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"Lent is a time of refocusing, of re-entering the place of truth, of reclaiming our true identity."

- Henry Nouwen, Sabbatical Journey

Wednesday, March 1 is Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent.

Pastors in many churches dip a finger in ashes made by burning palm branches from the previous year's Palm Sunday and make a cross on the foreheads. God's people have used ashes as a sign of mourning, humiliation and penitence. The New Testament speaks of repenting in "sackcloth and ashes." With repentant hearts, we begin the season of Lent at Lincolnshire with a special Ash Wednesday service by Pastor Joel Kline. The service begins at 7:00 and will be a time to gather together to begin the walk that leads to a fuller way of living in the ways of our Jesus Christ.



Paul Thomas writes...

"I am your new Northern Indiana District Board Liaison. It is an honor to serve you in this capacity. Please feel free to put me on your mail or email list for your church newsletter. If

you have certain joys or concerns that I can pray for, please inform me. Throughout the year, I am planning to attend at least one or more of your worship services and/or special events that your church will be holding. If you have any concerns or joys that you would like for me to bring to the District Board, I will be more than willing to do so. God's blessings to your church family."

In Our Prayers....

Paula Sosenheimer is recovering satisfactorily at home following her hip replacement surgery on February 20. She is happy to be back with her dogs!

Jack Steckly was admitted to Parkview N. on Wednesday for treatment of and including an ear infection. Other tests were also done to screen for other illnesses.

Bob Kaylor also continues recovering at home following his second surgery on February 16 at Dupont Hospital. He had three stents placed which prayerfully will bring about a vast improvement in his physical condition. **Several people** are recovering from the flu epidemic which swept through Lincolnshire last week. In its wake, it left a cacophony of coughs, sneezes, moans and groans. The effects lasted over a period of several days but prayerfully, everyone is well on the road to recovery. Thanks to everyone for all the prayers.

A very special "THANK YOU" to all who give so freely of their time and energy helping others here at Lincolnshire. Whether it is taking people to hospitals, driving to doctor appointments, delivering meals, bringing groceries, and providing transportation to church, or just "checking in" to see what is needed, these people sacrifice their own interests and time to help. If you have been on the receiving end of their goodness, please take the time to express your gratitude today. And remember...

Helping each other...
There is no more important work in this world, no greater duty,
than to help
others to keep up their courage.



Kathy Hause March 1 March 2 **Margaret Pletcher** March 8 Alberta Ilnicki March 9 **Jeff Terrell** March 10 Bill Leverton March 11 **Rachel Hause** March 15 **Heather Grady** March 21 Lucas Kolb March 22 Remio Batalona March 22 **Thomas Dawson** March 30 **Allen Shaw** March 31 Russell Muex

"Do Not Worry!"

We welcome Carol Spicher Waggy as she returns to the pulpit for her second visit to Lincolnshire. Carol is a retired, ordained minister in the Church of the Brethren from Goshen, IN. She is married to Norman and they have three adult children and four granddaughters. Altho retired, she continues involvement in her local congregation, Rock Run Church of the Brethren. She also serves on the denominational Mission Advisory Committee and volunteers with the Children's Disaster Services. Using Matthew 6: 24-34 as the inspiration for her message, she will speak to the inability to serve two masters and the injunction to "not be anxious about tomorrow." A very timely message that addresses today's world!





Ash Wednesday, March 1 Men's Bible Study, March 2 at Tripps' World Day of Prayer, March 3 First Sunday in Lent, March 5 Pastor K.C. Klerner returns to the pulpit, March 5 Couples Shower for Andy and Bailey, March 11 Second Sunday in Lent, March 12 The Manchester University Troupe, March 12 (They will present the entire worship service.) Potluck and Time Change, March 12 Daylight-Saving Time begins, March 12 Girl Scout Sunday, March 12 Men's Bible Study, March 16 at Dawsons' St. Patrick's Day, March 17 Third Sunday in Lent, March 19 First day of spring, March 20 Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 26



Copies of *Springs of Living Water!* a publication by Barry Conn, pastor of County Line COB, Champion, PA are available at the back of the sanctuary. This publication helps direct our attention to seek more meaningful ways to reflect upon our relationship with Christ. It contains daily scripture references for each week of Lent as well as suggestions to help establish a more meaningful prayer pattern.