



*Drawing on our heritage, centered in Jesus Christ, looking to the future;  
Davis Memorial Presbyterian Church reaches out with the Gospel to our community and the world.*

**February 2024**

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**INTERIM PASTOR COVENANT APPROVED**

The Presbytery of West Virginia Committee On Ministry has met with our Interim Pastor candidate, Rev. Thomas Wesley Moore, IV, (Pastor T. Wes) and granted him permission to labor within the bounds of this Presbytery as well as the Coastal Carolina Presbytery, where he currently serves a church in transition.

The COM further approved the Temporary Pastor Covenant 2024, with Davis Memorial Presbyterian Church, Elkins. The Covenant is for a period of one year, March 1, 2024 to March 1, 2025.

Read more about Pastor T. Wes inside this newsletter.

Welcome, Pastor T. Wes!



**SUNDAY AT DMPC**



Worship each Sunday is  
 broadcast live over WDNE 1240 AM  
 and live-streamed on  
 our Facebook Page,  
<https://www.facebook.com/dmpcElkins>  
[www.dmpc.org](http://www.dmpc.org)

## **NOTES FROM THE JANUARY 2024 SESSION MEETING...**

At its January 8th meeting, Session attended to the following items:

- \* Elder Varchetto presented a devotional, "God's Humor", from "Laced with Grace".
- \* Sherri Marstiller was elected Treasurer for 2024.
- \* Elder Proudfoot was elected Clerk to Session for 2024.
- \* Welcomed new and returning Elders Mina Cupp, Debra Everhart, David Messinger, Brenda Kirkpatrick and David Hyer.
- \* Recorded the death of Roberta Dye on December 28, 2023, and Sandra Godwin on December 30, 2023.
- \* Treasurer Marstiller presented 2023 End-Of-Year reports and reported taxes filed. Financial records are available upon request.  
Elder Everhart will assist with the Weekly Counting Report in February.
- \* Accepted the Interim Pastor Nominating Committee recommendation to enter into a one-year Temporary Covenant with Thomas Wesley Moore, IV, from March 1, 2024 to March 1, 2025.
- \* Grant funds received by the After School Program will pay for the replacement of the Sycamore Street door and security system, including an upgraded Wi-Fi router.
- \* Pulpit supply is scheduled through the end of February. Communion is scheduled for February 4th. Bishop Riegel will preside at the HTLC Ash Wednesday Worship Service at 6:00 on February 14th.
- \* We have been approved to receive \$10,000 from the Posey Perry Grant through the Mountaineer Food Bank.
- \* A Bread & Broth study is in planning for the 2024 Lenten Season.
- \* The pictorial directory has been delayed, awaiting corrections.
- \* Elder Cupp has accepted the chairmanship of the Fellowship Committee.
- \* Stewardship Committee continues to receive pledges of Time, Talent and Treasure.
- \* Copies of the Revised Standard Operating Procedures manual were distributed and are available from the church office upon request.
- \* PWV is offering a Zoom preparation course for ruling elders, led by Susan Sharp Campbell, on the afternoons of February 4th and 18th. Registration deadline is February 1, 2024.
- \* The next meeting of Session is scheduled for February 12, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.  
Rev. Lee will moderate.

ALL COMMITTEES ARE REQUESTED TO SUBMIT 2023 ANNUAL REPORTS AT THE FEBRUARY MEETING.

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## **HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWS CORNER...**

Ash Wednesday service will be held at Holy Trinity on February 14 beginning at 6:00 pm with Bishop Matthew Riegel presiding.

Members of Davis Memorial Presbyterian Church will join us for this Lenten service.

Deacon Mary Sanders with Community Lutheran Partners will be our guest speaker on February 25.

Rev. T. Wesley Moore, Interim Pastor, was hired for one year by DMPC. His employment begins March 1, 2024. We look forward to working with him as a new Pastor is located.

We wish to thank Lynn Proudfoot for getting speakers for each Sunday during the past few months.

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Happy Valentine's Day



## February Birthdays

- 2 Kerr Kump
- 2 Susan Pell
- 3 Garrett Chenoweth
- 3 Margy Nelson
- 4 Phil Becker
- 5 Larry Wing
- 5 Elizabeth Proudfoot
- 11 Melody Meadows
- 13 Nathan Garver-Daniels
- 14 Rob Legg
- 17 Patty Crissman
- 18 Rick Campbell
- 20 Samantha White
- 21 Carol Schuler
- 21 A. Joseph Godwin
- 21 Adrienne Vance
- 24 Pat Gilchrist
- 28 Jessie Somers

## Dates to Remember...

- Feb. 1 10:00am PW Coordinating Team
- Feb. 4 5:30pm Confirmation Class @ HTLC
- Feb. 6 1:30pm Membership Committee
- Feb. 8 10:00am Circle 2 in the White Chapel
- 1:30pm Circle 1 in the white Chapel
- Feb. 12 6:30pm Session
- FEB. 14 VALENTINES' DAY**
  - 6:00pm Ash Wednesday Service  
at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
- Feb. 18 5:30pm Confirmation Class @HTLC
- FEB. 19 PRESIDENT'S DAY (CHURCH CLOSED)**
- Feb. 22 1:30pm Property Committee

## LENTEN BREAD & BROTH

**BEGINS FEBRUARY 14, 2024**

The DMPC Christian Education Committee invites you to join in our 6-week Lenten Bible Study beginning on Ash Wednesday. We will be studying *The Prodigal God* by Timothy Keller. The Davis Memorial Presbyterian Church, First United Methodist Church, and Holy Trinity Lutheran Church will continue their joint ministry with a Lenten Lunch Bible Study. We will explore one of Jesus' best-loved parables -the Prodigal Son- to illustrate the depth of God's love and how God's grace extends into some very unexpected places.

Among the questions that will be up for discussion: what does "prodigal" mean, and to which of the story's characters does it most apply? How do parables work, and how and why did Jesus use them? Each session will have a different leader. Technology permitting, one of them will be from Kenya.

CE will provide a sandwich tray and desserts for the first week. We will continue each Wednesday for 5 weeks until March 20<sup>th</sup> with a light lunch served each week.

Lunch will be served at 12:00pm with class from 12:30-1:30pm. All sessions will be at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. The public is invited.

Participant books will be available to buy or borrow. Please join us as Keller's study opens our eyes to the best known but least understood parable.



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## CIRCLE MEETINGS

<b>CIRCLE 1</b>	<b>Mina Cupp, Chair</b> <b>Feb. 8 @1:30pm in the White Chapel</b>
<b>CIRCLE 2</b>	<b>Judy Guye Swanson, Chair</b> <b>Feb. 8 @ 10:00am in the White Chapel</b>

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