

A Ministry PLAN For This Year

"Where there is no vision, the people perish"
Proverbs 29: 18

Dear Friends,

On Sunday during the covered dish luncheon, I shared with the congregation some of our plans for the new year. I believe it is important to have a plan, or roadmap, to guide us as we move ahead. That being said, I also know that old phrase "Man plans and God laughs." My prayer is that God won't laugh at some of the plans and goals I have as your pastor this year, and hopefully 2023 will be the first of many years of doing ministry together.

Let's take it slow and prayerfully DISCERN what the vision is as we journey together in the coming months. A crucial element of ministry is good communication and with technology, it is getting harder and harder to communicate in one way that will reach all people. For me, personal face to face interactions are the most effective, but I understand folks are busy and don't always have the time for a visit. Some of us rely on our phones (preferring texts); others, like me, rely on e-mails, and some folks refuse to do any form of technology and still rely on phone calls or "snail mail." I am going to TRY to use a combination of these various means of communication to keep you all informed.

Our first big challenge is to get an up-to-date online church directory so everyone has the means to know WHO is in our church family and HOW to reach them. This will take some time and cooperation from all involved, but it will enhance our ministry in so many ways. So be patient with me and some of my 'plans'And try not to laugh.

Have a great week.

Blessings,
Mike

UPCOMING EVENTS

Ash Wednesday Service...February 22
Church Oyster Roast...Saturday, February 25
Session meeting...Sunday, February 26