



# Saints Alive!

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## Annual Meeting of the Corporation Ecclesiastical Meeting

Sunday, January 27, 2008 at Noon in the Sanctuary.

The purpose of the meeting is

- to vote on the Pastor's "terms of call"
- to review the 2007 Annual Report
- to elect Elders, Deacons and a Trustee
- to elect the 2008/2009 Nominating Committee.

Activities and refreshments are planned for the children during the meeting so that parents can be present at this very important meeting in the life of our church.

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### 2¢ -A- Meal Sunday, January 20, 2008

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During the worship service on January 13, we will celebrate the renewal of our baptismal vows as a congregation. Please come for this special service.

## JOIN THE DEACONS FOR A FAMILY NIGHT OF FUN!!

**What:** Bowling, Dinner and lots of Fellowship

**When:** Sunday January 27, 2008 from 2:00 pm — 4:30 pm

**Where:** Nautical Lanes 184 Miller Road in Avon Lake

Sign up at the Deacon's Bench, Prepay \$12 all inclusive (shoes, ball, games and food)  
Call the church office with questions: 933-6240. We look forward to seeing you there!

## Message from Pastor Tom

**A** new year brings with it all kinds of new possibilities, new potentials. It's a fresh start, new ways to look at things, new promises to make and keep, new visions to follow.

One of the most exciting parts of the new year is welcoming Carolyn Dzuro as our new Director of Christian Education. As Carolyn begins her time with us, I hope you will take the time to meet her and get to know her. As we do that, we also express, once again, our deep appreciation to Arlene Strauch for her many years of faithful service.

In this opening edition of *Saints Alive* for 2008, there are two articles I would like you to examine closely. One deals with a new program in our church during these first few months, but one which may impact us throughout the year, and beyond. The other deals with how we share our gifts in the church so that the work of the church may thrive.

On the last Sunday of 2007, Charles and Carolyn Rudd shared with us an interesting skit during the announcement time to introduce our 50-Day Spiritual Adventure program. This will start on January 27<sup>th</sup> and run throughout Lent. This program, initiated by the Christian Education program, is intended to deepen our spiritual lives through a study of the promises we make in our lives, to God and to each other. We will do this not just through worship services, but also through participation in small groups.

Churches have always been made up of small groups, starting from the time Jesus

walked along the Sea of Galilee and invited Simon and Andrew to be a part of a small group he was putting together. But in our busy lives and frantic schedules, we can lose sight of how important it is to take time to develop relationships with others, to hear how God is working in their lives, and to share how we feel that God is working in ours. But when we do take the time to be still and listen to God and one another, it is amazing how often the joys and struggles we are experiencing are similar to those of other people. Our journeys of faith and life become deepened, and we may get a new vision of where God is calling us.

There are sign-up sheets in the foyer of the Sanctuary for you to indicate which night of the week would be best for you to meet. Please take the time to sign up to be a part of one of these groups, so that we may learn and grow in our spiritual lives together.

The other article I would like you to closely examine is a letter from Gary Matthews of our Stewardship Committee. We have found that our committed giving for 2008 is considerably short of where it was a year ago. As Gary has explained, that means our Session will have to make some difficult cuts. Right now, the salaries of the staff have all been kept at 2007 levels. The reality of financial life in the church is that staff salaries and mission pledges are often the only areas which can be cut. Like everyone else, we still have to pay our bills to maintain the building.

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I recognize that some folks in our church are already giving as much as they can. But I also know that there are some of us who can give more. If we could increase our pledges by even one or two per cent, we would have more than enough money to meet our needs.

Of course, Stewardship is not just about money. There are also the time and talent areas as well. We still need people to step forward to help with a planning process so we can discern what our building needs will be in the years to come. There are opportunities to share in developing new worship ideas. All of the Committees of our church are in need of new people to join them in their ministries.

There are many needs that we have as a church. But we have also been blessed in so many ways. I pray that 2008 will be a year in which we will be excited to share our gifts so that God's work might not just go on, but push us beyond our boundaries – and our comfort zones.

Grace and peace,  
Tom

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## Mission Statement

In awe, we Receive God's Grace and Gospel.

In gratitude, we Respond with  
Worship and Servanthood.

In love, we Represent Jesus Christ  
as we minister to transform lives  
in family, community, and the world.



A huge thank you is in order for the 50 people who worked so hard and shared their considerable talent to make the "Music of Christmas" concert on December 16<sup>th</sup> a joyous success. The chancel choir especially spent a good deal of extra time with long, exhausting rehearsals on Wednesday nights and extra rehearsals after church on Sundays. What a dedicated group! The Bell Choir, Children's Choir, Flute Ensemble, Brass Ensemble, dancers, and soloists all worked hard with splendid results. One of the amazing things about this program was that some of the people were involved in as many as four different groups.

Also, I would like to thank my fellow directors Doug Day, Barbara Graves, Carolyn Rudd, and Sarah Waggoner for doing such a fine job of directing their particular pieces, leaving me free to play the piano and to Arlene Strauch for teaching the children their song. A very special "thank you" to Doug Day who helped in so many ways: directing, accompanying, rehearsing with instrumental groups, soloing, and helping with the mechanics.

Lastly, we, the performers really appreciated all of you who braved the snowy weather to be such an appreciative audience.

Muriel Homer, Director of Music

## 2008 Pledge Drive Review

**W**e've pretty much wrapped up the pledge drive for 2008, and we thank each of you for your prayerful consideration and response. Unfortunately, based on the 2008 overall response, Session is going to have to make some very difficult decisions.

The currently pledged amount, roughly \$297,000, is about \$34,000 less than last year's pledge total and is not nearly enough to support the anticipated 2008 budget of \$415,000. The financial report in this newsletter includes a breakdown of the categories of church spending, and it's not hard to see from that chart that a very large percentage of spending goes to categories for which spending is not easily cut, such as the utilities, administrative and salary areas. Program spending is more easily adjustable from year to year, but that spending is a small percentage of the overall and has been reduced already in the past few years in order to achieve reasonably balanced budgets. Continuing to reduce program spending will impact the church's ability to support our youth, the church family as a whole, and our community.

As Session works to establish a rational 2008 budget, they will also be considering some pledging trends of the past few years, which an analysis of 2007 to 2008 pledging confirms. One trend is that fewer potential pledging units are pledging each year. Out of 230 plus possible pledging units, only 148 pledged for 2008, down from about 160 in 2007, and down from the 170's in prior years. Correspondingly, pledge amounts are also decreasing. For 2008, there was increased individual pledging from 2007 of about \$37,000, but this was more than offset by decreased pledging of about \$72,000.

If you have planned to pledge for 2008 but have not as yet, or if you had not planned to pledge but would and are able to reconsider, there is still time to make a new or revised pledge. For all our church family, please be in prayer that God will speak to us and to Session, and that we all will hear His message.

Gary Matthews for the Stewardship Committee



## Good Sayings...

- Don't let your worries get the best of you; remember Moses started out as a basket case.
- Some people are kind, polite, and sweet-spirited until you try to sit in their pews.
- Many people want to serve God, but only as advisors.
- People are funny; they want the front of the bus, the middle of the road, and the back of the church.
- We were called to be witnesses, not lawyers or judges.
- Peace starts with a smile.



## Per Capita

In your monthly offering envelope packet, there is a red and gray special offering envelope specifically for your contribution to the Per Capita. Per Capita is a "head tax" assessed by the denomination to help with the cost of the work in the local Presbytery, the Synod and the work of the General Assembly.

This year our **Per Capita is \$20.00 per member**. If you are able to help by submitting \$20.00 for each member of your family who is a Confirmed member, it would be much appreciated. Please Mark "Per Capita" on your check.

### Who to Call—Emergency Phone Numbers

When in sorrow: call John 14                      When you worry, call Matthew 6:19-34  
 When you are in danger, call Psalm 91                      When God seems far away, call Psalm 139  
 When you are lonely & fearful, call Psalm 23                      When you feel down & out, call Romans 8:31  
 When you want peace and rest, call Matthew 11:25-30                      When you want courage, call Joshua 1  
 When you think of investments/returns, call Mark 10                      If you depressed, call Psalm 27  
 If discouraged about your work, call Psalm 126

Emergency numbers may be dialed direct.

No operator assistance is necessary. All lines are open to Heaven 24 hrs. a day!

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## Financial Report

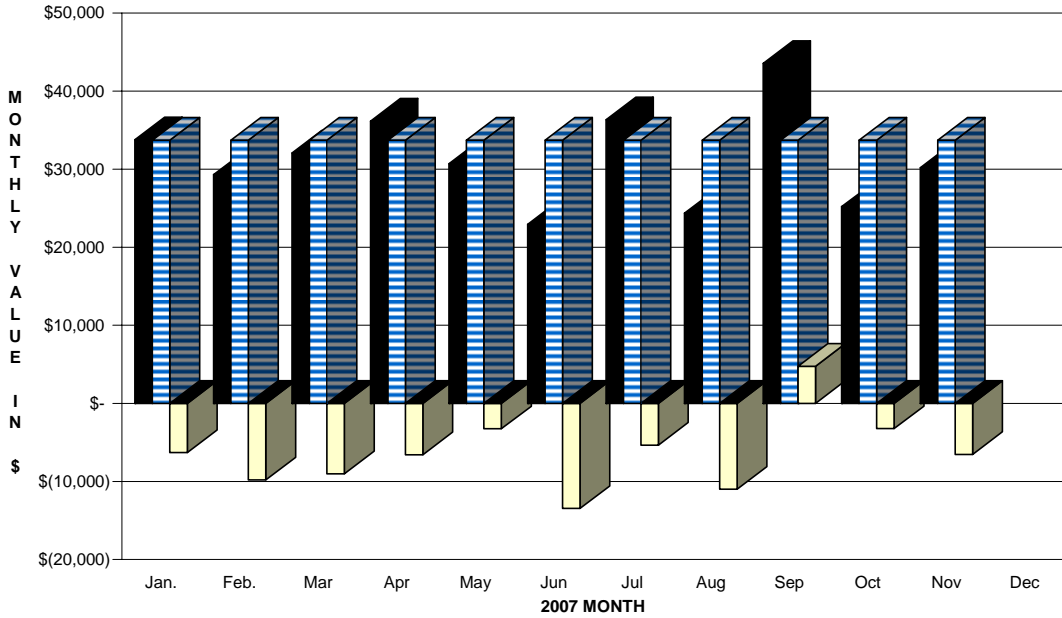
It looks like we will finish 2007 in the black. The graph below shows the actual data through November. We slipped farther into the red at the end of November but December giving looks like it will eliminate the deficit and put us in the black as of our counting after the 12/30 service. That's good news for 2007.

The good news needs to be looked at a little more closely though. If you look at the graph you will see that through November we only hit our giving in 4 of the 11 months. We were black in 2007 because the committees and staff did an excellent job of holding down our spending. This is an important point as you will see from Gary Matthew's article on the Stewardship Drive for 2008. We are severely behind our 2007 pledging total in 2008. I've included a pie chart that shows the 2007 budget by category. As you can see from the chart the vast majority of our budget is what I will call fixed expenses. The salaries and benefits, Per Capita, utilities and maintenance and to some extent administrative take up the vast majority of our budget (80+ %). The budget that session passed in the December meeting is a small 1.3% increase from the 2007 budget. We decreased some areas and the only real increases were about a 3% raise for the staff, utilities increases and parking lot repairs. With the state of the pledging for next year session will be forced to redo the budget in January and eliminate these increases and cut into the program and mission giving. I join Gary in asking everyone to please prayerfully reconsider their giving for 2008. God will provide for us but we must be willing to share the bounty that he provides.

As always if you have any questions or suggestions please see me at church or give me a call.

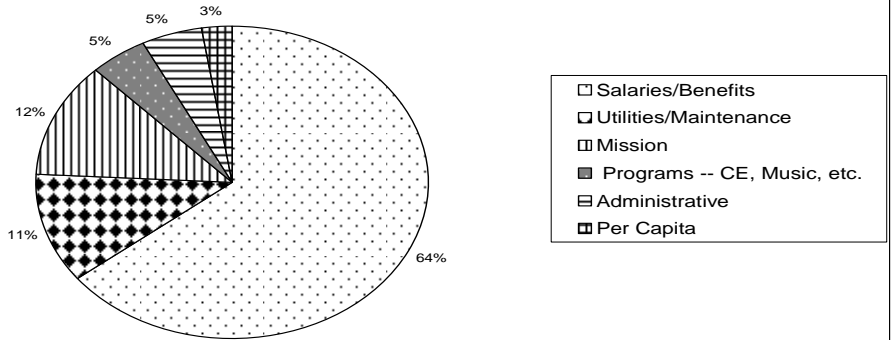
Bob Ralston  
 Finance Committee

2007 ALPC FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE



■ Pledges & Loose Plate Actual ■ Pledges & Loose Plate Budget ■ Year to Date Excess/Deficit

2007 Budget by Category



## Thanks for Being Part of The Story

**T**he Seventh Annual Alternative Holiday Market was another transformative experience. A record \$18, 201 was raised. Amount of support for individual ministries was:

Bob Woodruff Family Fund	\$1390
Community Re-Entry	\$732
PROCOP House	\$617
Habitat for Humanity of Lorain County	\$1082
Heifer Project International	\$1264
Love-A-Stray	\$723
Marion Medical Mission	\$1082
Medical Benevolence Foundation	\$1382
Malawi Crisis Nursery	\$642
Moringa – The Miracle Tree	\$730
Project C.U.R.E.	\$552
Ministry of Hope	\$1432
NOROC-New Opportunities for Romanian Orphaned Children	\$817
Presbyterian Evangelistic Fellowship Esteli, Nicaragua	\$585
The Smile Train	\$2367
Ten Thousand Villages	\$591
Women’s Re-Entry Network	\$736
Youth Challenge	\$540

## Part of the Story continued ...

It's time to publicly thank all those who shopped, purchased, and/or served as volunteers in planning and implementing this important ministry of our congregation.

The Shopper's "Catalogue" was copied, assembled, and mailed by Carol Nussle, Sally and Joe Bales, Virginia and David Lockmeyer, Judy McCain, Cindi Dansizen, and the AHM Team.

Stephanie Taylor designed our greeting card. Jill Ralston made the signage, and Janet Parker created the table decorations and supervised the kitchen. Donna Bradley donated the festive Christmas paper serving products.

Joe and Sally Bales greeted shoppers and donated the breakfast goodies, which were gracefully served by kitchen hostesses Glenda Allen and Fran Glidewell. Additional hospitality was provided by Maestro Doug Day who added his keyboard artistry to the festivities in Hart Hall.

Serving as cashiers were Sue Scott, George Lawson, Jason and Jenn Call, Susan Reighard, and Nancy Spencer.

Hosting ministry tables were Susan and Steve Bernard, David and Karen Ihms-Brunner, Jackie Day, Karen Francy, Carol Fratianne, John Hukill, David Littell, Felice and Kris Maiorca, Janet Maurer, Laura Simmons, Gary and Marcy Uhl, Carol and Joe Unger, Betty Lou Wallace, and Donna Bradley.

We, the members of The Steering Team, spent nine months in the planning, implementation, and management of the market; and we are grateful to all those who volunteered so much of their time, energy, wisdom and love in service to those in need throughout the world

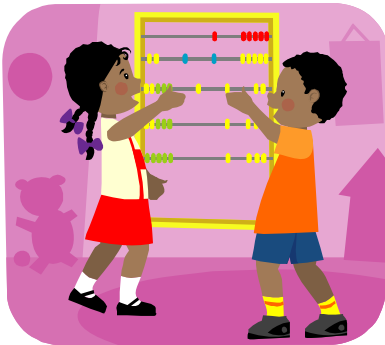
Susan Bernard, Donna Bradley, Shirley and Art Hook, Felice Maiorca,  
Janet Parker and Carol and Joe Unger.

## Cornerstone Preschool Enrolling Now

Our church sponsored preschool is now enrolling for the 2008-2009 school year. We offer classes for 3 year olds, 4 years olds and four plus. Our Open House is Thursday, January 10, 2008.

Cornerstone Preschool has just started its 23rd year. The program is based on building the foundations for children to be successful in getting along with others. We try to develop a positive attitude and work on adjusting to their school environment. We encourage good communication skills, listening skills, and help children deal with their own problems and responsibilities.

Please call Nancy Bruder, Director of Cornerstone Preschool, (933-7646) to make an appointment to observe a class prior to registering for the Fall class.



## THE NEW YEAR BEGINS! THE NEED GOES ON!

As we look back at 2007 and forward to 2008, we cannot help but increase our awareness of those who are facing the stress of jobs lost, housing repossessed, no health coverage, illness, or many other of life's particularly painful challenges. It's amazing when we are suddenly made aware of a burden someone is quietly carrying--- someone we assumed, by outward appearances, did not have a care in the world. For many right here in our Avon Lake/Avon area, even the most basic of life's needs often go unmet.

That's when Community Resource Services (CRS) steps in to lend a helping hand, and you and I are the ones who make that possible by what we put in those CRS boxes in the foyer. **In January**, we can focus on bringing **cans/packets of meat, fish, and poultry (Chicken, Corned beef, Turkey, Salmon, Tuna, Ham, Seafood)**. Then lunches can be packed and nutritious dinners prepared that will stretch the food budgets of vulnerable families.

Why not post the CRS FOOD PANTRY COLLECTIONS-2008 list which follows this article on your refrigerator next to your shopping list? Then each week when you do your grocery shopping, you can pick up a few extra items for the foyer boxes.

Thank you for your 2007 generosity and for your desire to share in the New Year!

Shirley Hook, for the Mission Committee

**AVON LAKE PRESBYTERIAN'S CRS FOOD PANTRY**  
**COLLECTIONS-2008**

**JANUARY:** CANS/PACKETS MEAT, FISH, AND POULTRY (Chicken, Corned beef, Turkey, Salmon, Tuna, Ham, Seafood).

**FEBRUARY:** CANNED VEGETABLES

**MARCH:** CEREALS (hot and cold), BOXED BREAKFAST ITEMS (Bisquick, Pancake Mixes, Breakfast Bars, etc.)

**APRIL:** DESSERT/COOKIE/PUDDING/CAKE MIXES/ MUFFINS/BREAD MIXES, BAKING INGREDIENTS (Flour, Sugars, Nuts, Raisins, etc.)

**MAY:** SPAGHETTI/ASSORTED PASTAS AND PASTA SAUCES

**JUNE:** CANNED/BOTTLED FRUITS, JELLO, SALAD DRESSINGS, MAYONAISE

**JULY:** CANNED/BOTTLED/POWDERED DRINKS, COFFEE, TEA (Healthy, please-no carbonated)

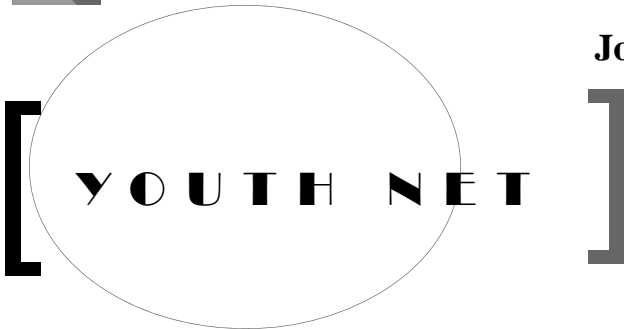
**AUGUST:** ASSORTED BOXED RICE, BOXED AND CANNED MEALS (Hamburger Helper, Stew, Sloppy Joes, Chinese, Mexican, etc.)

**SEPTEMBER:** CRACKERS, PEANUT BUTTER, JELLIES, CONDIMENTS (Relishes, Ketchup, Mustard, Pickles, Olives, etc.)

**OCTOBER:** CANNED/BOXED POTATOES, SPAGHETTIOS, RAVIOLI, RICE DISHES

**NOVEMBER:** CANNED/BOXED HOLIDAY MEAL ITEMS (Stuffings, Gravies, Cranberry Sauce, Potatoes, Vegetables, Fruits, Deserts)

**DECEMBER:** PERSONAL PRODUCTS (Shampoos, Deodorants, Toothpaste, Lotions), LAUNDRY PRODUCTS, HOUSEHOLD CLEANSERS, PAPER TOWELS, TOILET TISSUE, KLEENEX, OR ANY OTHER NON-FOOD STAMP ITEMS



**Join us Every Wednesday Night**

*Middle School 6:00—7:00 pm*

*Dinner for all youth—7:00—7:30 pm*

*High School 7:30—8:30 pm*

**January Youth Net:**

- January 9 — Letters to the self/de-decorate the Youth Room
- January 16 — Bible study: Truth Part 1
- January 23 — Bible study: Truth Part 2
- January 31 — Guitar Hero Night



**Special:**

- January 27** — Sunday Youth Net Leadership Team meeting at noon in the Youth Room—lunch is provided
- February 3** — Sunday Souper Bowl Luncheon at noon in Hart Hall  
Souper Bowl party at Calvary Baptist Church—more info to follow
- February 6** — Wednesday—Youth to attend Ash Wednesday service at Lake Shore United Methodist Church
- February 17** — Sunday tubing at Brandywine—Cost \$15—more info to follow



## Presbyterian Women



**C**ircles continue to meet monthly. Their schedule is listed below.

If you are someone who might be interested in joining a Circle, please call Lee Lohr (934-6757) or the church office (933-6240).

- Tuesday, January 8, at 12:30 pm in Room 3 ..... Care & Share
- Tuesday, January 8, at 7:00 pm . . . . . Circle of SMILES
- Wednesday, January 9, at 9:30 am in the church library .....Circle of Hope
- Wednesday, January 9, at 7:00 pm at Colleen Nieding’s .....Sarah Circle
- Tuesday, January 15, at 7:00 pm at Carol Nussle’s .....Ruth Circle
- Thursday, January 17, E-mail meeting .....Presbyterian Women Board**
- Tuesday, January 22, at 7:30 pm in the church library ..... Circle of Friends
- Tuesday, January 22, at 7:30 pm in the church office .....Serendipity Circle
- Thursday, January 24, at 7:30 pm, at Debbie Stueber’s .....Circle of Love





## Grade XIII Juniors Are Ready for 2008

According to the United States Government Office of Citizen Services and Communications, the New Year's resolutions most frequently voiced by Americans ([http://www.usa.gov/Citizen/Topics/New\\_Years\\_Resolutions.shtml](http://www.usa.gov/Citizen/Topics/New_Years_Resolutions.shtml)) include eating right, getting fit, saving money, volunteering to help others, getting a better education, and taking a trip. When polled via e-mail about their resolutions and plans for 2008, two members of the junior class of Grade XIII shared what they are most looking forward to in the year to come.

Lianne Lohr, daughter of Lee and Ray Lohr, will be a student of Biology and Pre-Veterinary Medicine at Loyola University of Chicago in January, 2008 after having taken classes in her chosen area of study at the University of Findlay and locally for the last couple of years. Right now, Lianne's biggest challenges are packing up her belongings to move and working out the transfer of her college credits. She is very much looking forward to living in the windy city and continuing her studies toward her career goals. Lianne has a couple of goals for the new year, too: "Keep going to the gym, and trying not to procrastinate as much for school work and studying."

Mike Selvage, son of Cheryl and Paul Selvage, is studying Finance at Miami University of Ohio. His favorite class is marketing. Mike explains, "We evaluate the different customer bases of different products and see what type of marketing plans corporations use to reach those markets. It is very interesting to see how and why the commercials and ads are set up the way they are." He notes that his greatest challenge is balancing his activities, "from the job hunt to class work to campus organization work, it is difficult to find time for everything." Mike, too, has big plans for 2008; he will be traveling to Europe in May, including stays in Paris, Munich, Cannes, Rome and Athens, to study international accounting and international business law. Mike says, "It really will be the trip of a lifetime and I can't wait."

This is an especially exciting time of the year, filled with hope, possibility and opportunity. I would like to wish the members of Grade XIII, parents and young people, a very happy new year!

Sue Scott for Grade XIII



## Library Update

Mere Christianity – My personal favorite that I try to get everyone to read! Christian beliefs are explained in short chapters by this former atheist who became one of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century’s greatest Christian minds.

A Closer Walk – If you long for a closer, more intimate walk with your Lord, this book, drawn from the journals of Catherine Marshall, may help you find direction.

The Soul’s Passion for God – Theresa of Avila wrote extensively on prayer. Born in 1515, she was one of the first women declared a “Doctor of the Church” by the pope in 1970.

The Holy Way – Is leading a simple life possible in a world of chaos and complexity? Here are examined a variety of practical measures, taken from the monastic life, that point the way to daily simplicity.

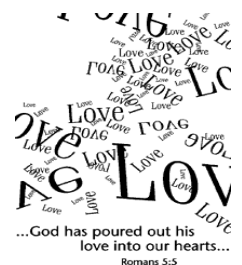
Calvin for Armchair Theologians – This is an insightful and accessible overview of Calvin’s key teachings, complete with illustrations to humorously illuminate key points.

Parenting in the Pew – Children are at church for the same reason as Mom or Dad: to worship God. We can help them participate in the most worthwhile and exciting act anybody can do.

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## DEACONS ANNUAL LOVE SHRUB

Start Celebrating Valentines Day early. Sign up at the Deacon’s Bench and receive your Secret Valentine. Then send them cards or little gifts that week and meet them February 10<sup>th</sup> for a lunch after the 11:00 a.m. service. Lots of Fun, Fellowship and Food! All welcome adults and children. Don’t forget give a clue in your last card. See you there. Call the church office with questions 933-6240.



## Ligonier Camp



Ligonier Camp is a Christian camp with one of the most diverse and extensive adventure education programs in the Eastern United States. The Camp's primary goal is to help children learn more about Jesus Christ as they grow in their knowledge of the Christian faith. However, understanding community by learning how to love, respect, and serve others, and their wonderful adventure program which helps children push past their "comfort zone" are also excellent features of this very special summer program. This camp is located in Ligonier, Pennsylvania and offers one and two week sessions for children 8 years of age through 17 and three day sessions for children 6 to 8. There are brochures available on the table in the foyer if you'd like to take a closer look. There are also many children from ALPC who have attended this camp and they would be happy to talk with you. If there is any way I can help you with more information please give me a call or send me an email:

[alstrauchs@aol.com](mailto:alstrauchs@aol.com). Arlene Strauch

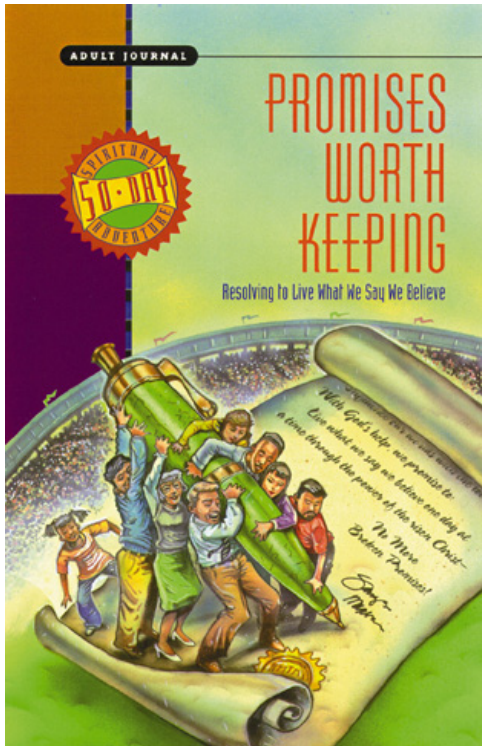
## Adult Sunday School 11:00 A.M. Room 3 – Session Room



Why not make attending the Adult Sunday school class a NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION? The class is using "The Wired Word" curriculum. Every Thursday this curriculum emails a Bible study based on a headline story from that week's newspaper to every student listed with the subscription. The person who will be leading the study then has a couple of days to prepare the lesson and everyone else in the class has a chance to think about the lesson. If you're not signed up – no problem – just come and enjoy the discussion. If you enjoy the program and decide to join in, your email address can be added to the subscription at no extra cost. Every week there will be a new headline with a new subject to discuss. Feel free to check it out at

[www.thewiredword.com](http://www.thewiredword.com).





## 50-Day Adventure is almost here!

Don't forget to sign up for this small group study! We will be offering 5 different meeting times during each week of Lent for groups. Choose the day and time that suits your schedule. You will need:

- 1 Adult journal for each participant. \$7.00
- 1 companion book (paperback) for each household. \$7.00
- About 15-20 minutes of journaling/study time per day.

Groups, consisting of 8-12 members each, will be meeting to discuss what God's Spirit is revealing through Bible study, journaling, prayer/meditation, and supporting sermons. Our small group leaders will be Carolyn and Charlie Rudd, Tim and Arlene Strauch, Lee Lohr, Nick Yoda, Leslie Knox, Scott and Karen Francy.

The kick-off for this exciting spiritual adventure will be Sunday's sermon on January 27th. Groups will then meet weekly for the next 7 weeks, with the adventure ending on Palm Sunday.



## Sound Room Technicians



<b>Jan 6</b>	9:30	Jerry Ruffner
	11:00	Todd Galloway
<b>Jan 13</b>	9:30	Paul Selvage
	11:00	Scott Seipel
<b>Jan 20</b>	9:30	Craig Young
	11:00	John Earley
<b>Jan 27</b>	9:30	Mike Richardson
	11:00	Tony George

**Gary Alshouse (933-5337)**  
schedules for the sound room.

## Annual Report

Annual Reports are due in the church office on **Sunday, January 13, 2008.**



The Christian Education Director Task Force and the Human Resources Committee are proud to announce the appointment of **Mrs. Carolyn Dzuro as our new Director of Christian Education.** Please join us in a warm welcome to Carolyn. She started her ministry with us for the New Year on January 2, 2008.

### A Little Bit about Carolyn Dzuro

I graduated from Ohio University in 1991 with a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and Early Childhood. After graduation, I worked as a Lead Teacher in various preschools and was also a 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher at a private elementary school in Cleveland, Ohio. I then became a stay-at-home mom and home schooled my children for the last 6 years.

I have been married for 14 years to George and we have 3 children – Gabe, Alivia, and Garrett. We live in North Olmsted. In my spare time I enjoy reading, running, attending my children's sporting events and spending time with my family.

Again, I feel so blessed to be given the opportunity of serving God through the education ministry at ALPC and am really looking forward to beginning the new journey. I can't wait to see the plans the Lord has for me.

## Prayer Concerns

### Serving in our Armed Forces:



Eric Hansen, Jennifer Homer, Matt Homer, Jeff Leopold, Jamie Waddell, Derek Fabry, Derek Weeden, Aaron Angel (Scott Hay's niece's husband), Brandon Abrams (son of a co-worker of Marian Conn), Bill Brown III (Sue Tompos' nephew), Ben Donberg (a nephew of the Monjots), Todd Funkhouser (Theda McGrew's grandson), Robert Glover (Carol Egna's brother), Andrew Hansen, Patrick Harris (Betty Harris' grandson), Ian Houston (a friend of Scott Simmons), Mark and Cheryl Monjot's nephew, Brenda Reynolds (Sue Mabe's daughter), Kyle Reynolds (Lois Bayley's great nephew), Ryan and Kevin Tinsley (Nancy McBride's grandsons), Adam Usher (Kay Usher's grandson) and Stephen Yoda (Nick Yoda's brother).

### Ongoing/Long term prayer concerns:

Marcia Kalo, Helen Killius, Chuck Klier, Donna Bradley's father-in-law, James Bennett (Nanette Wiedl's co-worker's husband), Bill Brown (Sue Tompos' father), Gregg Bornhoeft (Jeff Mell's cousin), Corinne Graycar (Nancy Spencer's daughter), Frances Neider (Janet Parker's mom) and Juliaette Wheeler (Marian Conn's mom).



### Living With Cancer

Juanita Brookshire, Bob Clegg, Georgene Meador, Carol Unger, Becky Betts, Brenda (Muriel Homer's friend), Sandy Borelli, Oakley Blakeslee (Susan Storm's father), John Bobel (Becky Betts' friend), Jack Clifford (Nancy Albrecht's father), Suzanne Day (Doug and Jackie Day's sister-in-law), Janie Doud (Donna Bradley's friend), Sam Farsetti, Jim Hamilton (Bill Hamilton's brother), Millie (Sharon Pervo's friend), Mindy Micsak's mother, Bob Mitchell (Holly Dufala's father), Tish Rayburn (Lynn Campsey-Clutter's co-worker), Carol Sagraves (Claire Postle's sister) and Patricia Strong (Barb Graves' sister-in-law).



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<b>Sunday Worship</b>	
<b>9:30 and 11:00 am</b>	
<b>Sunday School for all ages 11:00 am</b>	
<b>(440) 933-6240</b>	
<b><a href="http://www.AvonLakePC.org">www.AvonLakePC.org</a></b>	
Pastor	Tom Robinson
Assoc. Pastor	K. Nicholas Yoda
Pastor Emeritus	Alfred A. Hart
Dir. of Music	Muriel Homer
Dir. of CE	Carolyn Dzuro
Treasurer	Marcy Uhl
Financial Secty	Sharon Pervo
Office Admin	Cindi Dansizen
Housekeeping	Jill Ralston
Wedding Coord	Susan Vasu
Building/grounds	Bryan Crow