

# The Rolling Stone

February 2017

Special Thank You to our Lois Jean Rhodes. She has retired from the position of our long time Church Treasurer. She was treasurer for 8 years, and for years before that she counted the weekly offering along with Marge Ekin. Lois Jean - you will be greatly missed!!

Please come to a reception to show her how much we appreciate all she has done for us on Sunday, February 5, immediately following Worship Service.

Lois Jean has handed over the reins to Sandy Staszak. Welcome aboard Sandy!



## A Year of Blessings...

### Sampson's Mills Benefits From Two Grants

The year of 2016 marked a year of blessings for Sampson's Mills Church. Grants from a community foundation and a trust fund were received for our parking lot renovation project.

The following grants were received:

The Crawford Trust Fund	\$1,000.00
The Charles F. Peters Foundation	\$5,000.00

These generous grants helped us enable us to make the necessary parking lot renovations, eliminate safety concerns and improve accessibility.

Barbara Jennings

Member of the Church Growth and Outreach Ministry Team

## FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY TEAM NEWS

### VALENTINES DAY CANDY SALE AND BASKET RAFFLE

Candy sale – We will be selling candy: Perfectly Pink Valentine’s Day Popcorn, Nutella Candy Hearts, Milk Chocolate Hearts with/without nuts, white chocolate hearts with/without nuts, candy apples, caramel apples, chocolate apples, caramel/chocolate apples. There is a pre-order form in the Narthex.

We have a Valentine’s gift basket and a Valentine’s wreath (wreath donated by Nancy Swanson) that will be raffled off. Raffle Tickets will be sold until February 12. They will be on display in the Narthex. (Proceeds to go towards new floral arrangements on either side of the altar.)

## FOODBANK NEWS

The Food Bank at Sampson's Mills was able to provide a generous Christmas for our clients, which even included a gift card. This was made possible by the wonderful donations we received. Just to let you know, Kathy has resigned as co-chair. I will remain active with the Foodbank. This is under Doctor's orders, not by my own choosing. Carol Lasch, a White Oak Lion, and a member of McKeesport Presbyterian Church, has agreed to take my place. In February, please support us with canned soup.



Also, *Tips For Cops* is February 27. See the *What’s Happening* section for more details!

	Open	Close	Offering Counters	Greeters
February 5	S. Lawrence	D. Tomko	R. Peters, K. Tomko, F. Gilchrist	H. Butker, S. Staszak, V. Pompe, B. Ekaitis
February 12	C. Rost	G. Lepsch	R. Peters, K. Tomko, F. Gilchrist	“
February 19	C. Graham	B. Kissel	B. Andrews, S. Lawrence	“
February 26	B. Andrews	M. Keefer	B. James, J. Williamson	“

# What's Happening

## MEDITATION GARDEN

Two bricks were placed in the Meditation Garden recently, both with great significance. Bob Levkus ... for all you do. (Our appreciation for your support and labor is long overdue.); The Lovealls: Carrie, Jennie, Nancy, Hazel (Gary Hillmar's Mother and 3 Aunts who were loved at SMPC many years ago.) Billie Kissel.

## SAMPSON'S MILLS WEBSITE

Sampson's Mills website has been remodeled and is looking fantastic. A great big thank you to Matthew VanMeter. Take a few minutes and check it out at *Sampsonsmills.org*.

## TWO LITER DIME CHALLENGE

Here is a challenge! We'll call it *#The Two Liter Dime Challenge*. There is a two liter bottle in the Narthex. Let's fill it up with dimes. By the time it is filled we should have around \$500. Let's get our Boiler Campaign off to a great start! (Would anyone be interested in making a matching donation of the amount of dimes collected? If so, please see Butch Andrews or Pastor Scott).

**LADIES BREAKFAST CLUB** ... Please join the Ladies Breakfast Club on the first Monday of each month at 9:00 a.m. at Denny's in North Versailles.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP** ... Please join the Men's Breakfast Fellowship on the first Tuesday of each month at 8:30 a.m. at King's Restaurant on Route 30. All are welcome.

**THE MILLER'S DAUGHTERS BOOK CLUB** ... The Miller's Daughters Book Club meets the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.. Call Linda Lawrence for more information.

**CHURCH CALENDAR** ... The church calendar can be viewed at any time on the church website at <http://sampsonsmills.org>.

THE WHITE OAK POLICE DEPARTMENT

Presents

# TIPS FOR COPS

*February 27  
5:30p- 9pm  
Twin Oaks  
Restaurant*

*Limited Menu*

*No Coupons Accepted  
During The Event*

THE WHITE OAK POLICE  
DEPARTMENT SUPPORTED BY  
MAYOR INA JEAN MARTON

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THE WHITE OAK POLICE OFFICERS AND OFFICERS  
FROM SURROUNDING DEPARTMENTS WILL BE  
WAITING TABLES AND GIVING 100% OF THE TIPS TO  
THE FOOD PANTRY AT SAMPSON MILL'S CHURCH  
TWIN OAKS WILL DONATE 10% OF EVERY CHECK TO  
THE FOOD PANTRY

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CHINESE AUCTION  
50/50 RAFFLE  
BAKE SALE

Sgt. Jessica Hetherington has requested donations of baskets for the Chinese Auction and baked goods for the Bake Sale. Please contact Kathy Peters or Jolene Keefer if you are willing and able to help. All help would be greatly appreciated.



Youth Club: every Wednesday from 5:00-7:00

Feb 1- Pizza Muffins

Feb 8- Hot dogs and Chips.

Feb 15- Baked Potato Bar

Feb 22-French Toast- Crestfield is coming!!!



Youth Group- 6th-12th graders- Every Sunday 1:00pm-2:30pm

Feb 5- 1:00-2:30- Starting to talk through the book of Mark



Feb 12: 1:00-2:30

Feb 17/18- 2ND ANNUAL SNOWTUBING AND LOCK-IN (See Bekah for permission slip)

Feb 19: No Youth Group

Feb 26: 1:00-2:30

A poem by the Kindergarten and 1st graders of Youth Club

(based on "the house that jack built")

This is the church that Jesus built.

There are the people, some friends and some family, who go to the church that Jesus built.

These are the people, some kids and some grown ups, some pastors, and some school bus drivers, who go to the church that Jesus built.

This is the church that Jesus made for the people, some firefighters and some police officers, some grandmas and some doctors.



**Women save the date:** The women's retreat at Crestfield is April 21-23.

As more information is available Bekah will let you know!



# Sampson's Mills Presbyterian Church

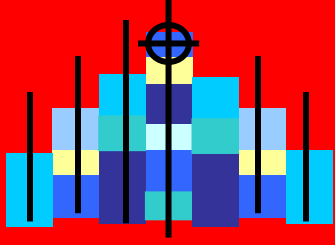
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Worship Sunday at 11:00 am  
The Reverend Scott E. Dennis

### Mission Statement

Continuing the mission of Jesus Christ,  
Through the Holy Spirit,  
We seek to cause God joy

By connecting people to Christ and to each other  
in ways which display the Kingdom and give honor to God

For God 

So loved the world  
that he gave his  
only  
begotten  
son  
that whosoever  
believes  
in him should  
not perish but have  
everlasting life



John 3:16