

Sunday: **03-05-2023 2nd Sunday in Lent - St. David's Day**
 9:30 AM Worship (*nursery with Rex & Lisa Lloyd*)
 10:45 AM St. David's Day meal

Tuesday: **03-07-2023**
 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study is at the Van Wert Hospital Cafeteria
 7:00 PM Women's Bible Study is in the downstairs at Salem

Thursday: **03-09-2023**
 Noon Van Wert County Prayer Meeting is at the Pentecostal Way Church at 1213 Leeson Avenue, in Van Wert.

Sunday: **03-12-2023 3rd Sunday in Lent**
 9:30 AM Worship (*nursery with Tuzz & Liz Hobbs*)
 10:45 AM Confirmation Class
 5:00 PM Trustee Meeting

Announcements:

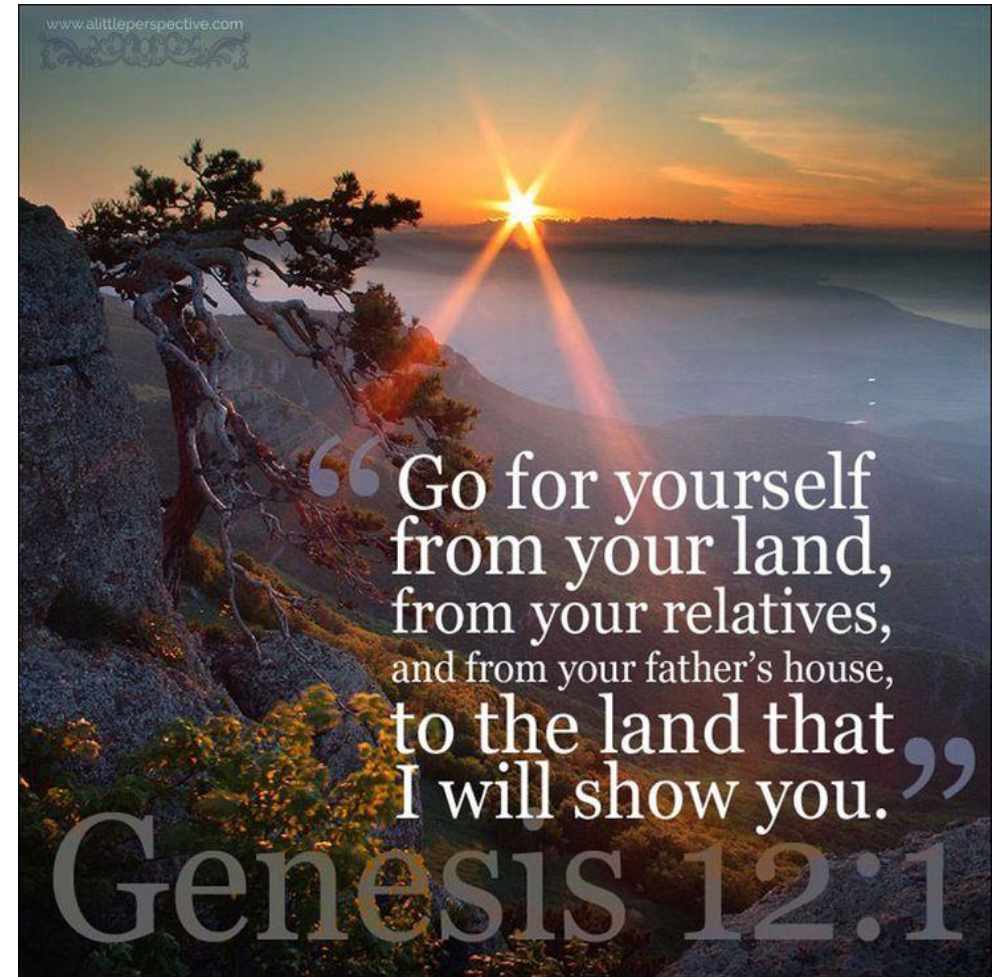
Today, we will have a meal following the service for the celebration of **St. David's Day**. There is no Confirmation Class today, and the youth will assist with the meal.

The church will be **collecting offerings** from the heart to be given to the **Salvation Army**. There is a monthly need and your generosity is greatly needed. Each month we are collecting a different food. The food for March is pork & beans.

Please take photos and contribute recipes, thoughts, and ideas for the **April newsletter**. Submit them to secretary@salemchurch.cc.

Upcoming Birthdays

8 th John Morris	11 th Todd Morris	14 th Larry Caffro
14 th Elijah Martz	16 th Tom Emery	19 th Pamela Beamer



Genesis 12:1-4a

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 March 5, 2023**

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Jason Boyd (limited time to live - terminal cancer)
Charles Boroff (heart issue)
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Stephanie Dillon (lymphoma)
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TEACHING POINTS

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POINT TWO - Will you trust God as He works through us?

POINT THREE – All Christians are on a faith journey.

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ACTION POINT

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