



Tower Views

January 8, 2015

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Forgiveness is hard. It can be hard to face our mistakes and failures – and then to confess them to God. It can be hard to believe that God can, and would, forgive us for some of the things we've done. It can be hard to forgive others when they have hurt us or someone we love. And it can be hard to forgive ourselves when we have hurt or failed others.



Fortunately, God is loving, gracious and forgiving. Over the next three weeks we will be exploring God's gift of forgiveness and how we can experience it more fully in our lives. Our topics will be:

January 11 Forgiven by God


January 18 Forgiving Others

January 25 Forgiving Ourselves

At its very core, forgiveness is a gift of grace.

I pray that we will all experience this grace in a fresh and new way.

- Brad

 Giving Statements!!!

If you would like a statement of your contributions to the church for 2014, please call the church office (885-5597) and one will be sent to you.

Statements will not be sent unless requested.

CLEARANCE SHIRTS!!

We have 1 - 2XL, 3- XL and 2 - Youth M navy blue Clinton UMC t-shirts available! They are on sale for \$5 each. Contact Jennifer Kiely if you are interested in purchasing one.



Youth News!

Sign up for the 2015 Mission trip to Estes Park, Co, June 6-June 12. You must be signed up by January 25 to go!

If you would like to purchase one of the Invitation Ornaments that were left over, they are \$5 each and are available in the church office!



Groundhog Breakfast!

Sunday, February 1 in the Gym - 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Sausage, Biscuits, Gravy, Fruit Cup, Juice and Coffee
 Free-will offering for the Dr. Charles Baughman Scholarship Fund at Saint Paul School of Theology

sponsored by the Outreach Committee



Sherry Rein, Jill Bernard,
 Fred McAllister, Robin Hays
 Rita Barbee, Jo Stromberg, Lucille Clayton,
 Becki McQuitty, John Chapin,
 Debbie Mitchel and Harold Lam

Calendar of Events

Sunday, January 11

8:30 - Early Worship Service

9:00 - Continental Breakfast

9:30 - Sunday School

10:30 - Morning Worship

Monday, January 12

6:00 - Handbell Rehearsal, Room 204

7:00 - Adults Learners Bells

Wednesday, January 14

10:00 - Bible Study & Prayer

3:00 - UMYF

3:30 - Angelus Choir

6:00 - Nurture Meeting

6:00 - Chancel Band

7:00 Chancel Choir

Thursday, January 15

5:00 - Cub Scouts

** Worship Assistants**

Greeters- Youth

Ushers - Duane and Carolyn Harms

Gathering Music - 8:30 - Brenda Ford

10:30 - Janice Santero

Children's Sermon -

Acolytes - Cole Heistand and Caroline Wagoner

Each Sunday flower arrangements for the sanctuary's chancel area are provided by members and friends of the church. If you are interested in donating flowers, please sign up (one family per week) on the flower calendar located on the bulletin board by the library.



Offering Envelopes

Your 2015 offering envelopes are ready to be picked up and are located on the table in the Green Room.

These individual boxes of envelopes have a number assigned specifically to you - and it is extremely important that you use the envelopes when making donations to the church. Your assistance in this matter helps to assure that the counting committee does not make errors when posting the offerings. If you do not have a box assigned to you and would like one, please call the church office.

Daily Bible Readings

Sun Luke 15: 11-24

Give thanks for God's loving forgiveness

Mon 1 John 1: 8-10

Confess your sins to God

Tues Psalm 103: 1-5

Give thanks for all God's blessings

Wed Psalm 103: 8-13

Give thanks for God's mercy & patience

Thurs Romans 5: 6-11

Give thanks that Jesus died for our forgiveness

Fri Ephesians 2: 4-9

Give thanks that God's forgiveness is a free gift

Sat Matthew 9: 9-13

Pray for those who are lost in sin

✠ Please remember to notify the pastor if you or a family member enter the hospital and would like a visit from him. Because of HIPAA we are unable to obtain that information except from a family member.



AFRICANCHILDRENSCHOIR™

Mark Your Calendar! The African Children's Choir is coming to Clinton! They will be performing at the Highschool Performing Arts Center on February 18 at 7:00 pm.

A HUGE Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Christmas Offering! All of your generous donations will be used to help those in need in our community!!



We are in need of volunteers to help the Hospitality Committee with bereavement dinners. If you would be interested in being a hostess for a month please contact Debbie Sieger at 885-4060.