

February 2025 News

- Tuesday, Jan. 28:** Afternoon volunteering at Ashure Ministry, 1:00–3:00 p.m.
- Sunday, Feb. 2** Adult Discussion, 9:30 a.m.
- Monday, Feb. 3** Pastor Search Committee, 11:00 a.m.
- Sunday, Feb. 9** Adult Discussion, 9:30 a.m.
CWS Blanket Sunday Offering begins
- Tuesday, Feb. 11** Morning volunteering at Ashure Ministry, 10:00a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- Sunday, Feb. 16** Adult Discussion, 9:30 a.m.
- Sunday, Feb. 23** Adult Discussion, 9:30 a.m.
- Tuesday, Feb. 25** Afternoon volunteering at Ashure Ministry, 1:00–3:00 p.m.

Reverse Advent Boxes: Thank you to all who donated food for the Reverse Advent boxes. Also, thank you to those who helped sort it, carry it out to load in vehicles, and to Vivian Cline and Donna Ervin for delivering it to Ashure Ministry. Our church collected 226 lb.! And we would welcome any new volunteers on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month!

\$303.50!! That's the total amount we collected in our coin collection and other donations for Fostering Hope Ministry. Thank you to all who prepared chili, cornbread and desserts for our pre-counting meal and thanks to all who stayed to roll and count the coins. And of course, thanks to all who donated coins and dollars and diapers and wipes for Fostering Hope.

Sanctuary Flower Calendar: If you would like to place flowers in our sanctuary, be sure to sign up for your special month on the flower calendar in the Narthex. We still have 6 vacant months. Questions? Ask Norma Boggs!

Church World Service Blankets: Sunday, Feb. 9 thru Sunday, Feb. 23 we will receive a special offering for blankets to be distributed worldwide by Church World Service. A gift of \$10 provides one blanket. These blankets provide comfort, hope and warmth to our neighbors during their most challenging times.

Columbarium/Cemetery: The Columbarium Policy has been written by the Cemetery Committee and approved by the Congregation. Anyone interested in securing a niche in the columbarium, please contact Joel Barringer, Chairman of the Cemetery Committee. Burial plots are also available.

New Church Council Members: New Council members were recently installed: Elders are Donna Ervin, Nancy Rockett and Frank Spada. Deacons are Gina Beard and Karen Gentle. New Officers are President Karen Gentle, Vice-President Nancy Rockett, Secretary Donna Ervin. Lisa Goins remains as Treasurer of the Church and Vivian Cline as Recording Secretary.

Church Basement: The replacing of the tile in our church basement has been completed and looks great! A special thanks to Joel Barringer for picking up the materials and overseeing this project. We will be rounding up a volunteer cleaning crew to help get up all the dust as soon as the weather warms up. (We ask that you wait until the cleaning is complete before making a trip downstairs to look around. It is very dusty!)

The Search Is On! The Pastor Search Committee is hard at work finding our next pastor. While we are searching, we welcome Bethany's retired ministers and others to our pulpit. We are grateful and blessed by their leadership and service.

February Food Item for Ashure

Macaroni or pasta or spaghetti sauce (in non-glass jars). They also need gallon Ziploc bags, plastic grocery bags and **now only styrofoam** egg cartons.

February Birthdays

3 Larry Sink
13 Teshera Kimbrough
14 Sarah Bostian
17 Vivian Cline