

HOGE HERALD

Hoge Memorial Presbyterian Church

2019

February

Story of St. Valentine

"The story of Valentine's Day begins in the third century with an oppressive Roman emperor and a humble Christian Martyr. The emperor was Claudius II. The Christian was Valentinus.

Claudius had ordered all Romans to worship twelve gods, and had made it a crime punishable by death to associate with Christians. But Valentinus was dedicated to the ideals of Christ; not even the threat of death could keep him from practicing his beliefs. He was arrested and imprisoned.

During the last weeks of Valentinus's life a remarkable thing happened. Seeing that he was a man of learning, the jailer asked whether his daughter, Julia, might be brought to Valentinus for lessons. She had been blind since birth. Julia was a pretty young girl with a quick mind. Valentinus read stories of Rome's history to her. He described the world of nature to her. He taught her arithmetic and told her about God. She saw the world through his eyes, trusted his wisdom, and found comfort in his quiet strength.

"Valentinus, does God really hear our prayers?" Julia asked one day.

"Yes, my child, He hears each one."

"Do you know what I pray for every morning and every night? I pray that I might see. I want so much to see everything you've told me about!"



"God does what is best for us if we will only believe in Him," Valentinus said.

"Oh, Valentinus, I do believe! I do!" She knelt and grasped his hand.

They sat quietly together, each praying. Suddenly there was a brilliant light in the prison cell. Radiant, Julia screamed, "Valentinus, I can see! I can see!"

"Praise be to God!" Valentinus exclaimed, and he knelt in prayer.

On the eve of his death Valentinus wrote a last note to Julia, urging her to stay close to God. He signed it, "From your Valentine." His sentence was carried out the next day, February 14, 270 A.D., near a gate that was later named Porta Valentini in his memory. He was buried at what is now the Church of Praxedes in Rome. It is

said that Julia planted a pink-blossomed almond tree near his grave. Today, the almond tree remains a symbol of abiding love and friendship. On each February 14, Saint Valentine's Day, messages of affection, love, and devotion are exchanged around the world."

Special Announcements

KEEP IN DAILY PRAYER

- Jeanne Grothaus - treatments for cancer diagnosis
- Mary Grothaus (Jeanne's daughter-in-law) - treatments for epilepsy and related seizures
- Jeanne's brother, Russ - treatments and care for cancer diagnosis
- Avis Dorn and daughter, Jody - health challenge
- Marianne Black, Juanita Deweese, Sallie Wilson, Barbara Mapes, Wilbur and Charlotte Smith, Nancy Loik
- Hoge Church: continued support for community-based ministries.
- Our city, nation, and world leaders. Our schools, teachers and children.



Please help keep this list current. Provide the church office with prayer requests for inclusion of "Keep in Daily Prayer" sections of the weekly bulletins and monthly newsletters either by phone or email

Families Served at HM3 for the month of Dec.. Adults 173, Kids 62, (Volunteers 27, Hoge Members 14), Total 276

Food Pantry December Totals, 65 Families, 264 People served, Adults (60+) 25, Adults (59-18) 129, Children 110

A mother was teaching her three-year-old The Lord's Prayer. For several evenings at bedtime, the child repeated it after the mother. Then one night the child was ready to solo. The mother listened with pride to the carefully enunciated words, right up to the end. 'And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us some e-mail'.



February Birthdays

William Sorrell, 1; Gail Garman, 4; Phil Leston, 14; Diana Purcell, 21; Lois Duey, 24

Out Of The Box Community Theatre

The next production from OOTBCT is *Love Letters*. The show will run for two weeks, February 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10. Friday and Saturday shows start at 8:15 pm and Sunday shows start at 3:00 pm.

This is a 2 actor show with Columbus's own Sargeant Bill Taylor starring the second weekend. Mark your calendar and plan for an evening/afternoon of entertainment.



Personal Care Pantry Needs

As part of Hoge's ministry and outreach, we support a Personal Pantry as a part of our HM3 program. The pantry is open to the public on the second Saturday of each month. Donations of personal care items are always accepted for the pantry but the items it is particularly low on:

- Band Aids
- Ibuprofen
- Wet Wipes
- Candles
- Adult Gloves / Mittens
- Sleeping bags
- Blankets

Please see Bev and Jack Neil or Kathy and Barry Schieferstein for additional information.

Thank you for your support of this ministry



Lay readers: January-Debbie Peters, **February-Patti Gorman**, March-Debbie Peters, April-Mike Minch, May-Carolyn Colborn, June-Bill Aiken, July-Diana Purcell, August-Gail Garman, September-Carol Ross, October-Mike Minch, November-Debbie Peters, December-Donna Swaneck.

If you cannot be the lay reader for the month, contact Worship Committee

Communion Servers - If you are unable to serve, please try to find a replacement and notify the worship committee.

January 27-Natalie Alter, Donna Swaneck, Debbie Peters, Diana Purcell, Judy Moody, Joy Rector

February24-Susan Barrett, Jack Neil, Patti Gorman, Gail Garman, Gary Link, Bev Neil

March 24-Charlotte Smith, Wilbur Smith, Mike Minch, Carol Ross, Janet Fetherolf. Diana Purcell

April 28 -Dave Colborn, Carolyn Colborn, Donna Swaneck, Gail Garman, Judy Moody, Patti Gorman

May 26-Natalie Alter, Debbie Peters, Joy Rector, Jack Neil, Bev Neil, Gary Link

June 23-Susan Barrett, Gail Garman, Charlotte and Wilbur Smith, Janet Fetherolf, Carol Ross

July 28 - Dave Colborn, Carolyn Colborn, Mike Minch, Judy Moody, Donna Swaneck, Gail Garman

August 25-Patti Gorman, Joy Rector, Diana Purcell, Natalie Alter, Bev Neil

September 22-Gary Link, Jack Neil, Gail Garman, Susan Barrett, Charlotte Smith, Wilbur Smith

October 27-Carol Ross, Janet Fetherolf, Debbie Peters, Mike Minch, Judy Moody, Diana Purcell

November 24- Natalie Alter, Dave Colborn, Carolyn Colborn, Joy Rector, Patti Gorman

December 22-Gail Garman, Mike Minch. Susan Barrett, Charlotte Smith, Wilbur Smith, Gary Link

December 24-Dave Colborn, Carolyn Colborn, Donna Swaneck, Diana Purcell, Debbie Peters, Janet Fetheolf

Schedule of Ushers: If you would like to usher, please contact Gail Garman or Carolyn Colborn.

Usher Team #1 (Jan, April, July, Oct.) Gary Link, Jack Neil, Bev Neil

Usher Team #2 (February, May, August and November): Judy Moody, Mike Minch, Bill & Dorothy Aiken

Usher Team #3 (March, June, Sept, Dec): Mike Purcell, Diana Purcell, Jim Cheadle

Worship Committee This is the schedule for the fellowship hour on the second Sundays:

January-Finance and Facilities; **February-Session**; March-Outreach/Worship/Christian Ed; April-Choir; May-Martha Circle; June - Session; July - Finance and Facilities; August- Ushers; September- Outreach/Worship/Christian Ed Committees; October- Martha Circle; November- Deacons; December- Ushers

Annual Joint Session-Deacon Meeting-December 17th, 2018

Meeting was opened with prayer by Session Member doing Devotion: Tom Billman, Quorum was present. Also in Attendance- Deacons for our Joint Meeting: Moderator: – Rev. Dr. Tracy Keenan/Tom Billman; **Clerks' Report** – Diana Purcell, No Communion will be served in November. Partners in Education will be held in January 12th, 2019 at Hilliard Presbyterian Church. Communion served to (41) people on December 23rd. **Moderators/Pastoral Care Report:** Tracy visits Andy Pena, physically getting worse. Tom and Ed Sensenbrenner Visited Juanita Deweese on 11/29 and gave her communion. They visited Sallie Wilson on 12/10 and gave her communion. Visited Wilbur and Charlotte Smith on 12/17/2018. Charlotte is having hip surgery on 1/28/2019 at St. Ann's. Tom wants to visit Lois Duey while Ed is in Florida. **Treasurer's Report** – Patti Gorman- October was a down month, but Bounced back in November. Contributions Are up. Utilities are up. Office expenses are down a little. Salaries are steady. Operating expenses are down due to Insurance being paid. Building expenses are up due to repairs being done. All other expenses are steady. (See page 5). **Committee Reports: Worship/ Outreach/Christian Ed:** Gail Garman, December Ministers: December 2nd, 16th Keith Jones, December 9th, 24th, 30th – Tom Billman, December 23- Rev Dean Roush. **HM3:** There are 4 second Saturdays of HM3 for 2019 that still need covered. Mike has contacted Overbrook Presbyterian but has not received a return call. We will be distributing \$5.00 gift cards, at the December 29th HM 3 meal. Birthday Party for Jesus will be held on December 22nd in conjunction with HM3. All food items have been covered by the congregation. Games have been planned for children and adults. Balloon man is scheduled to come from 5:30-7:30 pm. Children's version of Christmas Story will be read. Cheryl Peterson from Covenant has been singing with Tracy Keenan and a few of the attendees have participated in the singing and has been well received by all. **Out of the Box Community Theatre:** Just finished up "Taffeta Christmas Musical". The next performance will be Held in February "Love Letters". **Finance, Facilities, and Stewardship** – Janet Fetherolf, Pledge Letters have been sent out. Received estimate of \$885.00 to replace 7 Alter lights and have ceiling fan checked out. Received Estimate of \$655.19 to have Boiler repaired which has been completed. Get estimate in Spring to have outside power washed. Pianos has been tuned. **Nominating:** - Natalie Alter: Ann Adair will be replacing Donna Swaneck as Deacon in 2019. Mike Minch will be replacing Gail Garman as Elder in 2019. **Personnel:** Carolyn Colborn: No Report. **Deacons: November Food Pantry Served:** Families 85 Total New Families: (see page 2). **Deacons Yearly Report:** Deacons are responsible for visiting and taking Alter flowers to 2 people weekly, can also be giving to people with Celebrations, Birthdays, etc. They provide fellowship twice a year with a Pancake Breakfast and Chilli dinner. Current balance if \$13,500.47. Voted and agreed to purchase \$500.00 gift card for a family in need. Donations are also supported by several other churches. (cont. on page 5)

History

Memories of Hoge Memorial - by Nancy Loik

I was trying to find when we joined Hoge. I called Roger Gorman for some information. During our conversation he told me he had found a copy of the Hoge Herald for 1968. Both of our families were mentioned in a photograph included in the paper. That was when we joined. Mrs. Layne, our youth pastor's wife, joined then also. Dr. Gish was the pastor at that time.

My daughter, Susie, was a junior at West High School then. I remembered several things I became involved in after that time. One of the projects was a parents' meeting led by Pastor Layne to see if seniors' parents approved of his having assigned the book *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* as a reading suggestion. I was one of the few parents that thought it was appropriate for seniors to read.

Deloris Kennard, Sandy's mom, asked Mrs. Hoffman and me to help on an overnight program for seniors. A church near Fredericktown had a lovely place they would loan to us. We accepted the loan one winter weekend. There was a large building with a kitchen and other necessary facilities. In another area was a large open room. Outside there was a pond that was frozen which allowed the seniors to ice skate.

After dinner, prepared by some of the mothers, it started to snow. It was a beautiful, quiet night but on one slept. The next morning after breakfast and clean up we all came home thoroughly exhausted.

One Sunday morning, we were sitting downstairs and Evelyn Decker asked me to be on Session. I didn't know what that was. She explained the Session was the governing body in the Presbyterian Church. She added, "and we need people who will speak up."

My first job was on a committee headed by Anne Hostetter. Later that year she had another committee added and passed one to me. It was quite a learning experience. It was all men. We were to call everyone in the directory to check on folks and mention the next year's pledges. I divided up the directory. They called from their homes making it a comfortable process. They were a great group of people. Everyone was happy when we had short meetings. Sometimes the meetings lasted until after ten o'clock, some of which had gone longer than necessary.

During another year on Session, I wanted Session to hire another Children's Minister. The Budget Committee agreed that they would look into it. During that year our Christmas meeting was held at the Klees' home. At this meeting it was mentioned that there wouldn't be Children's Minister for the time being. Mrs. Klee had made a delicious and attractive table. Two of the dishes were fondue, which I had never had. One was cheese and one was chocolate.

I visited all three circles before making a decision for which one fit me. I met many gracious women and old friends. One of the things I needed was a time that fit. Martha was the only one that met in the evenings. At this time some of the ladies have been in it longer than I and several have died. Several joined after I. They are a great bunch and so good to keep me in the loop. They are dear friends.



Hoge Leadership Training – Saturday February 16

Rev. Tracy Keenan will be holding a leadership training session for all Deacons and Elders. Other interested members of Hoge are welcome as well. This session will be held on the morning of **Saturday, February 16 from 9:00 am – noon**. The training will include evaluating our present and future goals and visions.

Plan to attend and participate! Fellowship, learning, and goal setting will be on the agenda.

Financial Update – December 31, 2018

The following is a summary of Hoge's current year financial activity through December 2018. Detailed financial reports are available by request to the church office.

Designated Offerings / Donations / Other Income during 2018:

Deacon's Funds: \$9,041.63 (includes support from Glenwood UM, Worthington PC & Pancake Breakfast)
 Flower Garden Maintenance: \$100.00
 One Great Hour of Sharing: \$1,715.00
 Peace Making Offering: \$254.00
 HM3 / Personal Care Pantry Support: \$855.00 (support from Westminster Presbyterian Church & Covenant PW)
 Parking Lot/Building Maintenance Fund: \$5.02 (interest earned from designated savings account)
 Ed & Lois Sensenbrenner Pastoral Care & Leadership Fund: \$145.59
 Recycling: \$192.00
 Fall Sale Proceeds: \$1,225.75
 Memorial Funds: \$715.00 (In Memory & Honor of Pamela Pemberton / Doug Alter / Gorman-Conrardy wedding / Perry Conrardy)

Financial notes:

We continue to address several maintenance needs of the building and property:

- Concerns with the boiler system are being addressed
- Lighting fixtures in the front of the sanctuary have been evaluated and will be replaced
- Plans are being developed to address certain areas of the building which need to be painted

Contact members of the Finance & Facilities committee to inquire how you are able to help with any of these projects (physically and/or financially). Please continue to commit to Hoge in prayer, physical efforts, and financially. Thank you for your continued support. God is calling each of us to do our part to keep Hoge alive, providing mission and outreach to our community.

If you are not currently participating in any of the activities at Hoge, please prayerfully consider your willingness to do so. We have unique mission and outreach occurring here which is not happening anywhere else. You have to experience it to understand it! Patti Gorman, Treasurer

Balances as of December 31, 2018:			
Unrestricted cash	\$102,668.21	Operating Expenses:	
Restricted cash	31,683.98	Admin & Other Expenses	\$ 9,374.08
Payroll Liabilities	(0.00)	Building Maintenance	18,934.90
Net liquid assets	<u>\$134,352.19</u>	Committee Expenses	7,732.69
<u>3</u>		Office Expenses	4,427.48
Operating Income:		Non-Pastoral Salaries	26,919.00
Contributions	\$ 97,391.47	Pastoral Expenses	6,825.76
Interest	5,884.55	Utilities and Phone	<u>18,800.63</u>
Other income (building use)	6,150.00	Total Operating Expenses	\$ 93,014.54
Other income (other support)	6,618.00		
Other income (flower dedications)	<u>1,481.00</u>	Difference -Operating Activity	\$ 24,510.48
Total Operating Income	\$ 117,525.02		

Annual Joint Session-Deacon Meeting-December 17th, 2018 (cont. from page 3) The Food Pantry is the Main Outreach, Dorothy Aiken and Carolyn Colborn are the coordinators and is held the last (2) Tuesday and Wednesday of every Month and limit it to 40 people per day. Recently moved to a Free Choice Pantry and is working well. **Presbytery of Scioto Valley/Urban Ministry:** This is Cowboy Bucks week at West High and needs help with wrapping Tuesday and Wednesday from 10:00-12:00 pm. Bought \$400 worth head phones. Lynn Johnson president of West High Alumni Assoc. is supporting this mission. **Old Business:** Tom Billman will be meeting with member from Church for all People who serves 500 people a day and is looking to expand their mission. More information to follow as it is received. **New Business:** Tracy conducted a Leadership class 2 years ago and wants to hold another one on Saturday Feb.16, 2019 from 9:00-12:00 pm. **Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm with the Lord's Prayer. Next Session Meeting:** January 21, 2019 at 7:00 pm. **Respectfully:** Diana L Purcell, Clerk of Session

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
<p>French Toast Casserole Recipe- 18 slices white bread, torn or cut into small pieces, 11 oz cream cheese, cut into squares, 12 eggs, 2 cups milk, ½ cup maple syrup, Cinnamon, ¼ to ½ cup sugar. Directions: Grease 9X13 inch dish with butter. Line the dish with half the bread pieces, then top with cream cheese. Layer the rest of the bread on top. Sprinkle with cinnamon and sugar. Whisk eggs, milk and maple syrup together and pour over the top of the casserole. Cover and let stand overnight in the refrigerator. The next morning, take casserole out of refrigerator and let stand for 30 minutes. Then, bake at 350 degrees for about 20 minutes, cover loosely with foil</p>		
<p>3 9:30am Bible Study 10:30am Worship w/ Rev. Keith Jones 3:00pm <i>Love Letters</i> play 7:00pm AA Meeting</p>	<p>4 6:00pm Girl Scouts 7:00pm AA 7:30pm NA <i>Happy Birthday Gail Garman</i></p>	<p>5</p>
<p>10 10:30am Worship w/ Tom Billman 11:30am Doughnut Fellowship 3:00pm <i>Love Letters</i> play 7:00pm AA Meeting</p>	<p>11 6:00pm Girl Scouts 7:00pm AA 7:30pm NA</p>	<p>12 7:00pm Martha Circle</p>
<p>17 10:30am Worship w/ Tom Billman 7:00pm AA Meeting <i>Newsletter Deadline</i></p>	<p>18 6:00pm Girl Scouts 7:00pm AA 7:30pm NA <i>Remember our Presidents</i></p>	<p>19 12:00pm Food Pantry</p>
<p>24 10:30am Worship w/ Rev. Wayne Morrison 11:30am Potluck Fellowship 7:00pm AA Meeting <i>Happy Birthday Lois Duey</i></p>	<p>25 6:00pm Girl Scouts 7:00pm AA 7:30pm NA</p>	<p>26 12:00pm Food Pantry</p>

Helpful tips: tie a small piece of bright colored fabric to luggage to find it easier; write random letters over words you want to cross out to disguise the original; use a rubber band from inside door knob to other side to keep door from latching; dorm smell bad, clip dryer sheet to AC unit; lean your phone on your sun glasses; how to waterproof your shoes with bees wax; old newspaper in bottom of trash can to absorb liquid drippings; when traveling put fragrant soap bar in with dirty clothes; bounce batteries to see if they are good or bad. Drop them on a table from about 5 in. If they give a small bounce and fall right over the are god. If they bounce more than that they are dead.; when having a picture taken squint your eyes, it will make the smile brighter; use a clean dust pan

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
French Toast Cass. (cont) Bake an additional 25 minutes, until set. Take out of oven and sprinkle with powdered sugar. Serve with warm maple syrup. Optional: can top with fruit or put fresh fruit in the casserole, between the layers (example: blueberries)		1 6:00pm AA Meeting 8:15pm <i>Love Letters</i> play <i>Happy Birthday William Sorrell</i>	2 5:00pm HM ³ -Robin Wilson 8:15pm <i>Love Letters</i> play 
6 7:30pm NA Meeting	7 6:00pm Brownies 7:00pm Outreach/Worship/ Christian Ed	8 6:00pm AA Meeting 8:15pm <i>Love Letters</i> play	9 5:00pm HM ³ - 8:15pm <i>Love Letters</i> play
13 7:30pm NA Meeting 7:30pm Choir	14 6:00pm Brownies <i>Happy Birthday Phil Leston</i> 	15 6:00pm AA Meeting	16 9:00am Session/Deacons Training 5:00pm HM ³ -Covenant
20 12:00pm Food Pantry 7:30pm NA Meeting 7:30pm Choir	21 6:00pm Brownies <i>Happy Birthday Diana Purcell</i>	22 9:00am Newsletter prep 6:00pm AA Meeting	23 5:00pm HM ³ -Debbie Peters
27 12:00pm food pantry 7:30pm NA Meeting	28 6:00pm Brownies	HOW DO YOU DECIDE WHO TO MARRY? You got to find somebody who likes the same stuff. Like, if you like sports, she should like it that you like sports, and she should keep the chips and dip coming. - Alan, age 10 No person really decides before they grow up who they're going to marry. God decides it all way before, and you get to find out later who you're stuck with. - Kirsten, age 10	

Helpful tips (cont.) under the sink faucet with handle pointed to container that won't fit in the sink to collect water; try a pants hanger to hold a cook book open; use a spring from an old pen around the top of a cell phone charger cable/cord; user binder clips on keyboards with broken feet; put pancake mix in a ketchup bottle filled with pancake batter to pour easily; doritos are great for kindling; almost finished your jar of nutella put your ice cream in it; remove the stem from strawberries with a straw; use a can opener to open blister packs to avoid cutting yourself; for crunchy taco shells turn your muffin tin upside down and place the soft tacos between the cups, spray with cooking oil and bake for approximately 10 minutes at 375 degrees.

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Pantry, HM3, AA and NA

groups, Girl Scouts, Urban Minis-

tries, Members of Out of the Box

Community Theatre

Feeding the Community Physically & Spiritually

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