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A window to our activities, a reflection of what we're doing, and who we are. May 2010

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*Remember those
you love this
month!*

You're invited to a special Birthday Celebration....check out page 9 for all the details!

Our Youth are heading to Convo! Check out page six for all the info!

"Spring Promises"
Speaker. Rev. Deb Conklin
check out page 9 for details.

There will be one service May 23rd presented by our Youth!

For some insight on our journey in life check out Wey Simpsons' article on page five.

If you have ever thought about taking a trip through the Bible Land be sure to read the article on page 8 and make your plans early!

ANNOUNCEMENTS/EVENTS

Prayer Focus:

“Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.” Psalm 90:12

Pray:

- For a heart of wisdom.
- Show us ways to honor our mothers.
- For new graduates.
- A smooth pastoral transition



Mark your calendars for May 12th!

The Koinonians (an adult fellowship group) will be going to Cat Tales Zoological Park and Training Center @ N. 17020 Newport Highway. Price

is \$6.00 for seniors but if we have 12 or more the cost is \$5.00. At 2pm we will have a guided tour of the park. At 3pm we will be with them to feed the animals. Around 4pm we will drive back to church and plan on eating at Arby's if you would like to.

Hosts: Jim & Norma Crull 891-9540
Lee & Mary Miller 924-5910

Coming: Saturday May 22, 2010
Where: Spokane Valley UMC
When: 10:00am—4:00pm - registration begins at 9:30am.

RETHINK CHURCH

SEMINAR TOPICS

- Exploring the Journey to Rethink Church
- Identifying the Unique Characteristics and Needs of 18-34 Year Old Seekers
- Developing a Welcoming Ministry of Radical Hospitality
- Discovering Your Church's Unique Identity
- Designing Opportunities for Meaningful Engagement with Your Community

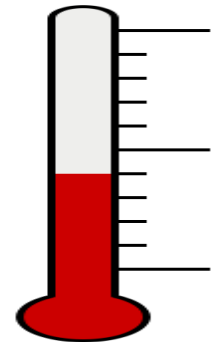
- Connecting with Members and Seekers in Cyberspace
 - Doing What Is Necessary to Remain Relevant and Real
- WHAT IF CHURCH WERE A VERB?**

What if there was a way of understanding, appealing to and engaging 18 to 34 year olds who are seeking God but are not comfortable in the settings currently considered to be church?

REGISTER NOW! CHILDCARE AVAILABLE!
Early registration: \$10 per person, group discounts available. Price increases for late registration/walk-ups.

***The Financial Resources Thermometer
For 2010 as of Mar 31***

Budgeted Yearly Expenditures:	\$251,050.00
Monthly Revenue needed:	\$ 20,920.83
Mar. Revenue:	\$ 18,260.20
Revenue shortfall for Mar.	\$ 2,660.63
Expenditures for Mar.	\$ 20,630.09
Expenditures, year to date	\$ 65,693.77
Mar. General Fund Balance	\$ 467.74



While we began the year with a comfortable balance, (something that is unusual in itself), we have been chipping away at that balance in the first three months of the year. Unless giving in April ramps up some, we will likely find the remaining balance used up by the month of May.

The work of God's church relies upon the gracious gratitude of those who have chosen to follow Christ. Maintaining our physical facility, doing the work of our mission statement, and moving into the future requires resources, and we have the opportunity to provide them.

We are each a part of the equation that will determine whether or not we meet our budget obligations. Let us pray for the success of our church and that it will have the needed resources to be successful.

From Our Pastor David Johnson

Dear Friends,

I believe God has been teaching me lately. I sometimes wonder, is the sheer number of hours and effort put into worship and preaching the Gospel worth it? Does it really make a difference?

The Answer has been clear: Yes!

Our world is full of voices, many of them competing. Voices of success, keep up with your peers, put yourself first etc. etc. Advertisers say buy, buy, buy, get, get, get. Fast food says eat, eat, eat and our obesity growth shows it.

Some of these voices are good: “think green” or “eat organic”, exercise etc., but many are not healthy. They have led to unhealthy addictions, lifestyles that leave us empty and broken.

What I have found in the “voice” of the Gospel is that it all leads to good. There is nothing in it that is unhealthy. When I read and really dig into scripture it causes me to become more “fully human.” When I eat foods that are highly processed where the nutrients are absent I find myself less than

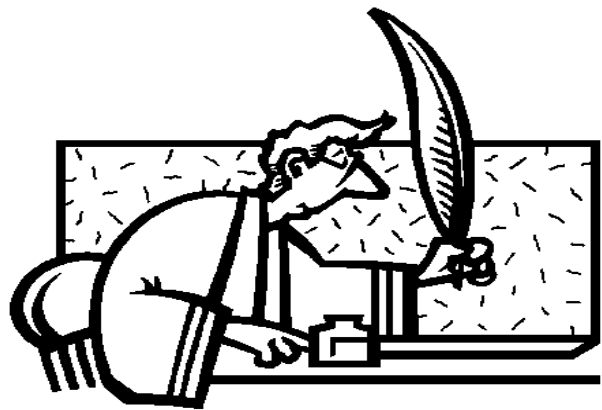
satisfied and soon hungry again. But, when I eat food that’s more organic with less artificial additives I feel so much better and the hunger pangs do not return soon.

The voices of the Gospel are so much more whole and healthy than almost all of our competing voices.

I hear God saying to me, “Keep preaching the Gospel, keep studying the Word, keep loving your neighbor.” There is nothing that can compare, and besides it’s eternity we are talking about, a life that will live on forever with God.

Blessings,

Pastor Dave



Camp Scholarships!



Sean Austin, Zoey Isaac Baker, Bassett, Ryan Giese, Kelli Gieser, Alyssa Gottberg, Kyndal Gottberg, Sarah Headley, Angie Hoene, Jonathan Hoene, Rick Lehman, Maggie Madsen, Emily McLaughlin, Kennedy McLaughlin, Madison McLaughlin, Tanner Ostlie, Alyssa Partridge, Cassandra Partridge, Tia Sells, Ryleigh Skiles, Kyia Warner



STEWARDSHIP - Planned Giving

Growing A Legacy

“The true meaning of life is to plant trees under whose shade you do not expect to sit.”

Nelson Henderson



How does his garden grow?

A life-long United Methodist from Eastern Washington woke up one day to a painful sense that “his days may be numbered.” After the death of his beloved wife and a near-second heart attack (which resulted in bypass surgery) he began to reflect deeply on the people and things that mattered most to him. **One of the things that gave his life great joy was caring for his church’s gardens and grounds.**

While he loved the church gardens, he began to worry about who would care for them after he no longer could. He also worried about the financial burden that maintaining the gardens in his absence would place on the church. He decided to approach the United Methodist Foundation of the Northwest to **seed a small endowment fund** to care for the gardens and grounds after his death. (The endowment was funded from a 401K plan that, following his wife’s death, was no longer needed; in addition, it carried a tax liability if left to his children.)

The Seeds Grow!

As grace would have it, after more than ten years since he first planted the endowment, this faithful friend is *still* tending the church’s land! Now, both the grounds and the endowment are flourishing—the latter holds over \$120,000 and it continues to grow! This friend has magnified his

joy knowing that he’s helping his church to thrive and his little “Eden” to remain a glimpse of God’s kingdom in perpetuity.

What sort of a legacy would you like to grow?

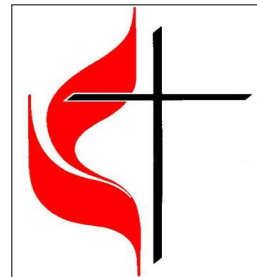
What are those ministries, people, and places that matter most to you? What will they need to thrive when you’re no longer around to help care for them? While only you can answer the first question, people from our church’s endowment committee and from the United Methodist Foundation of the Northwest can help you to answer the second. You don’t have to be rich to grow a caring legacy; whatever God has entrusted to you to be a life-giving blessing for years and years to come.



May the seeds that God has sown bring abundant life to you and to those who matter most to you!

For help and more information on endowment gifts, or on other planned giving opportunities, please contact:

Tom Wilson, Executive Director
The United Methodist Foundation of the Northwest
P.O. Box 656, Cashmere, WA 98815
(800) 488-4179, umfnw@nwi.net



Living our Faith - Thoughts from Lay Leader Wey Simpson

"So he returned home to his father. And while he was still a long distance away, his father saw him coming. Filled with love and compassion, he ran to his son, embraced and kissed him. His son said, 'Father I have sinned against both heaven and you, I am no longer worthy to be called your son....' Luke 15:20-21

"Are We There Yet?"

Anyone who has taken a trip with youngsters in the car knows that question. Sometimes it seemed like it was uttered every five minutes, starting about five minutes after the journey began.

If we related that question to our spiritual journey, we know the answer. *"Not yet, be patient."*

It seems that if we are just *along for the ride*, we really have no cause to ask the question. On the spiritual journey, God is the driver, Jesus the navigator and the Holy Spirit provides the fuel. But, there is also a part that each of us must play. We don't just *go along for the ride*. We need to be active participants in this life-saving journey.



In fact it is possible for us to be asked to get off the train because of the way we have acted, of things we have done, of words we have spoken or of things we have not done.

The journey to salvation and eternal life requires more than a willingness to get on the train and enjoy the ride. We need to present the ticket of acceptance of Jesus Christ as our navigator. We need to give thanks to God who drives the train. We need to keep our ears and hearts open to the Holy Spirit for directions as to what seat we take on the train to eternal salvation.

There is one thing about the journey that is filled with hope. God, like the father of the prodigal son, will welcome us home, if after looking at the way we live, the things we have done and the words we have spoken, we recognize how we have fallen short and we admit to ourselves and to our Father that we too have sinned and are not worthy to be called his child. When we do this, he will indeed embrace us, place a clean and shining robe on our shoulders and welcome us home to a banquet of love.

So, the answer to the question "Are we there yet?" is "No". The question we may need to ask is, "Am I on the right track?" That is the vital question. If the answer turns out to be "Yes" then we know that one day when we ask "Are we there yet?" the answer will indeed be "**Yes**". It is never too early to do an honest self-assessment of how we live as Christians. Sometimes we live in a way that makes our profession of faith hypocritical. There is no room for self-righteousness, no room for arrogance in our faith, no room for *'you aren't good enough to be in My church'*, and no room for exclusion of any who truly seek to follow Christ. There is however lots of room for love, grace, compassion and a caring heart.

I pray that we will all eventually hear the answer we long for. **"Yes, you are now home, welcome child!"** In the words of that marvelous American Spiritual, "Get on board little children."



Senior & Junior High



BLOOMSDAY 2010 is Sunday, May 2nd. The Youth will be helping with Bloomsday water stations. They will be at the first station at the cemetery. Last tables on the right. Look for them as you run by. Youth that are not running should be at the church at **5:20 A.M.** so that we can get to our spot and set up for the race – good times! We will work the race, have lunch and return to the church by 1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Be sure to dress warm – the morning is chilly!

COFFEE CHAT by the YOUTH will be on Sunday, May 9th – Mother's Day! *All Youth please bring 1 dozen cookies to the kitchen by 9:00 a.m.* This is a great service to our church!

DO YOU KNOW ANY GRADUATES??? Do you know anyone who has graduated from college, technical school or high school since last June? How about anyone who will be GRADUATING this spring? If you would like to have them recognized in our graduation section of the Communicator in June, please stop by Kyra's office and pick-up a form. The forms are located in the hanging file box on her office window, to the right of her door. Simply fill it out with a couple of photos of the graduate (baby and today), return it to Kyra and she will make sure all of the facts get written up. You need to have these completed and returned to Kyra no later than **Friday, May 21**. If you have any questions, please call her at 922-8838.

YOUTH SERVICE will be on Sunday, May 23. Cassandra Partridge is busy organizing a wonderful service with our Youth that will astound you. Be sure to attend the one service at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

After the Youth Service, the Youth are invited to the **SPRING FLING at the Carousel in Riverfront Park from 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.** This should be a great time for all involved! Youth wanting to attend need to let Kyra know by 05/16 so travel to and from can be made! See Kyra to get a postcard for entrance.

CONVO 2010 is coming up Memorial Day Weekend at University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, WA. We have several Youth that will be participating from Spokane Valley UMC. One of these Youth, Cassandra Partridge, is on the CCOYM (Conference Council of Youth Ministries) Team and will be helping with CONVO. We should be very proud of our Youth. Each of them has worked hard to earn their way to CONVO. Craig Partridge and Tracey Partridge will be the chaperones at CONVO 2010. We hope to hear great reports about **CONVO** from all that attend – even comments from the chaperones.

BABYSITTER TRAINING is available! If anyone in 6th through 12th grade in this upcoming September would like to work in the Church Nursery during 11:00 a.m. Sunday Celebration Service, please see Kyra. There are several places that offer classes on Babysitting Basics. You will learn all the basic of babysitting and you will receive a certificate when you have completed the class. That certificate will allow you to help out in our own Nursery. There are some funds available that can send two to three Youth to one of these classes if they are interested. All of the Youth that are currently working in the Nursery, really enjoy it. They do a terrific job. Being a Nursery Helper is a wonderful gift to go to and share with our church.

May Schedule:

05/09	MOTHER'S DAY Youth have Coffee Chat – Youth meet in kitchen @ 9:00 a.m. No Sunday School No UMY	05/16	Sunday School for Junior & Senior High @ 9:00 a.m. UMY at 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	05/26	Teen Choir – 5:30 p.m. DEEPER @ 6:15 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
05/05	Teen Choir – 5:30 p.m. DEEPER @ 6:15 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	05/19	Teen Choir – 5:30 p.m. DEEPER @ 6:15 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	05/29	CONVO @ UPS in Tacoma
05/12	Teen Choir – 5:30 p.m. DEEPER @ 6:15 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	05/23	No Sunday School Youth Service @ 10:00 a.m.	05/30	CONVO No Sunday School No UMY
			Spring Fling @ the Carousel in Riverfront Park 6:30 – 7:30	05/31	CONVO @ UPS in Tacoma

Children's Sunday School

Teacher Appreciation....

Nurture and Education would like to honor all those who have helped our Children, Youth and Adults grow in Christ. We have made a donation in your names to UMCOR.



combine the classes at the 11:00 a.m. Sunday School so it will only be one class at that time. Your Sundays could be all in one month or one each month

whichever works the best for you. This will benefit the Sunday School



**Sunday School
MAKES A DIFFERENCE**

children so we can have Sunday School throughout summer.

Unfortunately, if we cannot get enough help we will not be able to have Sunday School for the summer. Please see Stephanie Fisher to sign up. **In life we are either adding or subtracting. Be an addition....nurture a child today.**

Happy Mother's Day!

The children will be helping with a special gift to hand out after both services on Mother's Day.



Spring Fling!!!!

Preschool thru 5th graders come and join us with your family and friends for one hour of free Carousel Rides. The fun begins Sunday May 23rd 2010 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Riverfront Park. **You must bring your postcard for admission.**

Spend Your Bible Bucks.....We are having our Bible Buck Sunday, **May 30th**, from 10:20 a.m. -10:40 a.m. The children can redeem their Bible Bucks upstairs across from the elevator. Marlene McCoy will be by the glass case where the prizes are on display. Thank you for doing this Marlene, **you** are a blessing!



To all Parents:

We need you! Please sign up to help teach Sunday School anytime this summer during June 27th thru August 29th. We are asking you to sign up for three Sundays this Summer to teach, either for the 9:00 a.m. or the 11:00 a.m. Sunday School. We will

May Schedule

5/02 8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Nursery 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Kids Zone	5/16 8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Nursery 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Kids Zone	5/30 8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Nursery 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Kids Zone 10:20-10:40 a.m. Bible Bucks
5/09 Happy Mother's Day 8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Nursery 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.	5/23 One Service 10:00 a.m. Nursery 10:00 a.m. Kids Zone 6:30 Spring Fling	

COORDINATING COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

SVUMC Coordinating Council Excerpts from March Minutes

In attendance: Stephanie Fisher, Caron Glotzbach, Jerry Larson, Allen Sehestedt, Kyra Straub, Stephen Gerth, Carol Hickman, Renee Norris, Madelyn Bafus, Pastor Dave Johnson, Wey Simpson.

Wey Simpson conducted the meeting as interim chair.

Pastor Davie reported that the Nominations Team was recommending Carol Hickman to lead the Coordinating Council and Stephen Gerth to chair Staff-Parish Relations. The recommendations were approved by the Council.

Stephen Gerth reporting for SPR said they were recommending a 3% cut in the Pastor's Account Reimbursable Fund, making the total \$7,275, reduced from \$7,500. After discussion the recommendation was accepted with no dissenting votes.

Additions and corrections were made to the church calendar through June.

Kyra Straub reported that the Youth were involved in the Palm Sunday Service, that 8 are interested in attending CONVO 2010, the Sweetheart Dinner raised \$400 toward CONVO, plus a dinner for Lay Leader Training held at SVUMC resulted in another \$80. The youth who participated in preparing and serving the Sweetheart Dinner were taken on an ice skating outing.

Stephanie Fisher reported that 250 fudge eggs had been prepared and to date 150 had been sold. There would be an Easter Egg hunt for the children on Palm Sunday.

Stephen Gerth reported that members of SPR and some other congregational representatives from both services had met with District Superintendent Dale Cockrum on March 7 to discuss the process of finding a new pastor. Another meeting was set for March 20th to meet with a candidate to fill the position.

Allen Sehestedt said the church had a bank balance in the General Fund of \$2,837 at the end of February, that an audit of the church's financial records was in process and that the Financial Resources team would continue research in a

program that would allow the congregation to make their pledges and gifts via electronic fund transfers. The EFTs would have to be limited to General Fund offerings only.

Reporting for the Physical Resources Team, Jerry Larson said work was progressing to repair and improve the bell tower entrance. The large oak tree by the bell tower is in need of attention, it must either be removed or trimmed back, however the root system of the tree is beginning to intrude on the foundation. A decision will be made in the fall.

Caron Glotzbach reported that the Vision Team was working to finalize the Mission Field Assessment requested by the Conference Office.

Sherri Robinson, speaking for Congregational Care, said refrigerator magnets that show the location of the church were available for visitors and also could be purchased. Also t-shirts have been ordered and will be available for sale. Usher and Greeter training session have also been scheduled for April. A map that shows the lay-out of the church is being planned for visitors and others.

Among the positive reports shared, the rummage sale raised \$400 for aid to Haiti and \$505 was given to "One Hour of Sharing".

Wey Simpson urged the team to begin thinking of ways to ignite the efforts to upgrade the Sanctuary based on the Congregational approval of the plan over a year ago. The council was also urged to do what it could to make the transition of pastors smooth as we continue to work to move SVUMC into the future.

Wey welcomed Carol Hickman and said she would assume the chair for the next meeting. He also welcomed Stephen Gerth to the council.

The minutes were prepared by Caron Glotzbach in the absence of Mary Jane Waters.

A brief note of explanation. The time delay of these reports is a result of the relationship between the council meeting dates and the deadline for copy for The Connection.



A JOURNEY THROUGH THE BIBLE LAND

Take a trip to the Holy Land to see the actual places where scriptural events occurred. Rev. Dr. George (ret.) and Jan Abrams, Cheney UMC, are hosting a 10-day faith building trip for February 21, 2011 through Educational Opportunities. This spiritual experience will start with a boat trip on the Sea of Galilee and visiting the places where Jesus preached. We'll continue down the River Jordan, visit Nazareth and the place that the Dead Sea Scrolls were found, then go on to Bethlehem. The next four days will be spent in and around Jerusalem visiting the Western Wall, the Temple Mount, and the spectacular Dome of the Rock. We will visit the Garden of Gethsemane, and walk the Via Dolorosa. One additional day in Jerusalem is flexible for a trip to Masada or perhaps a trip to Yad Vashem, the powerful Jewish Holocaust memorial. Round trip air fare and accommodation in first class hotels, are included, as are admission fees and breakfast and dinner each day, for the low price of approximately \$3,100. A \$300 deposit secures your reservation and, if made by June 21, 2010, entitles you to \$50 off the total cost. A meeting to discuss more details will be held at Highland Park UMC on Sunday, May 23, at 12:30 PM, and anyone who might be interested is urged to attend. There will be a brief PowerPoint presentation and a time to answer any questions you may have. Take a look at the website: www.eo.travelwithus.com and/or call the Abrams at 235-4940 if you have questions. You don't have to wait to go to the meeting to sign up!

MISSIONS AND OUTREACH



Interfaith 2nd Family Alumni Pancake Breakfast

This is a wonderful opportunity for Interfaith to make some money but more important an opportunity for former families to give back in a positive way.

We held our first Pancake Breakfast at the Applebees at Northpointe. It was a very successful (\$634) and everyone who attended had a wonderful time eating pancakes and visiting with our alumni families.

Our next breakfast will be June 5th from 8-10 am at the Applebee's on the South Hill 2107 E 29th

The cost is \$7 and includes all you can eat pancakes, sausage and coffee, orange juice, soft drink or tea.

Serving the breakfast at the South Hill Applebee's will again be former guests, staff and board members.

To Spokane Valley United Methodist Church Family,

You are cordially invited to an open house party to celebrate the 90th birthday of Jo Marie Collin at her home, Saturday, May 29th, anytime from 1:00 -4:00 p.m. No gifts please!



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

5/27 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING in the Fireplace Room (FPR) 9 00 A.M.

CIRCLES MEETINGS

- 5/10 ESTHER Circle in FPR @ 12:30 PM
- 5/18 REBEKAH Circle in room 115 @ 11 A.M.
- 5/19 PRISCILLA Circle – Circle @ Ruth Murray @ 11:30 A.M.
- 5/19 MARY Circle –in FPR @ 5:30 P.M.
- 5/27 RACHEL Circle in FPR @ 12 noon

UMW READING PROGRAM

“Prayers and Ponderings” by Residents of Brook-Howell Home.

The Brook-Howell Home is for Retired Missionaries and Deaconesses, located in Asheville, NC. This residence is operated by Women’s Division of UMC. The book consists of prayers, poetry, devotions, insights and art produced by the residents. Through their prayers, faith and inspirations, they minister to their fellow residents’ physical, mental, and spiritual well-being. A beautiful book that can inspire anyone who reads it.



United
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Women

SPECIAL EVENTS:

MAY 8TH – UMW SPRING LUNCHEON - 12 NOON Cost: \$7.00 per person
“SPRING PROMISES”
Speaker: Rev. Deb Conklin (Liberty Park & Deer Park UMC)
All Ladies, mothers, daughters, friends are WELCOME!

Looking Ahead....

Coming In Worship – May 2010

May 2, 2010—Bloomsday

Megan Herdrich will preach

May 9, 2010—Mother's Day

Patience may be a tremendous challenge for some mothers. Pastor, Nancy Beach teaches us that there are two kinds of patience—the kinds that lingers in day-to-day moments and the patience that's seen in the long haul. We also learn about the danger zones that can test a mother's patience and how to approach situations so that in the long-run, everyone learns a valuable lesson. The ultimate lesson though, is for our children to see us exactly as God does, as heroes.

May 16, 2010

Energy: The Exodus Journey—Part 4: Psalm 90 Psalm 90

In the one psalm Moses wrote, he prays with confidence of God being from everlasting to everlasting; man in contrast, has but a brief time on this earth. If we believe as Moses the Lord is our dwelling place throughout all generations and despite knowing our sins he wants to bring us into eternity with him, we need to use wisely the days on earth God gives us. We need to make Moses' prayer our prayer, that we might gain hearts of wisdom, that only God would continue to show his splendor in future generations, and that we might be joyful for God's shelter—the

protection of Christ's work on the cross—in our lives now and forever!

May 23, 2010

Youth Service (One service at 10am)

May 30, 2010

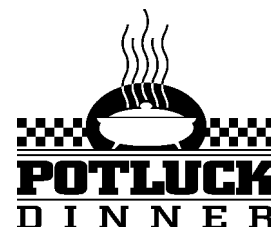
Energy: The Exodus Journey—Part 5: Feel the Change

Exodus 20:1-17

God gave us the Ten Commandments to be a window into his nature, as well as a mirror to reflect back to us how we're doing in living our lives against the benchmark of the law. Because there is no self-improvement plan or performance plan that will get us to a point of perfection, God gave his Son, Jesus Christ, to cover our imperfection and sin. But even in churches that clearly and repeatedly present the message of salvation, there are those who still refuse to commit or those who waver in the decision-for-Christ process. And some who have fully committed do not spread the truth with the intensity they should. This message offers action steps for whatever stage you're at, so that you don't miss the eternity God wants to share with you.



Attention SVUMC,



Come one, come all and celebrate over ten years of Mary Johnson and Rev David Johnson. We are having an all Church Potluck on June 13th 2009 11:30 AM (or right after Sunday's single 10 o'clock service).

Bring your favorite main dish, appetizer, salad, desert, or create your own surprise. Can't cook? Well that's okay. We will also need paper plates, cups and plastic ware.

We will have a basket for people to place thank-you letters and cards.

So come to Dave's last sermon and celebrate the Dave and Mary Johnson's life at SVUMC and wish them God's blessing for the future.

Any questions please feel free to E-mail Steve Gerth SPR leader at sahgerth@hotmail.com or call at (509) 995-2322

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:00 Traditional Worship - Sanctuary
 9:00 Adult Bible Study - Fireplace Rm
 9:00 Sr. High Sunday School - Rm 109
 9:00 Jr. High Sunday School - Rm 114
 9:00 Kids' Zone - Rm 210
 10:15 Fellowship Time - Rm 115
 10:30 Adult Bible Study - Fireplace Room
 10:30 Senior Christian Singles - Rm 201
 11:00 Sunday Celebration - Chapel
 11:00 Kids' Zone - Rm 211
 6:00 - 7:30 pm Youth Group - Rm 125 *See Dates on Youth Page & Calendar

We Celebrate:

- The life of Phyllis Novich
- The Gift of Holy Week and all those who participated.
 Palm Sunday Music
 Maundy Thursday Station of the Cross
 Good Friday—The Passion Story
 Easter and the Resurrection
- Our Teen Choir
- Camperships awarded to 20+ campers
- All those who helped with the “Rocks & Ripples” District Training at our church.
- The wonderful “New” entranceway near the Bell Tower.
- Our dedicated newsletter folding crew.
- Our Bishop, Superintendent, Stephen Gerth, SPR Team in facilitating our coming Pastoral transition.
- Pastor Mike Graef coming home in July.



	5/15 Jim Crull
	5/16 Trevor Anderson Angela Hoene
	5/17 Carol Wallace Corinna Peden Long
	5/18 Brian Bos
	5/21 Carl Jenkins Claudia Michael
5/1 Marian Decker Kathie Getz	5/23 Dwight Smith
5/4 Theresa Meckel	5/24 Sandy Pentico Grace Sutton
5/6 Paul Shryack	5/25 Ellen Picken
5/7 Meredith Elsensohn Glenda Lovchik	5/26 Peter Johnson
5/8 Brian Jamison Cassandra Partridge	5/27 Jason King
5/9 Eric Moss, Isaac Baker	5/28 Joe Pentico Trinity Hall
5/10 Samantha Wallace	5/29 Margaret Natividad Jo Marie Collin Ronald Holmquist Dennis Graham Kyndal Gottberg
5/11 Brian Cheney, Ronald Hall, Flavia Kellner & Doreen Cain	5/30 Beth Ross
5/12 Dan Ruddell Stanley Miller	5/31 Donald Bower Tyler Meckel
5/13 Robert Roberts Laci Jamison	



5/1 David & Dommie Oswald	5/17 Howard & Elaine Lloyd	5/20 Brian & Debby Briggs
5/6 James & Patricia Schafer	5/20 Norman & Chris Moss	5/31 Bob & Doris Swehla

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Sundays

Worship Service 9 a.m.
Sunday Celebration 11 a.m.
Youth Group 6 p.m.

Staff:

Congregation: Ministers of the Church
David Johnson, D. Min.: Pastor
Brenda Anderson - Secretary
Bob Dale: Custodian
Stephanie Fisher: Children's Ministry
Kyra Straub: Youth Ministry
Lois Cwiek: Nursery
Daniel Loftin: Organist
Heidi Reynen: Choir Director

Volunteer Staff Position:

Wey Simpson: Lay Leader

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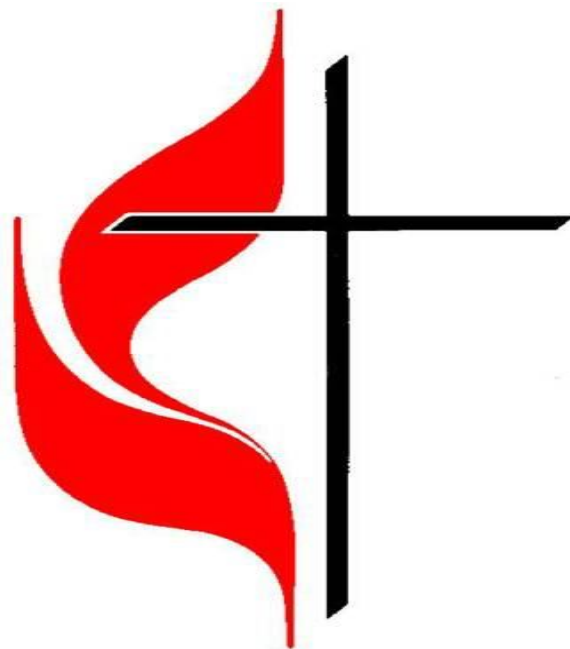
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Memory Verse

“Moses answered the people, Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the Lord will bring you today!”

Exodus 14:13