

Presby News

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FROM THE PASTOR . . .

The Bible is so important for our faith. But many of us at times have questions about how to understand it.

I have recently been reading a book by Adam Hamilton entitled Making Sense of the Bible. Hamilton is a Methodist pastor in Kansas City. He has a gift for writing in such a clear and understandable style. He, also, writes in non-technical language so that the average person in the pew can understand the content of his book. I highly recommend this book for your reading if you are sometimes confused about the Bible or have questions about it.

Here are some of the chapter titles:

"Which Books Made It into the Old Testament and Why"

"Jesus and the Old Testament"

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"Science, the Bible, and the Creation Stories"

"Were Adam and Eve Real People?"

"God's Violence in the Old Testament"

"Is the Bible Inerrant and Infallible?"

"Homosexuality and the Bible"

"Making Sense of the Book of Revelation"

Now, neither you nor I may agree with everything Hamilton says. But, I can assure you that you and I will get some good information about the Bible and we will be stimulated to think more carefully about it.

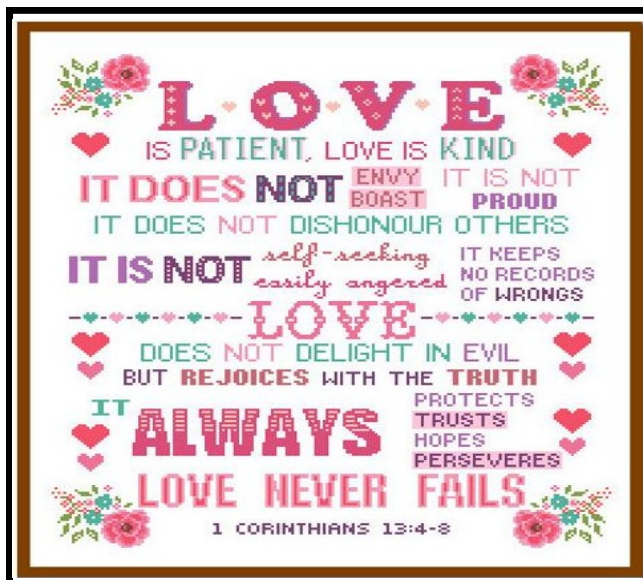
I will be on vacation February 4-17. In my absence, the pulpit will be very capably filled by Jim Hockensmith. I know that you will be blessed by his messages.

Thank you for this time of rest and refreshing. And thank you for allowing me the privilege of serving as your pastor!

Let us be faithful in praying for one another.

And let us be open to the Holy Spirit's leadership in helping our church to be faithful in keeping the Great Commission!

Jim



SPECIAL DATES

Feb. 3	9:00 am Brookdale Worship 11:00 am Communion Served
Feb. 6	3:00 pm Prayer Meeting Cancelled
Feb. 13	3:00 pm Prayer Meeting Cancelled
Feb. 14	Happy Valentine's Day
Feb. 18	6:00 pm Session Meeting
Feb. 20	3:00 pm Prayer Meeting Resumes
Feb. 27	3:00 pm Prayer Meeting

*Dr. Heath in office on Wednesdays 10 am to 2 pm
(Note: Dr. Heath on vacation Feb. 4 -17)*



a little of this & a little of that **VALENTINE TRIVIA**

Match the clues on the left with things having to do with Valentine's Day.

Happy Valentine's Day

- A. What day of the month is Valentine's Day?
- B. Basic shape used often on Valentine's Day
- C. The O in XOXOXOX means what?
- D. Favorite color featured on Valentine's Day
- E. A dozen red ones of these says "I Love You"
- F. What color rose would you give to a friend?
- G. A card given on Valentine's Day
- H. He is the patron saint of lovers
- I. Something you keep flowers in
- J. You might call someone you really like this
- K. He'll make you fall in love if his arrow strikes you
- L. An emblem of peace
- M. They form lifelong bonds with their mates
- N. You might write this to your sweetheart
- O. Delicious treat sometimes in the shape of a heart
- P. A novel dealing with love
- Q. The X in XOXOXOXO means what?
- R. The Goddess of Love in Greek Mythology

- ___ Love Letter
- ___ Red
- ___ Aphrodite
- ___ Dove
- ___ Yellow
- ___ Chocolate
- ___ Hugs
- ___ St. Valentine
- ___ Kisses
- ___ Vase
- ___ 14th
- ___ Sweetheart
- ___ Cupid
- ___ Romance
- ___ Valentine
- ___ Heart
- ___ Lovebirds
- ___ Roses

February Responders Schedule

	Usher Narthex	Monitor	Communion Servers
February 3	Robert Kennedy	Jim Hockensmith	Elder Liturgist: Bill Higgins Communion Team: Elizebette Kennedy, Jim Hockensmith
February 10	Annelize & Dirk Benade	Dirk Benade	
February 17	Robert Kennedy Elizebette Kennedy	Bill Higgins	
February 24	Jim Hockensmith Robert Kennedy	Jim Smolenski	



*Anniversaries
and Birthdays*

February 20 Frank & Gayle Hempen

February 22 Gil Arnold



Romans 5:8
But God commendeth
his love toward us, in
that, while we were yet
sinners, Christ
died for us.

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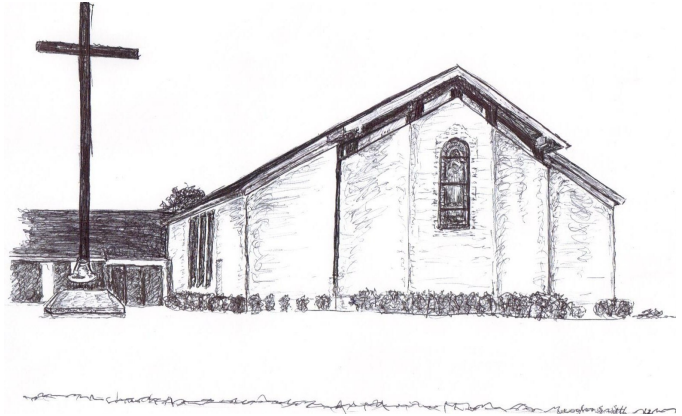
Jim Heath, *Stated Supply Pastor*

Aaron Rogers, *Choir Director*

Robyn Tan, *Pianist*

Carolyn Sterne, *Secretary*

Charles Bell, *Sexton*



WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE

3:00 pm Prayer Service

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Come experience God's love at First Presbyterian Church

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