Today is **Food Bank Sunday**. We are collecting non-perishable food items and paper products for the residents of VOICe (Victim Outreach Intervention Center). The *Items of the Month* are soup, rice, beans, and boxed dinners. All items should be un-opened and non-perishable (not requiring refrigeration or freezing, and no produce). Supporting local people who are struggling is just one way that CCUPC is trying to make a difference and to spread the love of God. If you forgot your donation, please drop it off at the church office Monday - Wednesday from 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM.

The **Connections** team hears from our students frequently about how much it means to them to get the encouraging notes from our congregation. They not only read those notes when they receive them, but they keep them around and re-read them when they are feeling particularly down and need a "pick-me-up" during the semester. Why don't you write one of those "pick-me-up's" today to our February *Students of the Month* (Brendan MacFarlane, Isaac McKinley and Ryan Stewart). You will be blessing them in many ways! Address labels and note cards can be found on the Connections bulletin board across from the elevator.

Please come and join us for **Family Movie Night** on **Saturday, March 3rd** at **7:00 PM** for an evening of family fun! We will be showing the movie **"Moana"** in Thornton Hall. Popcorn and beverages will be provided, and you can bring your own comfy canvas camp chairs or blankets for the kids to lay on.

The administrative expenses for the Presbyterian Church (USA) are covered by Per Capita funds. The **2017 Per Capita amount is $39.50 per confirmed member**. Our Session has chosen to designate the total amount of per capita received for the work of Beaver-Butler Presbytery unless you specify otherwise. We will be happy to make available to you the breakdown for Synod and General Assembly if you have the desire to contribute to them. If you have any questions you may talk with Pastor Moran.

As members of a society that is quickly abandoning its Christian past, followers of Christ often feel disoriented or even frightened. When human leaders and political advocates fail us, doubts arise and the road to compromise beckons. Our **Lenten Study** has begun, and will meet on **Thursdays** at **7:00 PM**, ending on **March 22nd**. Our topic will be: *"A Time for Confidence: Trusting God in a Post-Christian Society."* In this series, Dr. Stephen J. Nichols points to the almighty God as the source and ground of our confidence. Though the whole world may shake around us, His kingdom is unshakable. This is a time for confidence.

The Trailer is Coming!! The trailer for your flea market treasures will be here March 1st. So start gathering your treasures and remember:

- Items must be boxed (a limited supply of boxes will be available)
- Do not put candles in the trailer - they melt in the heat
- Label sheet sets with size
- NO computers or TV's

Look for further information and instructions in the upcoming weeks. If you have any questions, see Dara Marner.

A Special Request . . . please be considerate of our retired members, those with special needs, and visitors of our congregation as you choose your parking space on Sunday mornings.

THIS WEEK AT CCUPC

Sunday	**2/25**	**2nd Sunday of Lent/Food Bank**	
		Pray for Pakistan	
9:00 am		Sunday School	Both Levels
		NewComer's Class	Pastor's Study
10:00 am		Worship	Sanctuary
11:10 am		Coffee Social	Greeting Area
		Village B	
6:30 pm		NO Youth Groups	
Monday	**2/26**		
7:00 pm		Mission Committee Meeting	Conference Rm.
Tuesday	**2/27**		
8:30 am		Men's Breakfast/Bible Study	Conference Rm.
Wednesday	**2/28**		
6:15 pm		Children's Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm		Adult Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
		Nominating Committee Meeting	Conference Rm.
Thursday	**3/1**		
7:00 pm		Lenten Study Series	Sanctuary
Saturday	**3/3**		
7:00 pm		Movie Night	Fellowship Hall
Sunday	**3/4**	**3rd Sunday of Lent**	
		Pray for Palestine	
9:00 am		Sunday School	Both Levels
		NewComer's Class	Pastor's Study
10:00 am		Worship	Sanctuary
11:10 am		Coffee Social	Greeting Area
		Village C	
		Committee Council Meeting	Sanctuary
5:00 pm		Junior Youth Group	Lower Level
6:30 pm		Middle/High School Youth Group	Lower Level

A LOOK AHEAD AT OUR UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

- **Food Bank Sunday** is today. The *Items of the Month* are soup, rice, beans, and boxed dinners.
- A **Lenten Study** will be held this Thursday, March 1st at 7:00 PM.
- The next **Men's Breakfast/Bible Study** will be Tuesday, February 27th at 8:30 AM.
- The **2018 Prom Dress Sale** will be on Saturday, March 24th from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM. Read the insert to see where you can help and then go out to the bulletin board in the Greeting Area and sign up!!
- **Holy Week services** will be Maundy Thursday, March 29th where we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Communion; and Good Friday, March 30th both at 7:30 PM.
- **Vacation Bible School** will be held from June 18-June 22, 2018. Registration will open on May 1st.

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP
A WEEKLY CELEBRATION OF THE RESURRECTION

The Second Sunday of Lent

IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

"Now this I know: The Lord gives victory to His anointed. He answers Him from His heavenly sanctuary with the victorious power of His right hand." Psalm 20:6

The Welcome and Announcements

(Please sign the register pad, passing it down the row, then back to center aisle.)

The Prelude

"Come, Now is the Time to Worship"

"Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for Him." Psalm 37:7

(If you have a prayer request, please fill out a green prayer card and pass it to the center aisle as they will be collected during the first hymn.)

The Call to Worship

WE WORSHIP IN PRAISE

*A Song of Praise ***"Before the Throne of God Above"***

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea.
A great high Priest whose Name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands,
My name is written on His heart.
I know that while in Heaven He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died
My sinful soul is counted free.
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me,
To look on Him and pardon me.

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Behold Him there the risen Lamb,
My perfect spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM,
The King of glory and of grace,
One with Himself I cannot die.
My soul is purchased by His blood,
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ my Savior and my God,
With Christ my Savior and my God!

WE WORSHIP IN PRAYER

*The Call to Confession

*The Unison Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we confess that often our thoughts, words and actions have betrayed the goodness You have shown to us. We have spurned Your Word and grieved Your heart. Forgive us, loving God. Though we have wandered far from home, help us to know that we are never out of the reach of Your care. Give us grace to hear Your call so that we might return to You. Lead us again to embrace the truth of Your Word and to trust Your never failing love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

*The Assurance of Forgiveness

Glorifying God** ***"We Will Glorify"

We will glorify the King of kings, we will glorify the Lamb.
We will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.

The Joys, Concerns, and Prayers of God's People

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WE WORSHIP IN GIVING

Our Invitation to Give

The Offertory Adult Choir

"Lamb of Glory"

*Praising God #556 ***"Praise God From Whom All Blessings"***

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*The Prayer of Dedication

WE WORSHIP IN PROCLAMATION

The Greeting *(Please share words of peace, encouragement, and hope)*

The Children's Lesson and Prayer *(The children may come forward)*

(*Children 3 years old - Kindergarten may now leave for TLC out the back doors of the Sanctuary with Miss Gynni)*

(Children in 1st - 3rd grades may now leave for KFC out the back doors of the Sanctuary)

The Scripture Lesson **(page 1061)**

Luke 10:38-42

The Sermon Pastor James M. Moran

"ENCOUNTERS WITH JESUS - MARY AND MARTHA"

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

The Congregational Meeting

*The Benediction

The Postlude ***"Glory to the Lamb"***

**Please stand as you are able.*

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The vases of flowers are given by Ray and Peggy Wetzel to the glory of God, and in celebration of their 43rd anniversary.

Please keep these family members and friends in your prayers:

Elinor Dixon (Debbie Rossi), Lillian Grundler (Dick Grundler), Joseph Justus (Linda & Dave Schuman), Kelly Lutz (Ray & Peggy Wetzel), Ryan King (Cindy Miller), Charlie Marner (Melinda Marner), Jim Miller (CCUPC member), Muriel Mackey (Marlene Burt), Charlie & Melinda Marner (Natalie and Wesley Marks), Doug & Dara Marner, Harriet Murray (Bill Murray), Cecil & Phyllis Pugh (Gary & Kim Pugh), Karen Raman (CCUPC member), David Rubinosky (Vera Rubinosky), Lois Saleone (Ray & Peggy Wetzel and Gynni Gorman), Tim (Shirl & Roy Lonie) the family of Carol Williams (Dara Marner and Pastor Jim).

Tom Bell shares his THANKSGIVING for all of the cards and well wishes during his recovery from a heart procedure.

Ray and Peggy Wetzel share their THANKSGIVING that their friend, Kelly Lutz's PET scan showed signs of improvement with her treatments.

The sympathy of our congregation is extended to June and Dan Resetarits and family, on the death of June's father, Richard Newcomer.

Shirl Lonie shares her THANKS to those who prayed for her dear friend, Ruth Spencer, who learned that she is cancer free!

Lenten Devotionals are available on the Spiritual Growth table in the Greeting Area. Take a spiritual journey to Easter by reading a daily devotional during this Lenten season to help prepare you for the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus. Envelopes are available for your donation to help with the cost of the booklet and shipping costs.

I WAS JUST THINKING . . .

Brett Blair shared the following in one of his sermons: "During the dark days of World War II, England had a great deal of difficulty keeping men in the coal mines. It was a thankless kind of job, totally lacking in any glory. Most chose to join the various military services. They desired something that could give them more social acceptance and recognition. Something was needed to motivate these men in the work that they were doing so that they would remain in the mines.

"With this in mind, Winston Churchill delivered a speech one day to thousands of coal miners, stressing to them the importance of their role in the war effort. He did this by painting for them a mental picture. He told them to picture the grand parade that would take place when VE Day came. First, he said, would come the sailors of the British Navy, the ones who had upheld the grand tradition of Trafalgar and the defeat of the Armada. Next in the parade, he said, would come the pilots of the Royal Air Force. They were the ones who, more than any other, had saved England from the dreaded German Luftwaffa. Next in the parade would come the Army, the ones that had stood tall at the crises of Dunkirk.

"Last of all, he said, would come a long line of sweat-stained, soot-streaked men in minor's caps. And someone, he said, would cry from the crowd, 'And where were you during the critical days of the struggle?' And then from ten thousand throats would come, 'We were deep in the earth with our faces to the coal.' We are told that there were tears in the eyes of many of those soot-laden and weathered-faced coal miners. They had been given a sense of their own self-worth by the man at the top.

"Service does not always come with big fancy ribbons. And I think that it is forever true, that it is often the humble acts of service that provide us with the deepest sense of joy and the most fulfilling satisfaction."

I hope we will all be able to affirm Mr. Blair's conclusion in the last two sentences.

Bless Your Hearts,

Pastor Jim

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DID YOU KNOW….. that we have a staffed infant and toddler nursery available for you to use during worship? Children through age 2 are welcome to come and play. There is also a curtained off corner in the nursery for those who may need some privacy which can be used for nursing or for soothing your child. Additionally, we have ministries for those who are 3 years old through those who are finishing 3rd grade where children may go after the Children's Lesson. Older children can find worksheets and coloring pages on a table in the sanctuary near the side entrance. Any of our ushers or nursery workers will be glad to show you how to locate our nursery or children's ministries and supplies. We love having so many growing families in church!

Visitors…Please Help!

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