



THE VOICE

February 2022

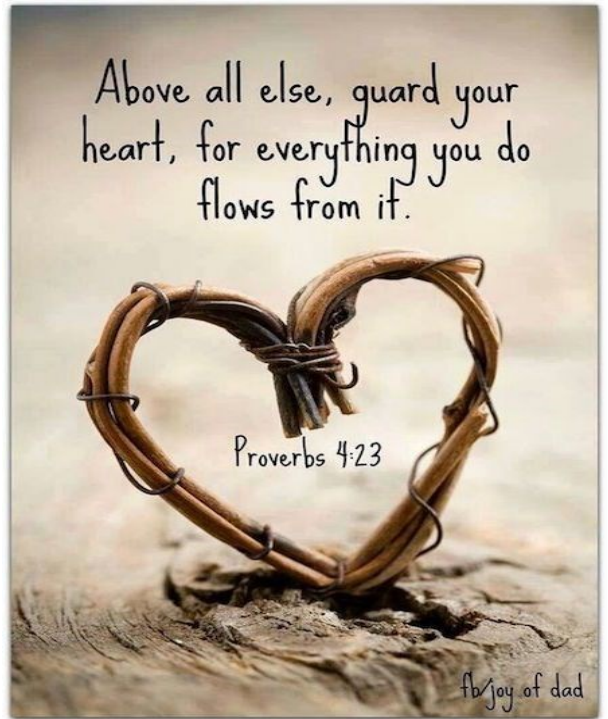
YOUR PRAYER DOVE SENTIMENTS FOR VALENTINES DAY

That I get my school work done! *That my family goes to church* That kindness will abound in the world* That those whom I pray for will be saved by the power of the Holy Spirit*For world peace so we may live in harmony* I pray for God's continued blessings on my family*For peace and love for everyone*Creator of life and author of love, help me to know your purpose for me in this life and make me a grateful person for all your blessings!*For good health for my partner my family and myself*For families affected by covid-19 and for a great 2022*For my family-for peace, comfort, relief of anxiety and to live in the moment and be inspired by the beauty all around*For working through issues and gaining custody of a child. May they feel God's love while navigating through this difficult time* For the kindness within us, our friends and our family*Blessings to all of our troops*Keep us from harm and that we may cause no pain*For good health, peace and happiness to all my family*For a grandparent to keep feeling good* For the zoom service that enables even people who are medically compromised to attend church*Thanks you for to create the zoom service* For no well United Methodist Church for bringful congregation and their families. I the world*for strength and love for a me the power of your love* Bless my world, for unity in my family*Bless our blessed/prosperous and healthy new year*For my loved ones*For our nation*Fill our hears and minds with your spirit. Let everyone know the joy of your love. Let me be an example to others of God's love in my life*Bless and keep us all safe in your love*For good health for me and my family*May my family be blessed with happiness and health*May anger and hard-heartedness dissolve and be released, replaced by softer, gentler empathy and understanding. May we have courage to look inward to change what we can and grow into our promise*For health and happiness for my family and all*For my family and friends. For peace in our world. For an end to the pandemic. For us to be able to walk in God's light. Gratitude for God' bounteous blessings*Thanks for all blessings and good test results* Peace, comfort and love for all*For love, healing, hope and peace for my family*That our world will overcome the evil with God's love. Help us to be stewards of our savior, Jesus Christ*For world leaders for wisdom and compassion*For a beloved godchild facing uncertain health issues*Thanks for time spent with an older relative in the months before his death*Thanks for family and friends*Prayers and praise for our wonderful congregation* For peace within our communities, friendships and families now and during this holiday season* For happiness and good health during this challenging time in our world.



THE COVER OF THE VOICE NEWSLETTER THIS MONTH

is a composite of all of the prayers that you wrote on the Prayer Doves at the beginning of the Advent season. They hung on the sanctuary Christmas Tree throughout December and were a living witness to the prayers that uphold us every day; heal us; inspire us; and remind us that God isn't finished with us yet! What better Valentine than the love we share in our prayers for one another and for our Creator!



Financial Report through December 2021

Through the year of 2021 our income exceeded our expenses versus our projected budget by \$11,081. The majority of this is due to our receiving a PPP Loan of \$33,675 which was forgiven as of 8/5/2021. Our overall giving was \$7,332 greater than our annual goal. The Golf outing raised roughly \$22,500 of which \$4,500 went to our partner the WEFAS leaving \$18,000 for our church.

Our expenses were \$6,515 less than expected. Savings from our personnel expenses and our ministries were the primary areas that resulted in keeping our expenses less than our budget expectations. We have paid all of our Conference Billings, Shared Ministries and Workman's Compensation for the year.

We are excited to be able to report that we ended the year of 2021 in a positive position.

Thank you for your continued support of our ministries through your pledges and faithful giving.

Our Stewardship Campaign begins February 2022.

Sincerely,
Your Finance Committee

Do You Have a Serious Investment in Ministry with Children?

We will be holding an "Outward Mindset" session for those of you who are willing to work on this current "church headache" of a lack of anything for children and youth.

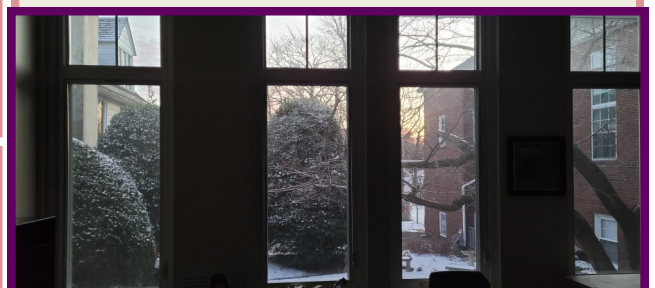
Maybe you are not currently involved, but are concerned. Maybe you have some ideas of something you would like to do?

Maybe you were previously involved pre-pandemic but have been out of the loop. Please email me if you are willing to be a vital part of this revitalization.

Thanks,
Pastor Viv
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Welcome!

We welcome Paige Moeller as our Treasurer-in-Training!

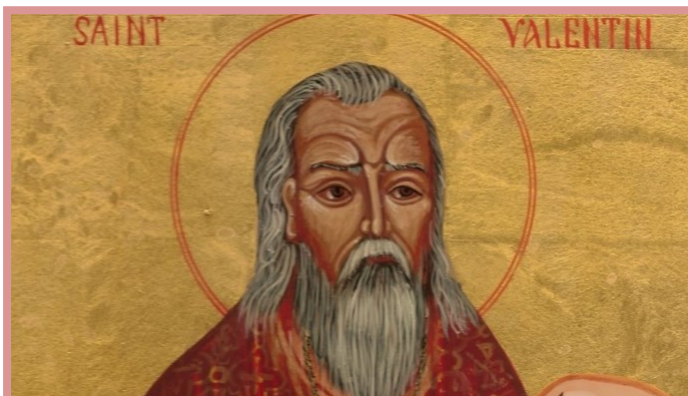


February Birthdays

February 1	Eric Pierce
February 2	Madison Totka
February 5	Sarah LaFlamme
February 6	Ken Bechtold
February 7	George Inglis
February 8	Edith James
February 8	Amanda Crooks
February 9	Kate Cassela
February 12	Owen Scott Winkler
February 14	Denise Stelter
February 15	George Pierce
February 15	Patty Sampson
February 17	Kyle Totka
February 24	Jack Ripa
February 25	Joan Carrick
February 25	Marybeth Mitstifer
February 26	Bryan Hansen
February 26	Leslie Pierce
February 26	Gordon Stelter
February 27	Joan Coleman
February 27	Adrian Voca

February Anniversaries

February 8, 1975 Sal & Joyce Francavilla



Need Event Space?

Various spaces in the church may be reserved for parties, showers, meetings, classes, temporary office space, etc. (Donations for building use are gratefully accepted) If you know someone who may be interested, please contact the Church Office to check availability and for details regarding guidelines.

January Trustees' Meeting

The voting at the January meeting of the Trustees resulted in the following:

Tony Gazzillo was elected President of the Trustees

Bill Ebbinghouser was elected Vice President

Leslie Pierce was elected as Secretary

Ken Ingra will serve as interim Treasurer

The Trustees also welcome to their ranks **Christie Pavlishin**.

Thank you all! Your faithful service to Caldwell United Methodist Church is greatly appreciated!

Notes from Maxine

We will be back in the church soon and will resume rehearsals for bells and choir. Please check your emails for updates in the coming week.

Feel free to reach out to try bells or choir. We have great fellowship and it keeps us vibrant and young to learn and participate musically. I am planning to also have a few classes in music notation and theory for beginners and non-beginners alike. This will give anyone who would like to understand music notation of the hymns, trying choir or bells, a good foundation of confidence.

Thank you for your kindness, support, and talents.

Any questions or comments:

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“THROUGH THE EYES OF JESUS”

This sermon series continues through February as we “see” the gospel stories of his ministry close up and personal! On the final Sunday of February we will take palm leaves from last year’s Palm Sunday, write the sins on them that we wish to rid ourselves of this Lenten Season and then those palms will be burned for the ashes to be given out on Ash Wednesday evening service.



LENT BEGINS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2

On Wednesday evening, March 2 at 7:00 PM we will mark the beginning of Lent with a service of communion and the imposition of ashes. **On the following five Tuesday evenings** at 7:00 PM we will have zoom devotions with a variety of presenters on Lenten themes of spiritual growth and of deepening our faith. Invite your friends to join in this annual renewal of our faith.



SUNDAY WORSHIP

10 AM

ZOOM AND IN PERSON

