

# SONSHINE NEWSLETTER

March 2024

*A Publication of Rocky Grove Avenue Presbyterian Church*



*“Sharing, Preparing and Caring in Jesus’ Name”*

**Rocky Grove Avenue Presbyterian Church**

321 Rocky Grove Avenue, Franklin, PA 16323

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**Worship – 9:30 a.m.**

### **Church Staff**

Rhonda Rust, Secretary

Mike Burkhardt, Organist

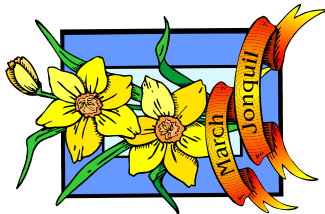
Janet Bish, Assistant Organist

Scott Donaldson, Custodian

### **Church Office Hours**

*Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9:00 a.m. ~ 12:00 p.m.*

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Franklin, PA 16323





If you would like to provide flowers for Sunday morning worship, please contact the church office (814-432-4162). You will want to advise as to whether you will order your own flowers, how you want it listed in the bulletin and if you will be removing them after the service.



**MARCH Birthdays**

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|------------------|---------------------|
| 4 Aaron Wetjen   | 27 Eleanore Moffitt |
| 6 Kevin Songer   | 30 John Dumbleton   |
| 10 Rodney Zeller |                     |



**Servants for MARCH**

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|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b><u>Recorders:</u></b>       | Lois Pierce & Joyce Wetjen |
| <b><u>Pulpit Supply:</u></b>   | 3 Lisa Meier               |
|                                | 10 Chris Gates             |
|                                | 17 Christ Gates            |
|                                | 24 Rev. Joseph Martin      |
|                                | 31 Rev. Joseph Martin      |
| <b><u>Worship Leaders:</u></b> | 3 Lois Pierce              |
|                                | 10 Rhonda Rust             |
|                                | 17 Lois Pierce             |
|                                | 24 Rhonda Rust             |
|                                | 31 Lois Pierce             |

**Lake Erie Presbytery Prayer List for month of March**

**Week of March 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Belle Valley and Elmwood Avenue Presbyterian Churches (Erie)  
*Rev. Dave Edmunds*, Temporary Supply Pastor  
*Marsha Mackinnon*,  
 Presbytery Webmaster, Presbytery of Lake Erie

**Week of March 10<sup>th</sup>**

*Rev. Dr. Lawson Dzanko*, Clerk of the General Assembly,  
 Evangelical Presbyterian Church (Ghana)  
*Rev. Lt. Col. Bliss Divine Agbeko* (Retired)  
 Moderator of the General Assembly, Evangelical Church (Ghana)

**Week of March 17<sup>th</sup>**

*Rev. Barry Cressman* (Honorably Retired)  
*Rev. Jim Haas* (Honorably Retired)  
*Rev. Jim McCormack* (Honorably Retired)  
*Rev. Mary Louise McCullough* (Honorably Retired)

**Week of March 24<sup>th</sup>**

Waterford Presbyterian Church  
*Rev. Robin Sharp*, Pastor  
*Rev. Sheldon Logan* (Honorably Retired)  
*Rev. Chuck Cammarata* (Honorably Retired)

**Week of March 31<sup>st</sup>**

Tionesta Presbyterian Church  
*Roger Snyder & Kevin Vinson*, Preaching  
 12 Members of the Commission to Unify the Office of  
 General Assembly and Presbytery Mission Agency



**Answers to Crossword Puzzle:**

**Across:** 2) Forty 5) Bread 9) Easter Sunday 10) Jordan 13) Friday 14) Sins  
 15) Palm Sunday  
**Down:** 1) Our Father 3) Fast 4) Satan 6) Desert 7) Son 8) Praying 11) Angels  
 12) Two

## MISSIONS CORNER:



A total of \$70.00 was collected on Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, for Souper Bowl of Caring; the proceeds were sent to Community Services of Venango County to help fund the Rocky Grove Food Pantry.

**Lent** began February 14<sup>th</sup> with Ash Wednesday. **One Great Hour of Sharing** offering will again be collected during Lent this year. Your contributions will help with disaster assistance, alleviating hunger as well as helping people learn how to help themselves towards a better life. Envelopes for donations will be in the bulletins and also in the Narthex. Donations to OGHS offering will be accepted through Easter – March 31, 2024.

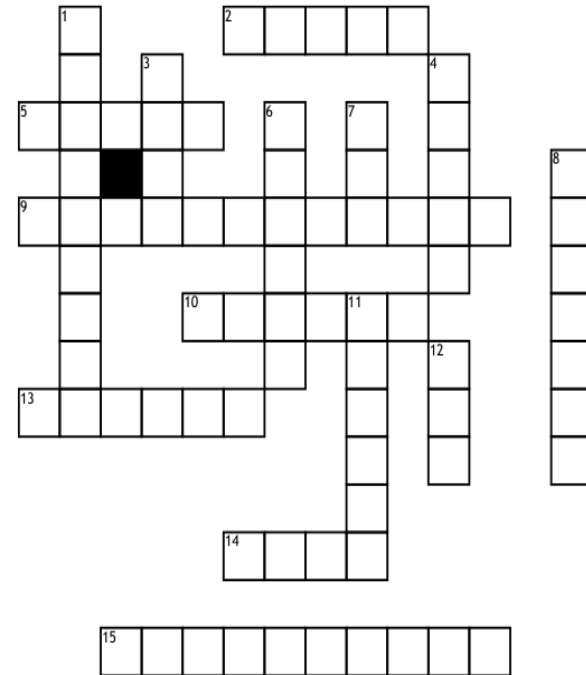
### SPRING AHEAD!

*Don't forget to change your clocks upon retiring Saturday evening, March 9th, so as to be on time for church Sunday morning, March 10th!!!!*

### Congregation Meeting – January 28, 2024

A Congregation meeting was held after worship on January 28, 2024. The minutes of the January 22, 2023 congregational meeting were approved. The 2024 budget was presented. It was approved that officers will remain the same with terms being unlimited and that a minimum of four (4) members per board. Also, Joyce Wetjen will remain as Financial Secretary, Lois Pierce as Assistant Financial Secretary and Rhonda Rust as Treasurer.

## Lent Crossword



### Across

2. How many Days are there in Lent
5. What was Jesus tempted to turn a stone into?
9. On what day do we celebrate that Jesus rose from the dead?
10. In which river was Jesus Baptised?
13. On what day of the week did Jesus die?

14. What actions offend God
15. What is the Sunday before Easter called?

### Down

1. What is the Prayer that Jesus taught us?
3. What is the word for giving up something that we like?
4. Who tempted Jesus
6. Where did Jesus go to pray

7. Fill In the blank: Jesus is God the .....

8. As well as giving up something and helping people, what else as we asked to do more of in Lent
11. Who looked after Jesus?
12. How many Old Testament Figures appeared with Jesus on the top of the mountain at His Transfiguration?

### Word Bank

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|-------------|---------|------------|--------|---------------|
| Forty       | Desert  | Satan      | Angels | Bread         |
| Fast        | Praying | Our Father | Friday | Easter Sunday |
| Palm Sunday | Two     | Sins       | Son    | Jordan        |



# MARCH 2024



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					<b>1</b> <i>World Day of Prayer</i>	<b>2</b> 9:30 Overeaters Anonymous
<b>3</b> 9:30 Worship <i>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent</i>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <i>International Women's Day</i>	<b>9</b> 9:30 Overeaters Anonymous
<b>10</b> 9:30 Worship <i>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent</i> <i>Daylight Savings Time begins</i>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 12:45 Zoom with Edward Jones 1:15 Session meeting	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 9:30 Overeaters Anonymous
<b>17</b> 9:30 Worship <i>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent</i>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> <i>First Day of Spring!!</i>	<b>20</b> <b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 9:30 Overeaters Anonymous
<b>24</b> 9:30 Worship <i>Palm Sunday</i> 	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> <i>Maundy Thursday</i>	<b>29</b> <i>Good Friday</i> 	<b>30</b> 9:30 Overeaters Anonymous
<b>31</b> 9:30 Worship <i>Easter Sunday</i> 						

*Newsletter articles are due in the church office by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month or risk being omitted from next month's issue.*