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ENOUGH

Discovering Joy Through
Simplicity and Generosity



Wednesday, November 2nd

Enough - Discovering Joy Thru Simplicity & Generosity

Sunday, November 6th

Sermon "Cultivating Contentment and Simplicity"
Disciples Discussion Group 9:45 AM -10:25 AM

Wednesday, November 9th

Enough - Discovering Joy Thru Simplicity & Generosity

Sunday, November 13th

Sermon "Defined By Generosity" (Pledge Sunday)
Disciples Discussion Group 9:45 AM -10:25 AM

Wednesday, November 16th

Enough Discovering Joy Thru Simplicity & Generosity

Sunday, November 20th

Thanksgiving Sermon—"The Blessing of Being Grateful"
Disciples Discussion Group 9:45 AM -10:25 AM

Wednesday, Nov. 23rd

Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service –7 PM at St. John's

JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM

Advent Sermon Series & Study Begins

Sunday, November 27th

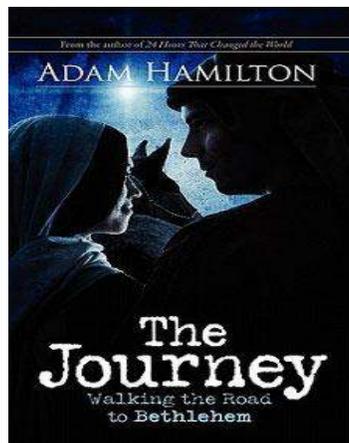
Sermon "Nazareth: The Annunciation"
9:45 AM - 10:25 AM

"Journey To Bethlehem" Advent Study One

Wednesday, November 30th

"Journey To Bethlehem" Advent Study One

NOTE: Discussion Group and Wednesday Study both meet in the McMillen Room—All are invited!





Pastor David Burgess



Well, I told you there would be more. Here is some more "meat" to chew on. (Oh, I am really glad you asked!)

These are *Basic Christian Affirmations and Distinctive Wesleyan Emphases* (paragraph 101, pp 43-48) from 2008 The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church.

† We share the Christian belief that God's redemptive love redemptive love is realized in human life by the activity of the Holy Spirit, both in personal experience and in the community of believers.

† We understand ourselves to be part of Christ's universal church when by adoration, proclamation, and service we become conformed to Christ.

† With other Christians we recognize that the reign of God is both a present and future reality.

† We share with many Christian communities a recognition of the authority of Scripture in matters of faith, the confession that our justification as sinners is by grace through faith, and the sober realization that the church is in need of continual reformation and renewal.

† Prevenient Grace—We acknowledge God's prevenient grace. That is the divine love that surrounds all humanity and precedes any all of our conscious impulses.

† Justification and Assurance—We believe God reaches out to the repentant believer in justifying grace with accepting and pardoning love.

† Sanctification and Perfection- We hold that the wonder of God's acceptance and pardon does not end. God's saving work continues to nurture our growth in grace.

† Faith and Works—We see God's grace and our human activity working together in the relationship of faith and good works.

† Mission and Service—We insist that personal salvation always involves a Christian mission and service to the world.

† Nurture and Mission of the Church—We emphasize the nurturing and serving function of Christian fellowship in the Church.

Rose Marie Bailey
Mary Lou Fink
Stan Lundahl
Dell McCracken
Charles "Chuck" Perriguy
Herschel Whitefield
Shirley Noll

We will remember the saints who have Transferred to the Church Triumphant between November 1, 2010 & October 31, 2011 during worship services on Sunday, November 6th, 2011.

All Saints listed above as well as, those who are not our brothers and sisters in Christ who are gone, but will never be forgotten!



ATTENDANCE

Sunday	8:30 AM	10:30 AM	Nursery	Kids/ Youth	Teachers	TOTAL
10/2	42	110	1	10/4	5	172
10/9	41	127	1	16/10	5	200
10/16	53	142	2	9/10	4	220
10/23	52	132	3	13/4	5	209
10/30	Numbers for this date unavailable at time of publication					

Community Thanksgiving Worship



Thanksgiving Eve— November 23rd, four churches in our community would like to invite you to join together in Arroyo Grande for a **Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service**. Our church family here at UMC of AG, along with St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, St. John's Lutheran Church, and St. Patrick's Catholic Church, all invite you to come as we can sing praises and give thanks to the creator as a community in life and in Christ. **This 7 PM service will be held at St. John's Lutheran Church** located at 959 Valley Road in Arroyo Grande.



'Twas The Night of Thanksgiving

Twas the night of Thanksgiving,
but I just couldn't sleep.
I tried counting backwards,
I tried counting sheep.

The leftovers beckoned...the dark meat and white,
but I fought the temptation with all of my might.

Tossing and turning with anticipation,
the thought of a snack became infatuation.

So I raced to the kitchen, flung open the door
and gazed at the fridge, full of goodies galore.

I gobbled up turkey and buttered potatoes,
pickles and carrots, beans and tomatoes.

I felt myself swelling so plump and so round,
till all of a sudden, I rose off the ground!

I crashed through the ceiling, floating into the sky with a
mouthful of pudding and a handful of pie. But I managed
to yell, as I soared past the trees --

Happy Eating To All! Pass the cranberries please!



Thanksgiving Blessing Before The Meal



Our Father in Heaven, we give thanks for the pleasure of gathering together for this occasion and for all who could not join us physically but who are with us in spirit. We give thanks for this food prepared by loving hands. We give thanks for life, the freedom to enjoy it all and all other blessings. As we partake of this food, we pray for health and strength to carry on and try to live as You would have us. This we ask in the name of our Heavenly Father. *Amen.*



★ EXTRA! EXTRA! ★

Men's News

Helping men to grow in Christ,
so others can know Christ.

Submitted by Val McClure, UMM Publicity

Methodist Men To Come Home

If our church is home for the congregation, then the UMM will be coming home for their up coming meetings. The NOVEMBER meeting will be held on Saturday, November 19th at 8:30 AM in Criswell Hall. The breakfast will be catered for \$9 *per person*. It will be followed on Sunday with the UMM hosted All-Church Pancake Breakfast from 9 AM to 10:30 AM.

Speaker for the November meeting will be from the **San Luis Port Lighthouse**. A lighthouse visit is being planned for later on in the year. **Menu** will include scrambled eggs, ham, sweet roll, fruit cup, coffee, tea or hot chocolate. All meals will be catered and cost the same for all listed programs.

A Lighthouse Trip to be announced on special date and time.

Upcoming Meeting Dates and Programs

- **December 17th** - Business Meeting/Fellowship,
- **January 22nd** – Pastor Randy from St. Johns Church – Trip to Slovakia,
- **February 18th** – Annual Sweetheart Breakfast,
- **March 17th** – Jennifer Faxton on Spy Museum,
- **April** - to be announced
- **May 19th** – Camp Arroyo Grande Work Party
- **June** – Annual UMM BBQ.

*** Programs can change with notice through Sunday Bulletins and the Castanet Newsletter.*

Mark your Calendar with these Sunday All-Church Pancake Breakfast Dates: November 20th, January 22nd, and March 18th.

For further information on UMM activities, which are open to all men of the church - call Tom Egan (President), Wayne Huggins (Treasurer) or Val McClure (Publicity Chairman).



UMM Treasurer Reports Giving

During 2011, the United Methodist Men's Organization of UMC of AG has made several donations. We are pleased that the UMM is able to provide assistance to these worthy programs.

- **School Kits for DPSS Kids** \$200
- **Summer Camp for Youth** \$600
- **Benevolence Fund** \$200
- **Wounded Warriors Project** \$ 50
- **Camp Arroyo Grande** \$300
- **People's Kitchen** \$300
- **Sunday School Supplies** \$300

Thank you all!

~ Wayne Huggins, UMM Treasurer





United Methodist Women

Faith, Hope and Love In Action

The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

Virtual Tea

submitted by Judy Leonard

In early November the women in the church will receive an invitation and teabag for our final 2011 UMW fund raiser, a Virtual Tea. You might ask, "What is a Virtual Tea?" It simply means a virtual tea party where you will choose when you want to make a cup of tea. As you sip your tea, you can reflect on the many mission projects the AG UMW participates in and consider donating towards the causes as stated in the invitation.

You will not have to produce crafts, bake goodies, or give your time and energy towards an event. Instead, you will make a monetary donation to UMW. Of course, we also encourage you to participate in the mini boutique in Criswell Hall after church on Sunday, November 6th.

So, prayerfully consider a donation and enclose your check in the envelope that will be provided. Donations can be mailed to the church office or dropped in the offering plate by Sunday, December 4th. We hope to raise \$2,000 through this fundraiser. Men can choose to participate in this activity, too!



UMW Book Club

The Book Club will be combining our November and December meetings. We will meet on **Thursday, December 8th at 4 PM.**

Our book for November and December will be
Laugh Your Way to Grace by Susan Sparks

The group chose this book especially for reading during the holiday season. Its publisher tells that this book is "intended to give you permission to reconnect with your own sense of joy and hope." Join us!



**We Invite
You to
Join Us!**

Esther Cir-

cle

Every **2nd Thursday** at noon in the **McMillen Room.**

JOY Circle

Every **3rd Tuesday** at 7 PM in a member's home.

Mary-Martha Circle

The last **Wednesday** of each month at **9:30 AM** in the **McMillen Room.**

Women of Worth

Every **3rd Thursday** in the **McMillen Room** at **6:30 PM.**

United Methodist Women's **BAKE SALE & BOUTIQUE**

**Sunday,
November 6th
9 AM — 2 PM
Criswell Hall**

**Please bring
Bake Sale & Bou-
tique items for this sale
to Criswell Hall on Sat-
urday,
November 5th
between 1—5 PM.**

**All proceeds will go to UM
missions at home and
around the world.**



Managing Chronic Illness

If you have a chronic illness, you know the day-to-day realities of managing your disease and balancing your life can be challenging. The goal of most people who have common diseases such as arthritis, high blood pressure (hypertension), diabetes, or lung disease – to name a few – is to live life as fully as possible. New research and demonstration projects have given us information about how people can take control of their illnesses and their lives.

Through what are being called “self-management programs”, people with one or more chronic health problems can learn new ways to manage their illnesses in order to improve quality of life, enjoy greater independence and minimize future consequences of their disease.

Put Yourself In Charge

- Understand your disease – Read educational materials about your disease that are available at libraries, on websites and from your health care provider.
- Before your medical appointments, write down questions you have, to get the information you need from your health care provider.
- Seek out resources – There are community-based and non-profit organizations that offer patient education and support services about chronic diseases.
- Take a class on self-management of your disease – Your health provider and other community-based organizations often offer classes on disease-specific management.

Engage in Healthy Activity

- Increase your physical activity – Walking, swimming, yoga, tai chi are all options you can do to help improve the way you feel.
- Eat right – Learn how nutrition affects your disease and what foods are good or bad for you.
- Learn to relax – There are relaxation and pain management techniques that can help you deal with stress and discomfort that may be related to your chronic illness.
- Engage in activities you love to do – Going to the movies, spending time with friends and family, attending art classes or any activity that you enjoy can help you feel better.

Talk to your Physician and Ask Questions about your Disease

- Talk to your doctor - He or she will have suggestions about what you can do to better manage your disease.
- Ask where to find information – Your physician or senior center can point you to resources for programs and patient education materials.
- Write down questions – As questions or concerns arise about your disease between appointments write them down so you can remember.
- Tell your physician about your most important concerns.
- *Don't forget to ask!*

Condensed from California Healthcare Foundation; Managing Chronic Illnesses



YELLOW UMBRELLA NEWS: MISSION/SOCIAL CONCERNS

by Judy Atwood

MISSION HIGHLIGHT: by JUDY ATWOOD

This month we continue sharing an up coming opportunity for sharing in mission and ministry and report on another.

United Methodist Student Day: November 27

This is the last church wide Special Giving Sunday for this year. This offering along with monies from World Communion Sunday and Native American Ministries Sunday provide United Methodist scholarships. It is our way to help provide students with assistance needed to pursue their education.

Alternative Christmas Sunday—October 23

At the Yellow Umbrella meeting we decided to go with three opportunities: Local, National and International for your giving. We selected Advance Projects of the United Methodist Church for both the National and International gifts.

Thank you for the sharing of your abundance with those in need. Because you care we are able to provide *THE FOLLOWING AMOUNTS*:

- **South County Food Bank** \$ 73.
- **5 Cities Christian Women** \$ 74.
- **People's Kitchen** \$ 74.
- **Domestic Disaster Response** \$ 223.
- **Nothing But Nets** \$ 243.

YOUR GIVING TOTAL: \$ 687.

THANKS FOR YOUR SPECIAL GIVING AND MINISTRY RESPONSES!

I continue to say thank you on behalf of the recipients of all the special givings which you have shared with others.

Many hands can do many things!



Special Giving Updates for 2011

Domestic Disaster Response	25.00
So. County Food Bank	1288.56
Goat for Haitian Goat Farm	50.00
Haiti Relief	50.00
Japan Relief	1830.00
Native American Ministries	409.00
Mule for Haitian Goat Farm	350.00
One Great Hour of Sharing	785.00
Peace with Justice	307.00
People's Kitchen	968.00
Spring Storms	480.00
VBS Mission Project	249.19
World Communion Sunday	<i>Next month</i>
TOTAL	6791.75

We Are...

- Measured by our hearing and responding;
- Measured by our freeing the oppressed;
- Measured by feeding the hungry;
- Measured by healing the sick;
- Measured by housing the homeless;
- Measured by clothing the naked;
- Measured by bringing Good News to the poor;
- Measured by the beauty of our spirit.

HOW ARE YOU PLUGGED INTO ONE OF THEM?

Make Your Preparations 'Advent'-urous

Advent — *the first season of the liturgical year* — includes the four Sundays and weeks prior to December 25. Advent dates from the fourth century, when it lasted 40 days and included fasting and solemnity, much like Lent.

Advent is from the word *Adventus*, Latin for “coming,” referring to Jesus’ birth in Bethlehem and also His second coming. The traditional colors of Advent are **purple** for penitence or **blue** for hope. Observing Advent is a meaningful and adventurous way to prepare for Christmas.

We invite you to celebrate with us this season in any of the many ways to join the festivities!



Advent Wreath- Making Workshop

**Saturday, November 26
1 PM—Criswell Hall**

Contact *Carolyn Russell* for more
information.

(wreath making material provided)

Don't just celebrate Advent at church...bring the joy home!

Come and make Advent wreaths with us!
You can enjoy them with your family during the season.



Its' that time again! The **Giving Tree** will be set up and loaded with tags to aid foster children in our local DPSS system. Look for it, November 27th—the 1st Sunday of Advent.

The tags on the tree, have special requests of various foster children (*kids who are not living with a parent or parents*).

Attached to each “ornament” will be a duplicate tag for each gift. Please take **only the original** and **leave a copy on the tree**. We ask that you bring the UN-wrapped gift to the church office or place it under the tree on Sundays between and after services. The gifts will be picked-up regularly.

Gifts must be under the tree by Sunday, December 18. —
If you have questions, please contact Jan Treat or the DPSS.



The Hanging of the Whats?

Hanging of the Greens transforms our church and readies it for this festive season. It is a time of preparation for Christ's coming, which includes hanging greenery traditionally associated with everlasting life. 'Greens' of cedar symbolize royalty, fir and pine boughs signify everlasting life and holly reminds us of Jesus' death, while ivy represents the resurrection — all are used in this tradition.

You are invited—**November 26th at 4 PM** to help get our church ready for the season of Advent and to celebrate **the Greatest Gift!**

Tom Egan, chair



OCTOBER Report 2011

- October was not a good money month. We are slightly over budget and our Parsonage Fund went down to a little over \$7,000.
- Before tenting for termites we will try a few options and the Board wants two more bids.
- Ditto that for re-keying the church(—two more bids).
- October 29 is our All Church Work Party from 8 AM to 2 PM with lunch included. Much to be done, inside and out.
- NO Parking signs have been placed in front of the dumpster. We will try to get two days that work for pick up.
- Maddy requested that she use the vacant lot for extra parking for the Children's Center's Fun Day (October 22) should they need it.
- Norm is checking with the roofer to see when they can start. It is getting close to the 'wet' time of the year.
- The bus is getting hard to start. Two new batteries are in needed to solve this problem.
- Our good friend Mr. Wiemers, trimmed the overgrown tree in the Children's Center yard. It really looks nice and took every bit of my energy to stay out of his way.
- The pews are still being repaired *one at a time*.
- You may have noticed the two new 'VISITOR PARKING' signs. Let's hope.
- Pastor David doesn't want to eliminate our church's Saturday night programs in the Sanctuary—however, we do need to be aware that it makes it hard to be clean and ready for Sunday morning. This is a VERY good point.



Meals Served

October 2011: 284
YTD:

1,979

Socks Distributed

October 2011: 180
YTD:

**Thank you to
Chuck & Betty
Ashton and our Peo-
ple's Kitchen Teams!**

The People's Kitchen

crew serves hot meals to the needy in our community at the *Shouts of Grace Church* in Grover Beach. The UMC of AG team leaves here at 11:30 AM on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month with eager hearts for service.



for the
Our team also distributes NEW socks, gently used clothes, and small travel-sized toiletries!! These items are a CONSTANT need.

If you have donations or would like to serve on our team, please contact the Ashtons on Sundays or through the church office.

Pledge Income - October 2011



Monthly Budget Goal

\$ 22,000

Received—as of 11/23—

\$ 18,577.

Difference: \$ - 3,423.

We Can Do It!

'Body' Parts

From Newsletter Newlsetter.com

It is said that a Christian without a church home is like an organ without a body...a sheep without a flock...or a child without a family—in other words it is *an un-natural state*.

Many believe one can be a 'good Christian' without joining or attending a local church. HOWEVER, the Bible tells us, **over and over**, why we **need** to belong to a church family. This is known as 'The Body of Christ.' (I Corinthians 12:12)

We need a church family because when we come together from different backgrounds, race, and social status, it is a power witness to the world. In I Corinthians 12:27 we are told we are not the Body of Christ on our own. A church family moves us out of self-centered isolation. The local church is the classroom for learning how to get along in God's family. It is a lab for practicing unselfish, sympathetic love. Only in regular contact with ordinary, imperfect believers can we learn real fellowship and experience the New Testament truth of being connected and dependent on each other.

Having a church family helps develop **spiritual muscle**. We will never grow to maturity just by *attending* worship services and being a *passive spectator*. Only **participation** in the full life of church is what builds our spiritual muscle.

Over **50 times** in the New Testament the phrase 'one another' or 'each other' is used. We are commanded not only to love each other—but to encour-

age, admonish, greet, teach, accept, honor, forgive, as well as, to pray for each other, and bear each other's burdens. These are our *family responsibilities* that God expects us to fulfill through local fellowship with other believers.

God has a unique role for each of us to play in His family. In I Corinthians 12:7 we are told that a **spiritual gift is given to each of us as a means of helping the entire church**. God's purpose for His church is the same as His purpose for each of us.

- Worship helps *us focus* on God.
- Fellowship helps *us face* life's problems.
- Discipleship helps *fortify our faith*.
- Ministry helps *find our talents*.
- Evangelism helps *fulfill our mission*.

There is nothing else on earth like the church.

"In Christ, we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others."

Romans 12:5

In this image, the ocean represents the Body of Christ —the Church—and the figures represent six **biblically identifiable** stages of spiritual development.

Do you recall them? Where are YOU in the Body of Christ...



For even as the **body** is one and yet has many members, and all the members of the **body**, though they are many, are one **body**, so also is **Christ**. ~ I Corinthians 12:12



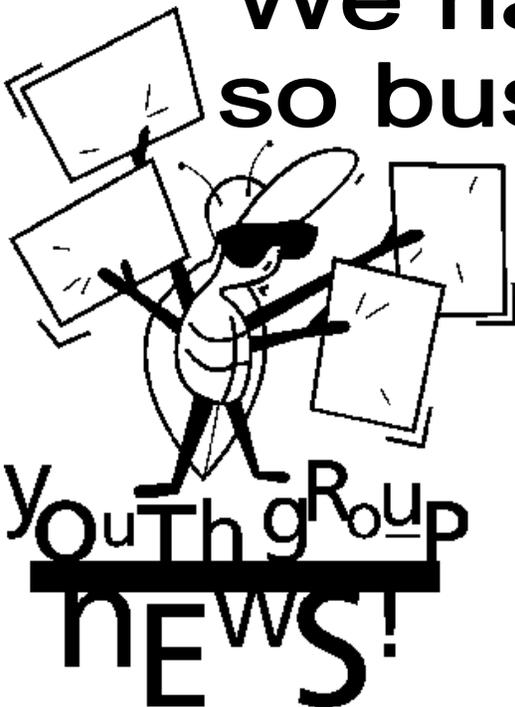
Look at ALL the fun stuff we are doing this season!
Mark Your Calendar:

- 'Up All Night' Night – Stay over at church in Criswell Hall - from November 11 at 6 PM until November 12 at 9 AM (CH)
- **Advent Wreath-Making Workshop**—November 26 at 1 PM. Bring a friend & make a special holiday favorite!
- **Children's Ministries Coffee Hour**—November 27th— bring a treat!
- '**Journey to Bethlehem**' series - A NEW Sunday School & Kid's Night Out series begins along with the Pastor's series and study for Advent—a study for the family!
- **Christmas Program**—*OUR* children will participate in recreating the Christmas Story. Watch for more details.

Our Children's Sunday School Bake Sale over \$200 thanks to you! You are all a blessing. The children and teachers thank you for your continued support and encouragement.

So much is coming before the end of the year! We promise to keep you posted - so keep your eyes open for information!

We have been so busy having FUN!!!!



We haven't had a minute to spare... We will have so much to tell you in the next issue. Keep a look out!

Join us Wednesdays at 7 PM & Sundays at 10:30 AM.



We are very proud to say that we have on our shelves, the best-seller of all time, the **King James Bible**. It was first published in 1611, which means it is now celebrating its 400th anniversary.

We also now have a DVD called, "The Making of the King James Bible." It is a story of how 47 professors produced this remarkable translation of the Holy Scriptures and how it has impacted the culture of the world...even still today.



A Cue from the Director

Our Chancel Choir will be participating in the Thanksgiving Eve Ecumenical Service at St. John's Church at 7 PM. *We invite any who are interested in joining the choir to come to our Sanctuary every Wednesday at 7 PM for weekly rehearsals.*

In Christ,
Julie Burns, Choir Director



Join the Choir...
 You'll Be Glad You Did!

The Ant & the Contact Lens a true story

Brenda was a young woman who was invited to go rock climbing. Although she was scared to death, she went with her group to a tremendous granite cliff. In spite of her fear, she put on the gear, took a hold on the rope, and started up the face of that rock. Well, she got to a ledge where she could take a breather. As she was hanging on there, the safety rope snapped against Brenda's eye and knocked out her contact lens. Here she is on a rock ledge, with hundreds of feet below her and hundreds of feet above her. Of course, she looked and looked and looked, hoping it had landed on the ledge, but it just wasn't there. So here she was, far from home, her sight now blurry. She was desperate and began to get upset, so she prayed to the Lord to help her to find it. When she got to the top, a friend examined her eye and her clothing for the lens, but there was no contact lens to be found. She sat down, despondent, with the rest of the party, waiting for the rest of them to make it up the face of the cliff. She looked out across range after range of mountains, thinking of that Bible verse that says, "The eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth." She thought, "Lord, You can see all these mountains. You know every stone and leaf, You know exactly where my contact lens is. Please help me."

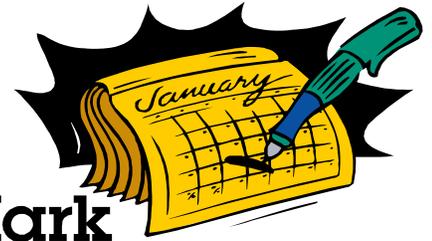
Finally, they walked down the trail to the bottom. At the bottom there was a new party of climbers just starting up the face of the cliff. One of them shouted out, "Hey, you guys! Anybody lose a contact lens?"

Well, that would be startling enough, but you know why the climber saw it? An ant was moving slowly across the face of the rock, carrying it! Brenda told me that her father is a cartoonist. When she told him the incredible story of the ant, the prayer, and the contact lens, he drew a picture of an ant lugging that contact lens with the words, "Lord, I don't know why You want me to carry this thing. I can't eat it, and it's awfully heavy. But if this is what You want me to do, I'll carry it for You."

At the risk of being accused of being fatalistic, I think it would probably do some of us good to occasionally say, "God, I don't know why you want me to carry this load. I can see no good in it and it's awfully heavy. But, if you want me to carry it, I will."

"God doesn't want your ability; he needs your availability"

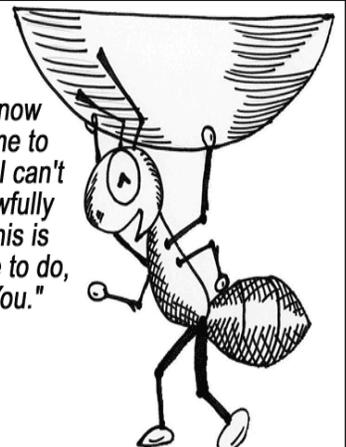
Keep A Quiet Heart by Elizabeth Elliot in a first hand account of a true story told to her by **Brenda Foltz** ("Lost and Found")



Mark Your Calendar! Committees, Councils, Boards

Date	Meeting	Time
11/1	Trustees	7 PM
11/3	People's Kitchen	11:30 AM
11/3	Red Umbrella	7 PM
11/8	Communications	10:30 AM
11/9	Blue Umbrella	11 AM
11/10	Esther Circle	12 PM
11/13	Green Umbrella	11:45 AM
11/15	Preschool Board - closed session	2 PM
11/15	Preschool Board - open session	3:30 PM
11/15	JOY Circle	7 PM
11/17	People's Kitchen	11:30 AM
11/17	Women of Worth	6:30 PM
11/19	UMM Breakfast	8:30 AM
11/30	Mary-Martha Circle	9:30 AM
	See you there!	

"Lord, I don't know why You want me to carry this thing. I can't eat it, and it's awfully heavy. But, if this is what You want me to do, I'll carry it for You."



"I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me." Phil. 4:13

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
<p>6</p> <p>All Saint's Sunday UMW Holiday Bake Sale and Craft Fair 9 AM - 2 PM</p> <p>8:30 AM Contemporary Service 8:30 AM Children's Sunday School (211) 9:45 AM Adult Disciple Discussion Group (MMR) 10:30 AM Junior Church & Communion (MMR) 10:30 AM Traditional Service 10:30 AM Youth Group (215)</p> <p>2 PM Music for A Sunday Afternoon - SLO Chamber Orchestra</p>	<p>7</p> <p>9 AM—3 PM Clergy Cluster Meeting (MMR) 5 PM Champion Youth Outreach - Self Defense & Safety (CH) 6 PM Debtors Anon (MMR) 7 PM Men's Bible Study (215) 7 PM Women of Prayer (S) 7:30 PM AIAnon (MMR) 7:30 PM AlaTeen (211)</p>	<p>8</p> <p>8:30 AM Senior Exercise 9 AM Sew 'n' Sews (MMR) 10:30 AM Communications Committee (L) 5 PM Grande Ringers 5:20 PM Mom & Dad Factor for Ladies (211) 6 PM MS Support Group (MMR) 6:25 PM Boundaries for Ladies (room 211) 7:30 PM Ladies Christian 12-Step (211)</p>	<p>9</p> <p>8:30 AM Senior Exercise 11 AM Blue Umbrella (MMR) 1 PM Alzheimer's Association Care Giver Support Group (MMR) 5 PM All-Church Dinner (CH) 6 PM Kids Night Out - 6 PM ADULT STUDY (MMR) "Enough, Discovering Joy Thru Generosity" - Class 4 7 PM Chancel Choir (S) 7 PM UM Youth Group (215)</p>	<p>10</p> <p>8:30 AM Senior Exercise 10 AM Intercessory Prayer (L) 12 PM Esther Circle (MMR) 5 PM Grande Ringers 5 PM Bible Reading (S)</p>	<p>11</p> <p>VETERANS DAY</p> <p>Offices Closed</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">  <p>Children's Ministries "Up All Night" Night 6 PM Friday to 9:30 AM Saturday</p> </div>	<p>12</p> <p>12:30 PM The Adventures of Dr. Chess</p>
<p>13</p> <p>Coffee Hour - JOY Circle 8:30 AM Contemporary Service 9:45 AM Adult Disciple Discussion Group (MMR) 10:30 AM Youth Group (215) 10:30 AM Traditional Service *Children's Sunday School at both services</p> <p>11:45 AM Green Umbrella (MMR)</p>	<p>14</p> <p>5 PM Champion Youth Outreach - Self Defense & Safety (CH) 6 PM Debtors Anon (MMR) 7 PM Men's Bible Study (215) 7 PM Women of Prayer (S) 7:30 PM AIAnon (MMR) 7:30 PM AlaTeen (211)</p>	<p>15</p> <p>8:30 AM Senior Exercise 9 AM Sew 'n' Sews (MMR) 2 PM Preschool Board - closed session (MMR) 3:30 PM Preschool Board - open (MMR) 5 PM Grande Ringers 5:20 PM Mom & Dad Factor for Ladies (211) 6:25 PM Boundaries for Ladies (room 211) 7 PM JOY Circle 7:30 PM Ladies Christian 12-Step (211)</p>	<p>16</p> <p>8:30 AM Senior Exercise 5 PM All-Church Dinner (CH) 6 PM Kids Night Out (CH) 6 PM Adult Study (MMR) 7 PM Chancel Choir (S) 7 PM UM Youth Group (215)</p>	<p>17</p> <p>8:30 AM Senior Exercise 10 AM Intercessory Prayer (L) 11:30 AM People's Kitchen 5 PM Bible Reading (S) 5 PM Grande Ringers 6:30 PM WOW - Women of Worth (MMR)</p>	<p>18</p> <p>8:30 AM Bible Study (L) 12 PM Alzheimer's Support Group for Adult Children of Parents (MMR)</p>	<p>19</p> <p>8:30 AM UMM Breakfast Meeting - (CH) 12:30 PM The Adventures of Dr. Chess 6:30 PM Lord's Crew Rehearsal - Sanctuary</p>
<p>20</p> <p>Coffee Hour - UMM Pancake Breakfast</p> <p>Handbell Sunday 8:30 AM Contemporary Service 9:45 AM Adult Disciple Discussion Group (MMR) 10:30 AM Youth Group (215) 10:30 AM Traditional Service * Children's Sunday School at both services</p>	<p>21</p> <p>6 PM Debtors Anon (MMR) 7 PM Men's Bible Study (215) 7 PM Women of Prayer (S) 7:30 PM AIAnon (MMR) 7:30 PM AlaTeen (211)</p>	<p>22</p> <p>8:30 AM Senior Exercise 9 AM Sew 'n' Sews (MMR) 12 PM AG UM Children's Center Giving Soup 5 PM Grande Ringers 5:20 PM Mom & Dad Factor for Ladies (211) 6:25 PM Boundaries for Ladies (room 211) 7:30 PM Ladies Christian 12-Step (211)</p>	<p>23</p> <p>8:30 AM Senior Exercise 7 PM UM Youth Group will attend Thanksgiving service</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>7 PM 5 Cities Community Thanksgiving Service at St. John's Lutheran Church</p> </div>	<div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Thanksgiving Church and Preschool Offices Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday</p> </div>		<p>26</p> <p>12:30 PM The Adventures of Dr. Chess (211)</p> <p>1 PM Advent Wreath Making Workshop (CH)</p> <p>4 PM</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Hanging of the Greens</p> </div>
<p>27</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>UM Student Giving Day Giving Tree Begins</p> <p>Coffee Hour - Children's Ministries</p> <p>WE JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM TOGETHER 8:30 AM Contemporary Service 9:45 AM Discussion Group (MMR) 10:30 AM Traditional Service - Youth participate in service * Children's Sunday School at both services</p>	<p>28</p> <p>5 PM Champion Youth Outreach - Self Defense & Safety (CH) 6 PM Debtors Anon (MMR) 7 PM Men's Bible Study (215) 7 PM Women of Prayer (S) 7:30 PM AIAnon (MMR) 7:30 PM AlaTeen (211)</p>	<p>29</p> <p>8:30 AM Senior Exercise 9 AM Sew 'n' Sews (MMR) 9:30 AM AG UM Children's Center - Story time with Pastor David 5 PM Grande Ringers 5:20 PM Mom & Dad Factor for Ladies (211) 6:25 PM Boundaries for Ladies (room 211) 7:30 PM Ladies Christian 12-Step (211)</p>	<p>30</p> <p>8:30 AM Senior Exercise 9:30 AM Mary-Martha Circle (MMR) 9:30 AM AG UM Children's Center Story time with Pastor David 5 PM All-Church Dinner (CH) 6 PM Kids Night Out (CH) 6 PM Adult Bible Study 7 PM Chancel Choir (S) 7 PM UM Youth Group (215)</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px;"> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BEGINS NOV 6TH</p> </div> </div> <p style="text-align: center;">DON'T FORGET!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR, BEFORE BED SO THAT WE CAN SEE YOUR SMILE IN THE CHURCH PEW — ON TIME!</p> </div>		<p>Room Abbreviation Legend</p> <p>(MMR) McMillen Room (L) Library (S) Sanctuary (CH) Criswell Hall (N) Narthex</p>



**Sundays-8:30 & 10:30
AM**

Kids of elementary age meet weekly in the Sanctuary at the beginning of worship on the front pews. Then following the **Children's Moment**, we are dismissed with our teachers to our Sunday School room 211.

The first Sunday of the month, the upper elementary kids head to the MMR for Junior church and **'What We Know'** when we play rapid-fire questions that remind us of our past lessons. We all return to the sanctuary to join in Holy Communion.

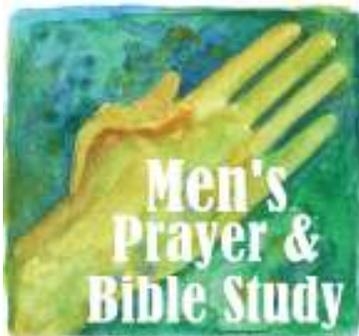


Wednesdays - 6 PM

All elementary age kids and 'tweens meet in Criswell Hall as we wander over to our Sunday School Room (room 215) for worship, the Word, and some fun and games.

*We will follow a child's friendly version of the Pastor's Wednesday Study on what it is to have **ENOUGH**. We will Discover Joy Through Simplicity & Generosity.*

A FREE dinner is served at 5 PM



Mondays - 7 PM

All men seeking God's will for their lives are welcome to join us in room 215. This group is currently studying the books of Hosea and Amos.



**Sundays - 10:30 AM
&**

Wednesdays - 7 PM

Junior High & High School teens are invited to our Youth Lounge (room 215) for fellowship and fun as we dive into the life of a teen living for Christ. *Come, join the Fun!*



**Scripture
Reading**

Thursdays - 5 PM

—rain or shine—

Join us In the Sanctuary as we read the Bible **out loud**. We pray that you will be a part of this time to bless the Lord and speak His Word which never returns void.



Bring it to the Lord!

Our Prayer Chain starts with **Pauline Castillo** who will set this chain in motion!

Request can remain anonymous!

Thursdays - 10AM

The prayers are lifted up each week by our **Intercessory Prayer Group**. These prayer warriors meet and pray for our church, community and ANY spoken or unspoken requests given to our church.



Fridays - 8:30 AM

Meet weekly in the Library and will soon begin a new study for Advent.



Mondays - 7 PM

The **Women of Prayer** meet in the Sanctuary to pray for this church and others in the community, asking God to pour out His Holy Spirit of redemption, deliverance, healing and salvation. *Contact Susan Coho if you have any questions, prayers or praises.*

November

AG UM Children's Center

Carol Gandy	11/1
Joy Collins	11/2
Kailani Johnson	11/3
Marj Wolters	11/4
Bill Cross	11/5
Patrick Harvey	11/7
Ian Waterman	11/8
Harold Headrick	11/8
Dionne Gregory	11/6
Caitlin Riley	11/9
Bonnie Swafford	11/13
Bee Frantz	11/13
Ross Roemer	11/14
Jim Harvey	11/15
Rosemary MacKeen	11/16
Carol Ferrari	11/18
Kelly Ballagh	11/18
Ruth Thompson	11/18
Pam Motley	11/20
Helen Gugeler	11/21
Lynn Foster	11/21
Adrian Paredes	11/23
Christina Cuddy	11/23
Nick Ballagh	11/23
Denise Bailey	11/24
Jessica Williams	11/25
David Burgeson	11/26
Mitchell Shilkoff	11/26
Mike Albertson	11/26
Iris Caldon	11/26
Larry Wiemers	11/28
Bob Traut	11/29
Dell Hollinger	11/29

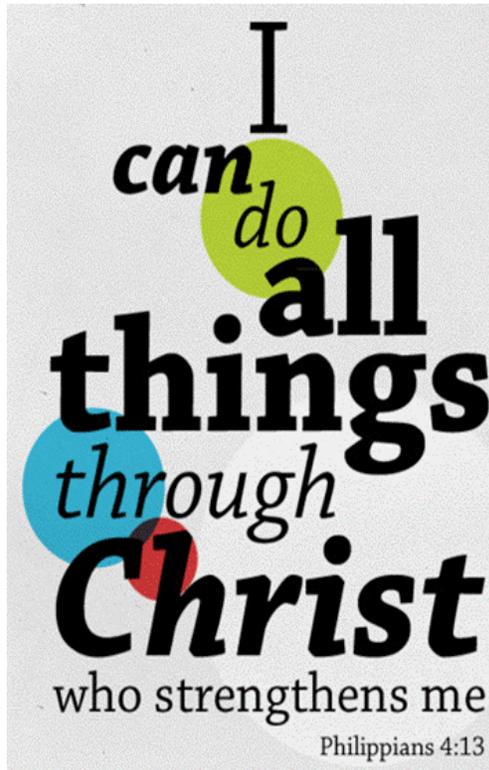


**Apologies to our October babies for not listing you all last month...
Belated Birthday Blessings!**



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