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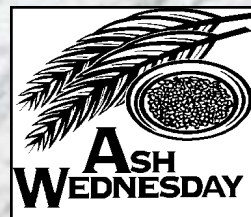
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FEBRUARY

Join Us . . .



February 22, 2012

6:30 am - Morning Worship

6:45 - Lenten Supper

7:30 - Evening Worship

(details on page 3)

NEW HYMNALS - *details on page 4*

NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS "KICK-OFF"

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HEALTH & HYGIENE DRIVE

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from the Pastor . . .

***Making your way in the world today takes everything you've got.
Taking a break from all your worries, sure would help a lot.
Wouldn't you like to get away?
Sometimes you want to go Where everybody knows your name,
and they're always glad you came.***

(“Cheers” theme song)

Once I preached a sermon in which I likened the church to the bar on the 80's sitcom CHEERS. Church is or at least should be one place—maybe the only place left in our world of today where you can go where everybody (or at least, many) know your name.

Of course, we could all slip in worship late and leave during the last hymn and quite literally not ever be known. But the beauty and wonder of what the church is as Christ intended is that we are known by Christ and each other and that we are all connected one to another.

To that end, the Deacons of FPC are helping us to get to know each other even better by helping us to get to know those in our congregation who live most near us. The Deacons are launching NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS on February 5th following morning worship during our weekly fellowship time.

What is going to happen in “my” neighborhood group? How often will “we” meet? What are “we” going to do? Are “we” going to pray? Where will “we” meet?

These and many other questions are circling in the air and quite frankly, I nor the deacons know the answers for the fact is, the answers depend on YOU—your interest, your desire, your involvement.

So, as your pastor I want to encourage you to come to worship on February 5th and then stay for fellowship time following to see who lives closest to you and to help dream the direction your NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP might go....for as you know, your NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP will not be complete without YOU!

“For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ... Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.”

(1 Cor. 12:12, 27)

Come worship with us . . .

Ash Wednesday ~ February 22, 2012

**Gather as followers of Christ for worship
on the first day of Lent**

6:30 a.m. - Worship Service

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6:45 p.m. - Lenten Supper
(served in Fellowship Hall)

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7:30 p.m. - Worship Service

*(If neither of these times coordinate with your schedule, you are
encouraged to find another place of worship on this most holy day.)*



**Join us for Mid-week Lenten Morning
Prayer each Wednesday morning of
Lent at 6:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary
beginning February 29th.**

February Lectionary Readings

February 5

Isaiah 40:21-31; 1 Corinthians 9:16-23;
Mark 1:29-39

February 12

2 Kings 5:1-14; 1 Corinthians 9:24-27;
Mark 1:40-45

February 19

2 Kings 2:1-12; 2 Corinthians 4:3-6;
Mark 9:2-9



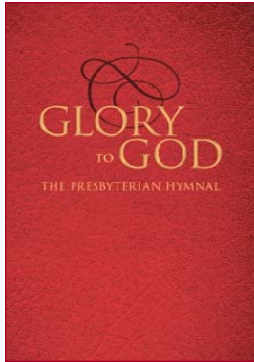
February 22 (Ash Wednesday)

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17;
2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10;
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

February 26

Genesis 9:8-17; 2 Corinthians 4:3-6
Mark 1:9-15

Watch for additional Lectionary Readings in the March, 2012 Messenger



The New Hymnal -
Glory to God:
The Presbyterian Hymnal

is ready to go to print.

The Presbyterian Publishing Corporation is now accepting pre-publication orders at a reduced cost and free shipping. Hymnals will be ready for shipment in the fall of 2013.

The Session of FPC has already adopted its use and has approved the purchase. Our target number to cover the sanctuary is 250 copies. The best possible time to order is by the end of 2012 because of the lowest purchase price and free shipping.

You have the wonderful opportunity to make this possible by donating one or more copies of the new hymnal in memory of or in honor of a loved one. A book plate acknowledging your gift will be placed in each hymnal made possible by your gift.

Please fill out the order form below and mail it to the church, drop it in the offering plate or bring it by the church office.

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

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(checks payable to FPC) Total Gift \$ _____

In Honor of _____

In Memory of _____

To the Glory of God _____

Given by _____

Use additional sheets, if necessary.

Music and Worship

I'm excited to say that the scores are in for the Frederick Presbyterian Festival Choir's March 25 Bach cantata! Rehearsals for this new group, created especially for busy individuals and people who are interested in trying out music at FPC, will begin Sunday, February 12 after worship. We will start 15 minutes after the service ends to allow for some coffee and social time, and rehearse for a half hour so that everyone is out before lunch. We've already gotten a lot of great response, but would love to hear from you soon. If you are interested in participating - please send an e-mail to music@frederickpresbyterian.org to learn more!

I also wanted to share with you news of a very special event that is coming to FPC in February. My very own vocal group, "Third Practice", will sing as part of Sunday morning worship on February 26, and return for a benefit concert at 2 PM in the sanctuary. Their repertoire will include David Lang's little match girl passion, which won the 2008 Pulitzer Prize. Having performed the piece twice up North, I can say that few pieces have moved audiences the way that Lang's masterwork has. In addition, the work is quite virtuosic, with each performer playing their own percussion as they sing. I promise that it will be a truly special event, and one of the most exciting concerts in Frederick this year. A free-will offering will be received with all proceeds going directly to the Cold Weather Shelter, which needs our support desperately during the coldest of winter months.

Brian Bartoldus
Director of Music

Compassion, Peace & Justice

The Compassion, Peace and Justice ministry area helps Presbyterians respond to the needs of the world's most vulnerable people, address injustice in all areas of life, and advocate for peaceful solutions to conflict. The Season of Peace and Nonviolence runs from January 30th to April 4th builds honoring the work of Gandhi and Martin Luther King, Jr. The local Frederick 2012 Seasons for Peace and Nonviolence Events calendar can be found at the following Website:

<http://www.unityfrederick.org/SNV2-12.html>

Take a look and see where you can be a beacon for peace and nonviolence.

64 WAYS IN 64 DAYS

We learn to practice nonviolence one step at a time, one choice at a time, one day at a time. Through our daily nonviolent choices and action, the noble and courageous spirit within each of us expresses itself as the skills, wisdom, and character of a nonviolent human being. This is how we each, in our own way, move the world in a direction of peace.

Some Examples of Daily Commitments to Live By

- 1 -- *Today, I will reflect on what peace means to me.*
- 2 -- *Today, I will look at opportunities to be a peacemaker.*
- 3 -- *Today, I will practice nonviolence and respect for Mother Earth by making good use of her resources.*
- 4 -- *Today, I will take time to admire and appreciate nature.*
- 5 -- *Today, I will plant seeds--plants or constructive ideas.*
- 6 -- *Today, I will hold a vision of plenty for all the world's hungry and be open to guidance as to how I can help alleviate some of that hunger.*
- 7 -- *Today, I will acknowledge every human being's fundamental right to justice, equity, and equality.*
- 8 -- *Today, I will appreciate the earth's bounty and all of those who work to make my food available.*
- 9 -- *Today, I will work to understand and respect another culture.*
- 10 -- *Today, I will oppose injustice, not people.*

To view # 11 - 64 and to learn more about the **64 WAYS IN 64 DAYS Program**, visit the Website:

<http://www.agnt.org/node/131>

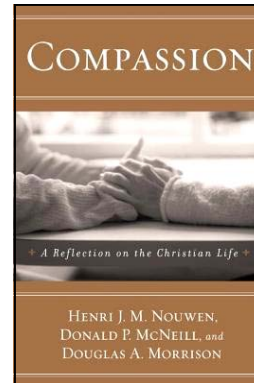
submitted by Russ Carlson

Compassion, Peace & Justice

New Adult Study Opportunity -
Sunday Mornings - 9:30 am
Begins February 5

***"Compassion -
a Reflection on the Christian Life"***

by Henri Nouwen, Donald McNeill & Douglas Morrison.



Join us!

Don't forget . . .

**A special fellowship time
following worship on
February 5th to kick-off**



FPC's Neighborhood Groups

**An opportunity for us to come closer together in fellowship as the
body of Christ.**

**Please join us after Worship to learn more about your Neighbor-
hood Group - and see how you might connect with neighbors and
friends in fun and fellowship.**



Service of Word and Table - first and third Sunday
of each month plus Holy Days.

Service of Word - second and fourth Sunday
of each month.

Confirmation Classes . . .

January 29

April 1, 15, 22 & 29

February 12 & 26

May 6, 13 & 20

March 4, 11 & 18

June 3 & 10

June 17 - Confirmation Sunday (during morning worship)

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SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY	
					
FOOD GIFT SUNDAY 5 8:45 Music Rehearsals 9:30 Sunday School 9:30 New Member Class 10:30 Worship* Souper Bowl of Caring 6:00 Youth Group			6 7:00 Deacons		17 7:00 Handbell Choir 7:00 Session
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Transfiguration of the Lord 19 8:45 Music Rehearsals 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship* 6:00 Youth Group		 20 Church Office Closed 7:00 Communication Committee		21 7:00 Handbell Choir	
1st Sunday in Lent 26 8:45 Music Rehearsals 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Lunch Bunch 5:00 Confirmation Class 6:00 Youth Group			27		28 7:00 Handbell Choir

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p style="text-align: right;">1</p> <p>6:30 Open Door</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">2</p> <p>1:00 Mission Committee</p> <p>7:00 Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">3</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">4</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">8</p> <p>6:30 Open Door</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">9</p> <p>7:00 Finance Committee</p> <p>7:00 Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">10</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">11</p> <p>Serve Rescue Mission Meal</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">15</p> <p>6:30 Open Door</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">16</p> <p>7:00 Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">17</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">18</p> <p>9:00 Women's Fellowship Breakfast - Barbara Fritchie Restaurant</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">22</p>  <p>6:30 am Service</p> <p>6:45 pm Lenten Supper</p> <p>7:30 pm Service</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">23</p> <p>7:00 Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">24</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">25</p> <p>8:30 Men's Fellowship Breakfast - Barbara Fritchie Restaurant</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">29</p> <p>6:30 am Morning Prayer</p> <p>6:30 Open Door</p>			<p>* Communion</p>

Mission News

FREDERICK RESCUE MISSION

FPC's meal at the Frederick Rescue Mission on Saturday, January 14th was the well-loved Pizza Casserole. This month five casseroles were made at home and donated by FPC members, Celia Kirby, Susan Mangold, Carol Powell, Dee Long and Judy Martin. Green beans finished out the meal which was overseen by Carol Powell. Janet Chase and Nancy Aloï brought wonderful desserts. On hand to serve were Alice and Jeff Humbertson, and

Celia Kirby. The Mission residents sent a large thank you to all the cooks and servers.

FPC provides dinner for the residents on the second Saturday of each month. Volunteers are needed to serve the meal and to furnish a dessert to serve twenty-four people. If you would like to help with this important mission of our church, please sign up in Heritage Hall.

For information about this mission contact Judy Martin.



419 West South Street
Frederick, MD 21701

Our congregation supports Heartly House, which serves women and children who are survivors of violence and abuse, by collecting cell phones year round. Used cell phones provide clients in dangerous domestic situations with a link to 911. As you obtain new phones, please consider donating a used one to Heartly House. The box labeled "Cell Phones for Heartly House" is located on the table in Heritage Hall. Make sure you clear your contacts and other information before leaving your phone.



February 5th is FOOD GIFT SUNDAY

Please continue to support those in need with this important monthly offering.

**Fair Trade Coffee will also be available.
Regular, Decaf and Whole Bean
\$6.50 per bag**



HEALTH & HYGIENE DRIVE



As we prepare for the Lenten season, we are reminded of the FPC annual Health and Hygiene Drive. The collection will take place each Sunday during Lent - **February 26 - April 1.**

The Sunday morning groups will be divided into two teams for a friendly challenge competition to benefit this collection. The teams will compete by bringing in items that the Religious Coalition has identified as needed. The team with the most donated item points will win a special treat for their class to share.

Please bring your items to Heritage Hall and check out our progress each week.

The following point system will be used to tally the items:

The items brought in by your group will be collected each week during Lent before 10:00. A tally will be kept and posted after worship, so you can go to fellowship and find out how your team is doing.

3 Points	Diapers (<i>Larger packages will be divided at the RCEHN</i>)
2 Points	Laundry Detergent (<i>regular size—not XXL</i>) Female Sanitary Items
1 Point	Shampoo, Conditioner, Toothpaste, Toothbrush, Deodorant, Bathroom Tissue, Soap Bars

The teams will be:

LAVENDER TEAM	GREEN TEAM
Pre-K 3rd - 5th Grade Seniors (9-12) Choir	K - 2nd Grade Middlers Adults

GOOD LUCK!!!

*The real winners are the clients of the Religious Coalition for
Emergency Human Needs*

THE RELIGIOUS COALITION

FOR EMERGENCY HUMAN NEEDS

A
Thank-you
from the
Religious
Coalition

December 30, 2011

Rev. Dr. Eric Myers
Frederick Presbyterian Church
115 W. Second St.
Frederick, MD 21701

Dear Rev. Myers,

As coordinator of the 2011 Christmas Assistance Program for The Religious Coalition, I offer our sincere gratitude for the wonderful participation of Frederick Presbyterian Church. We were able to help 252 Frederick County families provide presents for 583 children this year. Thanks especially to Lisa who always does a fantastic job of coordinating on your end.

I only wish there was a way your folks could see the smiles and tears of relief we enjoy as we distribute the gifts congregations such as yours make possible.

May you and your entire congregation enjoy a very Happy New Year.

Sincerely,



Linda Stone, Volunteer Coordinator
2011 Christmas Assistance Program
The Religious Coalition for Emergency Human Needs

JUST 4 YOUTH!

Join Us!

We're planning LOTS of great things. Join us for any of the activities. Contact James Claney or Vanessa Smith with your contact information and email address so they can keep you up to date on all of the happenings. You won't want to miss any of them!

JANUARY HAPPENINGS!

2/5/12 - Youth Group - Super Bowl Party at the home of the Clements - *details will be emailed*

2/12/12 - Youth Group - 6-8 pm - *(dinner included)*

2/19/12 - Youth Group - 6-8 pm - *(dinner included)*

2/26/12 - Youth Group - Details TBA -
(We're working on something special!)

News and Announcements

An exciting trip opportunity...

11 DAYS HIGHLIGHTS OF ITALY



Hosted by Eric and Lisa Myers

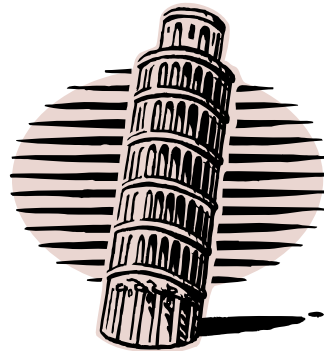
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Pompeii & Rome*

For a brochure and more information
contact Rev. & Mrs. Myers

SPACE IS LIMITED! CALL TODAY!!



LENTEN FAMILY SUPPER

On Ash Wednesday (February 22nd), our FPC family will gather to share a light Lenten supper at 6:45 p.m. (*prior to 7:30 p.m. worship*).

If you would like to help with this meal by sharing your favorite quiche, salad, or fruit, please contact Sandy Cannon.



February Fellowship Fun

Saturday, February 4, 2012

7 - 8:30

Join us for an evening of fun and fellowship!



Dessert Tasting and Silent Auction

(proceeds going to Hope Alive for a much needed lawn tractor)

Guessing Game- Who is the FPC Bride?



Art Display

(FPC members' paintings and objects of art)

Guessing Game for Children

(prizes awarded)

Modeling of Flower Girl, Bridesmaid and Wedding Dresses

***Everyone is invited!!
Don't Miss the FUN!!!***

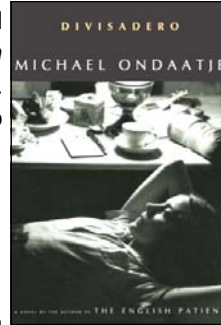


BOOK CLUB

Book Club continues its tour of international authors in February with the new novel by Michael Ondaatje, *"Divisadero."* (He also wrote *"The English Patient."*) Ondaatje is a Sri Lankan now living in Canada. *"Divisadero's"* setting begins in 1970's California, moves to Nevada and ends up in France.

February 13th • 7:00 pm

at the home of Ginny Knight



The March meeting continues the international feel with English author, P. D. James' new novel *"Death Comes to Pemberly."* If you've ever wondered what happened after Jane Austen's *"Pride and Prejudice,"* James may have the answer for you in this best selling murder mystery. We'll find out what makes a best seller!

March 12th • 7:00 pm

at the home of Melanie Cox



Adult Mission Trip Opportunity. . .

Have you heard all the amazing stories from our youth about their terrific mission trips and wished that you could be a part of such a work group?

Well here's your chance!!!

The Mission Committee has the answer to your wish.



An adult only Mission Trip to Charleston, SC, to work on a Habitat for Humanity house in May, 2012.

If you are interested. . . contact Lisa Myers.



CARE PACKAGES for OUR SOLDIERS

FPC is collecting items for care packages for the Wounded Warriors Project at the Landstuhl Hospital in Germany. When soldiers are wounded they are taken to Landstuhl with only the clothes on their back. As they recover, they need clothing and personal items. A collection bin is in Heritage Hall.

Urgently needed items are:


- * *Travel size mouthwash*
- * *Long sleeve T-shirts, S-M-L*
- * *Sweat Pants, L-XL-M-S*
- * *Black Athletic Shorts, S-M-L-XL*
- * *Men's Boxer/Briefs, S-M-L*
- * *Shower Shoes, S-M-L*
- * *Men's PJ pants*
- * *Healthy Snack Bars*

(sizes are listed in the order most needed)

Ongoing Needs:


- * *120 minute - Domestic Only - NO expiration date Phone Cards*
- * *Duffel bags - 30 inch Black - NO LOGO*
- * *Men's Running Shoes - Sizes 9 - 12*
- * *Travel size Shampoo / Conditioner - NO hotel size*
- * *Bath Towels - full size*
- * *Men's Slippers - slip-on style - NON-SLIP - Sizes 9-14*
- * *Stitches of Love Travel Pillows*
- * *Woman's PJ's - NO Gowns*
- * *iTune Cards*
- * *iPod Shuffles*
- * *Lip Balm / Chapstick*
- * *Hair Brushes - NO COMBS*
- * *Hand-held Electronic Games*
- * *DVD Movies (no extreme violence)*

Any contributions are most welcomed. Monetary donations are also welcomed and will be used to purchase the above items.

<p>Women's Fellowship Breakfast February 18th 9:00 am Barbara Fritchie Restaurant 1513 W. Patrick Street <i>for info: Ann Leyh</i></p>	 <p>Men's Breakfast</p>
	<p>February 25th 8:30 am Barbara Fritchie Restaurant</p>

<p>PRIME TIMERS February 23rd <i>Place to be determined.</i></p> <p>Save the Date!!</p>	<p><i>For information:</i> Jean Thompson or Marge Smith</p>
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	<p><i>Please consider selecting a Sunday you would like to glorify God through nature's beauty by placing flowers in the sanctuary for Sunday worship. The flower Calendar is posted in Heritage Hall. Select a Sunday now to honor a special person or event in your life.</i></p>
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	<p>PLEASE NOTE . . . <i>In preparation for painting, Eric is reorganizing his book shelves. Check the boxes in Heritage Hall for an assortment of reading material. FREE for the taking. Help Yourself!</i></p>
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<p>Join the </p>
<p>LUNCH BUNCH Sunday, February 26 Brewer's Alley <i>immediately following Fellowship Time.</i> <i>Everyone is Welcome!!</i></p>



If you are not currently on the church email list but would like to be, please send your email address to the church office at

office@frederickpresbyterian.org

Those who are on the distribution list receive weekly emails containing the latest church news and information on upcoming activities and events.

If you do not have access to email, but would like to be "paired-up" with someone to call you regarding church announcements and emergencies, please call the church office. If you would like to provide a phone call, please call the church office also.



301.663.5338.



Wondering if church is cancelled?

In the event of snow or other hazardous weather conditions, a decision will be made by the Pastor, the Chair of Worship and Music committee and the Christian Education committee by 8:00 a.m. to cancel both church school and the morning worship service.

Weekday cancellations will follow the decision of the Frederick County Public Schools.

Announcements of such closings will be made via radio stations

WFMD (930 AM) / WFRE (99.9 FM)
or on the church website

www.frederickpresbyterian.org

FORGIVENESS Game

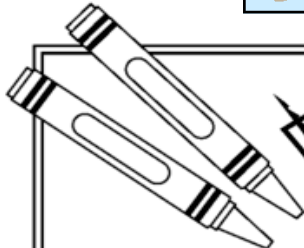
Try this twist on musical chairs.

What you need:

- 28 large index cards
- Black marker
- Two teams of people
- Radio or CD player

What you do:

1. On index cards, write out *forgiveness*, one letter per card. Make two sets (two F's, two O's, etc.).
2. Mix up the cards and form them face up in a circle on the floor. (You'll have six blanks mixed in.)
3. Have teams mix themselves up and stand in a circle around the cards. Ask an extra person to turn the music on and off.
4. As the music plays, teams walk around the circle. When the music stops, players each pick up the card nearest them.
5. Team members take their cards to a designated area and try to spell forgiveness. Any double letters or blanks go back to the "music person," who reorganizes remaining cards, spacing them evenly into a fresh circle.
6. Play continues until one team spells *forgiveness*.




PUZZLE

FOLLOW GOD'S EXAMPLE

In a letter to the church in Colossae, the apostle Paul wrote about the importance of forgiveness.

•••• DIRECTIONS ••••

To complete Colossians 3:13 (NIV), use the smaller words to fill in the larger words.


gain as or ear van an for give
gave her on it one other he an a

B _____ w _____ h each

ot _____ d _____ give

_____ e an _____ if _____ y

of you h _____ grie _____ ce

a _____ st some _____ .

For _____ as t _____ L _____ d

for _____ you.”

COLOSSIANS 3:13, NIV

Answers: "Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you."
 Colossians 3:13, NIV

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