

Daniel 2:20–22 (NRSV) ²⁰ ... “Blessed be the name of God from age to age, for wisdom and power are his. ²¹ He changes times and seasons, deposes kings and sets up kings; he gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding. ²² He reveals deep and hidden things; he knows what is in the darkness, and light dwells with him.





March 2022

Birthdays

Mar 6 Tammy Lickey
 Mar 6 Sawyer Hoffman
 Mar 6 Kelly Nei
 Mar 9 Rev. Steve Fritchman
 Mar 12 Madie Hicks
 Mar 17 David Fairchild
 Mar 19 Nick Wisel
 Mar 22 Ryan Hoffman
 Mar 23 Garrett Dinius
 Mar 23 Deanne Hoffman
 Mar 23 Tom Rupert
 Mar 24 Ellen Colclessner
 Mar 25 John Sherbahn
 Mar 27 Bill Sherbahn
 Mar 28 Valerie Raichart
 Mar 28 Vivian Hoffman

Anniversaries

Mar 4 Barry and Sally Knuckles
 Mar 31 Dan and Deborah Hunter

Greeters

Mar 13 Vicki and Cindy
 Mar 20 Leona And Ashlee
 Mar 27 Monica and Heather
 Apr 3 Tom and Tammy L.
 Apr 10 Andy and Andrea
 Apr 17 John and Anna
 Apr 24 Nick and Kasey

Acolytes

Mar 13 Amicks
 Mar 20 Hands
 Mar 27 Ayers
 Apr 3 Hands
 Apr 10 Wisels
 Apr 17 Amicks
 Apr 24 Colclessers

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		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	29	30	31		

Events

Mar 2 – Brofest @ 7am
Mar 6 – *Experiencing God* 9:00 am
Mar 7 – Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30
Mar 9 – PC women 9:30 at the church.
Mar 9 – *Experiencing God* 6:30 (lite meal @ 6:00)
Mar 13 – Daylight Savings (clocks forward)
Mar 13 – *Experiencing God* 9:00 am
Mar 14 – Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30
Mar 16 – Brofest @ 7am
Mar 16 – *Experiencing God* 6:30 (lite meal @ 6:00)
Mar 19 – Soup Supper 4-7
Mar 20 – *Experiencing God* 9:00 am
Mar 21 – Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30
Mar 23 – *Experiencing God* 6:30 (lite meal @ 6:00)
Mar 27 – *Experiencing God* 9:00 am
Mar 28 – Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30
Mar 30 – *Experiencing God* 6:30 (lite meal @ 6:00)

and all her helpers who make children's church a great experience for our young saints!

Soup Supper the soup supper will be at Pleasant Chapel on Saturday, March 19th from 4:00 to 7:00 PM. The menu includes chili and chicken noodle soup, homemade pies, and cake. A free will offering will be accepted. Anyone wanting to help, please see Joann.

Fish Fry - The Roanoke St. Joseph Catholic Church will sponsor a fish fry at the Roanoke American Legion on Friday March 18th from 4:30 to 7:00 PM. The cost is \$12. It is drive-thru only.

The Huntington County Right To Life has closed permanently as of December 1st, 2021.

Thank you to each one who has furnished snacks for the coffee/cookie table. Everyone enjoys this! Sign-up papers for snacks are on the table in front of the mailboxes.

Children's Church is held each Sunday morning after the children's story for preschoolers and up to third grade. Thank you to Ellen Colclessner

Some Directory Changes

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	December 5, 2021	December 12, 2021	December 19, 2021	December 26, 2021	January 2, 2022	January 9, 2022	January 16, 2022	January 23, 2022	January 30, 2022	February 6, 2022	February 13, 2022	February 20, 2022	February 27, 2022
Attendance	53	53	62	43	43	45	41	41	60	56	47	43	42
Giving	1237	1036	646	2480	2290	3152	35303	673	1016	1494	1651	726	443

The Pleasant Chapel Women's Group met on Wednesday, February 9th at 1:00 at Ellen Colclessor's home.

President Jill Law opened the meeting by reading a devotion from the Upper Room. Roll call was answered by five women. Minutes were read and approved. Treasurer's report was given. Our mission for this quarter is Samaritan's Purse. Ellen sent \$100 to them. Cards were signed to send to friends and shut-ins.

Our March meeting will be on Wednesday, March 9th at the church at 9:30 AM. We will do cleaning and readiness for the spring soup supper, which will be on Saturday, March 19th. We will not do a bazaar at the supper.

Program: Ellen gave a report on the book she had read: "When God Builds a Church". Delicious refreshments were served.



New Souper Bowl Champion Martha Roehm

The 2022 Souper Bowl was a lot of fun February 13th. Martha Roehm took first place in the soup division with Chicken and Noodle. She will bear the Golden Ladle and the Victory Belt for the coming year! Rob Roehm was second (hope that went over ok at home), and Ryan Hoffman was third.



Joann Dolby placed first in the dessert division with her carrot cake. Tammy

Lickey was second and Martha Roehm third.

Thank you to everyone that brought food and other needed items during the month of February to be donated to the Roanoke food pantry.

BELONG BELIEVE BEHAVE

While driving back from our Florida vacation on Sunday morning, Karla and I were with my sister and brother-in-law and decided for worship we would watch (I would listen since I was driving) their church service. They attend and serve at Waterford Community Church near Goshen IN and the church live-streams their services.

The senior pastor was welcoming new attenders to their church as well as anyone who would be, like us, participating online. And he said about the church that the place was "where people belong even before they believe or behave."

That statement caught my attention and the more I thought about it, the more I like it and believe that that should be not just a saying within a church, but rather the very way everyone within the church acts.

I believe our church models that in the statement of belief:

Pleasant Chapel welcomes all people to explore and grow in Christian faith, ... All are accepted and all are affirmed as people who have sacred worth and bear the image of their Creator.

Sometimes there is a tendency where those things get twisted around. Instead of first being a place where one simply belongs first, there is pressure to believe the things about our faith, behave according to a certain accepted set of behaviors, *then* one can belong to the group. That, I believe, is backwards and doesn't model the way Jesus worked among the people.

Think about some of the encounters Jesus had with people: The Samaritan woman at the well (John 4), the

paralyzed man lowered through the roof (Mark 2:1-13), the woman caught in adultery (John 8:1-11), the sinful woman who anointed Jesus' feet with her tears, hair, and perfume (Luke 7: 36-50).

In each of those passages, did Jesus require the person first believe or behave before he allowed them to belong to him? No! He loved them first. Even the story of the rich man who asked Jesus what he needed to do to inherit eternal life. Jesus knew the man's weakness was his love of possessions, but yet when he rebuked the man's shortcomings, scripture says "Jesus, looking at him, **loved him** and said, **"You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, ... Mark 10:21 (NRSV).**

The man would be forever remembered as the one who went away shocked and grieved because Jesus revealed the man's inability to do what he originally asked of Jesus, "what must **I do** to inherit eternal life?" He learned there is nothing he can do to inherit eternal life. But even then, Jesus loved him. He loved him first giving the man a sense of belonging before that man had belief and before any change to his behavior.

I need to be more like that! I want to continue to be part of a church where people can belong first, be loved first, be accepted, and affirmed first. Then allow the Spirit to begin transforming the belief and the behavior.

Recently, the world seems to be telling us that if people believe or behave a little differently than we do, they can never belong. Tribalizing is trending! Too often, if someone differs in opinion (political party, beliefs regarding COVID, race, socioeconomic status, etc.), they are cast away from belonging to "my group." Not so in the church.

May we continue to imitate Christ, where love transcends any worldly differences. May we continue to be the place where people can come, belong, and connect with God.

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Soup Supper Saturday March 19, 2022

4-7 pm

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Menu

Chili, Chicken Noodle Soup
Ham Sandwiches, Coffee, Orange Drink
Homemade Pies, and Cakes

Eat your fill, pay as you will

