



THE HERITAGE HERALD

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Mardi Gras Party 2009

Saturday, February 21 at 5:30 pm

“Laissez les bons temps rouler!” (“Let the good times roll!”) It’s time again to celebrate Mardi Gras before we start the Lenten Season. Come to the second annual Mardi Gras Party at Heritage for good food, great fun and games! We’ll have a cakewalk and pancake toss, listen to cool music and share some delicious food! If you have any questions or any suggestions for other games and/or activities and food, please contact Kristy Petersen at 301-603-9514 or dkpetersen@verizon.net. It will be a celebration for all ages, so come one, come all!

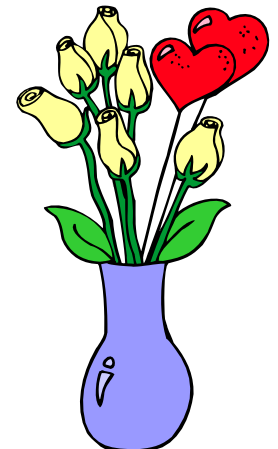
**Please join us for the Ash Wednesday service
at 7:30 p.m. on February 25, 2009!**

Lenten Activity at Heritage

We look forward to a Thursday evening soup supper and program. Each week will be different, but will revolve around the theme: Our Heritage Family. More info will come in the March newsletter, but plan to be a part of these exciting programs. We will learn more about each other through stories, activities, games, food, and fun!

February Birthdays

2 Kasey McQuilkin
4 Luke Hamilton
6 Karen Gee
11 Alice Krassensky
15 Nonniekaye Shelburne
18 Grace Harvey
19 Gregory Jamsa
22 Andrew Berlett (Drew)
26 Gloria Hicks



A Caring Congregation

Please email all joys and concerns to the pastor at hamm_laura@yahoo.com or call 240-750-0990 before Thursday so that we can print them in the bulletin.

New Joys and Concerns:

Judy Robinson's nephew, **Stephen Olree**, had successful surgery for colon cancer on Wednesday, Dec. 17th;

Judy Robinson's son, **Doug**, is doing better;

Michele Cornwell's extended family member, **Tom Howard** has cancer throughout his body and will be on experimental drug therapy, he also lost his job;

Shirley and **Joe Bartell**, friends of **Sue Reed** face serious health problems

Alex's ex-wife Mary's mom is struggling with physical and mental stress;

Arlene Franks is in the hospital recovering from open heart surgery, a bacterial infection, and the possibility of embolisms in her brain and lungs;

Judy Robinson's new great-nephew **Nathaniel Jay Colozo** was born on December 26th to Dan and Jennifer in Philadelphia. Congratulations, Judy!

Raymond Thomas and **Ivy Rhym**, both family of **Vanessa Brown-Seay**, are going through some hard times and need our prayer support.

Rudy Dockery, colleague of **Jeanne and Frank Taylor**, sustained an injury in January that requires surgery;

Master Alvarez, a special needs child whom **Jeanne Taylor** is helping, is having a hard time adjusting to Middle School

Lolly Bennett's brother, **Bill Lloyd**, fell from a ladder last week, breaking his clavicle and some ribs.

Shirley Canada, **Pat Martin's** sister, is suffering from diverticulitis.

Anna Slonaker's boyfriend **Andrew Fiester** shipped out for a 6-week training exercise in the Caribbean.

Ginny Hamilton's son **Jim** will return to Iraq on February 4th

Congratulations to **Lenora Few** on her new 10 pound 8 ounce granddaughter!

Pedro Alicia & Raquel Torres's son **Josué** has recurring croup

Jeanne Taylor's 5 year old nephew **Matthew Heinlein** has been transferred to Johns Hopkins

Keith Hamilton is joyfully back at work and in an Assistant Manager training program!

Judy Robinson's daughter-in-law's mother **Jane** has been diagnosed with rapid onset Alzheimer's

Nonniekaye Shelburne's friend **Valerie** needs prayers for putting her life back together as a survivor of domestic violence

Mike Shelburne's stepmother's father, **Johnny Burroughs**, is in the hospital with multiple health issues

Bill Nelson's stepmother is deeply grieving the loss of her husband

The wound from **Curtis Martin's** knee surgery is infected

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Joanne Jamsa is experiencing health issues

Buffy Stutz has been suffering from an unknown ailment that is causing tremors in her arms and legs

Buffy's friends, **Marc and Kim's**, son **Christopher** is very sick and **Marc's** father is also ill

Buffy's friend **Lori's** husband lost his job in November, her father-in-law needs bypass surgery and she has not been successful in her efforts to become pregnant

Raquel Alicea has requested prayers for good health and safe travel for **Pedro and Josué** who are in Puerto Rico.

Clara Holcomb, sister of **Gloria Hicks**, is in severe pain from fibromyalgia

Michele Cornwell's extended family member, **Tom Howard** has cancer throughout his body and will be on experimental drug therapy. He also lost his job

Sue Reed's 11 year old cousin, **Laura Nickell**, has aplastic anemia. She will be going to Duke University in February for a bone marrow transplant

Ongoing Joys and Concerns:

Michele Cornwell's extended family member, **Tom Howard** has cancer throughout his body and will be on experimental drug therapy.

Pat Carroll's grandson, **Mikey Harris** has ongoing health problems from birth

Bob Snyder, **Mike Shelburne's** friend was diagnosed with Hodgkin's disease

Fred Detmer, **Sue Reed's** friend is on dialysis

Connie Craven, **Alex Saunder's** friend has liver cancer

Pedro Sera, **Bruce Cornwell's** friend, has lung cancer

Marian Forney, the Shelburne's friend, has cancer.

Elderly or Homebound:

Alice Hardin, **Margaret Moore**, **Irene Hensel**

Deaths

Frank Taylor's second cousin **Geneva Branner**

Bill Nelson's father, **Roger Nelson**

Jeanne Taylor's sister's friend, **Donna Mangum**

Charles Duane Swihart

News

Church Wish List

- o Desk for the choir room (\$75)*
- o Picnic table type canopy for rainy day evangelism/outreach/VBS projects
- o Reams of letter and legal paper
- o Black and color Ink cartridges for Epson stylus photo 820 printer (T026 and T027)
- o Color ink cartridges for HP Business Ink Jet 1100
- o Tri-fold paper towels for bathrooms
- o TP
- o Legal-size hanging folders (just 1 or 2 boxes needed)
- o Stamps
- o Church Software technical support contract (\$200)*
- o Copier rental contract (\$300/mo)*
- o 4 lightweight folding tables (\$60 each)*

*These items have already been purchased. Please contribute toward the noted cost.

Update

Pastor Ben Manning wishes to thank members of Heritage for their cards, prayers and well wishes for his recovery. Surgery on his Achilles was in mid-December and his surgeon says the healing is on schedule and doing well and he should be off crutches and back into regular shoes by mid-March."

*The room that we have set aside for the older children's use is NOT to be used during worship. This is a place for kids to go before church and during coffee hour. If your child is not participating in children's church, and is too old to go to the nursery, please keep them in the sanctuary. Thank you for your cooperation!

**If you have not picked up your new pictorial directory, please contact the church office and we will send one to you.*

Vacation Bible School!

Believe it or not, it's time to start thinking about VBS for this summer. Please let me know if you are willing & able to participate this year.

I need to know which adults can help out and which families will have children in attendance. The program this year is Crocodile Dock, Where Fearless Kids Shine God's Light.

Once again we are considering an evening program, Mon - Thurs, Aug 3 - 6, from 6:15 to 9 p.m., dinner included.

We need Activity Leaders and Groups Leaders, and we need food donations. The only adult volunteer requirement is a love of the Lord, and a desire to share that love with children.

Please let me know of your availability.

--Jeanne T.

Lectionary Readings for February

February 1 Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Deuteronomy 18:15-20	Psalm 111
1 Corinthians 8:1-13	Mark 1:21-28

February 8 Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 40:21-31	Psalm 147:1-11, 20
1 Corinthians 9:16-23	Mark 1:29-39

February 15 Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

2 Kings 5:1-14	Psalm 30
1 Corinthians 9:24-27	Mark 1:40-45

February 22 Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 43:18-25	Psalm 41
2 Corinthians 1:18-22	Mark 2:1-12

The Carpenter's Son

One day Jesus was out for a walk, strolling near the walls surrounding heaven, when he heard an old man's voice call from the other side.

"Hello? Hello?"

"Who is it?" Jesus replied.

"Just a poor, old carpenter searching for his son," the old man replied.

Jesus' heart leapt with joy and he called out, "Joseph?"

The old voice answered back, "Pinocchio?"

--From Ralph Milton's 'Rumors' blog

Heritage Giving for January

Pledges - \$6,355

Loose - \$113

Church Use - \$1,200

Roof Fund - \$638.95

Capital Campaign/Building - \$150

Building Fund [cumulative total]- \$20,242.31

The final total for our Disciples Mission Fund Christmas offering was \$2,659.50.

Board of Directors

--Cathy Berlett

The Executive Committee met January 12th. We made a complete survey of the building, listing the prior damage and that which occurred during the roof replacement. Pastor Laura and Sue Reed met with a representative from Bartlett Construction to survey the building interior damage on January 14.

The Board will meet Monday, February 9th at 7:00 PM.

Financial Statements

Financial statements for 2008 have been distributed or are available in the Narthex.

Siggie Ogan, Former Church Office Secretary

Please join us on Sunday, February 8th as we honor Siggie for her many years of service to Heritage. We would like to present Siggie with a gift and the Board felt that since she will be moving to California in the near future a check would be better than a gift certificate. If you would like to contribute towards that gift please see Cathy Berlett or place your contribution in the offering plate and designate it for Siggie's gift.

Roof Replacement

The roof replacement work was completed by the end of December. We are currently in discussion with Bartlett Construction about the repairs for the damages that occurred during the reconstruction of the lower roof and some damage to the ceiling in the sanctuary. As a part of that discussion, we have asked that an electrician inspect all of the light fixtures as water flowed into them and the surrounding wiring. It will be a step by step process to make these repairs and to repair the damage that had occurred earlier. Please be patient with us as we work towards completing these repairs.

Our funds from Church Extension are currently in escrow with our title lawyer. We expect to receive the funds within the next two weeks. Our first payment of \$432 will be due on March 1st. The work completed by the title lawyer has been paid for out of the roof funds already on hand.



	FEBRUARY 1	FEBRUARY 8	FEBRUARY 15	FEBRUARY 22
GREETER	NONNIEKAYE SHELBURNE	GINNY HAMILTON	BILL NELSON	JUDY ROBINSON
ACOLYTE	JOEY CORNWELL	VICTORIA HARVEY	BEN CORNWELL	ROSIE STUTZ
WORSHIP LEADER	JOANNE JAMSA	DOROTHY DAUGHERTY	JANET ULRICH	KRISTY PETERSEN
DEACONS	NONNIEKAYE SHELBURNE	GINNY HAMILTON	BILL NELSON	NONNIEKAYE SHELBURNE
	JUDY ROBINSON	CHRIS WHITE	JOSH KELLEY	JUDY ROBINSON
	MARK GRZESZKIEWICZ	NONNIEKAYE SHELBURNE	ESCO GARNER	MARK GRZESZKIEWICZ
	DENNIS STUTZ	ANNA SLONAKER	JANET ULRICH	DENNIS STUTZ
ELDERS	ELEANOR WARBURTON	JOHN SLONAKER	WALLY DUNCAN	PAT MARTIN
	JEANNE TAYLOR	VANESSA BROWN-SEAY	KRISTY PETERSEN	LORI KAUFMAN
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	VANESSA BROWN-SEAY	PAT MARTIN	ACTIVITY SHEETS	CATHY BERLETT
SOCIAL HOUR	KRISTY PETERSEN	DIANA VOGELSONG & WALLY DUNCAN	DOROTHY DAUGHERTY & JOANNE JAMSA	GLORIA HICKS & JUDY WALTER
COUNTERS	SUE REED DIANA VOGELSONG	CATHY BERLETT CHRIS WHITE	ROBERT TUREK VANESSA BROWN-SEAY	LORI KAUFMAN ANDREW BERLETT

Schedule of Services:

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.
 Social Hour: 11:30 a.m.

Pathways Church uses HCC on Sundays
 from 1:30 til 4:00 p.m. and Thursdays from
 7:00 - 10:30 p.m.

February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8:30 a.m. Elders' Circle	2	3 9:45 a.m. Bible Study	4 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice	5	6	7
8 Celebration Coffee Hour for Siggie Ogan	9 7:00 p.m. Board Meeting	10 9:45 a.m. Bible Study 11:00- 11:30 a.m. Prayer Group	11 6:30-7:15 Prayer Group 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice	12	13	14 HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY 
15	16 6:30 p.m. Elders' Circle	17 9:45 a.m. Bible Study	18 7:30 p.m. MAPS 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice	19	20	21 5:30 p.m. Mardi Gras Party!
22	23	24 9:45 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Prayer Group	25 7:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service	26	27	28