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Tanner Valley United Methodist Church

March 2024

Consistency

"And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up."
Galatians 6:9

What comes to mind when you think of the word – consistency? It's funny, because often the word has a somewhat negative connotation. That is, we might consider consistency as boring, standard, the "same old thing."

Yet it has a richer meaning in that a person who is consistent always behaves in the same way and is steady, even and stable. And it is a crucial aspect of the Christian faith in that living a life that is steady and unwavering in our devotion to God.

To remain consistent in our Christianity requires spiritual focus, self-discipline and study of God's Word, and ongoing effort. It requires being willing to let go of the pressures of the world in order to maintain our focus on the Lord. It means walking daily with Jesus.

The sign at the First Church of Christ has a great reminder, that I often glance at as I drive past. It reads, "Daily devotion is more important than an annual resolution."

And I have to agree.

Consistency is a daily thing, something that we have to strive at each and every day. Think of it as a journey, not a race. It's more about enduring than in quick change; more about what we do each day than in what our intentions are.

In our Lenten Bible study, we're focusing on our walk with the Lord and five simple practices that Jesus Himself modeled for us. The study centers on the concept of walking, with the Greek term of *akoloutheo*, "to follow" which means to accompany on a journey or to walk with someone down a road.

The author explains that "The image of walking with God (or rather, God walking with us) is found throughout the Bible as a metaphor for the life of faith....There is safety and peace and joy in walking with my hand in His hand."

As the Lenten season continues, let's keep walking in faith, being consistent in our thoughts, actions and spirit.



Pastor Ginny Hizer

United Women of Faith

I recently saw these cheery snowmen on the tables in the church meeting room. I was reminded of a poem I read recently entitled The Trinity Snowman.



The **bottom** reminds us of
God the Father,
Our strong rock and foundation.
The Creator of all living things,
People, tribes, and nations.

When you see a snowman
Three snowballs round,
He is reminding you
That in God, Three in One are found.



The **head** reminds us of
God the Holy Spirit
Who is our counselor and friend.
He speaks to our hearts and minds
Transforming us in the likeness of
Him.



So when you see a snowman
In the midst of all the wintertime fun,
Listen carefully and he'll tell you,
"Remember God is Three in One."
by Maureen Spell



Our next **Women In Faith** meeting will be on **March 14, at 1:00.**

Holly and Pam

January 2024 Financial Summary

The treasurer's report for January 2024 was reviewed and approved at the February 2024 council meeting. A summary of the report follows:

General Account: The General Account beginning balance for January 2024 was \$87,178.01. There were credits of \$6,176.85 and debits of \$6,618.01 leaving a January month end balance of \$86,736.63. Apportionments paid in January were \$1,179.60 and \$117.96 to Conference and District respectively.

Special Account: The Special Account beginning balance for January 2024 was \$28,147.24. There were credits of \$1,110.98 and debits of \$69.94 leaving a balance of \$29,188.28. The month end balances in the Faith Promise and Capital Improvement were \$1,140.00 and \$9,010.72 respectively. There was a balance of \$546.46 in the Benevolence (Loose Change) fund.

Attendance for January ranged from 28 to 43.

Church Council February Meeting Highlights

Pastor Ginny opened the meeting with prayer, asking God to guide us in our discussions and decisions as we do His work for our church and the community.

Treasurer's Report: The January report was reviewed and approved. A summary for the report is on page 2.

Trustee's Report: Bill reported on two areas: emergency and parking lot lighting, and flooring on the lower level and stairs.

- **Lighting:** A recent electrical outage revealed that all emergency lighting in the building was not working and all need to be replaced. Also, there are lights burned out in the parking lot along with damaged lighting fixtures. The estimate received was for \$2,650 and with LED lights. A motion was made to approve the work. It was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.
- **Lower Level Floor Covering:** Quotes for two types of flooring replacement, carpet tiles and luxury vinyl tiles, were received from four sources. These would be used for the Fellowship Hall, the hallways and stairs, the classrooms, and the offices. After several meetings, the decisions made were as follows:
 - Luxury vinyl tile was chosen for all areas (except the stairs). based on the belief that it would be easier to keep clean and maintain. For safety reasons the stairs will receive new carpet.
 - The project would be done in phases with the Fellowship Hall and the hallways together first. The remaining three areas will be done at an unspecified future date.
 - The current floor covering is carpet glued to the subfloor. The higher quotes are within \$2500 while the lowest was \$9000 below the lowest of the other three. This led us to believe that the lowest price had not properly anticipated the removal labor cost and the project time. That source was eliminated. Of the three remaining, the discussion led to a decision to use the middle price of \$30,250 to be revised to reflect carpet on the stairs. Discussions with that supplier will be necessary to finalize cost and timing.

Pastor Ginny: She thanked all of those who helped clean the library and Bill for securing the children's book case to prevent an accident.

WORSHIP SERVANTS

Month 1 Greeter

TBD

Acolyte

Henry Delp, Bella Huffman or
Volunteers

GIC

No GIC

Month 8 Greeter

TBD

Acolyte

Henry Delp, Bella Huffman or
Volunteers

Ushers

Volunteers

GIC

Jean Schmeltzer & Donna Morgan

Month 15 Greeter

TBD

Acolyte

Henry Delp, Bella Huffman or
Volunteers

Ushers

Volunteers

GIC

Pam VanDyke & Nancy Hesse

Month 22 Greeter

TBD

Acolyte

Henry Delp, Bella Huffman or
Volunteers

Ushers

Volunteers

GIC

Candy Feller & Karen Huffman

Recent and Scheduled Mission's Activities

February 11 – For the Souper Bowl of Caring , Susan Sexton, Store Manager of the Dearborn Clearing House was the guest speaker. After worship service, soup and sandwiches were served in the Fellowship Hall. See story on the "Backpage".

February 22 -There was a dinner at Heart House. Steve Goble served about 65 residents Beef Tips and Noodles, salad and rolls. Desserts were donated by the church.

March 7 - A dinner and crafts are scheduled for the YES Home. Steve Goble will plan the meal and desserts will be donated by the church.

All positions are TBD or to be filled by volunteers until the list is reestablished.

NOTE: Assigned Worship Servants are requested to find a replacement if they will not be able to fulfill their duties on the date indicated. Trading places a week or so before avoids any confusion on the assigned date.

Thank you for volunteering and for serving.

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Dearborn Clearing House



Susan Sexton, Store Manager for the **Dearborn Clearing House**, spoke at Tanner Valley UMC on February 11th for our Souper Bowl of Caring.

After the worship service, a soup and sandwich lunch was served with soups and desserts provided by several from the church. Cash of \$139.00 and about 20 cans of soup were donated to the Clearing House.

The following are some statistics on the food services provided by the Clearing House;

- In 2023, 28,000 services were provided to those in need, some of whom used to provide donations and now are in need of help.
- 410 Sacks of snacks are provided weekly, one to two thousand a month, are provided to school children so they have some food on the weekends.
- The price of food purchased has doubled, and financial donations are down.
- The Clearing House is supported by grants and donations.









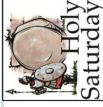
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JESUS CHRIST...

March 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 					1	2
8:30a Easter Potluck						
3	4	5	6	7	8	9 Emmaus Training
7p Missions Committee						
10 	11	12	13	14	15	16 Emmaus Training Emmaus Gathering
10a Rivertown Quilters						
17 	18	19	20	21	22	23
7p Church Council 1p United Women in Faith						
7p Rivertown Quilters						
24 	25	26	27	28 	29 	30 
7p Maundy Service 7p Good Friday Service						

BIRTHDAYS: 8-Bonita Cline; 10-PaulMeyer; 16-Christopher Delp;
18-Connie Fox; 21-Lois Blodgett; 25-Emery Althoff; 26-Kristina
Brooks, David Chapman; 29-Krew Batchelor; 20-Sue Goble

ANNIVERSARIES: 5-Donna & Rodney Morgan; 14-Veronica & Thomas Loring;
16-Bill & Ruth Ann Hoyt; 18-Gary & Holly Honchell; 31-Tom & Judy Landrum

...MAKING DISCIPLES OF
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April 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Easter Monday	2	3	4	5	6 Emmaus Training
	7p Missions Committee.					
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	2p Fellowship Hall re-served					
	10a Rivertown Quilters					
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	7p Church Council					
	1p United Women in Faith					
	7p Rivertown Quilters					
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	7p Rivertown Quilters					
28	29	30				

BIRTHDAYS: 1-Wyatt Maxfield; 7-Brittany Hooten; 8-Joshua Hooten; 16-Lori Blanco;
17-Evan Althoff; 21-Crystal Jacobson; 23-Norma Skidmore; 30-Alesia LaBazzo

ANNIVERSARIES: 2-Rich & Nancy Hesse