

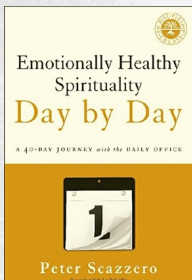


Hillside *Echo*

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF
HILLSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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From the Pastor's Desk

I'm excited to tell you about several growth opportunities coming to Hillside in February. This year, Ash Wednesday (the kickoff for the Lenten season) falls on Valentine's Day (February 14). Continuing with our recent tradition, we will have an informal, meaningful worship service based around prayer and discussion. This year we will gather at 7PM in the fellowship hall to take a look at the brokenness of human relationships (not merely romantic ones), have an engaging activity with discussion questions, and follow it all with a dessert and coffee hour!

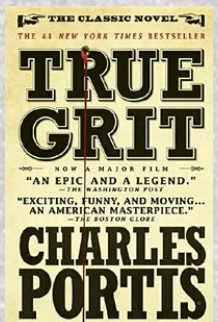


Next, this year's Lenten study series will kick off on the following Thursday, February 22, at 6PM with a potluck dinner centered around the topic of Emotionally Healthy Spirituality. Being in pastoral ministry, I observe that most of us struggle in our personal lives and witness in the lives of those close to us struggles with mental and emotional health, so this study will look at some healthy habits for how we can grow in healthy ways to help us grow as disciples. We will also have a devotional available that will take you through the 40 days of Lent. Many of us may not think of emotional health as a learned skill, but there are things we can do to improve the stability of our mind and emotions as well as the quality of our relationships with others.

Finally, it is not too late to join in our newly formed book club, which will be meeting early in February to discuss the first third of True Grit, by Charles Portis. The protagonist is a Presbyterian, teenage girl who sets off into the wilderness to track down her father's killer, and as she goes about this wild-west style journey, she interprets the events around her through the lens of Scripture and faith. We still have one book available in the office, so please contact the office if you are interested in participating.

Join us as we grow together as disciples of Jesus with a heart for God.

~Pastor Sean ~



Take Note:

Echo Articles Due:
February 18

February Good Shepherd
Item:
Canned Fruit

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The Christian Ed Committee is looking for a chairperson to head the committee. Please contact Ron Sicignano or any member of the Christian Ed Committee if you are interested in helping the committee.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

It's said *"Hillsiders always step up to the plate to volunteer when the need is known."*

Please submit your volunteer needs to the Echo so that Hillside knows of your opportunity for them to serve.

MEAL MAKERS

So many times we have members who have had surgery, a fall, or are just feeling down. Wouldn't it be nice to deliver a meal to them?! It doesn't have to be an elaborate meal, maybe just a bowl of soup and a salad, an extra slice of lasagna you just made, or even just a plate of cookies to let them know we are thinking of them. If you would like to be on our list of "meal makers", please contact the church office. When a need is made known, we will alert our "meal makers".

Don't forget—if you have been hospitalized or have a need, please don't hesitate to contact the church. Lots of times we don't know someone has been in the hospital until they are home. This is especially true due to the privacy issues in the hospitals.



Brooke Kiser recently presented a check to Chris Bowser, director of Neighbor to Neighbor Program. Hillside's Technology Team held a recent Chili Cook-Off, with the winner naming the charity of choice to receive all monies raised during the event. Brooke's winning chili collected the most votes, and she chose Neighbor to Neighbor to donate to. Congratulations Brooke!



Have you noticed the flower pot sitting on the table in McPeak? We have been collecting loose change for the past year and half. The flower pot is **ALMOST** full! Just a couple inches to get to the top of the flower pot!

Let's put a push on the last couple inches and fill it to the top! Once the change is collected, we will take votes on your favorite mission for the total to be donated to.

Thank you for all the donations!

A special thanks to Jill Redfoot for organizing this!

REMINDERS:



No Bell practice for the month of February!

ANNUAL REPORTS

Annual reports are available in the church office if you have not received yours. If you would like a copy e-mailed to you, please contact the church office.



Please be sure to turn off lights and lock doors when you are leaving the church.





ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday Service will be held on
Wednesday, February 14, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

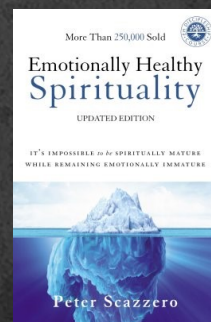
The service will be held in the Fellowship Room, followed by dessert.
Feel free to bring a dessert to share, but it is not required!

LENTEN STUDY

Our Lenten study this year will be focusing on the book "Emotional Healthy Spirituality" by Peter Scazzero. We will be meeting together for pot luck dinners on Thursday evenings, beginning Thursday, February 15, 2018 @ 6:00 p.m.

"Can Christians grow spiritually while remaining emotionally immature? Scazzero believes the answer is no--- our souls and psyches are inextricably linked! Readers will find seasoned advice on how to slow down and develop a truly transformational relationship with Christ. You'll learn to identify unhealthy spirituality, grow through grief and loss, and more. "

Come join this study, bring a dish to share, and reflect during the Lenten season.



THANK YOU!



Thank you to everyone who donated your gently used toys and supplies to our toy drive. These toys and supplies are being delivered to a local foster care agency.

A special thanks to LeAnn and Carla Reichard for collecting items from Anytime Fitness and delivering them to the church.

The family of Lonnie Ray Slone acknowledges with deep appreciation your kind expression of sympathy:

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the beautiful roses. It was comforting to know that you had our family in your thoughts and prayers. Sean has many special memories of his Papaw.

~Jana Hall~



Hometown Heroes

Please continue to pray for these loved ones who are serving our country. Keep them, their families, our country, and our world situation in your constant prayers.

HANNAH BATTLES

KENNETH BUCKLEY

JASON COATS

PATRICK DANGROW

BRIAN GEARHART

KRISTOPHER HIRSCHMANN

JON LEXINGTON

RAYMOND PELSH

JOSH PIPP

JUSTIN SMITH

CRAIG TRUMBULL JR.

DAVID TURNER

Recipe Corner



"Fun Salad"

This recipe from Catharine Crawford has been in great demand since being served at a recent Presbyterian Women function:

1 pkg. Romaine lettuce (all 3 heads)

1 cup walnuts

$\frac{3}{4}$ cup chopped dates

1 unpeeled apple, chopped

Dressing:

$\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar

1 tsp. salt

1 tsp. dry mustard

$\frac{1}{3}$ cup red wine vinegar

1 tsp. minced onion

Mix well, slowly add 1 cup vegetable oil

and $\frac{1}{2}$ TBL. poppy seed.

Dress salad immediately before serving.

FEBRUARY 2018

				7:00 Early Risers 9:30 a.m. Circle 7:00 p.m. Circle		
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9:30 S.S. 9:30 Relationship Class 10:45 Worship	6:30 Membership	2-4 Knitting	6:30 Choir	7:00 Early Risers		
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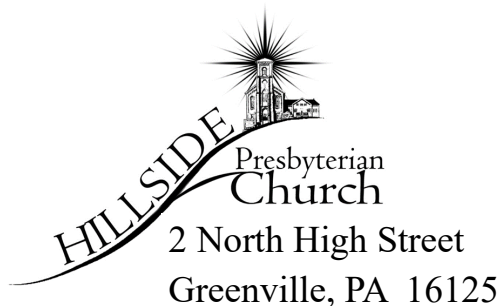
Birthdays: FEBRUARY

2/4 Tyler Ferguson	2/18 Easton McCowien
Sean Hall	Amanda Shannon
2/6 Marianne Holiga	2/21 Jim McCowien
2/7 Linda Ealy	2/22 Tammy Lindemuth
Sherry Griffin	Martha (Mrs. Dick) Miller
2/9 Pat Brugler	Martha Smith
2/10 Janet Shannon	2/24 Clint Crawford
2/13 Aaron English	Jeni Hirschmann
2/14 David Christman	Peggy Hirschmann
2/17 Nancy Webster	2/27 Stephanie Zane

Anniversaries:

2/1 Colinda & Larry Titus





February

The Hillside Echo

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