

February - March  
2016 Newsletter

# Highlights of Heritage and Hope First Presbyterian Church of Finleyville



## Letter from the Pastor-Kevin Young, C.L.P.

I cannot emphasize enough the importance of prayer. We must be in prayer everyday for our health, our safety, and our Christian values. Look outside at what's happening in the community and in the world. We are surrounded by evil! It used to be that the church was the power and voice of the community and our country but not any more. Christians are being persecuted here in America every day. This used to be a problem we read about in the news from somewhere else in the world. It won't be long before evil is knocking at our doors. And when it does what are you going to do? Truth is when this happens it's too late. Let me tell you that day isn't too far off. For some Americans it has already happened. Our Religious freedoms are at stake, they are being challenged everyday. Again I ask; what are you going to do? If you believe America is still a Godly Nation then stand up for your rights as a Christian and as an American. Call your local reps and your state reps then your congressmen and tell them what is on your mind. Let them know you will not stand for their doing nothing anymore while our freedoms are being taken away. That beloved is how the Adversary, the Evil one works. Little by little he takes away our Christian values and freedoms until they are all gone. And he does this in a way that we don't even realize it's happening. Our freedoms are taken away slowly, little by little so we don't notice till it's too late. Praise God that it is never too late in His eyes. Open your mouths and let your voices be heard. I try my best to do this every Sunday in service and every other day of the week as well and so should you! Get on your knees and boldly pray, stand up and let your voices loudly be heard, and PRAISE GOD!

Peace,  
Pastor Kevin

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### **Church Staff:**

**Organist:** Nancy Ramirez  
**Secretary:** Cheryl Smith  
**Custodian:** Bill Manning

**Interested in joining the church?**  
Please call Pastor Kevin, the church office or see a session member for more information.

**Session:** Dana Robinson (Clerk of Session, Membership), Bill Manning (Building & Property), Charles Crayton, Ruth Manning (Christian Education, Food Bank liason), Jill Gudenburr, Denise Kegel (Worship), Beth Archer (Personnel), Michael Archer

\* Thank you to Ted Vero for his service on Session. The next Session Meeting is Sunday, February 28 following the fellowship lunch.

**Deacons:** Donna Pasquinelli (724-348-4982), Linda Fleischer, Jackie Schneider

**The Deacons** Thank you for your ongoing support of the Love Fund. Please feel free to contact the church office or a deacon with your concerns or if you know of anybody in need. Please note that Donna has a new phone number. God bless you.

Christian Education



Fellowship Hour



**Please join us for Fellowship each Sunday, following the worship service. Once a month, a lunch will be provided for fellowship.**

**Adult Sunday School:** 9:15AM—in the Upper Room. All are welcome!

**Children & Youth Programming:**

Sunday School meets each Sunday after the discipleship message.

A nursery is available during the worship service.

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board to help provide cookies/pastries. Please see Denise if you have any questions.

**The next Fellowship Lunch is on Sunday, February 28. There will not be a lunch in March, Easter Breakfast will be on March 27.**

Gleaners

The next Gleaner's Meetings is on Saturday, February 13 at 11:00 am to make Valentine's Bags. Please contact Joanna Morgan at 724-348-8056 for more information about the Gleaners.

Mission



*Love in a Basket & Baby Hats*

We are continuing to collect baby hats and supplies in the baskets in the sanctuary.



**Men's Breakfast**

The Men's Breakfast will meet on Saturdays, February 13 and March 12 at 9:00 am at Mitty's Restaurant on Brownsville Rd. ext.

**One Great Hour of Sharing**

This offering will be collected on Easter Sunday. Gifts to this offering support the Presbyterian churches ministries of Self-Development of People, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and the Presbyterian Hunger Program.



Any adults or kids interested in joining the choir, please contact Nancy at 412-335-7310 or [nancyajollramirez@gmail.com](mailto:nancyajollramirez@gmail.com). Choir meets each Sunday morning at 9:45 am.

**Great News!** Our church is now on the list of new landmark properties by the Washington County History and Landmarks Foundation. According to their newsletter, "this designation is based on the historic importance of county structures or sites, determined by their architecture, persons, or events." Thank you to elder Mike Archer for nominating our church for this honor!

**Daylight Savings Time** begins Sunday, March 13. Remember to turn your clock forward 1 hour before bed!

## Interfaith Events

### Finleyville Interfaith Council 2016 Lenten Services

February 14	St. Francis of Assisi	Pastor Glenn McClelland
February 21	Wright's UMC	Rev. Alberta Hall
February 28	First Presbyterian	Father Boyle
March 6	First Baptist	Rev. Richard Roberts
March 13	Go Time Ministry @ First Presbyterian	Pastor Kevin Young
March 20	Mingo Presbyterian	Pastor Brent Furlong
March 25	Wright's UMC (Good Friday)*	All pastors present preaching

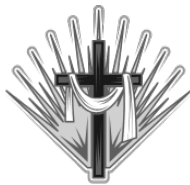
*All Sunday evening services will begin at 7:00 pm with fellowship to follow.*

*\*Good Friday service will begin at 7:30 pm with refreshments at 6:30 pm.*

*The Interfaith Council will be collecting canned goods and non-perishable food items at all Lenten Services. All items collected will be distributed to those in need for Easter dinner.*

*A free will offering will be collected at all services. Money collected will be divided between the works of: Food and Friends, Meals on Wheels, Finleyville Food Pantry and Finleyville Interfaith Council.*

## Lent/Easter at First Presbyterian



February 10:	Ash Wednesday Service 7:00 pm
February 28:	Lenten Service 7:00
March 24:	Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 pm
March 27:	Easter Sunday Breakfast 9:00 am Service 10:30 am

*Please watch the bulletin or call the church office for information on ordering Easter Flowers.*

**Ask God for the right words and invite someone to church, let's fill the pews!**