OUR PRAYERS

St. Francis

Zita Jean McCarty 829 Helen Juanita Galloway 394 ICU

Signature Health Care

Eileen Marie Hughes 209

Methodist University

Elizabeth Rice Thomas 1022

Regional Medical Center

Anne Campbell Trauma ICU

Baptist Rehab

Marguerite Cooper 236

Bon Secours Hosp., Altoona, PA

Honora Cunningham 610

Rehab

Charles Kicklighter

OUR PRESENCE February 27

Church School 45 Worship 74 Visitors

OUR GIFTS

February 27

Total Rec'd 2,239

MTD \$ 19,897

> **OUR SERVICE Assisting March 6**

Frances Morris Greeters

Richard Morris

Bruce Hughes Liturgist

Scripture Brother Paul Children's Time **Brother Paul**

Tom Lockhart Lock-up

> **OUR WITNESS** March Scripture Readers

13 Barry Mathis 20 Earline Gabriel 27 Renee Little

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FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

One of our members shared this with me; can you guess which one is my favorite?

Do you know your hymns?

Golfer's Hymn...There's a Green Hill Far Away

IRS Agent's Hymn....I Surrender All Electrician's Hymn....Send the Light Gossip's Hymn...Pass It On **Shopper's Hymn**....Sweet Bye and Bye

Dentist's Hymn.. Crown Him with Many Crowns The Tailor's Hymn...Holy, Holy, Holy

Doctor's Hymn...The Great Physician

Realtor's Hymn....I've Got a Mansion, Just Over the Hilltop Contractor's Hymn......The Church's One Foundation Politician's Hymn...Standing on the Promises Weatherman's Hymn...There Shall Be Showers of Blessings Optometrist's Hymn....Open My Eyes That I May See

And for those who speed on the highway - a few hymns:

55 mph God Will Take Care of You **85 mph**This World Is Not My Home 75 mph Nearer My God To Thee 95 mphLord. I'm Coming Home

100 mph Precious Memories

Peace and Grace. **Brother Paul**

Scripture Reading for March 6th Psalm 99 Matthew 17:1-9

Sermon Title

"They Went Up On A Mountaintop"

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sun.,	Mar. 6 - Sat., Mar. 12
Sun. 3/6	9:15a Fellowship Time 9:45a Church School 10:55a Worship
Mon. 3/7	Noon News Deadline
Tue. 3/8	10:00a Koinonia Grp. 7:00p Love/Hope Grp.
Wed. 3/9	12:00p Service of Ashes 5:30p Angelfood Orders 6:00p Fellowship 6:30p Service of Ashes 7:30p Choir Rehearsal
Thu. 3/10	10:00a Bible Study
Fri. 3/11	Offices Closed
Sat. 3/12	9:00a AFLS Set clocks AHEAD tonight.
	savings times ends m. on Sunday morning.

FELLOWSHIP TIME

Join us Sunday, Mar. 6, at 9:15 for refreshments and fellowship, hosted by the Oxford Class.



LUNCH AT CALVARY and LENTEN PREACHING

Its hard to beat lunch at Calvary's Waffle Shop (Dutch Treat) and then hear a timely message from the speaker of the day. Join us on Mar. 17. Leaving the church by bus at 11:00. Sign-up sheets are on the office window and kitchen bulletin board.



ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES MARCH 9

The sign of the cross in ashes, signifying our repentance before God, will be imposed on Wed., March 9, at our Ash Wednesday services at 12 Noon and 6:30 p.m.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Be the best you can be. It brings out the best in others!



EGGS AND CANDY WILL BE DANDY

Plastic eggs and individually wrapped candy are need for our upcoming Easter Egg Hunt. A box for both will be in the church foyer for your convenience.



Church-wide BIRTHDAY PARTY

...and pot-luck lunch coming up on March 27 right after Worship Service. Please contact Perri Mathis or Lisa Hughes if you will decorate a table and/or bake a cake.

UMW NEWS

The UMW Reading Program has added a category to the other four: Leadership Development. As this is a brand new heading, we have only a few books in this area, however, "Half the Sky" is a must read for those of us concerned about the unbelievable treatment of women in other parts of the world. You cannot help but be angry and sad after reading this book. One MAN said he read until 3 in the morning to finish it. PLEASE READ IT!

We continue to prepare for our big MARCH EVENT with several quests.

The District Day Apart (a prayer event like the one at Aldersgate last year) is also coming up in March. Watch upcoming newsletters for more information.

EPWORTH BY THE SEA PRESENTS "GOING PLACES!" An Event for Older Adults

Its not too early to register for this special event to be held at St. Simons Island, Georgia, May 16-19, 2011. The Rev. Dr. Lee Weaver will offer his perspectives as Joseph, husband of Mary; Judas, the Betrayer, and Peter, the big fisherman and will share the preparations a Christian must make for a "safe crossing".

Weaver's understanding of our faith and fears, our questions and affirmations is unique among Christian speakers.

With 34 years in pastoral ministry, Weaver is also a veteran of the dramatic and musical theater, most recently having played Don Quixote in "Man of LaMancha" and Charlie Anderson in "Shenandoah". Forms are available in the church office or on line at www.epworthbythesea.org.

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given to:

Memorial Fund

In memory of Art & Betty McConnell by

Beth & Andrew Baker



CALENDAR AVAILABLE FOR LENTEN OFFERING

"...Let us love...in truth and action."

Hunger is real! It affects 1.25 **billion** people in our world every day and causes untold misery. Many families must choose between paying rent or utilities and buying food. Children struggle to concentrate in school due to malnutrition.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 9. As in the past, we will participate in the Lenten World Hunger Offering. Lenten calendars are available with daily scripture readings and giving suggestions for each day of Lent. Your gifts will make a difference in the lives of many across our Conference and around the world. Please give generously.

LENTEN EVENSONG AT SECOND PRESBYTERIAN

Hear beautiful a cappella choral music presented by the Laudis Domini Vocal Ensemble, including music by Gibbons, Arcadelt, Tallis and Mendelssohn. Join us in the Chapel at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 20.