

Adult Education and Caring Ministries Report for Church Council

Cathy Childers

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Adult Education:

- **Winter/Spring Class Offerings** –
 - Worship 101 – begins Sunday, Jan. 8th at 9:45A – Lisa Whitesell
 - Emotionally Healthy Spirituality – begins Sunday, Jan. 8th at 4:00P – Carolyn Spruiell
 - Prayer 101 – begins Wednesday, Jan. 11th at 7:00P – Cathy Burkett
 - Made to Crave – begins Sunday, Jan. 15th at 4:00P – Jenn Plautz
- **Adult Education Committee** – meets every third Tuesday.
- **Preparation is underway for the following classes:**
 - The Marriage Breakthrough – Wednesday evening Feb. 12th – Michael Burkett
 - Divorce Recovery – the plan is to send a team to train at Church of the Servant or St. Luke's
 - Spiritual Gifts – Feb/March during SS hour – Karen Nowlin
 - Bible 101 – Wednesday evening March 7th – Dave Morgan
 - Methodist 101 – Wednesday evening April 18th – Nancy Poe

Caring Ministries:

- ♥ Cookin Up Casseroles (Linda Blue) & Holiday crafts (Sue Corbin) – joined forces December 9th (10:00AM) for a Christmas craft and bake luncheon. We cooked and made 12 holiday goodie bags/baskets and delivered them to our homebound members. We also celebrated this ministry with a special luncheon.
- ♥ Communion for Homebound members – Pastor Michael and I served communion to our homebound members Thursday, Dec. 15th.
- ♥ Homebound Shepherding (Cathy Childers) –people pray for and visit our homebound members regularly. I visit homebound members in nursing home facilities at least bi-weekly. Currently there are eight.
- ♥ Prayer Chain (Sharon Burke) – the prayer chain is active. The Prayer Line (extension 351) is operational and is checked daily. We recently have had a couple of calls from non-CGS folks.
- ♥ Hospital visitation – Pastor Michael, Pastor Christy, Cathy C. and the Stephen Ministers share in this rotation schedule.
- ♥ Prayer Shawl (Sue Corbin) –This meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday to praying, knit, and crochet blankets and shawls for people experiencing births, deaths, illnesses, hospital stays, etc.
- ♥ Casserole delivery – We have a small group of people that deliver casseroles as needed. If you would like to be a part of this ministry let Cathy know!
- ♥ Card Ministry (Sue Corbin) – this team sends cards from “Church of the Good Shepherd” to members recognizing their contributions, congratulating births, and sending written prayers during times of illness and sorrow.
- ♥ Stephen Ministers (Gail Templeman) – currently there are 18 active Stephen Ministers with care receivers. Stephen Ministers meet for supervision and continuing education the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month. 31 people have been trained as Stephen Ministers.