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# The Presbyterian Messenger



Rev. Meta S. Cramer, Pastor

9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour  
10:30 a.m. Worship

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*OGHS: Sharing  
Brings Joy.  
To Others,  
to God,  
and to Us.  
Goal: \$5,000*

## Sunday, March 27 — The Third Sunday in Lent

Scripture: Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95:6-11; John 4:5-26, 39-42  
Sermon: "Sharing Water, Sharing Faith"  
Music: Praise and Haviland Choirs  
Liturgist: Barbara Marra

*Easter*



Last Sunday to order  
\$7 ea / Fellowship Hall

## Sunday, April 3 — The 4th Sunday in Lent

Scripture: Psalm 51:1-17, Ephesians 2:1-10, Luke 19:1-10  
Sermon: "Joy Along the Way"  
Music: Haviland Choir  
Liturgist: Nichole Santini



Dear Friends,

On March 18, we received the following message from Presbyterian Disaster Assistance:

Earthquake. Tsunami. Nuclear meltdown. Any one of these disasters could be catastrophic. Rescue efforts continue in Japan following the March 11 tsunami and earthquake and the growing nuclear crisis. Thousands have been confirmed dead, tens of thousands are missing, and hundreds of thousands have been evacuated. The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is responding through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and our ecumenical and mission partners. Already, \$100,000 from the *One Great Hour of Sharing* offering has been sent to provide emergency relief to this devastated nation, where Presbyterians have been engaged in active mission work since 1859.

There are two different though related ways by which we can contribute to these relief efforts:

- One is to contribute to the *One Great Hour of Sharing*, which we are collecting right now. 32 cents of every dollar given to the *One Great Hour of Sharing* goes to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance precisely so that quick and effective responses may be made whenever disaster strikes. (The rest of the receipts are divided between the Presbyterian Hunger Program and the Self-Development of People program.)
- The second way to help is through gifts designated *specifically* for assistance to Japan. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance has created a special fund to receive all gifts that are so designated.

Thank you for your continued generosity to people in need, both here in Salem and around God's world.

*Blessings, Meta*

## Prayer Concerns

Salem Hospital Skilled — Ken Burrier  
Alliance Community Care Ctr — Celia Ryser, 174  
Cleveland Clinic — Fred McNeal, G111-19 (Jim McNeal's brother; 9500 Euclid Ave, Cleveland 44195)  
Others — Dennis Amelung (Gloria Shafer's uncle), Warren Bettis, Goldie Burrier, Terry Carman (Wavelene Arnold's brother-in-law), Rev. Larry Chamberlain, Everett Dennison, Berneda Fitch, Joe Gibson (Barb Gibson's son, Nancy Fawcett's nephew), Sonny Griffitt (from Gloria Shafer's mother's church), Bekah Hanlon (Jo Hendrick's granddaughter), Hayden Johnson: [www.caringbridge.org/visit/haydenjohnson](http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/haydenjohnson), Patti Johnson (Mickey Buck's friend), Polly Kendall, Tink Layden, Char McDevitt, Bessie McQuiston (Mickey Buck's friend), Pat Milligan, Janie Mowery (Marilyn Ward's friend), Bill Phillips (Joyce Smith's son-in-law), Bryan and Jennifer Milheim Ramsey and Family (Overseas Ministry), Joan Reed (Sue Skiba's mother), Steve Reiter, Brenda Romack (Friend of John Krauss and Choir), Bill Schuller (John Krauss' friend), Gene Shafer, Brian Smith (Tom Smith's son; 314 N Linden Ave, Annapolis MD 21401), Karlie Stith (Harvey and Sally Mason's great granddaughter), Sis Winch

## Special Care Facilities

Blossom: Georgiana Costa, 204B; Barbara Double, 210  
Briarwood: Norman Pim, 601 (3700 Englewood Dr., Stow OH 44224)  
Clare Bridge of Austintown: Bill Butler (Pat Butler's husband); 1420 S Canfield Niles Rd, Austintown OH 44515  
Copeland Oaks: Marilyn Clark, 2101; Chet Roof, 6202  
Courtyard: Phyllis Lamb, 109; Betty Potter, 202 (Helen Hayes' mother); Linda Tonti, 209 (John Tonti's mother)  
Crandall: Minnie Rhea Carter, 183F (for Rehab); Betsy Johnson, 251 (Tom Johnson's wife)  
Essex 3: Iby Dales, 211  
Grace Woods Village: Jo Hawkins, 234  
Weatherwood Manor: Dolores Kynett, 201 (896 Weatherwood Lane, Greensburg PA 15601)

## Armed Forces

† SGT Double, Casey (Barbara Double's grandson) 446 Canyon Dr #9 Oceanside CA 92054

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## Financial Report

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Envelope Income received March 6	\$ 3,848.00
Envelope Income received March 13	\$ 4,185.00
Envelope Income received March 20	\$ 6,653.00
General Fund Balance, January 31, 2011	\$14,270.18
February Revenues	\$19,719.20
February Expenses	\$24,934.79
General Fund Balance, February 28, 2011	\$ 7,387.39
One Great Hour of Sharing (Goal: \$5,000)	\$ 853.00
Per Capita (\$29 / 2011 Goal: \$12,963)	\$ 2,188.00

† SGT Fennema, John T. (Paul and Barb Fennema's son); [fennema33@yahoo.com](mailto:fennema33@yahoo.com)  
 † LCPL Gibbs, Jeremy B. (Charles and Margaret Gibbs' grandson) 5988 Tulagi Place Tarawa Terrace NC 28543  
 † PFC Hill, Zachary (Gloria Shafer's son); [Zachary.J.Hill@us.army.mil](mailto:Zachary.J.Hill@us.army.mil) C Company I-72 ARBN, Unit 15074 Box 202 APO AP 96224-5074  
 † SSGT Stith, Ryan (Harvey and Sally Mason's grandson) Kilo Company / MCT SOI Camp Pendleton CA 92055

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The Sympathy and Surrounding Love of Our Congregation are extended to Dick and Eileen Shanker and the family on the death of Eileen's brother-in-law, Charles "Bob" McCloskey; to Steve and Kathy Stewart and the family on the death of Kathy's father, James Rex Mitchell; to Gary and Cheryl Kekel and the family on the death of Gary's mother, Mary Kekel; and to Mark and Grace Smith and the family on the death of Mark's mother, Eleanor Smith.

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**BULLETINS:** April 24, May 15, 22, June, July 3, 17, August, September 4, 11, 25, October 9, 16, 23, 30, November 6, 13, 27, December 4, 18, 25; \$15 / Sunday

**FLOWERS:** April 10, May 15, 22, June 5, July 10, 17, August 14, 28, September 18, October 2, 30, November 6, 27, December 4; \$10 / vase



I want to thank the Deacons for the delicious meal, and thank all who sent cards and expressions of sympathy on the death of my sister.

Mary Frances Breit

What a beautiful ceremony we had at Salem Presbyterian Church celebrating the life (earthly and heavenly) of Lois Ann Dewalt Zellers. From Baptism to Sunday School, to Preschool, to Bell Choir, to Youth Group and on, your church has played a wonderful part in giving us a strong foundation in Christ. We appreciated the ladies who prepared our lunch. That was very sweet. May God Bless you,

The Zellers Family  
and Deborah Meduri

## ~ Care Packages ~

Suggested items for the Care Packages for our College Students and Military Members are cereal bars, microwave popcorn, Easy Mac, microwave soups/pasta/hot cereal, etc., gift cards (i.e. Subway, Starbucks, Gasoline), Hershey's Kisses/M&M's, suckers, canned fruit, trail mix/nuts, gum, mints, lip gloss, personal hygiene products – toothpaste/brush, shampoo, etc., school supplies, rolls of quarters for laundry, stamps, small devotional books, magazines. **Please call the Church Office with addresses of young people who are away at school and in the military.**

## More of our Church History ...

From the Messenger, March 18, 1951:

### ONE GREAT TIME FOR SHARING

Sunday, March 11, was designated as the time for the offering for "One Great Time for Sharing". The needs of today are greater than before, particularly in Korea, where the ravages of war might well leave a question of the whereabouts of Christ's followers in the minds of the suffering ones. It is easy for us to unintentionally let such suffering and dire need slip our minds, for we are not faced with starvation or loss of our children, or homeless, or lonely. Because we have so very much for which to be thankful, we are all the more obligated to share with those who have so little.

Only 160 envelopes were returned for the offering last Sunday morning. Over 600 were distributed. Let us prayerfully and conscientiously endeavor to return more nearly 100% this next week for this vital project for relief of our neighbors in need. As Paul Calvin Payne has said, "We cannot callously turn and pass by on the other side like the priest and Levite in the parable of the good Samaritan, without putting ourselves in their contemptible category. On the other hand, a swift, generous response to human suffering by a great nation would kindle a flame of hope in this dark world that would go far to reestablish humanity's vanishing faith in decency and goodness and truth."

From the Messenger, March 30, 1941:

### Fifth Anniversary — Organized in 1936 THE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

We are justifiably proud of the Women's Association of our Church. When the Pastor came to Salem, the Ladies' Aid Society had charge of social activities. In taking over the work of this historic organization, the Association did not supplant the Ladies' Aid Society, but sought rather to extend its scope and increase its usefulness to our Church and the Kingdom of God. So that in a very real sense, the Aid is perpetuated in the present Women's Association. The Aid included only a small proportion of the women, whereas the present Association includes all the women of the church. New women joining the Church, automatically become members of the Association, and are enlisted in its helpful program. Five outstanding women have served as Presidents of this Association — Mrs. Hannah R. Maule, Mrs. George W. Bunn, Mrs. J.W. Astry, Mrs. Stanton Heck, and Mrs. Don C. Carey. The Association inspired us all in 1939 by pledging \$10,000 to the Building Fund of our New Church. On the 5th anniversary, they report having raised for the Building Fund during this past year, the remarkable sum of nearly \$3,000. Could there be any finer proof of their splendid cooperation, earnestness, sacrifice and hard work? Long live the Women's Association! — Rev. Raymond David Walter, Minister

## Your Session at Work

The Session, meeting on March 17, 2011...

- approved a request from General Presbyter Dan Schomer that our church make a "neutral pulpit" available on April 3
- approved the hiring of Debbie Blair, who will work as an independent contractor, as our Financial Secretary
- approved April 10 as Youth Sunday
- approved the annual LOGOS Rummage Sale for April 30 and May 1
- heard of the work being done by Penny Lippiatt to coordinate gifts of food to the ROC of Salem on Saturday evenings
- approved Christina House as the recipient of donations given at the Soup and Bread Luncheon
- approved a Maundy Thursday service on April 21 at 7 p.m.
- approved study leave plans for Meta Cramer
- was reminded that many volunteers will be needed on Tuesday, May 10 when we host the next meeting of Eastminster Presbytery
- set their next meeting for April 14 and will invite the Deacons to join the Session for their annual joint meeting



## ~ Hymn Festival ~

Saturday, April 2 at 7:00 p.m.

Westminster Presbyterian Church  
119 Stadium Dr, Boardman

Guest — Alice Parker  
Renowned Composer, Arranger, Conductor

The entire audience will be involved in this great evening of singing!

Sponsored by  
Youngstown Chapter of American Guild of Organists



## Spaghetti Dinner

Sunday, April 10

Italian Club — 250 Penn Ave

Ticket Sales on Sundays,  
March 27, April 3 and 10 in Fellowship Hall  
Cost — \$7 for Adults and \$3.50 for Children

One of the bookcases made by John Stoffer  
will be in a Chinese Auction.

Sponsored by  
Salem Community Hospital / First Presbyterian Church  
Relay for Life Team



# March

*Happy Birthday!*

Suzanne Cain (24), Dick Shanker (24)  
Dick Dougherty (26)

- 22 / Tues 6:00 April Circle (Hickory Rib;  
RSVP Grace Smith)  
7:00 Book Study (107) — *Altar in the World*
- 23 / Weds 12:00 Sack Lunch: Holy Trinity  
12:30 Lenten Service: Holy Trinity  
5:00 Pres-Bees Youth Club  
6:30 Soup Supper: Holy Trinity  
7:00 Community Lenten Service: Holy Trinity  
7:30 Lenten Discussion Groups: Holy Trinity  
7:30 Haviland Choir (S)  
7:30 Men's Bible Study (110)
- 26 / Sat 10:00 Salem Music Study Club  
Scholarship Auditions (S)
- 27 / Sun 9:00 Sunday School; Adult Study (110)  
9:00 Confirmation Class (107)  
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)  
10:30 Worship — *Praise Choir*  
11:30 JBM Camp Meeting of Parents (107)  
4:30 LOGOS (FH)  
6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (B)
- 28 / Mon 5:00 Book Study (107) — *Altar in the World*  
6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)
- 29 / Tues 7:00 Book Study (107) — *Altar in the World*
- 30 / Weds 12:00 Sack Lunch: Holy Trinity Church  
12:30 Lenten Service: Holy Trinity Church  
5:00 Pres-Bees Youth Club  
6:30 Soup Supper (107)  
7:00 Community Lenten Service (Sanctuary)  
7:30 Lenten Discussion Groups  
7:30 Men's Bible Study (110)  
7:30 Haviland Choir (S)
- 31 / Thurs 9:30-3:00 Preschool (FH) — Th/F



# April

*Happy Birthday!*

Jeanne Smith (16), Georgiana Costa (20),  
Lois Herron (21), Norman Pim (29)

- 3 / Sun 9:00 Sunday School; Adult Study (110)  
9:00 Confirmation Class (107)  
9:15 Self Study (202)  
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)  
10:30 Worship  
4:30 LOGOS (FH)  
6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (B)
- 4 / Mon 5:00 Book Study (107) — *Altar in the World*  
6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)  
**7:00 Board of Deacons (107)**
- 5 / Tues 10:00-9:00 United Quilt Guild (FH)  
7:00 Book Study (107) — *Altar in the World*
- 6 / Weds 12:00 Daytimers (FH)  
*The 1970's and 80's: A Retrospective  
from the Bulletin and Messenger*  
12:00 Sack Lunch: Holy Trinity  
12:30 Lenten Service: Holy Trinity  
5:00 Pres-Bees Youth Club  
6:30 Soup Supper: Emmanuel  
7:00 Community Lenten Service: Emmanuel  
7:30 Lenten Discussion Groups: Emmanuel  
7:30 Haviland Choir (S)  
7:30 Men's Bible Study (110)
- 7 / Thurs 9:30-3:00 Preschool (FH) — Th/F  
7:00 Salem Bird Study Club (110)  
**7:00 Committee Night:**  
**Christian Education (106)**  
**Mission I and S (FH)**  
**Property and Maintenance (107)**  
**Worship, Music, Arts (109)**
- 10 / Sun 9:00 Sunday School; Adult Study (110)  
9:00 Confirmation Class (107)  
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)  
10:30 Worship — *Youth Sunday*  
4:30 LOGOS (FH)  
6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (B)



## Salem Community Pantry

Mon., Fri., 9-11:30 a.m. / Tues., 5-7:30 p.m.

Closed Wednesday and Thursday

*Monetary donations should be made out to:*

Salem Community Pantry / PO Box 222, Salem OH 44460

## Worship Service Schedule

Cable TV Channel 9 / \*Schedule subject to change

Sunday – 2 a.m.\* / Tuesday – 12:00 and 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday – 4:00 a.m.\*, 4:00 and 9:00 p.m.

Friday – 4:00 a.m.\*, 4:00 p.m.\* / Saturday – 2:00 a.m.\*