

Sugar Grove

Cumberland Presbyterian Church

WORSHIP GOD IN SPIRIT AND TRUTH

SEVENTH AFTER EPIPHANY

FEBRUARY: CELEBRATION OF LOVE

CHOIR *LOVE LIFTED ME* (VERSE 1) HYMN 308
(CONGREGATION JOIN IN)

ACOLYTES PRESENT THE "LIGHT"

WORSHIP HIM . . .

*WITH OUR PRAISE

O, HOW I LOVE JESUS HYMN 281

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed are those who trust in God,
Who delight to meditate on God's law.

**We long to hear the Word of God
And let the Word shape our lives.**

*Prayer of Adoration

(Congregation may be seated)

Prayer of Confession (READ IN UNISON)

Sovereign God, we confess that we have chased after wealth and temporal security while neglecting matters of the spirit. We put our trust in things and in sinners' empty promises. We even deceive ourselves, shaping our words and actions to please the crowd. We have doubted the resurrection, surrendering to a sense of futility and skepticism. Turn us around, God, so we can learn to trust you and find strength in giving of ourselves. Amen.

FEBRUARY 21, 2010

DECLARATION OF PARDON

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9 NIV

WITH A HYMN

MY SAVIOR'S LOVE HYMN 256

SPECIAL MUSIC

SHARING WITH THE YOUNG DISCIPLES

WITH HIS TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

WITH PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THROUGH PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE ALTAR FOR ANY OF YOUR PRAYER CONCERNS.

LORD'S PRAYER (DEBTS AND DEBTORS)

MESSAGE

"LOVE IS . . ."

1 CORINTHIANS 13

BY RESPONDING TO THE WORD:

*BY SINGING A HYMN

WHY DO YOU WAIT? HYMN 331

ALTAR CALL: YOU ARE INVITED TO THE ALTAR

*BY RECEIVING THE BLESSING

OH, HOW HE LOVES YOU AND ME HYMN 558

AS ACOLYTES TAKE THE "LIGHT" INTO THE WORLD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AKA MINISTRY IN ACTION

Choir Practice will be held today at 5:15PM.

Session will meet after the evening service.

Wednesday Gathering 7PM.

Sugar Beats for February are at Information Station.

Nursery workers needed! Sign-up for this ministry.

Reading Through the Bible—February cards are at Information Station.

A Soup-Chili Supper will be held next Sunday evening, February 28th. Soup and chili will be provided. Bring your favorite side dish or dessert. This will be in conjunction with our ministry team meetings.

Ministry Teams will be meeting next Sunday evening, February 28th. Have you been wanting to become more involved with ministry but don't know how? You are invited to meet with the ministry team that interests you. Don't know which one? Come to the soup supper and hear what each ministry is about.

Fellowship Team, Facilities Team, Worship Team, Prayer Team, Christians Education Team, Outreach/ Membership Team, Missions Team

The Sugar Beat will be published this week. If you have any information to be included, please send it or give it to Bro. Gary by Wednesday.

b. God's love

(i) *For Christ.* The relationship between the Father and the Son is one of love (Jn. 3:35; 15:9; Col. 1:13). The word 'beloved' (*agapētos*), carrying with it a strong sense of 'only-beloved', is employed in the Synoptics only of the

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**Additional Prayer Concerns
are in the Sugar Beat**

Please use the Prayer request cards

<u>Pray For</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Charles Black	
Ray Drennan	Lucille Roberts
David Fritts	(Back Injury)
Kay Greenwell	Keith Hart's sister
Claudena Travis	

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Christ, either directly (Mt. 17:5; Mk. 1:11) or by inference (Mt. 12:18; Mk. 12:6) (B. W. Bacon, 'Jesus' Voice from Heaven', *AJT* 9, 1905, pp. 451ff.). This love is returned and mutual (Jn. 14:31; cf. Mt. 11:27). Since this love is historically prior to creation (Jn. 17:24), it follows that, though known by men only as revealed in Jesus Christ and in redemption (Rom. 5:8), it is of the very nature of the Godhead (1 Jn. 4:8, 16), and that Jesus Christ, who is love incarnate and personified (1 Jn. 3:16), is God's self-revelation.

(ii) *For men.* Jesus is not recorded in the Synoptic Gospels as using *agapaō* or *phileō* to express God's love for men. Rather he revealed it by his countless acts of compassionate healing (Mk. 1:41; Lk. 7:13), his teaching about God's acceptance of the sinner (Lk. 15:11ff.; 18:10ff.), his grief-stricken attitude to human disobedience (Mt. 23:37; Lk. 19:41f.), and by being himself a friend (*philos*) of tax-collectors and outcasts (Lk. 7:34). This saving activity is declared in Jn. to be a demonstration of the love of God, imparting an eternal reality of life to men (Jn. 3:16; 1 Jn. 4:9f.). The whole drama of redemption, centering as it does on the death of Christ, is divine love in action (Gal. 2:20; Rom. 5:8; 2 Cor. 5:14).

Wood, D. R. W., & Marshall, I. H. (1996). *New Bible dictionary* (3rd ed.) (701). Leicester, England; Downers Grove, Ill.: InterVarsity Press.

Welcome to the Celebration

We are glad you are celebrating with us. It is our hope that you will experience the presence of Almighty God. May He inspire you to continue on your journey of faith. Allow God to richly bless you today as you participate in the service.

++++Nursery +++++

A nursery is provided for children age 3 and under for your convenience. It is located in the fellowship hall through the south doors of the narthex. Please ask an usher if you need any assistance.

Pianist—Jayne Ann Head Digital Piano—Joy Wesmoland

Audio/Video—Shaun Wesmoland

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Session

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*Elder of the month