



# GVPC Happenings

APRIL 2022

## The Joy of Easter

I will never forget visiting the Garden Tomb in Jerusalem. Walking through beautifully manicured gardens, we came to a tomb dating back to the first century. Whether it is the actual tomb or not, its significance is undeniable. 2,000 years ago, the disciples went to the place of Jesus' burial and were startled to find the tomb empty. Jesus conquered death and opened the doors to eternal life. No matter how many times you've heard the Easter story, I hope you'll join us this year as we enter the story once again.

### Palm Sunday, April 10

We will hear the story of Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem as told in Scripture and song as we begin our observance of Holy Week.

### Maundy Thursday, April 14 – 7 pm

We will celebrate the Sacrament of Communion as we remember the night of Jesus' betrayal.

### Good Friday, April 15 – 7 pm

On Good Friday we will focus our thoughts on the drama of the cross. Our service will include readings from the Passion and Haydn's string quartet, "The Seven Last Words," with members of the Las Vegas Sinfonietta.

### Easter Saturday, April 16 – 11 am

Don't miss our Easter Picnic at Fox Ridge Park hosted by our Christian Education and Fellowship Committees. Invite your friends and family!

### Easter Sunday, April 17

We will have three glorious services as we celebrate the joy of Easter morning at 7:30, 9:00, and 11:00 am. Each of the services in the Sanctuary will include jubilant music and our chancel choir will be featured at the 9:00 and 11:00 am services. *Please note the change in worship schedule on Easter morning to accommodate parking needs.*

I hope you will join us this Easter at GVPC as we remember and give thanks for the biggest game changer in human history: the joy and hope of the Empty Tomb.

Pastor Adrian

## Presbyterian Youth Connection

With the spring Nascar race behind us and the Lenten season well underway, we are ramping up for a busy summer for our GVPC youth. With trips planned for our high school students to visit a few college campuses, a week in the Sierra National Forest (just south of Yosemite National Park) for our 4<sup>th</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> grade students, and a Destination Unknown trip for all 6<sup>th</sup> grade thru graduating seniors, the summer will be full of adventure, fellowship, and fun. We encourage all who can join us to sign up for these trips.

Friendships form, reunite, and grow stronger during these trips. The one relationship that grows even deeper is the one we have with Christ. We are thankful that we currently meet weekly at the church to experience fellowship and study scripture and discuss how we should apply it to our lives. If you have not been able to join in a while, we invite you to join us again.

We are looking at one or two fundraising ideas as we draw closer to this summer. Details to follow. We hope you will join us.

- High School college campus trip - July 6-9 (incoming 9<sup>th</sup> thru high school seniors)
- Calvin Crest - July 10-15 (incoming 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders – Sherwood Forest and 6<sup>th</sup>- 8<sup>th</sup> graders –Jr High Camp)
- Destination Unknown - July 17-21 (incoming 6<sup>th</sup> through graduating high school seniors.)

Kerry Radke  
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## 2022 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - IT'S HAPPENING!



We are going off-road for a Monumental adventure through the colorful canyons and sunbaked trails of the southwest!

By exploring God's awesomeness, kids form a rock-solid faith for the road ahead.

Monday to Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> ~ 9:00 am to 12:00 pm  
Registration (online) opens APRIL 1

MONUMENTAL will allow God's love and purpose for each person to come to life like never before... touching lives, changing hearts, and drawing KIDS and ADULTS closer to the God who created them!

### **THIS IS AN ALL CHURCH EFFORT! 25-30 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

It's time to put your gifts and strengths into action to strengthen your faith and share the good news of Jesus Christ. Volunteers are needed for:

Sing & Play Celebration Leaders  
Actors for Skits  
Registration and Administration  
Awesome Bible Adventures  
Imagination Station Leaders  
KidVid Cinema Leaders

Red Rocks Rec  
Photographers  
Crew Leaders  
Decoration Team  
Oasis Tastes  
Set-up/Breakdown crew members

Don't hesitate! Contact Katherine Rowley now at 702-217-6645 (cell) or [children@greenvaleypres.com](mailto:children@greenvaleypres.com). Volunteers can also register on the church website and there will be volunteer sign-ups at church, too.

## Children's Ministry Programs

### CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL - volunteer teachers needed!

GVPC offers a one-room Sunday School class for elementary age students during the 10:30 am worship service, featuring the Simply Loved curriculum from [www.group.com](http://www.group.com). Children attend the worship service and are dismissed after the Children's Sermon and to go to Sunday School.

Registration forms are available in the Christian Education Building and on the church website under the Ministries/Children tab.

For more information or to volunteer, call the church office at (702) 454-8484 or email [children@greenvalleypres.com](mailto:children@greenvalleypres.com).

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Is scheduled for the week of June 13-17 in the mornings. Volunteers and section coordinators needed!

### NURSERY CARE –

Care for infants thru age 5 is offered at the 10:30 am worship service. Volunteer for as little as one Sunday per year.

### CALVIN CREST SUMMER CAMP

For 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> grade children and youth. Week of July 10 – 15. Mark your calendar and watch for further details.

### WEEKLY CHILDREN'S WORSHIP BULLETINS

These coordinate with the Pastor's sermon. They are posted on the church website and are also available in the Narthex.

Call or text Katherine Rowley with questions, comments, or to volunteer, etc. at (702) 217-6645 (cell).

### EASTER CANDY DONATIONS NEEDED!!!



The Easter Bunny is asking for donations of **very small, individually wrapped candy** for the Easter egg hunt (mini tootsie rolls, individual starbursts, caramels, etc.) **Please no bags of mixed candy-** most of it will not fit in the eggs.

Collection baskets will be in the Narthex begin Sunday, March 27 through Sunday April 10 or drop off your donations in the office.

THANK YOU AND HAPPY EASTER!!!

## Gingerbread Fair Committee

### Lots of work with lots of fun!

It takes many hands and lots of energy to create a successful fair! The committee is always looking for new members that enjoy craft projects of all types like: sewing, painting, wood items, knitting/crocheting, card making, jewelry making, making fall & Christmas items, florals, etc. We have lots of fun and great fellowship at the same time.

The Gingerbread Committee meets the

first and third Mondays of the month from January to October. The first Monday is the business meeting at 10:00 am in the Conference Room. Crafting days are at 10:00 am in Fellowship Hall on the third Monday of each month. You can come and help others with their crafts or bring your own to work on. We are already creating and finishing items for the October fair. We could use your help so please consider joining us.

Mark your calendars

**Saturday, October 8, 2022**

Contact one of our co-chairs for more information and questions

Pam Yates at (630) 697-9929 or  
Peggy Palmer at (702) 526-5947

## Upcoming Fellowship Happenings

Everyone is invited to join us at the annual **GVPC Easter Picnic**.

**Saturday, April 16**

**11:00 am- 1:00 pm**

Fox Ridge Park,  
420 Valle Verde Dr., Henderson

Join us for fun, games, an Easter egg hunt and a visit from the Easter Bunny!

Hot dogs, hamburgers, and drinks will be provided. each family is asked to bring a salad or dessert to share.

The Fellowship Committee will host an evening at an **Las Vegas Aviators vs. Salt Lake City Bees Baseball Game on Saturday, May 14 at 7:15 pm.**

Ticket cost is \$20.00 and will be available to purchase on Sunday, April 24 and May 1 in the Narthex.

Enjoy an evening at the ball park!

## Monthly Money Matters

### YTD Financial Results through February

GVPC started the year with favorable financial results. The offerings are lower than the timed budget by 1.78% or \$2,715. As expected, we are showing a savings to the budget of \$17,438 in total expenses.

The largest savings is in personnel expense. We are experiencing a savings of \$9,307 in gross pay as the organist and Director of Christian Education positions remain unfilled at this time. We saved another \$2,462 by not using the budgeted expense during the first two months of 2022 for pulpit supply, resident artists in the choir, and musical guest artists. As a result of how we time the budget for property expense, we have a savings in the actual expense versus the timed budget of \$2,900.

### 2022 Per Capita

The single, largest check that we write

each year is for per capita expense. In February, GVPC paid the \$20,575.80 invoice. For the fourth consecutive year, our assessment remained at \$46 per member.

Although we have already paid the invoice, we ask that if you have not already paid your share of the per capita, you still do so in order to offset this cost in the operating fund. We request each member at GVPC to pay this amount over and above your regular contribution to the Operating Fund. The yearly per capita assessment is \$46 per member, not \$46 per household. You can pay by check noting per capita on the memo line or pay on the church website using the "GIVE" button and designating per capita.

### Missions

In the 2021 Annual Report, the Missions committee explained how the \$50,000 in mission giving was spent in 2021 from the \$801,872 in operating fund

offerings received. Additionally, last year you contributed \$13,845 to the three major offerings of One Great Hour of Sharing, the Pentecost Offering and the Christmas Joy Offering. We received \$20,223 in donations for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and CARE for AIDS. Locally we received donations in the amount of \$35,339 for the Backpack/Coat Drive, Friends in the Desert and the Food Bank. Deacons gave \$12,734 of the \$19,894 received to the charities they support.

In 2021, our income exceeded expense by \$150,950. The Session voted to tithe a portion of this income by giving an additional \$15,095 to mission support over and above the \$51,100 already in the 2022 operating fund expense budget. By adding up all of the revenues and giving noted above, GVPC gave 16.51% of your contributions to charities in 2021!

Dave Tyrrell, Co-Chair

### Financial Statement -- February 2022

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Current Income & Expense				Building Fund Income & Expense	
		Year- to-Date			
		Actual	Budget		YTD Actual
Offerings		\$149,717	\$152,432	Building Fund Offerings	\$200
Cell Tower Utilities		\$2,297	\$2,167	Building Fund Transfers	\$0
Other Income		-\$49	\$280	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$200</b>
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$151,965</b>	<b>\$154,879</b>	Expenses	
Total Expense		\$120,074	\$137,512	Building Fund	\$0
<b>Net Income/(Loss)</b>		<b>\$31,891</b>	<b>\$17,367</b>	Total Expense	\$0
				<b>Income Over/(Under) Expense</b>	<b>\$200</b>
Temporary Restricted Funds		Feb	2022	<b>BF Checking Account Balance</b>	<b>\$42,233</b>
Beginning Balance		\$82,259	\$98,712		
Restricted Income		\$8,773	\$11,903	<b>Custodial Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$321,328</b>
Restricted Expense		\$7,478	\$27,061	<b>Mission Develop Certificates</b>	<b>\$80,971</b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>		<b>\$83,554</b>	<b>\$83,554</b>	<b>Total Synod Investments</b>	<b>\$402,299</b>
<b>Checking Account Balances</b>					
	<b>Operating Fund</b>		<b>\$385,632</b>		
	<b>Restricted Funds</b>		<b>\$83,554</b>		