Weekly Update - February 8, 2016

Happy birthday to Dorothy Brown!

Her story continues...



Daily Bible Reading – 2016 Shaping Our Life Experience

Excerpts from both the Old and New Testament are included each day. This is a great way to support your ongoing growth in faith and the Christ Church community as well.

February 8: Leviticus 4-6; Matthew 25:1-30
February 9: Leviticus 7-9; Matthew 25:31-46
February 10: Leviticus 10-12; Matthew 26:1-19
February 11: Leviticus 13; Matthew 26:20-54
February 12: Leviticus 14; Matthew 26:55-75
February 13: Leviticus 15-17; Matthew 27:1-31
February 14: Leviticus 18-19; Matthew 27:32-66

In Our Prayers

Joy! Dorothy Brown celebrating 102 years today!

Joy! Brynleigh Claire Ladowski born February 3 to Alex and Lauren Ladowski and brother, Braydon. Linda and John Ladowski are her grand- parents and Phyllis Nicholson is her greatgrandmother.

Joy! Natalie Hill, daughter of Geoff and Janet Hill, has been approved for Commissioning as a Deacon by the New England Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. Natalie's area of service is counseling.

Keep in your prayers – Ron Corsaro, Peter Shanley, Millie Staley's mother, Dolores, in rehab in Rochester, Joyce Moser, Janet Hill, Richard Mestler, Al Tolsma, Rita Arnold, Carol Teresi, Patty Keller, Charles Terranova, Joe & Carolyn Day, Ruth Malone, Elvira Gonzalez, Florence Stengel, Fred & Lynda Painton, Janelle Martin's grandmother – recovering from a stroke, Castellino family.

Keep the church consultation process and planning team in your prayers as we move from goal setting to determining strategies for achieving our goals.

Pray for peaceful relationships among the nations of the world.

Pray for Chris Maliken, Lindsey Darling & Ian Johnson serving in the US Navy

This Week at Christ Church

Church Office – Mon., Wed., Fri. – 9 am to 5 pm, Tues. & Thurs. – 9am to Noon

Wednesday, February 8 - 7:30 pm – Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 9 - 6:30 pm – Praise Team rehearsal

Saturday, February 11 - Men's Group at BPO Concert

"Valentine Romance" at Kleinhans

Carpool from church.

Sunday, February 12 - 9 am – Casual Praise

10 am – FaithXpress – **Peacemakers**

11 am - Tradition Style Worship

12:25 pm – Christian Education Team

Opportunities to Make A Difference



2nd Sunday, 2nd Helping Offering –

This Sunday, February 12, our second Sunday offering will benefit Hearts & Hands—a neighbor helping neighbor organization that links willing volunteers with older or physically challenged adults for basic services such as transportation for medical appointments, errands or social activities; caregiver respite, companion visits, wellness checks, phone pals, and minor home maintenance. You may also become a Hearts & Hands volunteer by calling 406-8311.

Food Pantry -

All food items are always needed to help stock local food pantries. Paper products and toiletries are welcome anytime. Grocery carts are available in the church for your donations.

The Café is a connecting place.

Thank you to Phyllis Maliken, Michele Sciolino, and Marcia & Bob Snyder who have recently hosted the Café!

You too may host some Sunday morning! Sign up on the bulletin board in the café. Invite your family, friends, ministry team or group to join you! Share in this Café ministry of hospitality and welcome.

Donations are welcome in the Café for use on Sunday mornings – baked goods, half & half, OJ, fruit & cookies are useful!

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Coming Soon...Mark your calendar

Catch The Spirit – New Sight/New Vision

Join friends from the UM churches of the Niagara Frontier District for a day of learning and growing in faith. A variety of workshops (full day & half day) on many topics from serving on ministry and mission teams to dealing with addiction, end of life decisions and even crafting ideas. Lunch and a time of worship are included. Information and registration forms are available in the Café and church office.

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"If I could remove one thing from the world and replace it with something else, I would erase politics and put art in its place. That way, art teachers would rule the world. And since art is the most supreme form of love, beautiful colors and imagery would weave bridges for peace wherever there are walls. Artists, who are naturally heart-driven, would decorate the world with their love, and in that love — poverty, hunger, lines of division, and wars would vanish from the earth forever. Children of the earth would then be free to play, imagine, create, build and grow without bloodshed, terror and fear."

— Suzy Kassem, Rise Up and Salute the Sun: The Writings of Suzy Kassem