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*** SESSION NOTES ***

Your Session met on Tuesday evening December 21, 2010 and during the meeting the Elders:

- Reported the death of Jean Snyder on 12-20-10 at her home
- Decided to continue our status as a Red Cross emergency shelter
- Approved holding a Youth Family Game Night and a Cookie Walk on February 13
- Approved the 2011 Church Budget
- Welcomed Elders-elect Suzanne Fogarty, Brian Sprague, and Wes Shaw, and thanked outgoing Elders Joe Pease and Rick Ryan for their service
- Elected Michael Grimes as Clerk of Session, and Marilyn Yoder as Assistant Clerk of Session
- Elected Elder Nancy Edwards as Church Treasurer
- Set times and dates, and quorums for Stated Meetings of Session
- Opted to serve The Lord's Supper on the first Sunday of each month, Maundy Thursday, and Christmas Eve and, on request, to shut-ins by the Pastor accompanied by at least one Elder

Michael E. Grimes
Clerk of Session

“Master, now You are dismissing Your servant in peace, according to Your Word; for my eyes have seen Your salvation, which You have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to Your people Israel.”

Dear Friends:

These are the words of Simeon, an old man living in Jerusalem at the time of Jesus' birth. When Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the temple to see to His circumcision, the Holy Spirit led Simeon to be there. Simeon was a faithful man who was waiting for God to save His people and had been promised that he would see that deliverance before he died.

When he sees the Baby he knows immediately what he is looking at. Jesus, the Baby, looks pretty much like any other baby - no less full of promise than any other, but probably no MORE full of promise either. But when Simeon looks at the Baby he sees salvation, revelation, and glory. He and the prophet Anna who is with him both see the Baby's life unfolding in their minds' eyes. Anna also sees the sword of grief that will pierce Mary's heart before it is all over, but she too sees the creative, redemptive purpose of God surging beneath the soft pink baby skin.

Had we been there with them in the court of the Temple we would probably have snorted and concluded that these two had been taking a little too much wine with their lunch. It is only by virtue of our historical perspective that we are able to perceive the truth in what they say.

The ability to look squarely at an unpromising and unremarkable present and perceive the possibilities for the future contained within it is a true gift of the Spirit.

It seems to me that there are parallels between this story and the birth of a new year — especially for people of faith like ourselves. The infant year 2011 lays before us looking pretty much like any other year. 2010 lies at our feet, having gasped its last breath with nothing about it to give us much hope for the future.

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Simeon and Anna saw God's future in the Baby they held in their arms only because they had been waiting for it and expecting to see it. They saw what we would have missed, only because they were attuned to it - they were the sort of people who look out for what God is doing around them.

God's future and the potential for blessing are surging beneath the pink baby skin of this new year in spite of what it says in the newspaper. Those of us who approach this new year with the eyes of Simeon and Anna will recognize the life-giving gifts of God before those people whose vision goes no further than last years disappointment. So let's venture into this new year together knowing that whatever happens, God is waiting for us around each corner with opportunities for growth, insight, and blessing and God's future is unfolding all around us.

God is good!.....

Pastor Dave

Christmas Program

Thank-You's

Thank you to everyone for their ACTIVE participation in the Christmas program. The Sunday school classes did a WONDERFUL job - nobly let by their teachers! I would also like to thank - Jeanette Gibson, Dave Grimes, Mike Grimes, Pastor Dave, Julie Boles, the Adult SS class, Ivamarie and all of the supportive parents for their assistance with this program. It was a wonderful message with a wonderful cast of characters. Blessings to all.

Thanks again,

Lois Campbell,

Sunday School Superintendent



21ST ANNIVERSARY SOUPER BOWL OF CARING FEBRUARY 6, 2011

It's been 21 years since the Youth of Spring Valley Presbyterian Church in Columbia, S.C. addressed the issue of hunger in their community with this Super Bowl Sunday Prayer: **“Lord, as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us to be mindful of those without even a bowl of soup to eat.”**

This prayer inspired this single church to invite 21 other congregations to join them in collecting \$5,700, which was donated to local charities that provide assistance to those in need. Over the past 20 years, more than \$50 million has been raised in cash and food for organizations that fight hunger. From a simple prayer and a single youth group, the Souper Bowl of Caring has become a powerful nationwide movement that touches more lives each year.

Help us celebrate 20 years of caring. Be part of this movement that begins in your own backyard and reaches across the nation, sharing God's love with those who need our compassion and care.

Our Prayers & Sympathy to the families of:

William Guenther, who went to be with our Lord on December 1st.

Jean Snyder, who went to be with our Lord on December 20th.

Darlene Carson, who also went to be with our Lord on December 25th



THANK YOU

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to everyone who participated in Jubilee Christmas!

It was a great success again this year and I could not have done it without the kindness and generosity of all of you. Mark your calendars for December 10, 2011....it will be here before you know it!

I hope everyone had a wonderful and joyous Christmas and has a very happy New Year!

*God Bless You All,
Cindy Bull*



Thanks to all who have helped in any way with our Food Pantry this past year. The Pantry has been very busy except for a couple of months due to the Road Closure. With your help we will continue to service the people in need.

Totals for the year are 226 families helped, totaling 1,103 people.

The Pantry is open every Friday morning from 9 am to 11 am. Volunteers are always needed. Just sign up in the Parlor.

Please note: We are always in need of detergent.

Thank you everyone! Carol Frantz

DAYTON PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

The next meeting of the Dayton Presbyterian Women will be on January 12th. We will have an installation of officers for 2011 followed by a planning session for the new year. All women of the church are invited to come to share ideas for programs for the monthly meetings and special events for 2011.



—Schedules—

Church Office Hours - 9 A.M. to 12 Noon, M-F

Worship/Church School Schedule

8:30 - 9:00 am - Cont. Breakfast in the parlor

9:00 - Sunday School for all , opening in the Sanc.

10:00 am - Fellowship with continental breakfast

10:30 am - Worship

January Breakfast Host - Nancy & Bill Edwards

January Deacons

Nancy Brand, Capt. &
Communion Prep.
Julie Rosa

January Elders

Michael Grimes,
Communion Prep.
Marilyn Yoder,
Devotions

Dear Church Family,

I want to thank you for sharing the lovely poinsettia that was brought to our home by a most gracious gentleman on Sunday. By the temperature being low, he was hoping someone opened the door before the plant got too cold. It is beautiful and I'll enjoy it each and every day. Flowers always make for a cherry room.



I'm wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Be careful as you travel as I heard there was to be more snowfall.

Thank you, again, and may you enjoy the holidays with family and friends.

Most sincerely,

Miriam Woodrow

Staying in the *Word* Together – January 2011!

Join Christians throughout North America as they read together – each Sunday – the scriptures for the week. Known as the Revised Common Lectionary (RCL), the collections of readings is organized so that after a three year cycle, members of churches will have read through the majority of the Bible. In our church, our Sunday school curriculum follows the RCL.

As a church and denomination, we use the RCL and provide these to the pastors for direction on the order of worship and for guidance in Christian Education. A guest pastor may choose not to use the scriptures, but we are providing them to the congregation as a means of ***Staying in the Word Together***. Traditionally, there will be an Old Testament, Psalm New Testament and Gospel reading. For additional readings go to <http://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/>.

Advent/ Christmas Year A	First* reading and Psalm	Alternate* First reading and Psalm	Second reading	Gospel
<u>Second Sunday after Christmas Day</u> January 2, 2011	<u>Jeremiah 31:7-14</u> or <u>Sirach 24:1-12</u>	<u>Psalm 147:12-20</u> or <u>Wisdom of Solomon 10:15- 21</u>	<u>Ephesians 1:3- 14</u>	<u>John 1:(1-9), 10-18</u>
<u>Epiphany of the Lord</u> January 6, 2011	<u>Isaiah 60:1-6</u>	<u>Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14</u>	<u>Ephesians 3:1- 12</u>	<u>Matthew 2:1- 12</u>
<u>Baptism of the Lord</u> January 9, 2011 <i>First Sunday after the Epiphany</i>	<u>Isaiah 42:1-9</u>	<u>Psalm 29</u>	<u>Acts 10:34-43</u>	<u>Matthew 3:13-17</u>
<u>Second Sunday after the Epiphany</u> January 16, 2011	<u>Isaiah 49:1-7</u>	<u>Psalm 40:1- 11</u>	<u>1 Corinthians 1:1-9</u>	<u>John 1:29-42</u>
<u>Third Sunday after the Epiphany</u> January 23, 2011	<u>Isaiah 9:1-4</u>	<u>Psalm 27:1, 4-9</u>	<u>1 Corinthians 1:10-18</u>	<u>Matthew 4:12-23</u>
<u>Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany</u> January 30, 2011 <u>ART</u> -- <u>PRAYER</u>	<u>Micah 6:1-8</u>	<u>Psalm 15</u>	<u>1 Corinthians 1:18-31</u>	<u>Matthew 5:1- 12</u>

EPIPHANY PARTY



We are having an “Epiphany Party” to de-green the church. It seems an appropriate way to take down what we put up just a few weeks ago. So won’t you join us for lunch and help us UN-decorate. See you then.

When: January 9 - Right after church

What: A light lunch, with yes once again, (soup and bread) followed by removing of the Christmas decorations.

HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM THE JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUPS

This past year has just flown by!



December was a busy month for us and I just want to take a minute to thank all of the Sunday school teachers, youth leaders, parents and especially all of the youth group members that participated in all of the activities! It was wonderful to have you to help decorate the church, shop for Jubilee Christmas, wrap presents, participate in the Christmas Program, and join us for the goofy gift exchange and party!

In January we are going to have Evening Praise Worship Service on the 9th and 23rd. We will be getting ready for our annual Souper Bowl of Caring. On Super Bowl Sunday our kids will be collecting money to feed the hungry here in our community. So please plan to bring your spare change to help our church food pantry! Our kids will be hosting a cookie walk on Sunday, February 13th. The money we raise helps support our youth group activities. So please bring some cookies, brownies, bread, cupcakes, or cake to sell and share or bring your pocket books so you can buy some goodies and help support our kids.

Thanks again for making 2010 such a successful year for our youth group and I am looking forward to an even bigger and better 2011! God bless you!

Hillary

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Our Church Family

JANUARY

2 Russell Grimes
 4 Bruce Biery
 Don Johnson
 6 David Grimes
 8 Rachel Gard
 9 David McQueen
 Susan Parmely
 Brian Yoder
 10 Jill Edwards
 Steve Norris
 Robert Reichart
 12 Jean Cassel
 Gideon Basden
 13 Darlene Carson
 Susan Clawson
 Rebecca Sprague
 17 Denny Dexter
 19 Harriett Berry
 Colleen Garrett

20 Jonah Grimes
 Cindy Bull
 22 Michael Edwards
 23 Dennis Fields
 Nolan Yoder
 25 Jim Murray
 27 Elinor Cox
 28 Renee Petrie
 Tim Fogarty
 Linda Miller
 Deb Vyse
 31 Eli Boles
 Joe Pease

JANUARY

1 Susan & Bernard Parmely
 3 Deb & Gary Vyse
 14 Sarah & Jack Norris
 21 Joy & Don Schwartz

FEBRUARY

1 Ron & Esther Miller

Cont. February

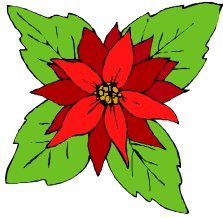
BIRTHDAYS

1 Laura Houser
 2 Alan Spray
 3 Aaron Best
 Lindsey Hughes
 5 Courtney Biery
 6 Don Carless
 Nancy Edwards
 Muriel Grimes
 Kelly Reid



IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

Our Military, our nation & it's leaders; persecuted Christians, people locally & nationally in need, Victims of Domestic Violence; Darlene Carson, Julia Yost Carolyn Finkenbinder; Russell Lucas; Miriam Woodrow; Cletis Smith (B/Gene Smith); Ted Murphy; Marjora Odenkirk; Isabelle Kelley (Grdtr/Ron & Ivamarie Kelley); Rex & Betty Barnett; Gene Coleman (F/David Coleman); Alex Jones (Grdsn/Susan Clawson); Shelley Abney (Niece / Kathy Deckard); Bill & Dorothy Wolf (Grpts/Patricia Perry); Don Wallace; Rev. Jim Watson; Jackie Ginther (Niece/Joy Schwartz); Jim Young (S-I-L/Joy & Don Schwartz); Mike VanAere (Nephew/Don Schwartz); Kate Martin (Niece/Joy Schwartz); John & Roberta Kealey (S&B-I-L/Ivamarie Kelley); Brewer Family (Friends /Judy & Lynn Ryan; Bill Gibson; John Webber (F/Rand Webber); Rita Hicks, Leigh Liggett; Lina Guenther & Family; Mike Hanna; Stuart Hogue; Jean Snyder Family; Mindy Hicks, Tina Biddle; & Jim Brickler; June Hornbeck, Jack Carson Family



2010 Poinsettia Dedications



In memory of Bill Yost & Kenneth Yost, given by Susal Clawson & Family.

In memory of Daniel R. Lenig, Daniel K. Lenig, Irma & Wilbur McVay, Esther Gareis, Walter Gareis, Bill & Muriel Webber, given by Tammy, Randy, Kristin, Katie & Brad Webber.

In memory of Virgil & Margaret Mullins & Uncles Bill & Bob Bull, given by Mary Margaret .Sugar.

In memory of Mr. & Mrs. Wilson Bull & Mr.& Mrs. Frank Brown, given by Carol & Stan Bull.

In memory of Lester & Sylvia Hicks, & Walter & Goldie Pendleton, given by Ray & Patty Hicks.

In memory of Our Parents, given by Ron & Ivamarie Kelley.

In memory of Our Parents, given by Jack & Sarah Norris.

In memory of Marvin, Lucy, Morris & Marlene Yoder, Lloyd & Jane Darnell, given by Dan & Charlene Darnell.

In memory of Donald Grimes & Malcolm Shoemaker, given by Rob & Nancy Grimes & Children.

In memory of Bonnie Deckard, Dorothy Pens, given by Bob & Kathy Deckard.

In memory of Bob & Miriam Smith, given by Bob & Kathy Deckard.

In memory of Barbara L. Smith, given by Gene & Sally Smith, Rick Smith Family, Gary & Deb Vyse Family, Roger & Peggy Gregory Family, Steve & Kathy Massey Family & Randy & Brenda Smith Family.

In memory of Marvin, Lucy, Morris & Marlene Yoder, given by Marilyn Yoder.

In memory of Wilson & Oreal Bull, given by the Ron Berry Family.

In memory of Barb Smith, given by Kelly & Kim Little.

In memory of H. Vaughn & Bertha J. Logan, given by Richard B. Logan.

In memory of Jacob Haan, given by John & Nancy Brand.

In memory of Bradley Newton John & Nancy Brand.

In memory of Our Parents, given by John & Nancy Brand.

In memory of David & Greg Frantz, given by Carol Frantz.

In memory of Marvin & Norma Bush, given by Gene & Sandy Reed.

In memory of Dwight & Wilma Baker, given by Bill & Tommie Baker.

In memory of Floyd (Frog) & Lola Mae Dixon, given by Their nieces, Susan Gibson, Debbie Watkins, Sally Maroska, Sharon Wills.

In memory of Eugene Cox, given by Elinor Cox DeCamp.

In memory of John DeCamp, given by Elinor Cox DeCamp.

In memory of Agnes Bush, Charles Bush, Dr. John Bush & Beckie Clark, granddaughter , given by Jim & Norma Burton.

In memory of Donald and Mary Ann, given by Margaret Grimes.

2010 Poinsettia Dedications (Cont.)

In memory of the Ryans, the Baughns & the Feldts, given by Lynn & Judy Ryan.

In memory of Violet Hartsough, given by Nicole & Jay Rosen & Family.

In memory of Paddy Sarsfield, given by Nichole & Jay Rosen & Family.

In memory of Mark & Helen Thompson, given by Cathy Bowlin & Hillary Basden.

In memory of Linda & Harvey Edwards, Vi & Charles Teed, & Maurice Metten, given by Nancy & Bill Edwards.

In memory of Frank & Virginia Makokitch, given by Paul & Mary Houser.

In memory of Allen & June Comstock, given by Dave Comstock & Carol Hornbeck.

In memory of Stanley P. Hornbeck, given by Dave Comstock & Carol Hornbeck.

In memory of Wayne & Larry Pfeiffer, given by Betty, Terry, Jerry Jo, Ron & Becca Mason.

In memory of J. Kenneth & Elma Biery, Debbie Wiggins, Virginia Flora & Bonita Wiggins, given by Don & Janet Connelly & Family.

In honor of June Lenig, John & Edie Webber, given by Tammy, Randy, Kristin, Katie & Brad Webber.

In honor of All Grandchildren, & Terry Pfeiffer, given by Ray & Patty Hicks.

In honor of the Downham Family, given by Jean & John Downham.

In honor of Our Children & Grandchildren, given by Ron & Ivamarie Kelley.

In honor of Our Children, given by Jack & Sarah Norris.

In honor of Our Family, given by Dan & Charlene Darnell.

In honor of Kaylee & Kameron Little, given by Kelley & Kim Little

In honor of Lauren, Nathan & Marisa Hill, given by Phyllis Hill.

In honor Cheryl, Mackenzie & Keaton Orr, given by Carol Frantz.

In honor of Rex & Betty Barnett, given by Gene & Sandy Reed.

In honor of Mary Ellen Bowers, given by Bill & Tommie Baker.

In honor of Jim & Mae Whitlock, given by their Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren.

In honor of Our Children & Grandchildren, given by Nancy & Bill Edwards.

In honor of Ken & Norma Houser, given by Paul & Mary Houser.

In honor of June Hornbeck, given by Dave Comstock & Carol Hornbeck.



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—Worship Schedule—

8:30 – 9 am - Continental
Breakfast

9 am - Sunday School for all
ages beginning with opening in
the Sanctuary.

10 am - Continental Breakfast/
Fellowship

10:30 am - Worship

*HAPPY NEW YEAR
2011*

God bless you & yours.

GOD IS GOOD!