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Church Mouse

Pastor: Rev. John Simpson

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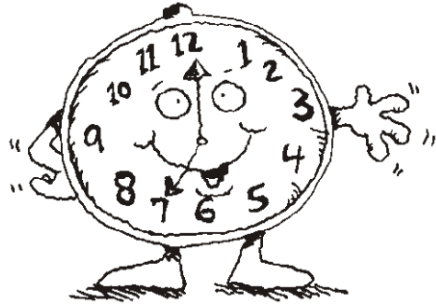
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Remember

Set your clocks ahead 1 hour!



Daylight Saving Time

Begins 2:00a.m. Sunday, March 14th

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Current Prayer List



Rev. John Simpson

(Alphabetical order)

AnnaLee
Alumbaugh
Opal Courtney
ZillMary
Benton
Robin Dodson
Tom Dorris
Ruth Farmer
Roger Gaston

Merlin Gesing
Joyce Groth
Mildred Groth
Rick Halferty
Natalie Jackson
Jay Matthews
Kristen Patten
Martha Oreano
Pat Orr
Janie Ourth
Talon Pepin F&F
Dorothy Rogers F&F
Blanch Roberts
Pastor Peggy&Earl
Stott
Marvin Swyter
Pat Swyter
Wes Water
Ellen Webber
Jon Wilson

Our thoughts and prayers are with the people of Chile.

A Word from the PASTOR



It seems like, once in a while, it is good to make financial mention of the various ways our contributions to the church are used. It is not unusual for people to be unaware or a bit hazy on where their gifts are going and how they are being used. This is not a specific plea for money — but hopefully just some information you might find helpful.

Over the past couple of years, we have made some significant improvements to our church building (the roof, air conditions, and boiler) that have been paid through your generosity. Much of the finances needed for these improvements came through money that had accumulated in our “Building Fund.” That fund is still in existence and will be for the foreseeable future, to help cover those kinds of special needs, as well as other maintenance needs. Your continued giving to the Building Fund helps us to plan ahead for needs we might have down the road.

Besides our “Building Fund,” we also maintain a “General Fund” which pays the day-to-day bills of the church. This includes many things, from salaries and insurances to utility bills, office needs, and more. The General Fund is the fund that really keeps the church going.

e a “Memorial Fund” that contains money donated in memory of individuals. These funds build up over time and are used for specific needs that are laid out in our Memorial Booklet that is handed out each Memorial Day. Money given to the Memorial Fund may be *designated* for a specific need (this is determined by those who have established the memorial and based on the list in the Memorial Booklet) or may be *un-designated* and used at the discretion of the church board for other needs. We maintain a balance in these funds and disbursements are made periodically throughout the year. These expenditures are also listed in the Memorial Booklet we hand out. We also have “Endowment Funds,” money that is invested for us with the Christian Church Foundation.

You may also give at any time to support our Community Food Pantry, Love Fund, or the End-of-the-Month Meals, all of which go to help people who are in need, locally. We also give to Week of Compassion, the denominational body that helps in times of need (natural disasters, etc.), both in our country and overseas. Your gifts are disbursed to these places as they are given. We thank you for your generous support of all these ministries. Many people depend on the help they receive through your generosity.

Your gifts make an incredible difference in the life of our church and the lives of many in our community and around our country and the world. Thank you for your generosity and for your continued support.

Long Term Prayer Concerns

Pam Boilesen	Brendan Butts	Mamie Chamlee
Bev Brockman	David Butts	Bonnie Cokel
Barbara Butts	Nettie Cannon	Virginia Cram
Betty Butts	Sandra Carpenter	Jacob Dennis

Everett Dent
Richard Dowell
Sue Dowell
Laurie Farmer
Jeannie Fortado
Georgina Franz
Rachael Gibb
Joyce Groth
Mildred Groth
Tara Haessig
Connie Herman
Frances Huey
Steve Ireland
Roxanne Kruse
Dee LaGrange
Nanette Loffler
Frank Lowery
John Mansheim
Sally Mansheim
Vivian Matthews
Gracey Mattix
Esther Moline
Billy Morris
Trey Morris
Marj Newberry
Wayne Osborne
Dick Pohlpete
Stanley Pepple
Jeanne Power
Nadine Reed
Traci Rhode &
Family
James Samples
Marilyn Skillern
Wynona Steffensmeier
Charles Underwood
Virginia Underwood
Karen West
Denise Williams
Dan Wilson
Lorraine Worden
Military:
Adam Baker
Allen Graydon
Dustin Hennigar
Kati Hogan Schuster
Linda Swyter

We continue to keep the
people in Haiti in our thoughts
and prayers.

Come for Lunch!

Saturday, March 13th is the CWF Bake Sale and Soup Luncheon.

Soups include; Broccoli Cheese, Vegetable Beef, Ham and Bean with Corn Bread (\$1.50) Sandwiches; Hot Turkey and Made-Rite (\$2.00) There will be Cake and Pie for Dessert (\$1.50) and Drink. Lunch begins at 10:30a.m.-1:30p.m. You can have a great lunch for only \$5.00. ***Invite a neighbor or friend to come along.*** While you are there pick up some Goodie to take home from the Bake Sale. The Bake Sale begins at 9:30a.m.-1:30p.m.

Anyone can bring an item(s) for the Bake Sale. We would very much appreciate it. The funds raised from the Bake Sale/Soup Luncheon goes to support the CWF budget and the many CWF outreach programs.

This Coming Sunday, March 14th the Prayer Vigil Sign-Up Sheet will be available in the narthex. The Prayer Vigil will begin at 8:00p.m. Thursday, April 1st (following the 7:00p.m. Maundy Thursday Service) and will continue until noon on Good Friday, April 2nd. The sign up sheet is divided into half hour time slots. You choose which time would work best for you and sign your name on that time line. If you would like a reminder call please add your phone number. The person ahead of you on the list will give you a reminder call before they go into the chapel. Being part of the Prayer Vigil is a wonderful experience, if you were unable to participate last year, you may want to sign up this year. If you have any questions you can call the Church Office (372-4192).

●Lenten Luncheon Schedule:

March 10: First United Methodist, 510 9th Street
Pastor John Simpson

March 17: Santa Fe Methodist Church, 2815 Ave L
Pastor Mark Binder

March 24: Union Presbyterian Church, 719 Ave F
Lyle and Gwen Brown

All Lenten Lunches begin at 12:00p.m.

All are invited to the Lenten Luncheons.

Looking Ahead:

◇ March 13: CWF Bake Sale/Soup Luncheon

◇ March 15: CBS

Faith Leaders Bible Study

◇ March 16: 6:30 p.m. Band Practice

◇ March 17: WIC

12:00p.m. Lenten Luncheon

1:30p.m. CPK (1:00p.m. School Dismissal)

6:00p.m. CPY

7:15 p.m. Choir Practice

◇ March 18: WIC

Faith Leaders Bible Study

◇ March 19: WIC

News From Christian Ed.

† Karen Woodley teaches our 3 year old-Kindergarten class

† 9:00a.m. Adult Bible Study lead by Rita Powelson

† Jedi Class 10:00a.m. (The Jedi class meets at 10:00a.m. in the classroom around the corner from the library.)

† Daughters of Dorcas 10:00a.m. Adult Class

Sunday School Rotation for March 14-April 18:

Theme: The Easter Story

March 14: Costumes and Practice for Palm Sunday

March 21: Sherry Aschbrenner

March 28: Dee Dee Garrett Palm Sunday

April 4: Easter Sunday-Empty Tombs

April 11: Juanita Anderson

April 18: Game Sunday

✳Reminder: The Sunday School teachers will meet Sunday March 14th (following the 10:15p.m. Service) at 11:15ish. We will meet in the kitchen. Bring your ideas!!

Kids: Remember we will be trying on our costumes this Sunday, March 14th for the Palm Sunday re-enactment drama.

Come pick out your costume!!

We are in need of cookies/goodies for our Sunday morning Coffee Fellowship. If you can supply cookies etc., please put them in the chest freezer in the kitchen. ***Thank you to all who bring goodies!***



We would like to express our deepest sympathy to the Family and Friends of Bill Graham and Mary Erickson and to the Family and Friends of Kathleen Annegers.

● We are responsible for the End of the Month Meal on Monday, March 22nd. If you can help by providing food, with prep work, serving or clean-up you can call Mary Lou Roberts of Jan Richers. Or sign-up on the clip board that is passed on Sunday morning.

■ If you would like to purchase an Easter Lilly to be displayed in our Sanctuary during this Easter season, it would be very much appreciated. Again this year, if you would like to give an Easter Lilly in memory of a loved one, please let the office know so we can list the name in the newsletter.



We would like to say Congratulations to:

Icie Rhoer and the 6th grade girls basket ball team for winning the Pekin Tournament. These girls are 11-4 on the season.

Isa Borjes who was chosen to perform with the Honor Choir this past week-end in Minneapolis.

Andrea Queisner, Chyanne Loffler, Dalyn Wondra and the FM YMCA Swim Team who went to Marshalltown this past week-end to the State Y meet. *If you have a joy you would like to share call the church office (372-4193)*

Thinking about attending camp this summer at The Christian Conference Center in Newton? May 1st is the Early Bird Registration Deadline. You can go on line to www.uppermidwestcc.org for all camp information and to print out registration form or call the church office for information about camp-

There Is Something For All Ages!

Servers for Sunday, March 24, 2010

Early Shut Ins: Gene and Linda Beebe

Early (8:00a.m.) Service:

Elder: Joe Mattix

Deacon: Diane Mattix

Contemporary (9:00a.m.) Service:

Elder: Danni Hennigar

Deacon: Rhonda Brinck

Late (10:15p.m.) Service:

Elders: Danni Hennigar, Jeanne Hogan

Deacons: Ardelle Skillern, Rhonda Brinck

Liturgist: Jane Sugars

Usher: Don Farrington

Late Shut-Ins: Joe & Diane Mattix

Financial Team: 2

Greeters: (9:00a.m & 10:15a.m. Services)

Jim and Rhonda Brinck

Office Angels: (March 17)

Ora Halferty and Betsy Darley

Communion Prep for March:

Julie Simpson and Ora Halferty

Our Records for Sunday, February 21, 2010

8:00a.m. Service: 16

9:00a.m. Service: 77

10:15a.m. Service: 34

Sunday School: 37

General Fund:\$3,807.28

Total Giving:\$4,244.06

Scripture Readings, March 14, 2010

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Joshua 5:9-12

Psalm 32

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

The Faith Leader Bible Study will meet Thursday,

March 11th at 7:00p.m. The day time study will

meet for the first time on March 15th at 1:30p.m.

You can still come and be a part of this Bible Study.