McAllister Messenger

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McAllister Church extends sympathy and prayer to these families:

Harold "Burton" Parker ~ member

Paul Armentrout, $Jr. \sim \text{cousin of the Gibson Family}$

Carol Ann Watts Baker ~ mother-in-law of Jackie Whitmer Baker

Bonnie Kinsey ~ stepmother of Ronnie Kinsey

Billisue Quate Markham ~ mother-in-law of Jennifer Markham

Garland Gayle Miller ~ brother-in-law of Joe Wimer

Mickey Humphries ~ sister of Margie Young

Bethel Ray ~ grandmother of Amy Ray

Annie Bess Stinespring ~ member, mother of June Cooke

NEW ELDERS ELECTED

Congratulations to those elected to the office of Elder. Please pray for all our leaders as we enter a new church year.

ELDERS FOR THE CLASS OF 2021

Charles "Chuck" Bartley Jean Bartley Betsy Caul Marshall Fox Janie Tyree

Please pray for their ministry among McAllister and the community.

Food for Thought:

"Give not from the top of your purse, but the bottom of your heart."

Tarie Warlitner Resigns Position

Christian Education Activity Director, Tarie Warlitner, resigned her position effective December 31, 2018. Tarie started in this position on December 1, 2016. She has accepted new employment in the Roanoke area. We wish her well in her new job, and thank her for working with the youth at McAllister Church.

2018 Finance Report

General Fund Budget for 2018 \$226,270

Net Receipts		12,840.20
Capital Improvement		- 2,353.26
Other Expenses		
	Balance	7,865.35
• <u>CD Interest</u>		3,365.35
 Bequest 		4,500.00
Other Income		
	Balance	7,328.12
General Fund Expens	- 180,746.91	
General Fund Income	188,075.03	

Thanks for your support in 2018 and your continued support in 2019.

Youth Organization—A meeting was held to reorganize the youth groups. Libby & Buzzy Riley, and April & Frank Reyns have agreed to lead the Senior Youth. Several people agreed to assist with the Junior Youth, but we are still in need of leaders. Please consider God's call to lead these young Christians along their journey.

Next Youth meeting:
February 16th to decorate for Valentine Luncheon.

Our Prayer Concerns

Tillie Agnor Skipper Ailstock Midge Akers Doc Altizer Julie Altizer Beth Andrews Jan Taylor Armentrout

Erskine Back

Brittany Young Baker Bob & Leta Bartley Daryl Bartley Joyce Bartley Debra Bates Lucille Beasley **Becky Bowers** Valerie Brackenridge

Hale Broce Jean Broughman Edna Buffaloe **Doris Burley** Jason Burns **Emily Byer** Lee Cabaniss Elwood Cadd Teresa Calvert Jean & Harry Casey Robert Casey Sandra Clemmons

Mickey Craghead Calvin Crawford

Junior Clarke

Curtis Craft

Harold Craft

Steven Craft

James Crawford Luke Crawford Bob & Wynona Crush **Butch Curtin**

Fabricio D'Arpa **Imogine Deeds** Richard Dilley Frankie Dobbins Elizabeth Donnally **Becky Downer** Leslie Downer

Hallie Dressler

Cindy Durham Bobby Eggleston Norma Ellis Kaylee Elmore

Alma Biggs Entsminger Lee & Lelia Fadley Shirley Ferris

Barbara & Lem Fitzgerald

Floyd Flannigan **Ruth Fleming** Jim & Barbara Flint Donna Fox

Helen Deisher-Fox Ike Fox Richard Fox Bo Fridley Courtney Fridley

Ann & Earl Fuller Bill Gibson Eddie Gibson

Robert & Gail Gibson Jonathan Gillette **Evan Groves** Charles Hall Don Hampton Richard Hastings Etha Hayslett Pam Higgins Rhoda & Danny Hill Darlene Hilton Joshua Hoel Christin Holloway

Neil Horn

Mickey Humphries Family

James & Amy Hoover

Becky Hunter Carl & Jean Irvine **Doris Jamison** J.J. Jenkins Rev. Ernie Johnson Glendora Johnson

Becky Jonas Wendell & Judy Jones

Tonya Jones **Butch Kemper**

Susan Taylor-Kennedy

Sadie Landis

Bobby & Debi Leitch Trucky & Carole Lemon

Germaine Levisav

Tony Lewis

Pat & Lynda Loving

David Lynn Patsy Martin Karen May

Bob & Winnie McAllister

Keith McCov Pearl Miller Sonya Milton Katie Moody Pat Morgan Evan Nicely Patty Nicely Max Nunley Travis O'Rourke Bonnie Patterson **Burton Parker Family**

Patsy Parker

Randy & Allyson Paxton

Debbie Pettit Kiersten Pierce Teresa Powell Sally Putnam James Ralston Betty Ray Peggy Redmon Lee Reynolds Roy Lee Reynolds Frank & April Reyns

Jim Revns

Ray & Cathy Riddleberger

Libby Riley

Linda Whitehead Rice

Shelby Rock Joyce Rose David Rothwell B.R. Rupert Burdette Rupert Harold Sharp Dee Dee Simpson James Smith Family Monzell Sovereen

Angie Sponaugle

Frank & Susan Sponaugle

Matt Sponaugle Sally Steele

Annie Stinespring Family

Gary Stone Ruby Stull

Richard & Jane Terrell, Sr.

Ethan Thompson **Tootles Tingler** Adena Tingler Betty Jean Toombs Darrell Tucker Pete Turner Dwain Tyree Mark Unroe **Buddy Vass** Kimberly Wade Nelson Waid Danny Warlitner Gail Washburn

Barbara & Danny Warlitner

Louie White Dennis Whitehead Louise Whitehead Christy Wiley Angie Wilkerson Thelma Wilkosz Eddie Williams Donna Wilson Joe Wimer, Sr. Joey Wimer Betty Wolfe

Linda Payton Wolfe Lillian Wood **Buddy Young**

MCALLISTER CHURCH, PNC **OUR COUNTRY & PRESIDENT** The Homeless, Unemployed, Displaced, Hungry, Abused, Neglected, Abandoned. Lonely. Addicted.

OUR MISSIONARIES Tom & Judy Harvey

shout-out for the wonderful job everyone did with the anniversary celebration. The hard work was worth it when you looked at our church and saw everyone here. Doris Mottern and Debbie Bennett—the fellowship hall was amazing. Betsy and lots of ladies, the food was wonderful. Pam, the homemade potato salad—delicious. Paul, Kathy, Beth, Anita, Janet for the history booklet, bulletins, music, etc.; so many people to mention but a "BIG" Thank You for your extra cleanup help—Makenzie, Mattox, Mason and Rilee.

Christmas Cheer was unbelievable—from toilet paper to turkeys—Anita and crew organized it all.

I really want to give my appreciation to the Session this term. Without a minister, it has been exhausting but worth it all. I want to say special thanks to Richard and Bert and so many others who helped me with my crazy projects. I will never forget my service alongside Stacey.

Your prayers are working—my health is maintaining—GOD IS GOOD!

Libby Riley

CHRISTMAS CHEER 2018 THANK YOU

The 2018 Christmas Cheer Program had another busy and wonderful year. We served 47 families with groceries, 43 children with gifts, 58 household requests, and 14 shutins with lap blankets and care packages. Special thanks to Mary Munsey for making all the lap blankets for our shut-ins. We would like to thank those who helped wrap gifts at the Greenbrier and deliver them to McAllister. Thanks to the crew who checked each bag to make sure each child had a new outfit, a stocking, and a special gift. Thanks to the kitchen crew for delicious meals both days keeping everyone fueled and warm. Thanks to the many members of the congregation who gave money, items, and their time to this program. Thank you to the Girl Scout leader, Susan Givens, for putting together the cleaning supply bags. Thanks to the special people who helped bag and deliver groceries. Thanks to the volunteers for delivering care packages to our shut-ins. In order for this program to continue to be a success, it is vital that everyone remembers to donate throughout the year. May God bless each of you in 2019.

In Christian fellowship, The Christmas Cheer Committee

GIFTS AND MEMORIALS

In Memory of Burton Parker

Van and Brenda Walker Bob and Wynona Crush Bobby and Anita Rice Joe and Pat Martin Mark and Cindy George Norma Lemon Travis, Jeri, Larry & Josephine O'Rourke Lee Ann Poague Larry and Gail Washburn James and Carol Hallet Warren and Pat Linkous Bill and Brenda Bennett Littlepage Class at McAllister Church Betty, Gerald Jr., April, Frank & family Bob and Leta Bartley Marshall and Donna Fox Chuck and Jean Bartley Joe and Dot Wimer Wendell Hammond

In Memory of Stacey Gibson

Rebecca Gudgeon and family Garlynda Haynes and family Alleghany High Beta Club Chris and Ruth Caul Richard and Priscilla Downer Patty Honaker

In Memory of Mickey Humphries

Betty, Gerald Jr., April, Frank & family Kathleen Loan Littlepage Class at McAllister Church

In Memory of Jerry & Stacey Gibson

Van and Brenda Walker
Paul and Brenda Linkenhoker
Pam Key
Bob and Wynona Crush
Betty Gibson

In Memory of Annie Stinespring

Betty, Gerald Jr., April, Frank & family Pam Key Billy Joe and Pencie Bostic Ryland and Lois Brisendine Lee and Lelia Fadley Jarret and Debbie Furv Clara Moselev Randy and Debbie Rose Richard and Dianna Taylor Robbie and Kim Warlitner Gary and Diane Walker Chuck and Becky Woodson Jovce Armentrout Sandra Hicklin Joe and Dot Wimer William Bess Danny and Rhoda Hill Marshall and Donna Fox Danny and Debbie Rodgers JoAnne and Berkley Paxton Cristina and Jorge Manjarres Holly and David Clapper

In Memory of George Noel by Bob and Wynona Crush Pam Key

Circle #2 & 3

In Memory of Richard Worrell by Bob and Wynona Crush

In Memory of Donna Bennett Coffman by Van and Brenda Walker In Memory of Suzie Hill

> Joyce Bartley Bob and Leta Bartley Bill and Libby Keyser

In Memory of those who passed away in 2018 Linda Payton Wolfe

In Memory of O.E. Parker, Jr. by
Van and Brenda Walker
Bob and Wynona Crush
Pam Key

In Memory of Agnes Arritt by Bob and Wynona Crush Pam Key

In Honor of the Original Organ Committee of McAllister by Elizabeth and Andrew Dreszer

Robert B. Arritt
Irene Glenn
Wynona (Hawkins) Crush
Powell M. Leitch, Jr. Chairman
Janes Leland—consultant
Robert J. Rock
Frances Rupert, Minister of Music
Karen (Williams) Chichester, Organist

On December 16, 2018 we celebrated the 100th year anniversary with fellowship, history, music, and remembrances. But, the most special part of the day was witnessing the Sacrament of Baptism of four new lives into the Kingdom of GOD.



Heather and Bryan Riley presented their son, Payson Bennett Riley for the Sacrament of Infant Baptism.

Katie and Ethan Cline presented her daughter, Kenzie Elizabeth Cline for the Sacrament of Infant Baptism.

AdriAnne and Daniel Reynolds presented their daughter, Lillianna Mae Reynolds for the Sacrament of Infant Baptism.

Heather and Christopher Johnson presented their daughter, Brenna Mae Johnson for the Sacrament of Infant Baptism.

We ask God's blessing on these new children in Christ and on their families as they bring up their children in the ways of the Church.









Circle Meetings

Circle #2 February 13th @ 10:00 a.m. March 13th @ 10:00 a.m.

Circle #3 will meet February 12th @ 5:30 p.m. March 12th @ 5:30 p.m.

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Circle \#4 will meet} \\ \text{February } 12^{\text{th}} \sim & 1:30 \text{ p.m. } @ \text{ the Church} \\ \text{March } 12^{\text{th}} \sim & 1:30 \text{ p.m.} \end{array}$

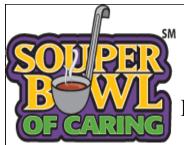
CT meeting February 3 @ 10:30 a.m. March TBA Check bulletin for dates

Spring Gathering of Peaks Presbytery Women TBA



Thanks for your service to Meals on Wheels!

These individuals have volunteered their time to deliver Meals on Wheels during 2019: Bob and Leta Bartley, Harry Casey and Ed Gibson, Gail and Larry Washburn, Donna and Marshall Fox, Doris and Bucky Mottern. Thanks for your commitment to this important mission in our area.



Join the "SOUPER" Bowl of Caring February 3, 2019

a nationwide movement that unites schools, congregations, community organizations and compassionate individuals in the fight against hunger.

During the month of February, youth across America will collect all types of non-perishable food items and/or money to donate to the local charities of their choice.

Mission Statement

Using the energy of the Super Bowl to mobilize youth in a united national effort to care for people in their local communities who are hungry and those in need.

Vision Statement

Transform the time around the Super Bowl into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving.

We believe:

The idea for Souper Bowl of Caring is a gift from God.

<u>FYI</u>

All photos on the cover were from the events on December 16, 2018. You can view the videos from the 11 a.m. Worship Service, the Centennial Celebration Service, and the drone footage/slide show on YouTube. Just type McAllister Memorial Presbyterian Church in the search box at YouTube.com.

(Videos created by Chartwell Publications.)



Boy Scout Sunday February 3, 2019

Members of Troop 31 will participate in the 11 a.m.
Worship Service.
Please join us as we honor the Boy Scouts of America.



The Valentine Luncheon

will be on Sunday, February 17th after worship. This first luncheon of 2019 is for the entire congregation and

full of prizes and surprises. Meat, bread, and drinks will be provided. We ask families to bring their favorite valentine covered dish or dishes for a wonderful meal. (Snow date—February 24th)



Lenten Luncheon Series

The Lenten Luncheon series starts at McAllister on Wednesday, March 13th at noon and will be held each Wednesday through April 10th. The luncheons are hosted by local churches and provide a time of fellowship and meditation during the season of Lent. A freewill offering will be received each week and will benefit a local charity.

Please check newspaper or weekly bulletins for the complete schedule.



The Men of Mission will meet at 8 a.m.

Tuesday, February 12th,
and Tuesday, March 12th
at Boy's Home for breakfast.

All *MEN* are invited to attend.



February 17th and March 17th will be our monthly COPE Food Collection Days. The demand for food is always great in the area. Because of this, your help is needed more than ever as we attempt to provide nutritious food for the needy families in our community.

Any type of non-perishable food is appreciated. Monetary donations are greatly appreciated because they allow us to purchase food at reduced cost through the Second Harvest Food Bank in Roanoke.

<u>Please help us to keep the food pantry</u> well stocked for those in need.



Don't Forget!

Daylight Saving Time
Begins March 10th
Be sure to turn your clocks *AHEAD* one hour
before going to bed on March 9th.

begins March 20th

Publication Deadlines

All information for the Sunday bulletin *must* be turned in by *12 noon each Thursday*.

The deadline for the April/May newsletter will be *March13th at 5:00 p.m.*

Newsletter folding day will be March 28th@ 1:30 p.m.

Please submit all information, to the church office <u>IN WRITING</u>, or by email: mcmpres@ntelos.net

	Echmian D: 11	16	B. R. Rupert
	February Birthdays	17	Gerald Gibson, Jr.
1	Jerry Ray Taylor	20	Bobby Rice
2			Chad Thompson
	Tyson Uzzell	21	Tonya Jones
3	Kelley Tingler	22	Dorothy Thompson
4	Berkley Key	23	Craig Poague
	Paul Linkenhoker		Brittany Young-Baker
6	Betty Gibson	27	Sandy Persinger
	Julia Bryant	_,	sandy reisinger
8	Pat Whitmer		
	Summit Caul		<u>Anniversaries</u>
9	Amanda Webb		
10	Tammy Scruggs-Duncan	10	Dorothy & Terry Thompson
	Mason Hale	15	Joe & Dot Wimer
13	Adam Tingler	28	Brandi & Justin Barr

It's not too early to pick up an application for the Scott Scholarship. If you are a member (of any age) at McAllister Church and will be attending college in the fall of 2019, you are eligible to apply.



The deadline is May 31, 2019 so don't wait until the last minute.

23 Tiana Warlitner March Birthdays 24 Kathy Crutchfield 26 Mike Fleenor Logan Hill 1 Robbie Wood 27 Chloe Reid 3 Pam Poague Kaitlyn Potter **Howard Thompson** Israel Boone 4 April Reyns Tara Uzzell Jerry Taylor 28 Etha Hayslett 5 Pearl Miller Travis O'Rourke Richard Downer, Sr. 29 Lynn Whitehead 6 Marshall Fox 30 Lillian Wood Kelsey Young Maryemma Shifflett 9 **Brielle Smith** 31 Jeremy Bartley 12 Jason Hill Brandi Carper Barr Matthew Sponaugle 13 14 Megan Boone **Anniversaries** Jan Armentrout 16 17 Gene Wood Casey Hicks 6 Bert & Betsy Caul 7 Gavin & Erin Haynes Donna Fox 18 Eddie & Maxine Williams 11 19 Jennifer Hannah 21 Robbie & Jeff Horn 20 Cindee Stinnett 29 Bucky & Doris Mottern 21 Norma Curtin

Beginning the Next 100 Years! (A Rambling Account)

Oh, what a great day we had in celebration of our 100 years as a congregation. The day covered the whole spectrum of emotion as we remembered our past, acknowledged our present, and wondered what our future will hold. Old friends reunited. New friends were made. During the worship service we witnessed the baptism of four young children. All were blessed by special music presented by the choir, which included a number of guests and former members. The instrumental selections were superb. Rev. Mike Fleenor, in his own special way, provided an uplifting and emotional message. Members and guest then enjoyed lunch providing another opportunity for fellowship and reconnecting with friends. Everyone returned to the sanctuary for the Celebration which included an overview of how McAllister Church began, remembrances, and lots more music. A reception at the end of the celebration offered one more chance to meet and greet as many Christian friends as possible. All in all, the day was a success. Lives were enriched. Friendships solidified. Spirits were renewed. So,

"Bring on the next 100 years!"

Instantly Fit? By Kate Loop

Cherie knew she wasn't as strong as she needed to be. Somehow, exercise just never made the top of the to-do list.

One day, she decided to change. She began exercising.

But as she did so, she quickly became discouraged. She couldn't keep up with the people in the exercise video. Her muscles screamed at her after just half the repetitions. Plus, old injuries began hurting again. Hadn't she already rehabilitated that knee? Why was it causing problems yet again?

"I just can't do it," she moaned to her friend Anna.

Anna's reply surprised her. "Why, Cherie, did you expect to get fit overnight?"

"Well..." Cherie wasn't sure how to reply. In a way, she sort of had.

"Cherie, it takes training and work to get strong. Don't give up just because you're not instantly fit."

"Have nothing to do with irreverent, silly myths. Rather train yourself for godliness; for while bodily training is of some value, godliness is of value in every way, as it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come." 1 Timothy 4:7-8 ESV

To All the Saints at McAllister,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ. I celebrate with you on the 100th anniversary of God's establishment of McAllister Memorial Presbyterian Church. I would love to be with you during this celebration, but I am especially needed in Charleston on the 16th and unfortunately must miss this great event. May the Lord continue to bless you and guide you in the years ahead as He has in the past. Thank you for sending Laura and me the open invitation. I am very grateful for the years of ministry I had at McAllister and remember you fondly in my prayers.

Your Brother in Christ, Dr. Earl A, Bland

A Wish to My Home Church on this Day!

Many good wishes and God's blessing be with you On this very meaningful day...
Unforgettable!...

Rev. Terry Sutherland

Thank, You Notes

Dear Church Family,

When we are at our lowest, you are always there to love us, support us and encour- support and love after my unexpected, yet very age us. This was again the case when Suzie, elegantly executed (!) fall, on December 2. our daughter, died unexpectedly on October Not being able to walk by 10:15 in the morn-13, 2018. We are blessed to be a part of The ing was certainly not how I had expected the McAllister Family and thank each of you for day to go! Your care and concern before, dursupporting us through this trying time.

In Christian Love.

Dear Church Family,

Thank You for the calls, cards, food and prayers during the passing of my Mother. We are so blessed to have such a Loving and Caring Church Family.

Blessed Beyond Measure,

The Family of Geraldine Cadd would like to express their gratitude for the joint dinner with Parrish Court Church. Words alone cannot say enough. Our hearts are so full of Thanks. We appreciate everything that you have done for our family God Bless You All!

Dear McAllister Family,

We can't thank you enough for all your acts of kindness while I have been sick. The cards, phone calls, visits and especially the prayers will always be remembered. Please continue to keep us in your prayers. God bless you in the coming year.

The Washburns

Dear McAllister Family,

Thank you for your continuous prayers, cards, visits, and the Christmas package. The kindness shown while I have been unable to attend is greatly appreciated. Hope each of you have a blessed and happy new year.

Louise Whitehead

Dearest Church Family,

Thank you all so much for your help, ing and after church set me firmly and quickly on the path to recovery. Of that I am certain. Rhoda & Danny Hill Except for the little "creakiness" in the mornaccompanied occasionally ings, "crankiness," I'm doing fine! Thank you for your calls, texts, emails, and mostly, thank you for your prayers. It is a real honor to play music for you each Sunday. With love,

Beth (your klutzy organist!)

Donna, Steven and Meg Craft Warm and special thanks to you for all the considerate things you do. Thank you so much for the beautiful red, white and blue afghan and the candy that was left on my doorstep. It was such a sweet gift and I appreciate it so Love and Prayers, much!

Lillian H. Wood

Mcallister MEMORIAL **PRESBYTERAIN** CHURCH, "THANK YOU" for the cards, visits to the Funeral Home, phone calls and donain my sister Mickey Humphries memory. Please keep us in your prayers.

> In Christian Love. Margie, Buddy & family

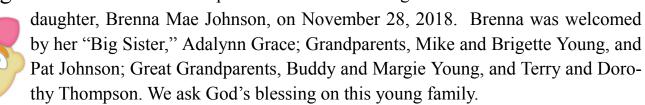
Dear Church Family,

I would like to thank everyone for all the kindness shown during my illness. The prayers, phone call, cards and beautiful flowers were greatly appreciated and so uplifting. I will always remember your acts of kindness. I'm very blessed to have a wonderful church family. In Christian Love,

Dorothy Thompson

~ ~Congratulations~ ~

• Congratulations to Christopher and Heather Young Johnson at the birth to their



• Congratulations to Mahaley Anne Marie Reyns on her graduation from James Madison University on December 15, 2018 with a Bachelors Degree in Communication. Mahaley is the daughter of Frank and April Reyns, and Linda Reyns. Her grandmother is Betty Gibson.



• Congratulations to AdriAnne and Daniel Reynolds welcomed their son, Forest James, on January 1, 2019. Forest has a sister, Lillianna Mae. His grandparents are It's A Boy! Frank and April Reyns, and Linda Reyns. Great grandmother, Betty Gibson.

• Congratulations to Megan Boone and Benjamin Plott who were married on January 12, 2019. They live in Valley Ridge with their daughters, Reagan and Rylee. Megan is the daughter of Anita and Robert Boone. Ben's parents are Donna and George Plott.



EASTER LILY FORM

Anyone wishing to place an EASTER LILY in Memory or in Honor of loved one(s), please fill in the blanks and bring or mail this form to the church office—*ATTENTION LILY FUND* or place in the offering plate by April 7th. All donors will be listed in the Worship Bulletin on Easter Sunday. Each order of (\$10.00) will supply one lily. Thanks!

Given By:	
In Honor/Memory of:	
Number of Plants: at \$10.00 each = Total \$	
** You may pick up your lily after the 11:00 a.m. worship service on Easter Sunday.**	

(For those wishing to give monetary gifts, please use the portion below.)

MONETARY GIFTS IN HONOR OR IN MEMORY

Given By:	 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	 	
In Honor/Memory of:			



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McAllister Church

invites you to join us at one of our services.

Worship Service— 11:00 a.m. SUNDAY Sunday School— 9:45 a.m.

Secretary/Treasurer—Janet Linkenhoker Clerk of Session— James E. Faidley, Jr. Minister of Music—Kathy Crutchfield Organist— Elizabeth Leitch Dreszer Custodian/Sexton—Anita Boone

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Covington, VA 24426 900 North Alleghany Avenue McAllister Memorial Presbyterian Church



"SOUPER Bowl" of Caring February 3rd bring canned soup, food, and cash donations for the Food Pantry.



Stated Session Meetings will be February 17th March 17th @ 1:00 p.m.

Holiday Closing



The Church Office will be closed Monday, February 18th for President's Day.