

Hodge Podge

Monthly Newsletter of HODGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH | January 2023

Mark Your Calendar

- 1/2 Office Closed
- 1/6 Epiphany
- 1/8 9 Sunday School
10 Worship
- 1/12 5:15 Deacons Mtg
- 1/15 9 Sunday School
10 Worship
5 Soup & Games
- 1/22 9 Sunday School
10 Worship
- 1/29 9 Sunday School
10 Worship
Fellowship Dinner

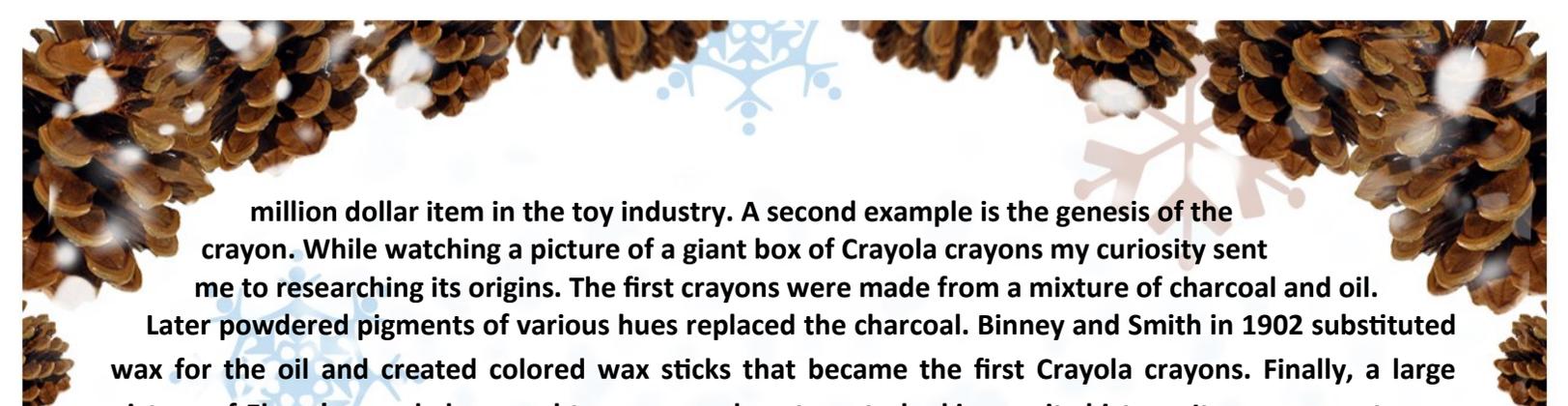
Words from Pastor Joe

BEGINNINGS

“—He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ”

I have always had a fascination for how things got started. What is the origin of everyday things that we often take for granted. When I was in Disneyland not long ago with my children and grandchildren and standing in long lines; I started researching items that I saw on the walls of the “rat maze” lines that brought you finally to a desired ride or show. One of those lines in the Children’s Park had several things that one might find in a child’s room or arts and crafts room.

For example did you know that the very popular toy called the Slinky that many of us had growing up which would “walk” down a set of stairs was actually invented by a naval engineer by the name of Richard T James who was developing springs that could support and stabilize sensitive instruments even when seas got rough. One day he accidentally dropped one of the springs and watched it “walk” down a set of steps by itself. Thus, the beginning of a multi-



million dollar item in the toy industry. A second example is the genesis of the crayon. While watching a picture of a giant box of Crayola crayons my curiosity sent me to researching its origins. The first crayons were made from a mixture of charcoal and oil.

Later powdered pigments of various hues replaced the charcoal. Binney and Smith in 1902 substituted wax for the oil and created colored wax sticks that became the first Crayola crayons. Finally, a large picture of Elmer's wood glue caught my eye and sent me to looking up its history. It may seem strange that the Borden milk company would be involved in marketing an adhesive until you realize that one of the main ingredients in glue was a milk protein called casein (today's glue is made of synthetics). The name Elmer was from the milk advertising bull "Elmer" of the Borden milk company.

There is a beginning, often fascinating, to everything. There is now a beginning to a new year which will feature a beginning to each new day. God has begun a work of grace in each one of us which He will complete ; and we, in turn, have the responsibility to begin and complete a new year and each new day in it with His help. I wonder what the new year and it's days will become for you? Happy New Year!!!

Blessings, Pastor Joe



The post office has notified us that beginning Feb 1 they will no longer put mail in our P.O. Box 191 if it only has a street address on it. This means they will try to delivery to the physical address. If there is no mail box at the location (which we do not have), the mail will be returned to sender. This is especially important to many of you who have your checks sent to the church by mail for you. Please check to see how your mail is addressed.

Remember it must say P.O. Box 191.

Thank you for checking on this.

January Ushers

Jan 1 Jackie and Terri
Jan 8 Bev and Sarah
Jan 15 Adriane and Dustin
Jan 22 Dana and Lee
Jan 29 Lynn and Rachel

BE WARM, BE KIND



PRAYER CONCERNS

Our elderly & shut-ins, Jean Endecott, Finis Brundage, Lisa Wallace, Pam & Torrey Thrash, Sully Tow, Dallas Hall, Chance Golden, Leslie West, Glenda Simpson, Dan Maxey, Larry Swann, Josh Stocker, Richard Stocker, Mackenzie Cunningham, Daniel Schmitz, Gini Stratton, Jeanie Stewart, Barb Hawkins, Janet Axsom, Cindy Bowers, George Brundage, Helen Holck, Randall Baker, Boo Peterie, David Ryan, Lora Hudson, Gabe Davis, Macy Lambert, Linda Lynch, Vernon Norris, Debra Moore Huffstutter, Janice Vanderslice, Jack Bain, Leslie Arnold, Lisa Guy, Gretchen Ralston, Martha Maloney, Kim Cleeton, Daniel Schmitz, Will Zang, Daniel Troyer, Chris Altes, Mike King, Doug Eller, Carol Nichols

*Our church leaders, local, state and national leaders, our military & families, people of Ukraine, victims & families of those involved in shooting tragedies.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- 2 Isaiah Lickteig
- 3 Jenny Lewis
- 4 Duane Lowrey
- 7 Emma Welch
- 9 Kendra Lickteig
- 13 Lindsay Ripley
- 14 Thomas Mack
- 18 Ryan Eastwood
Beckett Vandel
- 19 Jack Bain
Jean Endecott—92nd birthday
- 21 Kaylee Wood
- 24 Claire Ormsby
- 28 Dale Stone
- 31 Bud & Amy White

ANNOUNCEMENTS

92nd Birthday Card Jan 19

Jean Endicott
Country Club Rehab & Care Center
Room 405B
503 Regent Drive
Warrensburg, Mo 64093

Mariners January activity

Sunday January 15

Soup and games

5:00

Connie and Phil's

171 S Main

Thanks

Pam, Bev, Cindy, Vicki and Connie

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