

CORNERSTONE

Pewee Valley Presbyterian Church

January &
February
2023

Let's Try this Again

*From the Desk of
Reverend Joel Weible*



Does this sound familiar to anyone?

During my annual review last month, I shared with Ron Warren and Larry Vice that I wanted to call and schedule a visit with every member and/or family on our membership roles. That's about 70 visits, and I hope to have these visits completed by Easter (April 17th). My guess is that this scares a number of you, a few of whom are already formulating an excuse for not being home between now and Easter! My further guess is that this may not all happen before Easter given that we've faithfully geared down to accommodate COVID once again. Still, we need to do this – to get together and share who we are.

That was the second paragraph of the letter "From my Desk" in **last** January-February's newsletter (2022). It is the first paragraph in this year's letter because, except for the date of Easter (which is April 9th) this year, I'm going to *try this again!*

It's hard to imagine that it was only a year ago that we shut everything back down in January when COVID surged again after 7 months of "back to the new normal." But it was. And, while ultimately it is only one excuse, I never got going on my first quarter visits, as other initiatives and needs filled the calendar quickly. So, here we are one year later with the same need – to get together and share who we are, where we're going, and our ideas about the best ways to get there. I want to hear from all of you, our responses to these two questions: "How should we be "church" now? And, how will you be a part of it?"

I'll end this letter the same way it was ended last January-February – with a nod to Jeffrey D. Lee's essay titled "We Shall be Changed". In that essay, Lee reminds us that the church as a community has come to many crossroads:

It's hard to imagine how the church of the early 2nd century could have recognized the church of the 14th century, or how the church of the High Middle Ages could grasp that of the mid-20th century."

And here we are again at another crossroad. Change is inevitable. And we **are** changing. How we respond and change ourselves in the months and years ahead is up to us. I want us to come out even stronger as a Community in our responses. So ... *Let's try this again.* See you soon. But before that I hope to ...

See you in church,

Pastor Joel

OUR MISSION WITH HIGHPOINT CHARITABLE SERVICES

Our **Winter Coat and apparel collection** will continue through the months of January and February. There are two boxes in the Family Life Center for all donations. Thank you for your generosity!

The **Sack Lunch** preparation that our Mission Team has taken on for Highpoint will happen again on Sunday, January 29th after worship. Since the Fall of 2021, we have been preparing sack lunches every other month for the first Mondays of the month and any month where there is a fifth Monday! Our next “pack a sack” is January 29th. Thank you to everyone for your prayers and support!

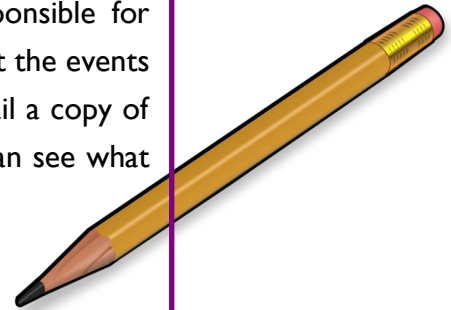
Annual Reports

It's that time of year again!!

I'll be collecting information for our Annual Report, which will then be presented to the congregation in February. The 2022 Chair of each ministry team is responsible for writing a commentary for their group to highlight the events or progress the team made last year. I will email a copy of last year's report to each chairperson so they can see what was previously submitted.

Many Thanks!!

Shelly Settle



Flower Dedications

Each Sunday, chancel flowers may be dedicated in memory or in honor of someone special to you! If you would like to purchase an arrangement for this purpose, we request a donation to the church of \$30. If you decide to provide your own flowers, then no payment is needed. (*Delivery must be made to the sanctuary by 10:00 a.m. on your confirmed Sunday.*)

It is easy to set this up ... just contact Shelly in the office (241-4326 or office@pvpres.org) or complete the dedication form that can be found at the back of the church.

Be sure to tell us the Sunday you would like to dedicate flowers, along with the dedication you would like in the bulletin.

Community Meal

Wednesday, January 11th

5:30-7:00pm

Family Life Center

Itinerary

5:30-6:00 Meal

6:00-7:00 All Ages Activities

A graphic of stylized blue waves in various shades of blue, filling the bottom third of the poster.

**Theme: Baptize
We Are Family!**



SUNDAY SCHOOL DISCUSSION *PRE-LENT!*

Sunday Mornings in the FLC Library

Before Lent begins this year and we embark on a six-week conversation of what it means to love God, neighbors, and our enemies, we will prepare our hearts and minds with a look at what it should mean to *Honor Sabbath* as we follow Jesus and fulfill this biblical practice. We give a lot of attention to nine of the other Commandments. Why not this one? In an age of constant activity and productivity, stopping is often a significant challenge. It is also a huge gift. Join us for this important reminder:

January 22: Celebrate Sabbath
January 29: Reset with God
February 5: Live in Holy Rhythm
February 12: Return with Gladness

All ages are encouraged to join us in the Family Life Center's 2nd floor Library on Sunday mornings from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

LOVING GOD, NEIGHBOR, ENEMY: *Our Lenten Conversation 2023*

Sunday Mornings in Lent beginning February 26th!

This Lent, we are engaging in the spiritual practice of seeking. According to *Sanctified Art*, the creators of this Lenten journey, "we will need to stay curious, open and nimble ... soften our assumptions and expand our perspectives" so that we may create a safe space to explore" **in our Sunday school room, our Sanctuary, and in our own lives!** The themes of seeking, and the sub-themes each week are inspired by lectionary readings:

Ash Wed., February 22	<i>seeking: is this the fast that i choose?</i>
1 st Sun. of Lent, Feb. 26	<i>seeking: who will you listen to?</i>
2 nd Sun. of Lent, March 5	<i>seeking: how do we begin again?</i>
3 rd Sun. of Lent, March 12	<i>seeking: will you give me a drink?</i>
4 th Sun. of Lent, March 19	<i>seeking: who sinned?</i>
5 th Sun. of Lent, March 26	<i>seeking: can these bones live?</i>
Palm Sunday, April 2	<i>seeking: where are you headed?</i>
Maundy Thu., April 6	<i>seeking: will you wash my feet?</i>
Easter Sun., April 9	<i>seeking: who are you looking for?</i>

All ages are encouraged to join together this year on our Lenten journey! It begins Sunday mornings in the Family Life Center's 2nd floor Library from 9:00–10:00 a.m. and continues during worship. Devotional booklets will be made available. ***Seek, and you shall find.*** ^{Mt 7:7}

CHAPEL SERVICES WITH OUR CDC

All are welcome!!

Drop in for the prayers, music, meditations, and love that are a part of the regular school-life of our boys and girls. *We'd love to see you there!*

Chapel is held at 10:00 a.m. on the scheduled days.

Chapel for January

Tuesday, January 10th
Tuesday, January 24th

Chapel for February

Tuesday, February 7th
Tuesday February 21st



Mental Health FIRST AID
from NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR MENTAL WELLBEING

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

LEARN HOW TO SUPPORT THE YOUNG PEOPLE IN YOUR LIFE

Youth Mental Health First Aid teaches you how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental health and substance use challenges among adolescents ages 12-18. You'll build skills and confidence you need to reach out and provide initial support to young people who are struggling. You'll also learn how to help connect them to appropriate support.

AFTER THE COURSE, YOU'LL BE ABLE TO:

- Recognize common signs and symptoms of mental health challenges, including anxiety, depression, eating disorders and attention deficit hyperactive disorder (ADHD).
- Recognize common signs and symptoms of substance use challenges.
- Understand how to interact with a young person in crisis.
- Know how to connect a young person with help.
- Better understand trauma, substance use, self-care and the impact of social media and bullying.

Join the more than

2.6 MILLION

*First Aiders who
have chosen to be
the difference in
their community.*

REGISTER TODAY!

Delivery Format:

2 hours self paced pre-work

7 hours in-person (including lunch and breaks)

Date and Time:

January 26, 2023 9 AM to 4 PM

Location:

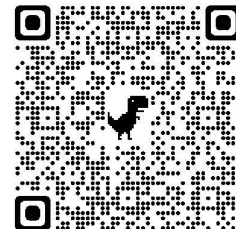
Oldham County Health Department - LaGrange, KY

Where to Register:

Follow QR Code on flyer or email ashiastoess@gmail.com

Learn how to respond with the Mental Health First Aid Action Plan (**ALGEE**):

- A** ssess for risk of suicide or harm.
- L** isten nonjudgmentally.
- G** ive reassurance and information.
- E** ncourage appropriate professional help.
- E** ncourage self-help and other support strategies.



For more information, visit MHFA.org



ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

Wednesday, February 22nd at 6:30 p.m.

Join us in the Sanctuary for this special service that begins our Lenten journey – 40 days, not counting Sundays, until Easter morning. We will serve Communion by Intinction and include the Imposition of Ashes for all who desire it.

ANNUAL ELDER RETREAT IS BEING SCHEDULED

Sometime in February!

Our Annual Elder Retreat is being planned for February. This year will most likely find your Session Elders spending a Saturday together on our campus once again, instead of an overnight! Much is being decided, but we anticipate looking at our Team Ministry structure and discerning how we organize ourselves for the communal life that we are discerning in our ongoing conversation about what it means to be a “Vital Congregation.” Stop an Elder and share your thoughts or questions. Let us know how you’re feeling about this incredible congregation and its future.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, February 26th at 10:30 a.m.

It’s that time again!! At the conclusion of our worship service on February 26th, we will celebrate the past year and look forward to the coming one by convening our Annual Meeting! In addition to receiving reports from our Session, ministry teams, and church staff, we will hear important updates on church life including a final financial report for 2022 and updates on the approved 2023 budget. The meeting will conclude our Worship service together on this special morning. **Don’t miss it!!**



Members:

Mary Boone	Patty Clark
Ann Finney	Judy Hall
Vivien Reinhardt	Jim Stoess
Jim Trimpe	Weible Family
Roy & Wilma Wayne	

Family and Friends:

Family of Joe Stoess

Tim Age (Marlo Age)

Patsy Scott (Lynn Wilkinson)

Carol Anne Wilson (Margaret Hill)

Linda Solmon (Carol Culver)

Larry Beaverson (Jerry & Jan Beaverson)

Sienna Scarborough (Jill MacNiven)

Sue Keller (D.D. Hendrickson)

Robbie Mueller (D.D. Hendrickson)

Bill Vance (Karen Wood)

Debbie Chadwick (Virginia Baumann)

Mark Shircliff (Virginia Baumann)

Tommy Boone (Mary Boone)

Scott Hood (Shirley Hawkes)

Michelle Hendrickson (D.D. Hendrickson)

Joan & Don Bay (Jenny & Mitch Williams)

Amy Carey & her family— Joel, Madelyn, Maria

Penny Roggenstein (Julia Hood)

Stan Penn (Karen Wood)

David Goodman (D.D. Hendrickson)

Jean Veltman (Jim Veltman- Ace's grandparents)

Suzanne Lane (Mark Lane)

Joshua Roh (Gary & Arlene Torrens)

Violet Sears (Debbie Thompson)

Ursula Brooks (Barbara Staats)

Flo Campbell (Clare Grant)

Aunt Geneva (Larry Vice)

Linda Hyatt (Shirley Hawkes)

Alice Walser Booker (Joan Walser)

Rev. James Byford (Rebecca Byford)

To add or remove a name, complete a Prayer Request Card

or email us at: office@pvpres.org

January Birthdays

02 Emmaline Kinnicutt
02 Hannah Kinnicutt
03 Tommy Armour
05 Jan Beaverson
05 Connie Vice
06 Lee Goss
07 Debbie Hicks
07 Matt Kingsley
07 Suzanne Lane
07 Jim Trimpe
09 Jackie Meade
11 Ethan Willis
14 Rebecca Byford
15 Nick Clark
15 Mitch Williams
17 Leonard Faul
23 Amy Stoess-Meade
23 Annie Weible
25 Kenny Willis
26 Mary Jo Ellis
27 Walter Anderson
27 Karen Poole
28 John Bott
28 Kim Pappas



*The church office will be closed
on Monday, January 16th
in observance of
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day*

January Anniversaries

02 Hugh and Lynn Wilkinson



February Anniversaries

13 Joshua and Tracy Lenavitt
14 Don and Claudette Schlader
27 Ralph and Judy Hall

February Birthdays

01 Candler Phelps
04 Logan Age
04 Hope Gardiner
05 Madri Hall-Faul
05 Zack Logan
06 Sandy McC Carson
08 Jenny Williams
08 Nico Williams
09 Anna Faul
09 Carole Logan
09 Ryan Volk
10 Jackson Phelps
18 Tracy Lenavitt
25 Margaret Hill
27 Richard Ray

Ushers

Jan 1 / Feb 5 Larry & Connie Vice, Ron & Carol Warren
Jan 8 / Feb 12 LaMont Coverstone, Thom Guilford
Jan 15 / Feb 19 Jill MacNiven, Gary Torrens
Jan 22 / Feb 26 Mary Sue Armour, Linda Heleringer
Jan 29 Laura & Sarah Volk

Coffee Station

Jan 1 Rebecca Byford
Jan 8 Karen Wood
Jan 15 Lynn Stoess
Jan 22 Stephanie Willis
Jan 29 Carol Culver

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Feb 5 Rebecca Byford
Feb 12 Rebecca Byford
Feb 19 Karen Wood
Feb 26 Lynn Stoess

January @ PVPC

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8	9 Gym: Scouts, 6:30-8:30p	10 Chapel, 10a Gym: CC, 6-8p	11 Community Meal, 5:30p Gym: SO, 7:30-9p	12 Gym: SO, 6-9p	13 Gym: BB, 6-7:30p	14 Gym: OU, 9a-12p Gym: SO 12-1p Gym: A. Baker, 2-4p
15 Finance Meeting	16 Office Closed Gym: Scouts, 6:30-8:30p	17 CDC Board Gym: CC, 6-8p	18 Gym: SO, 6-9p	19 Gym: SO, 6-9p	20 Gym: BB, 6-7:30p	21 Gym: OU, 9a-12p Gym: Jen A., 1-5p
22	23 Gym: Scouts, 6:30-8:30p	24 Chapel, 10a Gym: CC, 6-8p	25 Gym: SO, 6-9p	26 Mental Health First Aid Gym: SO, 6-9p	27 Gym: Pinewood Derby	28 Gym: Pinewood Derby
29 Pack-a-Sack Gym: Pinewood Derby	30 Gym: Scouts, 6:30-8:30p	31				

OU = Oldham United B'ball SO = South Oldham B'ball CC = Crestwood Cards B'ball BB = Baker B'ball

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26 Congregation Meeting	27 Gym: Scouts, 6:30-8:30p	28 Gym: CO, 6-7p				

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