


Hope to see everyone at the

SHROVE TUESDAY  
PANCAKE DINNER

February 25th in the  
Fellowship Hall from 5-7 p.m.

There is no charge  
but donations will be  
accepted for our  
ongoing mission work.





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Jean & Richard Miller	Virginia Nuckolls End.	Jim Nuckolls

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

Mon	3rd	10-12 p.m.	Kid Junction
		6:30 p.m.	Worship Committee
Wed	5th	11 a.m.	Choir
		12 & 6 p.m.	Bible Study
Thurs	6th	10 a.m.	Knitting
Tues	11th	10 a.m.	UMW Meeting
Wed	12th	11 a.m.	Choir
		12 & 6 p.m.	Bible Study
Thurs	13th	10 a.m.	Knitting
Mon	17th	10-12 p.m.	Kid Junction
Wed	19th	11 a.m.	Choir
		12 & 6 p.m.	Bible Study
Thurs	20th	10 a.m.	Knitting
Tues	25th	5-7 p.m.	Shrove Tues. Pancake Supper & Men's Fellowship Meal
Wed	26th	11 a.m.	Choir
		12 & 6 p.m.	Bible Study
Thurs	27th	10 a.m.	Knitting

FEBRUARY ALTAR GUILD WOMEN  
Nancy Frangos and Judy White

UMW NEWS:

Mark your calendar for **February 25th** for our annual **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**. All you can eat pancakes and sausage and all the fixings by donation. Come anytime between 5 and 7 pm and enjoy the fellowship and food.

The UMW would like to thank each of you who came to the new members' meal. What a joy to see such a great group helping to celebrate New members to our church family.

Our next meeting will be on February 11 at 10 am. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall for our Call to Prayer meeting. We will have soup, sandwiches and desserts at the church following the meeting. Hope all will come.



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PASTORAL PONDERINGS

February 2020

January is closing out and the days are getting longer. Weather-wise, it has been warm for January and no major snows. So far so good. May that hold through April and March. Yet, as a young boy, I loved a snowy January. It meant there was no school and plenty of time to watch Netflix and check-in with snowbound friends on Instagram. Oops, I stretched that a bit too far. We had none of the above, but we did have cable. Today we would call it limited cable. There were no movie channels so staying indoors and watching soap operas was not a desirable option. We went outdoors! We sledded! Snowball fights! Built an igloo if enough snow. We tried to stay warm and dry. It never worked, but we had fun nonetheless.

For the Christian calendar, Lenten Season usually begins in late February. This year it begins Wednesday, February 26 at our 6:00 Ash Wednesday Service. Come and receive a cross of ash to remind you of our common mortality and need to repent. HOWEVER! We have a Fat Tuesday Special before Ash Wednesday. I admit it will not compare to the Fat Tuesday of New Orleans fame, but it will be a feast day for us. Tuesday, February 25, 6:00 is our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper.

The Sunday Worship that prepares us for the Lenten Season is Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday and this year it is February 23. I know I am going backward calendar-wise. Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday reminds us that the Holy Spirit transfigures and transforms us through the Lenten Season so we may have a joyful celebration of Easter at the close of the Lenten Season.

Another big day in February is Valentine's Day! Named either in honor of Greg "The Hammer" Valentine or St. Valentine. My bet is on the latter. No doubt you too remember sharing cards in grade school and getting a special one for the girl (or guy) you liked, only too shy to sign it. I also remember getting one for a teacher and signing it "The Fonz" as if I were that cool in the 4th grade. When she tried to find out who "the Fonz" was I was again too shy to admit to it.

The Rev. Richard Gregory mentioned something at Edsel's funeral that we may easily overlook today: There was a time when saying "I love you" was not something men said to their loved ones, much less their sons or brothers or parents. I know this from my own experience in life. It is not that love was not there, it was not expressed with words as freely as it is today. Later in life, my father even began to say it before he passed. It is a good thing that men can be more expressive than in times past.

Have a good February! Celebrate St. Valentine's Day! Celebrate the Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday! Celebrate Fat Tuesday with us on Shrove Tuesday! At the end of celebrating, come soberly and receive crosses of ash on Ash Wednesday.

Pastor Mark B. McFadden