

# CRESCENT HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



## THE CHIMES

*“For I know the plans I have for you,”  
declares the LORD,  
“plans to prosper you and not to harm you,  
plans to give you hope and a future.”*

Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)

Louisville, KY

February 2011

### “God’s Love Never Changes”

New Year’s Resolutions have been set. Church Ministry Goals have been set as well. Our attention must focus on how to fulfill our New Year’s Resolutions and our Church Ministry Goals. God’s love never changes will be a good place to start. God’s love must be central to fulfill resolutions and goals. I Corinthians chapter 13 is a key biblical passage concerning God’s love. February is heart awareness month to remind us to take care of our physical heart. This would also be a good time to check on our spiritual heart in relationship to God. Jesus said, “For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.” (Matthew 6:21).

Love starts with God. “God is love.” (I John 4:16). We must go back to the basic teachings of our faith in order to fulfill outreach ministry. Paul warns in the verses 1-3 of I Cor. chapter 13, that motives for doing ministry must be loving and not self-centered. Generally, people are looking for a loving church that worships God. These same people want to experience genuine love and not something artificial. On a scale of 1 thru 10, we need to evaluate how loving our church is in fulfilling our church ministry goals of outreach. God’s love never changes. Prayerfully, our love for God and his people will never change but will grow more everyday.

Christian love is witnessed by and thru the church. “We love him, because he first loved us.” (I John 4:19). Paul gives a beautiful description of the right kind of love in verses 4 thru 8 of I Cor. chapter 13. The right kind of love is God-centered and not self-centered. God’s people who show love can do outreach ministry 365 days of the year. Therefore, Christian love is alive and active everyday in the body of Christ. Outreach ministry comes from the heart that is filled with God’s love. When God’s people practice Christian love for one another, a special bond is formed to do ministry. The miracle of God’s love works in hearts that are open to the leading of the Holy Spirit. The church that Jesus died for will show a witness of love in ministry to the world.

The mystery of child-like love. We are children learning to express love to our heavenly Father. Paul reminds us in verses 9 thru 13 of I Cor. chapter 13, of the mystery of the difference between a child-like love and a childish love. “Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.” (I John 4:11). This is not always easy because of our human nature that allows sin to block love. Child-like love is a slow gradual process because of all of our hurts and wounds that we have experienced. Jesus said, “he hath sent me to heal the broken-hearted and to set at liberty them that are bruised.” (Luke 4:18). God’s love never changes, allowing us to minister a child-like love to the world that needs to experience Jesus as their Savior and Lord.

Pastor David Warner

# World Day of Prayer

Friday March 4, 2011

How Many loaves have you?



## St. Mark's Episcopal Church

2822 Frankfort Ave

Louisville, KY 40206

Registration: 10:30a.m.

Worship: 11:00a.m.

Lunch at Noon

Please bring canned goods for Dare to Care

*Everyone is Invited*

*Food and Fellowship*

Church Women United in the Louisville Area

# Prayer Ministry

The illumination of judgment comes personally when we recognize that the evil and wrong in our sphere of life is there not by accident, but in order that the power of God may come in contact with it as His power has come in to us. When we come into contact with objectionable people the first natural impulse of the heart is to ask God to save them because they are a trial to us. He will never do it for that reason. But when we come to see those lives from Jesus Christ's standpoint and realize that He loves them as He loves us, we have a different relationship to them, and God can have His way in their lives in answer to our prayer.

## SUNDAY

Our church staff and leaders  
Pastors in Louisville District  
Cooper Memorial- Patricia Smith  
Covenant- Owen Dolin, Mel Wilhelm  
Crestwood- Keith Switzer, Don Craig

### Flu and Colds

Jeanne Leuth  
Louise Phillips

### New Job

Nathan  
Clay

### Recovering from shooting

Gabrielle Giffords  
and other victims

### Unspoken Requests

Helen Anderson  
Macey  
Cindy  
Pete  
Flo

## MONDAY

Babies  
Baby Jessica

### Diabetes

Mickey

### Financial Decisions and peace of mind

Susie Sheehy

### Tumor

Trevor

### Travel Mercies

Chris

Cody  
Elnora

## TUESDAY

### Recovering from surgery

Gregg Harbison  
Joan Mac Gregor  
Ashleigh  
BB Arnold  
Irene Winner  
Karen  
Lisa

### Military

Dark Horse  
3rd Battalion  
9 Marines killed  
in 4 days

### Unspoken Requests

Pat & Bonnie  
Addison Howlett  
Ein Howlett  
Vanessa & Danny  
Marge Belcher

## WEDNESDAY

### Injuries from a fall

Jackie Collard  
Alice  
Phyllis Ridge

### Recovering from injuries

Harry & Bruce

### Chronic Conditions

Owen  
Jim Schindler  
Guy Mackey  
Polly  
Gladyce Olson  
Richard Straub  
LaVerne Breunig

### Unspoken Requests

Ashley  
Diana  
Terry  
Elnora  
Vickie

## Thursday

### Care Givers

Ann Schindler  
Larry Anderson  
Charles Anderson  
Jim Wright

Families in sorrow  
Ed Belcher Family  
Aileen Barge Family  
Victor Fantoni Family  
Ken Smith Family

### Unspoken Requests

Ann  
Dee  
Sharon  
Jake  
Louetta

## FRIDAY

### Cancer and Treatments

Rick Pass  
JoAnn Mackey  
Alexander Atty  
Jim  
Beetha  
Kenny  
George  
Suzanne Peterson  
Anna Marie Teague

### Unspoken Requests

Bobby  
Mitch  
Stanley  
Wilma & Garnett Clark

## SATURDAY

Family Issues  
Sondra & Joey  
Travis & Family  
Rhodes Family

### Diagnoses

Elizabeth Miller

### Recovering from heart conditions

Jeff Diaz  
Virginia Scherzinger  
Don Scott

### Our political leaders in our country and beyond

### Unspoken requests

Teresa  
Chris  
Cody  
Joe  
Nickie  
Betty Denham

-Judy Ford, secretary

## Care Pal and Visitation Team

We resumed our Wednesday Visitation in January. We visited Irene Winter, Alma Miller, Lila Wright, Virginia Scherzinger, Jim and Ann Schindler, and Mercedes Stapleton.

Virginia Scherzinger was in Sacred Heart Village Rehab to regain her strength. She is now at home and her daughter Sharon is with her.

Irene Winter continues at the Glen Ridge Health Center Campus for therapy on her injured feet.

Gregg Harbison had prostate surgery and the cancer had not spread to other organs. Gregg has been grateful for your prayers.

Aileen Barge passed away on Jan. 14. Aileen lived to be 105 years old. The Davis Family cared for her in their home over 10 years.

Ed Belcher passed away on Jan. 11th after almost a year in Jewish Hospital. Ed was the husband to Marge Belcher and the brother-in-law to Jean Glasscock.

Anna Marie Teague received good results from her chemo therapy treatments. The tumor had shrunk. The doctor is stopping her treatments for a time. Continue to pray for stability as the doctors monitor her tumor.

-Judy Ford, secretary

## Bus Ministry Team

Keep our bus rolling. Call the church office if you need a ride to worship on Sunday mornings. Pick ups will be between 10 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Call 896-0396 and leave a message and you will be contacted.

Our January 29th bus trip was to hear the Louisville Orchestra play for a free will concert at Ballard High School. It was literally standing room only. Extra folding chairs had to be brought in. The music was wonderful. It was very exciting for our group who went to be part of such incredible support for an outstanding community icon such as the Louisville Orchestra during the musicians difficult times.

-Judy Ford & Barbara Griffiths

## Thank You !

The family of Aileen Barge would like to thank you for your prayers, cards, funeral home visits and attending the funeral. Thank you for the wonderful food. It was a job well done and enjoyed by all. We really did appreciate it.

-Betty & Shirley



## Truffle Tarts with Raspberries

*Recipe courtesy Tyler Florence*

Prep Time:

20 min

Inactive Prep Time:

2 hr 0 min

Cook Time:

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Level:

Easy

Serves:

6 servings

### Ingredients

1 1/2 cups fine chocolate wafer crumbs (from Oreo cookies or chocolate wafers)

6 tablespoons melted butter

1 recipe Dark Chocolate Truffles, recipe follows, whipped but not shaped into balls

6 fresh raspberries, plus extra for serving

### Directions

Use a fork to mix together the chocolate wafer crumbs and butter. Spray the cups of a 6-muffin tin with a vegetable spray. Line the cups with strips of parchment or waxed paper, cut so that they are as wide as the diameter of each cup and long enough to overhang the sides (you'll need this overhang to remove the tarts). Use the bottom of a small glass to press the crumbs over the bottom and sides of the muffin cups, building the sides up to only about 1 1/2 inches. Place a raspberry in the center of each crust and with a pastry bag or small plastic bag with the corner snipped off, fill the tarts with the truffle mixture. Smooth the tops and refrigerate until set, about 2 hours.

### Dark Chocolate Truffles:

1/2 cup heavy cream

8 ounces good-quality (70 percent) bittersweet chocolate, chopped

1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract

1 cup cocoa powder, for dusting

In a saucepan, bring the cream just to a simmer over low heat. Pour the cream over the chocolate in a bowl and let stand about 10 minutes to melt the chocolate. Add the vanilla and stir until smooth. Set aside to cool for 1 hour at room temperature. Then beat the chocolate at medium speed until it gets thick and light colored. Spread over the bottom of a baking dish and smooth the top. Refrigerate about 2 hours, until firm.

Pour the cocoa powder onto a deep plate or shallow bowl. Use a melon baller or small ice cream scoop to scoop out balls of chocolate; place them on the plate with the cocoa powder and roll between 2 forks to completely coat with the cocoa powder. Then use the forks to carefully transfer them to a parchment or waxed lined baking sheet.

Yield: 15 to 20 candies, depending on size

Prep Time: 25 minutes

Cook Time: 15 minutes

Inactive Prep Time: 3 hours

## Valentine's

This month we are celebrating Valentine's Day. What are some things we do to celebrate Valentine's Day? We give Valentine cards, having parties at school, eating Valentine candy, etc. Those are all things we can do to celebrate Valentine's Day.

The greatest Valentine we could ever receive came from God? He loved us so much that He gave His only son Jesus to us! He sent Jesus to die on the cross for our sins. Isn't that amazing?

If God was to give you a Valentine's card and you opened it up, it would say, "Jesus Loves You!"

Jesus loves each of you so much that He was willing to give up His life and die on the cross so that we can live eternally with Him in heaven. Do you know how we can do that? We can accept His Valentine gift to us! We can tell Jesus that we love Him and want to serve Him and ask Him to live in our hearts. That's what it means to accept His Valentine!

I'm thankful today that the greatest Valentine I've ever received came from God!

**Just for KIDS**

Find the correct path through the heart below. Write the words in order, as you find them, on the lines below.

**BEGIN**

**END**

“ \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_.” Matthew 22:37

# Twice As Sweet

On Valentines Day, we show our love;  
We express our deep affections.  
Those who are important to us  
Get cards and sweet confections.

But Christian love is not just for  
The ones we hold most dear;  
Jesus said "love everyone;"  
He made that very clear.

For Christians, it is every day  
We should care and love and serve  
Everyone we meet in life,  
Whether they do or don't deserve.

Let's follow Jesus' good command  
To love everyone we meet.  
Valentine's Day every day  
Will make life twice as sweet.

By Joanna Fuchs

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