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TREASURER REPORT 02/28/11

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| BALANCE AS OF 02/28/11 | 25.49 |

I WAS UNABLE TO PAY SEVERAL BILLS DUE IN FEBRUARY. THEY WILL BE PAID AFTER THE FIRST SUNDAY IN MARCH. UNFORTUNATELY, WE MAY INCUR SOME LATE FEES. I CHOSE TO PAY PG&E TO AVOID A CUTOFF NOTICE. PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH FINANCES.

BETTY LEDFORD

TREASURER



An offering for One Great Hour of Sharing will be taken on *Sunday, April 3rd*. This offering goes towards the cost of doing business for UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief).

Below is a personal account of someone who has directly benefited from UMCOR.

Mohammed and other farmers in nearby villages of Sierra Leone were blinded by “river blindness” or “onchocerciasis.” The disease was caused by parasitic worms transmitted by black flies. When Mohammed and his neighbors lost their sight, they also lost their only means of providing for their families.

However, today Mohammed can work on his farm in Port Loko District and support his family once again because of UMCOR’s work in the West Africa Initiative and the Community Blind Farmer’s Association.

Through these organizations, blind farmers learn how to return to their fields and find other means of income.

Restoration. Healing. Hope.

Jesus teaches us to bring healing and restoration wherever we can.

So much of what UMCOR does is about restoration: giving sight to the blind, building up farming communities, helping workers to become self-sufficient and reconstructing places destroyed by disaster.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Join United Methodists everywhere by participating in the special offering that supports UMCOR’s vital work. Your gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing lay the foundation for UMCOR to bring restoration, healing and hope for tomorrow. Please give generously.



Joys & Concerns:



Remember those in our church family in need of prayers:

Nou Seng Vang (Shor & Ka Vang's father) - recently ill with trouble breathing & stomach problems; Nonie Buis - requests prayers for **Laney**, who has a benign brain tumor & is suffering from seizures; prayer request from Janet Short - her neighbor, **Berkley, & wife Stella, Berkley** suffered a stroke while on vacation in Arizona; Joan & Doug Jacobsen's daughter **Linda Batory** -undergoing breast cancer surgery; Sue Fredericksen's friend **Marianne** - in convalescent care; Harriet Steiger's mother **Margaret** - having mini strokes; from Joan Azevedo - **John Voos** was hospitalized temporarily, doing okay; Alma Short - her friend **Gene** has prostate cancer; **Ginger Ewalt** - having surgery on her hip; **Selena Heffernan** - issues with her health & managing her pain; Karen Green - her husband **Newt** has been diagnosed with a rare blood disease & is on dialysis; **Pastor Rochelle Frazier** - requests prayers for her parents and dealing with aging issues; Chuck & Bev Bailey's friend **Joan Elizabeth** is in a coma at Rideout Hosp, needs prayers; **Elaine Klein** - recovering from foot surgery; Pastor Donna - requests prayers for **Melina Pieper** - suffering from a neck problem; **Pastor Rochelle Frazier** - is in the Critical Care Unit at John Muir Hospital in Concord with a severe case of pneumonia & is critically ill; **Pastor Chuckua** - experiencing some chest pains caused by stress, needs prayers; **Susan's Aunt Tina** - has started undergoing chemo & it is going well; **Bruce Harmon** - caregiver for **Bruce & Troy** & needs prayers; **Darby Miller** - hospitalized recently & on dialysis, but at home now; Bruce Barton - recently hospitalized with bacterial pneumonia; **Jeremy Buis** - healing prayers for Epstein Bar Syndrome; **Betty Ball** - home now & recovering, continue to pray for her; John & Katie Voos's son-in-law **Larry** - diagnosed with a brain tumor & undergoing chemo.

Those with ongoing concerns: **Kenneth Felice; Theresa Abernathy; Tim Witzche; Wang & Yer Vang; Kathleen Sharkey; Alice Pittman; Roy Stai; Sara Green; Spencer Bateman; Gordon & Sue Fredericksen; Darin Petty; John & Margaret Brown; Tracy Hayes; Katie & John Voos; Haley Warren; David Jacobsen; Michael Grainger; Bobby Ludolf; Ross & Wendi Ewalt; Bruce Barton; Chris Barnes; Jeff Felice; Scott Wirths; Richard & Emily Fancher; Joan Smith; Helen Beall; Joline Hibbert; Charlene Bidwell Parker; Ka's mom - Khou; Mee Lee & Tong Xiong; Rachel Brown & family & Tristan Brown; Jeremy Buis; Doris Henneker; Emma Spencer; Jarred Bunn; Gladys James; Betty Ball; Bruce Harmon; Ka Vang; Nou Seng Vang; Linda Dewey; Rich Roath; Pat Foster; Newt & Karen Green and Darby Miller.**

Continue to pray for all of those people in other countries who are fighting for democracy; and for the people of Christchurch, New Zealand, as they deal with a catastrophic earthquake.

Those suffering loss of a loved one:

The family of Elaine Larkey, who passed away on February 8th with her two daughters by her side; for Elaine Klein and the family of her friend Suzy, who passed away recently; Darby Miller & his sister Betty, as she recently lost her husband Oscar; Mel & Suzanne Love upon the sudden and recent death of their son David Love, services to be held March 5th at Western Pacific Brewing & Dining; and Erin Buis's father Bob Prendergast, upon the death of Bob's best friend.

Joys:

On February 6th, we welcomed into our church family two new members by Profession of Faith: **Ka Faith Yang and Npib (Bea) Yang.**

Address to send a card to Pastor Rochelle:

Rev. Rochelle Frazier, CRITICAL CARE UNIT, John Muir Medical Center, 2540 East St.,
Concord, CA 94520.

Italian Dinner and Auction

The Stewardship Team is once again doing a dinner and auction on March 5th at 6 pm. This year we are doing an Italian Dinner featuring antipasto, spaghetti, meatballs, salad, garlic bread, dessert, sparkling cider, coffee, punch and water. Tickets are \$10.

The auction is to benefit church programs open to the Oroville Community.

Please contact Randy, 533-5921, for tickets, reservations, & information.

Thank you.

Stewardship Team



Check out the budget stretching items at the church pantry!!

A special box labeled “coupons” is on the shelf in the pantry. There are various coupons for cents off food and some household items.

Coupons for unhealthy items such as candy or alcohol will not be found in the box.

I will be going thru the box once a month to clean out expired coupons.

Please encourage those who utilize the Pantry to take the opportunity to stretch their household budgets.

**Blessings,
Erin Buis**

Church Council

This is a reminder that the Church Council meets on the fourth (4th) Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm. If you are a chairperson on a committee, a Lay Leader or Lay person to Annual Conference you are a voting member of Church Council and it is very important that you attend this meeting each month.

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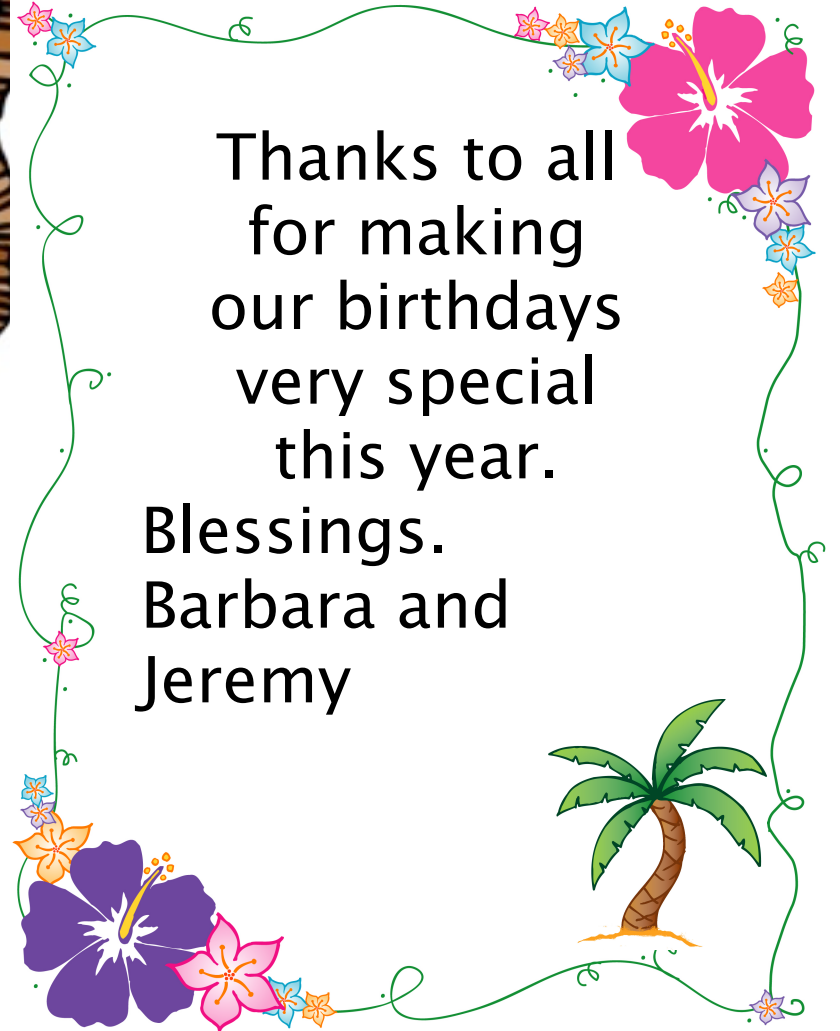
Hunger Walk March 12

Stewardship Sunday March 13

One Great Hour of Sharing Apr. 3

Thanks to all
for making
our birthdays
very special
this year.

Blessings.
Barbara and
Jeremy



March Worship

March 6th

Greeters: Christl Yates Pat Foster
Coffee Hour: Emily & Richard Fancher
Liturgist: Communion Sunday
Nursery Volunteer:
Lockup: Sem Xiong

March 13th

Greeters: Betty Ledford Harriett Steirger
Coffee Hour: Stu & Lyn Shaner
Liturgist: Louise Weitze
Nursery Volunteer:
Lockup: Richard Fancher

March 20th

Greeters: Helen Beall Robin Rich
Coffee Hour: Pat Foster Alma Short
Liturgist: Bev Bailey
Nursery Volunteer:
Lockup: Susan Sharon

March 27

Greeters: Chuck & Bev Bailey
Coffee Hour: Betty Ledford Glenda Ott
Liturgist: Elaine Klien
Nursery Volunteer:
Lockup: Jeremy/Kyle Buis



March Dinner @ Six

Adults \$6.00
Children 6 - 12 years \$3.00
Children under 5 free

Mar 2nd: Swiss Steak, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Salad, Bread & Dessert.
Chefs: Nurture & Outreach Committee

Mar 9th: Lemon Chicken, Rice, Vegetable, Salad, Bread & Dessert.
Chefs: Finance Committee

Mar 16th: Corned Beef & Cabbage with Carrots & Red Potatoes, Irish Soda Bread, Lemon Bars.
Chefs: Worship Committee

Mar 23: Pastor Chuckua and the ladies will be cooking.

March

GO TO LAST PAGE TO SEE SCHEDULE INFORMATION

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|---|-----|--|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 27 SUNDAY SCHEDULE | 28 | 1 | 2 WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE | 3 THURSDAY SCHEDULE | 4 FRIDAY SCHEDULE | 5 <i>ITALIAN DINNER & SILENT AUCTION 6PM</i> |
| 6 SUNDAY SCHEDULE | 7 Worship 10:30 am Trustees 7:00 pm | 8 | 9 WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE 7:00 pm <i>ASH</i> WEDNESDAY | 10 THURSDAY SCHEDULE | 11 FRIDAY SCHEDULE | 12 HUNGER WALK |
| 13 SUNDAY SCHEDULE | 14 Finance 5:30 pm | 15 | 16 WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE | 17 THURSDAY SCHEDULE | 18 FRIDAY SCHEDULE | 19 |
| 20 SUNDAY SCHEDULE | 21 | 22 | 23 WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE | 24 THURSDAY SCHEDULE | 25 | 26 |
| 27 SUNDAY SCHEDULE | 28 | 29 | 30 WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE | 31 THURSDAY SCHEDULE | 1 | 2 |
| 3 SUNDAY SCHEDULE  ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING | 4 | 5 | 6 WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE | 7 THURSDAY SCHEDULE | 8 FRIDAY SCHEDULE | 9 |

March Birthdays

6 Mel Love

12 Joan Jacobsen

13 Randy Fowler

16 Alma Short

16 Janet Short



18 David Dewey

20 Linda Dewey

20 Cecilia Reinhardt

24 Doug Jacobsen

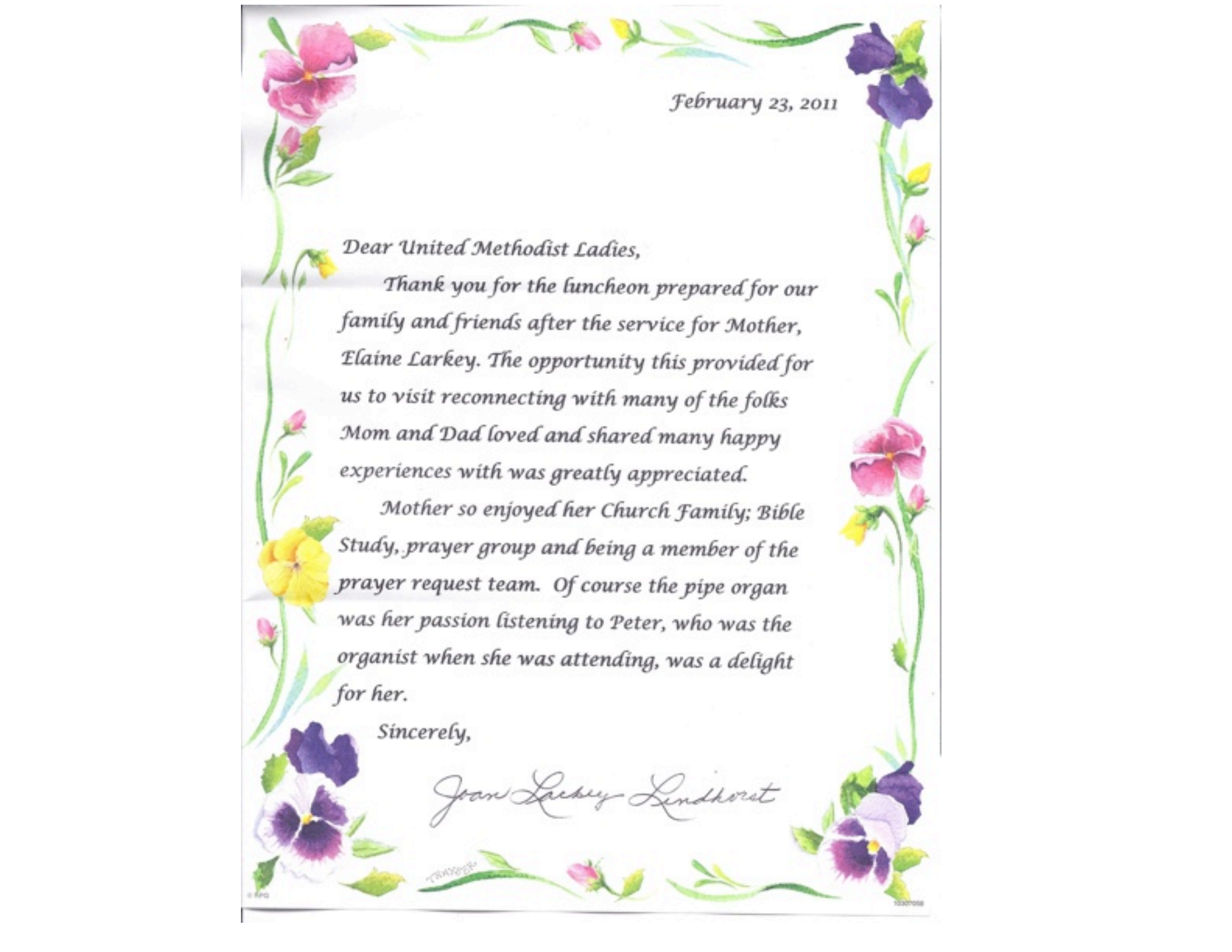
29 Cari Erwin



The Marlys Circle is sponsoring a disabled child and his family for Easter. This project is through the "Wings of Eagles" which is an organization that assists families with disabled children.

The circle is putting together an Easter basket with gifts for the child and his family. We would like to invite the congregation to share with us in this outreach project.

If your interested in participating, please see Janet Short (589-1483).



February 23, 2011

Dear United Methodist Ladies,

Thank you for the luncheon prepared for our family and friends after the service for Mother, Elaine Larkey. The opportunity this provided for us to visit reconnecting with many of the folks Mom and Dad loved and shared many happy experiences with was greatly appreciated.

Mother so enjoyed her Church Family; Bible Study, prayer group and being a member of the prayer request team. Of course the pipe organ was her passion listening to Peter, who was the organist when she was attending, was a delight for her.

Sincerely,

Joan Larkey Lindhorst

Finance Reports for All

The monthly financial reports and quarterly endowment statements are posted on the bulletin board in the Social Hall next to the Fireside Room. We want you to know what is happening with your giving. If you have questions, talk to John Fowler, Betty Ledford, or Pastor Laura.

Publicity

Randy Fowler has agreed to be our Publicity Chairperson. If you are having an event at the church that you would like to have publicized please complete a Publicity Form found in the Church Office and get it to Randy. You can also phone him at 533-5921 or email him at randyfowler01@att.net

Thank You Randy.



**THANK YOU THANK YOU
THANK YOU**

To my church family for all your prayers, cards, food, etc. during my heart problems and surgery. Especially Pastor Donna for the rides to Sacramento.

Thank you all very much
Pat Foster



**John and Elaine Schmidt
2370 Roundhouse Rd
Sparks, Nevada 89431**



FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR



Contact:

**Pat Foster & Emily Fancher to sign
up for a Sunday.**

Fill the Ark



Barometers will be going up around the church to let us know what animals we will be able to purchase this spring. Bring in all bottles and cans that have the CA Redemption symbol.

Micah will recycle them for us and the proceeds go toward more animals.



What is currently in the Beverage Container Recycling Program

- Beer and other malt beverages
- • Wine coolers and distilled spirit coolers
- • Carbonated water, including soda and carbonated mineral waters
- • Carbonated soft drinks
- • Non-carbonated waters
- • Non-carbonated soft drinks and “sport” drinks
- • Non-carbonated fruit drinks that contain any percentage of fruit juice (excluding 100% fruit juice in 46 oz. or larger containers)
- • Coffee and tea drinks
- Carbonated fruit drinks
- • Vegetable juice in beverage containers of 16 ounces or less

***A Special Thanks
to***

***Randy Fowler for all the work he did in setting up the dinner for the Italian
Dinner and Auction March 5th.***

***And
to***

***Cynthia Slattery for all her work in getting all the great auction items for both
the silent and the live auction.***

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to***

***Georgia Nelson, the Youth, and everyone who helped make the Dinner and
Auction a great one.***



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HUNGER WALK
SATURDAY, MARCH 12
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HUNGER WALK TO RAISE FUNDS AND AWARENESS

Contributed by: **Chris Robbins**

In a country with so much abundance and riches, it's hard to believe that hunger is an issue. However, every day hunger takes its ugly toll on individuals and families across this vast country of ours, reaching into our own community. In an effort to raise awareness of an ongoing need and provide hunger relief in this community, the Cooperating Christian Churches of Oroville (CCCO) have organized the first Oroville Hunger Walk, scheduled for Sat., March 27, beginning at Riverbend Park.

Participants, sponsors and donations are needed to make this event a success. 100% of the money and food raised will go to organizations providing hunger relief for Oroville, including Feed the People Ministries, Oroville Rescue Mission, Oroville Salvation Army and The Hope Center. The CCCO hopes to collect all donations prior to the walk; however, donations will be gladly accepted the day of the walk. To make a donation or to get involved, call 534-0354 or 534-9455.

Sign ups for the Hunger Walk begin at 8:30am, and coffee and donuts will be served. The approximately 2-mile walk begins at 9:00am. There will be rest stations at churches along the way, and vans will cruise

the route to pick up those not able to complete the walk. Participants are encouraged to walk only as far as they are comfortable, whether that's two blocks or two miles. Refreshments will be served after the walk.

The CCCO may be comprised of faith-based Christian organizations, but the entire community is invited to get involved.

"For those that are Christians, this is a great way to put your faith into action," said Rev. Stan Henderson with Trinity Presbyterian Church. "But whatever you believe, this is an opportunity for people to come together and make a positive difference."

Members of the Cooperating Christian Churches of Oroville are First Congregational Church, First United Methodist Church, Raven Ministries, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, Trinity Bible Church and Trinity Presbyterian Church.

For more information, call 534-0354 or 534-9455.



TRUSTEES

January election of officers;

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| President: | Jeremy Buis |
| Vice President: | Chuck Bailey |
| Treasurer: | Alma Short |
| Secretary: | Susan Sharon |

A request was made for carpet in the bedrooms.

On January 30th we did our walk through of the parsonage. We found the bathrooms need our attention.

Throughout the month of February we tore out the hall bathroom and the bathroom in the back master bedroom. We found a bad water leak in the process and has since been fixed. Now both bathrooms have new tub/showers and paint is in the process of being applied.

A big thanks to Chuck for all his hard work and to his helpers Zongchang, Derrald Leigh, Sean and Jeremy for tackling this big project.

Approved minutes of the Trustees meetings will soon be placed on the bulletin board in the social hall.

FOOD PANTRY SUNDAYS

| <u>1st Sunday</u> | <u>2nd Sunday</u> | <u>3rd Sunday</u> | <u>4th Sunday</u> | <u>5th Sunday</u> |
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| <p><i>Canned:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • meat (ham, chicken etc) • Tuna • Vegetables • Fruit | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Macaroni and cheese • Dry pasta • Rice • Pasta sauces • Peanut butter • Jelly | <p><i>Canned:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soup • Stew • Chili • Pastas (spaghetti, ravioli etc) • Box of crackers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oatmeal • Pancake mix • Syrup • Dry cereal • Granola bars • Powdered milk • Juice | <p>When there is one:</p> <p>YOUR CHOICE!</p> |

Thanks to our wonderful congregation for supporting the food pantry and helping to feed the people of our church and community.

Pastor Donna reports the pantry is used frequently.

The Outreach and Witness committee would like to try a new approach to keeping the pantry stocked. Beginning in February we are asking that the congregation bring different food items each Sunday of the month. By doing this we hope to keep the pantry stocked with a variety of food. **NON PERISHABLES ONLY!** We don't expect you to bring everything on the list, just whatever you can.



Heifer Project

Bring your CRV recyclables to church and place them in the boxes in the Social Hall. The Buis' take the bottles and cans down for recycling and then in turn the proceeds in to be sent to Heifer Project. Bring them to church instead of putting them in your recycling can at home.



January February
\$49.90



USE YOU'RE

*RALEY'S & FOOD MAXX SHARE
CARDS*

WHEN YOU SHOP

***Please check your share cards to see
what other stores accept them.***



Welcome to First United Methodist Church of Oroville

Celebrating Over 150 Years Serving The Oroville Community

Sunday Service Schedule

1st Sunday of each month English/Hmong Communion Service

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| Adult's & Children's Sunday School | 8:45 a.m. |
| Hmong Service | 8:45 a.m. |
| Children's Bells Practice | 10:00 a.m. |
| Chancel Choir Practice | 10:00 a.m. |
| Hmong Adult's & Youth Sunday School | 10:10 a.m. |
| English Service | 10:30 a.m. |
| Children's Church | 11:00 a.m. |

Wednesday Schedule

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| Men's Bible Study & Breakfast @ Hofbrau | 8:00 a.m. |
| Bible Round Table & Prayer | 1:30 p.m. |
| Community Prayer Service | 4:20 - 5:20 p.m. |
| Revelation Bible Study | 5:00 pm |
| Chancel Choir Practice | 6:45 p.m. |
| Dinner @ Six each Wed. Sept. to May | 6:00 p.m. |

Thursday Schedule

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| Bible Study & Breakfast @ Cassidy's | 7:30 a.m. |
| Discussion Bible Study | 1:00 p.m. |

Friday Schedule

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| Sonwalkers Youth Group Meeting | 5:30 p.m. |
| Hmong Ladies Choir Practice | 5:30 p.m. |

Our mission is to know Christ and make Christ known: to nurture our relationship with God and our commitment to Jesus Christ, to invite others into the community of faith, to equip, send and support Christians for daily witness and service.