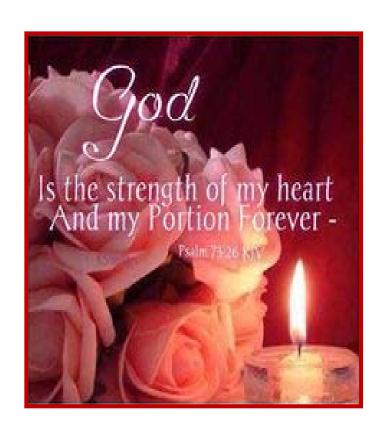
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FROM THE SESSION

The Starkdale Session has unanimously extended the Stated Supply invitation to Rev. Paul Danielson to continue serving the needs of the Starkdale Congregation until a permanent pastor is called. He has graciously agreed, and we are thankful that he and his wife, Heather, are willing to continue to serve our congregation through this transition period.

PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

The Pastoral Search Committee has begun interviewing candidates and is still receiving Personal Information Forms from other applicants. Please continue to pray for God's perfect will for Stark-

SCRIP CARD LIQUIDATION

10% OFF FACE VALUE!

On Sunday, February 14th, during fellowship hour Session ruling elders will be liquidating all Scrip cards at a 10% discount (excludes Riesbeck's cards). This will be a great time to purchase cards for gifts, or a night out to dinner at a discount. We will be discontinuing the Scrip program and appreciate your help.

Thank you,

The Starkdale Session

2016 PER MEMBER ASKING (Per Capita)

The 2016 Member Per Capita is \$35.50 per member which includes \$23 to fund the EPC General Assembly budget and \$12.50 to fund the Presbytery of the Alleghenies budget. The Per Member Asking from churches funds the operation of the administration offices as well as the offices of the various EPC ministries. Please prayerfully consider participating toward Starkdale's contribution.

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WINTER HELP NEEDED

Do you have the heart of a volunteer and desire to help out at Starkdale? Sign up for snow removal duties! With winter weather upon us we need to ensure the walkways are clear prior to 8am Sunday mornings. We kindly request volunteers remove snow, and salt the walkways before the congregation arrives on Sundays, January through March. Please sign up for one day, or as many days as you like. The sign-up sheet is in the narthex. If you are unable to remove snow but would like to volunteer anyway, there are many ways to help out at Starkdale. Please see Bob Burns or Scott Murison.



MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

elcome to the month of February! Congratulations, date-wise as I write, we are halfway through the Winter without a major snow storm! But yes, I know, it's not over until it's over.

Let me take this opportunity to commend you as a congregation for your commitment to the Lord here at Starkdale during this important time of transition from one pastor to another. It is not easy or comfortable to go from the known to the unknown. Yet, I praise you for the wonderful spirit in which you are working together. Attendance is excellent. Patience and trust in your leaders is admirable. Keep them in your prayers!

May I also commend you for your commitment to the Word of God. You clearly evidence a genuine desire to know and understand the Bible. Nothing pleases this pastor more or makes his ministry a joy than to see your hunger for the Scriptures.

Yes, there is need for structure and programs, for outreach and care ministries. But in it all, keep falling in love with Jesus. Keep your faith growing and He will bless beyond all you can ask or think.

Rev. Taul Danielson



Message from Pastor Bobbyjon Bauman Pastor of Youth and Young Families

It has been a wonderful youth ministry year, and I truly have been blessed to work with all of you at Starkdale. In December, we received by Profession of Faith, four youth into membership. Several youth have joined the Starkdale Youth group for the first time this fall. We have had our largest turnouts for youth meetings (25+) since I have been here, which is a great sign for the future of the youth in our community and here at Starkdale. The youth have several upcoming events:

Feb 7 "Super Bowl Party" - Leave at 6:15 P.M. from church and return when the game is over or sooner if there is a blow-out. There will be tons of food, games, and a Bible study at halftime, It will take place at the Bauman home.

Feb 14 "Ice Skating Night" - Leaving Starkdale at 5:00 and return at 9:30. Will take place at PPG place in Pittsburgh. Cost is \$10 each for skates and admission to the skating rink.

Feb. 21 "Brennan" The Movie Night! Come out and see this dynamic film chronicling the life story of author Brennan Manning who had a huge influence on the CCM artist Rich Mullins who wrote "Our God Is An Awesome God." The cost is **\$10** per ticket. 6:00-7:45 P.M.



Distributing Gifts to Dixon Nursing Home



We extend our sympathy to Ted and Janice Whitaker in the death of Ted's brother, Bill Whitaker, on January 1, 2016.

Our sympathy is extended to Joan Copeland in the death of her grandson, Robbie Copeland, on November 25, 2015. Our sympathy is also extended to Robbie's father and mother, Jeff and Debbie Copeland, his uncle and aunt, Jeff and Kim Criss, and their extended family.

Our sympathy is extended to DeDe Foley in the death of her husband, John Foley on January 18, 2016.



We would like to thank you for your prayers, cards and phone calls during the recent illness and death of my sister, Joyce Booth, and Ted's brother Bill Whitaker. We really appreciate all your support during this very difficult time for our family.

Ted and Janice Whitaker

Dear Starkdale Family,

We wish to thank you for your cards, prayers, phone calls and meals during my recent recuperation period. We really appreciate all the love and kindness we received from our family at Starkdale.

DeDe Foley

Dear Starkdale Members and Outreach Committee, Thank you so much for thinking of us again. All of our children were given items to take home for Christmas. Any items that were not given away here were given to Children's Services and distributed to other children. Neighborhood House

The Copeland family: Joan, Jeff and Debbie, and Kim Criss wish to thank all of our Starkdale friends for all the condolences, sympathy and prayers extended to our family on the death of Jeff and Debbie's, son, Rob Copeland, the day before Thanksgiving. It was comforting, even in our deep sorrow, to know that others shared our grieving. Please keep us in your prayers as we try to accept this tragedy of our loved one. Thank you and God Bless All.

STARKDALE COMMUNICANTS RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP DECEMBER 13, 2015



Pictured are: Jake Barger, Victoria Collins, Abigail and Andrew Kinney, with Pastor Bobbyjon Bauman.

In November and December, a six-week Communicants Class was taught by Pastor Bobbyjon Bauman. Of the students attending, the four pictured above were received into membership on December 13, 2015. Victoria Collins and Jake Barger were baptized during the worship service.

We look forward to the joy of serving with these wonderful young people. May we continue to keep them in our prayers.

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ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SERVICE February 10, 2016 7:00 P.M.

Please join us on
Wednesday evening for a time of spiritual
reflection, and self-examination. A time to
focus on the redemptive power of Jesus
Christ and his death on the cross.

Lenten Message: Rev. Paul Danielson

Psalm 13:5-6

"But I trust in your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation. I will sing the Lord's praise, for he has been good to me."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join us for the Lenten soup luncheons during fellowship hour each Sunday beginning February 14th through March 13th.

A CORPORATION MEETING will be held on Sunday, February 28th, following the 11:00 A.M. Worship Service to hear committee reports, and answer the congregation's questions.

18TH STATED MEETING OF THE PRESBYTERY OF THE ALLEGHENIES will be held February 26th and 27th at the New Bedford EPC, 151 Woodland Drive, Pulaski, PA.

THE 2016 HOSPITALITY CHART is up in the fellowship hall. We are in need of weekly hosts and hostesses to sign up in order to fulfill this important part of our lives together as a church family. It's easy, and the cost is covered by the church. Please see John Parkinson or Bob Archer if you have any questions or would like more information.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR THE CHANCEL FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS for

a Sunday Worship Service as a celebration of an event, to honor someone, or in memory of a loved one, please sign the flower chart located in the narthex. The cost is \$25. Sponsors may take the arrangements after the worship service or leave them if they would like the flower arrangements to be taken to shut-ins who cannot attend services.



February Birthdays

- 1 Ryan Archer
- 1 Douglas Freshwater
- 3 Carol Daily
- 3 David Daily
- 3 Gerald Palmer
- 4 Cindy Sagrilla
- 7 Carla Hawkins
- 8 Wade Gambos
- 9 David Good
- 12 Helen Chociej
- 12 Peggy Rekai
- 13 Patty Dennis
- 15 Steve Orwick 18 Charlene Petrozzi
- 18 Inez Zajdowicz

- 19 Harry Bucy
- 21 Donna Parkinson
- 21 Marlene Rhueff
- 22 Donna Baker
- 23 Ron Rousey
- 24 Hunter Paris
- 24 Susie Dinger
- 24 Ralph Freshwater
- 27 Betty Braun
- 28 Thomas Peterson

February Anniversaries



February 13th John and Donna Parkinson



Lenten Poem by Ann Weems

Lent is a time to take time to let the power of our faith story take hold of us, a time to let the events get up and walk around in us, a time to intensify our living unto Christ, a time to hover over the thoughts of our hearts,

a time to place our feet in the streets of Jerusalem

or to walk along the sea and listen to his Word.

a time to touch his robe and feel the healing surge through us, a time to ponder and a time to wonder.... Lent is a time to allow a fresh new taste of God!

Perhaps we're afraid to have time to think, for thoughts come unbidden. Perhaps we're afraid to face our future

knowing our past.

Give us courage, O God, to hear your Word and to read our living into it.

Give us the trust to know we're forgiven and give us the faith to take up our lives and walk with you.

Submitted by: Janice Whitaker, Ruling Elder

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FLOCK TALK

Andrew Kinney was recently inducted into the National Senior Beta Club at Edison High School. The Beta Club promotes the ideals of academic achievement, character, service and leadership among students.

Christina Archer, a Senior Accounting Major at Kent State was named to the Fall 2015 President's List. Christina is the daughter of Dr. Bob and Bonnie Archer. Congratulations!

The Archer's would also like to share that their son Ryan Archer will celebrate his 18th birthday on February 1st. Happy Birthday Ryan.



We are looking for your articles of interest for the "Flock Talk" page. If you have anything you would like to share, please contact Janice Whitaker at the church office.



FEBRUARY LEADERSHIP DUTIES

Nursery Assistants

- 7 Mary Louise Morgan
- 14 Pat Daily
- 21 Ella Jane Burns
- 28 Toni Zajdowicz

Deacons on Duty

Bob Daily Kelly Dopp Drew Stewart

Committee on Duty

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION/WORSHIP

Ruling Elders:

Tom Brown, Jeannie Cox, Carolyn Glaub Esther Harris and Janice Whitaker

18th Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of the Alleghenies

Ruling Elder Commissioners:

Jane Gambos, Carolyn Glaub, Scott Murison

Teaching Elder Commissioners:

Rev. Dr. Philip Makari, Pastor Emeritus Rev. Bobbyjon Bauman

UPCOMING EVENTS MARK YOUR CALENDARS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL BARNYARD ROUNDUP JUNE 6-10, 2016 9:00 A.M. - 12:15 P.M.

If you are interested in helping in any way, please contact Kelly Dopp, Vacation Bible School Director, or the church office.

KIDS ROCK CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Kids Rock Children's Ministry meets every Sunday from 6:00-7:15 pm. All children, Kindergarten through 6th Grade, are invited. For more information please contact directors Jamie and Drew Stewart.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Save this date. The Easter Egg Hunt will be held Sunday, March 20th, 4:00-5:00 pm.



On December 10th, soup kitchen volunteers, Ella Jane Burns, Robbie France and Stu Stukins, served a tasty lunch of pizza and salad to 60 people. The dessert was provided by Two Ridges Presbyterian Church.



On January 14th, volunteers Ella Jane Burns, Jo Copeland, John Criss, Robbie France, Dan & Kim France, and Stu Stukins, served a wonderful meal of meat loaf, mashed potatoes, and green beans to 70 people. The cakes for dessert were provided by Two Ridges Presbyterian Church.





February 2016



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | 1 6 pm Property Mtg. 6:15 pm Cub Scouts 7:30 pm Boy Scouts | 2 10 am Bible Study 10 am Christian Ed Mtg. 6 pm Dart Baseball Groundhog Day | 3 6 pm Bible Study 7:15 Choir Rehearsal | 4 | 5 | 6 9 am Quilters InC (Fh) |
| 7 6:00 pm SYM Super Bowl Party 6:00pm Kid's Rock | 8 6:15 pm Cub Scouts 6:30 pm Administration 7:30 pm Boy Scouts | 9 10 am Bible Study 6 pm Dart Baseball | 10 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service Ash Wednesday | 11 9 am Soup Kitchen 6 pm Session Mtg. | 12 Lincoln's Birthday | 13 |
| Last Sunday in Epiphany | | | - | | | |
| 14 First Sunday in Lent Communion 5;00 pm SYM Ice Skating 6::00 pm Kid's Rock Boy Scout's Sunday | 15 6:15 pm Cub Scouts 7:30 pm Boy Scouts | 16 10 am Bible Study 6 pm Dart Baseball | 17 6 pm Bible Study 7:15 Choir Rehearsal | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| Valentine's Day | President's Day | | | | | |
| 21 Second Sunday in Lent 1:15 Carriage House 6:00 pm SYM 6:00pm Kids Rock | 22 6:15 pm Cub Scouts 7:30 pm Boy Scouts Washington's Birthday | 23 10 am Bible Study 6 pm Dart Baseball | 24 6 pm Bible Study 7:15 Choir Rehearsal | 25 CHIMES MAIL | 26 | 27 |
| 28 Third Sunday in Lent 6:00 pm SYM 6:00 pm Kids Rock | 29 LEAP DAY | | | | | |