

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF

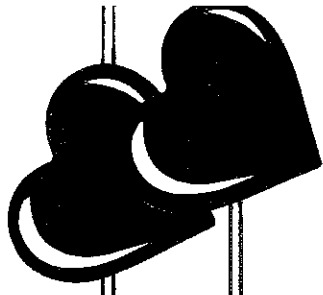
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## FEBRUARY 2009

### BE STILL BEFORE GOD

A busy pastor was telling a Quaker all the things he had to do during the coming week. There were three sermons, two dozen sick calls, and two weddings.

Raising his hand, the Quaker quietly remarked " If thou doest so much talking when hath the Lord a chance to talk to thee"

This is a good question- not only for preachers but for all who call themselves followers of Jesus Christ.

We are told that Jesus frequently withdrew from the busy rounds of life to mountain Spots for quiet conversations with His Father. In Luke, we read, "He went out into A mountain to pray; we read of his praying To Gethsemane when he mommuned alone with His Father. We may be sure that not only did he speak during those sad & solitary moments, but He also listened for He went forth from the garden to carry out His Father's will.

How important it is that we follow His Example. In our loud confused world Where we are always on the go, how Important it is to stop and be quiet Before God.

Women who are homemakers, have many Opportunities during the day to be alone With God. For others, in the morning On the way to work, meal time, upon Retiring....these are some of the countless Opportunities you have to close the door Against the noise of the world and listen To God. To Him we may bring our Worries and cares. As you leave, He will Give you peace and calm.

Fear thou not: for I am with Thee; be not dismayed; for I am "Thy God; I will strengthen thee; Yea, I will help thee; I will Uphold thee with the right hand Of my righteousness"

Isaiah 41:10

### FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES

Morning Worship 10:00 am  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
Coffee time &  
Stump Pastor Scott 9:30 am

Feb 5<sup>th</sup> - Council of Churches  
Presbyterian Church 7 pm

10<sup>th</sup> - Kids Club 4:30-5:30 pm  
Sunday School Bldg

13<sup>th</sup> - Dance 7 pm  
Ages 10 & up  
Bethesda Methodist

14<sup>th</sup> - Pancake Breakfast  
Bridesburg Methodist Church  
8:30 to 11:00 am

21st - Soup & Bread Sale  
Bethesda Methodist

24<sup>th</sup> - Kids Club 4:30-5:30 pm  
Sunday School Bldg

25<sup>th</sup> - ASH WEDNESDAY  
Bridesburg Methodist  
Communion 7:00 pm

28<sup>th</sup> - Oyster Dinner 4 to 7 pm  
Kensington Presbyterian

Mar 1<sup>st</sup> - Congregational Meeting  
11:15 am – Lecture Room

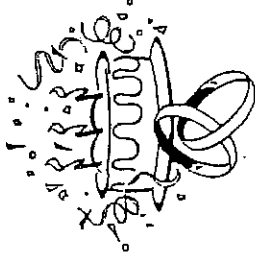
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Some go to Church to take a walk;  
Some go there to laugh and talk;  
Some go there to meet a friend,  
Some go there their time to spend.  
Some go there to meet a lover;  
Some go there a fault to cover;  
Some go there for speculation;  
Some go there for obvservation;  
Some go there to doze and nod;  
The wise go there to worship God.

COME WORSHIP WITH US.

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

2<sup>nd</sup> - Aron Litostaski  
2<sup>nd</sup> - Jimmy Howell  
5<sup>th</sup> - Tyler Marr  
7<sup>th</sup> - Patricia Walker  
8<sup>th</sup> - Jill Elliott  
10<sup>th</sup> - Kenneth Timte  
15<sup>th</sup> - Mark Tingley  
19<sup>th</sup> - Harry J Eskuchen  
21<sup>st</sup> - James Dailey, Sr  
21<sup>st</sup> - Lillyann Urban  
22<sup>nd</sup> - Rose Orletzkiy  
24<sup>th</sup> - Kimberly Razler



## FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

9<sup>th</sup> - Bruce & Carol Beaton  
14<sup>th</sup> - Ronald & Susan Gunning



Our prayers and deepest sympathy To the family of Janet (Jean) Irons who was called Home to be with her Lord or January 14<sup>th</sup>. Jean was a member of our church for over 50 years serving as an elder, deacon and on various committees. She was especially active on the Missionary committee. Our sympathy is extended to Paul & Nancy Hauptert (nephew & his wife). The funeral service was held at St. Joseph's Manor with Pastor Bohr officiating.

Our prayers and sympathy is given To Sue & Mike Chodnoff on the passing of their son, Andrew. Andrew was 29 years old, and had been ill for some time. Andrew was the grandson of the late Janet & Frank Tingley.

May God's loving arms enfold these families and bring them comfort and peace.



We are composing a list of email addresses. This way we will be able to notify you of changes in activities or worship service due to weather or other unexpected problems.

# Remember

These Folks in  
**PRAYER**

Please pray for:

Myrtle Lange, Nancy Fleck, Jack Twist, Dorothy Horn, Dorothy Twist, Linda Muller, Anne & Henry Wild, Gail. Marilyn Hawkes, Julie Lindline, Tracey Smith, Tammy, Marlene Zebrowski, Weslia Hynicka, Pat T. Denise Cuddleback, Howard Hoechst, Linda Doman, Agnes Eckert, Bertha Haug, Thelma Nogowski, Tracie Roth, Etta Link, Joan & Roger Haynes, Charmaine Dailey Christopher Light, Gayle Zionce, John & Eileen Handelmeyer, Brian Beaton, Dennis Sloan, Robin Belinsky, Dorothy Reid, Nancy Rudzinski, Jim & Pat Stankowski, Pam Smith, Mark Smith, Richard Nicolai, Peggie Killian, Kathleen Daly, Tracy, Andrew Brennan, Florence Nicolai, Nancy Schnabel, Sue Chodnoff & family

Children in need of prayer:

Grace, Alexis Mortimer, Donald Powell, Justin Refsnnyder, Matthew Szcyporski, Ashley, Alex, Hannah Ryan. Paul Roonan III, Ian Roonan, Vaughn Henry, Matt Minch, Lily Dusza, Tyler Anderson

Pray for our servicemen: Michael Urban, Joe King George Reinas, William Applegate, Thomas Studel Jason Orletzkiy.

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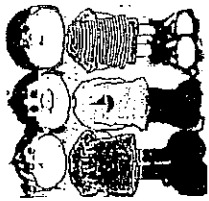
Bridesburg Council of Churches

We are supplying approximately  
24 families with food for Easter.  
Our food cupboard is almost bare.

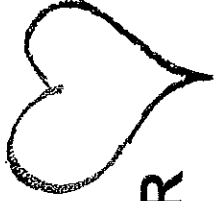
All types of non perishable food is  
needed. Soup, fruit, cereal, etc  
We need you to pitch in and fill up  
the shelves again.

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email \_\_\_\_\_

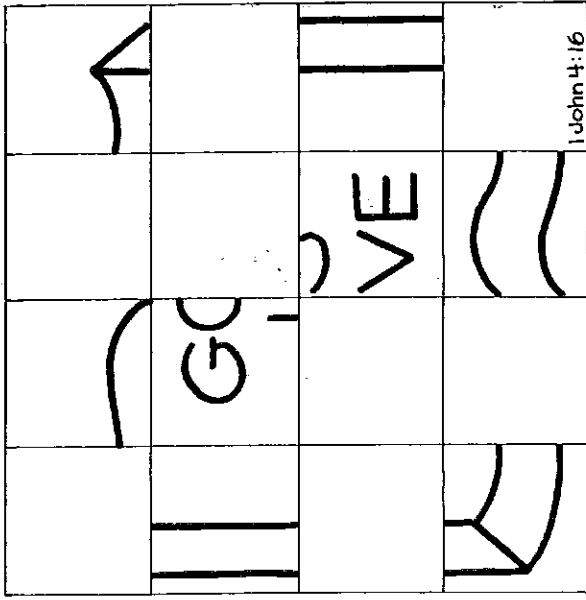
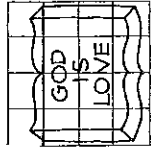


# KID'S CORNER



## The B-I-B-L-E

Draw one square at a time to finish drawing the Bible



God loves you always and no matter what. How do you know? Because God promised you! When you were baptized, God hugged you and said you were special. When you receive the Lord's Supper, God loves you through the body and blood of Jesus. When you come to worship and to Sunday School, you hear more about God's love. Ask Mom or dad or Grandmom to bring you. Sunday. Don't miss the fun! See you there!

Thank you, God for loving us!



Skylar, Kathy, Joshua Lillyann, Deyen, James Spencer and David

Congratulations to Pastor Scott as he celebrated his 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as an ordained pastor on January 11<sup>th</sup>. We celebrated with a chocolate chip cookie cake.



### CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, March 1, 2009

The congregational meeting is the yearly meeting of the church members. Plan to come out, give your ideas & make plans for the future. 11:15 am.

Christmas was a happy time for Kathy Schroeder. Kathy traveled with her daughter, Crystal Urban, and two grandchildren, Josh & Lillyann to Pittsburgh, where they met up with Michael's family.

What a joy to have all seven grandchildren together. Michael & Candice live in Gulf Port, Mississippi. Michael is now serving in Iraq.

## LOVE

The greatest gift for every heart.



The Sunday School Class was already to cheer the Eagles on. Better luck next year!

## WHAT IS LOVE

Slow down for three minutes to read this. It is so worth it. Touching works from the mouth of babes. A group of 4 to 8 year olds, were asked "What Does Love mean." The answers were deeper than anyone could have imagined.....

When my grandmother got arthritis, who couldn't bend over and paint her toenails anymore. So my grandfather does it for her all the time, even when his hands got arthritis, too. That's love.  
Rebecca age 8

When someone loves you, the way they say your name is different. You just know that your name is safe in their mouth.  
Billy age 4

Love is what makes you smile when you are tired. Terri age 4

Love is what's in the room with you at Christmas if you stop opening presents and listen.  
Bobby age 7

If you want to learn to love better, you should start with a friend you hate.  
Nikka age 6

Love is when you tell a guy you like his shirt, then he wears it everyday.  
Noell age 7

During my piano recital, I was on stage and I was scared. I looked at all the people watching me and saw my daddy waving and smiling. He was the only one doing that and I wasn't scared anymore.  
Cindy age 8

Love is when Mommy gives Daddy the best piece of chicken Elaine age 5

My Mommy loves me more than anybody. You don't see anyone else kissing me to sleep at night  
Claire age 5

Love is when your puppy licks your face even after you left him alone all day.  
Mary age 4

Love is when Mommy sees Daddy smelly and sweaty and still says he is handsome.  
Chris age 7

I know my older sister loves me because she gives me all her old clothes and has to go out and buy new ones.  
Lauren age 4

When you love somebody, your eyelashes go up and down and little stars come out of you.  
Karen age 6

The winner was a 4 year old boy, whose next door neighbor was an elderly gentleman who had recently lost his wife.  
Upon seeing the man cry, the little boy went into the old gentleman's yard, climbed onto his lap, and just sat there.

When his mother asked what he had said to the neighbor, the little boy said, Nothing, I just helped him cry.

When there is nothing left but God, that is when you find out that God is all you need.



'May today there be peace within. May you trust that you are exactly where you are meant to be. May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith in yourself and others. May you use the gifts that you have received, and pass on the love that has been given to you.

May you be content with yourself just the way you are. Let this knowledge settle into your bones, and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise and love. It is there for each and every one of us.'