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Nicki's News

"God is doin' a nu thang
In our lives so...
We're doin' a nu thang
Through Jesus Christ
God is doin' a nu thang"—DC Talk

This is a chorus to a song of my teen years that came to mind as I was reflecting on what has been happening at ESPC. Yes, I hear some of you saying to yourselves "nu thang"? It stands for new thing. (Remember I was a teenager and it was the 90's).

I think these words express it perfectly. God is doing a new thing in the life at ESPC. We have and already have begun doing new things. On March 17th I will be your next installed Pastor. Together we have begun a new way of doing fellowship, and starting in February, we are going to be doing a new thing by having communion on the first Sunday of every month.

Through Jesus Christ, and the work of the Holy Spirit, God is doing new things in our lives at ESPC. I look forward to the many new things God can do through our faith in Jesus Christ as we step into the next chapter of this church's life. I hope you do too! I can only imagine how God will use these new things to help us be the beacon on a hill church we are called to be.

-Pastor Nicki-

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Nexus Deadline

The Nexus deadline for the March issue is Monday, **February 25**th.

Birthdays

Those celebrating birthdays in February are:

Diane Huffman, David Heath, Chris Finelli, Frank Lanterman, Dick McNally, Cort Huffman, Bill Cramer and Norene Rosso

Anniversaries

Those celebrating anniversaries in February are:

Ernie and Sandy Rydell Ed and Anna Mae West Dennis and Jenny Collins

Women's Circle

The Women's Circle will meet on Tuesday, **February 12th** at noon.

Men's Lunch

The Men's luncheon for February will be held on Wednesday, **February 13**th at noon.

Treasurer and Stewardship Report Through December 31, 2018

Income: \$239,260.06 Expenses: \$230,792.10

Net \$ 8,467.96

Year-to-Date Giving:

Pledge Giving: \$137,547.00

Non-Pledge Giving: \$ 9,749.00

Fellowship Hour

Friends, I am hearing lots of great feedback about the weekly fellowship hour. I appreciate how much food there is every week and how many of you jump right in to help clean up. I knew that you were a wonderful group of people that love fellowship and would do what it takes to make it happen on a weekly basis. The Deacons have decided they would like to continue providing the fellowship hour on the last Sunday of the month, and we thank them for their willingness to provide this. However, if you would like to help them by bringing something or cleaning up you can still do that. Some have shared they want to help but don't know what to do. Well if you fall into that category, just talk to Cindy Schrick or Bonnie Miller, or just go over to the kitchen area and ask how you can be of help.

Pastor Nicki

Adult Education

Please join Tim Swanson and the Adult Sunday School class on Sunday, **February 10th** at 9:00 a.m. as they begin the next Ray Vander Laan bible study. The course is entitled "Prophets and Kings" and will focus on these five themes:

- 1. Innocent Blood- A look at Baal worship and its effect on the Hebrews.
- 2. Who is God? What you see and hear often affects your view of God.
- 3. The Wages of Sin- To love God is to obey Him.
- 4. The Lord is My Shepard- God is our Shepard. What does this mean?
- 5. God is With Us- We will examine God's presence in the in the Old Testament and then through Jesus.

The class will use a study guide and series of videos as we examine the bible themes in historical context. We will see the places where the biblical themes took place. We look forward to seeing you on February 10th!



Please set aside Sunday, March 17th for a special day of celebration. Nicole Vogel will be ordained and installed as our new Pastor! The will be a special service at the Church at 2:30, followed by a reception at Stroudsmoor Country Inn.

There will more information to follow. Invites will be sent regular mail. Please be sure to R.S.V.P. as soon as you receive them.

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