

OFFICIAL BOARD HIGHLIGHTS March 2011

Our Building Fund giving for January was \$6,776.00, and in February we gave \$4,919.75 toward the Building Fund. The balance of the Christian Life Center Loan as of February was \$314,517.42.

Our Outreach giving for January was \$1,194.37, and our February Outreach giving was \$1,300.33. These funds were disbursed to Disciples Mission Fund, Ozark Lakes Area, The Food Center, and Johnson County Emergency Care Coalition.

Through our Christian Action and Community Service Committee, we donated \$50.00 to the Johnson County Emergency Care Coalition in February, and we are giving \$50.00 to Johnson County Health for the month of March.

The Clothes Closet still needs garments for cold weather, but will soon be ready to accept clothing for spring.

The Food Center needs hot and cold cereal, crackers, canned meats and canned fruits, toilet paper, toothpaste, and laundry detergent.

We are currently bagging up Best Choice, Campbell's, and Swanson barcodes to send to Woodhaven, so if you have barcodes that we can send, please leave them in the Parlor kitchen.

The Warrensburg Senior Center delivers meals to homebound people in our area. There is an ongoing need to provide the finances for this important community service. If you would like to donate to this cause, please designate your gift to the Warrensburg Senior Center and leave it in the offering plate or at the church office.

Our thanks to everyone who volunteered to work at The Food Center during the month of February.

The Christian Women's Fellowship Ham and Bean Dinner will be held on Sunday, March 20, starting at 4:30 p.m. They will need assistance from all our members for this annual community event.

The Membership and Evangelism Committee has had good response from our members who have offered to provide refreshments for our Coffee Fellowship following the 10:40 a.m. Worship Service. Please contact Linda Hoover or Mary Howey if this is something you would like to do.

We plan to proceed with our landscaping improvements at the front of the church when the weather improves. We also continue to evaluate the water problem in the basement to see what needs to be done to best resolve this situation.

Signs are being made to indicate 'Senior Parking' for the area under the Christian Education Building. We are also planning to clean the asphalt in this area and restripe it.

The lawnmower has been serviced and is ready for summer lawn care.

The front entry doors at the west of the church have been refinished and look beautiful on the church. We are now in the process of repairing and refinishing the front doors on the east side of the church.

The 8:30 a.m. Praise Service needs to improve the visibility of projected material for the service. We are investigating the possibility of using a special paint on the wall that will provide a clearer picture. The Praise Service also needs a cabinet to store the sound system equipment.

We are discussing replacing the carillon. This will require paying the insurance deductible before insurance will pay for the replacement. The 10:40 a.m. Worship Service needs improvement in the balcony wiring for the sound system, the organ, and the carillon.

We are planning to make improvements in some areas of our 10:40 a.m. Worship Service Bulletin, and we also plan to make a small change in the order of Worship.

Ash Wednesday Service at 7:00 p.m. on March 9 will start our Lenten Season. On the five Wednesday nights of March 16, 23, 30, and April 6 and 13, we will meet in the Christian Life Center at 6:30 p.m. to watch a video about the life of Jesus. We will watch about 20 minutes of the video then have discussion. During Holy Week, the Maundy Thursday Service will be on April 21 at 8:00 p.m. We will plan to have nursery attendants available for the Lenten Services.

The Chancel Choir will start practice for the Lenten Season following Lenten Service on March 16. Please join us for practice if you would like to sing with the choir.

We will have a service of baptism on Easter Sunday, April 24. Please contact Pastor Basye if you or a family would like to be baptized.

The Holden First Christian Church minister, Rich Morris, will be moving and the church is having a reception for Rich and wife on March 13.

Our next Board Meeting will be on Wednesday, April 6, at 7:30 p.m. following Lenten Service. All are welcome to join us.

Donna Elliott, Board Secretary