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From the Pastor: "W.O.W."

Perhaps by now you've heard of W.O.W. It is our commitment to wow people with the awesome wonder and love of God through our church. We want the reputation of Gold Canyon United Methodist Church Christians as people who love God so much they just naturally love all those who cross their paths to spread. What would it take for us to become a WOW congregation? Mark Labberton, pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Berkeley, California, tells the story of a WOW bakery called "Bake Sale Betty's."

On a dark and dismal day a while back, my wife and I went for coffee at a place we like. We each ordered a latte and chose a pastry to split. The clerk, noting the other pastry we almost chose, put it in a separate bag and said, "Here, I think you'll really like this one too."

No doubt we would, I thought, nearly objecting. Then I saw in his eyes that he was giving us a gift. That was just the start.

One of this bakery's specialties is their chicken pot-pie, and that sounded like perfect comfort food on such a day. So as we came to the cash register, we told the clerk we wanted to buy one of those as well. He placed a full, delicious looking pot-pie in our bag, and then stepped to another part of bakery. When he returned he had a scrumptious, whole apple pie that he gently laid in our bag as well, saying, "You will love this. It goes great with the chicken pot pie." It was a gift, simply and unmistakably.

Welcome to Bake Sale Betty's, an unmarked bakery on an unattractive corner in Oakland. Over the years, their building has been the site of many failed businesses, mostly of the check-cashing ilk. Betty's is not failing. In fact, Betty's rules and it has for several years.

Betty herself wears a shiny electric-blue synthetic wig, sells fried chicken sandwiches by the hundreds, serves unusual and delicious pastries and bakes a chicken pot-pie that makes all others incidental. The long lines out the door, wending alongside uncovered ironing boards and stools that are Betty's outside seating, tells you it's a popular place. But the most important ingredient isn't one you can see: magnanimity.

I am not a frequent, known, or favored customer at Betty's. I don't believe I looked especially desperate the morning my wife and I showed up for coffee. I think I looked like I could buy what they were selling if I needed or wanted to do so. And Betty's is clearly a business that sells outstanding food. But Betty and her husband have chosen to do business magnanimously.

Some places I go for coffee have small tasting plates of cookie crumbs or pastry fragments to tempt the customer. Not Betty's. The place is heaped up with piles of their delectable goods and what they give away is the whole thing or nothing. It's unexpected. It's shocking. It's joyful. It's magnanimous. It tastes like grace.

For a pastor, Betty's begs lots of questions: Is such magnanimity the spirit and reputation of my church or of yours? Is heaped-up, open-handed goodness without strings the love we share with people who come to our doors, whether they're regulars or not? Why do so many of us who claim to be ambassadors for abundant grace live lives of stingy scarcity?

At Betty's I was given something really good and the giving of it was so free, so unself-conscious, and so personal. Is this how people leave after a visit to our church?

In the late afternoon of that same day, I unexpectedly found myself back at Betty's to meet a friend. Again, a cup of coffee was all I had in mind, though I admit I was looking forward to the pot pie and apple pie later than night. As we stood in line, a clerk came along handing to each person a delicious, warm cookie, presumably to make up for our wait in line. When we got to the front, I ordered a coffee and my friend ordered a coffee and a fried chicken sandwich. I asked the clerk out of curiosity how much an apple pie cost. He told me, wondering if I wanted one.

"No, I am set," I said, smiling. As he finished gathering our order together, the clerk stuck in a large piece of apple pie, and two forks and said, "you will really enjoy this."

And we did. And we'll be back: magnanimity is in short supply and Betty's is the place. Is the church too?

I hope we can open our hearts and offer God's love through our church so that people will be stunned with God's love flowing through us.

Grace and peace,

Fred



AN ADVENTURE OF FAITH

By Grover Wallace

This month, March 2009, is the first month of our new stewardship year which will conclude at the end of February, 2010.

Looking back through some old files, I noticed that our first building campaign to raise funds to build the beautiful building where we now hold worship services was appropriately labeled “Building in Faith”. The first campaign began in March, 2002 and ended on Sunday, February 27, 2005. Giving for our second three-year campaign, “The Spirit is Building”, started in March, 2005, and ended on the last Sunday in February, 2008.

At the end of our “Spirit is Building” campaign it was decided to forgo another three-year giving campaign and instead have an annual building campaign along with our General Budget commitment. The 2008 campaign was titled “Forward in Faith”. Our current campaign beginning March 1, 2009 will end Sunday, February 28, 2010 and is titled “An Adventure of Faith”. Every campaign or stewardship year commitment program has included “Spirit” or “Faith”.

“Spirit—They believe the Spirit lives on after death: soul, immortal part, vital essence, intellect, mind....”
Family Word Finder—Readers Digest

“Spirit—Invisible, nonmaterial part of humans....”

“Spiritual—having to do with God, the human spirit”. Life Application Study Bible. Dictionary/Concordance (NIV)

“Faith—You must have faith in God’s wisdom: Belief, confidence, trust, security, reliance, assurance, certainty, conviction.” Family Word Finder—Readers Digest

“Faith—Reliance, loyalty, or complete trust in God or someone else.”

“Faithful—Firm in adherence, loyal, worthy of trust; devotion....” Life Application Study Bible. Dictionary/Concordance (NIV)

These definitions define the giving campaigns conducted at our church over the past few years. Our congregation has certainly felt the spirit of God in their hearts and minds as we have been committed to financial programs, helping others, and many other programs. We have outwardly demonstrated our very strong faith in

God and continue existing programs and activities as well as instituting new ones. Were it not for the spirit of God in our hearts and our deep faith in God, I doubt that our church would realize the success we have enjoyed throughout our short history. Our congregation is full of God’s spirit and shows faith in each other as we work together in harmony on every program on which we decide to embark.

Over the Christmas holidays we had an opportunity to attend a small congregational church in Scarborough, ME with our son and his family. The church started around 1700 and stills holds services in its original building which was completed around 1750. The church is absolutely beautiful on the inside and full of warmth and history. The stained glass windows behind the pulpit show the faith and spirit the small congregation had when the church was constructed. The stained glass pulpit windows are very large and beautiful as are the standard windows on each side of the church. It was interesting that they were dedicated in memory of three members—one born in the 1600s and died in 1702; one died in 1716 and the third in 1722. The original pews are numbered and you can see the nametag holders for the family that owned each pew in the early days of the church.

We attended the church on two Sundays and the Christmas Eve service. The congregation was very warm and friendly, gave us a tour of their education building (a separate building built sometime after the sanctuary) and was willing to answer questions. Their services were very similar to ours and they invited us to their coffee after ward.

The church is the oldest church building in Scarborough and God’s spirit abounds in the congregation. That demonstrates a deep faith in God. I’m glad we had an opportunity to worship with these wonderful people. (Just a note: They had a small food bank that was open one day a week.)

GOD’S SPIRIT IS EVERYWHERE WHEN WE HAVE FAITH IN HIM.

During the month of December our congregation contributed \$24,854.00 to our building fund. Our total for the first eleven months for the 2008 giving year is \$355,003.00 or 71 percent. We realize that we will not reach our goal of \$500,000 but with a little effort we could maybe reach 75% or \$375,000 for the giving year. On the average, monthly total contributions have been \$32,273 which has enabled us to pay our monthly mortgage commitment of \$28,680.00. However, at the current rate, we will not be in a position to meet or goal of paying off our mortgage debt by the end of 2016.

“Let no debt remain outstanding except the debt to love one another.” - Romans 13:8 (NIV)



SCRIP Fund

By Betty Rolley

After further consideration, it was decided at the January Administrative Council meeting that the excess money earned (after bus expenses) from participating in the *Scrip* program should first be used to purchase a protective covering for the bus. The remaining money will stay in the fund to build it up toward the purchase of another bus as needed in the future.

If you are not familiar with the program using Bashas' Community Support Cards and Fry's Gift Cards (*that you must purchase from the church for them to count*), please stop by the *Scrip* section of the Information Desk in the east narthex between services or call me at 380-0147 to find out how easy it is to participate and how **you** can help us to grow this fund in the years to come. Best of all, it is **at no cost to you**. The bus parked in front of the church has been completely paid for with funds from this program at Bashas' (at 6%) and Fry's (at 3%).

I have heard some people say, "Well, I spend so little each week that it wouldn't matter." But if many people each spend just a little at these stores, it adds up to a lot. This is **free money** the church can earn when you purchase groceries, meds, etc. (and even gas at Fry's), things we all use every day.

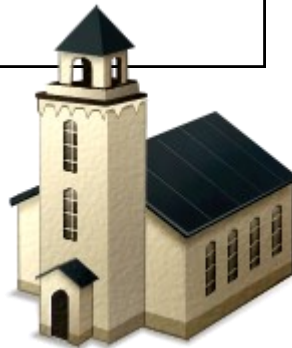
Thanks so much.

CORRECTION

Last month, I reported the attendance for December, 2007 incorrectly. Below you will find the correct attendance numbers for both 2007 and 2008. Thank you!

December 2007	December 2008
Worship All	Worship All
1217	1327
1224	1367
1199	1369
1955	2324
1231	1165
N/A	N/A
6826	7552

DONATIONS
&
ATTENDANCE



"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse...and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it."

Malachi 3:10 (NRSV)

January	2007		2008		2009		2008	2009
	Gen.	Build.	Gen.	Build.	Gen.	Build.	Worship All	Worship All
1st	\$21015	\$10985	\$20430	\$10694	\$22862	\$10109	1382	1477
2nd	15708	8233	14593	4302	17944	5592	1606	1808
3rd	16035	10330	16638	8821	13772	4316	1614	1733
4th	14985	11940	17111	9665	16017	4838	1678	1972
5th	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Total	\$67742	\$41486	\$68772	\$33482	\$70596	\$24854	6280	6990

Healthy Living

The gift of good health...

By Susan Malloy, RN

I found some interesting facts while perusing my *Health & Healing* Wellness Newsletter written by Julius Whitaker, MD Director of the Whitaker Wellness Institute, Newport Beach, CA. I hope you will find these enlightening and helpful.

Did You Know?

Eating at least 2.8 servings of vegetables daily slows decline in cognitive function by 38-40 percent; leafy greens are best.

Broccoli contains compounds that improve lung function in patients with COPD.

A high intake of Vitamin C (*3-4 grams) is linked with a reduced risk of hip fracture. (*Beware of taking too much.... first sign of this would be diarrhea... to address this ...reduce Vitamin C by 500mg until diarrhea stops. (A tip from your Parish Nurse).

Low levels of testosterone increase the risk of falls in men over the age of 65.

Playing the Harmonica is a great therapy for impaired lung function.

Regular exercise reduces the risk of wet age-related macular degeneration by 70%.

German researchers found that people with tinnitus who also had low blood levels of CoQ10 had significant improvements after taking CoQ10 for four months.

Pomegranates have become a popular fruit touting a variety of health benefits. Now you can add Prostate cancer to the list. UCLA researchers examined a group of men with recurrent prostate cancer who had gone through conventional treatment and tracked the PSA doubling time. The faster the doubling time the more aggressive the disease. At the start of the study the time averaged 15 months. After the men began drinking eight ounces of Pomegranate juice daily, it slowed to four and a half years - and more than a third of the men in the study actually had a decrease in their PSA score. A good brand to purchase is POM Wonderful 100% Pomegranate Juice found in most grocery stores. This is a significant benefit and worth trying.

Children who are born in the Fall have a 30% greater risk of asthma than those born at other times of the year.

Higher education and mentally challenging work (including activities like Crossword puzzles, Word Search, Sudoku, Puzzles, etc.) help protect against Alzheimer's related memory loss.

I hope you've found a tidbit here or there that will be helpful and motivating. Here's to the month of March bringing you closer to your health goals for the year.

-Susan



AED/CPR Training

If you need your AED/CPR Certification updated, or if you've never been certified but would like to be, please call the office at 480-982-3776 to sign up for the upcoming training. The training will take place on March 10 from 9:00 am to Noon in the Koinonia Room.



**John Wesley's Three
Simple Rules**
Do No Harm
Do Good
Stay in love with God



Christian Education...

With "Coach" Ellis Falk

"Our mission is to bring the love of Christ and His teachings to learners of all ages on their spiritual journey, that they be transformed and thus positively affect our local and global communities."

This month we will be continuing our Confirmation classes. Classes will be held on Sunday March 29th and April 26th. Class starts at 3:00 pm and will be held in the Educational Building. Youth will learn about the meaning of church membership, how to grow in discipleship and gain an understanding of the doctrines and "Articles of Faith" in the Methodist church. This study and learning will center around the following: 1. The images of God as expressed in the Old Testament. 2. Who is Jesus? His life and times. 3. The early church and the reformation period. 4. John Wesley - The founder of Methodism. 5. The United Methodist Church - a brief history. 6. Other denominations and World Religions. 7. A review on what was learned. 8. A field trip - Feeding Homeless families and /or and a time with the Sidewalk Sunday School. The class is open to all students who have reached the sixth grade and above and would like to join the local church. Materials will be provided and there will be plenty of time for discussion and questions. We look forward to the youth joining the church on May 10th.

During this Lenten time, Christian Education will hold a five week Lenten Series. Each Thursday in the Koinonia Room March 5th thru April 2nd there will be a soup and bread meal followed by a Lenten devotional given by Rev. Fay Quanstrom. The overall theme is "Turn your eyes upon Jesus" with the weekly themes as follows: 3/5 "Jesus the Lamb", 3/12 "Jesus the Word", 3/19 "Jesus the Savior", 3/26 "Jesus the Crucified" and 4/2 "Jesus the Father's Son". I hope you will plan to be a part of this special Lenten Series. The soup meal will begin at 5:30 pm followed by the Devotional Service.

Also, this Lenten period the Church will be open from 6:00 am to 9:00 am on select mornings for personal prayer. These special mornings will be announced in the Sunday bulletin. There will be no music or speaking during this period. This will be a time of personal prayer and soul enrichment. During Holy Week, the church will be open every morning at 6:00 am to 9:00 am (Mon. - Thur.) for a time of personal prayer and spiritual devotion. I hope you will take advantage of these Lenten activities and renew your faith and devotion at this wonderful time of the year.

COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Please remember that we have trained communion servers that have volunteered to deliver communion to the homebound and patients in local care facilities. Delivery is available on Communion Sunday, the first Sunday of each month, and will be delivered after the 9:30 am service. This service will be available on Sunday, March 1, 2009.

Please call the church office (982-3776) or Grover Wallace at 982-8755 for information.



YOU CAN HELP



Please consider treating a woman to a much needed weekend of renewal and fellowship at the Women's Retreat this year with a scholarship. Cost of the April event is \$100. Thank you.





Youth Ministries

With Heather Rodenberg

Sunday School 9:30 am in the Education Building
Youth Fellowship 6:30 pm Sundays in the Education Building

Join Us!

1st 6:30 – 8:30 pm Youth Group.

Money due for paintball.

8th 2:00 pm Paintball @ Tempe paintball

15th No Youth Group

22nd 6:30 — 8:30 pm Youth Group

29th 6:30 – 8:30 pm Youth Group

Money due for laser tag.



We will be going to Tempe paintball on the 8th. If you plan on going you NEED to have a medical release form notarized and returned to the office by the 1st of March.

*Keep your eyes and ears
open for what's coming*

April 3rd!



Follow us on Twitter and find out what the youth are up to and get the latest information on what's happening. Go to www.Twitter.com/GoldCanyonYouth

2009 GCUMC Scholarship Applications Due March 31st

The GCUMC Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce the availability of funds for those seeking educational, financial aid for the 2009 fall school term. Application and criteria for eligibility forms are available in the church office. The completed application, along with the required supplemental information, should be returned to the church office by March 31, 2009. Applicants will be notified of the Scholarship Committee's decision in writing by May 1, 2009. Brochures are available in the church vestibule with more details about our scholarship program.

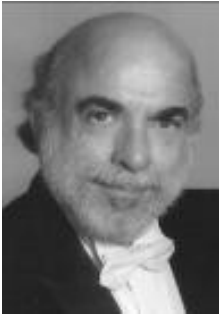
Donate to the Youth Mission Trip.
Help change the lives of our youth and those in Artesia New Mexico.

1 Share = \$400

½ Share = \$200

¼ Share = \$100

Please mark Youth Mission when donating.



Music Notes

We have three great *Performing Arts Series* concerts in March to tell you about. First, we are presenting a return engagement of superb vocalists *John and Mary Giger* in concert on **Sunday, March 1, 2009 at 3:00 pm** in the Sanctuary.

For two decades the concert ministry of John and Mary Giger has served and encouraged the Christian concert goer with powerful and skillful singing. Together they have performed more than 3,000 concerts in churches, universities, and conventions throughout the US, Canada and Great Britain.

Trained in classical music and with strong personal backgrounds in the church, John and Mary's singing demonstrates the wide range of their vocal art from stylized contemporary expressions to sensitive gospel and traditional sounds. Both John and Mary also have impressive oratorio and opera experience. Over the years they have diligently maintained a music ministry that possesses the rare combination of trained professional excellence and strong Christian commitment. Their Spiritual Gift of Music is used with authority and grace. They are accompanied by *Dr. Guy Whatley* who will perform on the Petrof Concert Grand Piano and the Rodgers Organ. This will be an afternoon of music for everyone!

Next is our *Really Big Concert* for the season! The Performing Arts Series of Gold Canyon United Methodist Church is very pleased to present one of the greatest legends of the music world, organist *Dr. Frederick Swann*, in concert on our church's 3-manual Rodgers Trillium 967 Organ. This incredible concert will be on **Sunday, March 15, 2009 at 3:00 pm** in the Sanctuary.

Mozart called the organ "the King of Instruments" and Fred Swann has been called "the King of Organ Players". Indeed, one reviewer noted that Dr. Swann has probably presided over more ranks of pipes and stop-knobs than any other organist in history. This is perhaps true given the size and prominence of the instruments with which his career has been notably associated, Riverside Church in New York City (1957-1982), The Crystal Cathedral (1982-1998) and First Congregational Church of Los Angeles (1998-2001).

Mr. Swann is the immediate Past President of the 20,000 member American Guild of Organists (AGO),

having served in that capacity from 2002-2008. He holds the coveted Fellow of the AGO Certificate. He has performed on every major organ in the world. Although officially "retired" he continues to perform solo recitals and in concert with major orchestras and choral groups. In the past two years, he presented recitals throughout the USA, England, Germany and Russia. He was selected by the Los Angeles Philharmonic to perform the Inaugural Solo Organ Recital on the spectacular new organ in The Walt Disney Concert Hall in Los Angeles.

If you have only one chance to hear a performance this year, this one would be it! This is an excellent opportunity to hear one of the world's most famous musicians perform on an outstanding instrument in one of the finest acoustic spaces in Arizona. You don't want to miss this one!

Finally, our *Annual Choral Spring Concert* will be held on **Sunday, March 29, 2009 at 3:00 pm** in the Sanctuary. This concert will feature the 70-voice Chancel Choir, the Chancel Ringers (and their new low bass Choirchimes!), the Youth Handbell Team, the Agape Brass Quintet and Keith Kassner on Timpani. This program will also feature accompanists Linda Jones on Organ and Piano, and Nancy Virden on Piano. Soloists include Alto Deater O'Neill and Baritone Don Engbrecht.

Music will include a little of everything from Classical (Mendelssohn's "He Watching Over Israel"), to Jazz ("Give Me Jesus" arranged by Mike Crotty for Alto and Choir) to Gospel to Patriotic (Wilhousky's "Battle Hymn of the Republic), and lots more, plus the separate Men's and Women's Choruses.

All these concerts are free and open to the public as we will receive free will offerings at each. We ask each person to please bring at least one non-perishable food item for the Gold Canyon United Methodist Church Food Bank. Come! Bring your families, your friends and your neighbors to these concerts! What a great way to share our church with all of our friends and neighbors!

Blessings to all,

Doug

Douglas J. Benton
Director of Music Ministries

WITHIN THE CHURCH FAMILY



By Hu & Wendy Rhymes, with a little help from Sadie and Hattie

ATTENTION: Hu & Wendy Rhymes DO NOT have a home phone. If you want to contact them and you don't have their CELL number, please contact the church office.

*****Thank you all for your prayers, concerns, cards, calls and love as I recover from sciatic nerve problems. **Hu**

SADIE RHYMES MEMORIAL

Donations of food for folks and pets for the FOOD BANK are always needed and welcome. The pets and their owners who are in need thank you for your donations of food and money to make purchases. The Rhymes family thanks you and we love you ~ Hu, Wendy, Hattie and Muffin

WITHIN THE CHURCH FAMILY

Bill and Candice Moseley, **YOU WILL BE MISSED.** We wish you much happiness.

Sympathies: The family of Mike Cromer, upon his death; Janet Daniels, upon the death of her sister, Lynn Poole; Lorraine Davidson, upon the death of her husband, Clifford; The family of Roger Dickey; The family of Doreen Lavery, upon her death, Darrell Keast upon the death of his wife, Anna Mae, the Strickler family on the death of Helen and the families & friends of the above.

Concerns and/or Continued Prayers: Jan Berry (Myra & John Berry's daughter-in-law), Nancy Binting, Per Blackledge, Irene Blake (Paul Fillion's sister), Bob Blomgren, Dr. Brad Bryant, Bob Burgi, Jim Burt, Donna Campbell (Pat & Judy Campbell's daughter), Lauren Christie (great granddaughter of Curtis & Yvonne Curtis), Lee Collins (Lauren Collins-Mitchell's mother), Pat Colmer (Sharyn Bennett's mother), Janice Conwell, Linda Coyne (Ruth Ann Thacker's sister), Kathy DeAngelis, Nathaniel Delaney, Nellie DePoy, Kent Douglas, Marilyn Dugas, Norm Ericksen, Edward Fite, Art Fleming, Herb Galliard, Chuck Greco, Julia Hall, Ernie Hodges, Melva Houtcouper, Lynn Howell, Joel Hurley, Louie Juers, Jack Kavanaugh, Anna Mae Keast, Brian Kerwin, Virginia Ketcham, Katherine Klein, Peter Koch, Jim & Betty Kremer, Sharon LeMar, Danny Lochhead, Susan Loseke, Ruth Maas, Marva Masters, Lowell Matthews, Helen Michael (Micki Holcomb's mother, Sharon Gingrich & Michelle Shaw's grandmother), Sharon Michael, Jerry Muratore, Karin O'Donnell, Brenda Oldham, Bea Parnhan, Phil & Cindy Parnhan, Lorraine Phillips, Nancy Pope, Mary Prater (Lester & Delores Norton's daughter), Calvin Quinn, Hu Rhymes, Glo Rogers,

Vickie Rogers, Mickie & Bob Rosenstein, Tom Sawyer, Janet Sifferath, Jim & Barb Slomski, Matt Smith, Gloria Spears, David Strickland, Catherine Sullivan, Scott Swenson, Bill Talbot, Doug Telck, Crystal Tipton, Nancy Traugh (Grover Wallace's sister), Frank Trombly, Kerri Verstraete, Ray Villeneuve, Jack Virden, Ron Walker, Jolene Wright and PRAYERS for the families (CAREGIVERS) of the above. PRAYERS for requests in the "CONFIDENTIAL PRAYER" boxes and those FOOD BANK CLIENTS who have requested prayer. PRAYERS for our MILITARY Personnel and their families.

Joys-but Still in Need of Prayers: Dick & Eleanor Armstrong, Tom & Dee Ashe, Barbara, Dorothy & Joey Baker, Sgt. Steven Bise in Iraq (Jackie Bise's nephew), Irene & Junior Blake (Paul Fillion's sister & brother-in-law), Robert Boehm, SSgt. John Briggs in Guam, Sgt. Jeff Carroll (Harriette & Jeff Downing's nephew), Bob Carter & family, Eleanor Chesney, Mark & Donna Cleary, Craig Cmar (Marines), Bob & Marcia Cole, Ellie Conger, Carol & Jason Crosswhite, Jenny & Bob Crow, Lorraine Davidson, Chuck Dickinson, Virginia Faris (Suzanne Meier's mother) & Harold & Suzanne Meier, Ed Favia, (Army), Nancy Favia (Air Force Reserve), Dale & Inge Fitzpatrick, Andy & Danna Gharavi, David & Meier's mother) & Harold & Suzanne Meier, Ed Meier's mother) & Harold Meier's mother) & Harold & Suzanne Meier, Ed Favia, (Army), Nancy Favia (Air Force Reserve), Dale & Inge Fitzpatrick, Andy & Danna Gharavi, David & Ardeena Gillette, Ross & Arline Hacker, Viola Hammond (Don Hammond's Mom, Rich & Sheila Haraldson, Lorna Hartman, Beth Hayes (Jeff Hayes' mother), Amanda Hendersen in Iraq, Jim Hibbing, Chris Huston in Iraq (Ken Miller's grandson), Joe & Gin Johnson, Henry



**“ LAUGH A LITTLE”
with Pastor Hu**

**GOOD NEWS/BAD NEWS for
PASTORS**

- GOOD:** Your biggest critic just left your church.
- BAD:** She has been appointed Bishop in your conference.
- GOOD:** The Administrative Council accepted your job description the way you wrote it.
- BAD:** They were so inspired by it, they formed a search committee to find someone qualified to fill the position.
- GOOD:** The Youth in your church come to your house for a surprise visit.
- BAD:** It’s in the middle of the night, and they are armed with toilet paper & shaving cream to decorate your house.

PARTING SHOT

Adam and Eve had an ideal marriage. He didn’t have to hear about all the men she could have married, and she didn’t have to hear about the way his mother cooked.



Dearest Friends –

A simple “thank you” falls short in expressing my deep appreciation for the kind friendship and faithful support that you extended to Weldon and me during the past few years. Your prayers sustained us when the challenges seemed daunting and reminded us that you walked shoulder-to-shoulder with us. Weldon’s days at Life Care were brightened again and again by your surprise visits, laughter, and good wishes. Help at home, rides to church, and rides to Life Care to see Weldon lessened the stressful days that I was experiencing; and for these kind gestures, I am so very grateful. Weldon and I consider the close friendships with Fred and Hu to be among our most treasured gifts from God. I shall do my best to reciprocate should any of you be in need.

Ellie Conger & Family

Thank you all so much for your prayers, cards, calls and concerns during Lyle’s recent hip replacement surgery.

We feel so blessed to be a member of such a caring church family.

God Bless,
Lyle & Jill Brewer

Joys-but Still in Need of Prayers: Continued
Kaminski, Gladys Kay (Jane Hayes’ Mom), Mel & Mary Kilbo, Naomi Kyle, Jane Lambert, Cheryl Lang, Carol & Bill Lindemann, Earl & Eleanor Lindsay, Pauline Lymons, Bob & Juana Mahlandt, Michael & Susan Malloy, Sally Marvaino (Suzanne Jacobson’s sister), Shirley & Merle Matzke, Todd Matzke in Iraq, Bryan McCann (Jeanette Lunstead’s son), Neal McGough in Afghanistan, Larry & Pat McMann, Wilbur McMann, Hedy Moore (Jed Moore’s Mom), Ione Pierce, Icey Revis (Lynn Revis’ mother-in-law), Marvin & Jean Richter, Virgil & Rose Scantlin, Emily Sutherland (Wendy Moore’s grandmother), Rick & Sue Sutter, Audrey & Gregg Taran, Carl & Helen Thacker, (Jerry Thacker’s parents), Lillian Thomas & Maria Remaley (Bill & Mary Thomas’ mother), Bev & Jim Toppin, Marven & Wanda Tufte, Ray and Nancy Villeneuve, Mary Ann Warren, Lucy Weiland, Dot Zelezic and the families of the above.



**DESIGNATED GIFTS
FROM MEMORIAL-FUNERAL
SERVICES**

Bob Brooks - Gold Canyon UMC

Let us

remember to pray daily



Thanks to all for your prayers, phone calls and cards while Jim was in the hospital. Also to Fred for his visit and our very special appreciation for Hu and Wendy and their daily visits and prayers. What a wonderful church family we have. Lovingly,

Jim & Carolyn Burt

Grief Support Group**Wednesdays at 3:00 pm, Room 101/102****Led by Laurie Christy**

Gold Canyon UMC offers Grief Support for those who need someone to talk to. Grief isn't always about death – we all need help at times talking about and understanding our feelings. Anything that may cause sadness in your life is an issue for grief support. Sometimes it is death or divorce or, it could be the fears of relocation or a new job. We are here to listen when you need to talk. For information, contact Laurie Christy at 480-671-5768 or Lchristy20@yahoo.com.

MIND MENDERS SUPPORT GROUPMeets on the 2nd & 4th Friday

at 10:00 a.m. in the Education Building.

This support group is for CAREGIVERS of anyone with Alzheimer's or some form of Dementia.

Contact Jeanette Lunstead or the church office for more information.

**STEPHEN
MINISTRY®****SHARING: REALLY GOOD**

If you suffer a loss or face a seemingly insolvable crisis, don't be afraid of how you feel – just do something about it. Don't let your feelings overwhelm you. Don't push them down or try to hide them away. Instead, know and admit you are hurting.

Share your sadness, fears and despair with a Stephen Minister. Your hurt wants out and a Stephen Minister is trained to help you release it. Unspoken feelings are another crisis. Escape the trap. Call the office for a referral or check the box on the Sunday attendance form.

Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the Interests of others.

Philipians 4:13

FOOD BANK NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

The Food Bank staff thanks you all VERY MUCH for the generous donations over the past few months , particularly at the recent concerts. During concerts and on Sunday mornings, volunteers are needed to accept and shelve the food donations. Please prayerfully consider committing some of your time to this needful thing. Contact Jeff Downing at 480-983-6844 to volunteer.

GCUMC Coffee, Tea & Chocolate Cooperative

You are invited to join me in supporting the UMCOR Coffee Project by purchasing your Fair Trade coffee, tea and chocolate through me. By purchasing as a co-op, we will save money and STILL help out the farmers. Here's a quick cost comparison between companies showing comparable individual 1 pound bags of French Roast coffee:

KONA	STARBUCKS	UMCOR COFFEE PROJECT
\$12.45	\$10.45	\$5.65

If you are interested, contact Suzanne Jacobson in the church office at 480-982-3776 Monday through Friday between Noon and 3:00. Orders must be prepaid.

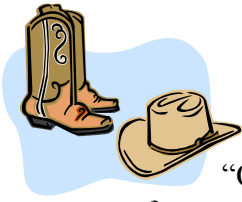
From the UMCOR Website:

The conventional coffee trade involves a long chain of buyers, processors, exporters, brokers and distributors between the farmer and the consumer—each taking their share of the price. Coffee farmers are left with little and often cannot cover ongoing production costs or living expenses. Fair trade eliminates the middlemen and farmers receive a larger proportion of the prices. This fair trade system allows farmers to earn a stable and fair price for their crops and delivers a fair price to consumers.

Under the principles of fair trade, importers also commit to buy only from small farmer co-operatives, and to establishing direct, long-term purchasing relationships with the co-ops, including support for sustainable agriculture and the offer of low-cost pre-harvest credit.

By making your purchases of coffee, tea, chocolate, and craft items from fair trade distributors, you are helping to ensure a better life for farmers and artisans globally.





FREE CONCERT with One in the Spirit

Sunday, March 15 at 5:00 pm

“One in the Spirit” will be presenting a free concert on Sunday, March 15th, 5:00 PM in the Koinonia Room. Come and hear some of your favorite country western contemporary gospel music.

Light refreshments will be provided. A free-will offering will be received. And please bring a non-perishable food item for the food bank.

What is “COSROW?”

By Suzanne Jacobson, Chair, GCUMC COSROW

In honor of Women’s History Month, I thought I would share some facts related to the committee I serve on through the Desert Southwest Conference.

According to the GCSRW website, “The General Commission on the Status and Role of Women was established in 1972 after a study by United Methodist Women showed that sexism was and is a fact in the United Methodist Church. Specifically, a study commission...showed that women were underrepresented at all levels of church leadership.” Both men and women serve on the Commission as well as on Conference and local church level committees.

Today, there are people who question the validity of the continued existence of the commission, since we have women bishops, pastors and seminary presidents. It is true that the UMC has made progress since 1972. The first woman bishop was elected in 1980, and since then, 20 women have been elected to the worldwide episcopacy. About 1% of clergy were women in 1972. Today, more than 20% are women. However, at most leadership tables, women are underrepresented. Women accounted for less than 30% of the delegates on the Financial Administration Legislative Committee at the 2008 General Conference.

Even today, ministerial sexual misconduct is still a challenge to the “integrity and efficacy” of United Methodist congregations and institutions. In 9 out of 10 cases, women are the victims. GCSRW is the lead agency in helping the church effectively address and prevent sexual misconduct.

Locally, our Desert Southwest Conference Committee on the Status and Role of Women (COSROW) has instituted “Safe Sanctuaries” programs in conference churches and is currently planning a Pastoral Approaches to Domestic Violence workshop for pastors and lay leaders, which will take place in May of this year.

If you are interested in finding out more about the General Commission, surf to www.gcsrw.org. For more about local projects, feel free to contact me in the office at 480-982-3776. Are you actuarial? At this time, we are recruiting individuals to monitor for inclusiveness at the upcoming Annual Conference.

New Worship Service Opens at GCUMC

Have you tried the 11 am Traditional Service with Pastor Bob Deits? This new service, which began in January will be held every Sunday through Easter. If you feel crowded at the 9:30 service, but don’t feel called to wake up in time for the 8:00 am service, here’s your answer! Rev. Deits gives an inspiring sermon every Sunday. The GCUMC Chancel Choir provides a portion of the music, with Director of Music Ministries Douglas J. Benton on organ.

Come visit us at the 11:00 am Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary! We’ll be expecting you.



Find Financial Peace!

Financial Peace University Begins: Thursday April 16, 6:30 to 8:30 pm

Where: Koinonia Room

Length: 13 weeks

What would your life look like if you had no debt and were in control of your money? Are you ready to take the first step? Join G.C.U.M.C. as we present Financial Peace University, a 13 week class that will change your life. During this life-changing class, you will learn to get control of your money, stop struggling to make ends meet, tell your money what to do and change your family’s future. Dave Ramsey breaks through the common financial jargon and explains how money really works in a simple, easy-to-understand style. You’ll actually have fun as you learn about saving, budgeting, investing, insurance and more. Each week you will meet with the class to watch the video lesson and participate in discussion groups that will change your attitude about money. Watch for the sign-up sheets!



The United Methodist Women includes all women of the church. We are dedicated to fellowship, friendship and service. We welcome all GCMC women.

**Join us for the “Loving Well” Women’s Retreat with Beth Moore
April 24-26 2009**

We all deal with people who are a joy to love and some who are difficult to love. Come join us for a fun-filled weekend as we learn how to love well. It is a serious subject we will approach with joy. In the quiet beauty of the mountain top we will hear from best-selling author and teacher Beth Moore through video, enjoy fun and fellowship with other women, sing, laugh our heads off, shed a few tears, eat, (Did I say eat?), stay up late, make new friends, and enjoy old friends. It’s a weekend you don’t want to miss! Registration forms are available in the church office and on the bulletin board in the Education Building. Please complete the form with any comments on the back regarding friends you wish to room with, carpool information, etc. Please return your completed form to the church office. Cost for the weekend is \$100 for lodging, meals and programming. A limited number of scholarships will be available. April 1st is the cutoff date for reservations unless the event is a sell out before that date. If you need further details about the weekend, please call Diana Linton at 229-0706.

Page Turners Book Club

The Page Turners Book Club meets the fourth Monday each month at 2:00 pm. We are a diverse group of ladies who read the same book then meet in each other’s homes to discuss the book. Book selections for the remainder of 2009 can be found on the UMW Bulletin Board in the Education Building. If you have any questions, please call Diana Linton at 229-0706.



UMW Meeting Schedule

**Executive Board Meeting Monday, March 2nd
at 9 a.m.**

**Unit Meeting Saturday, March 14
at 9:45 a.m.**

Program: Food and Faith: Where Would Jesus Sit?

Due to a last minute change of program in January, we will be doing “Who’s at the Table?,” which was originally scheduled for January, at the March 14 Unit Meeting. This program will also include a Call to Prayer and Self-Denial: “Creating Communities through Information Technology” observance. A special offering will be received to fund grassroots projects that support local communities with opportunities for computer literacy, information technology training, English-As-A-Second-Language classes, and career enhancement and job-seeking skills. We have an opportunity to make a difference in the lives of people all over the world.

Stitches Unlimited

Stitches Unlimited meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday each month from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm. So quilters, sewers, knitters, and crocheters bring your lunch! All skill levels are welcome. Please come and see where you can be “in stitches.” If you prefer to work at home, quilt kits are available. Questions? Please call Melva Houtcooper at 354-4012.

Heart of Women

Saturday, March 7th

11:00 am in Sea of Galilee Room

Come express yourself over a cup of tea. It’s uncomplicated, comfortable, and a great way for women to meet. So, come join us. Oh, and bring a friend and your favorite teacup.

UMW Book Drive

Need to clean off your bookshelves at home? United Methodist Women will be delighted to take those books off your hands for resale. We will take all kinds of books including: children’s, fiction, non-fiction, hardback, paperback, etc. Receptacles are located in both buildings for your donations. **Please bring books appropriate for resale to your church friends.** Then, readers, look for our sale between services Sunday, March 8th and March 15th. The proceeds from the sale will go to maintain UMW programs as well as missions. Thank you for your donations, and your support.



SOUP SUPPER AND LENTEN DEVOTIONS

BEGINNING MARCH 5th AT 5:30 pm

~ KOINONIA ROOM

Please sign up so we know how much soup to make!

Some ask questions like, "What should I give up for Lent?" or "Should we give up things for Lent?" I think that it might be better for us not to think about what we should "give up" but what we can take on. Maybe this Lent you can decide to "take on" worship every Sunday and Wednesday night. Maybe you can "take on" inviting that friend or relative to church with you. Maybe you can "take on" visiting someone who is lonely, poor or needy. So, a good question can be for us, "What can we take on for Jesus?" It's easy to develop the spirit of "take on" when we think of all that Jesus "took on" - our sins, burdens and the sacrifice of his life for us.

Friends, can you worship with us twice a week in Lent? I promise it will make your preparation for Easter more spiritual and special. I am happy to be on the Lenten journey with you.

~ Rev. Fay Quanstrom

**6:00 am prayers
during Lent
Watch for more
information**



Prayer Labyrinth

On December 31, 2007 our Youth Group created a stone Labyrinth. They took a neglected part of the north parking lot and turned it into a sacred space. Using only the rocks and stones found on the church property they were able to form a seven circuit labyrinth. This ancient design has

been used for centuries and is found in many churches throughout Europe.

Construction—After cleaning the space from shrubs and debris, a cross was drawn in the dirt. The cross was then turned into what is called a "seed pattern" for drawing labyrinths. Rocks were then placed on the lines that formed the cross. The design of the labyrinth ways traced in the sand with a stick, as the diagram on the right demonstrates. As each looping line was traced it was covered with stones.

Walking the Labyrinth—When you walk a labyrinth you give it its meaning. The prayerful or meditative use of a labyrinth is a tool for spiritual development. There is no "right or "wrong" way to walk a labyrinth. You only have to enter and follow the path. However, your walk can encompass a variety of attitudes. It may be joyous or somber. It might be thoughtful or prayerful. You may use it as a walking meditation. Adults are often serious in the labyrinth. Children most often run in and out as fast as they can in a playful manner. In many ways the labyrinth is a call to action, a spiritual tool for transformation. It can aid healing, help in releasing grief (people often shed tears during the "letting go"), help through troubled times, aid in decision making, illumination of our purpose in life, or as a tool of celebration and thanks. It is important to recognize it as a spiritual practice, not a magical tool. Its work is our commitment to enter into the sacred spiritual walk, not merely once, but to use it as part of an ongoing spiritual practice.

~ Reprinted from the February, 2008 issue of the Roadrunner.

Easter is just around the corner. Now is the time to order lilies for this year.

If you wish to order an Easter lily or lilies, please fill out the attached order blank and include the \$10.00 payment for each flower ordered. The form, along with the payment, may be mailed to Gary Stemple, 8295 E. Sweet Acacia Dr., Gold Canyon, AZ 85218-6998; placed in the offering plate; or put in Gary's box in the office. Please make all checks payable to the church and mark it "Easter lily." The Easter Lilies will be placed in the Sanctuary and the Koinonia Room for your enjoyment on Easter Sunday. You may take your lilies home after the Sunday services.

EASTER LILY ORDER BLANK

Please order an Easter lily in Memory of

Please order an Easter lily in Honor of

Total amount attached: \$ _____

Your name: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Please call Gary or Sharon Stemple, 671-4307, if you have questions.

International Missions

"The world is my parish." – John Wesley

By Jackie Douglass

REMINDER!

International Program & Potluck

- Bring a favorite international, cultural or favorite dish to share!
- Saturday, March 7, 2009, 5:00 pm – Koinonia Room
- A "Silent Auction" will be held with 100% of the proceeds going towards designated international missions and projects

Rev. Stanley Moore & Mr. John Cogswell, presenting

The presentations will include reflections on their experiences as volunteers in missions in Chile and other places around the world, and the transformation that takes place when we step into the world order of people outside of the United States.

The focus of the program will be to introduce us to the concept of International outreach projects worldwide, as well as to learn about specific missions with which we have become involved.

This will be a major fund-raising activity for international missions for 2009 with 100% of the donations going to the international projects which we have chosen to support.

"Change for Change" Mission Update

Report by Krista West, Food For the Hungry Volunteer

Through "Change for Change" Gold Canyon has recently provided more than \$388.50 to support "Bringing Hope: A Compassionate, Christian Response to HIV/AIDS" led by Food for the Hungry. Bringing Hope is gearing up in four African countries: Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda and Mozambique. Over the course of the next three years Bringing Hope will help mobilize churches and other community organizations in these countries to:

- Support 7,500 orphans and vulnerable children through caregiver counseling, vocational training and educational assistance,
- Reach 160,000 young people with Bible-based abstinence and faithfulness messages through peer training groups,
- Equip 3,200 infected women to prevent mother-to-child transmission during birth and breastfeeding, through training in medical and biological matters,
- Provide care for 5,100 people living with HIV/AIDS by forming support groups, encouraging stigma reduction, providing wellness education and giving Scriptural guidance/counsel,
- Create 960 savings groups for people living with HIV/AIDS to facilitate income-generating activities for family provision. Thanks for supporting this great program which seeks to address a deep need in sub-Saharan Africa with healing grace in Christ.

From a Volunteer

Just Back from a Trip to Ethiopia

We met a man in Ethiopia, a beneficiary of Bringing Hope 1, he came to know the Lord through the social workers of FH who brought him more than clothes, blankets and food (which they did) but they also brought him Jesus!! Praise the Lord!



Current UMCOR Emergencies

To donate to UMCOR on behalf of the following emergencies, please write your check to GCUMC and write "UMCOR Advance ##### (fill in the appropriate number)" on the memo line. 100% of your donation will go to those affected by the emergency.

Gaza Crisis

Middle East Emergency
UMCOR Advance #601740

Zimbabwe Crisis

Zimbabwe Emergency
UMCOR Advance #199456

Hurricanes 2008

Hurricanes 2008
UMCOR Advance #3019695

Cuba Emergency

Cuba Hurricane Response
UMCOR Advance #3020821

For more ways to help, or to donate online, go to:
<http://new.gb-gm-umc.org/umcor/>



Volunteers Do Make a Difference

GCUMC
982-3776

Jane Hayes, Volunteer Coordinator

Irish Blessing

His name was Fleming, and he was a poor Scottish farmer. One day, while trying to make a living for his family, he heard a cry for help coming from a nearby bog. He dropped his tools and ran to the bog. There, mired to his waist in black muck, was a terrified boy, screaming and struggling to free himself. Farmer Fleming saved the lad from what could have been a slow and terrifying death.

The next day, a fancy carriage pulled up to the Scotsman's sparse surroundings. An elegantly dressed nobleman stepped out and introduced himself as the father of the boy Farmer Fleming had saved.

"I want to repay you," said the nobleman. "You saved

my son's life."

"No, I can't accept payment for what I did," the Scottish farmer replied waving off the offer. At that moment, the farmer's own son came to the door of the family hovel.

"Is that your son?" the nobleman asked.

"Yes," the farmer replied proudly.

"I'll make you a deal. Let me provide him with the level of education my own son will enjoy. If the lad is anything like his father, he'll no doubt grow to be a man we both will be proud of."

And that he did.

Farmer Fleming's son attended the very best schools and in time, graduated from St. Mary's Hospital Medical School in London, and went on to become known throughout the world as the noted Sir

Alexander Fleming, the discoverer of Penicillin.

Years afterward, the same nobleman's son who had been saved from the bog was stricken with pneumonia.

What saved his life this time?

Penicillin.

The name of the nobleman? Lord Randolph Churchill. His son's name? Sir Winston Churchill.

Someone once said: What goes around comes around. Work like you don't need the money. Love like you've never been hurt. Dance like nobody's watching. Sing like nobody's listening. Live like its Heaven on Earth.

Note: May the hand of a friend from GCUMC always be near you .

****Circle one or more of these options to and place the form in the collection plate on Sunday, or drop by the office! Thanks.**

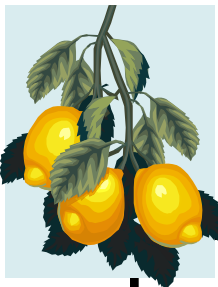
- 1. **Easter Breakfast Coordinator**
- 2. **Easter Breakfast: juice, muffins, rolls, egg dishes or cash donation**
- 1. **Office Assistant**
- 2. **Hospitality Team**
- 3. **Greeter**
- 4. **Sunday Cookies**
- 5. **Sunday School Substitute**

Name _____

Phone _____

W.O.W.

The purpose of the W.O.W. team is to share the Wonder of God's love thru fellowship at our church. To be successful, we need more volunteers. Could You join us to offer a welcoming handshake outside before one of the services or help someone needing assistance enter the church building? Please call Ron Walker at 480-671-3881 if you feel called to this outreach ministry.



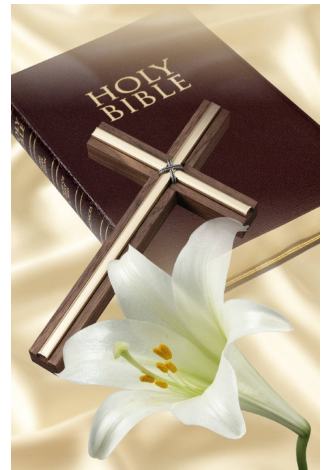
Citrus Gleaners Needed

Volunteer to pick citrus at private homes for Mesa United Food Bank. Carpool from church at 8:15 Friday mornings through March. Call Terry Parsons for information at 480-982-6578.

Easter Breakfast Coordinators Needed!

Following the sunrise service on Easter, April 12th, a breakfast buffet is served by the Education Building. We are in need of a couple of volunteers to organize this event.

Please call the office for more details if you are interested!





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 Gold Canyon, AZ 85218
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Monthly Newsletter Deadline: 10th of the Month
 Weekly Bulletin Insert Deadline: **Noon** on Wednesday
 Flower Order Deadline: **Noon** on Wednesday
 Please note that flowers are \$30.00

GCUMC Staff

Senior Pastor	Fred A. Steinberg
Minister of Pastoral Care	Hu Rhymes
Associate Pastor	Bob Deits
Director of Education	Ellis Falk
Director of Music Ministries	Douglas J. Benton
Associate Director of Music	David Ballard
Director of Youth Ministries	Heather Rodenborg
Pianists	Carol Ballard, Linda Jones, Marty Robison Nancy Virden
Office Manager	Suzanne B. Jacobson
Administrative Associate	Margaret Ball
Volunteer Coordinator	Jane Hayes
Parish Nurse	Sue Malloy
Nursery Care Giver	Susan Kenyon
Facility Care Takers	John LaViolette



**SUNDAY SCHOOL
 SCHEDULE**
*All Children's Sunday School classes begin
 in the Worship Service with their families.
 Children are led to their classrooms after the
 Children's Sermon.*

†8:00 AM ~ Adult Sunday School
 Meets in Room 101/102

†9:30 AM ~
 Children's Sunday School
 Pick Up in Rm 101/102

†9:30 AM ~ Youth Sunday School

†10:50 AM ~
 Children's Sunday School
 Pick Up in Classrooms

WINTER II SERVICE HOURS
January through Easter

***8:00 AM—Traditional Worship**
***9:30 AM—Traditional Worship**
***11:00 AM—Traditional Worship**
In the Sanctuary

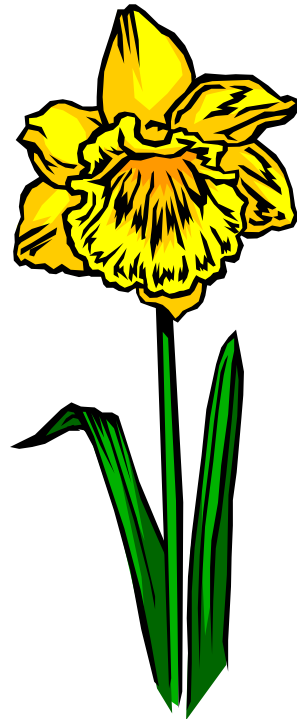
***10:50 AM—PRAISE
 Service**
In the Koinonia Room
 Music led by *Uncommon Grace*
**Childcare Provided*

5:00 PM—Country Western Service
 Music led by
One in the Spirit

**On the Last Sunday of the Month
 Music will be led by *The Housers***

March Birthdays

1	Bettie Armstrong	11	Erin Keenan
1	Art Schlee	12	John Allensworth
1	Barbara Brownfield	12	Nancy Bradshaw
1	Stan Oolman	13	Dolores Cecil
1	Doris Miller	13	Peg Wilson
1	Sheryl Verrall	13	Joan Carns
1	Paula Smith	14	Bill Shafer
1	Delwyn Warkenthien	14	Charles Lang
1	Mary Mitchell	15	Loren Riley
3	Shirley Bobier	16	Marilyn Pearson
4	Pete Peterson	16	Noreen Beatty
4	James Stewart	16	Peggy Rein
4	Peggy Tippie	16	Pat Shroyer
4	Claudine Nielsen	16	Patrick Hughes
5	Maxine Slagle	17	Arline Hacker
5	Nancy Bilensky	17	Elizabeth Miller
5	Lavoyce Nolan	18	Jack Richter
6	Virginia Waldorf	18	Beth Steinberg
6	James Fleck	18	Suzanne Jacobson
6	Ellis Falk	19	Sheridan, Gloria
6	Arne Eisentraut	20	Tim Steinberg
7	Henrietta Johnson	20	Jenna Hunt
7	Mike Weaver	20	Cecilia O'Brien
7	Bobbie VanderRoest	21	William Bennett
8	Marjorie Finley	22	Paul Fillion
8	Bob Norin	23	Monty Gingrich
8	Ron Walker	23	Lori Bachler-Palmer
8	Inge Fitzpatrick	25	James Primeau
9	Marva Masters	25	Alyssa Schenck
9	David Bracht	26	David Carlson
9	Rex Smith	26	Wendy Rhymes
9	Richard Kinder	27	Velma Carlson
10	Charlene Van Slooten	27	Barbara Sebring
10	Richard Ervin	28	Neil Johnson
10	Mary Catherine Myers	29	Dean Mansdorfer
10	Dorothy Bose	30	Richard Oldham
10	Mark Bird	30	Edward Fite
10	John Lane	30	Hap Howard
10	Brenda Patterson	31	Joy Fite
11	Don Leach	31	Nellie Moore
11	Verla Whiteaker	31	Jennifer Adams



March Anniversaries

Marven & Gwen Murcek	5
Linda & Steve Crane	5
Paul & Robin Toner	8
Warren & Ruth Rikli	9
Gary & Betty Lou Hunter	11
Ernie & Dorothy McMurry	12
Larry & Jean Graham	13
James & Charlene Van Slooten	14
Max & Ruth Clymer	15
Willa & Joe Ficarra	15
Wes & Marjorie Kappler	18
Gary & Diane Sauerbrunn	21
Harold & Coral Greene	21
Neal & Melva Houtcooper	23
Rod & Becky Reid	26
Mark & Shirley Johnson	30
Don & Linda Webber	31