



**Glorify God
Grow in Christ and
Generously Share
God's Love and Grace**

You Go Nowhere This Week By Accident

Little did I know how much a chance encounter would brighten my time of study leave at Columbia Seminary. One of my colleagues insisted I enjoy some southern barbecue while visiting Atlanta. According to Lindsay, "no self-respecting Southerner can miss the opportunity to introduce a Yankee to Southern Cuisine." We were finishing our BBQ dinner when an elderly couple sat next to us in the crowded diner; and as some people are naturally inclined to do, Bill quickly introduced himself. As the conversation ensued, his wife, Anne, asked what I was doing in Georgia (evidently my accent was a big giveaway that I did not belong).



No sooner did I explain that I was studying at Columbia Seminary, then Anne, a spry woman of 83, threw her arms over her head and exclaimed, "Well, we're Presbyterian too! Isn't this just like the Lord to introduce us!" I think the entire restaurant stopped eating as Anne made her jubilant outburst of praise. Never have I witnessed anyone so proud of their Presbyterian heritage. Bill and Anne introduced themselves and then urged me to visit their church, Decatur Presbyterian, with the promise of a lunch after worship on Sunday. [And by now, you know your pastor will nearly always take up the offer of a free lunch.] But that's not all, Anne said, "Here is our phone number and e-mail. If you need anything this week, you call us!"

Later that week, Bill and Anne phoned to make certain I would be there on Sunday. And by the time I walked through their church doors, I was greeted by no fewer than five people who were looking for me: the pastor, a greeter, a Sunday School teacher, and of course, Bill and Anne. During their warm welcomes, I immediately thought to myself, "Now this is what every church should strive to be: a welcoming community of faith that is always looking for one more way to embrace the stranger in their midst."

As promised, Bill and Anne took me out for lunch. I quickly sensed that I was sitting next to a couple whose evident love of Christ was shaped by years of trusting God in times of joy and tears. These new friends encouraged my heart as they assured me of their prayers for my ministry and studies. In what some might describe as a "chance" encounter, I was reminded in a profound way that God is always orchestrating ways to take care of our needs with unexpected blessings.

I don't know when our paths will cross again, but you can be sure I've found some friends who will always be held near in my heart. And I bet you already know where I plan to worship the next time I'm in Decatur.

Visitors don't just happen to walk through the doors of any church. Most often, they are there because of one person's invitation. As Dick Halverson, former chaplain of the senate, often reminded his congregation: "You go nowhere this week by accident. Wherever you go, whatever you face, God is leading you. He has put you there as His servant. Walk, therefore, in His peace." I hope you'll join me in looking for those God-given moments to share the love of Christ with a stranger just as Bill and Anne did for me.

Grace and Peace –

Pastor Adrian

September 2018

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*VISION Articles are
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Fall Sermon Series "My Heart - Christ's Home"

In September, we will begin a new sermon series based on one of the most beloved sermons of the last century: "My Heart - Christ's Home" by Dr. Robert Munger. It is doubtful that Munger had any idea how influential this sermon would be when he first delivered it in 1947 at First Presbyterian Church in Berkeley, California. Since its publication in 1951, this creative allegory of the Christian life has been translated in numerous languages. In an imaginative way, Munger compares the life of the Christian to a home as he envisions God's desire to receive an open invitation to each room of our life.

September 2

"The Gift of Faith; The Reward of Discipline
The Parable of the Sower" Matthew 13:1-9 and 18-23

September 9

"A New Beginning"
John 14:1-6, 23-27

September 16

"A New Direction"
Philippians 4:4-9

September 23

"Refocused Desires"
1 John 2:12-17

September 30

Guest preacher: Rev. Dr. Kenneth C. Harper

Monday Evenings
7:00 PM in the
Conference Room
beginning
September 17

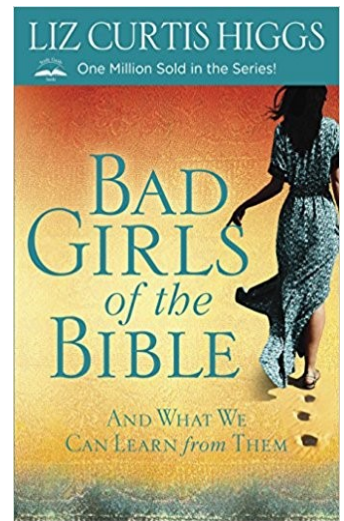
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Ten of the Bible's best-known femmes fatales parade across the pages of this popular and unforgettable study with situations that sound oh-so-familiar.

Women everywhere marvel at those "good girls" in Scripture—Sarah, Mary, Esther—but on most days, that's not who they see when they look in the mirror. Most women (if they're honest) see the selfishness of Sapphira or the deception of Delilah. They catch a glimpse of Jezebel's take-charge pride or Eve's disastrous disobedience. Like Bathsheba, Herodias, and the rest, today's modern women are surrounded by temptations, exhausted by the demands of daily living, and burdened by her own desires.

So what's a good girl to do? Learn from their lives and choose a better path, says Author Liz C. Higgs. Whether they were "Bad to the Bone," "Bad for a Season, but Not Forever" or only "Bad for a Moment," these infamous sisters show women how not to handle the challenges of life.

Ladies, please plan to join our 10-week study.



Men's Bible Study and Fellowship

This group of men meet at the church on Saturday mornings at 8:00 am for Bible Study, and breakfast on the 2nd Saturday of the month.

The group is currently studying the Book of Acts led by Kurt Johnson.

On the 4th Tuesday of every month we meet at 11:30 am for a casual lunch at Barley's located at 4500 E. Sunset Rd.

For more information, contact Joe Willis at jwillis40@cox.net.

Please join us, we look forward to meeting you!

CareNotes

The latest order of **CareNotes** have arrived. These topics have been added to the displays located at the entrance to the Sanctuary:

1. Including Your Family in Healthcare Decisions.
2. Taking Charge of Your Life as You Live with Illness.
3. Parenting a Troubled Teen.
4. Prayers of Comfort for Times of Illness.
5. When Your Child Has Cancer.

The motto on each CareNote is "**Take One – and Take Heart. Give One – and Give Hope.**"

Please help yourself to these wonderful booklets or share with a loved one or friend who may be experiencing difficulty in their life.

New Member Inquiry Class

Are you interested exploring church membership and learning more about GVPC?

Please join us at the GVPC New Member Inquiry Class on Sunday, September 16 from 11:45 am – 3:00 pm in the GVPC Conference Room. The class will include a history of the Church, the Creeds and Confessions, Church Polity, structure of the Presbyterian Church, the history of GVPC, and opportunities for Christian Education, Fellowship, and Service.

The membership class is required for anyone who wishes to become a member of GVPC. Those who simply want to know more about the church are also welcome.

Lunch will be provided and childcare upon request.

Please call the church office for more information, to request childcare and to RSVP (702) 454-8484.

Come join us and learn more about GVPC!

2018 BACKPACK OFFERING

The outpouring of support and generosity of our GVPC Congregation, along with the dedicated work of faithful volunteers, made it possible to provide 295 backpacks filled with lots of school supplies to underprivileged children in our Henderson schools! This year we increased the number of backpacks by 69% over last year and were also able to increase the number to 6 Elementary and 4 Middle Schools in Henderson Title I schools in our backpack mission. We wish to sincerely thank all of you who contributed money and school supplies in making this a tremendously successful A+++ backpack offering!

We would like to recognize the “A Team” of Cynthia Dakus, Connie Mulick, Katherine Rowley and Cheryl Wagner, who helped coordinate the backpack drive and shopped local and on-line back-to-school specials that enabled us to capitalize in streamlining the purchase of many types of school supplies at a greatly reduced price. We would also like to thank Pastor Adrian and Carol Johnson for sharing information of this meaningful community outreach mission in the weekly church bulletins and announcements during the summer months. A special thank you to Pastor Joe Fontana in giving the beautiful Backpack Blessing of all the gathered backpacks at the Saturday and Sunday church services the first week in August and to the children who helped carry them to the Fellowship Hall for assembly. Because of the tremendous turnout after the 10:30 am Sunday service, we achieved another record in completing the assembly of supplies for every backpack in just 20 minutes! We would additionally like to thank the Tierney, Gochnour, Wichmann, and Winkler families who helped deliver the backpacks to the schools.

The schools were overjoyed and grateful for the backpacks we provided. Your generous support shows how much GVPC cares for children and sharing the love of Christ in providing children in need the tools and confidence to succeed and learn. Jesus said, *“Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs.”* (Matthew 19:14). We pray the backpacks will be a sign to these children of how much Jesus loves them.

God bless you,

The Missions Committee

Financial Statement -- July 2018

Current Income & Expense			Building Fund Income & Expense	
	YTD Actual	YTD Budget		Year to Date
Offerings	\$407,761	\$408,225	Offerings	\$153,041
Cell Tower Utilities	\$3,377	\$4,650	Monthly Loan Payments	\$131,123
Other Income	\$5,036	\$9,917		
Total Income	\$416,173	\$422,792		
Total Expense			Income Over/(Under) Expense	\$21,918
Net Income/(Loss)	\$416,173	\$422,792		
Temporary Restricted Funds	July	Year to Date	Principal Balance on Loan	\$0
Beginning Balance	\$56,780	\$65,375	BF Checking Account Balance	\$37,086
Restricted Income	\$9,486	\$79,260		
Restricted Expense	\$8,319	\$86,688	Custodial Fund Balance	\$212,257
Ending Balance	\$57,947	\$57,947		
Checking Account Balance				
	Operating Fund	\$192,604		
	Restricted Funds	\$57,947		

Life Safety Task Force

The Life Safety Task Force continues to hold regular meetings and make progress in developing an organization plan and writing procedures to deal with various situations that could occur at the church. We will continue to keep you informed of our progress. Training for individuals who will respond to these situations will be conducted once the procedures are in place.

Recently a first aid kit and an Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) were procured and installed. The first aid kit is in the multi-purpose building kitchen. We have arranged for the company that sold the kit to inspect it monthly and replace items as they are used. This will insure that supplies are present when needed.

The AED is in the Sacristy in the Sanctuary. The cabinet door is alarmed to alert those in the vicinity when it is opened; the alarm stops when the door is closed. The company that supplied the AED will also inspect it monthly to assure the batteries are charged, the pads in place and the unit is ready for use. Once the pads are placed on a patient, the AED is able to detect if shock is needed and if so will talk the user through the process. However, training is still advised and will be conducted in the near future.

Adopt-a-Park

On July 28 our volunteers cleaned the Trail through the Wash area of Green Valley, Mountain View Park, Valle Verde from the Baptist Church to Wigwam, and the church grounds.

Thanks to the following who assisted for their time, dedication and effort in beautifying our community.

Jim & Bug Bond,
Ken & Esther Brown,
Ted Rauenbuehler
Rick Wagner

We clean the 4th Saturday of the month, and we meet at the church at 8:00 am. Please contact the church office at (702) 454-8484 for more information or to volunteer!

Please consider joining us in creating and preserving clean and safe trails for all to enjoy!

PREBYTERIAN YOUTH CONNECTION SEPTEMBER



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DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP FOR LUNCH!

SEPT. 8 ~ SET UP FOR NASCAR!

SEPT. 9 ~ YOUTH GROUP STARTS!!! (1 1:30 – 2:30 – LUNCH TOO!)

WE NEED EVERYONE HERE TO HELP US TO START OFF WITH A

SEPT. 16 ~ NO YOUTH GROUP!!! (NASCAR)



SEPT. 23 ~ YOUTH GROUP FROM 1 1:30 – 2:30.

SEPT. 30 ~ YOUTH GROUP FROM 1 1:30–2:30.



LADIES AND GENTLEMEN START YOUR ENGINES

SEPT. 14 – 16 ~ NASCAR FUNDRAISER

SEE RENEE FOR DETAILS

YARD SALE CAR WASH

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20 FROM 7:00 AM – 12:00 PM

YOU CAN RENT A PARKING SPOT FOR \$10.00 OR

DONATE YOUR TREASURES TO THE YOUTH TO SELL!!!

CAR WASH FOR DONATION!



SERVING CHRIST WITH YOU, RENEE KELLY (702)454-8484

Senior Adult Ministries | September 2018

Senior Resource Article

During a recent discussion with a friend, who just lost her father-in-law, I started thinking about how much easier it could be for our family if we took more steps toward preparing for our death.

I read a number of online articles on the topic and one that stood out for me was *"One Day, You're Going to Die. Here's How to Prepare for It"* by Thorin Kiosowski. The portion of the article that especially grabbed my attention was about creating an **In-Case-of-Emergency Master File** which includes everything about your life so it needs to be kept in a safe place. It should be shared with a close family member or friend.

It includes the items you would expect to find in such a file like a will, letter of instruction, living wills, birth certificates, marriage certificates, citizenship papers, divorce papers, adoption papers, social security numbers and cards, driver's licenses numbers and military records.

The article also includes information one may not think about:

Passwords for websites and other digital information.

Sources of all income.

Financial assets (institution names and account numbers for bank accounts, stocks, bonds mutual funds, pension plans, IRAs, life insurance, etc.)

Real estate.

Other assets (automobiles, boats, precious gems, items in storage, etc.)

Liabilities (phone numbers for credit card institutions, mortgages, personal loans etc.)

Trust documents.

We did our estate planning several years ago, with a lawyer who specializes in that field. We have many of these items pulled together but not all of them. As it has probably been 10 years since we last met with the lawyer, it would be a good idea for us to update everything as things change in that many years. We want to make the task of settling our estate as easy on our family as we can.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Rauenbuehler – Director of Senior Adult Ministries

Monthly Ladies Luncheon

All ladies are invited!

Thursday, September 6 at 11:30 am at
Outback Steakhouse on Stephanie and Warm Springs

Please RSVP Linda Rauenbuehler at (702) 558-7829 or
llrauenbuehler@cox.net.

We have a great group of ladies and we extend the invitation for more to join us!
See you there!

Bunco

Please join us at the monthly Bunco event! We will meet on **Thursday, September 20** from 10:00 am -12:00 pm in the GVPC Fellowship Hall.

There is no need to know how to play because we will teach you and you will pick it up in no time. We have a very friendly, fun and energetic group of players and we welcome you to come and join us. ***Come Roll With Us!***

For further information please contact Linda Rauenbuehler at (702) 558-7829 or llrauenbuehler@cox.net.

Children's Ministries | September 2018

Sunday Morning Children's Programs

Welcome back as we begin our fall programs! Sunday school for ages Pre-Kindergarten through fifth grade are now meeting during the 10:30 am service in the Christian Education Bldg. Children begin the morning in the Sanctuary with their families. After the Children's Sermon the students will be escorted to the C. E. building where they will report to their appropriate classrooms:

Pre-K/Kindergarten – Room #4

1st/2nd grade – Room #3

3rd/4th/5th grade – Room #2

We are excited to offer a new curriculum titled *"Deep Blue – At Home With God"* from Cokesbury for grades 1st through 5th. Come dive deep into God's Word as we share Bible stories and learn how to live as disciples of Jesus. Continue learning throughout the week with take home Bible story pages and a downloadable mobile app that provides games and activities to reinforce the lesson.

Join us as we continue to dive into our new elementary age curriculum, *"Deep Blue - At Home with God."*

Unit 1- Jesus' Family

September 2nd – Jesus Creates a Family – Matthew 4: 18-22

September 9th – Jesus and the Children – Mathew 19 -13-15

Unit 2 – Family Blessings

September 16 – Family Blessings – Genesis 25: 19-34; 27:1-16

September 23 – Joseph and His Brothers – Genesis 37:1-36; 42:1-46; 34

September 30 – Moses and His Sister – Exodus 1: 8 – 2:10

Check out the downloadable game app at the Play Store: Deep Blue Adventures

Preschool/Kindergarten will offer the *"Growing With God"* Curriculum from Gospel Light.

9:00 Celebration (pre-K through 2nd grade) will utilize *"My Great Big God"* from Gospel Light.

Back 2 School

Dana's Place, The Children's Library

Ready---- Set-----Go-----to Dana's place. The new school year is here. Our library has a grand "Back 2 School" book display. Check out our educational books; supplement your class experience; make new discoveries.

Our library is convenient. Our library has an open ended check out policy with no time limit on the return. Therefore, you can have books for a couple weeks or much longer. There is no limit on the number of books you can check out. No library card or dues.....Just plain learning fun through books.

Happy "School Days" and the "Golden Rule Days"

Practice this scripture throughout the school year.

"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

Matthew 7:12



Dr. Spencer Baker *Director of Music Ministries*
Kaymen Carter *Assistant Director of Music Ministries*
Amy Homer-Smith *Organist/Pianist*

Thursday	6:00 pm	Joy Ringers Handbell Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	7:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sunday	9:00 & 10:30 am	Chancel Choir (8:15 am Warm-Up ~ Sanctuary)
	9:45 - 10:15 am	Rainbow Children’s Choir Rehearsal – Room 7

The GVPC 13th ANNUAL DIY MESSIAH CONCERT will be held on Wednesday, December 12 at 7:00 pm with soloists and a chamber orchestra. We also look forward to members of the community who have sung with us through the years joining along and invite new singers to support the Henderson Presbyterian Church Food Bank. If you would like to join the MESSIAH committee, please attend our next meeting on Sept. 18 at 6:00 pm. The Worship & Music Committee meeting will directly follow the MESSIAH Committee meeting in the Christian Ed. Building.

Opening Fall Choir Clinic and Potluck

The Chancel Choir will resume the 2018-19 programmatic year the second week of September. We will have an opening Fall Choir Clinic, Saturday September 8 from 9:00 am-Noon. All choir members and especially new singers who would like to join the Chancel Choir are strongly encouraged to attend for fellowship, rehearsal, and an opening Choir Potluck immediately following the Clinic! We hope to see anyone interested in joining us at the Clinic and Potluck! The first Sunday service with Chancel choir will be the next day, Sunday, September 9.

COME AND JOIN US!

MUSIC MINISTRIES UPCOMING SEPTEMBER SCHEDULE:

Sunday, September 2	9:00 & 10:30am	Allen Merritt, soloist Communion Sunday
Sunday, September 9	9:00 & 10:30am	Chancel Choir Music Ministries Commissioning
Sunday, September 16	9:00 & 10:30am	Chancel Choir
Sunday, September 23	9:00 & 10:30am	Chancel Choir Rainbow Children’s Choir (10:30 am only)
Sunday, September 30	9:00 & 10:30am	Chancel Choir



Dr. Spencer Baker ~ 454-8484 ext. 506

Dear GVPC family and friends-

Thank you to Pastor Adrian and my GVPC church family for the cards, thoughts, and many kind words that have been sent during my illness.

These are much appreciated and have lifted my spirits.

With heartfelt thanks,

Anne Neal

Fall Fellowship Happenings

The Fellowship Committee invites all GVPC members and friends to the following fun and fantastic events:

Sunday, September 16 at 3:00 pm - Children's Ice cream social with their families. Games, activities, and the movie "Up" for the children included.

Friday, September 28 at 6:00 pm - Polish Luau (first forty signed up.) Cost is 7.50 per person. Come in your favorite Hawaiian attire to enjoy Kielbasa, polish sausages, and root vegetables grilled in our specialty barbeque. Fun and games included.

Friday, October 26 at 6:30 pm - Join us for the 2nd annual Chili Cook-off and Line Dancing.

Are Your Baking and Culinary Skills the talk of your Family and Friends?

If so, you could really help stock the Gingerbread Fair Pantry on Saturday, October 13!
Here are some suggestions to help you decide what to make or bake for the Gingerbread Fair Pantry.

Special Note: We CANNOT safely handle anything that must be kept COLD OR NEEDS SPECIAL CARE. COOLERS DO NOT work as the time period is too long and items get overlooked.

- Whatever you make, ***please provide a note with a special ingredient used*** (nuts, fruits, chocolate or peanut butter.) People are concerned with allergies and we are frequently asked what the baked goods contain.
- ***Small portions are best.*** Large loaves and cakes are too much for most people.
- ***Sugar-free items*** are requested. Do you have a great recipe to make for us?
- ***Fudge*** is always popular as are ***brownies***. Especially iced brownies.
- ***Nut and/or fruit breads*** are very popular, especially ***in medium and small sizes.***
- ***Cookies***, any kind, are huge favorites! ***Remember: please note any nuts and the type in the cookies.***
- ***Pies*** are also very popular.
- ***Any other specialties, except cold items***, that you make are most welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Candice Bush at the email below.

Thank you! We appreciate your participation. The money earned at the Fair is used for non-budgeted items at GVPC and for local mission projects.

Food items may be delivered to the Conference Room in the Multi-Purpose Building on Friday, October 12.
A Pantry Committee member will be in the Conference Room from 11:00 am until 6:00 pm.

Questions?

Please email Candice Bush: cblv5147@gmail.com

**October 13th Arrives Sooner
Than You Think!!**



Gingerbread Craft Fair
Saturday, October 13th—9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
In GVPC's Fellowship Hall



Over the years, the Gingerbread Fair Committee volunteers have contributed their time, talent, and originality to produce excellent and affordable gifts, décor, and seasonal items for fair shoppers to buy for family, friends, teachers, and associates. We have some unique items in our impressive collections of finished items, all put together with 'loving hands.' Be sure to check out our ever-popular **Pantry**, a place to pick up your favorite baked goods, delicious jams, jellies, and maybe a surprise; head over to the **Kitchen Table** for dining and kitchen specialties. It is never too early to look for **Fall and Christmas Holiday** items. There are tables and racks set up for **Gifts and Pets, Ornaments/Angels, Halloween/Fall**, exquisite handmade **Cards** for all occasions; **Jewelry** where you might find that exceptional piece for someone special.

We do need your help for quality items. Our wish list includes:

--Baked goods, pantry-ready jams, jellies, and other goodies for our "Gingerbread Pantry." (We will only accept these items on Friday, October 12. See additional article with Pantry donation details.) --Completed new crafts, including Fall or Christmas items, specialty items or other fun or decorative items that you wish to donate.

Non-perishable original craft items may be delivered on Wednesday, October 10 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm to Fellowship Hall. Contact Joan Randle or Carol Jordan at the numbers below if you are unable to deliver them, as they can arrange for pick-up by a committee member.

To thank the congregation for supporting our Fair over the years, the Gingerbread Fair Committee will be hosting the coffee hour on **Sunday, September 30**. Don't miss this opportunity to sample some of the goodies that will be in the pantry area at the Fair!

Do you enjoy crafts and want to be in on the fun of helping put this together? You can join the Committee at any time. The GFC meets January through October on the first Monday of the month for the business meeting in the Conference Room and the third Monday for craft session in Fellowship Hall. Please contact Joan Randle (702) 837-7336 or Carol Jordan (702) 616-1935 for information or questions. Or, visit the GFC web page on the GVPC website.

Due to holiday, our next business meeting is September 10; the final craft session is September 17.

The Gingerbread Fair Committee thanks you for all your help and support!!!

Calling ALL 6TH – 8TH GRADE STUDENTS

The exploration begins on September 9 from 11:30 am– 2:30 pm
Room 1 in the C.E. building

Deep Blue youth will...

Be with God

Love God and neighbor

Understand themselves as children of God

Explore faith and the Bible

We're glad you're here to dive deep *into* God's word with us. We'll have adventures, hear exciting Bible stories, and learn how to live as disciples of Jesus through service – just like Jesus taught! Submerge also emphasizes nurturing faithful relationships while engaging in activities!!!

Looking forward to a great year as we grow in faith together!

Healing Hearts

Healing Hearts meets the 3rd Sunday of each month at 11:30 am in the Conference Room. If you feel that you are hurting after the loss of a loved one, please join us after the second service.

From Amy Ross Mumford—

When you move out of the past,
Walk before the LORD in the land of the living,
And look forward to the future,
You are on that road to recovery.

Jesus said....

“The spirit of the LORD is upon me,
because he hath appointed me to preach
the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me
to heal the brokenhearted. . . .to
set at liberty them that are bruised.”

Luke 4:18

After the death of your special person,
there is still life for you.
Let the LORD Jesus Christ be the healer of your
broken heart.

Someday you will be able to smile and say,
“MY broken heart is healed.”

Someday. . . .

Deacons Corner

The Board of Deacons is very grateful for your continued and generous support in the form of money in the Deacons envelopes & items for the food banks we support!! Please, keep it up!! There are lots of people in need.

The Board of Deacons annual Christmas in July was a SUCCESS!!

This project benefits the food pantries in the Henderson area. Thanks to the generosity of our wonderful congregation we collected the much needed nonperishable food, clothing, toiletries and other needed items to the Henderson Food Bank and to Friends in the Desert at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church in Henderson. This year we were able to collect over 5 loads of donations for Henderson Food Bank and made an \$1,800.00 cash donation to BOTH Friends In the Desert and Henderson Food Bank!!! The Board of Deacons would like to thank Johanna Eggen and team for the hard work.

Disaster Relief

Thanks to the generosity of this congregation, we were able to donate to help those effected by the California Wild Fires and to World Charities to help children in third world countries.

Save the Date!!

The next Blood Drive is scheduled for October 21st, please add this date to your calendars. Thank you for your support!!

We are looking forward to celebrating our new members with a brunch in December. Keep you eyes peeled for a date coming soon!!

The Deacons recognize that without you we could not share God's love to the extent as expressed by your generous giving. Please remember to bring your aluminum beverage cans, extra food items for the Henderson Presbyterian food closet and bulk food items for Friends of the Desert. We thank you again for your continued material and financial support so we can do more for others!

Phoebe Bible Study

We invite all ladies to join us at Phoebe Bible Study.
Linda Zeller will lead a study of Proverbs.

This group meets 2nd and 4th Friday of the month at 1:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. The first meeting for fall will be on September 14.

Please join us for an afternoon of insightful discussion, fellowship, and sharing.

Ladies Bible Fellowship

1st and 3rd Wednesdays @ 10:00 a.m.
Conference Room

September through May.

We share prayers, encouragement, and Christian Living Studies that help us take God's amazing love into our hearts and into our world!

For more info or questions,
contact group leader Cindy Cerullo or the Church Office (702) 454-8484

Please join us on September 5 at 10:00 am.

FRIENDS IN THE DESERT

On **Saturday, August 11** we served a hot lunch of grilled brats with peppers and onions, baked beans, pickles, and ice cream bars at St Timothy's Church. There were 80 meals served and 38 take-out meals. Additionally, the Lunch Brigade prepared and delivered 94 sack lunches.

The sack lunch program is a wonderful way to serve those in need in our community. Each month a group of loyal volunteers prepare sack lunches consisting of two peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and a piece of fruit. They deliver the lunches to church where a bag of chips and a bag of cookies are added, making it a nice meal for our "Friends" when the dining room at St. Tim's is closed for Sunday services. Judy Avery has been managing this program but is no longer available due to out of town obligations.

Please consider volunteering to manage this wonderful program. You only need to work at the church on the morning of the second Friday of every month. We have backup volunteers if you are occasionally unable to participate. The person volunteering for this job will pack the lunch bags and deliver them to St. Timothy's in Henderson. We no longer have a church van available to use, so volunteers will need to have a vehicle that will hold six large boxes of lunches. This outreach program is one of the most rewarding at GVPC. You will not only be serving the community, but you will also have an opportunity to develop friendships with our loyal group of volunteers who prepare the sandwiches. If you are considering being a part of this program and have questions or wish to volunteer, please call Judy Avery at (702)-528-6775.

Judy Avery has also been managing the clothing distribution for our Friends in The Desert. Since she will be out of town frequently, Pam and Ron Sharets have graciously volunteered to handle this part of our GVPC Friends in the Desert program. If you wish to purchase socks or underwear for them to distribute next month, please consider purchasing men's new white crew socks and men's new white T-shirts in sizes medium, large or x-large. If you have questions regarding the clothing, you may call or text Pam Sharets at (702) 339-6699.

The **Saturday, Sept 8** luncheon will be meatball sub sandwiches with chips, dill pickle spears, ice cream bars and lemonade. Co-chairs are JoEllen Lewis (206)-948-8544 and Michelle Morgando (702) 245-7447.

Volunteers for food items and/or helping to serve are always appreciated and welcome. The full menu is located on the sign up board at the back of the Narthex. Items you sign up for must be delivered to the church Fellowship Hall kitchen no later than 11:30 am on the Friday before the meal or delivered to the back door at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church (42 West Pacific Ave, Henderson) by 10:45 am on the Saturday the meal is served. Please mark all items you leave at the church "FITD" and please include your name.

A heartfelt *Thank You and Blessings* to all of you, who in God's service of helping the less fortunate, donate money through GVPC by marking your check "FITD" in the memo line or pew envelope, donate food and clothing items, and/or volunteer.

Lorne Schmidt and Terry McNamara, August 2018 FITD Co-Chairs

GIVE THANKS WITH A GRATEFUL HEART

Here are 2 Convenient Ways to Give

Earlier this year, we introduced eGiving that allows you to give directly from your computer. Now we have expanded your options by providing the option giving via text. The instructions below explain the process to give either from the website or by text.

To give by text send a message to 73256. The message should read GVPCNV followed by the amount you want to give. You will receive a reply message that contains a link to a website. Tap on the link; once the website opens you can choose the fund to which you want to give and fill in the blanks with other necessary information.

ONLINE:

- Click the GIVE button on the church website:
www.greenvalleypres.com.
- Enter the amount you want to give, select a fund, and enter your email address.
- Click CONTINUE and choose how you want to give:
Sign in or create an account to give and schedule future contributions.
Continue as a guest to give right now.

TEXT:

- Text GVPCNV and AMOUNT to 73256.
- Click the link you receive in your text message response.
- Follow the prompts to give.

Text giving will save your payment information so you can quickly give again if you chose.

Thank you for your continuing generosity in support of the work of the Lord at GVPC.

SAVE THE DATE

For the following upcoming events at GVPC:

FALL CHOIR CLINIC AND POTLUCK

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 ~ 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

AMY HOMER-SMITH, ORGAN CONCERT

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 ~ 7:30 PM

NEW MEMBER INQUIRY CLASS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 ~ 11:45 AM – 3:00 PM

ICE CREAM SOCIAL AND MOVIE "Up"

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 ~ 3:00 PM

GVPC LIVE: CONCERT SERIES ~ EMMA PEASE-BYRON, FLUTE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 ~ 7:30 PM

FELLOWSHIP POLISH LUAU

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 ~ 6:00 PM

GINGERBREAD FAIR

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13 ~ 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

GVPC LIVE: CONCERT SERIES ~ JACK CIMO, GUITAR

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13 ~ 7:30 PM

GVPC YOUTH CAR WASH AND GARAGE SALE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20 ~ 7:00 AM - 11:00 AM

BLOOD DRIVE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21 ~ 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

CHILI COOK OFF

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26 ~ 6:30 PM

NEW MEMBER INQUIRY CLASS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4 ~ 11:45 AM - 3:00 PM

GVPC LIVE: CONCERT SERIES ~ DANIEL GAISFORD, CELLO

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10 ~ 7:30 PM

GRIEFSHARE "SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS"

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11 ~ 11:45 AM - 3:00 PM

GVPC ADVENT POTLUCK

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2 ~ 11:45 AM

13TH ANNUAL MESSIAH

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12 ~ 7:00 PM

Live at GVPC
CONCERT SERIES
19th Season 2018

Dr. Spencer Baker, Artistic Director

Saturday, September 15 ~ 7:30 PM

Amy Homer-Smith: Organ Recital

Free-Will Offering

GVPC resident organist will be presenting a CARE for AIDS Benefit Fundraiser Concert and Steinway fundraiser. ALSO Featuring Senior Pastor, Rev Adrian N. Doll and Dr. Spencer Baker, Director of Music Ministries.



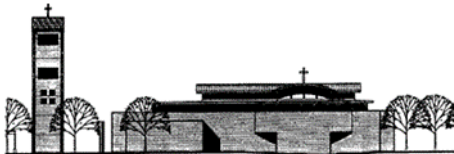
Saturday, September 22 ~ 7:30 PM

Emma Pease-Byron: Water in the Desert: Solo Flute Recital

Free-Will Offering

Featuring Emma Pease-Byron, flute; accompanied by Eri Chih, piano; with special guest, Clare Birmingham, flute. This aquatic themed exploration of 19th and 20th century music will be bringing water to our parched valley with *Undine Sonata for Flute and Piano* by Carl Reinecke, *Sonata (Three Lakes)* by Daniel Dorff & *Deep Blue* by Ian Clarke. Emma Pease-Byron and Eri Chih perform and teach in the Las Vegas area.

Great Music



Great Acoustics

Free-Will Offering

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**Join us for
Worship:**

Saturday Evening
5:00-6:00 PM
*A Cry Room is available for
parents with infants.*

Sunday Morning
Traditional Service
9:00 AM & 10:30 AM
with Communion the first
Sunday of each month.
Nursery Provided.

Sunday School
10:40 AM– 11:30 AM
for children and youth.

Coffee Hour and Fellowship
10:00 AM in the
Fellowship Hall