

Loyd Newsletter

Loyd Presbyterian Church

February 1, 2012



This Sunday, February 5, is Super Bowl Sunday AND "Souper Bowl Sunday"! Our Youth will lead worship followed by a soup lunch in Darden Hall. All donations for the Souper Bowl Offering will go to the LaGrange Personal Aid Food Closet.

A simple prayer: "Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those who are without a bowl of soup to eat" is inspiring a youth-led movement to help hungry and hurting people around the world.

This prayer, delivered by Brad Smith, then a seminary intern serving at Spring Valley Presbyterian Church in Columbia, SC, gave birth to an idea. Why not use Super Bowl weekend, a time when people come together for football and fun, to also unify the nation for a higher good: collecting dollars and canned food for the needy? Youth could collect donations at their schools and churches in soup pots, and then send every dollar DIRECTLY to a local charity of THEIR choice.

The senior high youth of Spring Valley Presbyterian liked the idea so much they decided to invite other area churches to join the team. Twenty-two Columbia churches participated that first year, reporting their results so a total could be determined, and then sending all \$5,700 they had raised to area non-profits.

That was 1990. Since then, ordinary young people have generated an extraordinary \$70 million for soup kitchens, food banks and other charities in communities across the country. In addition, hundreds of thousands of youth have experienced for themselves the joy and satisfaction of giving and serving, inspiring people of all ages to follow their generous example.

We need your stories for our Homecoming Book of Church Memories! Your stories can be as long or short as you want. Trudy Calhoun gave us permission to print as an example a memory she submitted:

"When Jason was a teenager, we enjoyed working with the youth. We will always remember the white water rafting (which we never thought we would do), the concert at the Fox Theater (our ears are still ringing) and all of the good times spent with them. The young people will always be special to us."

From Your New Pastor

I did not always want to be a minister. In fact, what I wanted to be was a lawyer (actually, that was simply a means to an end--my dream was to become the President!). We did not get to watch television on weeknights growing up except for one program--Matlock. After watching that Andy Griffith character solve cases that confounded everyone else, I knew that my career path was criminal law and defending the innocent and discovering through sharp intuition and vast fact-searching the truly guilty parties. Many of my classmates still held onto dreams of playing professional sports, becoming a rock musician, or starring on big screen, but I wanted to be Matlock.



When I started at Davidson College, I attended the "future lawyers of America" meetings and went to pre-law seminars and other focus groups that discussed issues regarding all those things I believed were my destined future. My eldest sister, who ended up not going to law school either, gave me all of her law school entrance exam material, and when I was not studying for a test or writing a paper, I was reviewing the manuals that would help me ace the test and prepare me for law school.

However, God had other plans for me. I think God must actually have been laughing at me while I poured myself into what I wanted to do knowing that he had something else in mind. While in college, I had a scholarship that, instead of a work-study job, I was required to do local community service throughout both the school year and in the summer. Part of the scholarship also included a stipend for summer living expenses that I had saved through my first two summers so that after my junior year, I used it to do mission work in Kenya with my brother. It was there while working alongside the faithful people of that place that I knew God was calling me to go to seminary. Although at the time I still did not give up my dream of going to law school, I knew that God was leading me in a different direction.

Next week I will talk about my time in seminary and my work with youth and missions.

**Grace and Peace,
Rix**

**Please continue to remember
in your prayers
the following people:**

- Ruth Downs**
- Pete Gordon**
- Marie Holcomb** (Anne Hall's mother)
- Myrtle Rowe**
- Frances Hollis**
- Betty Thompson**
- Macel Ballew, Jr.**
- Alice Cavender**
- Philip Mullenix** (in Afghanistan)

Please help keep our prayer list up to date. Notify us if someone needs to be added or removed.

**Prayer Requests
from Sunday, January 29**

- Carolyn Chaput**
- Jane Gallo**
- Barney Mann**
- Ed Bulka**
- The Hamil Family**
- Captain Jacquelin Albright (Afghanistan)**
- The Kinnersley Family**
- Lorri Whitney and family**
- Our Troops and Families**
- World Peace**
- People who don't believe in You**
- Jamie Goldston**
- Brandon Mays**
- Helen Loyd**
- Trent Cushman**
- Owen Norris**

Attendance last week:	Sunday School - 60	Worship - 81
Operating Fund:	Building Fund:	
Received 01/29 - \$2,748.00	Received 01/29 -	\$525.00
Budget per Sunday— \$3,906,51	Budget per Sunday -	\$905.66
Month to date - \$13,909.22	Month to date -	\$4,465.00
Budget per month - \$17,253.75	Monthly Loan Payment -	\$4,000.00
	Building Fund Balance -	\$12,085.07
	Building Loan Balance -	\$121,187.27
	Building Repair Fund Balance -	\$2,445.73

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR FEBRUARY

- February 5: Mike Pauley / Youth**
- February 12: Dave Omerod**
- February 19: Gordon Kester**
- February 26: Gordon Kester**



**"CHAPELWOOD," our property at 1784 Cannonville Road,
is ready to be enjoyed!**

And the L Club (for ages 50 and over) is going to get one of the first looks with an outing this Saturday, February 4. Meet at the church to carpool in the bus and a few cars, ready to leave at 12:45. We will have pizza for lunch and will be taking up a collection to pay for it. You will need to bring chairs and your own drinks.

Let Barbara Darden (706-884-4085) know by Thursday evening if you will be able to attend so that she can order the pizzas.

**Winnie Baker is excited to be able to give L Club a tour of the facility.
Thanks to Terry Baker for the photos.**

AARP DEFENSIVE DRIVING CLASS

There will be a Defensive Driving Class, led by Tom Chaput, at First Presbyterian Church on Monday, February 13, and Tuesday, February 14, from 1:00-4:00 p.m. in the small dining room. Participation in this 6-hour class may help to provide auto insurance discounts. The cost is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members.

**Contact Lynn Pauley in the church office (706-884-4064)
or e-mail fpclagrange@bellsouth.net to register for the class.**

BREAKFAST MENU FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

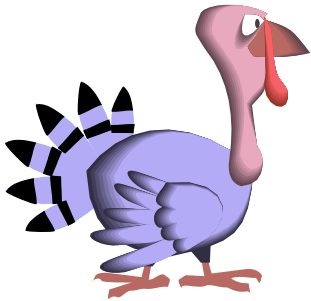
BISCUITS AND GRAVY

**SERVED IN DARDEN HALL
FROM 9:00 UNTIL 9:20**

JOIN US!



17th Annual Spring Turkey Shoot



MARCH 10, 2012

9 AM – 4 PM

(Rain Date: March 17)



Loyd Presbyterian Church

Fellowship & Fun Entertaining
Ladies only Shoot Shooting Skills

Lots of Prizes

Turkeys, Hams, Slab Bacon, Rib Eye Loin, Gift Certificates

Provided by:

Parmer's Grocery @ Lee's Crossing

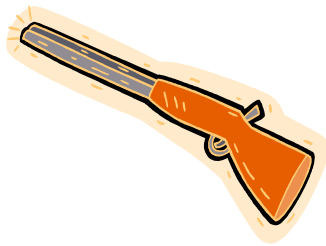
Grand Prizes:

*Mossberg 835 12 ga Shotgun – turkey & slug barrels

*Remington 597 22 Magnum Automatic Rifle

Provided by:

Chambley's * 3750 20th Avenue * Valley, AL



ALL SHOOTERS WELCOME!

No Scopes No 10 Gauges No Barrel Extensions No Alcohol Allowed

Loyd Presbyterian Church – E.H. Baker, Jr. Pavilion

550 Upper Glass Bridge Road

Plenty of Parking * His/Her Restrooms * Tables & Chairs under Pavilion

Food (Breakfast & Lunch) and Drinks

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Liturgist: Mike Pauley / Youth

Elders on Duty: Arnold Darden and Carolyn Stephens

Ushers: Bobby and Suzi Goldston, Arnold Darden, Doug Pauley

Greeter: Vaughn Yarbrough and Lois Vincent

Nursery: Koren Stapp and girls

Toddlers: JJ and Maggie Brown

Children's Church: No Children's Church this Sunday



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A Partner in Education with Long Cane Elementary School

Session Members

Arnold Darden (2012)

Pam Darden (2012)

Gary Headrick (2012)

Koren Stapp (2012)

Ann Cathey (2013)

Charles Darden (2013)

Hal Davidson (2013)

Carolyn Stephens (2013)

Donna Barton (2014)

J.J. Brown (2014)

Laura Lamb (2014)

Doug Pauley (2014)

LOYD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PROGRAM TEAM

Cathy Sargent Office Manager

Shelley Skinner Financial Secretary

Mike Pauley Youth Director

Marty Davis Music Director

Jo Loyd Organist

James Camp Pianist

Jayne Pauley Nursery Coordinator

Pam Darden God's Promised Land

Brandi Knox and Melissa Robertson

Children's Church Coordinators

