# Announcements FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

February 1<sup>st</sup> Abbie Horn February 2<sup>nd</sup> Gayle Cory **February 4<sup>th</sup>** Doris Kyffin February 6<sup>th</sup> Jacob Gogan February 7<sup>th</sup> Stacey Skoric February 8<sup>th</sup> Roy Bruce, Jeff McWilliams, Stephanie Hedrick February 10<sup>th</sup> Susan Cory February 12<sup>th</sup> Dave Jenkins, Patti Smith February 15<sup>th</sup> Caitlyn Murray **February 17<sup>th</sup>** Kathy Reed February 18<sup>th</sup> Phil Farman February 21<sup>st</sup> Leslie McNeil February 22<sup>nd</sup> Mark Fisher February 23<sup>rd</sup> Tracy Wormald February 26<sup>th</sup> Irene Jobe February 28<sup>th</sup> Michelle Horn, Joan Madsen-Nielsen

# **Christian Education – Children's Sunday School**

Next Meet is Sunday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>.



# **Christian Education – Adult/Teen Study** TODAY! Meeting in the Sanctuary from

11:00am to 12:00pm.

# **New Name Tags!**

Please visit the name tag wall in the annex for your new name tag!



### **Presbyterian Women PW Scholarship**

Presbyterian Women are accepting applications for their 2025 scholarship. Any Presbyterian graduating high school senior or college student may apply. Applications are available in the church office and are due by March 31.

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Prelude

#### **Call to Worship**

Come, all who live in the shelter of the Most High. Gather together, all who trust in God Almighty. God reigns through all generations. We will praise God as long as we live. We trust in God, our refuge and our fortress. We can count on God's faithfulness at all times. God keeps faith with us today and forever. The oppressed and the hungry receive from God what they need. We have received grace to minister in Jesus' name. We are called to proclaim the faith to others. We want to rise to the challenge set before us. We seek to keep the faith by sharing it.

#### Invocation

Gracious God, your plenty meets us in our poverty. We ask that you, who bring us all that we need, open our eyes and lift up all who are bowed down. We ask that you watch over us, that we may speak your word of hope and freedom. Please, come to hold up the grieving and forlorn, confront the self-satisfied, and challenge us all to authentic, caring ministry. Help us to live as your faithful children. Amen.



# February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Please fill out attendance form and pass it along your row

#### Welcome and Announcements

Hymn "How Great Thou Art" Hymn #467

#### **Unison Prayer of Confession**

Giver of life, we have not thanked you enough for each breath we can take, each moment we live, each experience we enjoy or endure. We are more likely to complain than to appreciate, to wallow in cires of agony and loss than to pour out joy and gratitude. We repeat our mistakes instead of learning from them. We try to keep you out of our lives instead of turning to you daily and trusting your providence. Turn us around, God; we want to experience the confident joy of living for you. Amen.

#### **Silent Prayers of Confession**

#### **Assurance of Pardon** (Responsive)

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen

Gloria Patri

Choir "Still"

Gifts In Action: Worship Committee

Offertory

Doxology

**Prayer of Dedication** 

**Children's Time** with Mary Mellinger

**Hymn** "There's Something About That Name" *Onscreen Only* 

Scripture Acts 8:26-40 Greg Dimler | Matthew 5:1-12

**Message** "Feeding the Hungry in Ethiopia"

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

**Hymn** "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" Hymn #446

**Ushers:** Roy & Mina Holm Accompanist/Choir Director: Tim Schoessler Worship Leader: Jennifer Chanley Message: Mary Dyer

## **Commission and Blessing**

Take what has been revealed into your daily life. Pursue a new life as God's faithful one.

> No matter what happens, God keeps faith with us. We will praise God's continuing grace and love.

Share the compassion of Jesus with those you meet. Let God visit them through you.

As Christ was revealed through ordinary people, We seek to be channels of revelation in our day. The Word of God will strengthen and equip you. The Spirit will breathe new life into your soul.

> We go out as people sent on a mission. We trust God to supply all that we need. Amen.

#### Postlude

## **Bio: Mary Dyer**

Mary Dyer, retired RN, spent 30 of her 49 years of active Nursing in Oncology and Hospice. Her love of God and people and opportunities to serve "the least of these" through World Vision was one of life's Blessings. World Vision International is a faithbased organization who's focus is on helping the most vulnerable children overcome and experience fullness of life.

## Acts 8:26-40 NIV

<sup>26</sup> Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Go south to the road—the desert road—that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." <sup>27</sup> So he started out, and on his way he met an Ethiopian eunuch, an important official in charge of all the treasury of the Kandake (which means "queen of the Ethiopians"). This man had gone to Jerusalem to worship,

<sup>28</sup> and on his way home was sitting in his chariot reading the Book of Isaiah the prophet.

<sup>29</sup> The Spirit told Philip, "Go to that chariot and stay near it." <sup>30</sup> Then Philip ran up to the chariot and heard the man reading Isaiah the prophet. "Do you understand what you are reading?" Philip asked. <sup>31</sup> "How can I," he said, "unless someone explains it to me?" So he invited Philip to come up and sit with him.

<sup>32</sup> This is the passage of Scripture the eunuch was reading:

"He was led like a sheep to the slaughter, and as a lamb before its shearer is silent, so he did not open his mouth. <sup>33</sup> In his humiliation he was deprived of justice. Who can speak of his descendants? For his life was taken from the earth."

the good news about Jesus. being baptized?" <sup>[37]</sup> his way rejoicing.

kingdom.

<sup>34</sup> The eunuch asked Philip, "Tell me, please, who is the prophet talking about, himself or someone else?"

<sup>35</sup> Then Philip began with that very passage of Scripture and told him

<sup>36</sup> As they traveled along the road, they came to some water and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water. What can stand in the way of my

<sup>38</sup> And he gave orders to stop the chariot. Then both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water and Philip baptized him.

<sup>39</sup>When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord suddenly took Philip away, and the eunuch did not see him again, but went on

<sup>40</sup> Philip, however, appeared at Azotus and traveled about, preaching the gospel in all the towns until he reached Caesarea.

### Matthew 5:1-12 NIV

<sup>1-2</sup> When Jesus saw his ministry drawing huge crowds, he climbed a hillside. Those who were apprenticed to him, the committed,

climbed with him. Arriving at a quiet place, he sat down and taught his climbing companions. This is what he said:

<sup>3</sup> "You're blessed when you're at the end of your rope. With less of you there is more of God and his rule.

<sup>4</sup> "You're blessed when you feel you've lost what is most dear to you. Only then can you be embraced by the One most dear to you.

<sup>5</sup> "You're blessed when you're content with just who you are—no more, no less. That's the moment you find yourselves proud owners of everything that can't be bought.

<sup>6</sup> "You're blessed when you've worked up a good appetite for God. He's food and drink in the best meal you'll ever eat.

<sup>7</sup> "You're blessed when you care. At the moment of being 'care-full,' you find yourselves cared for.

<sup>8</sup> "You're blessed when you get your inside world—your mind and heart—put right. Then you can see God in the outside world. <sup>9</sup> "You're blessed when you can show people how to cooperate instead of compete or fight. That's when you discover who you

really are, and your place in God's family.

<sup>10</sup> "You're blessed when your commitment to God provokes persecution. The persecution drives you even deeper into God's

<sup>11-12</sup> "Not only that—count yourselves blessed every time people put you down or throw you out or speak lies about you to discredit me. What it means is that the truth is too close for comfort and they are uncomfortable. You can be glad when that happens—give a cheer, even!—for though they don't like it, I do! And all heaven applauds. And know that you are in good company. My prophets and witnesses have always gotten into this kind of trouble.