



Kid's Page

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To: The church's young people and their families

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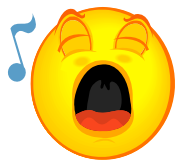
CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS

This Sunday, wear red!

Here are the plans for February 12:

Babies – 3's will have story time and sharing time, snack, and play time.

Pre-K – Senior High will attend the Church Family Valentines service upstairs.



Pre-K – 5th Grade will meet in the Chapel at 9:15 to practice their songs for the service. Bring a rhythm instrument, if you would like to play one.

WORDS TO LIVE BY

"Love is like the air we breathe. It may not always be seen, but it is always felt, used and needed."
Author unknown

"A baby is born with a need to be loved - and never outgrows it."
Frank A. Clark

POETRY CORNER

To My Valentine

If apples were pears
And peaches were plums
And the rose had a different name.
If tigers were bears
And fingers were thumbs
I'd love you just the same.

Author unknown



HAPPY BIRTHDAY to **Lee Freund** (February 10, 17 years old) and **Garrett Bailey** (February 13, 7 years old).

CONGRATULATIONS to **Crete Goddard**, whose hard work at *No Joke Martial Arts* has helped her earn her orange belt.

Congratulations, also, to the 4th/5th graders who attended the second training to be *Children's Chapel* helpers: **Jonah Cummings, Molly Freund, Valerie Stenerson,** and **Carly Vollmer.**

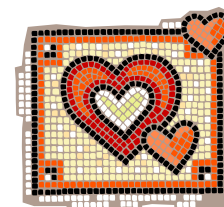
A BLESSING FOR YOU

"May you grow kind, wise, and strong, knowing you are well-loved and cherished by your church community."

Linda and Gary Lawrence

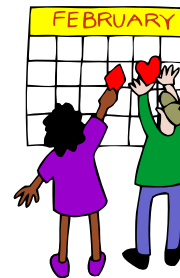
JUST FOR FUN

Knock, Knock,
Who's there?
Olive.
Olive who.
Olive you.



COLLEEN'S COLUMN

A lot happens during the month of February, doesn't it?... We've already had Groundhog Day, which isn't a "take a break" kind of holiday but is still kind of fun. And an Election Day was just held on Tuesday. (Perhaps you went to the polling place with an adult in your family and talked about the people who are running for President.)



Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays—celebrated together, on President's Day—are still to come. Some members of our church celebrate Chinese New Year, and some of us (like me!) celebrate our birthdays in February. And all of February is known as Black History Month.

There's at least one more special day in February, and that's Valentine's Day. Maybe that's your favorite day of the month!

Making valentine cards is fun. And getting valentine cards feels great. Valentines are a way of saying, "I care about you," "You're special," "I appreciate you."

To whom do *you* give (or send) valentines? Perhaps you make valentines for your family; and if you have a Valentine's party at school, you probably exchange valentines with your classmates and your teacher(s).

Now think of all the people who care about you and who help you out, in big or small ways. Your doctor and dentist. Staff at school (school bus driver, nurse, librarian, lunch lady, computer aide). Your coach, your music teacher, your Scout leader. Your mail carrier. The hair stylist you always ask for when you need a hair cut. (Who else are you thinking of?)

How do you think these important people in your life would feel if they received a valentine from you? I'll tell you what *I* think: I think you'd make their day!

Love, **Colleen**

PARENTS CORNER *Cultivating Gratitude*

"It isn't that we don't want to give children the treats and gifts that light up their faces with pleasure. But children do need to understand and acknowledge that they aren't owed these things, and that if they do receive them, the appropriate response is to be thankful. We want them to see the family as a unit that works together to meet one another's needs and learn a sense of appreciation for all the good things and people in their lives. We want them to understand that happiness really does come from within and that they can be happy without having the latest toy that crosses the television screen." (to be continued)

Neala S. Schwartzberg, *Pp Newsletter*,
Jan./Feb. 2008

A VALENTINES DAY SONG

All the Time

(Sung to: *Oh, My Darling Clementine*)

Oh, I love you, yes, I love you,
Oh, I love you all the time.
And I hope, oh yes I hope that
You will be my valentine

Oh, I love you, yes, I love you,
Oh, I love you night and day.
And I hope, oh yes, I hope that
You will love me the same way.

