Session Notes

The Session met on February 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Academy.
Rev. Melissa Goodman opened the meeting with prayer.
Elders present were Cheryl Barnett, Connie Bussard, Sara Fike, Denise Getty, Mary Anne Lytle, Marlene Preteroti, Brenda Wadding, Sheila Wadding and Clerk of Session Donna Neal.
The minutes of the December 17, 2013 Session Meeting were approved. Motion Carried to submit the Annual Report of the Church to the office of the General Assembly. Total membership to date is 210.
Rev. Goodman reported she had made two home visits, three hospital visits, seven pastoral phone calls and met with the Worship Committee. She meets weekly with three college students for Bible study.
The reports of the Treasurer and the Financial Secretary were reviewed and will be filed for audit.
The average attendance for December was 71 and the average attendance year-to-date 70. The average attendance in January was 65. The Worship Committee is planning for the Easter Season. World Day of Prayer is March 7, 2014.
The meeting closed with prayer by Sheila Wadding. The next meeting is March 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Academy.

Candy Sale

It’s time to think SPRING! The fundraising committee will be making 8 oz. Easter Eggs again this year. There is a flavor for everyone: Peanut Butter, Maple, Maple Nut, Cocoanut, Fruit and Nut, or Fudge Nut for $6.00. There is also 8oz.bags of Peanut Clusters, Cocoanut Clusters or wonderful Melt Aways for $4.00.
The candy will be ready for pick up on April 11, 12, or 13 at the Academy. There are order sign up sheets at the church or you may place your order by calling Joanne Fox at 814 257 8219.
Make sure your family enjoys the Easter Season with Glade Run Chocolate Candy.

MOVIE NIGHT

On Sunday, Feb. 1st, we had our February movie night with 14 people and lots of good food. In honor of the Super Bowl, our game was True/False Football. We made a football field and the two teams had to line their chairs up in opposite end zones. Everyone was given a card with True on one side and False on the other. Questions were from the 30-Hour Famine and were about how to deal with situations and conditions in impoverished countries. Every correct answer, you got to move your chair to the next yard line. I have to say our game was much more enjoyable for me to watch than the actual Super Bowl! Our movie was "Game Plan, Tackling the Past." It was a very good story about doing what is right. Thanks to all who came.

Our March movie night will be on Saturday, March 15, at 5 p.m. with a covered dish meal, a quick matching game, and our movie will the the "Jimmy." I hope everyone tries to make it to this movie. It is such a good story about a boy, his faith, and overcoming his fear. We planned this night before the youth group skating party on Sunday to only tie up one weekend of our busy schedules.

Our April movie night will be on Saturday, April 5th, unless that happens to be the 30-Hour Famine weekend. I will have more on that in the next newsletter. Our next movie is going to be "Ring The Bell." I will have a definite date on that soon.
Dear Dayton Glade Run Church Family,

On the morning of February 23rd, I announced during worship that my husband Tim has accepted a new appointment as the Associate Pastor at Butler First United Methodist Church, in Butler PA. It is with a conflicted heart and with excitement over this new opportunity that we make this announcement. While it will be very difficult to leave both of our churches, we are very blessed by this opportunity to move to Butler. This new appointment also opens up to me the opportunity to be a stay at home mom to Joshua, which is something I have been thinking and praying about for the last three months.

You have blessed me and my family in so many ways and we are better people and more faithful disciples of Jesus Christ because of you. I believe you are gifted as a church who is called to welcome, train up, and teach pastors how to be pastors. And I thank you for your patience, kindness, and willingness to grow in Christ with me.

Over the next several weeks, session will meet with the Committee on Ministry to talk about next steps. And sometime this Spring we will say our goodbyes and dissolve the Temporary Supply relationship. While this will be very difficult, please know that both Tim and myself will be praying for you during this time of transition. Like it is for all of us, our journey is a journey of faith under the companionship and lordship of Jesus. And we are trusting that the Lord will continue to complete in us and in you all the good work he has started. God is faithful, and I believe very much that God has big plans for Dayton Glade Run and I have been tremendously blessed to have been part of these plans, even if for such a short time.

Blessed to be a part of the journey,
Pastor Melissa

**Sabbath Living**

As you receive this newsletter, we will be in the midst of the Lenten Season. Leading up to this season and ending on Ash Wednesday we have taken time during worship to study the Sabbath. We were invited to challenge the view that the Sabbath is just a day of rest. The Sabbath is more than this. To practice Sabbath is to live our lives in a new and refreshing way. To practice Sabbath is to live life acknowledging and remembering how God created us from the very beginning and how God has set us free from things that enslave us. To practice Sabbath is to celebrate that Jesus Christ is Lord over every day and every moment of our lives. And to practice Sabbath is to live life resting in the gracious promises of God.

As the Season of Lent begins March 5 on Ash Wednesday, I invite you to practice Sabbath. Perhaps this will look like taking time each day to read Scripture, remembering the promises of God. Perhaps it will looks like immersing yourselves in a daily discipline of prayer, thanking God for all He has done in and through Jesus Christ. Perhaps it will look like celebrating family. Practicing Sabbath can look like many different things to many different people. Lent is a wonderful time to begin intentionally practicing Sabbath—not just on one particular day,
but practicing Sabbath living---Living our lives intentionally!

It is my hope and prayer that this Lenten Season might look and feel a little differently to you this year. That instead of just being a season to anticipate Easter, it might be a season that invites you into a more intimate and meaningful relationship with Jesus. Perhaps practicing Sabbath will be a way to move into this kind of relationship—perhaps practicing Sabbath will help you to remember and celebrate who God is and who God has called you to be!

See you in church,
Pastor Melissa

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**Family of Faith Sunday**

On March 30th we will be celebrating a “Family of Faith Sunday”. Family, friends, neighbors…..everyone is welcome to be a part of this very special Sunday. We are a family of faith brought together to hear God’s message of love and forgiveness in Jesus Christ. May the living Word of God guide us as we try to support one another through worship, teaching, prayer and fellowship. And, as we join together on this day, may we look to the Holy Spirit for guidance to learn how to provide hope in an ever changing community and world. Adding to this special day, there will be a “Family of Faith Choir” composed of current choir members, family, and friends. All are welcome to join this unique choir which will sing a medley of familiar hymns. A special moment for children will be presented followed by a meaningful sermon. After worship, there will be a covered dish luncheon with a time of heartfelt fellowship. Please bring a friend and join together this Sunday as a grateful “Family of Faith”.

**Note:**
The “Family of Faith Choir” will practice at 7:15 pm on Wednesday, March 19th (with fellowship time) and 10:30 am on Sunday, March 30th. No choir robes will be used for this Sunday. If you would like an extra practice, please join us on Wednesday March 26th.

**Worship Committee**
The Worship Committee had its first meeting of 2014 on February 7th. With the start of a new year comes the welcome of new members to the committee along with the return of Pastor Melissa from her family leave.

Worship services and fellowship times are being planned for the seasons of Lent and Easter. Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday, which will be March 2nd, will be observed with the sacrament of Communion. Our annual congregational meeting and luncheon will follow the worship service that day. A Family of Faith Sunday is in progress for a morning worship service sometime in March.

Lent will begin with our Ash Wednesday service on March 5th at 7:00 p.m. The committee has begun initial planning for Palm
Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Easter sunrise, and Easter morning worship services. Watch for more details in the coming weeks about these special observances of the life of Jesus.

A special thank you goes to all the young Christians of our church family. We are blessed and grateful to watch them grow and participate in worship as acolytes, lay leaders, and scripture readers. Thanks to each and every one!

Women’s Association by Betty Lightner

All members of program committee met on January 4th to plan the meetings for 2014. We began with prayer. Suggestions were made for programs and many volunteered for the duties of hostess, devotions and prayer book. Booklets have been prepared with all the information for the programs for the entire year, along with a full schedule of ladies who will be hostesses and ladies who will be in charge of devotions and prayer book each month. All officers and committees are also included in the booklet.

If you haven’t already received a booklet and would like to attend our meetings, please see Betty Lightner. All ladies are members and we encourage you to be a part of our mission work. Our meetings are interesting and inspirational.

Our first meeting for the year will be on February 5th at 1 p.m. in the upper level of the Academy with Annette Kyle speaking to us on her trip to Kenya. Other programs for 2014 are: The Keystone Heirs (Praising the Lord Through Song”) on March 5th; Rev. Melissa Goodman on April 2nd; Nancy Slezek “Ring & Sing” on May 7th; Donna Neal (Bible Study) on June 4th; Janet Sady, Storyteller on Sept. 3rd; Janet Mertz (her mission trip to Nicaragua) on Oct. 1st; Sharing on Nov. 5th; Packing goodie bags for shut-ins on Dec. 3rd.

Youth Group by Holly Fusaro

This has been another fun month for the DGR Youth Group. On Feb 2 a group of us met at the SV Youth Center for a few hours of exercise and fellowship. We had 4 teams of 5
each for a few friendly games of pickup basketball. Thanks to Steve, Heather, Bob, and Kevin for being good sports and joining in to play some ball. Also thanks to Sherry and Tom for supplying drinks and snacks for the kids. I think everyone enjoyed the chance to shoot some hoops and blow off some steam during this long cold winter. A special thanks to Ed Evans and Larry Nelson for allowing us to use the facility. The SV Youth Center is a great addition to the community and provides a place for the kids to practice and play elementary basketball.

Also this month we collected canned goods and money for "Souper Bowl" Sunday. Thanks to the congregation for their generous donations. The group was able to collect a small box of non perishable food items and $135 which was delivered to the Food Bank in Dayton on Feb. 25.

Our final activity for the month was the return of Terry Fairman, his daughter Brooke, and the mechanical bull. As promised, Mr. Fairman returned for an afternoon of funny-bone tickling fun! The kids turned out and true to their word, they brought friends! We had many new faces trying their luck on this rodeo challenge! When the cowboy-wanna-be's got hungry, they filled their bellies with Walking Tacos, and a variety of sweets and treats, including some delicious cake pops! (Thanks Aldean!) Thanks to all who came out, brought friends and cheered on the kiddos! Nice to see youth group alumni Laura come out too! The George/Glentzner family even brought a semi-pro rider who is a cousin of Tiffany’s (sorry I have forgotten his name!). It was fun for all of us to see someone who was a little more skilled stick to the saddle! Unfortunately I didn’t get a head count on Sunday but, we definitely had a very nice turnout!

Next month we will be having our monthly meeting at the Belmont Complex on March 23rd at 4:15 to 6:15. Remember to bring a St Patty's/green themed dish to share and bring friends. The regular Youth Group members will have their skate rentals paid for. All others will need $1 for skate rentals. Looking forward to seeing everyone there, even alumni if they are available.

Missy and I are working on plans for the upcoming 30 hour famine for 7th through 12th grade members, and also Denise, Connie, and I are working on putting together a lock-in sleepover for the younger kids. We will keep you posted.
LOOKING FOR ARTISTS!

The worship committee would like to invite interested youth to design pictures of faith that could be used on bulletin covers or newsletters. Pictures of faith might include designs of the cross, Bible, disciples, Jesus, flowers, symbols, our church, anything that would remind people of God and our faith. These pictures will also be displayed in the church. Drawings can be black and white or colored and done on 8 1/2 X 11 white paper. Please write your name and age on the front of the artwork and place it in the designated basket in the church by Sunday, March 23rd. The pictures will then be hung for display by March 30th. Questions can be directed to Joyce Jamison or other
worship committee members. This is an art display (not a competition) so enjoy making your design to share the Easter Story or other Bible messages. Younger children can color pictures that will be available in the church for this display as well. Everyone has gifts that can be used to glorify God and those who have the ability to draw will bring something special this year to our worship.

**March Birthdays**

3  Eileen Smith  
5  Britanni Huff  
5  Dutch Rummel  
5  Tiffani Stadtmmiller  
5  Jeremy Walker  
7  Lisa McGaughey  
7  Sheila Wadding  
9  Monty Miller  
9  Travis Walker  
10  Amy Luchesa  
10  Peg Reefer  
11  Evan Dalessio  
12  Luke McGaughey  
12  Gillian Stark  
13  Kevin Barrett  
13  Jena Drummond  
15  Kayla Lightner  
16  Cody Hartzell  
16  Janet Steele  
17  Coleen Elder  
17  Emma Nimerosky  
23  Dora Dickerson  
23  Shawn Gearhart  
23  Leroy Shrock  
24  Alyssa Bussard  
24  Elvira Shrock  
25  David Shoemaker  
26  Emily Jamison  
27  Jace Rearick  
27  Alex Wadding  
28  Ed Hollenbaugh  
29  Betty Lightner  

**March Anniversaries**

19  Vernie and Betty Lightner  

**NEW PRAYER OF CONCERNS**

Bruce Steele, Harold Barrett, Cassidy Anthony, Venton Shoemaker, Eric Shoemaker, Harry Pelky, Doris Walker, Jan Fox, Tina Walker, Chris Hillwig, Ronnie Reefer, Leroy and Elvira Shrock, Kellie and Lexus Whitmore, Julie Barrett, Diane Williams, Don Dixon, Nason Nimerosky, Earl Himes, Ray Lasher, Cliff Hamil, Lee Gardner, Freda Mikita, Lenore Hollenbaugh,

**PRAYERS OF CONCERNS**

Denny Brochoff, Melvin O’Keefe, Myrtle Craig, Ronnie Bekic, Bud Gookin, James Lindahl, Dakota Habel, Bob Horner, Christopher Salsgiver (Scott Davis, Jordan Logan, Matthew Hanuska, Cameron Neigh, Michael Nimerosky, Tyler Smail, Ron Boyer Jr.; Zachary Martin, and Paul Sherry; and all our military) Our Rwanda Partner Church: Mucubira


**March Lay Leader**

2  Donna Neal  
9  Marlene Preteroti  
16  Bill Fox  
23  Mary Anne Lytle  
30  Cheryl Barnett

**March Ushers**

All Month: Bill and Joanne Fox, Dale and Jill Schrecengost
We extend our sympathies to the family of Pat Barnett who passed away on Thursday, February 20th.

I want to thank everyone for their prayers, cards and phone calls during my recent surgery and recovery. Your concern and support is much appreciated. Margie Jamison

The Sidewalk Prophets, a contemporary Christian band, will perform a benefit concert for the Punxsutawney Christian School on Friday, June 13th at the Punxsutawney High School. For tickets at a cost of $20.00 call, 814-938-2295 or go to the website: www.punxsutawneychristianschool.com.

The Dayton Fire Department will be hosting a breakfast on Saturday, March 15th at 6:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m.

The Dayton First Church of God has Grief Support every first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. If anyone has any questions, please call (814) 257-8380.

The Dayton Players are putting on a Soup, Salad and Sundae Dinner Theater at the Dayton Methodist Church on Saturday, March 29th at 6:00 p.m. Cost of tickets is $10.00. Call 814-257-8951 to reserve your tickets or see Andrea Marsh or Melissa Wadding. Come join in the fun.

Don’t forget to set your clocks ahead an hour on Saturday night, March 8th.
### March Calendar of Events

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| 2    | 10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship  
Annual Congregational Meeting following worship |
| 5    | 1:00 p.m. Women’s Association  
6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir  
7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service |
| 6    | Academy Reserved  
6:00 p.m. Children’s Choir |
| 8    | Academy Reserved  
**Turn clock ahead-Daylight Savings** |
| 9    | 10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship-1st Sunday in Lent  
7:00 p.m. Cemetery Association Meeting  
Academy Reserved |
| 12   | 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir |
| 13   | 6:00 p.m. Children’s Choir |
| 14   | Academy Reserved |
| 15   | 5:00 p.m. Movie Night/Dinner |
| 16   | 10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship-2nd Sunday in Lent |
| 17   | 10:00 a.m. Mission Committee |
| 19   | 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir  
7:00 p.m. Session |
| 21   | 10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship-3rd Sunday in Lent  
3:00 p.m. Youth Group at Belmont |
| 23   | 6:00 p.m. Children’s Choir  
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir |
| 26   | 6:00 p.m. Children’s Choir  
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir |
| 27   | 6:00 p.m. Children’s Choir  
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir |
| 30   | 10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship/Family of Faith Sunday/Covered Dish Dinner/4th Sunday in Lent |

**Dates ahead:**
- April 5: Movie Night
- April 13: Palm Sunday
- April 17: Maundy Thursday
- April 18: Good Friday
- April 20: Easter/One Great Sharing