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Important Dates		
Feb. 2: Monthly Work Day, 9:30am—12:00pm, F. Hall		
Feb. 3: Communion Sunday Both services, open to all.	,	
Feb. 4: Higher Ground Breal fast, 201 E. Bessemer, 10:00am	K -	
Feb. 5: In*Spire Meditation, 12:00pm, Sanctuary, and Brown Bag Lunch at 12:30p in Fellowship Hall	m	
Feb. 12: Session Meeting, 6:00 pm, Faselo Room		
Feb. 12: Sierra Club, 7:00pn Fellowship Hall	n,	
Feb 18: Presidents' Day Fe	d-	

eral Holiday, Office Closed

Feb. 25: College Hill Neighborhood Assn. meeting, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

Feb. 26: ARC meeting, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

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Session Meeting Minutes, January 8, 2019

We are negotiating a new lease with After Gateway that reflects that they have added Room 108, formerly the minister's office, to the portion of the building that they rent.

We have successfully moved the minister's office to room 209 on the second floor. The office is the first door on the second floor hallway of the "new wing" and is directly above Marty's Room. You can access it by the stairwell that at the back of the Sanctuary, or by taking the elevator and bearing left and entering the new wing through the Historical Room.

The new lunch and dinner groups have gotten underway! You can still become a part of these shared meals, especially the lunches in a restaurant, by contacting Joyce Powers or leaving a message with Kate Baird.

We have made a donation to support the U-Kirk Presbyterian Campus Ministry program.

We have updated our Child Protection Section of the Human Resources Manual to comply with the Safety Policy of Salem Presbytery. We have also created a new employment application for children's teachers to meet the requirements of the Safety Policy.

We will have our first Joint Service of the year on Sunday, February 24 at 10:00am. We will follow the service with a shared meal a program put on by the Resources Committee to kick off our capital campaign.

Annie Oakley, Clerk of The Session

February Sunday Service Information

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<u>Feb. 3:</u>	Communion Sunday
9:00 Host:	Susan Andreatta
9:00 Music:	Emma Lee & Tyler Millard
11:15 Asst.:	Ann Finch
11:15 Music:	Dave Fox
11:15 Ushers:	Clara Kelly, Barry Barber

<u>Feb. 17:</u>	
9:00 Host:	TBA
9:00 Music:	Nancy Pitkin
11:15 Asst.:	Julie Strope
11:15 Music:	Nancy Pitkin

Monthly Work Day, Sat. Feb. 2nd

Meet at 9:30am in the Sanctuary to share coffee and we take down the decorate the building for the holiday season. We can't do it without you! Email Lora Farlow to volunteer at: lora.farlow@gmail.com

In*Spire Meditation Each Tuesday

In*Spire Meditation meets every Tuesday at noon in the Sanctuary for 20 minutes of free, group-led meditation. It's open to the community. On Tuesday, February 5th, join us for a brown bag lunch in the Fellowship Hall following meditation!

Weekly Wednesday Night Supper

PCoC's weekly potluck supper group meets at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a dish to share and enjoy dinner and conversations with the group. After-dinner program by Vance Arnold on Wed., February 6th!

Church Office Closed on Feb. 18th

The church office will be closed Feb.18th to observe the federal holiday honoring Presidents' Day.

Inclement Weather Procedures

Service cancellations due to inclement weather will be announced via email, posted on our Facebook site, and will be listed on WFMY (Channel 2, CBS) or WXII (Channel 12, NBC). If county schools are closed, the church office will be closed, and functions for that day/evening are cancelled.

Linda Jensen
Elsie Hutchens
Julie Strope
Dave Fox
Nancy Schaefer, Lem Cox

<u>Feb. 24:</u>	Joint Service & Meal
10:00 Host:	Ralph Cauthen
10:00 Music:	Nancy Pitkin

Church Office Hours

Mark Sandlin: Mon.—Thurs., 9:00am-3:00pm Kate Baird: Mon.—Friday, 9:00am-3:30pm

Every Week ...

 Mon.: 6:00pm, Yoga, Parlor ** 6:00m, Meditation, Marty's Room (106)
Tues.: 12:00pm, In*Spire Meditation, Sanctuary, free!
Wed.: 9:00am, Coffee Group, The Green Bean

- 6:00pm, WNFS Potluck, Fellowship Hall
- Thur.: 5:00pm, Yoga, Fellowship Hall**

Fri.: 9:00am, Coffee Group, Panera (New Garden Rd.) ** \$10 per class; \$7 for church members!

Higher Ground Breakfast, Feb. 4th

Join our volunteers at 10:00am on Feb. 4th at Higher Ground, 210 East Bessemer Ave., as we make and serve breakfast to this community group for those with HIV/AIDS. Contact Sue Stinson to volunteer or for more information: suestinson1968@yahoo.com. Donations go directly for meal supplies; make checks to PCoC; write "Higher Ground" in the memo line.

Choir Rehearsal Schedules

Chancel Choir: 4:00pm, Feb. 4, Feb. 25 Men's Quartet: To Be Announced Bell Choir: Feb. 25th The choirs are always seeking new voices. Contact Nancy Pitkin: nancypitkin@aol.com

PNC Update

The committee is still working to process incoming PIF forms and is working through the requirements for the Committee On Ministry to reach a decision.

Lunch/Dinner Groups Update

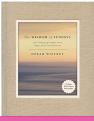
There's still time to take part in PCoC's newly-forming lunch groups or dinner groups. It's a great way to engage in community. Contact Joyce Powers at jkpowers42@gmail.com to sign up for either group. Sharing a meal with each other is a fun way to build fellowship and friendship.

Joint Service & Lunch to Kick Off Capital Campaign on Feb. 24

We'll share a joint service at 10:00am, then will gather in the Fellowship Hall at 10:15 for a fabulous feast as the Resource Committee will share details of the PCoC 2019 Capital Campaign. Further details will be listed in upcoming Sunday bulletins. Please plan to attend!

New Book Study Begins on February 3rd

Join the Book Study Group in the Faselo Room at 10:20am each week to read and discuss Oprah Winfrey's new book, "The Wisdom of Sundays; Life-Changing Insights from Super Soul Conversations". Each reading is condensed and one will be shared each week. Drop in anytime for shared inspiration! Contact Lora Farlow for more information: lora.farlow@gmail.com



PCoC Welcomes New Session Members

Welcome to the new Class of 2020 Elders, Ann Finch and Lem Cox, along with returning elder Barbara North. Our thanks for your service to the PCoC family. Ann and Lem will be ordained during both services on Sunday, February 3rd, and Barbara North will be ordained on Sunday, February 24th.

A Message From Dave Sheets

"The Sheets family would like to thank the members of the PCoC congregation for their support, love, and gifts of food during the time of our grief." PCoC would also like to express gratitude for all those who assisted with the memorial service, especially the ushers and food organizers and servers.

Thanks To All Our Volunteers!

A big thank you to everyone who's contributed so greatly to the service of our community, whether it's serving as a Sunday morning service host, or providing the refreshments for our Sunday morning Fellowship Time, or volunteering to help sell parking passes (we continue to enjoy our highest sales ever!). Thanks also to those who've worked to freshen up our Parlor and our rest rooms. Many thanks to those who've spent time organizing and sorting our one-hundred-years-and-counting store of sheet music! Thanks to all those who've helped move the pastor's office and the children's class-room and who are even now preparing to move the choir room. Thanks to those who have assisted in the Gateway move! Thanks to our ongoing volunteers who help with the building and grounds. And thanks always to Mark Cable; we'd be lost without you!

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