# The Chimes

# March 2024

#### Calendar

Al Anon: March 7, 14, 21, 28: 10am in the Lounge

Back Row Boys: March 6, 9am, Iron Kettle

Bible Study: March 6, 13, 20, 27: 10am in the Lounge

Christian Education Meeting: TBD

Community Engagement Meeting: March 12, 7pm

Deacons Meeting: March 26, 7pm

Men's Group: March 23: 9am, Fox Run

Ms. Bridget's Sprouts: March 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26, 27, 10:30am March 4, 6:15pm

PNC Meeting: TBD

Session Meeting: March 11, 7:00pm

Women's Group (NEW!): March 20, 6:30pm, Moose Lodge

Worship Committee Meeting: March 12, 7pm











Our annual food drive for FISH of East Aurora is underway! Project 5000 comes from the Bible story in which Jesus feeds the crowds of people with five loaves of bread and two fish. We are called to help those who are struggling. The FISH food pantry is in great need of food and is right here in our village! The food collection will run February 25th- March 24th. Please place your bags on the stage in the assembly room. On March 24th we will ask for volunteers to help load cars and drop the food off to FISH. Also, any financial donations collected in the mission envelopes, will be dedicated to Project 5,000. We can shop for you if you are unable to. Our goal is 100 bags! Thank you so much for your participation! -Submitted by Sara Guppenberger

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### Ladies Night Out!



January 24th was the inaugural meeting of the FPCEA Women's Group! We had 20 women gather at 42 North for food & drink, fellowship and a lot of laughs! The goal is to meet monthly for a relaxing and enjoyable evening! Join us for our March get together, Wednesday March 20th, 6:30 at The Moose Lodge!

## Join Us!

Interested in getting more involved in the church? Have an hour per month to volunteer? The Worship Committee is looking for interested members from the congregation to help with the design and format of our Sunday services. It's a great way to participate in your church without committing to a huge amount of time. Here's a chance to contribute in a way that is rewarding and hands-on. See the evidence of your input every Sunday! If interested, contact Annie in the office at: 716-652-0160 or office@FPCEA.org.

## March Birthdays! Happy Birthday Everyone!

Maxwell Bindig Aurora Boneberg Gregory Dechert Heather Dechert Meg DeMario-MacBain Charlotte Fischer Donald Fishback James Griffis Michael Guppenberger Ricky Hess Jennifer Higgins Morgan Higgins Zoey Lowe Parris Maroney

Nancy Murphy Patricia Patterson Emerson Peters Charlie Specht Isabeau Strzelec Jennifer Suckow



#### Bible Study Meets Wednesday Mornings!



Would you like to have a better understanding of the bible? Join our bible study. Led by Amy DeMario, the group meets at 10am in the lounge each week. They are currently finishing their study of discipleship. For their next study, they are looking into the writing of the Apocrypha. See Amy if you have any questions!

## Session Highlights: Feb 12

-Communion will be held 3/3 and 3/28

-Installation & ordination of elders and deacons will be held on 3/3

-New member installation and baptism will take place on 3/17

-The roof on the CE wing needs to be replaced -The fire suppression system over the stove in the downstairs kitchen will be replaced.

## **Calling All Sewers!**

Help wanted for Advent Calendars! There are already preorders for 15 calendars for 2024! We would like to make 50 calendars well before Christmas 2024. Will you help us? Can you sew a straight line? Stitch a bead? Glue a sequin? Tie a tiny bow or sew a snap? We'll provide materials and detailed instructions. Call or text:

Carol Griffis: 716-652-2547 ~ carolpgriffis@gmail.com Polly Boldt: 716-983-5875 ~ marypboldt@hotmail.com



## Ms. Bridget's Sprouts

You have two chances each week to join Ms. Bridget and her friend Sprout this winter! Sprouts is designed to enhance your child's early growth & development and increase socialization. Get ready to learn and have fun each Tuesday & Wednesday at 10:30am! Ages 6m-5y. Please contact Bridget Pacholec to register at 716-982-2000.



## **CHECK US OUT!**

Have you visited the new <u>fpcea.org</u>? As we settle in to our new site, is there anything you think is missing? Are you finding it easy to navigate? We welcome feedback as we fine tune this project! Contact Annie in the office at office@fpcea.org

#### **Community Engagement News**

Our team gathered on a Sunday before church and made 60 Ham and Turkey Submarine Sandwiches for the South Buffalo Community Table. Since 1983 the South Buffalo Community Table soup kitchen has been serving over a thousand hot meals a month to the hungry in our community. The South Buffalo Community Table is located at 187 Southside Pkwy, in Buffalo. If you are interested in doing outreach in your community come join our team, we meet once a month!! -Submitted by Sara Guppenberger

Join us for worship Sundays at 10am, in person or on Facebook! The sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of every month.