

REV. LYNNE D. TROUT



Next hoagie sale will be Saturday February 19th, 2011. Orders must be in by Tuesday February 15th at 5pm.



Celebrating 138 years of God's Love

*****Announcement*****

The Session of First Presbyterian Church of Delanco gives notice of the annual Congregational Corporation Meeting to be held on Sunday, February 20, 2011, after worship, for the purposes of electing Owen Brennan as Deacon to complete the term of Suzanne Convery, electing Caroline Austin as member of the Nominating Committee to complete the term of Dorothy McDougall, and to approve the annual budget for the church for 2011. Please plan to attend this important meeting.

Thank You!

I want to thank all of you in our church family and congregation for the generous monetary gift you gave me for Christmas. I have not yet decided how I will use it, but I appreciate your thoughtfulness more than words can say. It is truly a joy for me to share worship and the love of God with each of you. Thank you for your generosity and love.

Pastor Lynne

February Birthdays



Feb. 1 - Winifred Jerrell

Feb. 7 - Eric McCullough

Feb. 12 - Ronald Edmonds, Jr.

Feb. 15 - Debi Brown

Feb. 18 - Virginia Styles

Feb. 27 - Matthew Lyons

- February Dates to Remember**
- Feb. 1 - 6 p.m. Bible Study; 7 p.m. Deacons
 - Feb. 2 - 7 p.m. Building & Grounds
 - Feb. 6 - after worship, Christian Education
 - Feb. 7 - 10 a.m. Worship and Music
 - Feb. 8, 15, 22 - 7 p.m. Bible Study
 - Feb. 14 - 7 p.m. Session
 - Feb. 15 - 5 p.m. hoagie order deadline
 - Feb. 17 - 7 p.m. Prayer Shawl
 - Feb. 19 - 11-12:30 p.m. hoagie pick up
 - Feb. 20 - After worship, Congregation Corporation Meeting
 - Feb. 21 - Office Closed, President's Day
 - Feb. 27 - Ordination, Installation of new officers

Hoagie Sale

Orders must be in by Feb. 19h for your delicious hoagies from the crew here at The First Presbyterian Church of Delanco

Call
856-461-6778
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To Order

Hoagie pickup will be Saturday Feb. 15th Between 11am & 12:30pm



SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY IS FAST APPROACHING. SHOW YOUR LOVE BY ADDING TO THE POT AFTER SERVICES. IT ALL GOES TO GIVE CHILDREN & THEIR FAMILIES NUTRITIOUS MEALS. YOU CAN ALSO SEND A LITTLE SOMETHING TO THE CHURCH WITH THE NOTATION ; ATTN. SOUPERBOWL ON THE ENVELOPE. LETS HELP EVERYONE HAVE A SOUPER SUNDAY

“God loves it when the giver delights in the giving.” Corinthians 9:6 The Message

Our annual corporation meeting will be on Feb 20th. At this time the budget for 2011 will be presented to the congregation. The finance committee and treasurer worked hard through January to prepare the budget. If any members have ideas for possible new income sources for our church the finance committee would like to hear from you! The members of the finance committee are George Brookover, Betty Jenkins, Vera Taylor, Jeanne Mehling, Linda Ballenger, Donna Thurman and Rick Trout.

For those who are praying and considering contributing to per capita for the first time the church bulletin each week provides information on the use of your contribution. Here is some more information about why per capita is needed:

“The Office of Vocation is a shared ministry with the Office of the General Assembly. Its mission is to support the church’s work related to discerning God’s call and developing leaders as they answer that call. The staff assists presbyteries and congregations in the nurture of Christian vocation and the preparation, credentialing, call and support of church professionals.”

The Office of Vocation is visible at Presbytery meetings when women and men are taken under the wings of Presbytery as inquirers and candidate’s, part of the process in preparation for ministry. As Presbyterians, we are responsible for our share, \$39.00 per member, and our church is responsible for each member’s contribution if the member does not pay it.

Remember you can break the per capita amount into small manageable amounts and pay throughout the year.

Rick Trout, Finance/Stewardship Committee

Counter’s Schedule for February

Feb 6 Carol Esposito, Dave Convery and Jane Olley

Feb 13 Gerri Diehem, Linda Ballenger and Sue Mullen

Feb 20 Debbie Brown, Jackie Nixon and Vera Taylor

Feb 27 George and Joyce Brookover and Rick Trout

Counters: It is the counter’s responsibility to find a substitute if unavailable to fulfill your scheduled Sunday.

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THE WITNESS

Code Blue

The Tri-Town Ministerium continues to collect used blankets for the Code Blue Shelter at the Zion Lutheran Church in Riverside. They cover the homeless during the night and go with them the next morning at 7am when the shelter closes. Some nights all 14 cots are taken. There is a box in the annex for your kind consideration. Thank you to those who you have dug in your closet and found blankets.

Food is needed for each night and the next morning. For some of our guests this is the only substantial meal they receive. "I haven't eaten all day," is a common refrain as they come into the shelter on Code Blue nights. Casseroles are a high-quality donation because they can be frozen until needed. See Rick Trout if you want more information concerning donating prepared meals or staying over night at Zion Lutheran.

Pastor's Nook – February, 2011

There are many examples of witnessing throughout the Bible. So many, in fact, that it is difficult to choose only one. Acts 8:26-40 contains one of my favorites. I like it for several reasons, mainly because it describes what personal witnessing is all about. Personal witnessing is the kind of witnessing in which we can participate any time, without limits.

Act 8:26-40 is the story of the disciple Philip and his conversion of the Ethiopian eunuch. The eunuch, we are told by Luke, is an official court officer of Candace, Queen of Ethiopia. He is returning home after worshiping in Jerusalem. He travels by chariot with a driver. He passes the time by reading the prophet Isaiah. Philip is directed by an unnamed angel to find the traveling eunuch. As Philip approaches the chariot, he calls out to the eunuch and asks, "Do you understand what you are reading?" The eunuch answers, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" He invites Philip into the chariot. Together they read and examine Isaiah 57: 7,8 which is about Jesus' crucifixion.

An angel directs Philip to the eunuch. The Holy Spirit commands him to join the eunuch in his chariot. Neither the Spirit nor the angel explain the Scripture because human followers of Jesus are to do this, as Philip does. Wherever and whenever anyone sincerely wants to know God, God will in one way or another make Himself known. Philip's witness is marked by humility, obedience, enthusiasm, boldness, and guidance by the Holy Spirit, and knowledge of the word of God. Philip explains the Scripture, and the eunuch immediately asks to be baptized!

All witnessing is done through the power of the Holy Spirit. Every believer is called to be a witness. We are all called, you and me. Whenever we are presented with a chance to tell someone about Jesus, God wants us to do just that. I can almost hear voices asking, "How?" and "What do I say?" and "I can't explain what the Bible says." What we can do is to tell those we meet what Jesus does in our lives. We all know how Jesus heals people. We know how he comforts us, loves us, forgives our sins, is born of the Virgin Mary, suffered and died on the Cross for us! We witness by reaching out to others (whether we know them or not) and helping them, praying for people, praising something they say or do. The list is endless.

I encourage you to read Acts 8:26-40. I also encourage you to look for chances to minister to others by following the "nudges" of the Holy Spirit. Be aware of seeing the face of God in other people and love one another as God loves us. May we each practice witnessing with those within our church and within the community at large and joyfully give thanks for seeing the face of God in everyone.

Pastor Lynne

Environmental Corner

We received recently a check for \$27.00 from Terracycle for our yogurt efforts. All money received goes in current expenses. A big thanks and praise goes out to all who have helped to fill up the basket with empty clean yogurt containers. As a church and community, we help to find new uses for 2,305 6 and 32 oz. containers. Visit Terracycle's website www.terracycle.net. There is a marked box for the yogurt containers inside the church door on Union Ave. or drop them off at 410 Richards Ave. Delanco.

FAQ

Do 32-ounce containers count if they were not a yogurt container?

Yes, all 32-ounce containers are accepted because most have the same shape and lip as a 32 oz yogurt container.

Rick Trout- YTC

(A prize awaits for the first person who remembers what YTC stands for.)