

## Hey Youth!

Our annual Valentine Banquet is Saturday night, February 8<sup>th</sup>! We need you all to plan to come serve tables and host the event! Plan to be in the Fellowship Hall by 4:30 to prepare our Old West Saloon!

## Calling all Kids!

We're having a Mardi Gras party!! The Children's Ministry is hosting a Mardi Gras party for our whole church community on Sunday night, March 2 at 6pm. Mardi Gras means "Fat Tuesday", and is a time to celebrate before we move into Ash Wednesday and the more reflective season of Lent. In keeping with tradition, our celebration will include pancakes, sausage, and King's cake. Our party will also give us a chance to learn more about Mardi Gras together!



## February Birthdays

2/3	Amanda Phillips
2/5	Matthew Ashworth
2/6	Donald Farrow, Tammy Royster
2/7	Delbert Lauten, Jr., Marie Scott
2/8	Mary Anne Baker
2/9	Melissa Little
2/10	Randy Thompson
2/17	Aaron Reavis
2/20	Daniel Lauten
2/21	Brooke Doss
2/22	Jennie Buckner
2/23	Jimmy Sczudlo
2/24	Mike Simmons
2/25	Bessie Young, Zoe Ward
2/27	Charlene Dunlap

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## Old West Saloon

Head 'em up! Move 'em out!

Mosey on down to the Old West Saloon for our annual Valentine Banquet on Saturday night, February 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm for a good meal and some good fun and live music.

### Menu:

Barbecue, sides, drinks, and dessert \$8  
Chicken nuggets and chips (Kids' Meal) \$5



Dr. H. Mark Ashworth  
Rev. Erin Lyse  
Mrs. Gayle Wimbrow  
Rev. Marty Daniels  
Mrs. Angie Weavil  
Mrs. Becky Longworth  
Mrs. Teresa Tucker

Pastor  
Minister to Families  
Minister of Music  
Minister of Education  
Organist  
Pianist  
Secretary

## Mark's Musings

Snow or no snow? I'm writing on the second straight Tuesday with a prediction of snow. Last week mostly missed us. Who knows about later today? (Well, we all do as you read this.) So I'm thinking about trying to forecast the future. When it comes to weather, we all know predicting isn't an exact science, to say the least. The truth is it's never an exact science in any realm of our lives. For one thing, some of the future is out of our hands, and we simply can't anticipate it. But that's not true of all of it. The reality is that we have a great deal to say about what the future will bring. The question is always whether we will seize our opportunities, make hopeful choices, and put our energies to work in positive ways. If we decide change is not possible, then change will not likely happen. But if we decide the future is too important to leave entirely to chance or to fate or to whatever else we may call it, then amazing things can happen.

Some of the future is out of our hands. Much of the future is in our hands. But all of the future is in God's hands. So let us resolve to join in God's future, get in on God's dream for us individually and collectively, and look with excitement for what God's future may yet hold.

Grace and peace,  
Mark



Invite a friend and come out Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, at 7pm to the **UCBC Coffeehouse**. We'll have live music featuring Wendy Dearmin & Jeff Hooker. Admission and refreshments are free.



### Snow Cancelation Policy

If the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools cancel or close early on a Wednesday, the Church will also cancel all activities for that day.

## Nursery Schedule

February 2, 2014 (Sun)	Melissa Little AM Nancy Clodfelter PM
February 5, 2014 (Wed)	Brenda Grose PM
February 9, 2014 (Sun)	Alice Striplin AM Edna Bond PM
February 12, 2014 (Wed)	Nancy Clodfelter PM
February 16, 2014 (Sun)	Kathy Idol AM Alice Striplin PM
February 19, 2014 (Wed)	Edna Bond PM
February 23, 2014 (Sun)	Marianne & CC Casas AM Nancy Clodfelter PM
February 26, 2014 (Wed)	Alice Striplin PM

## Children's Church & Wee Church Schedule

February 2, (Children's)	Julie Striplin & Dale Lakey
February 2, (Wee)	Jane Sutphin
February 9, (Children's)	Lindsey & Neal Parnell
February 9, (Wee)	Susie Hilton
February 16 (Children's)	Randy & Cathy Honeycutt
February 16, (Wee)	Tina Church
February 23, (Children's)	Carole Blakley
February 23, (Wee)	Sharon Thompson

## Financial Summary

	January 5, 2014	
Undesignated Gifts	\$	5,020.64
Designated Gifts	\$	506.92
Total Offering	\$	5,527.56
	January 12, 2014	
Undesignated Gifts	\$	2,203.00
Designated Gifts	\$	1,115.74
Total Offering	\$	3,318.74
	January 19, 2014	
Undesignated Gifts	\$	3,023.00
Designated Gifts	\$	180.30
Total Offering	\$	3,203.30
	January 26, 2014	
Undesignated Gifts	\$	4,735.00
Designated Gifts	\$	442.00
Total Offering	\$	5,177.00

### General Fund

December General Fund Receipts	\$	22,303.59
December General Fund Expenses	-\$	22,988.69
December General Fund Net	-\$	685.10
December Fund Balance	-\$	25,878.77



Thank you to each one who participated in the Hospice donations in January. As I understand, there was quite a bit of cookies, snacks, etc. for the families staying at the Hospice Homes and I know they are greatly appreciated. Make a note, our next "Cookies for Hospice Sunday" will be **February 9**.

WOM joined in with the CIA's mission venture in January with their "Mittens for Missions" project by donating children's gloves, mittens, candy, stickers and hot chocolate packets. The youngsters are bagging the donations and writing out Bible verses to be inserted. These donations will be distributed to the Battered Women's Shelter, Children's Home or to the PMBA. What a wonderful way to get our children involved in missions—thank you to all the workers of our children and youth for investing your time and energy—they are our future and certainly need our guidance.

Ladies, mark your calendar for **February 23**. Not only is this Baptist Women's Day, but it is also the day of our tea! Everyone seemed to enjoy the tea so much last year that we plan to have another this year. You will be receiving more information about the theme and the "hat attire" of the event but I will give you a heads up—begin thinking pink as in *TriadPinkHeals (a meaningful awareness source in our area)*.

Wednesday night **February 5** will be our next scheduled meeting. Plan to join us as we pray together, discuss mission opportunities and then decide how we can best meet the needs of our fellow man as **UNION CROSS REACHES OUT TO SHOW HIS LOVE**.

### Senior Moments Highlight

We will be having a Crockpot soup luncheon on the 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am. So bring your favorite soup and join us for a fun time of fellowship and food.