

# THE REMINDER

First Church of Christ

421 Ridge Avenue

February Issue 2012

## **VALENTINE SOUP AND SANDWICH LUNCHEON/ NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION**

February 12<sup>th</sup>

(immediately following morning worship)

Please bring sandwiches and/or a dessert.  
All else will be provided.

**COME FOR A GREAT TIME OF FELLOWSHIP**

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## **CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY**

Dates to sign up: February 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> (at the Church or call the Church office)

Dates for Photography: March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> (in the fellowship hall)

Sign up early.

Dates are filling up quickly!

You can pick up more  
information at the Church!



## W.C.E.F. MEETING

February 2

The next W.C.E.F. Meeting will be held at the Church of Christ at Versailles on Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 7:00 p.m.

## ELDERS AND DEACONS' MEETING

February 5

Our next Elders and Deacons' Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m.

## VALENTINE SOUP AND SANDWICH LUNCH/NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION

February 12

On Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, we will be having our annual Valentine's Day/New Member Recognition Luncheon immediately following morning worship. If you are able to join us, please sign the sheet on the bulletin board. We ask that everyone bring sandwiches and/or a dessert for the Valentine lunch as everything else will be provided. We will again have our Valentine prayer partner name exchange and also recognize new members of the church since our 2011 Valentine meal!

The **Set Up Committee** for the Valentine Soup and Sandwich Luncheon will meet on Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. to set up the Fellowship Hall for our luncheon on Sunday.

## FEED MY SHEEP OUTREACH

February 14

The Feed My Sheep Outreach Group will meet on Tuesday evening, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. We will be packing care packages for our college students.

## STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY MEETING

February 14

The Stewardship Ministry will meet on Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

## NEW BABIES

We would like to congratulate Tara and John Roush on the birth of their son, Jack Joseph, born on December 28 at 10:28 a.m. Jack was 8 lbs., 3 oz., and was 20 inches long. Proud grandparents are Joe and Linda Miller.

We would like to congratulate Eric & Lydia Morath on the birth of their daughter, Haven Lee, on January 12<sup>th</sup>. Haven weighed 8 lbs., 1 oz and was 21" long. The proud grandparents are Steve & Ginny Morath.

We would like to congratulate Nathan and Cassie Mund on the birth of their son, Colton on November 29<sup>th</sup>. Colton weighed 8 lbs. 2 oz and was 21" long. He joins big sister, Jo. Proud great grandparents are Ed & Bev Noel.

## THANK YOU

I want to thank my wonderful church family for their prayers, cards, phone calls and thoughts during my battle with a virus. Also my daughters who stayed with me a number of nights and those who stayed with me during the days. God bless and keep each of you.  
Betty Swales

Dear Ladies of the First Church of Christ, Thank you so much for the wonderful meal provided to my family and the friends of Helen Humphrey. We were absolutely depleted, but your dinner revived us and reminded us how much my mother loved Kentucky Fried Chicken! Your kindness will never be forgotten.  
Jama Koester & Family

To Whom it may Concern: I would like to say thank you for everything. This really means a lot to me and my children. If it were not for people like you, my kids would not have a Christmas.  
Thank you, Angela

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Thank you for your help for my children's Christmas!

Thank you to all who were so generous this year. You really saved my family's Christmas. Thank you and Merry Christmas!

Thank you very much for making Christmas a great one from your help. Hope you and your family had a great holiday this year. Thank you again!

## FEED MY SHEEP OUTREACH REPORT

January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011

<b>Beginning balance</b>	\$ 642.08
<u>Receipts</u>	
Donations	\$ 95.84
Church Offerings	\$ 320.00
Bank Interest	\$ .12
<b>Total Receipts</b>	\$ 415.96
<u>Expenses &amp; Activity</u>	
January-Collected for college kids	
February-Sent 8 boxes to college kids	\$ 70.55
-Amy Russell-Refund Benevolence	\$ 20.31
-Betty Swales-Refund McD cards	\$ 30.00
March-Prepared and delivered booklets to Shut-ins	
May-Amy Russell-Reimburse grad gifts	\$ 21.38
June-Vacation Bible School	
July-Collected and delivered school supplies	
August-Benevolence	\$ 200.00
-Heart House	\$ 200.00
November-Collected for service men	
December-Sent 5 boxes to service men	\$ 72.75
-Delivered 4 boxes	
-Cookies delivered to Nursing Homes and Shut-ins	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$ 614.99
<b>Balance on Hand-December 31, 2011</b>	\$ 443.05

## MINISTER'S MINUTE

About this time each year, as we flip our calendars over to the month of February, we are inundated with retailers encouraging us to show our display of affection to that “special someone” in our lives. The greeting card industry sales sky-rocket with just the right cards inscribed with the perfect verse to express our feelings of deepest emotion to our loved one. In addition, we want the best for them, by giving the best that we can, as a token of just how deep and limitless our love can be.

The Apostle Paul in his letter to the church at Ephesus, relayed to the Ephesians his prayer in Chapter 3, filled with deep emotion, encouraging them to be strengthened with the power through Christ's Spirit, so that He may dwell in their hearts.

Paul goes on to explain to the Ephesians the depth of Christ's love, when he continues on in his prayer from Chapter 3, verses 17-19 where he writes “...*And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.*”

This would remind many of us of the little children's chorus that we were acquainted with when we were growing up. We belted out the words “Deep and Wide, Deep and Wide, there's a fountain flowing Deep and Wide.”

Oh, that we could echo back to our Heavenly Father those words that Paul penned concerning His love for us...How wide and long and high and deep is our love for Christ?

Hope to see each of you this Lord's Day.

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# February 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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**LOVE IS PATIENT  
LOVE IS KIND**

			1 Bible Studies 7 pm	2 Hank Steinmetz Beth Moore Bible Study at 10 am and 6:30 pm W.C.E.F. Meeting at 7 pm at the Church of Christ at Versailles		4 Jane Cochran
5 Elders & Deacons' Meeting 4:30 pm	6 Kieara Schimmel	7 Ruth Grubbs	8 Dylan Wittenstrom Bible Studies 7 pm	9 Marina Montgomery Beth Moore Bible Study at 10 am and 6:30 pm W.C.E.F. Meeting at 7 pm	10 Thad Harrison	11 Josh Combs *M/M Cliff Grubbs
12 Mike Usher Dawn Eberhard Valentine Soup and Sandwich Luncheon Pine Knoll Service at 2 pm	13 Ken Evans Betty Swales	14  Feed My Sheep at 6:30 pm Stewardship Ministry Meets at 7:00 pm	15 Doug Sturgeon Bible Studies 7 pm	16 Beth Moore Bible Study at 10 am and 6:30 pm		
19 Prince Harrison	20 Lloyd Gulley Ike Jackson Tyler Poindexter Madisyn Hopper Kristen McMullen	21 Jack Tufts *M/M Rick Gilb	22 Janet Knigga Randy Hensley Vanessa Bateman *M/M David Click Bible Studies 7 pm	23 Beth Moore Bible Study at 10 am and 6:30 pm	24 Jim Robinson	
26 Singspiration at 6:30 pm	27 Mert Gulley *M/M Steve Morath	28 Angel Poindexter	29 Jon Golden Bible Studies 7 pm			