



FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT—FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1 @ 6:00 PM

COMMUNION —SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3 @ 10:00 AM

Followed by fellowship hour and Food Pantry Lite Fare

PRAYER MEETING—MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4 & 18 @ 6:30 PM

GAME NIGHT—SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16 @ 7:00 PM

Bring a snack—host a game, participate or be a spectator.

FOOD PANTRY—MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18, NOON TO 2:00 PM

The Pantry is open for bag distribution. Food for the body and His word for the soul is provided for those in need.

SUNDAYS

8:30 AM Continental Breakfast in the Cafe

8:45 AM Sunday School from pre-K to adult

10:00 AM Traditional Worship Service

WEDNESDAYS at 7:15 PM Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAYS at 7:00 PM Praise & Worship Service lead by Joann and Tom DiLeo

BEVERLY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Interim Pastor—The Rev. Dr. Keith Schmitt

Praise Leader—Joanne DiLeo

Choir Director—Gwen Reed

Sunday School Director—Sue Hill

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FROM THE (Interim) PASTOR...

During the third century there was a hypothesis current which suggested that unmarried soldiers fought better than married soldiers because married soldiers might be afraid of what might happen to their wives or families if they were killed. Needing resolute men to fight in many unpopular and bloody campaigns, the Roman Emperor Claudius II, also known as Claudius the Cruel, accordingly tried to ban the marriage of young people. There were those, however, who opposed this edict, and among them was a priest in Rome named Valentine. He believed that marriage was a sacred act between a man and a woman and should be encouraged. And so he did marry young people. For this, his criminal behavior Valentine was eventually caught, imprisoned, and tortured. His execution entailed three parts—first beating, then stoning, and finally decapitation, all due to his stand for Christian marriage.

Legend suggests that one of the men who was supposed to judge Valentine in line with Roman law of the day was a man called Asterius, whose daughter was blind. The priest Valentine is supposed to have prayed with and healed the young girl with such astonishing effect that Asterius himself became a Christian. That notwithstanding, Valentine was killed on February 14th, 269. The story goes that the last words he wrote were in a note to Asterius' daughter, and he signed the note "from your Valentine," which has of course inspired today's romantic missives.

While not all saints were martyred, still not a few were indeed martyred for their faith. And that is remarkable. These individuals were so committed to the faith, so convinced were they of its truth, that they would put their lives on the line to affirm and confirm their Christian beliefs. Such belief empowered them to bear faithful witness to people around them—and the Church grew, even during times of overt persecution.

What's true then has not changed. People still recognize the fervor and commitment of those who dedicate themselves in the service of God. Martin Luther King, Jr. was such a man. He confronted bigots and racists with amazing nonviolence and simple love. The message caught on—and our nation and this world is better for it.

In this month of February, when the focus turns to love, remember those in our past, like Saint Valentine and MLK Jr., who have left an indelible imprint on this world because they chose to love and do what is best to embody that love. Your life, and the lives of those around you, will accordingly be uplifted, blessed, and improved.

From your valentine,

Pastor Keith Schmitt





Family Movie Night
FREE FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT in the Fellowship Hall, **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1**, doors open at **6:00 PM** . The feature presentation is projected onto a 9x16 screen with surround sound. Call the office for the movie title. It's usually a newly released movie on DVD that is appropriate for most ages. Last month, **Incredibles 2** was shown and enjoyed by an audience of 2 dozen viewers. Refreshments are available for a nominal fee and the proceeds go to support Youth Group activities.



Front and center is Rachel Snively, a dynamic individual. She is diverse in her abilities, skills and talents. The January issue of Beverly Press' article The Big Dig, left out Rachel as one of the volunteers who helped make the project a success. She operated the excavator for digging and filling the trenches for the drywells. This is not her first project as she's assisted John Haaf for at least 7 years, operating equipment.

African—American Month
2—Groundhog Day
14—Valentine's Day
18—Presidents' Day

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 6 – Tom Oulton
- 7 – Pat Kelly
- 10 – Gary Christopher
- 12 – Barbara Schellhardt
- 13 – Matthew Franklin
- 14 – Jennifer Knapp
- 15 – Don Arter
- 15 – Brenda Judd
- 19 – Ellie Knapp
- 20 – Heather Marter
- 21 – Sherry Oulton

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- 4 – Robert & Susan Murphy (35 years)
- 10 – Steve & Kathy Sadowski (24 years)
- 26 – Ronald & Dawn Edmonds (25 years)

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Thank you to the contributors of this January issue of the “Beverly Press”; Pastor Keith, J. Haaf and Sherry O. I look forward to contributions from all aspects of BPC for the next issue. Articles such as upcoming event details, reflections on past events, pictures and ideas are due no later than the 2nd Sunday each month. You can email your submission to beverlypressnewsletter@gmail.com or drop off in person at the church office.



BPC Game Night, **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16 AT 7:00 PM**. Host a game, be a player or come as a spectator. The Reeds will host Catan (3 to 6 players) and Dominos (2 to 4 players). Beverage will be provided and participants are asked to bring a snack (chips & dip, cheese & crackers, bagel bites, pigs in a blanket, etc.) and friends/family.

Contact Karen Reed; kreed@trcsolutions.com or cell 609-314-6673, if you wish to host a game.

WITH LOVE FROM ABOVE

The Bible is full of special words from our loving God.

Directions: Using the messages on the candy hearts, complete the Bible verses (all NIV) below.

ALWAYS REFUGE PERFECT LOVE PEACE CHRIST JESUS STRENGTH

God is our _____ and _____,
an ever-present help in trouble. Psalm 46:1

“Surely I am with you _____.” Matthew 28:20

And the _____ of God ... will guard
your hearts and your minds in
_____. Philippians 4:7

Whoever lives in _____ lives in God,
and God in them. 1 John 4:16

_____ love drives out fear. 1 John 4:18



February 2019											
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday					
<div>Elder Host: Deb Bertino</div> <div>Head Usher: Betty Lou Marter</div> <div>Alternate: Shirley Lackraj</div>					1 6:30 pm Family Movie Night (F. Hall)	2					
3 8:30 am Breakfast 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship – Communion- Boy Scout Sun. 11 am Fellowship Hour 1 pm LICRC (FH)	4 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting (Café)	5 5:30 pm Food Pantry packing bags (F. Hall)	6 5-6 pm LICRC (Café) 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm Boy Scout #24 Leaders Meeting (B. S. Room)	7 7 pm Praise Service 7:30 pm Boy Scout #24 (F. Hall)	8	9					
10 8:30 am Breakfast 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship – Install. of Officers (Conf. Room) 11 am Deacons' Meeting (Conf. Room) 1 pm LICRC (F. H.)	11 7 pm Session Meeting (Conf. Room)	12 5:30 pm Food Pantry packing bags (F. Hall)	13 5-6 pm LICRC (Café) 7:15 pm Worship Service 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	14 7 pm Praise Service 7:30 pm Boy Scout #24 (F. Hall)	15	16 7 PM BPC Game Night					
17 8:30 am Breakfast 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship 1 pm LICRC (F. H.)	18 Presidents' Day Church Office closed 12 noon Food Pantry (F. Hall) 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting (Café)	19	20 5-6 pm LICRC (Café) 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	21 7 pm Praise Service 7:30 pm Boy Scout #24 (F. Hall)	22 12 mid. LICRC (F. Hall)	23					
24 Same schedule as Feb. 17 Add: 11 am C. E. Meeting	25	26 12 noon PW Afternoon Circle (F. Hall)	27 5-6 pm LICRC (Café) 7:15 p.m.	28 7 pm Praise Service 7:30 pm Boy Scout #24 (F. Hall)							

