

**GREETERS FOR NEXT WEEK:**

January 18<sup>th</sup> Jim & Pat Blair

**ACOLYTE FOR NEXT WEEK:**

January 18<sup>th</sup> Charlie Richards

**NURSERY FOR NEXT WEEK:**

January 18<sup>th</sup> Phoebe Richards

**JUNIOR CHURCH FOR NEXT WEEK:**

January 18<sup>th</sup>

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE FOR NEXT WEEK:**

January 18<sup>th</sup> Rhonda Deeds

**WORSHIP LEADER FOR NEXT WEEK:**

January 18<sup>th</sup> Karen Blair

**BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY WISHES**

A special and heartfelt congratulations goes out to all those with Birthdays and Anniversaries this week.

11<sup>th</sup> Claire Almendinger

14<sup>th</sup> Kate Kisner

15<sup>th</sup> Hayden Wagner

17<sup>th</sup> Reagan Deeds

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

January 11, 2015

**HAPPENINGS THIS COMING WEEK**

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| Sunday, January 11 <sup>th</sup>    | 8:30 am Sounds of Celebration<br>9:00 am Teen Choir<br>9:15 am Adult Sunday School<br>10:30 am Worship Service<br>12-2 pm Father-kid bowling & pizza<br>4 pm Prayer Walk, Bike Path<br>*weather permitting |
| Monday, January 12 <sup>th</sup>    |  |
| Tuesday, January 13 <sup>th</sup>   | 9:00 am Bible Study<br>6:00 pm TOPS<br>7:00 pm Session   |
| Wednesday, January 14 <sup>th</sup> | 5:15 pm Joy Ringers<br>6:00 pm Junior Choir<br>7:45pm Adult Choir  |
| Sunday, January 18 <sup>th</sup>    | 8:30 am Sounds of Celebration<br>9:00 am Teen Choir<br>9:15 am Adult Sunday School<br>10:30 am Worship Service<br>11:30 am Annual Meeting  |

**Office hours & Contacts**

Pastor Kevin's hours are Monday - Thursday 9am to 5pm.  
 Pastor Kevin's e-mail address is pastorkevin@thejpc.org  
 Marie's hours are Monday-Friday from 9am to Noon.  
 Our phone number is 967-7541  
 Our e-mail is johnstownpres@gmail.com  
 Prayer chain e-mail is JPCPrayerRequest@hotmail.com  
 Web site: www.thejpc.org



**Annual Meeting**

Our Annual Meeting will be held **Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup>** in our Fellowship Hall following Worship Service. Please come and bring a dish to share.



**New Member Class**

We will be offering a new member class beginning January 18<sup>th</sup>. Pastor Kevin will meet with the class for three weeks during the Sunday-School hour.

Babysitting will be provided. If you are interested please call the office to sign up.

**Deadline quickly approaching!**



Are you looking for time away from your business of life? For time to stop and smell the roses? Join us for our Garden Getaway retreat and experience this and more.

Garden Getaway is a relaxing garden themed retreat for the women of our church. Included are worship, Bible study, and time for laughter and reflection.

Friday, May 1, 2015 we will begin with dinner and end around 4pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup>. Deer Creek State Park is our destination this year. The cost is \$105-\$135 depending on the room occupancy. Meals are included.

**A \$20 non-refundable deposit is due TODAY.  
Please see Melanie Main or Karen Blair for more info.**

**Offering Envelopes**



Offering envelopes are on the table in the narthex. Please stop by to pick your envelopes up.

**Weekly Tithes and Offerings for January 4, 2015**

|                         | <b>Received<br/>Last Week</b>    | <b>Needed</b>             |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Current Operating Fund  | \$2,430.00                       | \$3,427                   |
| Building Expansion Fund | \$225.00                         | \$683                     |
| Benevolence Fund        | \$832.00                         |                           |
|                         | <b>Received<br/>For December</b> | <b>Needed<br/>Monthly</b> |
| Current Operating Fund  | \$2,430.00                       | \$14,850                  |
| Building Expansion Fund | \$225.00                         | \$2,957                   |



Thank you notes

God bless and be with you all.  
Also, God's peace be with you.  
Thank you for all your faithful donations throughout the year.

The staff,  
Johnstown/Northridge Food Pantry

Melanie and I would like to thank everyone who stayed for soup on Sunday. The donations received will be used to sponsor children's education at the Dominican School.

If you could not attend and would like to make a donation, please see Melanie or Marie.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

With much love,  
Melanie and Marie

## **SERMON NOTES – “Connecting with God: Meditation & Prayer”**

1 Samuel 3:1-18

### *Connecting with God...*

#### 1. *Meditation*

*“The LORD called Samuel a third time, and Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, “Here I am; you called me.” Then Eli realized that the LORD was calling the boy. So Eli told Samuel, “Go and lie down, and if he calls you, say, ‘Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.’ ” So Samuel went and lay down in his place.” (vv. 8-9)*

#### 2. *Prayer*

*“And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.” (vv. 7-8)*

### *The 4-Fold Prayer Model*

- Meditative Prayer – listening to truth in the presence of God
- Affective Prayer – offering our heart in the presence of God
- Contemplative Prayer – gazing by faith into the presence of God
- Kingdom Prayer – praying in power for the presence of God on earth

## Prayer Concerns

January 7, 2015

[JPCPrayerRequest@hotmail.com](mailto:JPCPrayerRequest@hotmail.com)

### Continued Prayers

- Our governmental leaders
- Middle East violence
- The violence in France

### Praises

- Maxine Pardee reports that the neurologist says that she has moved toward remission in her struggle with Myasthenia Gravis.

### Healing

- Norma Duncan needs continued prayer for congestive heart failure.
- John Replogle had successful brain surgery to remove the tumor on December 12. He went home December 19 for a six-month recovery. His staples were removed on December 30.
- Barbara Haines has a serious autoimmune disorder. She recently had surgery to have a feeding tube installed. Barbara is a former member of this church.
- Margaret Bobo, neighbor and friend of Maxine Pardee, has had stroke events this summer.
- Mike Robinson who is paralyzed from the waist down as a result of a tree falling on him.
- Ron Goodman, Jane Muller's brother-in-law, latter stages of Parkinson's disease.
- Rev. Edward Carlson, Maxine Pardee's son-in-law, has serious medical issues. Because of his recent stroke, he had an MRI on Monday, December 8. He has since been diagnosed with a brain aneurysm. Preadmission testing is scheduled for January 6 and he will be admitted for surgery.
- Gloria Miller, friend of Kaye Cook, has severe kidney disorder.
- Jeff Dunlap, son of Jeanette Dunlap, had surgery on his bowel October 23. He will be off work for 2 to 3 months.
- Mike Spangler, Marie Fleming's brother-in-law, has Stevens-Johnston Syndrome. It is a rare, serious skin disorder resulting from a reaction to a drug.
- Alice Coleman, friend of Katie Miller, had a stroke December 13 or 14 which has left her left leg affected.
- Bill Grubb, friend of the Mullers, had a significant stroke December 15 at the age of 60.
- Marvin Block is having some heart issues and having tests next week.

### Cancer

- Mary, Rhonda Deeds' sister, has cancer throughout her body.
- Victoria Boals, New Albany High student with brain cancer. Is gratified to know her doctors have changed their minds and do not consider her terminal. She is attending school this year.
- Megan Johnson Cervi, daughter of Bill Johnson, has gotten treatments for melanoma.
- Rod Lunt, friend of the Almendingers grandson Matt in Kansas, has melanoma.
- Patty Oyler, friend of Kaye Cook, has colon cancer.
- Brian Fisher, friend of Mark and Katie Miller, has a cancerous spot on his left lung. He had been on our prayer chain as late as this March for colon cancer.
- Lea Ann Snyder, friend of Roger & Donna Hines, Barbara & Bill Mitchell, and Phyllis Kraner, has cancer throughout her body.
- Chad Foster, Cille Childers, was recently diagnosed with MLL lymphoma. He will be at the James Cancer Center for four to six weeks.
- His two-year old daughter, Alyssa was diagnosed with MAL lymphoma one year ago. At this time she is currently in treatment.

### Those Shut in or Confined to their Homes

- Roy H. Sarbaugh, Carol Hoff's father
- Alice Neibarger, New Albany Gardens and Care Center, Columbus, OH 43230.
- Betty Ford
- Margie Wheaton, Betty Ford's daughter, is in a nursing facility because of her Parkinson's.
- Lawrence Bishop at Sharonbrooke Sr. Living Center, 920 Sharon Valley Road, OH 43055
- Ellen Howell, Hazel Almendinger's sister, is house bound. She is in pain management for spinal stenosis.
- Cecil and Maryann Grimes, brother and sister-in-law to Maxine Pardee: Cecil has worsening Alzheimer's and Maryann has a lung condition. They are elderly and day-to-day activities are getting harder.
- Rev. Tom Jackman, former minister of the Johnstown Presbyterian church in the late 60's and early 70's, 200 Cottage Dr. Apt 302, Palmyra Pa. 17078-3608

### Deaths

- "Copper" Thacker died January 1 after a long battle with lung cancer.