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# LINDEN LIGHT

**"Bringing the light of Christ to the Linden Community for 156 years!"**

FEBRUARY 2010

SUNDAY

9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
10:45 a.m.	Morning Worship
4:00 p.m.	Jr. Hi. Youth
5:00 p.m.	Sr. Hi. Youth
6:00 p.m.	Choir Practice

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

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## DATES TO REMEMBER



Feb. 2 Gregory Wooldrige Norma and Kenneth Littlejohn	Feb. 15 Jessica Deel Kelly McClanahan
Feb. 3 Jimmie and Martha Sheridan	Feb. 16 Lisa Egner
Feb. 6 Josh King	Feb. 17 Joyce Henderson Royce Henderson
Feb. 8 Gary and Kendra Clayton Don Dowd Polly Holt David Stilwell	Feb. 18 Dana McDuffie Feb. 20 Ruby Dowd Bret Nash
Feb. 9 Bettye Bennett Don and Mary Dowd	Feb. 21 Mary Gene McGilvray Feb. 22 Amanda Hankins Charles Reynolds
Feb. 10 Charles R. Allen Lisa Bennett Christopher Holt Brian Ross	Feb. 23 Kerlin Harris Whitnee Henry
Feb. 11 Larry Copeland Mary Lee	Feb. 24 Vic McGilvray Feb. 27 Colton Watson Feb. 29 Frances Coyne
Feb. 14 Billy Beene	

Vbs planning:  
to be announced...

**Youth:**

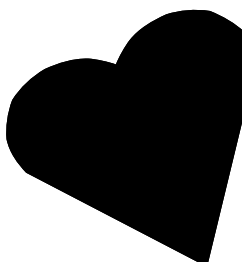
Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.  
 Sundays at 4:00 Jr. Hi.  
 at 5:00 Sr. Hi.

**February 14th:**

Youth Sunday, Boy Scout  
**Sunday, Valentine's Day**

**February 17:**

**Ash Wednesday**



I Corinthians 13: 4-8a,13 (NRSV) "Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.  
 Matthew 22: 37-40 (NRSV) " [Jesus] said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

February is the month when most people think of Groundhog Day, Valentine's Day, and Presidents Day. Somewhere along the line, Americans no longer gave individual founding father Presidents their own days. In the middle of this month is Ash Wednesday, a day of reflection, repentance, and planning for many Christians. We at LUMC observe this day with a special evening worship service. As we go through this month, let's remember for what we are preparing and for Whom we are preparing. Jesus offered Himself for us. May we offer ourselves to Him and have hearts for His work.



Sympathy is extended to:

Bill Glenn and family for the death of her son Mark Glenn

John and Johnnie Hennon for the death of her brother, Dean Hawkins

In Our Prayers:

- Frances Evans
- Kenny Hamilton
- Tina Hamilton
- Dorothy Helferstay
- Martha Hillman
- Margaret Lovelace
- Evelyn Stephens

# WELCOME

New Members:

- Gretchen King
- Joe and Kate Turner

# STEWARDSHIP

## JANUARY 2010 AVERAGE ATTENDANCE

SUNDAY SCHOOL	90
MORNING WORSHIP	98

# 2009 GIVING

Less than \$1000	43%
1000 - 2000	29%
2000 - 3000	8%
3000 - 4000	5%
4000 - 5000	5%
5000 - 6000	3%
6000 - 7000	2%
7000 - 8000	2%
8000 - OVER	3%

God has blessed you, and I challenge you to give back to GOD his 10%

## January 2010 Memorials

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| Bill Skelton      | Wilford Penny     |
| Curtis Bowden     | Vera Cook         |
| Hazelle Carson    | Angela Hayes      |
| Flonnie Holland   | Jacob Turner      |
| Mary White        | Emma Lou Owens    |
| Jeanette Florence | Bill Heath        |
| Gerelyn Drew      | Mark Glenn        |
| Lisa White        | Marine Hays       |
| Odelia Womack     | Merle Hutsell     |
| Ben Ellington     | Edward O. Gilmore |

## Super Foods

www.superfoodsrx.com offers information on some nutritional powerhouse foods such as the following:

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|-------------|----------------|----------|
| apples      | cinnamon       | kiwis    |
| avocados    | cranberries    | oats     |
| beans       | dark chocolate | onions   |
| blueberries | garlic         | spinach  |
| broccoli    | honey          | tomatoes |

Forbidden fruits create many jams!  
God loves everyone but probably prefers "fruits of the Spirit" over "religious nuts"!

# SOUPER BOWL

Bring canned soup on Super Bowl Sunday. Bring later, too!



In John 21, Jesus told Peter, "Feed my lambs...Feed my sheep." May we take these words of Jesus into our hearts and do likewise.



Cub Scout Pack 39, sponsored by LUMC, held its Pine Wood Derby on Jan. 30th in the fellowship hall. Leader Desiree McDuffie had given derby kits to her scouts, who cut out, painted, and decorated their cars for the big race. Troop 39 judged 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places for best-looking entries. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners in the double elimination race were announced. Mrs. McDuffie presented all trophies. Scout leaders also participated in a race and received 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place ribbons. All present voted for their choices for best-looking cars. Parents, grandparents, and other guests enjoyed the fun day.



On Sunday, January 31st, local Girl Scouts held a United States Flag Ceremony at 2:30 p.m. at the Royal Inn. Sue Snowden, Girl Scouts Service Unit Director of The Pines, made the welcome. The opening flag ceremony was conducted by Troop 2056. Troop 2033 presented a flag to Mrs. Tena Desai in honor of her new U.S. citizenship. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Mickie Fears and GS Troop 2056 to those gathered for the occasion. Girl Scouts who participated in this flag ceremony may now count this activity as one of the requirements for a badge in their age level.

# FOOD PANTRY NEWS



LUMC Food Pantry is grateful to a number of community groups for their generous contributions to our stock during November and December. LUMC's own Cub Scout Pack 39 collected large bags of canned goods as part of their badge program. Linden Elementary kindergarten students heard Mrs. Gilbert's reading of a book about city soup kitchens and then sponsored a can drive on their campus. Mae Luster Stephens Junior High's Junior National Honor Society, led by Mrs. Smoak and Mrs. Perry, sponsored a can drive on their campus. At Linden-Kildare High School, the Student Council, led by Miss Andoe, challenged students to bring cans of food for their project. Without the help of these young persons, the Food Pantry ministry would not be able to serve as many clients as we now serve. The number of individuals helped during the average month has been around 290.