# *Refrigerator News* February 7, 2016



#### This Week at Lincolnshire

Monday, February 8 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study

#### Tuesday, February 9 7:00 Men's Bible Study

#### Wednesday, February 10

10:30 Pastoral Support Team 6:30 Ash Wednesday Service 7:15 Choir Practice

Thursday, February 11 9:30 Calling and Discernment

#### From Calling and Discernment

Each year you are invited to suggest up to three persons you see as being gifted to serve on the Calling and Discernment Team. This is the team that is responsible for matching persons to leadership and service needs of the congregation. Qualifications are:

- Knowledge of persons, i.e., their spiritual gifts, interests and talents.
- Knowledge of the ministries of the church
- Commitment to serve with a sense of "call".

On Sunday, February 14 and February 21, you will have the opportunity to name persons for this position. Thank you for your part in this process. It is appreciated. - *Marty Kaylor*, Chair of Calling & Discernment



#### Check the pew holders this morning....

You will find a new and updated Attendance Registration sheet that also has an added splash of color. The church phone number and website location

are also shown. There are only 7 lines for names, etc. but as we grow, it will be quite easy to add a line or two. Of course, you can always write on the back of the sheet.

The Prayer Request/Announcement Card has also been revised. These are available at the back of the church or at the hospitality table. We hope you like the changes. Thanks to the Outreach and Caring Ministry Team for their help and encouragement!

Just one more change..... the pink Social Action Emergency Fund Offering envelopes have been removed from the pew holders. These envelopes are unnecessary as there is an option to contribute to same on the green offering envelope. See line 3 of offering listing.

New offering cards are being ordered which will be a smaller size to accommodate the actual size of the pew holders. The current sized envelopes are difficult to pull out and/or put in!



Have you missed a Sunday? Forgotten the date of a meeting? Want to hear a certain sermon again? All this and more is available on the church's website www.lincnotes.org. The website is being updated by Howard Williams and will reflect more of the activities of the church as well as birthdays, etc. Check it out!



## Valenting's Day Potluck Next Sunday! February 7 Soups: Salads

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You are invited to stay for a special Valentine's Day Potluck next Sunday to celebrate Valentine's Day and the love it represents. **Soups are being furnished!** Just bring a **salad** and/or a **dessert** that is rich and chocolatey! A special table will be set up for the chocolate desserts which will be the **"Mini-Taste of Chocolate"** table! Questions? Call Jan Ward or Sara L.



#### In our prayers...

**Carol Williams'** hip replacement surgery on February 3 went well. She is recovering and will be undergoing therapy in the near future.

**Gene Valentine** has returned to Timbercrest following a stay at Parkview Hospital in Huntington. He is in Healthcare to regain strength in order to return to his apartment.

#### Giving thanks...

*Mike and Jane Vorndran* expressed their deep gratitude for all the help loading and unloading, unpacking and cleaning and the wonderful lunch provided that was given by their church family. They are now settling in and getting acquainted with the new neighborhood, etc.

Lisa Lahr is deeply thankful for the support, encouragement and prayers that were said on her behalf as she was anointed last Sunday after the worship service.

A huge *thank you* to **Terri Woods** for bringing her friend and co-worker last Sunday to share God's message with us. **Bro Mel's** poetical and emotional delivery of the message energized and lifted us to a new worship experience. His stirring message and **Deb Shaw's** incomparable piano playing gave us a lively and memorable morning!



**The Transfiguration of Jesus** is an episode in the New Testament in which Jesus is transfigured and becomes radiant in glory upon a mountain. Jesus and three of his apostles, Peter, James and John go to a mountain (the Mount of Transfiguration) to pray. On the mountain, Jesus begins to shine with bright rays of light. Then the prophets Moses and Elijah appear next to him and he speaks with them. Jesus is then called "Son" by the voice of God. The Transfiguration is a pivotal moment and is the point where human nature meets God: the meeting place with Jesus acting as a bridge between heaven and earth.



**The season of Lent** begins on Ash Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> this year. Lent is traditionally a time of reflection, penitence and spiritual renewal before Easter. On **Ash Wednesday** many pastors dip a finger or thumb in black ashes and make the form of the cross on the foreheads of worshipers. Many Christians keep the symbol on their head for the entire day. It is a reminder of one's sorrow for one's sins. It is a sign of humility and the need for forgiveness. Also, the cross on the forehead reminds us of the death of Christ for the forgiveness of our sins. A special Ash Wednesday service will be held at 6:30 in the sanctuary. You are urged to attend.

### An Ash Wednesday Prayer

Dear righteous Lord, we enter the holy season of Lent confessing our many sins that separate us from you. We're sincerely sorry for offending you repeatedly through our thoughts, our words and our actions – and often our inactions, too. Forgive us, Lord, and show us your tender mercy. Restore and strengthen us to become your faithful and faith-filled servants. During our Lenten journey, remind us to show mercy to other people, just as you've shown mercy to us. In Jesus name, amen.