

# Crossnore Presbyterian Church "Growing Deeper in Faith, Reaching Out in Love"

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### **Announcements and Items of interest**

February 1, 2017

Sunday, February 5, Communion Sunday: Worship—11:00 a.m., Choir Practice—9:00 a.m., Sunday School—10:15 a.m.

This Sunday is also Souper Bowl Sunday. We will be collecting canned soup and other canned goods, as well as monetary donations. All donations will go to Volunteer Avery. Please write checks to Crossnore Presbyterian and designate as Souper Bowl or Volunteer Avery.

Wednesday Bible Study, 3-4:30 p.m. Today we are comparing the basic beliefs of Islam with Christianity and ways to share as Christians in Interfaith dialogue.

End of year Contribution Statements were mailed January 27, 2017. If you do not receive yours or have questions, please call (828-733-1939) or email (cpcpcusa@gmail.com) the church office.

There will be a Congregational Meeting after worship on Sunday, Febuary 5. The purpose of the meeting is to receive nominations and to elect elders for the Class of 2019.

There will be a session meeting after worship and coffee time on February 12 in the fellowship hall.

As you look toward tax

planning and donations to the church, we wanted to remind you that Crossnore Presbyterian has a brokerage account and can accept stock donations. Check with your financial planner



or tax advisor to see if this would be advantageous to you.

The Family Night held in the Fellowship Hall Sunday evening, January 22, was a wonderful success. Several families participated. Cookies were made and the children enjoyed decorating (and eating) them. Those that weren't eaten were packaged for the homebound. Pastor Kathy and Jo Johnson delivered them last Thursday. Thank you to all who participated and to Heather Jordan for organizing the event.

Thank you to Charlotte Davila, Tommie Tennant, Mimi Sloop who on Saturday, January 28, packed up the Chrismons and other Christmas decorations left in the Sanctuary. We need help getting the tree out and moving the risers back downstairs!

#### **February Birthdays**

- Susy Martin-Crouch— February 9
- MII DRED SII VIA— FEBRUARY 16
- GREG GACEK—FEBRUARY 16
- DONITA BERKEMEYER— FEBRUARY 18
- JUANITA PAUL—FEBRUARY 21
- BETTY BARNETT—FEBRUARY 23

#### **Prayer Requests**

- BARBARA ROSS
- CARROLL BERKLEY
- MARY ANN JOHNSON
- BILL PAUL & FAMILY
- DAVID EHMIG
- SUSY MARTIN
- GARY & MARILYN GASCHO
- LORRAINE ALLS
- CHARLES BERKLEY
- JOHN BERKLEY
- KAREN PHILLIPS
- SHIRLEY PRIICE
- DEDIE ANDREWS
- BEN AND AMANDA FRAZIER

## "And what does the Lord require of you?" ~Micah. 6:8

#### **Patient Trust**

Above all, trust in the slow work of God

We are quite naturally impatient in everything to reach the end without delay.

We should like to skip the intermediate stages.

We are impatient of being on the way to something unknown, something new.

And yet it is the law of progress that it is made by passing through some stages of instability— and that it may take a very long time.

And so I think it is with you.

Your ideas mature gradually—let them grow, let them shape themselves, without undue haste.

Don't try to force them on,

as though you could be today what time

(that is to say, grace and circumstance acting on your own good will) will make of you tomorrow.

Only God could say what this new spirit gradually forming within you will be.

Give Our Lord the benefit of believing that his hand is leading you,

and accept the anxiety of feeling yourself in suspense and incomplete.



by Pierre Teilhard de Chardin 1 May 1881 – 10 April 1955 French idealist philosopher, Jesuit priest, geologist, palentologist.