



January 29th, 2012

The Insert

“Welcome to worship. It’s a privilege to give thanks to the Lord with (our) whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation” (Ps. 111:1, NRSV)
If you have questions regarding any of our programs or ministries, please call the church office at 582-2163.

Today

Sunday School Classes for Everyone!



9:00	Children’s Classes	the
9:00	Seeing God in Modern Media	
9:00	Worship Warm-Up	
9:00	Study of John	

Jr. UMY Sure Shot Game Night

Meet at the church promptly at 6 pm. We will be heading to Sure Shots for our activity. Bring a couple extra dollars if you’d like to buy a snack.

Sr. UMY

We will be playing games and planning our Flash Mob. See you at the church at 6:00!

PHD Going to Sure Shots Too!

Our new college age group, the PHD’s, will meet at the church at 6 pm for Sure Shots also! Bring a couple extra bucks if you’d like to buy a snack.

Rock-A-Thon Collections Today

Today during coffee hour, if you haven’t had a chance to pay for your Rock-A-Thon pledges, you will be able to do so at that time. Thank you again for all of your support!



Youth Praise Bands Meet at 4:45 today!

Records of 2011 Giving

If you have not picked up your 2011 Giving Statement, please see Ruth Anderson today at the Welcome Desk. Thank you, and thank you for giving!

And the Winners Are...

The 19th Annual Chili Cook-Off was another success! We had 21 contestants with their secret recipes ranging from mild to HOT! Approximately 140 very hungry church family members came for lunch. We were again joined by 5 brave firemen from Fire Station #1 who judged the entries (and asked to be invited back again next year!)



Our winners Include:

Hottest: 1st-Mike Boice, 2nd-Ryan Shiplet
Unique: 1st- Jerry Wilhelm, 2nd-Michelle Hare
People’s Choice: 1st-George Boice, 2nd-Alice Loomis

Our local Food Bank is also a winner again, as we raised \$144 for the Souper Bowl of Caring. Great job to all! Thanks to Mike and Kim Boice who help so much and to all who helped set up and clean up, brought their favorite pots, and took care of all the details that go into this fun event.

Gloria Harden

This Week

Winter Cornerstone...

Winter Cornerstone Classes began January 3rd. We are



halfway through our 10 week session but you may join classes. Please contact the facilitator for information! A complete description of these classes is on the website and can be found in the January Clarion. Here’s a list:

36 Parables...facilitated by Peggy Puryear & Mike and Kim Boice



A series of short films based on the parables of Jesus. For nearly 2,000 years, the parables of Christ have instructed and inspired. Now, three of these powerful stories are re-told for today’s audiences.

Spanish to English and English to Spanish with Sheryl Dyer

The Spanish/English class is for English speakers who want to learn Spanish and Spanish speakers who want to learn English.

Sing and Ring Children’s Choir

For kids in 2nd through 5th grade. Sing and learn to play handbells in unison!

Children’s Cornerstone with Barb and Leyna.

Stories, crafts, snacks, and great fellowship time for 5th grade and younger.

Childcare with Brenda Gregory, in the babyfold.

Teen Cornerstone for 6th-12th grade with Cynthia & Brittany, in the Youth Chapel.

The Armor.net Men’s Study with Kris Kiefer.

This group is open to all men who are trying to be fishers of men while wearing the full armor of God.

Beginning Sewing with Deb Reeve.

Learn basic sewing skills and master several projects. For supervised children, age 5 & up and adults. Some machines and materials will be provided.

Stephen Ministers Meetings Facilitated by Pastor Mark and Sarah Longan.

These are gatherings of our new Stephen Ministers to study and encourage one another.

Next Week

Interim Pastor Jerry Poole Coming Feb. 1st

The Reverend Jerry Poole has been named as Interim Pastor of our church beginning **February 1st**. Rev. Poole is a Presbyterian minister who has had special training within that denomination as an interim pastor. He has served as an interim pastor in nine different congregations for an average term of about two years each. He’s finished an interim appointment on January 15th at the Covington United Methodist Church near Kent. He’s also served a term as the rough equivalent of a District Superintendent within the Seattle area of the Presbyterian Church. Jerry grew up in Yakima and graduated from Washington State University in psychology. During his seminary training in Pasadena, CA, he worked one summer as an intern at the Central United Protestant Church in Richland. Bishop Hagiya’s intent is that Jerry’s appointment here will be for a period of 17 months. That would allow the church to stabilize operation of its new organizational structure and start implementation of new initiatives derived from the recently completed visioning process. A regular appointment would then be made at the traditional time in June of 2013. **Please welcome Pastor Jerry as he begins his ministry here next Sunday February 5th!**

Souper Bowl of Caring

Celebrate Super Bowl Sunday this year by participating in the Souper Bowl of Caring! As you leave worship next **Sunday, February 5th**, you’ll see big soup pots placed near the doors; they will not be filled with soup, but the dollars *you* place in them will help fill the pantry shelves at our local Kennewick Food Bank, feeding many of the hungry in our area. Be the best fan ever, and support a “Bowl” that can make a real difference in the lives of many! **Everyone** wins in this “Souper Bowl!”



Upcoming Events

'Tool Time' for Cars with Jerry



Jerry Wilhelm is offering a class to teach those who are interested in learning the very basics of car/van/truck care. This is a hands-on opportunity, and will include how to check your oil, transmission fluid, tire pressure, and even how to put on your tire chains. Jerry has requested that you bring your owner's manual, but if you can't find it, don't let that keep you away. We'll meet on Saturday, February 11th, from **10 am to 1 pm** in the Future Kitchen at the church. Lunch will be provided after the class. For more information or to sign up, please call Susan Urban at 509-554-1550 or email Susan at: carolina_sea_breeze@yahoo.com.

All Church Intergenerational Sweetheart Social

On Friday, February 17th from **6 to 8 pm**, our UMY will host a *Sweetheart Social* for every one of all ages, especially our Senior citizen friends. This event is an all church event, so invite friends and family members. The social will include refreshments, dancing, and photos! The event is free and transportation will be provided if needed by calling the church at 582-2163.



Easter Cantata



Please come join us as we prepare to join in uplifting songs of praise on Easter morning. We will explore the life of Christ as we journey with him and follow his "Footprints in the Sand." Rehearsals start on Wednesday, February 1 at **7:00 pm** in the Future Kitchen. Let's make this a journey of joy as we worship our risen Savior! Questions? Call Amberley - 947-5488.

Recycling Update

The snowy weather and slick conditions delayed Don's weekly pick-up a bit but he was back at it this week. Our 2012 total is now up to **\$201.00!** Remember, we accept



all paper, cardboard and **ALUMINUM cans, pie plates, Reynolds wrap**, etc. Aluminum really pays good! Please bundle paper and break down cardboard if you can. Thank you for helping save the planet and support the Sunday morning Bus Ministry.

New Address, Email or Number?



If you have recently moved, or changed your email or phone numbers please call or email the church office. We need to update many addresses! Also, if you would like to receive the Clarion by email or hard copy we would love to send it to you. Peggy and Debra both thank you!

Thank you for Supporting the "Rockathon"!



Thank you everyone for your support of the Junior High UMY's 'rocking' fund raiser. The youth raised over \$10,000 for their programming and activities this year. Your generosity is appreciated and overwhelms us! If you still need to pay your pledge, you can do so today during coffee hour. Look for the Jr High UMY leader Brittany. Thank you once again for helping "foster generations of Christ's disciples"!

Senior News...

Wow, what a turn out we had for the January luncheon. We had 63 in attendance, and had to add 3 tables to what we had set up!

Amazing. Bob Rupp was amazing! We hope we are that sharp when we reach his age! Thank you, Bob. Thank you, Phyllis K. for asking Bob to speak to us. Our February meeting will be on the 20th. Matt Taylor is working on getting someone from the police department to speak to us about the Gang Program in the community. Arlan Gadekin will be our speaker in March and Miss Tri-Cities will be with us in April. We may have a surprise for you for the May meeting. Come and enjoy good fellowship, good food, and informative program. Let's keep the numbers we had in January.



Jim and AJ Foster

News from 'Lazy F'... See our Website Link!

Family Winter Camp!

When? February 17-19

How much? \$315 Skyline Cabin - rooms with 4 beds, private bath & linen or \$290 Ridgeview Cabin - rooms with 4 beds



Why? It's a great opportunity for your family to play together, pray together and grow together. Our two leaders from last year, Kelly Dahlman-Oeth and Brad Beeman, will lead us in worship, games and fun. We have spots for only 16 families so make sure to register soon! Visit www.lazyfcamp.org for more information on our winter programs and to download a registration form.

Free Firewood!

A large sycamore tree was removed at the parsonage recently, due to damage. A professional tree removal organization has cut it up into 16" rounds and placed it outside the fence along the street. Most of the wood will need to be split. **All wood removal must be completed by March 1st or before.** The thought is that there may be some in the church who could better utilize it. Questions? Please call Ron Shuck at 528-1119.



Need a Ride To Church?

If you would like a ride to church for Sunday School or worship at the 9:00 or 10:30 service please call our Bus Ministry ride coordinator Melissa Nickolaus at **551-3008**. She is delighted to hear from you!



Koins for Kenya & Kenya Kids

Please help the 4th and 5th grade Sunday School class as they strive to help kids in Kenya with their annual **Koins for Kenya** campaign. These funds help purchase supplies for our sister congregation in Njukinjiru, Kenya. Our class has distributed containers to the various classrooms and throughout the church and at the Welcome Desk. Let's see which class can raise the most change!



Statistical Report

It is a New Year and time to try new things. A different type of statistical report is in the making to inform you of the church's financial status and other pertinent information. We will have something ready for you in the next few weeks!

Looking Ahead to February UMW...

The monthly meeting of the United Methodist Women will be held Wednesday Morning, **February 22**, at **10:30 am** in the Future Kitchen. The program will celebrate "Black History Month." Following the program, lunch will be served by the Joy Fellowship. The sharing gift will be the Food Bank. If you have any questions, please call Donna Troxel, UMW President, at 586-3478.



Cornerstone First Ever Fashion Show!

On Tuesday evening, February 21st, we will have our first ever *Fashion Show* during the Cornerstone dinner at 6 pm. The participants will be the Beginning Sewing Class, and they will be modeling items they have made. In addition they will have their other projects on display for you to see. Come and enjoy the show; it's free and will be one of a kind!