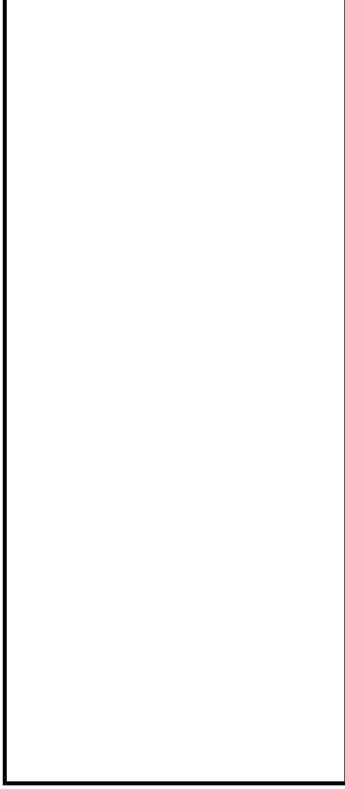




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**MESSAGE FROM
REV. G. CARL MOORE**

Jesus said to him, I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. (John 14:6 ESV)

Philosopher Herbert Fingarette, while musing about death, said that “In my arrogance, I thought that I could conquer death with logic. But now I know that I only used logic to suppress my fear of death.” Dr. Fingarette lived and mused his way through most of his 97 years of life that death was nothing to fear, that he could muster enough arguments as a buffer to blunt the fear of death! It was only now at his dark stage of twilight, that is while the dusk of death was falling rapidly, that Dr. Fingarette realized his arguments were only a defense mechanism to suppress his fear of death. Fingarette had good reason to fear death. The Bible teaches that the fear of death has real power over our lives, a power that subjects us to “lifelong slavery.” The tragedy of Fingarette is that it wasn’t until he was near his end that he realized his human “logic” only served to numb him from the fear of death. It didn’t conquer his fear of death as he arrogantly thought all those years in his “ivory tower.” Because of that, he treated the most important existential issue in all of life with an escapist attitude! This escapist attitude contemplated that “since life is short, let’s just enjoy it!” The power of death does that: it has the power of dread and it has the power to create an escapist attitude to avoid such dread. But either way, dread is real! Who has this power of dread over humanity? Scripture says the devil:

¹⁴ Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵ and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. (Heb 2:14-15 ESV)

MARCH

Birthdays

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| 2 Robert Burns | 26 Eleanor Drazich |
| 5 Paul Busby | 27 Debbie Grecco |
| 7 James Lipinski | 27 Vernon McCamic |
| 10 Jane Gambos | 29 Abbey Pendleton |
| 17 Olivia Gambos | 30 Brock Pendleton |
| 21 Amjad Alkaed | 31 Mary Beth Allan |
| 24 Imogene Louk | |
| 26 Patricia Daily | |

Anniversaries

- 21 Ron and Suzie Rousey
- 21 Ted and Janice Whitaker
- 22 Ed and Laura Chanoski
- 27 Robert and Linda Daily





Birthdays

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|-------------------|--------------------|
| 3 Carol Daily | 12 Peggy Re kai |
| 3 David Daily | 15 Steve Orwick |
| 3 Gerald Palmer | 21 Donna Parkinson |
| 4 Cindy Sagrilla | 21 Marlene Rhueff |
| 5 Carl Moore | 22 Donna Baker |
| 8 Wade Gambos | 23 Ron Rousey |
| 11 LeDawn Kosek | 24 Hunter Paris |
| 12 Helen Chocie j | 28 Thomas Peterson |

Anniversaries

- 13 Mason and Alexis Gambos
13 John and Donna Parkinson



But the good news is that Jesus destroyed the power of Satan who has the power of death. How? Jesus' death on the cross destroyed death and the power of death which is the power of dread! When Jesus says that he is the "life," that's what he meant: that is to say, he's the only way that can deliver man from the power of dread; He's the only truth (Fingarette's logic) that can deliver man from the power of dread! All the other ways and truths that man uses to deliver him from the power of dread are arrogant, merely ivory tower approaches of escapism doomed to fail in this age and in the age to come.

As I write this, we are all hearing the tragic news about Kobi Bryant and his untimely death as a young and extremely accomplished man. Our prayers go out to his family and friends, as well as others whose family members died in the helicopter crash. Whether we live a long full life like Dr. Fingarette, or our life is cut short like Mr. Bryant, may we prepare for a long eternity after this life! However, there is only one way to prepare: in Christ alone, through Christ alone, and by Christ alone!

In Christ,

Pastor Carl



- ◆ Valentine's Day luncheon event- Sunday - February 16, at 11:00 A.M. following the service in fellowship hall.
- ◆ March 14 (7:00 P.M.) Kiwanis Club of Steubenville - Trivia competition.
- ◆ Lenten soup lunches Sunday, March 1-29, following the 10:00 A.M. Service in fellowship hall.
- ◆ 2020 Hospitality Chart - if you are interested in hosting a fellowship hour after the worship service, please sign the chart in the fellowship hall. Please see Mike Paris if you would like more information.
- ◆ Starkdale Presbyterian Women's March meeting will be held on March 24. Fellowship begins at 11:30 A.M. and lunch at 12:00 P.M., followed by a Bible study and short business meeting. Hostesses are Mary Beth Allan, Ruth Carson, and Pat Daily.



Dear Friends,

The cold weather is upon us which means several things at the Urban Mission:

A full homeless shelter

A packed Unity Kitchen serving hot meals almost daily

A pantry that must be stocked daily to accommodate the holiday food needs of the families we serve...

Friends, on behalf of the Urban Mission, I'd like to thank you for your most recent gift of \$600 on 10/26/19, as a result of your beautiful Hymnfest service.

Thank you for your special gift!

Rev. Ashley Steele
Executive Director

Starkdale Church

Friends,

Thank you for your partnership in the gospel!

Greg and Karen

EPC MISSIONARIES WE SUPPORT



FLOCK TALK



CONGRATULATIONS ABIGAIL KINNEY!!

Congratulations Abigail on receiving your first Academic Letter . Abigail is the daughter of Keith and Lori Kinney and granddaughter of James and Cathy Lipinski.

Abigail is a sophomore this year at Edison High School..

YEAR 2020



STILL SEARCHING FOR YOUR NEWS!

DON'T FORGET TO SEND YOUR ARTICLES FOR THE CHIMES.

THE CHIMES STAFF

Wayne Hackathorne, Esther Harris, Doris Wickham and Janice Whitaker



SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 16

11:00 A.M.

*Valentine's day is coming soon,
On February 16th at just about noon.
We have a good time planned for you.*

*We have to tell you we have a hunch,
That if you're absent you'll miss a bunch
of laughs, songs and a mighty fine lunch.*

*So on that day please plan to be here,
To help us spread some love and cheer!*

Wayne and Betty Hackathorne

See you then!!



WINTER HELP NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for snow removal. Walkways must be cleared and salted by 9:30 a.m. before the congregation arrives on Sundays. Please sign the sheet in the narthex if you are able to help. Please contact Bob Burns or John Parkinson with any questions.

DART BASEBALL NEWS!!

The ecumenical group that play dart baseball on Tuesdays is having another great season of fun and Christian fellowship.

We have a mission basket and anyone wishing to make a donation may do so. Through the generosity of the players, this past year, we gave \$500 to local charities, including: Urban Mission, Wintersville Good Neighbors, Salvation Army, and Abigail's Angels.

All are invited to join us on Tuesday nights at 6:00 P.M., September through May, for great food, fun and Christian Fellowship.

Dart Baseball Family of Friends



Dear Starkdale Presbyterian Church,

Thank you for your generous donation of \$200 to support the work of the Center of Hope, Friendship Room. Your gift will be used to help us fulfill our mission to the "least of our brethren" (Matthew 25:40), the poorest of the poor in our area. This month we were able to help a young man move to another state and get a job. He had just finished a detox program and wanted to stay clean. In order to do that he needed to get away from bad influences and connections in this area. We are very hopeful. He loves his new lease on life. Thank you.

Molly McGovern, Director
Friendship Room

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THANK YOU FOR IMPACTING OUR COMMUNITY!

Thank you for your generous \$500.00 donation to the 2020 United Way campaign. Because of your generosity we are able to continue helping Jefferson County's most vulnerable citizens. We are proud to help the people of Jefferson County have healthy and safe living environments and we couldn't have done it without your sacrifice and devotion to our cause. The generosity of people like you is the backbone of United Way and our ability to support initiatives that have changed so many lives in our community. You really know what it means to LIVE UNITED. A sincere thank you from the United Way of Jefferson County for your helping hands and continued support of our projects!

Sincerely,

Tom and Tyra Timmons, Campaign Chairs
Kate Sedgmer, Executive Director



OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Thank you so much for thinking of the School of Bright Promise students this Christmas Season. The toys are distributed to all of our students and are very much needed.

Sincerely,
Jane Bodo, Principal

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Dear Starkdale Church Outreach Committee:

The Jefferson County Juvenile Court would like to thank you for your generous donation to the “bed project.” We have been very surprised by the number of people who contributed once learning about the project. We have provided nine (9) beds through today’s date and we hope to start building some more beds in the near future. Again, on behalf of the Court, I wish to thank you for your generosity and kindness.

Very truly yours,
Joseph M. Corabi, Juvenile Judge

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Starkdale Family,
Thank you for all your love, prayer, and support.

Merry Christmas!
Refuge for Women
A. Stellfox



SOUP KITCHEN

On December 12, 2019, 65 people were served ham, scalloped potatoes and mixed vegetables. Cakes were provided by Two Ridges Presbyterian Church.

Those serving were: Ella Jane Burns, Jo Copeland, Bob Kramer, Pastor Carl Moore, Joyce Palmer, Stu Stukins and Walter Mallory from St. Paul’s Episcopal Church.

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On January 9th, a hot lunch of pork, sauerkraut, and mashed potatoes was served to 54 people. Cakes were provided by Two Ridges Presbyterian Church.

Those serving were Ella Jane Burns, Jo Copeland, Bob Kramer, Brad Moore and Pastor Carl.

EPC OFFICER CLASS FOR DEACONS

Officer training classes for Deacons will be held from 6:00 - 8:00 P.M. each Thursday for 12 weeks (except on the Thursdays that the Session and/or Deacons meet). The curriculum will be the EPC *Leadership Training Guide*. If you have any questions, please contact Ted Whitaker or Jane Gambos, Co-chairs of the Christian Education Committee.



Our sympathy is extended to George Allan and his extended family in the death of his wife, Marjorie Allan, on December 2, 2019.

Our sympathy is extended to Richard Wyman and his extended family in the death of his wife, Beverly Wyman, on December 2, 2019.

Our sympathy is extended to Steve and Karen Orwick and their extended family in the death of Steve's Aunt, Nila Viltro, on December 11, 2019.

STARKDALE PRAYER CHAIN

If you have a prayer request that you would like to share with the church for which you would like the congregation to pray, please contact the prayer chain chairman, Ella Jane Burns, at (740)264-0248. She will contact the pastor and group captains, and there will be many people praying for your request. *Names submitted for public prayers, must be authorized by the individuals for whom prayers are to be offered.*

THANK YOU TO OUTREACH

Dear Church Family,

On behalf of Refuge for Women Ohio Valley, thank you for supporting The Night Of Hope Gala on October 19, 2019. With your generous gift of \$200, the event raised more than \$25,000. All funds raised go directly to support women rescued from sexual exploitation. Our passion is to give them a real hope that translates into a new life, and teach them how to build a brighter future beyond their past.

Together with generous friends like you, we're helping one woman at a time complete our program with a vision for her future, equipped to lead a successful life marked with dignity and hope.

Refuge for Women could not do what it does without the generous support of a caring community. Thank you again for your thoughtful gift to these beautiful women.

Sincerely,

Shari Prichard, Board President - Thank you!

Theresa Golden, City Director

PLEDGE CARDS

Thank you to everyone who submitted a pledge card (estimate giving) for 2020. If you haven't done so and would like to, please consider submitting your pledge today. This will help the Session plan the budget for the coming year. If needed, pledge cards are available in the hallway, narthex, and from the deacons.