

**Thank you for worshipping with us this morning.**

Please sign the Friendship Pad in the pew  
and plan to join us for coffee after worship.

**WORSHIP CELEBRATION**

**TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD**

**February 19, 2012**

**9:45 a.m.**

\*Indicates "those able please stand"

As a courtesy to others in worship, please turn off all cell phones/pagers.

**~ WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME ~**

OPENING MUSIC

Joe Dilley, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP

Shirley Hutchins

\*HYMN 2152

*"Change My Heart, O God"*

Sing twice

INVOCATION/CONFESSION

WITNESS

Jerry Pitman and Dave Sperry

SPECIAL MUSIC

*"Your Great Name"*

Neale/Nordhoff

Keith Fix, vocal solo

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 17:1-8

After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus.

Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah."

While he was still speaking, a bright cloud enveloped them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!"

When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified. But Jesus came and touched them. "Get up," he said. "Don't be afraid." When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus.

MESSAGE

"Empowering Encouragement"

Jerry Pitman

PRAYER

Shirley Hutchins

OFFERING

\*HYMN 2166

*"Christ Beside Me"*

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

Joe Dilley



**Worship Notes**

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FIND DETAILS ABOUT ALL OF OUR EVENTS, PLUS MORE, AT  
WWW.SYCAMORECHURCH.ORG, IN OUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER AND AT THE  
"WELCOME CENTER" IN THE NARTHEX

**WELCOME FRIENDS!**

**SPECIAL ASSISTANCE** - Large print editions of *The Presbyterian Hymnal* are available in the back of the Sanctuary. Large print bulletins are also available. Please ask an usher for assistance. Request envelopes for CD's of the sermons are available in the Library.

**HEARING ASSISTANCE** - Also available in the Sanctuary are battery operated receivers and ear devices which will allow you to hear fully the spoken word and the music. Ask an usher.

**GUEST INFORMATION** to acquaint you with our church is available at the Welcome Center in the Narthex. For additional information about our programs please call the church office at 683.0254 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday – Friday.

**CHILDCARE IN THE NURSERY** is available at the **9:45** and **10:45 a.m.** services for infants through 2 years old.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES (3 years old—6th grade)** Sunday School is offered at the **10:45 a.m.** service. Children in preschool through kindergarten report directly to their classrooms. Children in grades 1-6 go to the Sanctuary with their parents and are excused to their classes after the Children's Message. Children in grades 4-6 will be excused at the end of Sunday School to meet their parents outside the Sanctuary. Parents of children in grades 3 or younger will need to pick their child up at their room.

**STUDENT MINISTRIES (7th - 12th grades)** - Awakenings (7th-8th) and Cross Training (9th-12th) Sunday School classes meet at 10:45 a.m. in Seven Gables. See the Kiosk in the Connector for signups and more SM information.

**ADULT MINISTRIES** - Please check the Adult Ministry table in the Connector for class times and locations, as well as other programs.

**NEW MEMBER CLASSES** are held periodically throughout the year. Please call the church office if you are interested in learning more about this congregation and would like to consider membership.

**PRAYER REQUESTS** (Names remain on list for 3 weeks)

**Alan Anick and family**

**Candy Baker** (cousin of Cathy Sperry)

**Kelly Blauzdis** (daughter of Bob Jones)

**Natalie Blauzdis** (granddaughter of Bob Jones)

**Joe Burnett, Jr.** (brother of Eugene Burnett)

**Chris Colby** (brother of Nancy Deyo)

**Jessica Elam** (granddaughter of Kevin and Pam Malanchuk)

**Family of Dan Frazee** (friends of the Deyo family)

**Tori Hostuick** (family member of Herm and Joy Wallace)

**Richard Jones** (brother of Bob Jones)

**Bob Jones**

**Charles Jones** (friend of Eugene/Carol Burnett)

**Lewis Kalsbeek**

**John Lane** (friend of Bob/Marian Chase)

**Grayson Long** (nephew of Nathan and Tiffany Long)

**Doug Penny** (friend of Fred/Barb Smith)

**Nancy Ridgeway**

**Family of Dave Sill** (friends of Alan/Diana Anick)

**Tim Sullivan** (son-in-law of Alice Cook)

**Betty Wheeler** (friend of Susan Dugle)

**Prayer Requests:** Please notify Ann Ross in the church office (683-0254) or email [aross@sycamorechurch.org](mailto:aross@sycamorechurch.org) and Jeanette Miller (683-0639), email [mstmiller@zoomtown.com](mailto:mstmiller@zoomtown.com). Specify if it is for the email/phone Prayer Chain or for the prayer list in the bulletin or both.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ADULT MINISTRIES

### ~ Adult Ministries Classes:

- ◆ **Sundays**, 9:45 a.m., Adult Bible Study, B-1
- ◆ **Sundays**, 9:45 a.m., Twisting the Truth, Rm. 23 (Vogel Hall)
- ◆ **Sundays**, 10:45 a.m., "Parent's Discussion Group", Rm. 23
- ◆ **Mondays**, 10:30 a.m., Women's Bible Study, Morrow Rm.
- ◆ **1st and 3rd Tuesday**, 9:30 a.m., Women's Bible Study, Narthex
- ◆ **Tuesdays**, 7:30 p.m., Lamplighter's Bible Study, home of members/church
- ◆ **Wednesdays**, 6:45 a.m., Men's Bible Study, Library
- ◆ **Wednesdays**, 9:30 a.m., Women's Bible Study, Morrow Rm.

~ **Questions? Contact Rev. Shirley Hutchins: [shutchins@sycamorechurch.org](mailto:shutchins@sycamorechurch.org).**

## CHILDRENS MINISTRIES (Infants – 6<sup>th</sup> grade)

~ **Sunday School** - February's spiritual trait: Love

~ **"Project Linus"** - 91 blankets collected. Thanks to all who supported and especially all the kids who tied the knots.

~ **No JOURNEYS this week.**

~ **Vacation Bible School** - Many of you have been asking, "When is VBS this year?" Mark your calendars! It will be held the week of June 18-22 from 9:30 a.m. to noon.

## STUDENT MINISTRIES (7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade)

~ **Today :**

- **Montana Summer Mission Payment #2 of \$235 due.**
- **Cross-Training, Awakenings, and Confirmation** - 10:45 a.m., Seven Gables
- **WALK Sr. High Guys Event** - 12:00 - 3:00 p.m. Drop off/pick up at Seven Gables. Travel, food, fun, and challenge.
- **Sr. High Youth Group** - 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Seven Gables

~ **Wednesday, February 22 - No Student Ministries Programming.**

Join us for the Ash Wednesday service at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

~ **Kroger Cards** - Pick up your Kroger card today to support the 2012 Mission Trip. Pay \$1 per card. Take the card to Kroger's and put as much money on it as you would like, then swipe the Kroger card every time you shop to support Student Ministries missions. Contact: Stephanie Crawford ([stephietapp@yahoo.com](mailto:stephietapp@yahoo.com)) or Student Ministries office. We thank you for your support!

## OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

~ **Today's flowers** are given by Vivian Morgan in celebration of Richard and Jane Morgan's birthdays and in loving memory of Janet Morgan.

~ **Ash Wednesday Service - February 22**, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary. Childcare for children 2 yrs. old and younger. Rev. Shirley Hutchins preaching, "Beginning a New Habit."

~ **Church Closed At Noon, Friday, February 24** to allow Duke Energy to move the main electrical service lines in preparation for connecting to the new facility. We will be open for business Saturday morning at 8:30 a.m. In case of an emergency please call 513-683-9680 and leave a message.

~ **Lenten/Easter Preaching Series "Jesus Calling...You!" begins February 26**  
Based on the devotional guide "Jesus Calling" by Sarah Young. Dr. Kent's "invitations" for you to experience God's goodness and grace.

~ **Capital Campaign Progress Report "On the Site"** - The most visible part of the construction project is scheduled to begin this week. Footers and foundations for the new Sanctuary are at, or very near, completion and we should see structural elements begin to rise from the ground! This process will continue through the month of March.

~ **Dinners for 6, 7 or 8** - The March list of dinner hosts and their guests is posted near the Welcome Center this morning.

~ **IHN News** - After many years of leading the IHN Core Team, Don and Betty Bang are retiring. They will be missed! Thank you both for your many years of dedicated service to IHN.

~ **Communion Bread Bakers Needed** - A willing heart and hands and basic baking skills are the necessary requirements. Instruction will be provided. If interested, please contact Marilyn Poe (677-1515) or Sandy Fielman (677-1863).

~ **Mark Your Calendar...Triple "L" Luncheon:** Tuesday, March 20, "Reducing the Threat of Identity Theft", 12:00-1:30 p.m., Harper Hall. More details coming soon.

~ **SPC Preschool Spring Flower Sale - Last day to order** at the Preschool table in the Connector. Annuals, hanging baskets, herbs, and vegetables available. Delivered before Mother's Day. Proceeds will help purchase items for the Preschool determined by the Mother's Auxiliary.

~ **New Member Class** - Tuesday, February 21, 5:45- 8:30 p.m., Harper Hall. Dinner included, childcare provided. Please call the church office (683-0254) to register or pick up a registration form on the Welcome Center.

**For additional info refer to the "Looking Ahead" Friday email, copies of which are available with the Weekly Calendar at the Welcome Center.**

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**NEXT SUNDAY'S SERMON - FEBRUARY 26, 2012**

**LENTEN/EASTER PREACHING SERIES**

Wk. 1) "Jesus Calling You...to Peace!"

Scripture: John 14:27 "Peace I Leave With You"

Dr. Lawrence W. Kent

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### OUR ARMED SERVICES PERSONNEL

Please let us know about current armed services personnel for the prayer list by emailing [aross@sycamorechurch.org](mailto:aross@sycamorechurch.org).

Spc. Nathan Ehrenberger, US Army  
1st Lt. Phillip Hicks, US Army  
CPT Zach Staudter, US Army  
Kelsey Melzer, Airman, USAF  
Staff Sgt. Andrew Ruberg, USMC  
LCpl. Zachary Sultz, USMC

ND1 Jeremy Weber, USN  
Sgt. Paul Ryan Weber, USAF  
PFC Ryan J. Horne, US Army\*  
SSG Kurt Davis, US Army National Guard  
1st Lt. Philip Barbe', USAF  
\*Deployed

### COMING EVENT SIGN UPS - In the Connector

**No Adult Journey Classes This Week** due to Ash Wednesday service at 7:30 p.m.

**Lenten Study: Final Words from the Cross by Adam Hamilton.** 6 week study. Class Sunday, February 26, 9:45 a.m. Sign up today. Books, \$12 on Adult Ministries table.

**Coffee and Conversation** - Saturday, March 10, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. in Harper Hall. Guest Presenter: Vickie Gaynier as Mary, the Mother of Jesus. For the women of Sycamore and friends. Signups begin today.

# Welcome to Worship!



Sunday, February 19, 2012



# Sycamore Presbyterian Church

Chapel Service

9:45 a.m.

Sanctuary Service Times

8:45 & 10:45 a.m.

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mission is to be ALIVE in Christ

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