



*Our Vision is to be Christ to each other
and our community— doing
justice, loving mercy and
walking humbly with our God.*

BOOK CLUB

The Fernwood Book Group will be studying ***THE COLOR OF MONEY*** by Mehrsa Baradaran beginning February 6. This will include a live stream talk by the author on February 20 at 6:45pm in the Dining Room. This will be led by Nancy Easler and Matt Johnson. This is an excellent opportunity for anyone to come and join our group. We would love to grow in number. We meet on 10:30am on Thursdays in the Brides Room.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

February Birthdays

2 - Kim Hutzell	16 - Stuart Jones
8 - Lisa Allen	18 - Jean Pruett
9 - LeeAnne Bailie	20 - Dottie Brown
10 - Gerald Keown	20 - Kim Rentz Miller
10 - Jim Rentz	22 - Sabrina Myers
10 - Piper Patton	22 - Norma Whaley
12 - Jerry Guest	25 - Buren Davis
12 - Lynda McLane	28 - Eugene Moyer
12 - Bob Whaley	28 - Briley Patton
14 - Jase Sailem	

February Anniversaries

Don and Connie Yates
February 14, 1960

Clarence and Scarlett Batts
February 19, 1972



From the Pastor's Desk

I'm so excited that this Sunday we are celebrating Baptist Women's Sunday. For years, Fernwood has been a leader among Baptist churches in affirming the call of God on women in all aspects of our church's life and leadership. Our diaconate this year has an equal amount of women and

men, and our chair is a woman. We have had ordained women on the church staff and we count several ordained women among our membership.

Women have been preaching at Fernwood for so long, it would be easy to forget that women are barred from preaching in many Baptist churches. In order to support the calling of women to ministry, and the gifts of women for preaching, the group Baptist Women in Ministry began, in 2007, to encourage churches to invite a woman to preach in their church during the month of February. This invitation became an annual event, one that has been a deeply significant source of joy and discovery for many churches as they have celebrated the giftedness of women. The annual preaching month was named for Martha Stearns Marshall, an eighteenth-century Separate Baptist woman. For thirteen years and counting, hundreds of churches have celebrated Martha's influence and example.

This Sunday we have the great fortune to welcome our own Lee Anne Bailie to our pulpit. All of us who know Lee Anne know of her many ministerial gifts. We also know she has something important to say! Our choir will be made up of the women of the church. I hope those women who do not normally sing in the choir will join them for this special Sunday.

This is an opportunity for us to publicly voice our support of women in ministry, to be counted with other Baptist churches in celebrating the calling and gifts of women, and to remind ourselves that God does indeed call women to the work of the kingdom. It's a special day that you absolutely will not want to miss.

Matt



FEBRUARY IS



**AMERICAN
HEART
MONTH**

FERNWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH
OPERATING FINANCIAL RESULTS
Year-To-Date January 2020

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	Actual Better or (Worse) Than <u>Budget</u>
OPERATING RECEIPTS			
Contributions Received	\$29,843	\$32,167	(\$2,324)
Use of Building Receipts	\$2,325	\$0	\$2,325
Other Income	\$0	\$0	\$0
Transfers	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Operating Receipts	\$32,168	\$32,167	\$1
OPERATING EXPENDITURES			
Total Personnel Related Children / Youth Ministry	\$13,373	\$14,727	\$1,354
Music Ministry	\$19	\$153	\$134
Community Ministry	\$692	\$391	(\$301)
Ministry Teams	\$0	\$1,929	\$1,929
State & World Missions	\$948	\$909	(\$39)
Operating Ministry	\$1,287	\$1,288	\$1
Total Operating Expenditures	\$10,496	\$12,770	\$2,274
Total Operating Expenditures	\$26,815	\$32,167	\$5,352
OPERATING RECEIPTS MORE(LESS) THAN OPERATING EXPENDITURES	\$5,353	\$0	\$5,353

Upcoming Events

Sunday, February 16

9am-1pm | SOUP KITCHEN

10:55am | Baby Dedication, Piper Patton

Wednesday, February 26

6:15pm | Ash Wednesday Service in the Chapel

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February Wednesday Night Menus

Feb. 12 | Baked Spaghetti/Garden Salad/Garlic Bread/Dessert
Feb. 19 | BBQ Chicken/Mac & Cheese/Cole Slaw/Roll/Dessert
Feb. 26 | Vegetable Beef Soup/Crackers/Salad/Sliced Fruit/Dessert (Ash Wednesday)

Uplift Outreach Center News...

The Uplift Outreach Center is working on a Valentine's project and need shoe boxes. Please bring them to the church and leave outside the office door near the collection for Total Ministries. Thanks for your help in this matter.

Publication Notice

The next bi-weekly e-blast newsletter publication will be **Wednesday, February 19, 2020**. Deadline for all articles is **Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at Noon**.

PLEASE NOTE: You may submit your information via email (angie@fernwoodchurch.org) or through the church office. Please do not submit any information over the phone. Information submitted after the deadline will not be published until the following issue (no exceptions). Thank you for your understanding!