

# The 10585

Monthly Newsletter of the Church in the Wildwood – February 2017

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## Back by popular demand: Coffee & Conversation – Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m.

Join Pastor Diane and Karl Huseboe for casual conversation about whatever topics present themselves. Last Tuesday, we talked about our congregational singing and looked at some of our old favorite hymns in “the old blue hymnal,” *The Singing Church*, which Pastor Diane is bringing back into use, alongside the *New Century Hymnal*. Join us next week; bring a topic!



## And speaking of hymnals...

If you have copies at home of the old blue hymnal, *The Singing Church*, that you wouldn't mind donating back to the church, we would love to have them. Just bring them in at your convenience!

## Team Talk

The Administration Team met on ...

Insert report here. ...

The meeting adjourned at xxx p.m. The next Team meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, xxx, 2017, at 4:45 p.m.

## Report on Special Congregational Meeting

Insert Newman's report here. ...

## Now until Lent: "Little Things We Do" sermon series

Have you ever wondered why churches do some of the quirky things they do? We're exploring them during our services for the first eight Sundays of this year. Let's embark on this journey with inquisitiveness and openness, and listen for God's voice guiding us to adapt some things and maintain others.

## Sunday, February 12, after Coffee Hour – Kids/Youth Candle-Making

Stacey Okvath, one of our new members, and her sister, Tanna Francis, invite all the kids and youth to a candle-making session after fellowship time on the 12<sup>th</sup>. Parents, plan to stay and help. An alternate project will be provided by our Kids' Church teachers for young children. All, please bring used candles

and crayons to melt down, empty metal cans for melting wax, and clean jars to make the candles in. Wear old clothes too!

## Feb. 14 & 28 – Wildwood Food Pantry

The Wildwood Food Pantry dates this month are February 14 and 28, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Dinner is served until 7:30 p.m. Please contact Craig (761-0484) or the church office (684-9427) if you can help. Thank you for your loyal support and contributions to the food pantry.

You are welcome to join us for the weekly dinner, whether you need food assistance or not. We would appreciate a few more people to help us better serve and support our guests; this need not be a weekly commitment. Please contact the church if you can assist in greeting our guests, serving or cooking the dinner, or putting together boxes of food. You can also help by getting the word out in the community that we offer this service to our neighbors.

The pantry is always in need of non-perishable food, especially pasta and pasta sauce; macaroni and cheese; dry cereal; soup; peanut butter and jelly; canned fruit; canned tuna or meat; and potatoes.

## Feb. 26 – Monthly Potluck

Our Hospitality Team is hosting our monthly potluck lunch on February 26. The theme this month will be “Summer Foods” (wishful thinking). To volunteer to help with Hospitality Team events (potlucks, coffee hour, etc.), contact Craig Gooding at 761-0484.

## Looking toward Easter

- **Wednesday, March 1** – Ash Wednesday. No evening service. Drop in any time between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. for a private imposition of ashes and a short litany of repentance with Pastor Diane.
- **Sundays, March 5 – April 9** – Lenten sermon series: “Only in John: Stories Found Only in John’s Gospel.”
- **Sunday, April 9** – Palm Sunday with children’s procession, the waving of palms, and lots of hallelujahs!
- **Friday, April 14** – Good Friday evening service, with a reading of Jesus’ crucifixion narrative.
- **Sunday, April 16** – Easter! Pastor Diane needs to hear from you if you really, really, really want to have that early sunrise service. Otherwise, we’ll have brunch, a 10:30 service, and then an Easter egg hunt for the kids.

## Kids’ Church

It’s every Sunday during worship, after Kids’ Corner. We have a great team (Jane Scanlon, Debby Elliott, Cassandra MacDuff, Mary Balin, Peter Scanlon, Bonny McAllister, Vaughn Drinen [when he’s back in commission], and Stephen Hansen [youth assistant]). There’s a place for you on the team too! Our program requires very little prep, and is only about 30 minutes long each Sunday. But it means so much to our young people! The curriculum we’re using is based on Desmond Tutu’s *Children of God Storybook Bible*, with lots of conversation and crafts related to the stories. Please pray for this ministry, and please let Jane Scanlon or Pastor Diane know how you would like to be involved!

## Choir news

Our choirs are back in full swing, and they practice every Wednesday evening. Bell Choir practices at 6:00 p.m., and Chancel Choir practices at 7:00 p.m. Come join us on Wednesdays for practice and then on Sunday mornings to praise and glorify God through music. If you can't be there every week, you may come the Wednesday before the Sunday you're available to sing. Music is a great and glorious gift from God. Come share your gift with us.

— Mary McInnis Balin, Music Director

## Prayer Team

Are you willing to pray for various needs as they are brought to us as prayer requests? Please let Pastor Diane know, and she will add you to the list of pray-ers. You'll be notified by email, and if you don't have email, someone will call you to let you know. Right now several situations need our prayer, so let's get started! (Please also let Pastor Diane know if you have a prayer request for the team.)

## Prayer requests

Please pray with us for our country, our elected officials, and our government as we seek to be instruments of God's will. Let us pray for more peace, more love, and God's guidance to bring about loving change in the world. *(For confidentiality reasons, since this newsletter is published online, to see the full list of prayer requests, please ask to be added to our prayer team.)*

## New formats for directory, newsletter and website

- **Directory** – We're adding photos! We'll be roaming around with cameras and smart phones for the next few Sundays, and we'll take your portrait if you consent. Or if you have a non-copyrighted photo you would rather have us use, please bring it in.
- **Newsletter** – We're going weekly, and it will be in the form of an email (rather than an email attachment like this one). We'll still print hard copies for those who don't have email. Please make sure we have your current email address.
- **Website** – It will contain links to the newsletter and will be much more interactive. Please bear with us as we are "under construction." If you have photos that are either current enough to be relevant or old enough to be historical, please get them to us by email, Facebook, disk, or hard copy.

## We need a volunteer who will ...

- Extract the sermon from the recorded copy of the worship service each Sunday, and post it to our web site. See Jeff Chapman.
- Catalog the songs on the carillon tapes, as we are getting it working again! See Pastor Diane.
- Save disposable plastic food containers (big margarine tubs, for example) for packing up extra food after pantry dinners. (This request comes from the Methodist group who cooks here on the fifth Tuesday evening of every month.)
- Save old candles, metal cans, and glass jars, for our Feb. 12 candle-making session. (See article, above.)
- "Donate back" extra copies of our old blue hymnal. (See article, above.)

## “Friends’ discount” on books written by Dr. Linda Seger

Dr. Linda Seger, a friend of this church, is giving the “friends' rate” of \$10 per copy on her books titled *Reflections With God While Waiting to Heal* and *The Alphabet Prayer* to members of our church. These books normally sell for \$13 on Amazon. You can get an autographed copy by emailing Linda ([lsseger@aol.com](mailto:lsseger@aol.com)) or calling her 719-684-0405. She'll arrange to get it to you. See the bulletin board by the rest rooms for details on these books!

## January Statistics

| Date              | Attendance | Offering |
|-------------------|------------|----------|
| 1/1               | 34         | \$2087   |
| 1/8               | 47         | \$740    |
| 1/15              | 41         | \$612    |
| 1/22              | 38         | \$657    |
| 1/29              | 42         | \$700    |
| ACH/Online giving |            | \$850    |
| Total for January |            | \$5646   |

## Groups and classes at our church

### Cub Scout Pack 33

This group meets every **Monday** when school is in session, at 6:30 p.m. Please call the church office for info.

### Hatha Yoga

Diane Kremer teaches Hatha Yoga in Tatter Hall every **Wednesday** from 10:15 to 11:30 a.m. Please contact the office for info. A donation of \$5 per session (which is donated back to the church) is appreciated.

### T.O.P.S.

The local T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) group meets in our building at 10:30 on **Thursdays**. Please call the church office for info.

### Spanish

Lolita Hilbert teaches Spanish for age 10 through adult, every **Thursday** afternoon or evening. Please call Lolita (719-687-4408) for more info. A donation of \$5 per session (which is donated back to the church) is appreciated.

## Birthdays

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|-----------------|--------|
| Rachel Gooding  | Feb 9  |
| Rebecca Janecek | Feb 20 |
| Doris Pierson   | Feb 22 |

## Normal office hours

### Tuesdays

10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Pastor in office

### Wednesdays

8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Office Administrator in office

10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Pastor in office

### Thursdays

8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Office Administrator in office

## Staff

- Pastor: Rev. Diane Martin
- Bookkeeper: Sunde King
- Custodian: Lolita Hilbert
- Nursery Attendant: MaryAnn Davis
- Music Director: Mary Balin
- Accompanist: Rebecca Janecek
- Administrator: Rebecca Wujcik
- Ministers: All God's People