



# The Messenger



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Sunday, February 12th, is Super Bowl Sunday. As a part of the fun of this day, the congregation is asked to bring in donations of cans of soup and/or boxes of crackers for Doorstep. A box or boxes just inside the main entrance will be provided. Place your donations in the box. All of the donations will be taken to

Doorstep. They will help stock the food shelves to be distributed to serve the needs of the community.

## Souper Bowl Luncheon

To get Souper Bowl started, we will have a soup luncheon following worship on the 12<sup>th</sup>. We will plan to have soup, crackers, desserts and whatever else you would like to bring. There'll be a sign up sheet in Fellowship Hall. Join us for worship; then share lunch with your church family.



## Doorstep News ~ February, 2023

Another year has begun, and we have hit the ground running! Each year brings new challenges, new experiences, and often many new blessings for Doorstep! We are looking at having the Doorstep Annual Banquet & Quilt Drawing this year after a 3-year COVID hiatus; perhaps a food sale, and the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Neighbor Helping Neighbor Walk/5K Fun Run will be Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>!



As always we know we could not do all of our services and activities without the help of our member congregations, volunteers, and the community! We have been here over 56 years, and we still operate on “neighbors helping neighbors”!

**SouperBowl Sunday is February 12<sup>th</sup>** and we are asking our member congregations to collect soup and crackers again this year to help stock our food pantry! Watch for sales, and gather your donations! We can use all varieties of soup, and crackers. A successful SouperBowl Sunday can stock our pantry with these items into the spring months! **Our goal for 2023 is 5,000 pounds = 2.5 ton!**

We have decided going forward we will no longer give out clothing and shoes in our Christmas Adoption Project. We will continue to use the distribution model we started due to COVID, and provide gift cards in lieu of clothing. The only exceptions are: NEW pajamas for kids, and NEW hoodies for men, women, and teens... As winter clearance sales are going on, look for warm pajamas from newborn to sizes 18 for kids (boys & girls), and hoodies (sweatshirts) in all sizes, colors, sports teams etc. (sizes small – 5x)

Finally, **Thank You** to everyone who donated money, blankets, games, puzzles, gifts, school supplies, hygiene items, and their time for **Doorstep’s Christmas Adoption Project** this past December! We assisted a total of **260 households with 822 individuals!**

### Lent Begins



The Lenten Season begins on February 22<sup>nd</sup> with Ash Wednesday. We will celebrate this occasion with a service at 5:30 p.m. Join us as we begin the journey toward the day of resurrection



## Thank You For Your Service

Thank you to the Elder class of 2022- Matthew Reynolds, Jan Rice and Dean Robinson- for their service. Matthew Reynolds ended his term. Dean Robinson had filled a vacancy in the class of 2022 and agreed to a three-year term for the class of 2025. Jan Rice agreed to renew for another three-year term. Larry William joined the class of 2025 as a newly elected Elder. Dean, Jan and Larry were elected as the class of 2025 at a congregational meeting on December 11, 2022. Thank you to these members who will serve St. Andrews as Elders.



*Dear St. Andrews Family,  
Thank you so much for my Christmas gift. I will again use it to buy music. I love choosing, buying and playing new church music. It is such a joy! God Bless every one of you.*

*Love,  
Francene*



Communion will be celebrated on February 5<sup>th</sup>.

## February 2023 Lectionary

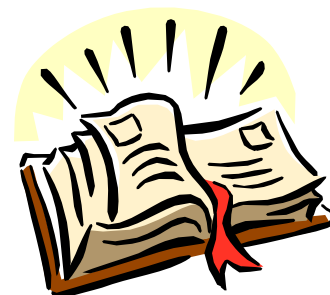
**Sunday, February 5-** Isaiah 58:1–9a [9b–12]; Psalm 112:1–9 [10]; 1 Corinthians 2:1–12 [13–16]; Matthew 5:13–20

**Sunday, February 12-** Deuteronomy 30:15–20; Psalm 119:1–8; 1 Corinthians 3:1–9; Matthew 5:21–37

**Transfiguration of the Lord—February 19-** Exodus 24:12–18; Psalm 2 or Psalm 99; 2 Peter 1:16–21; Matthew 17:1–9

**Ash Wednesday—February 22-** Joel 2:1–2, 12–17 or Isaiah 58:1–12; Psalm 51:1–17; 2 Corinthians 5:20b–6:10; Matthew 6:1–6, 16–21

**First Sunday in Lent—February 26-** Genesis 2:15–17, 3:1–7; Psalm 32; Romans 5:12–19; Matthew 4:1–11



## February Birthdays

Karen Beckley, February 9<sup>th</sup>

Susan William, February 12<sup>th</sup>

Sharon McDaniels, February 17<sup>th</sup>

Dean Robinson, February 23<sup>rd</sup>

## No February Anniversaries

## ***Caring for our Members and Friends***



Please remember the following in your prayers:

Mary Ottiwell's death, Tammy Garrett, Linda Ozaki,  
Suzie Marker, Karen Beckley, Kathy Fuller, Dolores  
Wilmers, Rita Kelly, Cheryl Kelly, AJ Jones

Remember all service men and women -both active duty and veterans, firefighters, EMTs, police officers, and medical personnel who continue to serve.

Prayers for the hungry and the homeless.

Prayers for those suffering from the severe weather conditions, storms, tornadoes and floods sweeping parts of the country; the victims of wars and violence. Pray for God's peace in the midst of so much turmoil in this country and around the world.

Prayers for the victims of mass shootings that just seem to keep happening.

Pray for our government officials and world leaders that they may promote unity, peace and justice for all.



# Session Meeting

## SESSION HIGHLIGHTS-January 8, 2023

[P] '25 Dean Robinson      [ A ] '24 Sharon McDaniels      [P] '23 Betty DeShazer  
[P] '25 Larry William      [ P ] '24 Linda Ozaki      [P] '23 Bill DeShazer  
[P] '25 Jan Rice      [ A ] '24 Stephanie Reynolds      [P] '23 Charles Franks

[P] Session Moderator- Rev. Dr. Stacey Shaffer Jones  
[P] Clerk of Session-Bill DeShazer  
[A] Treasurer-Stephanie Reynolds

Balance in checking as of 12/31/22 - \$18,194.11

Memorial Fund - \$1,641.05

Pledge income for 2022- \$25,370.00

Non pledge income for 2022- \$25,595.12

Loose offering for 2022- \$3,341.30

Total All Income for 2022 - \$69,168.30; Total All Expenses 2022-  
\$66,358.19

Annual Congregational Meeting will be January 29<sup>th</sup> following worship.

Special session meeting on Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup>.

Ash Wednesday Service, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30

We will have a soup luncheon on Super Bowl Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. There will be a signup sheet in Fellowship Hall. Soup and crackers for Doorstep will be collected that day.

Communion will be observed on February 5, 2023.

February 2023						
◀ January						March ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5 Communion	6	7 Presbytery Zoom mtg.	8	9 Karen Beckley B'day	10	11 10:30 Combined Regular & Special Session Mtg.
12 Super Bowl Luncheon Susan William B'day	13	14 Happy Valentines Day	15	16	17 Sharon McDaniels B'day	18
19	20	21	22 Ash Wednesday Service at 5:30	23 Dean Robinson B'day	24	25
26	27	28				

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**February 2023**



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SAINT ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
Bible Study, Sunday, 10:15 AM  
Sunday Services 11:00 AM**

