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**COMING IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER
EXTRAVAGANT GENEROSITY
PLEDGE DRIVE FOR 2012**

The Finance Committee and The Stewardship Team Committee will be conducting our Pledge drive for 2012, in the fall this year. The pledge drive will be called Extravagant Generosity. I know you are going to say we just had our pledge drive, and that is true, but that was for the year 2011. The Finance Committee and The Stewardship Team Committee feels that it will be easier to write a budget for 2012 if we have an idea of what kind of income we can expect. We used to do the Pledge drive in the fall, and we are going to do it again in the fall. We want to have the pledge drive completed before we go into the holiday season when we all get busy.

Extravagant Generosity will start on Sunday, September 25th, and will continue until Sunday, October 23rd. The only exception will be on Sunday, October 2nd, when we will have World Communion Sunday. During Extravagant Generosity, Pastor Donna will be speaking on this subject during her sermon. You will be receiving information about this when you come to church, or in the mail. You will be asked to participate, and I think you will like it. During this time we will not be calling your gift to the church a pledge, but an Estimate of Giving which is what we have called it in the past. On Sunday, October 23rd, you will be asked to turn in your Estimate of Giving card for 2012. After the worship service we will have a wonderful potluck lunch to celebrate the completion of Extravagant Generosity.

Thank you
John S. Fowler
Chairman Finance Committee
Randy Fowler
Cynthia Slattery
Stewardship Team Members

TREASURER REPORT

09/01/11

BEGINNING 8/1/11	-	1268.78
DEPOSITS THRU 8/31/11	+	19657.48
CHECKS THRU 8/31/11	-	<u>17102.55</u>
ENDING BALANCE 8/31/11		1286.15

THE INFUSION OF CASH FROM THE BERRY CREEK PROPERTY SALE, PLUS THE RUMMAGE SALE REVENUE, HAS GREATLY HELPED THE BANK BALANCE. WE ALSO RECEIVED THE PRESCHOOL PAYMENT FOR AUGUST. I WAS ABLE TO PAY ALL GENERAL FUND BILLS THIS MONTH.

DUE TO THE TREMENDOUS HELP FROM THE YOUTH AT THE RUMMAGE SALE, THE FINANCE COMMITTEE DECIDED TO GIVE THE YOUTH \$200 TOWARDS THEIR TIME AT SUN SPLASH. THEY DESERVED IT!!

AS TREASURER, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE ANONYMOUS DONOR WHO DONATED \$5000 TOWARDS THE SOCIAL HALL LIGHTS. BECAUSE OF THIS DONATION, MONEY WAS FREED UP FROM THE SALE OF THE BERRY CREEK PROPERTY TO PAY GENERAL FUND BILLS. EVEN THOUGH SUMMER WAS TOUGH ON BILL PAYING, GOD PROVIDED WHAT WE NEEDED. WHAT A LESSON FOR ALL OF US TO HAVE FAITH & TRUST IN THE LORD.

GOD IS ABLE TO PROVIDE YOU WITH EVERY BLESSING IN ABUNDANCE, SO THAT BY ALWAYS HAVING ENOUGH OF EVERYTHING, YOU MAY SHARE ABUNDANTLY IN EVERY GOOD WORK. - 1 COR. 9:8 (NRSV)

THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO OUR CHURCH & MAY IT CONTINUE!!!

BETTY LEDFORD

TREASURER



A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU

The Trustees give a special thanks to the person or family who made the generous contribution to the church to replace the lights in the Social Hall. The prayers of many were answered by this thoughtful and caring gift. It is a sign of our times, however, that there is a delay in shipment of the materials. While the electrician and the helpers are ready to do the job, imports are delayed. The shipping date for the fixtures is August 29th. With mailing time that means September 3 before we will see the benefit we all await. We are frustrated but still thankful.

Joys & Concerns



Remember those in our church family in need of prayers:

Gladys James - hospitalized in July for a heart problem, but recovering at home now; **Margaret Brown** - was in Enloe Hospital with a lung infection; **Dennis Diver** - home recovering now; Alma & Bill Short's friend **Dorothy Teague** - diagnosed with cancer & is having no treatments; **Jim & Doris Henneker** - Doris has started chemo for lung cancer & Jim is being tested for prostate cancer & may have to have surgery; **Chuck Bailey** - had a good report from doctors, will need to go back in 6 months; **Doris Ludolf** - recent gall bladder surgery; **Pastor Rochelle Frazier** - continues to recover from Valley Fever at home; **Doris Miller** - having difficulty with osteoporosis & needs to regain strength; **Harriett Steiger** - recently hospitalized for gall bladder, but home now; **Robin Rich** - prayers for ongoing health issues; Cynthia Slattery's daughter **Lisa Benedict** - has been ill for some time & the doctors have not been able to diagnose her problem; **Betty Ball** - has been having trouble breathing; **Pastor Donna's sister Karen** - has been diagnosed with basal cell & squamous cell carcinomas; Betty Ledford's brother -in-law **Ron Schultz** - has a broken ankle & finally had surgery, pray for healing; **David Jacobsen** - will be getting a pacemaker; **Jackson Vang** - undergoing chemo treatment for cancer; **Thai Vang's father** - ill with cancer, needs prayers for healing.

Those with ongoing concerns:

Theresa Abernathy; Tim Witzche; Kathleen Sharkey; Alice Pittman; Jackson Vang; Sara Green; Spencer Bateman; Darin Petty; John & Margaret Brown; Tracy Hayes; Katie & John Voos; Haley Warren; David Jacobsen; Michael Grainger; Bobby Ludolf; Loraine Hiatt; Ross & Wendi Ewalt; Bruce & Troy Barton; Betty Ball; Doris Miller; Jeff Felice; Gladys James; Ka's mom - Khou; Mee Lee & Tong Xiong; Dennis Diver; Lisa Benedict; Emma Spencer; Chuck Bailey.

Those suffering loss of a loved one:

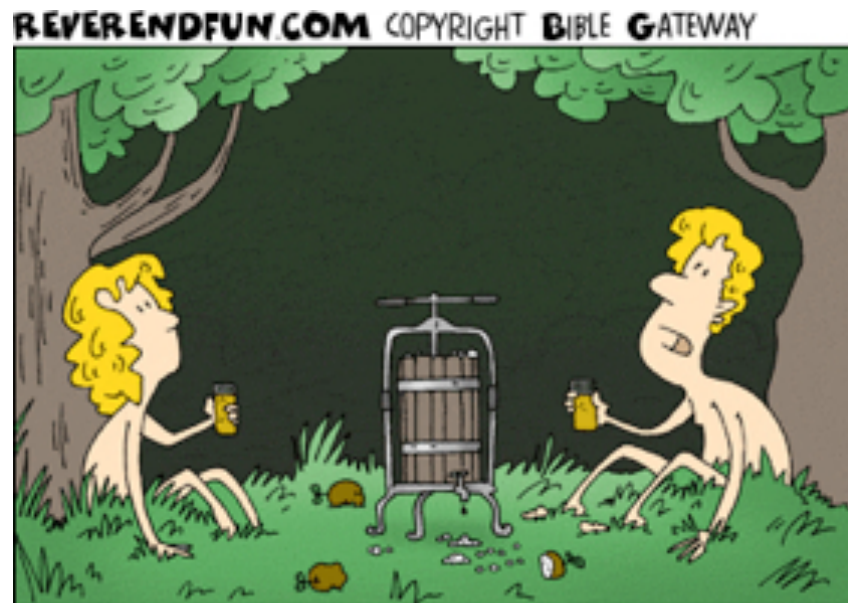
Betty Chertock & family upon the loss of her husband Jack Chertock on August 5th. Jack & Betty were regulars at Dinner @ Six; Betty Ball & family upon the death of Betty's brother Henry. Henry was Betty's last surviving sibling & was 93 at the time of his death. Please pray for these families.

Travel prayers for Sean Taylor as he travels to Missouri due to a family emergency; **Debbie Shaner** - traveling to Texas to train for the National Guard in anticipation of her possible deployment to Afghanistan.

Doris Miller would appreciate cards. Her address in Ft. Bragg is: 973 Stewart St., Fort Bragg, CA 95437-3059.

Celebrations: Harriett Steiger announced that her mother Margaret just turned 90! Happy Birthday to Margaret!!!

Congratulations!! go to Larry & Glenda Ott upon their recent 50th wedding anniversary; and, also, congrats!! to Jim & Doris Henneker who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 21st.



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YOU SAID NOT TO EAT IT

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(See Genesis 6-8)

10-06-1998

IT WAS ONLY AFTER NOAH FINISHED HIS ARK PROTOTYPE THAT HE FINALLY ADMITTED THAT HE DID NOT KNOW WHAT A CUBIT WAS

*Save
the
Date*

September 7

Dinner at 6 returns

September 24

Salmon Festival

September 25 - October 23

Extravagant Generosity

Sept. 25 - Oct. 1

Perry Mason Days

November 5th

Turkey Dinner

November 11th

Veteran's Day Parade

Dinner @ Six is Returning September 6th

Another year of marvelous dinners will be cooked on Wednesday evening for your dinning pleasure. Committees from the church cook dinner and offer it to you and the community for \$6 (ages 13 years to adult), \$3 children (ages 6–12 years) and children under the age of 5 free.

Committees cooking dinner this year are, Trustee's, Finance, Discipleship, Worship, Outreach, Staff Parrish & the Hmong Congregation. If you are on any of these committees please participate in this worthwhile venture. These weekly dinners generate approximately \$4000.00 towards our annual budget.

We are still accepting volunteers to assist committees in preparing dinner. So far we have 3 volunteers, Joline Hibbert, Louise Weitze & Sue Fredericksen.



Help!!

The Bulletin boards in the church Narthex need to be updated. If you would like to help with this project and or volunteer to complete the project please let the church office know. We may have materials in the Sunday School Resource room to do the job. If you have ideas you would like to share please let Pastor Donna or Elaine Klein know.



THANK YOU

Thank you to Erin, Taylor, Micah and Macen Buis for selling water at the Rummage Sale for the Sound System.

We brought in \$30 from the sales. Also would like Glenda and Larry Ott for the donation from her flower sales. This money is going into building a permanent system in the

Social Hall.



Help Wanted

to serve 8:45 Sundays I have asked God for children. He has blessed us. In K-6; we have 18 children. I am going to keep asking for more children, but now I need adults. If God has touched your heart I hope you will call me. I only need one person, but I will use any and all of you who to be a part of a wonderful team who want to serve our children and our church. Your only qualification is a knowledge of God's love for all his children and you are willing to share it. Call me: Glenda 533-7939 or contact me: gfohome@comcast.net



NO MORE TRIMMING PILES

There are now two yard waste containers for trimmings. The list at the right says what can and cannot be placed in the bins.

They will be collected every other week. Micah Buis will take the bins to the curb on Sunday.

Yard Waste Container



Acceptable Items: *Collected Weekly
Additional cost*

- Grass clippings and leaves
- Tree, weeds and bush prunings
- Scrap wood (nonpainted or nontreated,
- Pallets (broken down)

Unacceptable Items:

- Palm trees or fronds, bamboo or pampas grass
- Plywood or particle board
- Painted or treated lumber
- Sod or dirt
- Concrete, rock, or asphalt
- Food waste
- Manure and animal waste
- Other household garbage

Extra yard waste may be bundled and placed next to the container, but bundles must not exceed 4 ft. in length and 18 in. in diameter

September Worship

September 4rd

Greeters: Richard & Emily Fancher

Coffee Hour: Buis Family

Liturgist: Communion Sunday

Lockup: Sem Xiong

September 11th

Greeters: Bev Bailey Elaine Klein

Coffee Hour: Louise & Cathy Weitze

Liturgist: David Jacobsen

Lockup: Richard Fancher

September 18th

Greeters: Betty Ledford Susan Sharon

Coffee Hour: Richard & Emily Fancher

Liturgist: Pat Foster

Lockup: Susan Sharon

September 25th

Greeters: Helen Beall Gerry Miller

Coffee Hour: Betty Ledford Gerry Miller

Liturgist: Betty Ledford

Lockup: Jeremy Buis



September Dinner @ Six Menu

\$6.00 - 13 years to adult

\$3.00 - 6 years -12 years

Free - 5 years and under

September 7th

Lemon Chicken, Roasted Potatoes, Vegetable, Salad, Bread & Cherry Chocolate Cake.

Chefs: Trustee Committee

September 14th

Spaghetti & Meatballs, Salad, Garlic Bread & Dessert.

Chefs: Finance Committee

September 21st

Roast Pork Loin, Roasted Potatoes, Green Beans with Bacon, Applesauce, Salad, Dinner Roll & Dessert.

Chefs: Discipleship Committee

September 28th

Chefs: XF. Pastor Chuckua and Hmong Congregation

FOOD PANTRY SUNDAYS

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.

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

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR



Contact:

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



Church Bulletin Bloopers

<http://www.bible-reading.com/bulletin.html>

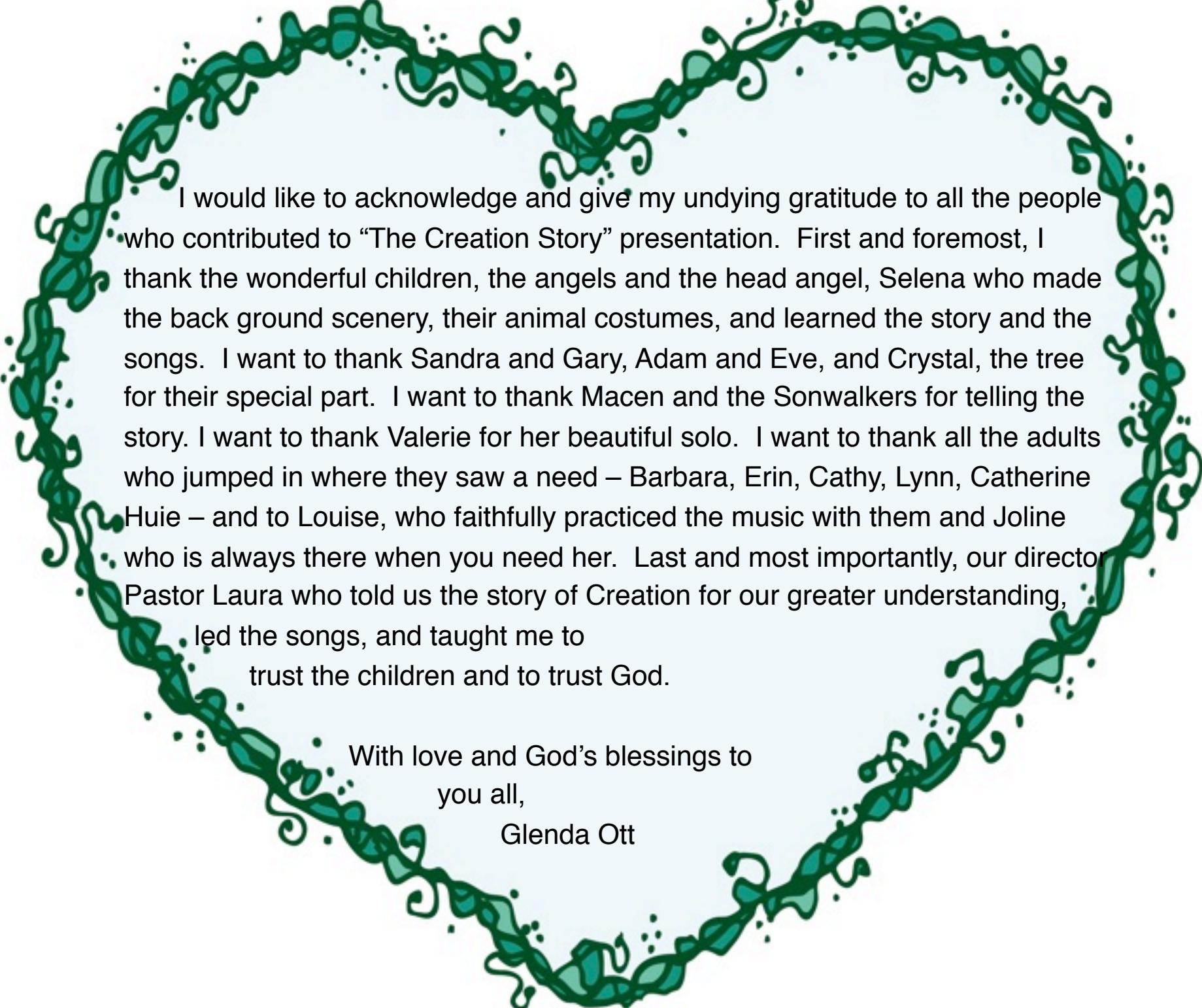
- Stewardship Offertory: "Jesus Paid It All"
- The music for today's service was all composed by George Friedrich Handel in celebration of the 300th anniversary of his birth.
- Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our church and community.
- The eighth-graders will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the church basement on Friday at 7 p.m. The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.
- The concert held in Fellowship Hall was a great success. Special thanks are due to the minister's daughter, who labored the whole evening at the piano, which as usual fell upon her.
- 22 members were present at the church meeting held at the home of Mrs. Marsha Crutchfield last evening. Mrs. Crutchfield and Mrs. Rankin sang a duet, The Lord Knows Why.
- A song fest was held at the Methodist church Wednesday.
- Today's Sermon: HOW MUCH CAN A MAN DRINK? with hymns from a full choir.
- Hymn 43: "Great God, what do I see here?"
- Preacher: The Rev. Horace Blodgett
- Hymn 47: "Hark! an awful voice is sounding"
- On a church bulletin during the minister's illness: GOD IS GOOD Dr. Hargreaves is better.
- Potluck supper: prayer and medication to follow.

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.



I would like to acknowledge and give my undying gratitude to all the people who contributed to “The Creation Story” presentation. First and foremost, I thank the wonderful children, the angels and the head angel, Selena who made the back ground scenery, their animal costumes, and learned the story and the songs. I want to thank Sandra and Gary, Adam and Eve, and Crystal, the tree for their special part. I want to thank Macen and the Sonwalkers for telling the story. I want to thank Valerie for her beautiful solo. I want to thank all the adults who jumped in where they saw a need – Barbara, Erin, Cathy, Lynn, Catherine Huie – and to Louise, who faithfully practiced the music with them and Joline who is always there when you need her. Last and most importantly, our director Pastor Laura who told us the story of Creation for our greater understanding, led the songs, and taught me to trust the children and to trust God.

With love and God’s blessings to
you all,
Glenda Ott

September

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 SUNDAY SCHEDULE	29	30	31 WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE	1 THURSDAY SCHEDULE	2 FRIDAY SCHEDULE	3
4 Worship in Sanford Chapel Potluck Following	5 LABOR DAY OFFICE CLOSED	6 WORSHIP 10:30am	7 WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE	8 THURSDAY SCHEDULE	9 FRIDAY SCHEDULE	10
11 SUNDAY SCHEDULE	12 FINANCE 5:30pm	13 STAFF PARISH 6:30pm	14 WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE	15 THURSDAY SCHEDULE	16 FRIDAY SCHEDULE	17
18 SUNDAY SCHEDULE	19 MARLYS CIRCLE 6:00pm at Alma's	20	21 WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE	22 THURSDAY SCHEDULE	23 FRIDAY SCHEDULE	24 Salmon Festival
25 SUNDAY SCHEDULE EXTRAVAGANT GENEROSITY BEGINS	26	27 CHURCH COUNCIL 6:00 pm	28 WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE	29 THURSDAY SCHEDULE	30 FRIDAY SCHEDULE	1
2 SUNDAY SCHEDULE WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY	3	4	5 WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE	6 THURSDAY SCHEDULE	7 FRIDAY SCHEDULE	8



Christmas Baskets



The Stewardship Committee is once again doing Christmas Gift Baskets for the Christmas Season. Stewardship would appreciate it very much if each committee would donate a gift basket to our Christmas Basket drawing. If each member of the committee participates in this it will only be a minimal amount involved for each member. Any church member who wishes to donate a gift basket is also welcome to do so.

We have some baskets if you need a basket. If you would like we will put the baskets together for you if you bring the gift items to us.

Stewardship finances our participation in the Christmas Light Parade with the proceeds from the Christmas Basket drawing and the balance goes to the General Fund. This is one of Stewardships outreach programs, which we participate in every year that makes our church more visible in the Oroville Community.

Please let us know what type of Christmas Basket you will be doing. Randy, 533-5921 or randyfowler01@att.net

We need the gift baskets by November 5, 2011, as we will be starting the ticket sales at the Annual Turkey Dinner. The drawing will be held before Christmas.

Thank you.

May God Bless You!

Stewardship Team

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

9/2 Tracy Vang

9/5 Taylor Buis

9/7 Mee Lee Xiong

9/9 Selena Heffernan

9/10 Suzanne Love

9/13 Garnet Bessey

9/14 Paula Fishkin



9/15 Moua Vang

9/17 Virginia Field

9/18 Rose Pieper

9/18 Betty Makinson

9/18 Marquintha Burton

9/21 Glenda Ott

9/24 Margaret Brown



*USE YOU'RE
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FOOD MAXX
SHARE CARDS
WHEN YOU SHOP*



Heifer Project



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

July

\$67.60 Church recycling

\$56.20 Macen Buis donation from his home recycling

\$\$\$ CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE & PARKING LOT SALE \$\$\$

The rummage sale and parking lot sale that took place at the church on August 4th 5th and 6th made \$2,015.17 for the church budget. Larry and Glenda Ott were in charge of putting on this sale and we want to thank them so very much for their hard work on this very successful fundraiser for the church. The Fellowship Hall was full of items for the rummage sale and there were larger items for sale out in the parking lot.

As chairman of the Finance Committee I want to thank everybody that donated the many items that we had to sell. I also want to thank the many people that helped with the set up for the sale and those that worked on the sale over the three days and those that helped with the cleanup when it was over. The profit on the sale is being used for church expenses and bills. Thank you Glenda and Larry for your hard work on the sale.

Thank you
John S. Fowler
Chairman
Finance Committee



Dear Church Family,

Larry and I want to thank each and every one of you for your contribution to the Rummage Sale. It was a success because of all of you who contributed, and helped each day, and bought things too. We could not have done it without you. We want to say a special thank you to the Sonwalkers who helped carry in everything and then helped clean up afterwards. You all are the greatest! As Alma said, in church, not only did it help our church, it also helped the community. When I saw a mother walk out with her children, each one carrying their bag of clothes, I thought, this is what it is all about!

Thank you. God bless you all.

Larry and Glenda Ott

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July
\$67.60
Church recycling

July
\$56.20
Macen Buis donation
from
his home recycling

June
\$68.00
Church recycling

World Communion Sunday will be celebrated on October 2nd. Please give as you are able, outside of your regular offering to the church, to this important ministry.

Special offering envelopes will be provided in worship.

World Communion Sunday

World Communion Sunday is a time to be in communion with Christians all over the world and to enable us to "press on toward the goal" of serving God in life-changing ministries. It is observed on the first Sunday of October.

Fifty per cent of the special offering goes to the [World Communion Scholarship Program](#) of the General Board of Global Ministries.



Paul Jeffrey

Welcome to First United Methodist Church of Oroville

Sunday Service Schedule

1st Sunday of each month English/Hmong Communion Service

Adult's & Children's Sunday School	8:45 a.m.
Hmong Service	8:45 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

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

Thursday Schedule

Bible Study & Breakfast @ Cassidy's	7:30 a.m.
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Friday Schedule

Sonwalkers Youth Group Meeting	6:00 p.m.
Young Adults	6:00 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.