



Denbigh United Presbyterian Church MARCH 2024

Upward Soccer is Back for Spring Season

We are looking forward to our spring season of Upward Soccer. Make note of these important dates, and please consider getting involved in this ministry to children and youth in our church and community.

Registration Opened: January 14

Player Evaluations to determine skill levels: Tuesday, March 12, 5:00-7:00 p.m. and Saturday, March 16 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. (players need to come to only one of the evaluation dates.) Individual evaluations will last approximately 15-30 minutes. **Soccer Practices** begin the week of March 18 and end the week of May 27 (currently, we are set for Thursday night practices at 6 p.m., but this may change depending on number of players). **Soccer Games** will be every Saturday from April 13 through June 1. **Upward Soccer Celebration** in worship and outdoor picnic, June 2.

Soccer Coaches Training Meeting

⚽ **Sunday, March 10**

⚽ **12 noon**

⚽ **Conference Room**

⚽ **Refreshments Provided**



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DIGEST

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Church Staff

Senior Pastor

The Reverend Deborah Dail

Associate Pastor

The Reverend Boone Clayton

Office Manager

Kimberly A. Garriott, CAP, VS

Director of Music Ministries

Jane Martin

Accompanist/Organist

Al Buchanan

Nursery Coordinator

TBD

Sexton Team

Mark and June Tessarolo
Nick and Lauren Tessarolo

Preschool Director

Nancy Kerns

Church Accountant

Jeff Dawson

Session Meeting Summary for February 2024

- Approved DUPC Financial report through January 31, 2024
- Approved DUPP Financial report through January 31, 2024
- Approved Stated Session Meeting minutes of January 11, 2024
- Approved Board of Trustees Meeting minutes of January 11, 2024
- Approved the Congregational Meeting minutes of January 28, 2024
- Approved 2023 Annual Statistical Report
- Received committee reports

2023 Annual Statistical Summary	
Membership (12/31/22)	453
Gains	0
Losses	17
Membership (12/31/23)	436
Finance	
Income	\$422,771
Expenditures	\$439,856
Mission Expenses	\$45,238
Personnel Expenses	\$286,651
Facility Expenses	\$67,916
Church Programs	\$40,051

FINANCE REPORT THROUGH January 2024	
Total Income:	\$42,873.11
Total Expenses:	\$28,476.50
Difference:	14,396.61
% of Pledge Received	13.34



Lent 2024 Worship Series

“The Desert of Compassion”

Our worship series for Lent is based on the book *The Desert of Compassion* by Rachel M. Srubas.

March 3—“Stay Awake with Me” (“Compassion requires distress tolerance, which practice strengthens.”)

March 10—“Your Whole Mind” (“Mindful awareness and thoughtful reflection foster wise compassion.”)

March 17—“Do Not Condemn” (“Condemnation stymies grace, but compassion dismantles shame and fosters healing.”)

March 24 —“Do This and You Will Live” (“Wherever wounded creatures may be found, compassion takes action to alleviate suffering.”)

March 28—Maundy Thursday Service, 7 p.m.

March 29—Good Friday Service, 7 p.m.

March 31—Sunrise Service, 6:30 a.m., with breakfast afterward

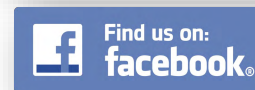
March 31—Easter Service, 10:30 a.m.



Sunday’s March 2024 Master Schedule

	3	10	17	24	28 (MAUNDY THURS)	31 (EASTER)
Greeters	Miller, Martha Woodard, Carolyn	Easter, Dan Minarik, Joan/ Lloyd, Moses	Morrison, Bill Morrison, Janet/ Woollum-Tsheik, Jasmine	Murawski, Sandi/ Morse, JR Murphy, Bob		Pauley, Rick Skaar, Becky/ Shieldt, Eli
Ushers	Hiltabidle, Jim Skaar, Becky	Miller, Martha Uma, James	Minarik, Joan Stevens, Sheila	Lloyd, Moses Spruill, Doug	Tessarolo, June Tessarolo, Mark	Lloyd, Moses Spruill, Doug
Youth Reader		Nance, Maddy	Clayton, Elias	Hake, Becca		Nance, Carter
Children’s Moment	Spivey, Kristi	Clayton, Boone	Dail, Deborah	Kyle, Jean		Spivey, Kristi
Nursery	Shieldt, Jessica Lloyd, Moses	Ames, Debbie Keffer, Kam	Clayton, Julia Lloyd, Mykaila	Hunt, Connie Keffer, Addy	Limneos, Andrea Easter, Logan	Minarik, Joan Abernathy, Jayden
Welcome Table	Marlene Ferry	Joy, Betty	Philips, Donna	Schmidt, Amy		Murawski, Sandi
Counters	Skaar, Becky Spruill, Doug	Hunt, Connie Morrison, Bill	Ames, Debbie Pennell, Dale	Crippen, Sara Ferri, Marlene		Hall, Terry Hunt, Connie
Preparation of Elements	Hunt, Connie				Spivey, Kristi	Minarik, Joan Stevens, Sheila
Communion	Hunt, Connie Uma, James Kyle, Jean Manoso, Pete				Morrison, Bill Morrison, Janet Pennell, Dale Pennell, Keith	Schmidt, Amy Spivey, Kristi Spruill, Doug Stevens, Sheila

In-Person and Facebook Live Worship						
Attendance	1/28	2/4	2/11	2/14 (Ash Wednesday) 12 noon (in-person) 7:00 p.m. (online)	2/18	2/25
Worship (in-person)	87	80	54		12	69
Facebook Live	141	92	108		42	167
YouTube	39	43	28		—	42
Staff/Volunteers	12	11	15		3	13
Nursery (+ helpers)	4	5	9		—	2
TOTALS (as of 2/26/24)	283	231	214		57	293
Join us Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. live on YouTube and Facebook.						



New Member Class—Sunday, March 17

Are you interested in learning more about Denbigh United and the Presbyterian denomination? Join us Sunday, March 17 from 12 noon to no later than 3:00 p.m. for a New Member Class. We will serve lunch and provide childcare. Please RSVP to session@denbighunitedpres.org or 757-877-2048 by **March 14**.



Confirmation Class

We will begin our Confirmation Class after Easter. If you or your child/teen is in 6th grade or older, and is interested in Confirmation, please contact Deborah Dail at 757-817-7758.



Stewardship

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering—March 31, 2024

For 75 years, One Great Hour of Sharing has provided Presbyterians a way to share God’s love with our neighbors in need around the world.

In a world of disaster, hunger, and oppression millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity.

The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing—Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People—all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

We have the opportunity to support these important programs through our gifts. Please prayerfully consider your contribution. The contribution envelopes may be found in the pew racks, on the table outside the Sanctuary or you are also welcome to give online.



Administration

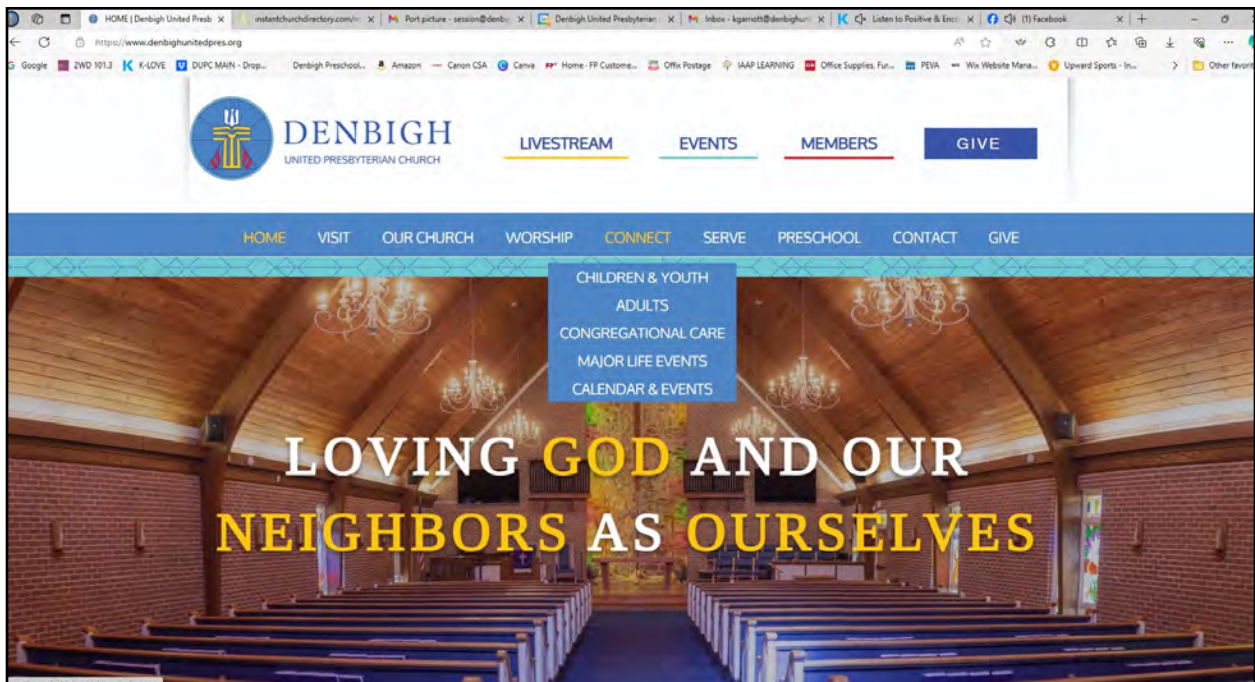
Tech Workshop Being Offered by the Office Manager

(Second Class Being Offered—Same class as the first workshop)

Our first workshop was a great success and I believe everyone learned something new. I see a lot of our members utilizing what they were taught in a variety of different ways. We had 15 members attend the first workshop. For the second workshop, I will be limiting to only 10 attendees. I had some great assistance in the first workshop but feel it may have been too large of a group.

I will be offering this workshop for those that may want to learn a little bit more of the basics on how to use our website, church calendar, online giving, church directory, and more. Our second workshop will be Tuesday, April 9 at 12 noon in the Conference Room for those that need a little boost or refresher course in some of our technology we are providing at DUPC. There is a lot of great information now on our website. Church members can access our Church Directory, Church Calendar, the Digest (newsletters), etc.

Thank you to those of you who filled out the survey for the first class. There seems to be an interest in Dropbox, Word, and Excel and I may offer a future class in these at a later date. Please stay tuned.



Fellowship

Calling all Bakers and Dessert Lovers!

Save the date—April 28, Sunday after church, we would like to have an auction of scrumptious desserts. So all of you who love to bake or who have a special dessert they would like to share . . . we need your talent. Of course, those who love to eat dessert . . . we need you to buy all these delicious treats. The money raised will go to Upward Sports so that we can continue the program. There will be sign-up sheets in church and there may be some arm twisting to get lots of delicious options.

We will need the following:

Bakers and an **Auctioneer** and of course the **Eaters**. If you have suggestions, want to volunteer, or have questions, please call Joan Minarik at 757-329-1582.

Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday

Souper Bowl Sunday was filled with so many delicious soups, breads, and desserts. There was so much to choose from—it was hard so we just had to taste a little of everything. Thanks to everyone who contributed to the feast. A special thanks to the kitchen elves who worked so hard to get everything spotless. Officially, the right side of the church snuck in at the last minute and overtook the left. Wait to next year . . .



Amount of
Food and
Money
Collected for
THRIVE

443
food items!
381 pounds of
food and \$64



Prime Timers

Prime Timers' Memory
Chrysler Museum - March 2016

Adult Education and Spiritual Growth

Adult Sunday School Class

The Ancient Words adult education class begins the spring quarter March 3 and continues through May 26. The theme for this quarter will be examining faith, not only as belief and trust, but as our response to God. The study will include various books in the New Testament including the Synoptic Gospels and some of Paul's letters. This class meets in the conference room from 9:15 to 10:15 every Sunday morning. Your participation is encouraged and welcomed.



CCC Congregational are Committee

What we do!

Next Committee Meeting
The next scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, March 6, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Room. **EVERYONE is welcome to attend a**

NEW MEMBER WELCOME MINISTRY
√ Establish and maintain effective procedures for welcoming and encouraging new members.
√ Support new members during their first year of membership to establish relationships with fellow members of the congregation
√ Collaborate with Spiritual Gifts & Talents Team to ensure new member assessments of their gifts and talents and help them find opportunities for ministry.
√ Receive information on potential new members from Evangelism Team and provide an additional layer of tracking of interaction with these people

COLLEGE STUDENT MINISTRY
√ Send our college students cards to let them know they are thought of and are being prayed for
√ Develop & update the College Student address list for the academic year of all known college and graduate students in the church
√ Send students cards twice annually—gift cards and small gift in the fall and money from donations from congregation in the spring
√ Put a suggestion in the Digest for the congregation members to pray for our college students during the school year

College Students—Donations Welcome
Each year we send our college students cards with a small gift in the fall and a monetary gift in the spring. This year we have **30+** college students: children and grandchildren of church families and those who come to us through Faith Weaver Friends.
We will be sending cards and a monetary gift at Easter time. If you would like to contribute, please contact Janet Morrison at 757-879-6729 or see her after church on Sundays.

FLOWER MINISTRY
Secure flowers/vases and make floral arrangements for church members, and others at home/hospitals/care facilities

We strive to care for members and friends through all seasons of life.

ABSENTEE FOLLOW-UP MINISTRY
√ Take pages from friendship pads and record on excel spreadsheet
√ Send completed spreadsheet to the Church Office Manager monthly
√ Determine with CCC who should receive “missing you” cards, which are sent by the Card Ministry
√ Note repeat visitors and refer them to the Pastors for additional follow-up

SUPPORT GROUP FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY (aka Special Stars)

- ✓ Host monthly support meeting with parents.
- ✓ Find guest speakers to discuss concerns parents might be facing.
- ✓ Plan special events for our Special Stars to participate in.

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT MINISTRY

- ✓ Receive gently used medical equipment/supplies and keep inventory
- ✓ Maintain organization of medical supplies in storage room by tracking items on designated 'check out list'
- ✓ Manage donations of medical supplies considering storage limitations and share any equipment that is not needed with organizations that may be in need.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRIES

- ✓ Funeral Receptions/Food Preparations
- ✓ Organize receptions following memorial, funeral or graveside services, if requested
- ✓ Purchase and inventory supplies for service receptions
- ✓ GRIEF BOOKS
- ✓ Obtain 4 book series "Journeying through Grief" and begin delivery to member every 3 months (1 year) who lost a spouse or child— send/deliver single grief book to others who are grieving.
- ✓ Ensure that the bereaved individual/family is included in the Digest's prayer list for at least two months following the death
- ✓ GRIEF GROUP

↓ Pat Sunday and Marlene Ferri ↓

FOOD MINISTRY

- ✓ Keep track of members mentioned in prayer chain during their special time of need and contact to determine if meals are needed (check dietary needs) (Some accept the assistance and others decline)
- ✓ Utilizing Time & Talent List, call those who have expressed their willingness to provide meals and coordinate who will take meals and when. Contact family in need to let them know who/when meal will be delivered
- ✓ Provide meals (if requested) to families during illness or emergencies. Some TLC members receive ongoing meal support as needed





Grief Support Group

Details coming soon. If you have any interest or questions, please contact Marlene Ferri at 757-291-NICK or Kimberly Garriott at 757-790-9946 or 757-877-2048 (church office).

Thank you from Carolyn Woodard

Thank you to my church family for the support given to me and my family on the sudden death of my daughter Sandra Lester. Every card, visit, phone call, especially those who attended the service in person or online, was a blessing and a comfort.

Tender Loving Care (TLC) Homebound/Hospital/Nursing Home Visitation Ministries

- ✓ Maintain an accurate list of the church members that are homebound, in the hospital/care facility making sure they are on the TLC list.
- ✓ Convey special needs of those members to appropriate ministries. (Ex.: meals, transportation, financial assistance; desire for communication).
- ✓ Share names of members to CCC and pastoral staff so calls/visits/cards can be made.

CCC Members

Betty Joy

Carol Lynch

Carolyn Vassos

Janet Morrison

Kimberly Garriott

Sara Crippen

Your Name Here

Marlene Ferri, Chairperson, 757-291-NICK

Deborah Dail, Senior Pastor

Boone Clayton, Associate Pastor



↑ Marlene Ferri and Anne Avery ↑

Prayer Ministry

- ✓ The Prayer Chain is a vital link in the life of DUPC. We review email prayer chain to make sure all who asked to be on it or removed were accommodated
- ✓ Work with Time & Talent Survey Team to determine those who want to be on the telephone prayer chains
- ✓ Coordinate making Prayer Cloths to be distributed to guests in need of prayers.



Outreach

Individual/Family Needs

- Provided transportation for a medical appointment to a member of DUPC.
- Provided transportation from school to home for a student.
- Provided food to three families associated with DUPC.
- Provided leftover food from PORT dinners to Menchville House and the Fire Department.

Paul's Ministry

- Children from Paul's Mobile Homes Park were transported by DUPC members to Sunday School, FWF, and Upward Basketball in February.

Clothing and More Giveaway (More information on Page 12.)

- The next Clothing and More Giveaway will be in the summer. That date is to be determined. If you are willing to assist, please contact Janet Morrison at 757-879-6729.

THRIVE

- THRIVE now has "Thursday Night THRIVE Takeover" twice a month where groups can adopt a Thursday night at THRIVE and extended hours are offered. Volunteers can greet and assist, pack food bags, or help load food bags into vehicles.
- Last month, THRIVE served more people across all of their programs (numbers of people served, pounds of food distributed, and critical bill assistance) and in higher quantities than they did in all of 2016!
- Pantry items needed: applesauce, spaghetti sauce, pasta, and cereal.

Virginia Peninsula Foodbank (VPF)

- In the spirit of the Super Bowl, Derrick Nnadi, a defensive tackle for the winning Kansas City Chiefs and a native of Hampton Roads, helped the VPF a few years ago kick off their SPIKE Summer Feeding program with the Hampton Roads Youth Foundation. This program helps feed thousands of children in the summer months when school is out.
- On April 11, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. Tastefully Yours, the VPF's largest annual fundraiser, will be held at the Hampton Roads Convention Center. This is a premier food tasting event with samplings from over 30 food establishments, craft beer, wine, live music, mini Vegas, photo booths and more. For ticket information go to hrfoodbank.ticketleap.com/tastefully-yours-2024.

Menchville House

- Since July of 2023, Menchville house has assisted 155 people (63 adults and 92 children) which included 48 families.
- Current needs: body wash, zip lock bags of all sizes, 55 gallon trash bags, blankets (twin/queen) and pillows.



[LINK/PORT](#)

- LINK is in continuous need of warm clothing for men and women for the PORT season. On the first night of the two weeks DUPC was hosting, our Clothing Closet served 66 guests with up to three items of clothing they selected. The clothing was available for a total of 8 nights. There is a box available in the Narthex for any donations, and someone from DUPC can transport those to the next churches that are hosting PORT.
- DUPC welcomed between 100-110 guests each night. The temperatures have been in the 30's as they leave the next mornings before 6:00 a.m. The partner churches had wonderful dinners to provide them, and seconds were available on most nights. Many guests expressed their appreciation for all of the efforts to keep them warm and well fed, clothed, and cared for. It was an eye-opening and heart felt experience for many volunteers and a wonderful way to show God's love.



LINK of Hampton Roads
Emergency resources for
the homeless and at risk.

Clothing & More Giveaway Ministry

We held our Clothing & More Giveaway on Sunday, February 4. Our thanks go out to all of the volunteers. If we have inadvertently left off any names, please accept our apologies and call the church office at 757-877-2048 so we may add your name to our future listing.

Team Members: Janet Morrison, Pat Terry, Kimberly Garriott, and Joe Bender.

AA (set up tables)	Gerry Ellis	Sandi Murawski
Amy Schmidt	Greg Terry	Theal Edwards
Barbara Norman	Jenny Hughes	
Becky Skaar	Jim Hiltabidle	
Betty Joy	Joan Minarik	
Bill Morrison	Kadim Tshiek	
Bonnie Williams	Karen Hershberger	
Carolyn Vassos	Larry (<i>picked up remaining items</i>)	
Carolyn Woodard	LeeAnn Stalls	
Cheryl Terry	Lotus	
Connie Hunt	Lynn Ardary	
Dan Easter	Marlene Ferri	
Debbie Ames	Moses Lloyd	
DeeDee Smith	Paul Ardary	
Donna Thorson	Pauline Springer	
Dorothea Harden		



People Offering Resources Together (P.O.R.T) February 14-February 28, 2024



Debbie Ames (PORT Team Leader),
Marlene Ferri, and Connie Hunt loading up
supplies for PORT stored in their homes.



Menchville ROTC made two visits to our
church to help set up and take down
furniture before and after PORT.



People Offering Resources Together (P.O.R.T) February 14-February 28, 2024 (Cont'd.)

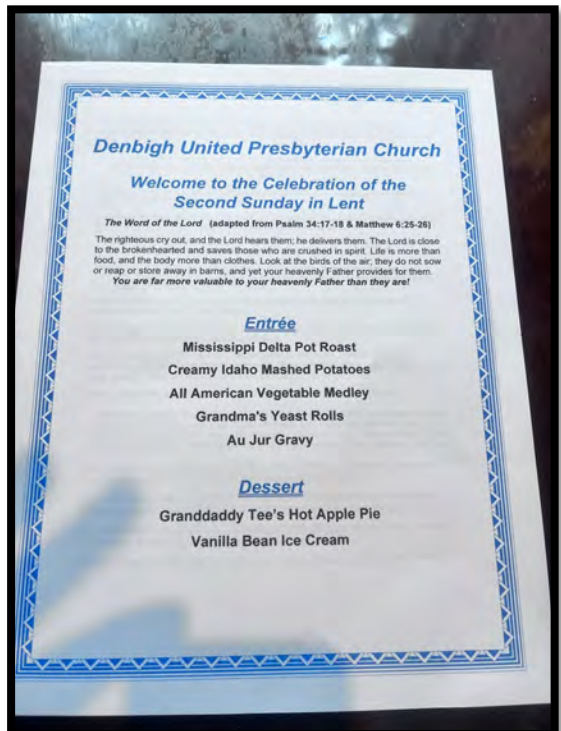


**Preparing Breakfast bags for PORT—
Marianne Williams, Dorothy Sharpe, Jane Martin, Kimberly Garriott, and Connie Hunt**

Thank you to everyone who helped in any way to make our two weeks of hosting PORT a safe, positive, and loving experience for our homeless guests.



Kimberly Garriott, Marlene Ferri, and Connie Hunt



Denbigh United Presbyterian Church

**Welcome to the Celebration of the
Second Sunday in Lent**

*The Word of the Lord (adapted from Psalm 34:17-18 & Matthew 6:25-26)
The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears them; he delivers them. The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. Life is more than food, and the body more than clothes. Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father provides for them. You are far more valuable to your heavenly Father than they are!*

Entrée

- Mississippi Delta Pot Roast
- Creamy Idaho Mashed Potatoes
- All American Vegetable Medley
- Grandma's Yeast Rolls
- Au Jur Gravy

Dessert

- Granddaddy Tee's Hot Apple Pie
- Vanilla Bean Ice Cream

People Offering Resources Together (P.O.R.T) February 14-February 28, 2024

Check-Out for PORT— 4:15 a.m.-6:30 a.m.



Randy and Kimberly Garriott—Thursday, February 15, 2024



Randy Garriott
Wednesday, February 28, 2024



Kristen DeStephano and Kimberly Garriott
Monday, February 26, 2024

Northwest Haiti Chili Fundraiser

Contact:
Sandi Murawski



When: Sunday, March 10, 2024

Where: Narthex

Why: All donations will go to support the lunch program for children in Northwest Haiti

What: Grab a jar of chili to go

Each year when I would have my kindergarten students create and sell products for our Kindergarten Financial Literacy Unit, the students would also select a child from Haiti to support. My students would then place a donation jar at their booth with a picture of a student from Haiti. The night of our grand opening my students would sell their products to their families and families could also donate to the Haitian students. This taught my students many skills but also the value of sharing with others less fortunate. We talked about the lunches we eat and compared to what those children might eat.

This is my first year retired and I don't have students to create and sell products but I would still like to support the lunch program. I will be making our church chili and having it available for donations. All proceeds will go to the children in Northwest Haiti where we have sent teams in the past and where Bruce and Deb Robinson (our missionaries) live. I hope you will help me in supporting the children.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask. Thanks so much.

Sandi Murawski



Children's and Youth Ministries

Sunday School Classes

Children's and youth Sunday School classes are offered weekly at 9:15 a.m. Breakfast is provided. We hope to see you there! Please contact Kathy Baldwin, Jean Kyle, or Jessica Shildt if you are interested in volunteering to teach Sunday School, drive children to and from church, or sit with children during worship. Join us for Fun, Fellowship, and learning about our Faith!

Kathy kmbwin@gmail.com, Jean jsekyle@cox.net, or Jessica jessica.shildt@gmail.com

Faith Weaver Friends (FWF)

This Winter/Spring Faith Weaver Friends resumed after PORT on Wednesday, February 28, 2024 and will run through Wednesday, March 6. As always, we need your support for all of our children's and youth ministries.



Stay tuned
for updates
on upcoming
Children's
Easter
events.

Sunday School/FWF Lessons for March and April

Sunday, March 3 and Wednesday, March 6:

Jesus Heals, Prays, and Preaches—Mark 1:29-39
 Bible Point: Jesus cares for us.

Sunday, March 10:

Jesus Explains Why God Sent Him—John 3:12-21
 Bible Point: Jesus came to save us.

Sunday, March 17:

Jesus Notices a Widow’s Giving—Mark 12:41-44
 Bible Point: Give cheerfully to God.

Sunday, March 24:

People Rejoice as Jesus Enters Jerusalem—
 Mark 11:1-11
 Bible Point: Jesus is our king.

Sunday, March 31:

Easter—No Sunday School

Sunday, April 7:

Jesus Is Alive!—Mark 16:1-8
 Bible Point: Jesus is Alive!

Sunday, April 14:

Jesus Appears to His Disciples—John 20:19-31
 Bible Point: Believe in Jesus.

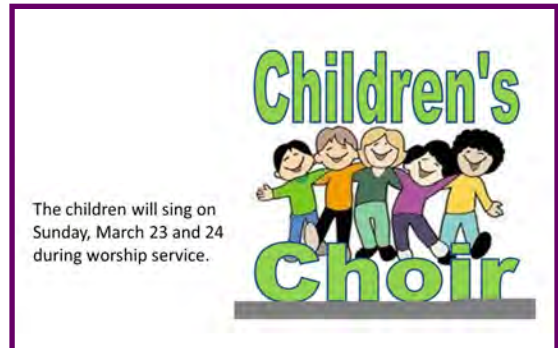
Sunday, April 21:

Paul Teaches About Spiritual Gift—
 1 Corinthians 12:4-27
 Bible Point: God gives us gifts to serve him.

Sunday, April 28:

Peter Tells the Sanhedrin About Jesus—
 Acts 4:5-14
 Bible Point: Trusting God makes us brave.

Children’s Sunday School					
	1/28	2/4	2/11	2/18	2/25
Teachers	5	6	4	3	3
Students	22	18	20	13	19
Visitors	2	—	1	—	—
TOTALS (as of 2/26/24)	29	24	25	16	22



Prayer Chains

If you are not already on the **email prayer chain** and would like to be added, please contact Elaine Minch at elainem33@cox.net.

If you would like to be on the **telephone prayer chain**, please contact **Carol Lynch** at 757-930-0678.



**April 2024
 Digest Deadline
 Monday, March 18, 2024**

OTHER NEWS



WHAT IS FARMWORKER AWARENESS WEEK?

National Farmworker Awareness Week (NFAW) is a week of action for communities and individuals to bring attention to farmworkers and honor them for the contributions they make to our daily lives and to raise awareness of the challenges they face.

WHAT IS THE NAT'L LONG-SLEEVE SHIRT DRIVE?

The National Long Sleeve Shirt Drive is an activity that is part of a larger awareness campaign, Farmworker Awareness Week (NFAW) celebrate this year from **March 25-31, 2024**. During this week-long celebration, our goal is to collect as many long-sleeve shirts as possible nationwide. As well as, to educate the public and the communities where farmworkers live, and work about the occupational hazards farmworkers encounter and rouse them into donating long-sleeve shirts.

The long-sleeve shirts collected during this week of action will be distributed by our network of trainers with key materials during their pesticide safety and heat stress prevention training throughout the year.

The distribution of the shirts will help reinforce the importance of wearing adequate work clothing to help protect farmworkers from pesticide exposure and heat-related illnesses.

WHY LONG-SLEEVE SHIRTS?

Our nation's 2.5 million farmworkers face long hours of arduous work putting their health and safety at risk due to exposure to dangerous pesticides and heat stress.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency indicates that over 20,000 cases of doctor-diagnosed pesticide poisoning are reported yearly.

A gently used long-sleeve shirt can help prevent exposure to pesticides by covering the skin which is the most common route of pesticide poisoning due to its exposure.

Shirts must be: Light Color-Natural Fabric-Long Sleeve

A labeled container to collect shirts will be in the Narthex from March 17-March 31, 2024.

PEO Chapter S Benefit Luncheon



Date: Wednesday, March 20
Time: 12:00 p.m.
Location: DUPC Second Hall
Cost: \$10.00
Irish food and drinks
Bagpipes, Songs, and Games

RSVP and questions to Jean Kyle 757-753-7257 by Sunday, March 17
Sign-up sheet will also be provided in the narthex



DENBIGH UNITED PRESBYTERIAN
PRESCHOOL

Preschool Registration for 2024-2025		
# of Days	Registration/ Supply/Activity Fees	Monthly Tuition
2 days (2 1/2 years) Mon./Tues.	\$150	\$150
3 days (3 years) Tues./Wed./Thurs.	\$185	\$185
4 days (4 years) Mon./Tues./Wed/Thurs.)	\$225	\$225

February has come to a close and we have had lots of fun together! The three-year-old class learned all about transportation. The four-year-old class focused on Community Helpers in our neighborhood. Their classroom was filled with new learning centers: a post office, a doctor’s office, a hair salon, and a sweet shop. We had a visit from “Oceans of Smiles”. Two dental hygienists came and talked to all the children about dental health and care, along with some hands-on fun. They gave each child a new toothbrush and a coloring sheet. All of our preschool friends shared Valentines with each other on February 14. Lots of love filled our Preschool!

With so much cold weather, we weren’t able to enjoy our playground very much during February. We are looking forward to spring and being outdoors more.

The year is marching right along! March will bring lots of green activities and hopefully a visit from the tricky little leprechaun. We are looking forward to seeing what he has in store for us. We will plant some seeds in our playground garden to care for and watch as they grow.

Don’t forget that registration has begun for the 2024-2025 school year. Registration forms can be picked up in the church office. We have begun giving tours to new families who are interested in our program. Please spread the word about our wonderful preschool. We continue our search for a new director. Please let us know if you know of anyone that would be a great fit for DUPP. Again, thank you for your continued prayers to keep us safe and healthy at preschool!

Blessings!

Nancy Kerns, Director

Play. Learn. Grow.





Wednesday,
March 27, 2024
Chapel: 9:45 a.m.
Sanctuary
All are welcome!



In our Thoughts and Prayers . . .

- Anne Avery***
- Aurelia Grant***
- Beth***
(Ann Wagner’s daughter)
- Bill Cole***
- Carolyn Woodard***
- Charlotte Eason***
- Darcy Terry***
(Pat Terry’s son)
- Darlene Wickline***
- Dave and LuAnn Jusino***
- Dave and Shirlie Anson***
- Dave and Bernie Rogers***
- Don Bickhart***
- Gerry Ellis***
- Helen Thiessen***
- Ina and Yeung-Sook Lee***
- Jack Schweickardt***
- Jeanne Bensten***
- Jeanne Kent***
- Jemari Davis’ family***
- Jim Robinson***
- Joanna Daniels***
- Joe, Brenda, and Racheal Bender***
- Joseph and Nell Sienko***
- Judy Jones***
- Michael Singletary***
- Mike Minarik***
- Morris Kincaid***
- Nancy Williams***
- Phyllis Thweatt***
- Ray Minch***
- Robin Huffman***
- Ruth Magill***
(Jack Schweickardt’s sister)
- Tim Easter***
(Danny and Sharon Easter’s son)
- Will Cooper***



OUR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

<i>Michael Cohen</i>	<i>Nixon Fombele</i>	<i>Tom Joyner</i>
<i>Cameron Dail</i>	<i>Morgan Henretta</i>	<i>Jacob Mayes</i>
<i>Grey Davenport</i>	<i>Kevin Huss</i>	<i>Joshua Silva</i>
<i>Lazaro Durruty</i>		<i>Gabriel Williams</i>

RESERVES

- Christian Jones*
- Jeff Schildt*
- Jonathan Graebener*
(Nephew of Joanna and Bev Daniels)
- Savannah Gore*

OUR MISSIONARIES

- Bruce and Deb Robinson*
- Meredith and Sandy Elder*

We express our sympathy to the following families. May God bring comfort and hope to all who grieve.

†To Carolyn Woodard and family on the death of Carolyn’s daughter Sandra Lester.

†To Helen Thiessen, her sons, family, and friends on the death of Franz Thiessen on January 8, 2024.

†To Steve Moore, Sheila Stevens, family, and friends on the death of Steve’s mother Margie Moore on January 8, 2024.

†To family and friends of Ann Wagner who died January 20, 2024.

†To Jeanne and her family on the death of her husband Ron Bensten on February 1, 2024.

†To Ina and Yeung Sook Lee on the death of their mother Chang Bok Lee on February 6, 2024.

†To family and friends of Sara Sue Law who died February 12, 2024.

†To Debbie Jacoby and family on the death of her husband Tim on February 15, 2024.

MARCH 2024

Birthdays/Anniversaries

DAY	NAME
A1	Chris and Kathleen Avery
1	Donna Hull
1	Dan Jones
2	Mackenzie Grizzle
3	Austin Dail
3	Michael Greene
4	Will Cooper
5	Olivia Blinco
5	Wyatt Blinco
6	Sidney Capps
6	Rick Kerns
7	Christy Silva
7	Jim Wightman
8	Aurelia Grant
11	Pat Sunday
12	Terry Harrison
12	Robin Huffman
12	Darlene Mays-Tittman
13	Kellie Gore

DAY	NAME
A14	Charles and Martha Miller
14	Keiahna Vigilante
15	Sherry Buchanan
A18	Jim and Debbie Vollmer
20	Betty Carr
20	Kester McCullough
21	Matt Burroughs
21	Hazel Clayton
22	Dawn Moss
24	Terry Hall
26	Patti Hall
26	Jane Martin
26	Joshua Silva
28	Nancy Langrehr
A29	Tom and Martha Keesee



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AA—Alcoholics Anonymous CCC—Congregational Care Committee ChR—Choir Room CR—Conference Room EW—Education Wing
 FWF—Faith Weaver Friends GS—Girl Scouts OA—Overeaters Anonymous OL—Online N—Narthex OS—Outside
 P—Parlor PL—Parking Lot PEO—Philanthropic Education Organization PEP—Parents as Educational Partners PS—Preschool
 PSW—Preschool Wing RR—Reverent Ringers S—Sanctuary SH—Second Hall SHF—Second Hall Foyer SF—Soccer Field SS—Sunday School
 V—Vacation Worship V&P—Worship Vision and Planning Team Zm—Zoom

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2 10:00 AA (SH) 10:00 AI-Anon (Rm 9)
3 9:00 Chancel Choir (ChR) 9:15 Children's/Youth SS (EW) 9:15 Ancient Words SS (CR) 10:30 Worship/Communion (S, OL) <i>Children's Choir Singing</i>	4 9:15 Preschool (PSW) 6:30 Girl Scouts #1013 (Rms 9, 3) 7:00 Worship V&P (Zm)	5 9:15 Preschool (PSW) 10:00 Kitchen Clean-up (K) 11:00 Staff Mtg. (CR) 7:00 OA (Rm 9)	6 9:15 Preschool (PSW) 10:00 CCC (CR) 4:15 Choir Parts 5:00 Children's Choir (ChR) 5:30 FWF #7 (EW, SH, K) <i>(Last FWF for Winter/Spring Term)</i>	7 9:15 Preschool (PSW) 7:00 Onesimus Team (CR)	8	9 10:00 AA (SH) 10:00 AI-Anon (Rm 9)
10 <i>Daylight Saving Time starts</i> 9:00 Chancel Choir (ChR) 9:15 Children's/Youth SS (EW) 9:15 Ancient Words SS (CR) 10:30 Worship (S, OL) 12:00 Upward Soccer Coaches Training (CR)	11 9:15 Preschool (PSW) 5:30 KIDZ'NGRIEF (All, except K, PS, S)	12 9:15 Preschool (PSW) 11:00 Staff Mtg. (CR) 5:00 Upward Evaluations (SF) 7:00 OA (Rm 9)	13 9:15 Preschool (PSW) 4:15 Choir Parts 5:00 Children's Choir (ChR) 6:00 Reverent Ringers (ChR)	14 9:15 Preschool (PSW) 7:00 Session (CR/Zm)	15	16 9:00 Upward Evaluations (SF) 10:00 AA (SH) 10:00 AI-Anon (Rm 9)
17 9:00 Chancel Choir (ChR) 9:15 Children's/Youth SS (EW) 9:15 Ancient Words SS (CR) 10:30 Worship (S, OL) 12:00 New Member Class (CR)	18 <i>April Digest Deadline</i> 9:15 Preschool (PSW) 6:30 Girl Scouts #1013 (Rms 9 & 3)	19 9:15 Preschool (PSW) 10:00 Esther Circle (SH) 11:00 Staff Mtg. (CR) 7:00 Priscilla Circle (Pennell's Home) 7:00 OA (Rm 9)	20 9:15 Preschool (PSW) 11:00 PEO Set Up (SH, K, SHF) 12:00 PEO Luncheon (SH, K, SHF) 4:15 Choir Parts 6:00 Reverent Ringers (ChR)	21 9:15 Preschool (PSW) 5:00 Children's Choir 6:00 Upward Soccer Practice #1 (SF) 7:00 DUPP Board Mtg. (CR)	22	23 10:00 AA (SH) 10:00 AI-Anon (Rm 9)
24 <i>Palm/Passion Sunday</i> 9:00 Chancel Choir (ChR) 9:15 Children's/Youth SS (EW) and Ancient Words SS (CR) 10:30 Worship (S, OL)/ <i>Children's Choir Singing</i> 31 <i>Easter Sunday One Great Hour of Sharing Offering</i> 6:30 Sunrise Service/Breakfast 9:00 Chancel Choir (ChR) 9:15 Ancient Words SS (CR) 10:30 Worship (S, OL)	25 9:15 Preschool (PSW) 5:30 KIDZ'NGRIEF (All, except K, PS, S)	26 9:15 Preschool (PSW) 2:00 Memorial Service/Reception for Sara Sue Law (S, N, P, SH, SHF, K) 7:00 OA (Rm 9)	27 9:00 Preschool Parent Coffee (SH) 9:15 Preschool (PSW) 9:45 Preschool Chapel (SH) 4:15 Choir Parts Rehearsal (ChR) 6:00 Reverent Ringers (ChR)	28 <i>Preschool Easter Egg Hunt</i> 9:15 Preschool (PSW) 5:00 Children's Choir (ChR) 6:00 Upward Soccer Practice #2 (SF) 7:00 Maundy Thursday Service (S)	29 <i>Good Friday</i> 7:00 Good Friday Service (S)	30 10:00 AA (SH) 10:00 AI-Anon (Rm 9) 1:00 Sunrise Breakfast Set Up (SH, SHF, K)



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