

Springwood Times



Monthly Newsletter

February 2012

A Recipe for a Wonderful Church

Ingredients:

A Cup of Vision, A Dash of Love
Hearts full of Faith, God's Provision
Acres of Land, Buckets of chicken
A bunch of bricks, Some more bricks,
A lot of desire, A community who cares.

Mixing Instructions:

Come together each Sunday to worship God.
Listen to God as to your calling.
Volunteer your gifts.
Serve with gladness and greet everyone.
Call upon those who are absent.
Listen intently.

And remember to share your concerns so others can pray for you and your family.

Cooking Instructions:

Bake slowly, one day at a time,
With fuel from the Holy Spirit.

I read this in another church's cookbook and adapted a few things. We truly are blessed with our wonderful church building and grounds.

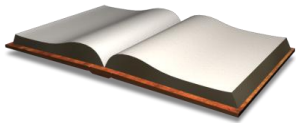
What is more a blessing is the people that make up the church - YOU. It continues to amaze me how each person gets involved and shares their spiritual gifts so that we can be a community of faith that strives to be open to the presence of God in the church and in the world. We are a church that is dedicated to being a church for the community and its needs, and is devoted to presenting the claims of Jesus Christ and the Good News by providing a place of fellowship where Christ's care and nurture are shared.

So in this new year, let us recommit to our vision: *At Springwood Presbyterian Church, we share the love of Jesus Christ through our actions toward our neighbors.*

Remember if you are in need of pastoral care, please contact me through Barb Buckmaster in the church office, 449-6998 or by calling my cell phone 260-1749.

Your Pastor,
Genie Martin





Session Digest

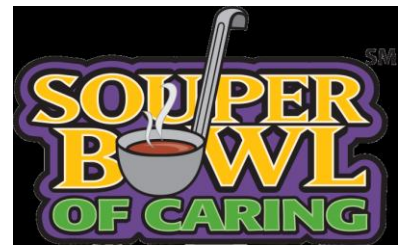
Actions taken on 12/14/11:

- Set a Congregational meeting for 1/8/2012 for the purpose of ordaining Anne Scott as Elder and installing Don West and Jack Martin as Elders of the class of 2014; receiving annual reports; election of new members for the Nominating Committee; and considering a change in the Pastor's call. A meeting of Springwood Church Corporation will also be held at that time.
- The Session expressed their thanks and good wishes to the members who are exiting from active service Class of 2011; Lisa Shelton, Barry Shelton and Sylvia Edwards.
- Voted, following a discussion to approve the proposed budget.
- Voted 8 to 1 to raise the Pastor's salary by 5%; this will be voted on by the congregation at the congregational meeting on 1/8/2012.

Congregational meeting 1/8/12

Actions taken:

- Election of Nominating Committee. Three members of the congregation volunteered for this duty and were accepted by acclamation by the congregation: Ray Bunton, Lil Simmons, and John Marion. Additional members of this committee will be from the current Session.
- Change in the Pastor's call. Following information presented by Mike Griggs of the Session and the Finance committee, the congregation voted to increase the Pastor's salary by 5%.
- The meeting was suspended briefly for completion of the Corporation meeting.



More than 20 years ago, the Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group:

"Lord, as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us to be mindful of those without even a bowl of soup to eat."

Since that day, more than \$81 million has been raised for local charities across the country through Souper Bowl of Caring. It has become a powerful movement that is transforming the time around Super Bowl weekend into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving. Through this mission, young people learn what it's like to make a positive difference in the world, as they collect food, raise money and volunteer to work in charities that provide shelter to the homeless, food to the hungry and compassion to those in need.

THIS Sunday, February 5th some of us might just watch the Super Bowl Football game on television!?!? If not, others find it fun to see the incredible commercials. At any rate, our youth will be collecting our donations in soup pots after church and ask you to consider giving a little to join with other churches, of all denominations, who pool our resources on this day each year. Our collection will go directly to Allied Churches of Alamance County for use in caring for the homeless at the shelter, feeding the hungry and meeting the needs of those who are in desperate need. Please donate a dollar or two, or a check to Allied Churches. All is appreciated!

Note: The youth and their families will stay after church to count the collection, report the total and enjoy a bite of lunch and fellowship.



Lent comes early this year. Our Worship Committee has offered to host the **Ash Wednesday Service** here at Springwood on Wednesday, **February 22** at 6:30 p.m. We have invited members from Brick Church and hope to coordinate worship with them.

During Lent, our Church Concerns Committee is planning to host some **light lunches** following worship. We plan to begin on **Sunday, February 26th** with a kick-off to "**One Great Hour of Sharing**".

The entire six weeks we will learn about ways Presbyterians collaborate in giving money to brothers and sisters in need around the world. You will also receive a Lenten devotional booklet that you can read each day as we all prepare for the celebration of the resurrection on Easter, April 8th.

Details are being worked out as to specific plans for participating in a Christian Seder Meal and Maundy Thursday service that you will be invited to also.



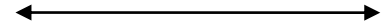
2011 Annual Christmas Pageant



TO BETTY
MUENCH
AND
FAMILY

ON THE DEATH OF JOHN MUENCH
JANUARY 23, 2012

MEMORIAL SERVICE AT
SPRINGWOOD, FEB. 4TH, 2:30 PM



Anne Scott, from her Seminary studies, is bringing to our weekly Bible study very interesting information about the Old Testament. Her passion is contagious as she draws connections that link important themes such as; covenant, blessings, etc. **Join us on any Wednesday at 6:30 PM in Fellowship Hall!**



NAMI - National Alliance on Mental Illness, present Family to Family Education Program, a

series of 12 weekly classes structured to help caregivers and family support those with serious mental illness (Major Depression, Bipolar Disorder, Schizophrenia & Schizoaffective Disorder, Borderline Personality Disorder, Panic Disorder & Obsessive Compulsive Disorder, Co-occurring Brain Disorders & Addictive Disorders). **Classes start Thursday, February 2nd from 6:30 to 9:00 PM at Holly Hill Baptist Church, Burlington. Call to register, Kathi Chrisco (578-6933), Becky Springer (213-6699).**



Worship Greeters

- Feb. 5 Nancy Apple, Mary Lockamy
- Feb. 12 Ann Marion, Cody Roof
- Feb. 19 Arlene Ingle, Shannon Payne
- Feb. 26 Bud and Ann Worden

- March 4 Betty Small, Rebecca Holmes
- March 11 Eugenia Varker, Charles West
- March 18 The Bunton Family
- March 25 Betty Starnes, Marikate Moore

If you are not currently serving as a greeter and would like to volunteer, please contact L'Wanna Donnell at the number below. If you are unable to be a greeter on your date, please exchange with someone or call L'Wanna Donnell at 586-9043. Thank you for your service!

Worship Ushers

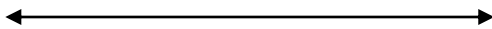
- Feb. 5 Ann Marion, Mary Lockamy
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- Feb. 19 Bruce Andrews, Gwyn Ingle
- Feb. 26 James Ingle, Barry Shelton

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- March 11 Cody Roof, Joseph Williams
- March 18 Sean Simmons, Levi West
- March 25 Annabel Bunton, Marikate Moore

Arlene Ingle is in charge of our ushers. If you are interested in serving as an usher, please let her know. Thank you for your service!

Offertory Clerks

- February: JoAnn Sutton, Lisa Shelton
- March: Betty Small, Racine Younger



Church Office Hours
 Monday – Wednesday – Thursday
 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM
 Phone: 336-449-6998



- John Wallace 2-10
- Walt Gardner 2-13
- Lilly-Clair Small 2-25
- Courtney Handy 2-24
- Sylvia Edwards 2-27



James & Renate Ingle
February 23

**Please forgive any errors. If there are changes or additions, please make a note on the fellowship pad on Sundays or call the church office (449-6998). We do not have everyone's birthdays and anniversaries and would like to include all in our calendar!*



All women are welcome to join the **BAD Girls** (Bible and Devotion) Presbyterian Women's Evening Circle on the third Tuesday of the month for food and Bible study! We have just started a study of the book of Revelation. We meet at 6:30 PM and begin with figure foods and conversation. Bring your favorite finger food to share!



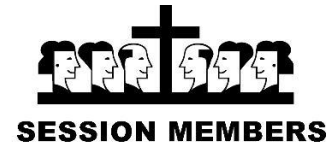
- Feb. 1: Presbyterian Women Circle – 10 AM
Prayer Shawl Group – 1:30 PM
Bible Study – 6:30 PM
Choir Rehearsal – 7:30 PM
- Feb. 5: Souper Bowl of Caring
- Feb. 6: Church Concerns – 6:30 PM
- Feb. 8: Prayer Shawl Group – 1:30 PM
Bible Study – 6:30 PM
No Choir Rehearsal
- Feb. 15: Good Shepherd Kitchen – 9:00 AM
Prayer Shawl Group – 1:30 PM
Bible Study – 6:30 PM
Choir Rehearsal – 7:30 PM
- Feb. 20: Session Meets – 6:30 PM
- Feb. 21: Bible and Devotion Girls' Circle– 6:30PM
- Feb. 22: Prayer Shawl Group – 1:30 PM
Ash Wednesday Service – 6:30 PM
- Feb. 26: One Great Hour of Sharing Begins
- Feb. 27-29: Meals on Wheels Delivery
- Feb. 29: Prayer Shawl Group – 1:30 PM
Bible Study – 6:30 PM
Choir Rehearsal – 7:30 PM

****Every Sunday – Sunday School – 9:45 AM
and Worship – 11:00 AM****



Springwood Cookbooks are still available for \$15.00 in the church office or ask a member of the BAD girls! Great family recipes!

Our Record of Contributions from Salem Presbytery notes that our total giving for 2011 was \$9,084.92! This includes our pledged giving, Haiti, One Great Hour of Sharing, Two Cents a Meal, Japan Earthquake, Alabama Tornado Relief, and Christmas Joy. We received a phone call from a representative from the P.C.U.S.A. offering their thanksgiving to us for our participation in these special offerings!



Moderator, Teaching Elder:
Genie Martin

Clerk of Session: Cindy Ingle

Ruling Elders

Class of 2012

L'Wanna Donnell

Robin Bunton

Vera Ingle

Class of 2013

Mike Griggs

Rupert McIntosh

Jennifer Sutherland

Class of 2014

Jack Martin

Anne Scott

Don West



Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer to Thee!

Even though it be a cross

That raiseth me;

Still all my song shall be,

Nearer, my God, to Thee,

Nearer, my God, to Thee,

Nearer to Thee. Amen.



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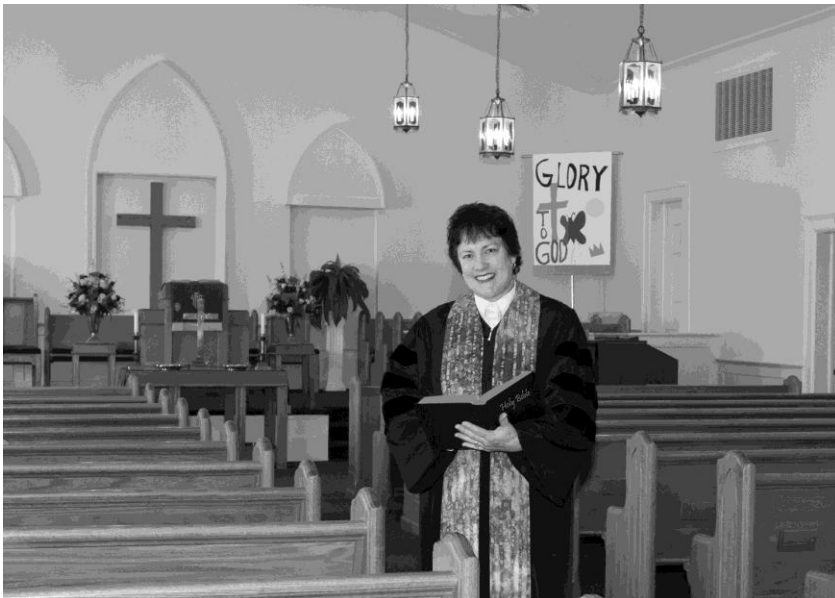
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Springwood's Vision

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Glory to God! Pastor Genie Martin in our newly renovated sanctuary! It is fresh and clean with new carpet and paint and a new sound booth. Many thanks to Barry Shelton for his hard work in making this happen! If you haven't been to worship lately, come and bring a friend and see our new sanctuary and worship our Lord, from whom all blessing flow!

(Thank you Lyndia Kleeburg for your beautiful photography!)