



GLADE TIDINGS

GLADE UNITED CHURCH OF
CHRIST

"Never place a period
where God has placed
a comma." Grace Allen
God is still speaking,



*Our Lives Together for
February & March 2022*



The annual congregation meeting will be held on **Sunday, February 13th** immediately following worship.

Copies of the annual report including the budget are on the table in the back of the sanctuary for your review. Please contact Tammie if you would like to receive a copy via email.

Snow date: Sunday, February 20th.

Ash Wednesday Service Wednesday, March 2, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Join Pastor Amy for an Ash Wednesday service Live in person here at Glade at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 2nd.

Ash Wednesday, of course, begins the Lenten season of forty days (excluding Sundays) prior to Easter Sunday. It is a time to reflect on who we are, and who, by God's grace, we might become. Please consider taking advantage of this special worship experience to tend to your spiritual life.





Genesis 3:19

By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread until you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; you are dust, and to dust you shall return.

In this verse from Genesis, God explains the consequences of their sin to Adam and Eve. These words - remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return – are commonly used during the imposition of ashes on Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the season of Lent.

Lent is a time when we focus on Christ's journey toward the cross. It is also an opportunity to consider Christ's call to follow in his footsteps. Traditionally, it has been a season of denial, of giving up or letting go, but it is also a time to include spiritual practices, traditionally prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. These 40 days allow us to consider how we live, what we have been willing to lay down for our faith, and what we have not.

Holy Week shows us the cost of our sin, and in Easter we see the completion of God's plan for the restoration of all things. Between now and Easter Sunday, we are reminded of the impact of our sins against God and one another. Ash Wednesday reminds us that the journey toward the Cross is one every Christian makes and that our time to make that journey is finite. We are dust and each one of us will return to dust. Every day is a gift and an opportunity to turn away from sin and toward God, to let go of regrets, mistakes, anything that keeps us from following more closely in the footsteps of our Lord.

May we prayerfully enter Lent together,

Pastor Amy



Consistory Report

Minutes of Glade UCC Consistory Meeting Thursday, November 18, 2021 Via Zoom

Consistory Activities— The meeting was held via Zoom. Danny Ogg chaired the meeting and Carole Kreimer gave the devotional. Carole Kreimer made a motion to approve the minutes from the October meeting and Becky Hommer 2nd the motion.

Pastor's Report— Pastor Amy reported that the confirmation classes are going well. We had our annual All Saints service as well as a baptism in the beginning of the month .

New Business—The current Covid protocols were discussed and everything is working, there are no changes at this time. We will have extra masks on hand for Bills Christmas concert at church as they have to be worn to sing. Tammie presented the 2022 budget and Danny presented the revision to the By-laws to go from 9 to 7 members and from 50% to 2/3rds for a quorum. There will be a Congregation meeting on December 19th to approve the 2022 budget and the revised by-laws. Danny has begun to recruit new consistory members to replace Ruth Ann Wilson, Nancy Sweet & himself. The annual meeting date was set for Sunday, February 13th.

Finance Committee Report— Tammie presented the 2022 budget. The consistory will take the next few days to look at the budget and plan to approve it via email. Danny Ogg sent an email on November 24th asking if everyone had reviewed the budget. Irene Weddle made the motion to accept the budget and by-laws as presented. Becky Hommer seconded the motion. Carole Kreimer, Lisa Frederick & Nancy Sweet all voted to approve the budget.

Property Report—There was no report.

Worship & Fellowship Committee—Bill is planning his Christmas Concert live in person for Wednesday, December 15th at 7:00 p.m. there will not be a Facebook Live version due to copyright with some of the songs that will be played.

Mission & Social Action—We will be working the Soup Kitchen on November 21st.

Glade Guild—The Fall dinner was a success there was a meeting to discuss whether we should hold the spring dinner.

Marketing & Social Media—The website designing is going well and we hope to have the new version up by mid to end December.



Consistory Report Continued

Minutes of Glade UCC Consistory Meeting Thursday, December 16, 2021 Via Zoom

Consistory Activities— The meeting was held via Zoom. Danny Ogg chaired the meeting and Irene Weddle gave the devotional. The minutes from the November 18th meeting were approved.

New Business—The current Covid protocols were discussed and everything is working. The sign on the door was changed to include that masks were encouraged and required when singing. There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday, December 19th for approval of the 2022 budget, and the changes in the By-Laws. We will go back to using the individual communion cups for Christmas Eve communion and beyond.

Pastor's Report— Pastor Amy reported that confirmation classes continue via zoom. She is lining up speakers from different types of Christianity for the classes, she had a Catholic speaker last month and will have a Quaker speak to the group next. Pastor Amy is also leading an Advent book study. We discussed using battery operated candles for Christmas Eve. She also mentioned that she currently knows of one church that is going back to virtual only services. We will take up a special offering for Kentucky on Christmas Eve this will take place of the Veterans of the Cross. We will send the offering to the local Lions club chapter in the affected areas.

Finance Committee Report— Tammie mentioned that the copier lease will be up in April. Connie & Tammie have interviewed 3 copier companies. Tammie presented the details of the 3 leases to the consistory for their selection. Carol made a motion for the new copier lease with DCA under Tammie's recommendation and Nancy 2nd the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Property—The Frederick East Classical Home School Co-Op would like to continue with us for the next school year. We will get them a new contract in the coming months.

Marketing & Social Media—Tammie sent the link out for the consistory to take a look at the webpage in progress. Nancy suggested not using the word "Proud" we will take a look at rephrasing the words on the opening page.

Minutes of Glade UCC Congregational Meeting Sunday, December 19, 2021

Danny Ogg called the Congregational Meeting to order immediately following worship, on Sunday, December 19, 2021. The purpose of the meeting was to approve the 2022 budget and the change in the By-Laws from 9 nine elected members to 7 elected members and to change the quorum size to 2/3^{rd's} for a meeting – 5 members. **(continued at top of next page)**

Congregation Meeting Minutes Continued

Danny made a few introductory remarks. He asked if anyone had any questions or comments about the proposed budget

Danny then presented the changes to the By-Laws and asked if there were any questions or comments about the changes in the By-Laws.

Bonnie Ogg moved to approve the budget & By-Laws change as presented and Lorie Jean Turner seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

General Fund Financial Report

November 30, 2021

Beginning Balance:	\$35,993.99
Total Income:	\$40,541.70
Total Expenses:	\$22,984.06
Ending Balance:	\$53,551.63

December 31, 2021

Beginning Balance:	\$53,551.63
Total Income:	\$23,302.56
Total Expenses:	\$21,877.61
Ending Balance:	\$54,976.58

Counters for February

Ruth Keyser
Bob Watson

Counters for March

Adrian Wodey
Lisa Jordre

Care Givers

**"Love the Lord your God with all your heart..."
Matthew 22:37**

It's February! If you are a patron of Dollar Tree, you've probably noticed that, as you enter, you are immediately bombarded with merchandise for 3 upcoming events---Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day, and Easter. It doesn't take long to determine which aisle features items to promote celebrating this month's holiday---Red and pink ♥ shaped decorations, ♥ shaped candies, ♥ shaped balloons, and ♥ adorned cards abound!

Throughout the Bible, the ♥ is characterized as the seat of both our emotions and thoughts... which should lead us to "actions." We should lead our lives through *acts of caring*. (I'm reminded of the song..."and they'll know we are Christians by our love.") Caring is our way of sharing from the ♥. *Caring is giving* from the ♥.

As you celebrate Valentine's Day this year, let's consider how we can express our love and caring for people. Here are some suggestions:

- ♥ Do something helpful for a friend ♥ Send a thoughtful card
- ♥ Take food to a neighbor ♥ Hold someone in prayer
- ♥ Decorate someone's porch with hearts
- ♥ Phone someone---ask about their day---and just listen

Here are some quotes to inspire you to 'action'. . .

"Words of kindness are healing to a drooping ♥ "

"Kindness is 'a work of ♥ "

"Never stop doing little things for others. Sometimes those little things occupy the biggest part of their ♥ s." And finally . . .

"There's no better exercise for the ♥ than bending down and lifting someone else's spirit whenever you can. It will be a blessing to others as God blesses your kind ♥ ."

Blessings! (and Happy Valentine's Day!)

In God's Love,

Becky D.



Special Thanks

Homewood Foundation sent an acknowledgement of our donation of \$80.00 for the Frederick Benevolent Care through the Homewood Foundation. Our contribution, will help them continue in their mission to provide compassionate, professional and caring service in order to enhance the quality of life for residents, clients and co-workers. They are so grateful to be a recipient of our generosity.

Walkersville Volunteer Fire Company sent their sincerest gratitude for our recent donation to their company in the amount of \$500 for the use of their fire hall for our fall dinner. Our donation will help purchase new equipment, train new members, and maintain our apparatus. As a proud volunteer organization, it is essential for them to have the support of the community and they are very thankful to have us in the community they serve.

Glade Valley Community Services would like to thank us for our continued support and generous donations to our Holiday Toy Shoppe program. This year they were able to help 67 families and 192 children ages 0-18 from the Walkersville Feeder school area. They received 200 outfits, 100 homemade stockings stuffed with fun items, 300 toys and books, 92 Middle and High school students received gift cards, sweatshirts, books and more. Many families won raffle items of grocery store gift cards, dining gift cards/coupons, hair salon coupons and more!

The Lancaster Theological Seminary thanked Glade UCC for the \$200 gift of support of the ministry of theological education at the seminary. Our gift provides support for the seminary's mission "to educate and nurture leaders to join Gods redemptive and liberating work so that all creation may flourish." The support we provide with our prayers and gifts opens the doors for their student's education, opens their minds to learning, and opens their hearts to serving.

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Special Thanks Continued

Mission of Mercy would like to thank us for our support in 2021, with our generous contribution of \$80. They are extremely grateful we remembered them and the patients they serve. The men and women they serve are the uninsured and underinsured who are sick and suffering tragically and have nowhere to turn for their health care, dental care and prescription needs. During 2021, while still experiencing the pandemic with its challenges, and through their medical and dental teams and volunteers they were able to serve over 2,265 medical and dental patients, conducted more than 6,600 patient visits and dispensed over 8,600 prescription medications. Again this would not be possible without Glade's contributions.



Church World Services thanked Glade UCC for our generous gift of \$80.00 to the CWS Blanket program. Our contribution provides warmth, comfort and hope to neighbors near and far. It provides a tangible reminder to migrant families that they are not alone as they seek safety. It wraps refugees in warmth as they arrive in the United States to build a new future. It provides

comfort to our neighbors who have lost homes or are struggling in the face of extreme challenges. Around the world, your support means relief and hope.

Lenten Bible Discussion Thursday Evenings at 7:00 p.m. March 17th-April 7th



During this Lenten season, we will explore the impact of our choices through the lens of The Last Temptation of Christ. We will explore what it means for us that Jesus was fully human; whether he experienced fear, doubt, and temptation; and what our choices mean for our faith today.

We will meet to watch and discuss the movie via Zoom four Thursdays during Lent: March 17th, 24th, 31st, and April 7th at 7:00. Please let the church office know if you plan to attend.

February Second Mile Giving



Second Mile Giving for February supports Church World Service's Blanket Program. Every \$10 you give provides a wool or cotton blanket distributed by CWS to needy people around the world. Last year, congregational gifts provided over 118,000 CWS Blankets and Kits to families impacted by hurricanes, tornadoes, flooding and other crises (including homelessness and poverty). Share your blessings and increase the outreach this year! Please indicate on the memo line of the check "Blanket"

March Second Mile Giving



Through our sharing, we get a taste of the generosity of God, who does "immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine." When we look at suffering in the world, we can become discouraged, unable to see past the difficulty. But when we think of the wonders God works, our imaginations go wild! Gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing help provide, nourishment and income. Without the burdens of struggle, communities have more time for creativity, learning, and possibilities for life in greater fullness. God is at work doing so much more than we can imagine! And when we contribute to One Great Hour of Sharing, we are part of God's work in the world.

Food Bank for February & March

Let's help our neighbors chase away the chill of winter with donations of coffee, low-fat/low-sugar instant creamers, hot chocolate, tea bags, canned soups, and oatmeal. As well as food donations, cash donations are also accepted by the Glade Valley Community Services at P. O. Box 655, Walkersville, MD 21793.



Glade Guild

The Spring Oyster, Turkey & Ham Dinner & Bazaar has been **CANCELLED** due to COVID.

Our next meeting will be March 6. We'll explore other fundraising ideas. All are welcome! A co chair is needed for the November fall dinner, contact Cathy Widder for more information. 301-898-5558

Mission & Social Action Committee



SAVE THE DATE

MARCH 20th
SOUP KITCHEN

Mark your calendars for March 20th at 3:45 for our next Soup Kitchen on All Saints Street in downtown Frederick. We are becoming experts at pivoting with each new surge of the coronavirus and resulting new protocols at the Soup Kitchen. I guess that's what they call the new normal. A few things never change, however – our menu (mac & cheese and ham continue to be a perennial bestseller) and our reliability. We somehow manage to be there and provide a healthy, delicious homemade meal every other month. You are all remarkable and I know our efforts are appreciated.

Altar Flower Fund

The sign up sheet for providing altar flowers for a Sunday in 2022 is up on the bulletin board. Please consider signing up to provide them for a Sunday or two in the new year. You may place them in honor or memory of someone who is special to you. Consider selecting a Sunday that coincides with their birthday or another special day. You may wish to give a donation to the altar flower fund instead. Make the check out to "Glade UCC" and on the memo line, write "Altar Flower Fund."

February Birthdays

2/01 Ralph Whitmore
Tom England
Rebecca Strawsburg
2/02 Justin Clarke
Andre Cornelis
2/04 Ellen Garst
2/06 Tammie Shumaker
2/07 Lisa Byrd
Liam Powell
Hadley Howell
2/08 Kara Caprarola
Scott Borison
2/10 Brady Nusbaum
2/11 Paul Yingling
James Harrison
2/12 Stuart Clark
2/14 Jennifer Ogg
Bryan Saylor
2/15 Terri Grimm



2/16 Betty Baggett
Mary Scheele
2/17 Blake Ambrose
2/18 Logan DiPaolo
2/19 Craig Davie
Ken Grim
Raegan Smith
Billy Veith
2/21 Dorothy Shober
2/22 Linda Powers
Lowell Echelberger
2/23 Daniel Ogg
2/24 Frances Cecil
Stacey Wachter
2/27 Tiffany Kauffman
2/28 Leo Duncan
2/29 Megan Ford

February Anniversaries

Happy
anniversary

2/21 Bonnie & David Ogg



FEBRUARY EVENTS

Wed., Feb. 2 GROUNDHOG DAY
 Thur., Feb 10 Consistory Meeting via Zoom 7:00 p.m.
 Sun., Feb 13 Annual Meeting following worship
 Mon., Feb 14 HAPPY VALENTINES DAY
 Mon., Feb 21 President's Day—Church Office Closed



Inclement Weather Policy

Sunday morning worship services will be cancelled when the snow emergency plan is in effect at 8:00 a.m. in Frederick County.

In the event there is inclement weather, but a snow emergency has not been declared for Frederick County, please check our Facebook Page, Webpage or call the church office to check our voicemail for further details.

Cancellation announcements will be issued on our Facebook page, our website at www.gladechurch.org, and our phone line 301-845-6775

While we would love to see everyone in church on Sunday morning, we do not want anyone to hurt themselves trying to get to church. If you have any doubts about the driving and walking conditions, please make your personal safety your highest priority.

March Birthdays

3/01 Topper Cramer
 3/01 Sierra Fogle-Geer
 3/02 Amanda Engel
 3/03 William Powell Jr.
 3/04 Pamela Saylor
 Dawson Caprarola
 3/06 Brooke Caprarola
 3/07 Brody Roberts
 3/09 Mark Susi
 3/10 Aden Ausherman
 Bipen Butala
 3/11 Patty Green
 Tyler Jordre
 Connor Fogle
 3/13 Kati Davie



3/18 Hailey Ogg
 3/22 Phil Curran
 Alan Wilcom
 3/23 Lori Strawsburg
 3/24 Charles Snow
 3/25 Donald Lenhart
 3/26 Morgan Grimm
 3/28 Jenna Zimmerman
 3/30 Talin Smith
 3/31 Bob Watson
 John Zimmerman, Jr.

happy
 birthday!

March Anniversaries



3/14 Katie Penick & Ken Grim
 3/15 Patty & Paul Green

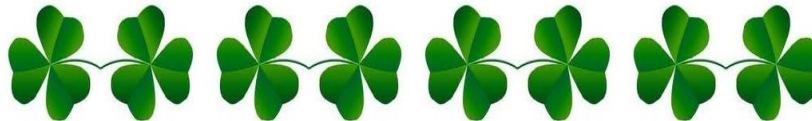
Happy
 Anniversary

MARCH

dates

to Remember

Wed., March 2	ASH WEDNESDAY Ash Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.
Sun., March 6	First Sunday in Lent
Sun., March 13	Daylight Savings Time begins
Thur., March 17	HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY First night of Lenten Bible Discussion
Sun., March 20	First Day of Spring Soup Kitchen
Mon., March 21	Glade Tidings Newsletter Articles Due



Spring Forward
Don't Forget to

Sunday,
March 13, 2022

Easter Flower Order Form - 2022

Please complete this form if you would like to place flowers in the church on Easter Sunday. **Please complete a separate line** for each person you wish to honor or memorialize. Attach your check (made payable to Glade UCC - with "Easter Flowers" in the memo line). Please indicate the number of flowers you wish to purchase and place in the box at the rear of the Sanctuary, or mail to the church office **no later than March 20, 2022** For additional information, contact Terri Grimm (301-471-1665) or dtmstempire@aol.com

Lilies: *6" pot w/ 5 blooms* **Tulips:** *6" pot*
10.50 Qty: ____ **\$9.00** Qty: Pink ____ Yellow ____ Red ____

Flowers are given by:

In Memory of: _____

or

In Honor of: _____

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or

In Honor of: _____