushers: Dale & Mary Alice Bradshaw

Don & Marla Wilson

Leadership for Sunday, February 26, 2012

Preaching: Rev. Larry Bowald

Worship Leader: Robert Thomas

Ushers: Gail & Jill McCullough

LuAnn Knittle, Bev Sick



Our Ash Wednesday service this year is a joint worship service with Poland, Boardman, Pleasant Grove and Common Ground Presbyterian Churches. We will gather at the **Westminster Church** in Boardman (119 Stadium Dr.) at **7:00 PM February 22**. Please join us as we begin Lent together in worship and fellowship with our neighbors!

Friday, March 2, 2012
11:00 a.m. at
Lord of Life Lutheran
Church



Financial Report:

Dec 2011 Financial Report

This is a comparison of attendance and giving:

Dec 2011			Gen Fund Income	
	2010	2011	2010	2011
Wk 1	144	132	\$ 6,507	\$ 6,349
Wk 2	183	173	\$ 9,112	\$13,176
Wk 3	111	191	\$17,230	\$ 8,017
Wk 4	62	53	\$36,092	\$ 3,641
Wk 5			\$	\$

	Attendance		Income	
Total	500	549	\$ 68,941	\$ 31,183

Average 125 137 \$ 17,235 \$ 7,796

Carryover

General Fund Checking Account

Dec 2011 Carryover into Jan 2012 \$14,799.61

Compared to:

Dec 2010 Carryover into Jan 2012 \$ 7,334.26

Difference(+) \$7,465.35

Initial Offering

The initial offering (\$3.00) is collected to help defray some of the cost of mailing the envelopes to members quarterly.

Per Capita

Remember that for each "active member" the per capita is \$30.00. Our membership was 436 active members at the end of December 2011 thus the per capita for 2012 is \$ 13,080.00 Each dollar of per capita you give reduces the amount that must be taken from the General Fund to pay this obligation.

Per Capita Report for 2012

We owe \$13,080
 We have received \$ 1,380 as 1/12/2012
 Our balance owed is \$ 11,700

2011 Yearly Statements

The 2011 yearly statements were mailed in January. If you did not get one or you have questions about your statement, please call Barbara at the church office 330-533-5509

JANUARY 16, 2012 SESSION MINUTES SUMMARY

Opened with Special Reading and Prayer: Psalm 90 by Pastor Bowald

Clerk's Report: Session minutes from December 19, 2011 were approved as submitted.

Communion Team for February 5, 2012 Draper, Hagy, Craig and Prindle W/L – Patton H/C - Wilson

Communion Team for February 22, 2012 Perrett, Moore and Mataovich

Communion Team for February 26, 2012 Morse, Patton and Wilson

No Action Items

Pastor's Report: Discussed work with various committees and community organizations.

Committee annual reports due 1/23/12

We will be hosting Presbytery Committee Night on 2/14/12 at 5:00. Each session member to work and provide snacks.

Baptism for Ziegler children on 1/22/12.

Offering new member class at the end of January early February.

Joint session of Deacons and Session will be held on April 16, 2012 beginning at 6:30.

No Action Items.

Christian Education: Attendance is up and staff working well together. 14 children qualified for a bowling party based upon perfect attendance.

Youth group traveled to Pittsburgh on 1/16/12 for service project.

Confirmation class will be going to the Rescue Mission on 2/2/12.

Tubing trip planned for 2/17/12.

Nursery needs to be reviewed for size do to large number of children each week.

No Action Items.

Facilities: Working on the sound system in the sanctuary.

No action items.

Fellowship/Outreach: Movie night on 1/13/12 had over 35 participants.

Valentine's Day dinner is scheduled for 2/11/12.

Phantom's hockey game scheduled for 3/2/12.

Youngstown Symphony trip scheduled for 4/21/12. Tom Scurich will be singing.

No action items.

Mission: Christmas Joy Offering raised \$3,925 this year versus \$635 last year.

Alternative giving options were well received during the holiday season. Over \$1,000 was raised and distributed.

Stop Hunger Now has set goal to raise \$8,000 from area Presbyterian churches to package 40,000 meals on May 5th.

CPC has approved donating \$1,000 and providing work team.

No action items.

Finance:

December Financial Report

Cash In: \$71,426

Cash Out: \$46,797

+\$24,629

Checking 11/30: \$14,800

Checking 12/31: \$39,429

Cash in \$10,000 Wm Kilcawley and \$16,474 prepays

Dec exp \$37,090 vs \$36,006 budget

2011 exp \$425,570 vs \$432,073 budget

Motion: Approve 2012 budget with revenue correction as distributed.

Motion passed unanimously.

Pay \$50,000 of the FNB Loan principal with the January 2012 AK Christman distribution. Motion passed unanimously.

Personnel: Discussed insurance need of one employee and the "cap" that was approved at last month's meeting.

Employee spoke with Session.

Motion: CPC will pay 100% of the 2012 premiums for employees who receive health insurance. A new policy will be designed, approved and distributed to employees before 2013 renewals.

Motion passed with 6 yes, 4 no and 1 abstained.

Worship: Worship and Music programs for Easter season are being set.

Star card reflection envelopes are in the pews.

Easter season Labyrinth is to be set up in the parlor.

No action items.

Vision and Planning: Task force for mission hosting will be meeting on 2/17/12.

Task force for after school program will be meeting before the end of January 2012.

New ideas being discussed;

Outdoor worship space

Casual or contemporary service

Update picture directory

Internet classes and discussion groups.

No action item.

Stewardship: Pledges for 2012 were \$255,188 vs \$262,518 for 2011.

No action items.

Membership: Red bags for new members have been handed out.

No action items.

Nominating: Working on list of potential nominees for 2012.

No action items.

Adjournment: Motion made to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas A. Hagy
Clerk of Session

Rev. Larry Bowald
Moderator of Session

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 9 am-2 pm-Preschool Enrich 5 pm-Vigorous Vibrations 5:30 pm-FEAST Dinner 6:00 pm-FEAST CE Programs 6:30 pm-Vigorous Voices 7 pm-Chancel Choir Practice	2 9 am-12 Noon-Preschool 1-4 pm-Preschool 4:30 pm-Rescue Mission 6:30 pm-Duplicate Bridge/FH 7 pm-First Night Trustee Mtg./LL	3 9 am-12 Noon-Preschool	4
5 Souper Bowl Sunday 8:45 am-Faith Growers (SS) 9 am-New Members Class/Conf. R. 10 am-Worship/Communion 11 am-Trinity Bells/3rd Floor 11:30 am-Confirmation Class/Conf. R.	6 9 am-12 Noon-Preschool 9:30 am-Staff Mtg./conf. R. 1-4 pm-Preschool 1 pm-AARP Mtg./FH 6 pm-CE Mtg./Parlor 7 pm-Committee Night	7 9 am-12 Noon-Preschool 1-4 pm-Preschool 7 pm-Vision & Planning Mtg./Conf. R. 7 pm-Mission Committee/Parlor	8 9 am-2 pm-Preschool Enrich 9:30 am-Quilt Group 4 pm-Model Airplane Club 5 pm-Vigorous Vibrations 5:30 pm-FEAST Dinner 6:00 pm-FEAST CE Programs 6:30 pm-Vigorous Voices 7 pm-Chancel Choir Practice (Tidings Deadline)	9 9 am-12 Noon-Preschool 10 am-Oper. Blessing/Bagging/WM 10 am-Knit-4-Kids/LL 1-4 pm-Preschool 6:30 pm-Duplicate Bridge/FH 7 pm-Woodcarvers/WM	10 9 am-12 Noon-Preschool 4:30-7 pm-Girls Friday (Baking)	11 6 pm Valentine Dinner
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19 Transfiguration of the Lord 8:45 am-Faith Growers (SS) 10 am-Worship 11 am-1 pm-Age 3-4th Grade Pizza & Puppets 11 am- Annual Meeting 11 am-Trinity Bells/3rd Floor 11:30 am-Confirmation	20 9 am-12 Noon-Preschool 9:30 am-Staff Mtg./conf. R. 10 am-AARP Board Mtg. 1-4 pm-Preschool 7 pm-Session Mtg./Parlor	21 9 am-12 Noon-Preschool 1-4 pm-Preschool 7-9 pm-Asperger's Support Group	22 No FEAST 9 am-2 pm-Preschool 7 pm- Ash Wednesday Joint Service at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Boardman	23 9 am-12 Noon-Preschool 10:30 am-Knit-4-Kids/LL 1-4 pm-Preschool 6-7 pm-Yoga class/Christman R. 6:30 pm-Duplicate Bridge/FH	24 9 am-12 Noon-Preschool	25
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