



Faith in Action

Faith United Methodist Church

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Groundhog's Day



The trail of groundhog history actually leads back to Clymer H. Freas, city editor of the Punxsutawney Spirit newspaper. In 1887, he was inspired by a group of local hunters and gourmets who held a groundhog hunt followed by a picnic barbecue of, well, you know. Anyway, Freas thought it so much fun that he wrote up the group as the Punxsutawney Groundhog Club and went on to promote the Punxsutawney Groundhog as the official weather forecaster. As he embellished the story year after year, other newspapers picked it up and soon everyone looked to Punxsutawney Phil for the critical prediction of when spring would return to the nation.



- 1—Jon McBride
- 2—Adam Foote
- 3—Cindy Mangels
- 5—Carter Findley
- 6—Rema Hemmerling
- 9—Regan Jennings, Quinten Clausen, Arianna Spellman
- 11—Betty Hagan, Brett—Cooper—Kaden—& Parker Woollen
- 12—David Wisch
- 13—Ruth Bosard, Doneta Gifford
- 14—Jean Johnson, Adelynn Slack
- 15—Ron Snart, Rick Triplett, Kaylee Antillon

February Mission Project

~R.A.F.T~

WHAT THEY ARE ABOUT.....R.A.F.T (Residential Assistance to Families in Transition) is dedicated to meeting homeless families needs in the Kearney area & helping them in their effort to become self-sufficient by provides a helping hand to those who are actively working towards that goal. RAFT offers temporary residence in its five-apartment facility. During their stay, families are required to develop an individualized service plan which consists of goals and appropriate steps to attain self-sufficiency. The plan includes a requirement for all adults to work and/or attend school for a total of 40 hours per week. Also include mental health counseling, parenting classes and involvement in various support groups available in the Kearney area. Education, employment and finances are the three main focus points. All adults must complete their GED while in the program (if they have not already received that or a high school diploma.) Full time employment and financial accountability then come into play. They work on paying off debt and getting financial control before the end of the program.

WHAT THEY NEED: **paper products**
cleaning supplies
trash bags
hygiene products

E-Giving is available

Last year, secure web-based giving was started for your tithes and offerings. Just a reminder that registration is quick and easy. Go to the following URL to get started. <https://e-giving.org/faithumckearney>.



Thank you for your support!

Thanks to those that Visit the Shut-Ins

First—**THANK YOU** to those that take time out of your lives to visit our many shut-ins. If you haven't already, please notify the office of who you are visiting so we can assist in making sure ALL are getting a visit.
Second—**WANT TO STEP OUT?!** Contact the office for name(s) and details of a congregation member that could use a regular visit. As simple as dropping by a weekly bulletin or bi-weekly newsletter and being a smiling face!

BSA Chicken Noodle Feed

Mark your calendars to help support Boy Scout Troop 158 in their annual chicken noodle dinner feed. Chicken Noodle meals will be served before and after morning services on **March 8th**.

Nurse's Corner

Antibiotics do not fight infections caused by viruses like colds, flu, most sore throats, bronchitis, and many sinus and ear infections. Instead, symptom relief might be the best treatment option for viral infections.

Get smart about when antibiotics are needed—to fight bacterial infections. When you use antibiotics appropriately, you do the best for your health, your family's health, and the health of those around you.

Taking antibiotics for viral infections, such as colds, flu, most sore throats, bronchitis, and many sinus or ear infections:

- Will not cure the infection
- Will not keep other people from getting sick
- Will not help you or your child feel better

Merland's BIRTHDAY MUSIC JAM

When: February 7th Music from 2 pm to 10 pm

Where: First Presbyterian Church, 4511 6th Ave (Across from Kearney Family YMCA)

What: Merland Clark's 85th Birthday Celebration (He turned 85 on January 21, 2015)

Details: You are invited to enjoy the music talents of our friends who will be playing from 2 to 10.

Potluck Supper Break at 6 pm. You are welcome to bring a dish to share. We will provide meat and potatoes and drinks. Stay for the entire party or come and go as you like.

Please RSVP on supper so that we have plenty of food.

barb.d.clark@gmail.com ~or~ 308-234-1670 cell

Most scholars believe that the St. Valentine of the holiday was a priest who attracted the disfavor of Roman emperor Claudius II around 270. At this stage, the factual ends and the mythic begins. According to one legend, Claudius II had prohibited marriage for young men, claiming that bachelors made better soldiers. Valentine continued to secretly perform marriage ceremonies but was eventually apprehended by the Romans and put to death. Another legend has it that Valentine, imprisoned by Claudius, fell in love with the daughter of his jailer. Before he was executed, he allegedly sent her a letter signed "from your Valentine."

The family of Randy Bauer wishes to thank Pastor Perry and Jolene for their visits with Randy before his death and for being there for us at the time of his passing. The many prayers from all of you has helped carry us through this difficult time. The cards, calls and food are all very appreciated. Special thanks to the members of FUMC for helping with the set up and serving of the meal.

God Bless each of you,

I wanted to thank everyone who contributed to the prayer blanket that was given to me. Your prayers and thoughtfulness stay with me everyday! I keep the blanket on my chair so I touch it every single day and feel very blessed. You are all very kind and caring and it means a lot to me. -Sheila Barger



FAITH FELLOWSHIP OUT TO EAT NIGHT
MONDAY FEB.9 6 PM
PERKINS
RSVP VIA SIGNUP SHEET CLIPBOARD

Sue Anderson has moved from Homestead Assisted Living to St. Luke's Nursing Home, Room 305. She loves to have visitors and receive cards.
Thanks, Mary Garrison



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8:45 Worship 10:00 Sun School 11:00 Worship 4:00 NeBrass Quintet Practice	2 11:00 Rental 7:00 Boy Scouts	3 9:30 Women's Bible Fellowship 4:30 W.W. 5:00 Rental 5:30 Trustees Mtg. 6:00 Finance Comm. Mtg. 7:00 Cub Scouts	4 12:15 W.W. 1:00 Rental 3:30 C.C.F. 5:30 B'Tween 5:30 Confirmation 6:00 Praise Team 6:30 UMYF 7:00 Choir 7:00 Men's Bible St.	5 1:00 Rental 5:00 Rental 5:45 W.W. 6:30 Y.A. Bible Study	6 9:00 Rental	7 8:30 W.W.
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