

The Contact

The Newsletter of the Kingwood Church of God
February, 2025

What's happening at Kingwood COG...

ANNUAL WILD GAME DINNER - Saturday March 15, 2025, at the Fellowship Center - Doors open at 4:00 p.m. - Dinner is at 6:00 p.m.

WILD GAME DINNER TICKETS are available today from Brad Pletcher, Jeff Peck or Nick Faidley. Tickets are free but you need a ticket to attend.

Door prize donations are needed for the Wild Game Dinner - if you would be willing to make a donation - please give it to Jeff Peck or Nick Faidley.

Wild Game Dinner Committee Meeting - Monday, February 17, 2025, at 7:00 p.m., in the Church Library.

A committee is being formed to make a new church directory. If you have an interest in helping this committee - please contact Renee Moore.

It's time again for Gifts of Love for our college students and military. Snack items, Valentine cards, etc. can be placed in the container in the vestibule. There is a sheet with names and addresses which needs to be updated. Please delete any who are no longer in school or the military and add other relatives, friends, or neighbors.



Church Mouse

December and January! Well it seems like a while since this little mousey gave you an update. December was a wonderful month with all the expected Advent and Christmas events and services. Christmas Eve was great with 2 services. Both were candlelight services. Christmas was also good because there are always lots of melas and crumbs for a little mousey to partake of.

January was basically COLD and snowy. I actually had to dig tunnels in the snow to get around. And it was very tough to hitch rides down to the fellowship center.

I understand that a couple of my cousins got into the church and invaded the one SS class. They were probably after the snacks in that room downstairs. Anyhow I think that someone "caught" one of my cousins. (God rest his soul). I also believe the hole where he entered has been plugged.

I know that PW and Beth were on a major "12 Days of Christmas" tour to see their kids and grandkids. Someone said 1800 miles in eleven days. Wow! I wish I had stowed away for that trip. December and January also meant that many of our folks were in the woods chasing deer. I hope you all had fun and were successful.

January also brought some health issues for PW as I have heard. I believe they are currently ongoing. I do so hope he gets back into fit form before long.

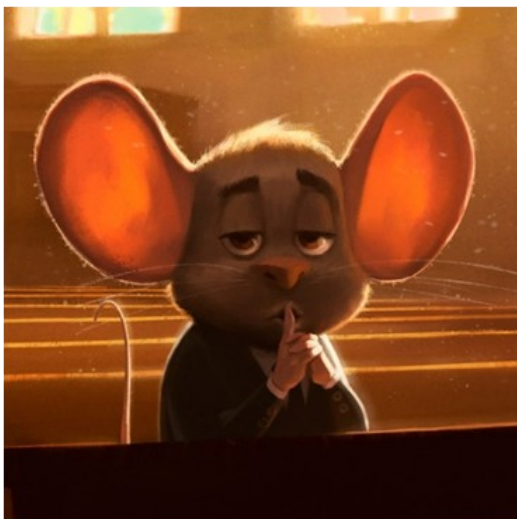
This was just a brief chance to catch up and get back on track with this little newsletter. So...

Until next time.

As always,

yours,

The Church Mouse





Anniversaries and Birthdays

FEBRUARY & MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- Feb. 2 Brandon Younkin
Bret "Charlie" Pletcher
- Feb. 5 Hannah Latuch
- Feb. 8 Tom Mills
- Feb. 13 Rick Barry
Wrenley Webreck
- Feb. 14 Vanessa Lucas
- Feb. 15 Tucker Faidley
- Feb. 16 Randy Pletcher
Grant Pletcher
- Feb. 18 Paul Hall
- Feb. 20 Mike Weaver
- Feb. 24 Shanda Pletcher
- Feb. 25 Geraldine Cameron
- Feb. 27 Natalie King
Maxwell Kemp
- Feb. 28 Braden Barry
Beth Miller
- Feb. 29 Brenda Yoder
- Mar. 3 Glenda Johnson
Brandon Pletcher
- Mar. 5 John Mitchell
- Mar. 7 Remington Schartiger
- Mar. 10 Brandon Pletcher
- Mar. 11 Brooke Pletcher Bigler
Natalie Latuch
- Mar. 16 Richard Dumbauld
- Mar. 17 Rita Show
Angie Weaver
- Mar. 19 Melissa Putman
- Mar. 23 Shirley Metheney
Mccoy Pletcher
- Mar. 25 Barry Beal
Emily Lemmon
- Mar. 29 Malcom (Tony) Buchanan
- Mar. 31 Trista Younkin

FEBRUARY & MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

- Feb 1 Randy & Jamie Schartiger
- Mar. 2 Gregg & Barbara Lemmon
- Mar. 3 Bearl & Teresa Faidley
- Mar. 13 Randy & Bev Pletcher



- National Revival
- Our Country
- Allegheny Region Churches
- Our Pastors & Spouses
- Growing our Congregation
- Upcoming Mission Trips
- Wildfires
- Violence in our Nation
- Those dealing with severe weather
issues & cleanup
- Families who have lost loved ones
 - Janet Brant
 - Roger King
 - Reba Kreger
 - Lisa Leslie
 - Dustin Pritts
 - Mark Pritts
- Those dealing with mental,
emotional, spiritual & financial issues
- Those hospitalized & having
procedures
- Those dealing with long-term
illnesses
- Shut-Ins
- Those in nursing homes and care
facilities
- Schools
- Teachers and Students
- School Workers & Bus Drivers
- College Students
- Hospital Workers
- Winebrenner Seminary
- Brent & Julie Sleasman
- Church Ministries
- Camp Sonrise Mountain
- Winter Retreats
- Chatelas Church
- Our Missionaries and Mission Fields
- Military / Police / First Responders
- CEF
- Unspoken Needs

RAMBLINGS & RECIPES

As I write to you this month, there's only four days until February. I think this winter might be about over – we've had everything in January, hail, freezing rain, wind, snow and sunshine! I saw this cute quote on January 24th – "I really feel like it's January 74th!"

It's been a good month to work inside your home – take down Christmas, clean some drawers or a closet you've been avoiding, start a new craft, get your tax documents ready or

Try A New Recipe!!!

Here are two recipes you might enjoy. Good for serving during the Super Bowl – I don't even know what teams are playing?!?!

Pizza Dip

1 8 oz. Cream Cheese	8 oz. Sour Cream
1 tsp. Oregano	1 tsp. Garlic Powder
1 tsp. Ranch Powder	1 small jar pizza sauce
2 Cups Mozzarella Cheese	

Toppings: Sausage, Pepperoni, Bacon Bits – use all or just what you prefer.

Mix together the Cream Cheese and Sour Cream (using a mixer works best). When well combined, add the Oregano, Garlic Powder and Ranch Powder – mix well.

Spread this mixture in a deep dish pie pan – top with the pizza sauce, then cover with cheese – finally top with the toppings.

Bake at 400 degrees for 25 minutes.

Serve with your favorite crackers or bread.

Shirley Mullendore's Philly Miracle Cheese Ball

2 – 8 oz. Cream Cheese	1/2 Cup Mayonnaise
1/3 Cup Grated Parmesan Cheese	10 crisply cooked bacon slices (crumbled)
1/4 Cup Green Onions (sliced)	

Combine all the above – form into a ball. Wrap in plastic wrap and chill overnight.

You may want to roll this in chopped pecans before serving – it's delicious with or without the pecans.

"While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease."

Genesis 8:22

Global Reach Updates

Haiti -- The Annual General Conference was held in Pierre Payen and it was extremely well attended! Thankfully the pastors were able to meet safely. Please continue to pray for Haiti. Pray for renewed hearts in service! We have a new Missions Coordinator for PHH. His name is Stanley Lambert! Pray for him.

Venezuela – Pastor Jean & Lilian Guevara’s church is going strong! They continue to serve in their community by teaching folks to read and sharing coffee and the Word of God with their neighbors! Pray for them as they seek the lost.

USA Southwest – Jake and Haley have a full schedule for teams this summer. Please keep them in prayer as they look forward to a baby and learn the ropes to manage baby Day and the summer teams! Keep the Kingwood COG Mission Team in your prayers as well. Help us by participating in our final fundraiser!

Helping Hands

Helping Hands Prayer Needs for February

Becky Queer & Sis Wright

c/o Goodwill Mennonite Home 891 Dorsey Hotel Rd. Grantsville, MD 21536

Youth News

This month marks the start of a new program for young adults, age 18-25. Twice a month we will meet at Dunkin' Donuts in Somerset @ 6:00pm to share our week, yummy hot drinks, and pray for each other. This is the perfect hang out for those who attend Kingwood or those who have questions about faith. Any young adult is welcome to come and enjoy the time together. Questions can be text to Pastor Karey at 814-969-2817. If we ever need to cancel, especially with the winter weather, a call will be put out on the phone tree.

This month the youth group will be collecting bottles of laundry detergent for the Rockwood Area School District Student Resource Room. For those who do not know, there is a washer and dryer on site at the school. This allows students to have access to clean clothing and for donated items to be washed before students receive them. Detergent can be any size or brand, but would ask that it is fragrance free so any student can use it. There will be a marked box near the coat rack for detergent donations. Thank you for supporting the students in our local community!

Arctic Blast is right around the corner! Junior High Students will be at Camp Sunrise Mountain 2/7-2/9 for an amazing weekend of fun and time with God. Senior High will have their weekend 2/21-2/23. Students will arrive on Friday at 6:30pm and leave on Sunday at 3:00pm for both weekends. Keep your eye on the bulletin to see the code for Kingwood youth and guests to enter at the time of registration. Need a ride? Talk to Jake and Karey Vough.

Youth and YA Schedule for February:

2/2 – 6:00pm Young Adult Hang Out at DD in Somerset

2/7-2/9 – Junior High Arctic Blast, No youth group on 2/9

2/16- 6:00pm Young Adult Hang Out at DD in Somerset

2/21 – 2/23 – Senior High Arctic Blast, Youth Group at the Fellowship Center @ 6:00pm 2/23



KINGWOOD CHURCH OF GOD COUNCIL MEETING

January 13th, 2025

DEVOTIONS: Pastor Will New Year/New Beginnings 2 Corinthians 5:17 Old is gone, New has come.

Mark Lucas elected to Chairman of the Church Council with Jon Pletcher serving as Co-Chair.

OLD BUSINESS

Church Basement Renovation – looking into cost estimate right now.

Sanctuary Projector – waiting on delivery of new TV.

Floor Waxing – There are 2 rooms left to do.

Children’s Ministry Director – Last day to submit an application will be Feb 1, 2025.

Associate Pastor Search Committee – has been formed and will soon be starting the process of finding an Associate Paster.

Desk in Sunday School Classroom – desk will be moved soon along with filing cabinets and book shelves to the basement.

A/C in Sunday School Classrooms – still getting pricing

NEW BUSINESS:

Membership Classes –Classes will be advertised - one will be held in the Spring and one in the Fall.

Planning Committee Meeting – January 26th, 2025 review and update the 5 Year Plan

Fellowship Usage

November 2024

Walk Fit	13
Midweek	5
Council Mtg	1
Pickleball	4
Soccer Banquet	1 plus setup
Steve Hoffman practices	1 plus setup
<u>OCC</u>	<u>11</u>
Total	36

December 2024

Walk Fit	12
Midweek	4
Council Mtg	1
Pickleball	4
Ream Christmas	1
Children’s Christmas Prog.	4
Christmas Program	1
Sunday School Christmas	1
<u>KCC</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	29

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Church Staff

Will Miller, Senior Pastor
James Monticue, Visitation Pastor
Karey Vough, Youth/YA Pastor
Carey Beth King, Secretary

Church Website

www.kingwoodchurch.cggc.org

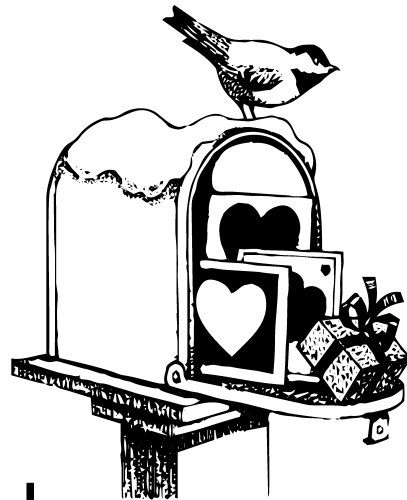
Church Phone Number

(814) 926-4429

Sunday Morning Worship

8:15 a.m. First Worship Service
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Second Worship Service

7:00 p.m. Midweek Services @ FC on
Wednesdays



February