
WELCOME TO WORSHIP

AS WE COME together in worship and praise of God, we pray that each person present might experience the presence of Christ in a personal way. A warm welcome to one and all.

Friendship Folder - Please sign and pass the friendship folder. If you are a new or frequent worshiper, please sign in so that we will know you are here. The names in the book also allow you to greet those next to you by name.

For the children - Be sure to ask an usher for one of the "Rainbow Bags" which is full of appropriate activities for the worship hour.

Prayer Concerns - Valley's pastors and staff pray for needs in the church each week. Fill out a prayer request form found in the friendship folder and *place it in the offering plate or hand it to the pastor.*

Nursery care is available every Sunday from 9:30 AM until 11:30 AM.

The Deacons continue to host the morning coffee/fellowship time in Davis Hall (the gym) after the second service. Join them for coffee, tea, juice, and goodies and meet a new friend.

THE LECTIONARY TEXTS for Sunday, March 7 at the 8:30 AM service are *Isaiah 55:1-9; Psalm 63:1-8; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 and Luke 13:1-9.*

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR FEBRUARY 28

Pre-K (3 and 4 yr. olds)

Time: After the Children's Message until 11:15 AM*

Classroom: Room 4

Bible Story: Kindergarten Class will join the Pre-K class for the Bible Story lesson with Kay Hope Gold and "Gigot", the lamb puppet

Music: Amy Rheingans will visit mid-class

Guardian Angel: Lynn Duncan

Lesson: Journey to the Cross

CREATIVE CLASSROOM CIRCUIT (Grades K – 5th)

Time: After the Children's Message until 11:15 AM*

Music: Directed by Amy Rheingans in Armitage Hall during the first 15 minutes

Classrooms: Kindergarten - Cooking with David Derting in the Fireside Kitchen

First/Second - Computer with Tim Kurtz in the Computer Lab

Third - Crafts with Eric Presson in Room 14

Fourth/Fifth - Drama/Games with Jeff Denson in Room 17

Shepherds: Amy Henning-Blair, Ruthann Marquis, Richard and Kay Gold

Lesson: Journey to the Cross

*Attention parents, as a courtesy to our Shepherds, please pick up your children promptly at the end of class.

SOUP KITCHEN THANK YOU - Many thanks to Kay and Wally Phillips who prepared and served the February 18 soup kitchen meal along with Pat Bird, Jeanine and Bud Bendix, Ron Leland, and Elwin McGrew.

MISSION ENDOWMENT APPLICATIONS DUE APRIL 1 - April 1 is the spring application deadline for grants from Valley's Mission Endowment Fund. The Mission Endowment Committee meets in April to consider applications requesting funds for mission work. Committee members review applications from both organizations and individuals, whether secular or church-related, local, national or international. Created in 1979, the Mission Endowment Fund is an important part of Valley's mission program. Consideration is given to applications which 1) address hunger, food and health needs of people around the world, 2) assist volunteers in the mission field, 3) advance denominational programs of outreach, service and proclamation, and/or 4) assist secular and social organizations that aid in the care of people. **No applications will be accepted after the deadline.** Contact Elaine Rea at elaine@iname.com for an application or visit the church office.

FAMILY FUN SOCK HOP - Save the date Saturday, March 13, 6:00 - 9:00 PM. Support the summer Youth Mission trip and come dance, eat, or watch the fun! There will be a DJ, dancing, prizes, snack shack and sweet shop that will have items for purchase. Pre-purchase tickets at coffee hour February 21, 28 and March 7 to avoid the lines. \$5 per individual and \$15 per family. Any questions, call Sandy Cundiff.

WANTED: High School Senior's names. As Valley prepares to honor our graduating high school seniors we want to make sure that we know about everyone who belongs in this category. Do you know anyone who is a member, child of members, active in the ministries of the church and/or considers Valley their church home? If so, please let Karen Yakymi or Jenny Pratt know. Thanks!

THE WEDNESDAY ADULT EDUCATION CLASS will continue its study of Kathleen Norris's book "Amazing Grace" discussing "Orthodoxy" and "God-Talk." Ms. Norris will speak about her latest book, "Acadia," at Powell's City of Books on Friday, March 5 at 7:30 PM.

PRAYER SHAWL knit-together is Tuesday, March 2, 2010 at 1:00 PM in the Fireside Room and 7:00 PM at Marilyn Tuffs house. Please call for directions.

FOR ALL WOMEN: Come to the pastor-led Bible study on Tuesday, March 2, in the Fireside Room. Coffee/tea and goodies at 10:00 AM, class at 10:30 AM. The book of Joshua is this year's study.

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL FOLDERS - The One Great Hour of Sharing folders are located on the informational table in the church office lobby. They offer scripture, prayers, and suggestions for Faith and Action. This year's theme is "Do You Love Me?" - "Feed My Sheep".

THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE is inviting everyone to stand up when the ushers pass your pew and remain standing as they present the offering.

FOR ANYONE INTERESTED - there are copies of 2009 consolidated financial statements available for members' review in the church office.

SUPPER CONNECTION sign ups will begin during coffee hour in Davis Hall on February 7 - March 7 for the Spring/Summer dinner meetings. Please visit the Fellowship Committee Table to sign up or talk to a committee member to find out more. *Good News* for all those with young children: we are forming groups specifically so your children can be included in the dinners. Be sure to indicate this when you sign up. Any questions, please contact Marie Bird.

HELP SHAPE VALLEY'S VISION - All friends and members of Valley are reminded to take the Vision for Valley survey. The survey is available online at Valley's website - www.valleycommunity.org - Sunday, February 21 through Sunday, March 7. The survey password was included in the cover letter with the Vision for Valley description that was mailed to homes. Be sure to have your copy of the Vision with you when you complete the survey. Written copies of the survey are available in the church office for those who prefer that format. The Capital Improvement Committee will share results of the survey in the spring.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT - YOU DESERVE THE BREAK! You've asked for it, you deserve a break, and we are happy to announce that a *Parents' Night Out* event is coming soon! We are thrilled to welcome Ms. Holly Lewis as our lead caregiver for our new *Parents' Night Out* event to be scheduled four times a year. Holly was our previous part-time Nursery Coordinator and is returning to Valley for these events. Holly has first aid/CPR training, has a current background check and is an experienced day-care provider. Look for information coming soon in the bulletin and e-newsletter from Children's Ministries.

PASTOR RENÉ MINSHEW will not have anything in the Messenger for the month of March. Look for his article in April.

STUDENT MINISTRIES - 6th through 12th grade

MIDDLE SCHOOL - 6th through 8th grade:

- ◆ **MIDDLE SCHOOL L.I.F.E.** this Wednesday, March 3, in the Youth House from 6:30 - 8:30 PM. *Humble or Not?* will be the topic of discussion this week.

HIGH SCHOOL - 9th through 12th grade:

- ◆ **HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP** this Tuesday, March 2, in the Youth House from 7:00 - 9:00 PM.. Join us for *Dinner and Brainstorm!*

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE COMING WEEK

February 28 - March 7, 2010

SUNDAY, February 28

8:30 AM Worship Service
 10:00 AM Worship Service
 10:00 AM Children's Sunday School
 10:25 AM Youth Sunday School
 11:15 AM Coffee Fellowship
 11:30 AM Nominating Committee
 4:00 PM New Spirit Ringers
 5:00 PM Youth Choir

MONDAY, March 1

8:00 AM Women's Aerobics
 4:00 PM Upward Basketball Practice
 6:00 PM Capital Improvements Committee
 6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop
 7:30 PM Portland Highland Games Association
 7:30 PM Troop 592

TUESDAY, March 2

9:00 AM Tai Chi Class
 10:00 AM Tai Chi Class
 10:30 AM Women's Bible Study
 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry
 4:00 PM Upward Basketball Practice
 7:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry
 7:00 PM High School Uth Group

WEDNESDAY, March 3

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
 8:00 AM Women's Aerobics
 12:00 PM Wednesday Adult Education
 4:00 PM Upward Basketball Practice
 4:15 PM Royal Ringers
 5:00 PM Non-Rush Hour
 5:00 PM Cherub Choir
 5:00 PM King's Kids Choir
 6:30 PM Middle School L.I.F.E.
 7:00 PM APNC
 7:00 PM Liturgical Arts Committee

THURSDAY, March 4

10:00 AM Alanon
 10:00 AM Piecemakers
 10:00 AM Tai Chi Class
 4:00 PM Upward Basketball Practice
 6:00 PM Worship Committee
 6:15 PM English Handbell Choir
 7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir
 8:00 PM Mom's Basketball

FRIDAY, March 5

8:00 AM Women's Aerobics
 3:30 PM Junior Girl Scouts
 4:00 PM Upward Basketball Practice

SATURDAY, March 6

9:00 AM Upward Basketball Games

SUNDAY, March 7

8:30 AM Worship Service
 10:00 AM Worship Service
 10:00 AM Children's Sunday School
 4:00 PM New Spirit Ringers
 5:00 PM Youth Choir

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