

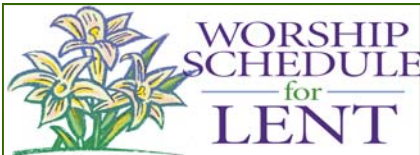
THE CHIMES

STARKDALE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER March 2011



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Ash Wednesday Service:
March 9- 7 p.m.

Sunday School:
Every Sunday at 9:45 a.m.

Worship Services:
Sunday Mornings at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Bible Studies:
Tuesday at 10 a.m. and Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Lent Soup Luncheons following the 11 a.m. worship service March 13-April 10

WHY LENT?

Originating in the fourth century of the church, the season of Lent spans 40 weekdays beginning on Ash Wednesday and climaxing during Holy Week with Holy Thursday (Maundy Thursday), Good Friday, and concluding Saturday before Easter. Originally, Lent was the time of preparation for those who were to be baptized, a time of concentrated study and prayer before their baptism at the Easter Vigil, the celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord early on Easter Sunday. But since these new members were to be received into a living community of Faith, the entire community was called to preparation. Also, this was the time when those who had been separated from the Church would prepare to rejoin the community.

Today, Lent is marked by a time of prayer and preparation to celebrate Easter. Since Sundays celebrate the resurrection of Jesus,

the six Sundays that occur during Lent are not counted as part of the 40 days of Lent, and are referred to as the Sundays in Lent. The number 40 is connected with many biblical events, but especially with the forty days Jesus spent in the wilderness preparing for His ministry by facing the temptations that could lead him to abandon his mission and calling. Christians today use this period of time for introspection, self examination, and repentance. This season of the year is equal only to the Season of Advent in importance in the Christian year, and is part of the second major grouping of Christian festivals and sacred time that includes Holy Week, Easter, and Pentecost.

Lent has traditionally been marked by penitential prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Some churches today still observe a rigid schedule of fasting on certain days during Lent, especially the giving

up of meat, alcohol, sweets, and other types of food. Other traditions do not place as great an emphasis on fasting, but focus on charitable deeds, especially helping those in physical need with food and clothing, or simply the giving of money to charities. Most Christian churches that observe Lent at all focus on it as a time of prayer, especially penance, repenting for failures and sin as a way to focus on the need for God's grace. It is really a preparation to celebrate God's marvelous redemption at Easter, and the resurrected life that we live, and hope for, as Christians.

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Dear Church Family (members and friends of Starkdale),

Where have the days gone? Didn't we just celebrate Christmas? Now we are embarking on another church season, the season of Lent.

Lent is a liturgical season that reflects, or rather causes us to reflect, on topics such as human sinfulness, the unseen evil forces of darkness and evil, the various expressions of sin, temptations, repentance, redemption, forgiveness and of course the gift of eternal life through the cross of Christ.

The church, as it has been the case in the past, plans to direct its themes and activities accordingly in the hope that many of us would not only participate, but also be instrumental in inviting family members and friends.

Special services will include Ash Wednesday worship and reflection, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and the annual ecumenical Cross Walk.

Possibly, for the first time, an ecumenical Sunrise Service will be held on Easter Sunday around 6:30 A.M. If this is decided for sure by community pastors, the announcement will appear in the April issue of the Chimes and in our weekly bulletins.

It is exciting to know that a good number of community Christians are already an active part of every educational opportunity we offer. It is the evidence that people are truly hungry for biblical truth especially in a time when we are bombarded by different

forms of falsehood and when life itself is threatened by poor economy, corrupt politics, and an unsafe future.

The Lent season in my opinion is the best time one may learn the basis of the faith. It has been proven that most non-churchgoers find it appealing to go to church during Lent. So, Please take this opportunity to invite everyone you know to join us during any or all the activities of Lent. You would be surprised how many would surprise you by accepting your invitation.

Also, before you know it Easter will be here. Easter takes its meaning from Lent. The cross of redemption is the reason for the empty tomb.

I urge you therefore to give the Lent season the attention it deserves. It cost God to empty himself from his heavenly glory to come and offer himself in Christ as the sacrifice of your sin and mine. How much would it cost you this Lent season?

Can you at least spread the word and join us as we reflect on the meaning of it all, meditate on Jesus' final words to his disciples, take a closer look at where we had been and where we want to be in Christ?

Remember there is a lot more to our walk with God than mere believing. Lent is the time for spiritual evaluation and determination for renewal and growth in Jesus Christ.

Sincerely,

Philip Makari

Sermon Topics for March

March 6—"A Taste of Heaven"

March 13—"Speaking of the Devil"

March 20- "Is There Another Way"

March 27—"Give Me A Drink"

REMINDER

There is still time to submit a reading for the "Starkdale Lent Devotional Booklet".

Any short essay concerning an important spiritual event in your life, favorite Bible verse, hymn, poem, or other significant event is welcome.

Final deadline for the submissions is March 7. Please seriously consider submitting an article for the book. You may leave your submissions in the secretary's in box (outside the office door), mail them to Starkdale, PO Box 2368, Winterville, OH 43953 or e-mail to Starkdale@starkdale.comcastbiz.net

Thank You!



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Shirley Hammack
- Beth Williams
- 2 Bob Burns
- 4 Donna Minor
- Rose Mary Grimm
- 7 James Lipinski
- Bryce Throckmorton
- 9 Kaitlyn Lane
- Jamaya Hudson
- 10 Jane Gambos
- 12 Jennifer Harvey
- Tad Daily
- 14 Conrad Carson
- 16 Jonathan Minor
- Ryan Patterson
- 20 Virginia Smith
- 22 Bill Alexander
- 23 Lewis Townsend
- 24 Imogene Louk
- 25 Christopher Daily
- Sarah Tegano
- 26 Pat Daily
- Eleanor Drazich
- 27 Debbie Grecco
- Vernon McCamic
- 29 Abbey Pendleton
- 30 Jessica Shimon
- Brock Pendleton
- Jared Grimm
- 31 Mary Beth Allan
- Kay Bezak

- 21 Lewis and Sherilyn Townsend
- Ron and Suzie Rousey
- 22 Ed and Laura Chanoski
- 24 Ronald and Jennifer DiCarlo
- 27 Robert and Linda Daily

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens:
² *a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot,*
³ *a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build,*
⁴ *a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance,*
⁵ *a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them, a time to embrace and*
a time to refrain from embracing,
⁶ *a time to search and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away,*
⁷ *a time to tear and a time to mend, a time to be silent and a time to speak,*
⁸ *a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace.*
Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 (NIV)



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Beverly Mayhew
- Ryan Zrinyi
- 2 Eleanor Hewitt
- 3 Brad Albert
- Bob Sagrilla
- 4 Suzanne Brown
- 7 Mary Jane Ritson
- Joe Grecco

OUR SYMPATHY

Is extended to the families of:

William Eisnaugle who died on January 13, 2011 at home. He is the brother-in-law of David Good.

Eleanor Vasich, or Mingo Junction, Ohio, who died on January 22, 2011. She is the cousin of Paul Visyak.

Geno Morelli who died on January 29, 2011 at Trinity West. He is the brother of Tony (Jean) Morelli.

Sue Celestin who died on February 2, 2011 at Trinity West. Sue is the wife of Andy Celestin.

Paul Leatherberry, or Wellsville, Ohio, who died on February 6, 2011. He is the cousin of Dolores Visyak.

IN THE MAILBAG

We wish to thank our blessed Lord and all of you for the safe return of our grandson, Jason Hornaday, from Afghanistan. This was due to the grace of our Lord and all of your prayers that he would return home safely. Jason sends his thanks to all of you and our Lord for His blessings. Jason will be getting discharged from the Air Force in May and will be returning to North Carolina to live with his wife and daughter.

Yours in Christ,

Bob and Ella Jane Burns

Dear Starkdale Family,

Thank you all for your love, prayers, cards, calls and concerns for me during my recent procedure. I am doing well and continue to gain strength throughout my recuperation time.

In Christian Love,

DeDe Foley

Dear Starkdale Family,

Thank you for the cards, calls, visits and prayers during my time of surgery and recuperation. Marlene and I appreciate you all very much.

Sincerely,

John Rhueff

A beautiful card was received from Jerry Boyd-Director of Wintersville Good Neighbors. His personal note reads: *“God Bless you for your generous donation to Wintersville Good Neighbors. Thank you for caring for those less fortunate.”*

FLOCK TALK

Jacci Wyman, granddaughter of Dick and Beverly Wyman, and a junior at John Carroll University, visited the African country of Rwanda for a week in January along with seven other political science students and four faculty members. Jacci is also Chairperson of the University’s “Christian Life Communities Program.” The students were in the country on a study tour “The Rwanda in Comparison African Perspective”. During their stay, the group focused mainly on the culture. They also visited with their president Paul Kagame, wherein they made the front page of the country’s newspaper. Jacci was elected spokesperson for their meetings with President Kagame, as well as newspaper and TV interviews.

They also visited with the parliament, Lake Kivo, various schools, orphanages, Genocide Memorial sites, the National Museum and University, a youth village and the King’s Palace at Nyanza.

In an e-mail to her grandparents she stated “I want to share with as many people as possible, that Rwanda is much more than country who had a genocide and that many countries in Africa are not all desolate, starving, needy people, but rather they are people who have come a long way given the obstacles, such as colonization, slavery, and corruption that they have endured. Our observations of Rwanda is that everybody in the country is proud in working for the betterment of their country. Some countries in Africa are truly places to visit and learn about. The trip helped enrich my future endeavors. I would like to work in foreign affairs and do some kind of international social work. That would permit me to immerse myself in other cultures which is a great opportunity.”

This article submitted by Starkdale members Richard and Beverly Wyman.

SOUP KITCHEN REPORT

The Soup Kitchen served 51 people on February 10, 2011.

Preparing and serving the meal were:

Ella Jane Burns, Andy Celestin, John Criss, Robbie France, Lillian Kestner, and Joyce Palmer.

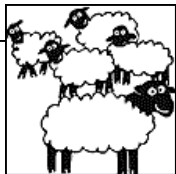
The delicious meal consisted of:

Roast beef, fresh bread, mixed vegetables, cole slaw, pudding, cake and beverages.

Starkdale has a new e-mail address. Please make a note of it in your contacts or address book on your computer:

Starkdale@starkdale.comcastbiz.net

FLOCK TALK



Kim and Bryan Felmet have been named co-chairmen of the 2011 Jefferson County Fourth Street Health Gala. The event will be held at St. Florian Hall on April 10, 2011.

Tom Timmons and Gary Wickham of the Steubenville Kiwanis Club are involved with planning for the first ever "Kiwanis Trivia Day" to be held on March 6, 2011 at St. Florian Hall.

Christians need courage to live in our tumultuous world. Take courage from these scriptures:

Wait on the Lord; Be of good courage, And He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say, on the Lord! Psalm 27:14

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; And through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, Nor shall the flame scorch you. Isaiah 43:2

Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you; but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy. I Peter 4:12,13

For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Fear not, for I am with you; Be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, Yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. Isaiah 41:10

Per Capita Apportionment for 2011

Apportionment (or per capita) for congregations in Upper Ohio Valley Presbytery for 2011 is \$26.00 per member. The portions for General Assembly and Synod of the Trinity are based on the number of members reported by clerks of session in their Annual Report to the General Assembly effective December 31, 2009.

Since the presbytery's budget is funded by the sessions within its bounds, the *Book of Order* provides that a presbytery may direct apportionments (including those on a per capita basis) to its sessions.

Apportionment by per capita (or per member) is a responsible way of sharing the costs that equitably belong to the wider Presbyterian Church (USA) community, and expresses the essential unity of the church. The reasoning behind this is the connectional nature of the Presbyterian Church, and that each congregation should accept responsibility for its part of the expenses of the operation of its presbytery, Synod, and the General Assembly.

If a session does not contribute its share for General Assembly and Synod, presbytery still has to pay, and the money comes out of the contributions other sessions have made to the budget of presbytery. For 2011, per capita apportionments to sessions in Upper Ohio Valley Presbytery are \$26.00 (\$6.50 for General Assembly, \$2.20 for Synod, and \$17.30 for our presbytery). Our congregation (*Starkdale*) reported 352 members as of December 31, 2009. Therefore our total per capita apportionment for 2011 is \$9,152.00.

And, your 2011 presbytery mission giving guideline is \$33.00 per member or \$11,616.00 for the congregation.

This is not an exhaustive list, but here's where some of your money goes:

- Youth Events and Retreats
- Church Officer Training
- Workshops on Evangelism
- Workshops on Stewardship
- Christian Education and Youth Ministry Coordinator
- The Connector* Newspaper
- Sponsorship of Continuing Education Studies from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
- Ministers Emergency Relief Fund
- Lay Pastors Program
- Laughlin Memorial Chapel
- Beaver Creek Camp
- Camping Grants
- Candidates' Retreats and Career Counseling for Ministers in Training
- Seminary Scholarships
- The Resource Center
- Mission Yearbooks given to all churches
- Mission Trips
- VitaMin Grants
- International Presbytery Partnerships



Who: A ministry of the U.O.V.P. to the young people of the Upper Ohio Valley and their families.

People of ALL ages are welcome to attend.

What: A Jesus-Centered, Culturally Relevant, Worship Experience with AFFIX



Where: Various Churches, First Meeting @ First Presbyterian Church of Martins Ferry

Why: To create an environment inviting to the Holy Spirit who will bring people into and deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ.

Keep all your ducks in a row:

Don't forget: As you retire for the evening on Saturday, March 12, set your clock forward one hour.



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POWER OF THE CROSS

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters





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For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.
- 1 CORINTHIANS 1:18 NIV



March 2011

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Sunday School at 9:45 A.M. for all Ages Worship Services at 8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. ALL WELCOME!!!						
		1 10 a.m. Bible Study 6 p.m. Dart Baseball	2 6 p.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Youth Choir 7:15 p.m. Adult Choir	3 8:30 p.m. AA	4 <i>World Day of Prayer</i> <i>Deadline for April Connector Articles</i>	5 9a.m. Quilters InC.-Fh 3 p.m. – Birthday Party-Fh
6	7 6:30 p.m. Scouts 7 p.m. Evening Prayer LAST DAY to submit “Starkdale Lent Book-let” articles	8 7:30 a.m. Men’s Prayer Breakfast 10 a.m. Bible Study 6 p.m. Dart Baseball	9 <i>Ash Wednesday</i> 7 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service	10 9:00 a.m. Soup Kitchen 8:30 p.m. AA 5:00 p.m. UOVP Evangelism Comm.mtg.	11	12
13 <i>Daylight Savings Time Begins</i> Communion	14 6:30 p.m. Scouts 7 p.m. Evening Prayer	15 10 a.m. Bible Study 6 p.m. Dart Baseball	16 6 p.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Youth Choir 7:15 p.m. Adult Choir	17 <i>St. Patrick’s Day</i> 6:00 p.m. Session/Deacons meetings 8:30 p.m. AA	18	19 2 p.m. Blue and Gold Banquet for Scouts-Fh
6 p.m.. Youth Group 1 st Sunday in Lent	21 6 p.m. Administration Meeting 6:30 p.m. Scouts 7 p.m. Evening Prayer	22 10 a.m. Bible Study Noon SPW 6 p.m. Dart Baseball	23 6 p.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Youth Choir 7:15 p.m. Adult Choir <i>Deadline for CHIMES articles</i>	24 8:30 p.m. AA <i>CHIMES Edit</i>	25	26 4 p.m. Bridal Shower-Fh
20 <i>First Day of Spring</i> 1 p.m. Carriage House worship service 2 nd Sunday in Lent	28 6:30 p.m. Scouts 7 p.m. Evening Prayer	29 10 a.m. Bible Study 6 p.m. Dart Baseball	30 6 p.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Youth Choir 7:15 p.m. Adult Choir	31 8:30 p.m. AA <i>CHIMES Fold</i>		
27 6 p.m. Youth Group 3 rd Sunday in Lent						

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Sunday Morning 8:30 and 11 a.m.
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ages
Bible Studies—Tuesday at 10 a.m.
Wednesday at 6 p.m.
Youth Group every Second and
Fourth Sunday of the month at 6 p.m.

Pastor:	Rev. Dr. Philip Makari
Choir Director:	Carolyn Glaub
Organist:	Stephan Carroll
Sunday School Director:	CarolynLee Barrett
Nursery Director:	Sharon Patterson
Youth Group:	Sharon Petrilla and Rick Patterson
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