

THE PLEASANT TRAVELER  
February 2021

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Sunday School 9:00 am

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Worship 10:00am

<sup>12</sup> "This is my commandment, that you  
**loved** you. <sup>13</sup> No one has greater **love** **love** one another as I have  
than this, to lay down one's life for one's  
friends. <sup>14</sup> You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup> I do not call you servants  
any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called  
you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my  
Father. <sup>16</sup> You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go  
and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you  
whatever you ask him in my name. <sup>17</sup> I am giving you these  
commands so that you may **love** one another.

**John 15:12-17 (NRSV)**



## Birthdays

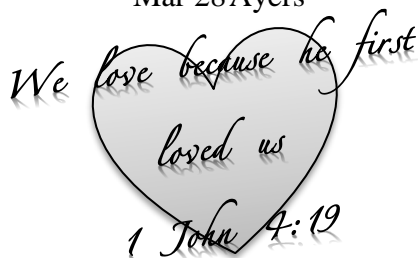
Feb 1	Jeremy Hunter
Feb 3	Ilo Jane Martin
Feb 5	Lane Ayers
Feb 7	Aaron Amick
Feb 10	Scott Hunter
Feb 10	Barb Bowman
Feb 12	Betty Rogers
Feb 14	Hannah Landis
Feb 14	Glorial Moore
Feb 15	Tammy Thornburg
Feb 15	Carissa Gasper
Feb 17	Finley Parsons
Feb 18	Lizzie Colclessor
Feb 19	Kathy Charles
Feb 21	Tony Hicks Sr
Feb 21	Kendall Wisel
Feb 23	Holly Lengerich
Feb 24	Joann Dolby
Feb 28	Cory Johnson

## Greeters

Feb 7	Reece and Lizzie
Feb 14	Andy and Andrea
Feb 21	Sarah and Jill
Feb 28	Phil and Nicole
Mar 7	Mike and Cory
Mar 14	Vicki and Cindy
Mar 21	Leona And Ashlee
Mar 28	Monica and Heather

## Acolytes

Feb 7	Hands
Feb 14	Wisels
Feb 21	Amicks
Feb 28	Colclessors
Mar 7	Magnusons
Mar 14	Amicks
Mar 21	Hands
Mar 28	Ayers



# 2021 FEBRUARY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	1	2	3	4	5	6

## Events

**Feb 1** –Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30  
**Feb 3** - Illo Jane Martin's 103<sup>rd</sup> Birthday!  
**Feb 8** –Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30  
 Feb 10 – UMW (time and location to be announced)  
**Feb 14** – Valentine's Day  
**Feb 15** –Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30  
**Feb 17** – Ash Wednesday – Lent Begins  
**Feb 22** –Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30

**MAR 21** – after worship - **Disaffiliation Informational Meeting**  
**MAR 24** – **6:00pm Disaffiliation Informational Meeting**  
**MAR 28** – **1:00 pm CHURCH CONFERENCE VOTE TO DISAFFILIATE**

**Bible Studies** - All are invited to Parson's home each Monday at 6:30 (unless otherwise announced) for an hour of study and discussion.

**Thank you** to each one who has furnished snacks for the coffee/cookie table. Everyone enjoys this (looking forward to getting back to this?)

**The Pleasant Chapel UMW** met at Jill Law's home on Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM. President Jill law opened the meeting by reading from the book of Revelation. Roll call was answered by telling a gift we received for Christmas.

Minutes were read and approved. Treasure's report was given.

**Missions:** thank you to everyone that filled Samaritan purse shoe boxes. A total of 28 boxes was filled from Pleasant Chapel.

**New business:** We will put an easel with a blanket on it and envelopes for donations to Church World Services "Blanket Fund / Tools of Hope" during the month of February. This will be under the balcony. Program: Jill read Psalm 139:7 and devotions titled "Another Year Beginning". Refreshments were served by Jill.

**Mailboxes** – Be sure to check your church mailbox each Sunday.

**A Thank You** was received from Love INC. to Pleasant Chapel for our donation of \$100.

**Food collection for the Roanoke food pantry** – during the month of February are Pleasant Chapel church family is asked to bring canned non-perishable food to be given to the Roanoke Food Pantry. Paper products can be brought too. Please put these items on or near the altar railing.

**Church World Service Blanket Fund / Tools of Hope** is a mission offering of Pleasant Chapel United Methodist Women’s group. This mission offering is used in the United States and also around the world. Blankets are given to people in need to keep them warm in cold weather. Tools of Hope include clean water, tents, garden tools, seeds, education and other needs for people devastated by tragedy who are working to build a better life for themselves and their communities.

A blanket and offering envelopes are displayed at the back of the sanctuary under the balcony for anyone wanting to give to this mission.

**“Tell me again why we needed Christmas?”** Our current sermon series is making a quick survey of the Old Testament, highlighting some of the key events of God’s story throughout Scripture in order that we may the more deeply appreciate what God has done for humankind and his plan to rescue all people to himself. If you are interested in following along with some of this Scripture as part of your weekly reading plan, each week’s passages are printed in the bulletin and available on our homepage in an audio format so you can listen to the text. Hope you’ll check it out.

**Truth be Told**

I’m intrigued by the Matthew West’s song’s title “Truth be Told - the Truth is Rarely Told”. It is a catchy lyric and an interesting proposition.

**THE CHURCH CONFERENCE** will be held at Pleasant Chapel March 28<sup>th</sup> at 1:00. Voting members will be **voting on disaffiliation** with the United Methodist Church. This meeting will be run by District Superintendent David Neckers.

There will be **2 informational meetings** for the congregation to hear what is being voted on, pros and cons for each side, and an opportunity for questions and comments.

These meetings will be:

Sunday **March 21** after service  
 Wednesday **March 24** at 6:00 pm.

It is recommended you attend one.

The meetings and vote will be available remotely using Zoom.

***PLEASE BE PRAYERFUL FOR THE FUTURE OF PLEASANT CHAPEL!***

What is fascinating about this statement is how relevant that statement is today, unfortunately. With what you and I have experienced in the past several months, one thing that has been missing in those experiences is an abundance of truth. When we needed goods facts and good data, whether it be regarding the corona virus and the pandemic, political promises being made, election results, or just basic news information, too often truth simply wasn’t there. There was the appearance of multiple truths which simply is contradictory.

Karla used to work at a bank, handling a lot of money. It was interesting how they trained people who dealt with a lot of cash to spot that which was counterfeit. You would think that they would be trained in seeing all kinds of different fake currencies. But instead they were never shown anything that was counterfeit. All they handled was that which was true and real. Then, when that which was false came into contact with them, they were immediately alerted to it because it wasn't like that which they were most familiar.

We have a lot of counterfeit truth in our world. It is even more critical for us, as followers of Christ, to stay continuously in touch with that which is pure, correct, and true. We must continue to stay in truth! We must continue in the truths of what it is we say we believe. First, because that is what we are called to do. And secondly, staying in that truth empowers us to recognize lies. Truth number one: God loves you very much. Truth number two: he constantly pursues you in that love in order to bring you more closely to him. Truth number three: he has given everyone the means by which to be drawn near to him, it is through the sacrificial act of his very own son Jesus Christ.

Let us, as good followers of Christ, continue to stay in that truth, let us invest our time and energy in pursuing The Way, The TRUTH, and The Life! -John 14:6

	November 8, 2020	November 15, 2020	November 22, 2020	November 29, 2020	December 6, 2020	December 13, 2020	December 20, 2020	December 27, 2020	January 3, 2021	January 10, 2021	January 17, 2021	January 24, 2021	January 31, 2021
Attendance	27	23	17	13	13	22	23	30	25	35	19	22	0
Giving	1341	576	811	811	1112	946	1141	2716	950	1512	4916	541	





## *For My Sister*

*David C. Needham*

Years ago the story is told of a little boy whose sister needed a blood transfusion. The doctor explained that she had the same disease the boy had recovered from two years earlier. Her only chance of recovery was a transfusion from someone who had previously conquered the disease. Since the two children had the same rare blood type, the boy was the ideal donor.

“Would you give your blood to Mary?” the doctor asked. Johnny hesitated. His lower lip started to tremble. Then he smiled and said, “Sure, for my sister.”

Soon the two children were wheeled into the hospital room. Mary, pale and thin. Johnny, robust and healthy. Neither spoke, but when their eyes met, Johnny grinned. As the nurse inserted the needle into his arm, Johnny’s smile faded. He watched the blood flow through the tube.

With the ordeal almost over, Johnny’s voice, slightly shaky, broke the silence. “Doctor, when do I die?”

Only then did the doctor realize why Johnny had hesitated, why his lip had trembled when he agreed to donate his blood. He thought giving his blood to his sister would mean giving up his life. In that brief moment, he had made his great decision.

