

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

**From the Pastor's Desk**

**Time for a Reset**

Have you ever noticed how easy it is to lose sight of what's most important when you find yourself running on automatic? When our schedules are jam-packed, we often let our priorities move to the backburner until we get that undeniable realization that something has to change. We put off going to the gym until we notice our pants are too tight (trust me...I know this one only too well). In the busyness of the holidays, we neglect self-care as we overindulge and burn the candle at both ends. And by January, we often feel this need to recommit ourselves to healthy habits.

The start of the new year is often an occasion to reset our habits with our priorities. In much the same way, Lent is an invitation to recharge our spiritual batteries. We're invited to step back from the commitments and activities that get in the way of our spiritual growth. In recent years, however, many Christians have embraced a new way of observing Lent by focusing on a spiritual discipline or an act of service. This month we have several important activities designed to help each one of us walk through the season of Lent with intentionality.

**Ash Wednesday Service – March 6 at 7:00 pm**

Our service will include communion and the imposition of ashes as we begin our Lenten journey to the cross. I hope you will join us as we remember and give thanks for God's gift of grace.

**Lenten Wednesday Evening Services at 7:00 pm**

On Wednesday nights during Lent we will look at stories of men and women who had life-changing encounters with Jesus such as the woman who anointed Jesus at Bethany (John 12), the woman caught in adultery (John 8), and the Paralytic who was healed by Jesus (Mark 2). Our services, designed to draw us into the rhythm of Lent, will include hymns, a weekly meditation, and evening prayer.

**"Faith, Perseverance, and Resilience in an Ever-Changing World" – Saturday, March 30**

Following her popular presentation last year, we will welcome Rev. Dr. Lydia Sarandan to GVPC once again. Lydia will present a workshop on "Faith, Perseverance, and Resilience in an Ever-Changing World." We will explore practical ways to cultivate the Christian characteristics of perseverance and resilience as we encounter life's expected and unexpected challenges. Our morning will begin at 8:30 am with refreshments and our class will begin at 9:00 am.

I hope you will join us once again this year as we pause to consider both our need and the evidence of God's grace. And I trust your Lenten Journey is one of joy as we give thanks for God's invitation to new life in Jesus Christ.

Pastor Adrian

**March 2019**

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**PLEASE NOTE:**

*VISION Articles are  
always due on the  
15th of each month.*

## Lenten Sermon Series at GVPC

This month we begin a new sermon series, *Intersections*. Guided by Luke's Gospel, we will look at moments in the life of Jesus that intersect with ours. We will ask such questions as "What does Jesus' baptism teach us about our baptism?" "How does Jesus' temptation inspire us to resist temptation?" and "What does Jesus' transfiguration show us about God's work of transformation?" As we study Jesus' life and ministry, we will discover that Jesus came to Earth not only to show us the Father's love but also how to live with confidence knowing that we belong to God.

### March 3 – Communion Sunday

"Jesus' Transfiguration and Your Transformation"  
Luke 9:28-36; Romans 12:1-2

### March 6 – Ash Wednesday

Psalm 51; Luke 18:9-14  
"God's Mercy and Our Attempt to Earn It"

### March 10

"Jesus' Baptism and Your Baptism"  
Isaiah 43:1-3; Luke 3:15-22

### March 17

"Jesus' Temptation and Your Temptation"  
Luke 4:1-15; Hebrews 4:14-16

### March 24

"Jesus' Power and Your Need"  
Luke 5:17-26

### March 31

"Jesus' Story and Your Story"  
Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

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The services will be held March 13 thru April 10 at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

## Ladies Bible Fellowship

Join us Wednesdays, March 6 and 20 at 10:00 am.  
in the Conference Room.

We are studying  
*Prayer: "Experiencing Awe and Intimacy with God"*  
by Timothy Keller.

For more information, contact group leader Cindy Cerullo  
or the church office (702) 454-8484.

## 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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month at  
1:00 pm in the Conference Room.

Come for an afternoon of insightful discussion.

## 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month.

The group is currently studying the Books of Ephesians.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:jwillis40@cox.net). We look forward to meeting you!

## Monday Night Women's Bible Study

Come join us as we study "Really Bad Girls of the Bible."  
Whether they were *Bad and Proud of It*, *Bad for a Good Reason*, *Bad but Not Condemned*, or found themselves in the wrong place at the wrong time, the lives of the "Really Bad Girls of the Bible" all demonstrate one thing: God's Sovereignty.

The group meets on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm in the  
Conference Room.

Please contact Julie Winkler at [7winks@cox.net](mailto:7winks@cox.net)  
with questions or to sign up.

## SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

**A motion was made** to approve the following actions as a continuation of ongoing practices:

- a. The Pastor is authorized by Session to perform baptisms after appropriate counseling and at his own discretion and report them to Session at their next Stated Meeting. Reference: W-3.0403 and January 2018 Session minutes.
- b. Individual Deacons and Elders are authorized to serve communion to shut-ins with the Pastor. Reference: W-3.0414 and January 2018 Session minutes.
- c. Communion is served by the Pastor and ordained Elders and Deacons who are members of GVPC. It is understood by Session that communion servers will not be limited to current members of Session or the Board of Deacons. Reference: W-3.0414 and January 2018 Session minutes.
- d. Communion is served normally at each Saturday worship service, at worship services on the first Sunday of each month, and at such other times as Session may designate. Reference: W.3-0410 and January 2018 Session minutes.
- e. The Clerk of Session, the Minute Clerk, and any GVPC staff member in attendance at a Session meeting are granted voice in the meeting. Reference: January 2018 Session minutes.

The motion carried with correction.

**Fellowship and Congregational Nurture Committee** - Ruling Elders Cynthia Dakus and Bernadette O'Neill

A motion was made to approve the Potluck immediately following the Annual Congregational Meeting on January 27, 2019.

A motion was made to approve the March 1, 2019, Mamma's Wranglers Show and Barbeque at the Firelight Theater in Henderson at 6:30 pm. A maximum of 70 people can attend.

A motion was made to approve the Annual Easter Picnic at Fox Ridge Park on April 20, 2019.

The motions carried.

**Membership and Outreach Committee** - Ruling Elders David Cornell and Doug Small

A motion was made to approve a Theologian-in-Residence weekend with Dr. Mark Douglas, Professor of Christian Ethics at Columbia Theological Seminary. The date and seminar topic TBD. The cost was included in the 2019 Budget, account #5154. The motion carried.

**Nominating Committee** - Ruling Elder Ron Sharets

Nomination of Michele Fisher as Deacon, Class of 2021, and Donna Rorer as Elder, Class of 2021, to fill unexpired terms, will be presented to the Congregation for a vote at the annual meeting on January 27, 2019.

**Worship and Music Committee** - Ruling Elder Bill Ruby

A motion was made to approve the Reverend Hilda G. Pecoraro, Pastor Emerita; Reverend Dr. Kenneth C. Harper, Pastor Emeritus; Reverend Robert Crall; and Reverend Joe Fontana to preach and administer the sacraments as the Pastor may request, such approval to be renewed annually. The motion carried.

A motion was made to approve a concert by the Las Vegas Master Singers on March 30, 2019.

The motion carried.

**Christian Education Committee** - Ruling Elders Sherri Brewer and Ann Fields

A motion was made to approve the youth to collect food items in the surrounding neighborhood for the 'Souper Bowl of Caring' on January 27, 2019.

A motion was made to approve the youth to work the NASCAR fundraiser at the Las Vegas Motor Speedway; set-up date Saturday, February 23, and race days Friday-Sunday, March 1-3, 2019.

A motion was made to approve the youth to attend the Presbyterian Youth Triennium at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana, July 16-20, 2019. Exact number of attendees to be confirmed by January 30, 2019; at this date there are 8 young people and 3 leaders from GVPC, and we are waiting on numbers from Grace Presbyterian.

A motion was made to approve the youth to attend a "Mystery Trip" at the conclusion of Triennium from July 20-24, 2019.

The motions carried.

## Session Highlights (Cont.)

**Administration Committee** - Ruling Elders Allen Randle and John Noel

A motion was made to approve that the 2019 Per Capita payment of \$21,031.20 be paid before February 15, 2019.

A motion was made to approve payment of the license fee of \$1795 for our network router and 5 WiFi access points. This expenditure was not anticipated in the 2019 budget and will overrun Account #5032 Computers.

The motions carried.

A motion was made that Carol Johnson be elected as Treasurer for the year 2019.

The motion carried.

A motion was made to elect Julie Winkler as Clerk of Session for 2019, to replace Hanny Viner, who stepped down due to family health issues.

A New Members Inquirers' Class will be held on Saturday, 23 February 2019, from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm. A Special Meeting of Session was called for Saturday, 23 February 2019, at 12:00 pm to examine and receive new members.

A trip to Israel is planned by Rev. Adrian Doll from October 28 through November 5, 2019.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Julie Winkler  
Clerk of Session

## 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.

### We Need Your Help

Friends in the Desert is in need of warm clothing in larger sizes. Winter clothes are desperately needed in the form of sweatshirts, jackets, jeans/ pants, hats, gloves, and long sleeved shirts.

### Save the Date!!

Meet Your Deacon Sunday is scheduled for March 17..... please come and meet your Deacon at Coffee Hour at 10:00 am!

Blood Drive - The next blood drive is scheduled for March 24, please add this date to your calendars.

Thank you for your support!!

### Thank You

Thanks to your unending support the Board of Deacons is now able to support our community by giving to the African Community Center & Ethiopian Community Development Council. This organization helps people that have relocated to the United States. The refugees have green cards. The agency helps the client get an apartment, a job and cultural orientation. They are in need of various items. If you would like to help or know more, please reach out to Michelle Fisher at [michethebel@hotmail.com](mailto:michethebel@hotmail.com).

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 extra food items for the Henderson Presbyterian Food Bank 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!

## Senior Resource Article

### Palliative Care and Hospice Care

Recently, I was asked if I thought most people knew the difference between Hospice and Palliative care. I thought I knew, but wasn't sure so I thought it would make a good topic for a "Vision" article.

The objective of both palliative and hospice care is to provide comfort and compassionate care including pain and symptom relief. Both provide quality of life for the patient and the family. A definition of palliative care is compassionate comfort care that provides relief from the symptoms and physical and mental stress of a serious or life-limiting illness. Palliative care can be helpful at any stage of illness and is best provided from the point of diagnosis. It is utilized in conjunction with medical treatment. A multidisciplinary team works with the patient, the family and the patient's doctors to provide medical, emotional, social and practical support. The team can consist of doctors, nurses, social workers, nutritionists, counselors, and chaplains specializing in palliative care. Even in cases where a disease is expected to be fatal, palliative care can help patients live as active of life as possible.

At some point, the treatments may not be curing or even slowing down the disease and the patient may decide to discontinue treatment. Hospice is designed for this situation. A definition of hospice care is compassionate comfort care for people facing a terminal illness with a prognosis of six months or less based on their physician's estimate if the disease runs its course as expected. With hospice care, the treatment for the terminal illness is stopped but treatment for potentially curable conditions such as pneumonia, bladder infections, and high blood pressure can be continued. Hospice care also offers respite care for caregivers. This often involves trained volunteers as volunteer care is part of the hospice philosophy.

There is so much more to know about hospice and palliative care and this barely scratches the surface. I had heard in the past that quality of life, however long it is, can be improved with these two resources so I know my mind is open to learning more about palliative and hospice care.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Rauenbuehler – Director of Congregational Care

### CareNotes

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

1. When Your Child Has Cancer.
2. Steps for Facing a Life-Threatening Illness.
3. Recovering from Postpartum Depression.
4. Making Sense Out of Suffering.
5. Doing Your Best as a Single Parent.

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.

### Healing Hearts

*Our mission statement is to  
"open our hearts, minds and souls,  
letting the Holy Spirit heal our losses in a  
safe environment; in turn commit  
to help others who come after us to heal."*

Grief is an emotion that we all experience in our lives. It can be from loss of a job or pet, or it can be a deep sorrow for a loved one like spouse, child, parent, or anyone that we have affection for and have loved.

If you suffer grief for any reason, please join us  
the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month at 11:45 am  
to help your healing process.

We welcome you with open hearts, arms and love.

## Monthly Money Matters

March 2019

The January Financial Statement below tends to indicate that things are not going well after only one month of the new year. Both income and expenses show significant deviation from budget. Fortunately, the reality is much more positive. Even though the offerings for the month were \$5,000 under budget, they were more than one twelfth of the annual budget. In the first few months of the year, several members of the congregation make lump-sum payments for the year. We don't always know the exact month these payments will be made so the budget can be off a month or two. That is what happened in January; we expect that offerings will match or exceed budget by the end of March.

The expense side is a similar situation, but easier to explain. Our per capita obligation is \$23,368 which can be reduced to \$21,031 if we make our payment by February 15<sup>th</sup>, which we always try to do. This year we budgeted the \$21,031 in February but made the payment in January. Thus, the accounting shows the budget being over-expended. However, in February, the budget will catch up with the spending and the over-expenditure will go away.

Check in again next month when we expect a very different picture financially.

Respectfully  
The Administration Committee

### Financial Statement -- January 2019

Current Income & Expense		Building Fund Income & Expense	
	<u>YTD Actual</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Offerings	\$57,785	\$62,887	\$1,550
Cell Tower Utilities	\$423	\$1,033	\$0
Other Income	\$233	\$475	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$58,441</b>	<b>\$64,395</b>	
Total Expense	71374.6	59122.54	<b>Income Over/(Under) Expense</b>
<b>Net Income/(Loss)</b>	<b>-\$12,934</b>	<b>\$5,272</b>	<b>\$1,550</b>
Temporary Restricted Funds		<u>Year to Date</u>	<b>BF Checking Account Balance</b>
Beginning Balance		\$81,344	<b>\$36,872</b>
Restricted Income		\$4,973	
Restricted Expense		\$11,565	<b>Custodial Fund Balance</b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>		<b>\$74,752</b>	<b>\$213,563</b>
<b>Checking Account Balance</b>			<b>Mission Development Certificates</b>
<b>Operating Fund</b>		<b>\$107,882</b>	<b>\$75,399</b>
<b>Restricted Funds</b>		<b>\$74,752</b>	<b>Total Synod Investments</b>
			<b>\$288,962</b>



## ***“Faith, Perseverance, and Resilience in an Ever-Changing World.”***

**Guest Speaker: Dr. Lydia Sarandan**

**Saturday, March 30**

**9:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

Lydia Sarandan, former Minister of Adult Education at St. Andrew’s Presbyterian Church in Newport Beach, will be leading a workshop on faith and perseverance in an ever-changing world. As Dr. Sarandan observes, “We cannot give to others what we do not have and cultivate within. Our Spiritual power, our physical stamina, and emotional strength comes from God.” We will explore practical ways to cultivate the Christian characteristics of perseverance and resilience as we encounter life’s expected and unexpected challenges.

Lydia Sarandan is a much beloved pastor who served for 28 years as Minister of Adult Education at St. Andrew’s Presbyterian Church. She is currently the Chairperson of the Advisory Board of the Salvation Army in Orange County. In addition, Lydia has served as Pastor-in-Residence at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary and as a Visiting Instructor in Pastoral Care at Daystar University in Nairobi, Kenya.

A continental breakfast will be provided beginning at 8:30 am.

Please RSVP to the church office (702) 454-8484 by Wednesday, March 27.

## **Many Hands Make Light Work!**

The Gingerbread Fair Committee meets the **first and third Mondays** of each month from January to October. The business meetings are held in the Conference Room and the craft sessions are held in Fellowship Hall. Both begin at 10:00 am. The March business meeting is the 4<sup>th</sup> and the craft meeting is the 18<sup>th</sup>.

The first meeting is our business meeting where new ideas for projects are presented along with financial and craft fair decisions. The second meeting is craft day where those ideas and projects are put into production.

We have already completed work on some projects for our **October 12, 2019 Gingerbread Fair!** It takes many hands to put on a successful fair; so, we welcome new members who enjoy craft projects: sewing, painting, knitting/crocheting, stamping, jewelry making, etc. We have a lot of fun and fellowship! For an update on the scheduled projects for the craft sessions, please contact our Craft Coordinator, Estelle Brennan 702-721-6026 ([estelleavb@hotmail.com](mailto:estelleavb@hotmail.com))

Please contact one of our Co-Chairs if you have questions: Julie Winkler at 702-269-0303 ([7winks@cox.net](mailto:7winks@cox.net)) or Shari Jackson at 702-860-4032 ([sharij89074@cox.net](mailto:sharij89074@cox.net)).

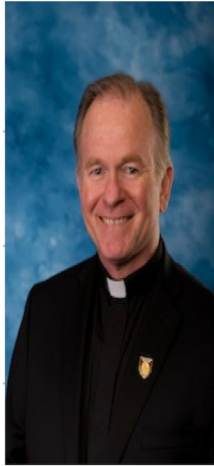
**And don’t forget—Mark the Date Now  
For the Best Gingerbread Fair Ever!  
Saturday, October 12, 2019**

# Thank You

Please join us for an Interfaith Breakfast featuring

## *Father Patrick Conroy*

60th Chaplain of the United States House of  
Representatives



### *Chaplaincy in an Usual Setting: Stories Behind the Headlines*

Fr. Pat Conroy, is a Jesuit of the Oregon Province of the Society of Jesus. In May of 2011 Fr. Conroy was nominated as the 60th Chaplain to United States House of Representatives, and was elected by the House and sworn in by the Speaker on May 25, 2011.

*Monday, March 11th at 8:00 AM*

Congregation Ner Tamid  
55 N. Valle Verde Drive, Henderson  
cost: \$10 donation

RSVP by March 6th to [rachelelvnertamid.org](mailto:rachelelvnertamid.org)/702-733-6292.

We would like to thank our wonderful church family for all the kindnesses' in the form of cards, visits, phone calls, and good thoughts that we were shown during our recent illness' and medical issues over the past several months.

We especially thank Pastor Adrian, the Board of Deacons, the Elders, Choir Members, and the Knit Wits .

Again, thanks so much!

Hugs, Al and Mary Pierce

Dear Green Valley Presbyterian Church,

Thank you for partnering with CARE for AIDS in 2018 to empower people to live a life beyond AIDS. Because of your generosity, more than 3,000 clients graduated from our program in 2018. Your gifts have impacted thousands of families in our 54 centers across Kenya and Tanzania. The gifts from your church in 2018 totaled \$25,719.47.

We are trusting God for even greater impact in 2019, and we hope you will continue on this journey with us. Please let us know how we can serve you better.

Sincerely,

Justin Miller  
CO-Founder and CEO  
CARE for AIDS, Inc..

## **Receptionist Volunteers Needed**

Receptionist volunteers are needed to cover the front desk from 9:00 a.m. until Noon. No special requirements are needed except for a smile on your face when someone comes through the reception area. Occasionally you may be asked to assist with some very easy office tasks. If interested, please contact Diane Schurr at 702 401-6092 or [diane.schurr@yahoo.com](mailto:diane.schurr@yahoo.com). We are looking forward to hearing from you.

Thank you for the many cards, calls, and positive thoughts during my recent illness. Words cannot explain how this lifted my spirits and made me feel better.

I am blessed to have a wonderful, loving church family surrounding me with love and care.

Thank you to all.

Pastor Joe



## Page Turners

After a discussion with the club members at the February meeting, Page Turners will now be meeting at 2:00 pm to allow ladies attending the Ladies Luncheon to get to Page Turners in a timely manner.

On Thursday, March 7 we will meet to discuss the book **"Fates and Furies"** by Lauren Groff. The book delves into the marriage of Lotto and Mathilde, two young, attractive, and charismatic individuals by looking at their relationship from both partners' perspectives. Full of complicated characters and colorful prose, the reader is quickly immersed into a chaotic and emotional world. Barb Wilson will be leading our discussion.

Everyone is invited to join in even if they have not had a chance to read the book.

Our book for April 2019 will **"The Hundred-Year-old Man Who Climbed out of the Window and Disappeared"** by Jonas Jonasson.

## Adopt-a-Park

The Adopt A Park program is always looking for monthly volunteers! We get together on the fourth Saturday of each month and help the environment look a little better by picking up trash around the church and other designated areas. It usually takes around one hour to do and is good exercise and provides an immediate feeling of accomplishment in helping our environment.

Thanks to the following individuals participated in January's Adopt A Park clean-up:

Bug Bond  
David & Jan Carey  
Shari Jackson  
Ted & Linda Rauenbuehler  
Rick Wagner

If interested, call Rick Wagner at 702-882-3844 for more information on the wonderful work we do.

Thank you.

## CHILD-YOUTH MINISTRY (CYM) TASK FORCE DISCUSSION GROUPS IN MARCH

The Child-Youth Ministry (CYM) Task Force has been busy meeting and recently sent out letters to the families of children and youth inviting them to participate in one of the scheduled discussion groups where we explore ways to enhance the Christian Education programs offered at GVPC. We hope parents, children, and youth will be able to join us in sharing your thoughts and suggestions at one of the discussion groups being held at the church on the dates and times scheduled below. The discussion groups for parents will run for one hour or less. We will gather in the front of the Sanctuary after the second service where we will divide into smaller groups and disburse to assigned rooms.

### **March 10 and 17 @ 11:40 am: PARENTS OF SUNDAY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN**

*\*Elementary-aged children* will be included in a discussion about their Sunday School programs during regular Sunday School on **March 10.**

There will be child care services and a light lunch provided to the children in the CE Building on both days of these parent discussion groups.

### **March 24 and 31 @ 11:40 am: PARENTS OF YOUTH**

*\*Youth* will be meeting with Task Force members in CE #7 during their regular Youth Group time on **March 24th.** We have also scheduled another discussion group with Youth on **March 31<sup>st</sup>** in CE #1 to accommodate those unable to attend the March 24<sup>th</sup> group discussion.

As a reminder, please text or email Andrea Tierney at 702 334 9390 or [andreatierney79@gmail.com](mailto:andreatierney79@gmail.com) to confirm the date you are able to attend. If none of these times work, please reach out to us so we can work in making alternate arrangements. We thank you for your prayers as we look to the future with enthusiasm and gratitude for what God is doing though the ministries of GVPC.

Yours in Christ,  
CYM Task Force

## Sunday Morning Children's Programs

Sunday school for ages Pre-Kindergarten through fifth grade meets during the 10:30 am service in the Christian Education Bldg. Children start out 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 ~ 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> grade – Room #3 ~ 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade – Room #1

As our elementary curriculum, "*Deep Blue's*" mission is to "reach, empower, and equip children and those who care for them, with grace-based resources that help them on the journey to: Understand themselves as children of God, explore and deepen their relationship with God through Jesus Christ, and love and serve God and neighbor."

During March we continue the spring quarter of "*Deep Blue's*" Curriculum for the Elementary classes. In order to align the lessons with the Easter Season, we will begin March with the 1<sup>st</sup> three lessons from Unit 3, then pick up on March 24<sup>th</sup> with lessons 4 and 5 from Unit 1.

### Unit 3: Family Friends

March 3 - Best Friends

March 10 - Courageous Friends

March 17 - The Four Friends

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

### Unit 1: Observing Lent with Your Family

March 24 - The Last Supper

March 31 - In the Garden

Preschool/Kindergarten at 10:30 and Celebration at 9:00 utilize the "*Growing with God*" Curriculum from Gospel Light.

March 3 – The Poor Woman's Gift (Mark 12:41-44)

March 10 - God Cares for a Widow (1 Kings 17:7-16) (Inserted to align Easter Lessons)

March 17 – A Sick Boy Is Made Well (John 4:46-53)

March 24 – Friends Help a Lame Man (Mark 2:1-12)

March 31 – One Man Thanks Jesus (Luke 17:11-19)

## BOOKS AND MORE BOOKS

### DANA'S PLACE, THE CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

Dana's Place is so blessed by the generosity of our church family. In the past months, our committee has been working to increase the library's Christian book section. It includes; 1. Parent's Shelf. 2. Christian Biblical. 3. Christian Values.

The following is a list of some of our most recent acquisitions-----all donated.

1. "Friends with God Story Bible. Why God Loves People Like Me" by Jeff White.  
In memory of Kay Leshner.
2. "The Action Bible, God's Redemptive Story" by David Cook.  
In memory of Dr. Edward S. Neumann.
3. "Bible Stories for Courageous Girls" by Melissa Alex (2 copies.) Given by Julie Dorse.
4. "My First Bible" by L.J. Sattgast. Given by Julie Dorse.
5. "Found (Psalm 23)" by Sally Lloyd-Jones & Jago. In memory of Dr. Edward S. Neumann.
6. "Little Visits With God" by Jahsman & Simon. (5 copies.) Given by Allen & Joan Randle.

In gratitude to the donors for the enrichment of others.

Note: Look for the featured display for St. Patrick's Day "The Shamrock and Trinity."



## Monthly Ladies Luncheon

Thursday, March 7 at 11:30 am at  
Miller's Ale House on Stephanie St.

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

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

## Bunco

Join us at the monthly Bunco event! We will meet on  
**Thursday, March 21** from 10:00 am -12:00 pm in the GVPC  
Fellowship Hall.

We have a very friendly, fun and energetic group of  
players and we welcome you to ***Come Roll With Us!***

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

## Vacation Bible School



Save the Dates – June 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 am – 12:00 noon (drop off at 8:30)

Watch upcoming bulletins and the Vision  
for details and volunteer opportunities.

Join us for The Incredible Race!!!

## SAVE THE DATE

For upcoming events at GVPC:

**GINGERBREAD COMMITTEE MEETINGS**  
MONDAY, MARCH 4 & 18 ~ 10:00 AM

**WOMEN'S BIBLE FELLOWSHIP**  
WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 6 & 20 ~ 10:00 AM

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE**  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6 ~ 7:00 PM

**LADIES LUNCHEON**  
THURSDAY, MARCH 7 ~ 11:30 AM  
MILLER'S ALE HOUSE ON STEPHANIE ST.

**PAGE TURNERS BOOK CLUB**  
THURSDAY, MARCH 7 ~ 2:00 PM

**PHOEBE BIBLE STUDY**  
FRIDAY, MARCH 8 & 22 ~ 1:00 PM

**LENTEN WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICES**  
WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 13 THRU APRIL 10 ~ 7:00 PM

**MEET YOUR DEACON SUNDAY**  
SUNDAY, MARCH 17 ~ 10:00 AM

**BUNCO**  
THURSDAY, MARCH 21 ~ 10:00 AM

**BLOOD DRIVE**  
SUNDAY, MARCH 24 ~ 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**MEN'S LUNCHEON**  
TUESDAY, MARCH 26 ~ 11:30 AM  
BARLEYS ON SUNSET

**"FAITH, PERSEVERANCE, AND RESILIENCE" WORKSHOP**  
SATURDAY, MARCH 30 ~ 9:00 AM—12:00 PM

**LAS VEGAS MASTER SINGERS**  
SATURDAY, MARCH 30 ~ 7:30 PM  
SUNDAY, MARCH 31 ~ 3:00 PM

**"FINDING FAITH" CONCERT**  
SUNDAY, APRIL 7 ~ 3:00 PM

## FRIENDS IN THE DESERT

On **Saturday, February 9th** we served a hot lunch of teriyaki meatballs, rice, string beans, asian salad, Valentine cookies and candies at St. Timothy's Church. There were 94 meals served and 41 take-out meals.

The FITD Lunch Brigade prepared and delivered 85 sack lunches on February 8th. The Lunch Brigade is made up of 13 loyal volunteers who each provide lunches for our Friends In the Desert on the second Friday of every month. Each sack lunch contains two peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and a piece of fruit. When the lunches are delivered to GVPC a bag of chips and a bag of cookies are added to the lunch, making a very nice meal for those who may have no other food available on Sundays when the FITD kitchen is closed.

**We are seeking one or two volunteers to join the Lunch Brigade.** Volunteers may sign up to provide between five to eight sack lunches each month. If you are considering joining the lunch group but are reluctant to commit to the program because you are sometimes unavailable, you may wish to form a team of one or two friends and take turns making lunches on alternate months. This program is truly one of the most rewarding community outreach programs we have at GVPC. Please consider joining our team of volunteers. The cost of preparing the meals is low, but the personal satisfaction of serving our Lord's people is priceless. Kurt Ricketts will be coordinating the sack lunch program in the future. If you wish to volunteer please contact Carol Johnson in the church office at 702-454-8484 or email at [caroljohnson@greenvaleypres.com](mailto:caroljohnson@greenvaleypres.com).

We again have a very large crowd in need of warm clothing & WE ARE COMPLETELY OUT! We had a female victim of domestic violence who had been evicted from her home without any of her clothing or personal items and she was approximately 5 months pregnant. Praise God we were able to provide her with clothing, a coat, and full toiletry items because of God's grace through the ministry of this church.

We need your donations of men's underwear in LG, XLG, and 2X in briefs and T-shirts (no v-necks please) We also need toothpaste, deodorant, small bottles of shampoo, and women's socks – sport socks (no ankle, please.) We desperately need men's jeans or heavy pants and men's shoes in sizes 10 or larger and women's shoes in 8 or larger. Please make sure these items are clean and in good condition. Thank you from coordinator Pam Sharetts at 702-339-6699.

The **Saturday, March 9th** luncheon will be fried chicken, baked beans, corn, mixed salad, ice cream, and lemonade. Co-chairs are JoEllen Lewis 206-948-8544 and Jan Wilson 971-226-3995.

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 are helping the less fortunate. You can also donate money to FITD by marking your check "FITD" in the memo line or pew envelope.

Lorne Schmidt and Terry McNamara  
February 2019 FITD Co-Chairs



## LAS VEGAS MASTER SINGERS

### ***Las Vegas Master Singers in Concert!***

Saturday, March 30, ~ 7:30 pm

Sunday, March 31 ~ 3:00 pm

The Las Vegas Master Singers, chorus-in-residence for the Las Vegas Philharmonic, celebrate their 26<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a concert encompassing the Renaissance era to the present day. The Durango High School Vocal Infinity and Del Sol Academy of Performing Arts Singers are featured guest artists. (Free)

### **FINDING FAITH**

Sunday, April 7 at 3:00 PM

Join us on Sunday, April 7 at 3:00 pm for a wonderful afternoon of praise and worship with pop vocal/guitar and song writing duo Finding Faith. Human Nature's Andrew Tierney and worship pastor Timothy Dunfield formed Finding Faith in 2017 and released their debut album in Australia and the USA to great acclaim. Their captivating story is a melding of two very uniquely different lives with a common passion for songwriting and faith.

The concert will feature songs from Finding Faith's self-titled album as well as popular hymns and songs of praise. Guest artists will include GVPC's very own Michael Tierney and a variety of vocalists and instrumentalists.

Please join Finding Faith for an inspiring and musical afternoon



# PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH CONNECTION MARCH

Thank you to Malinda Parsons and Edie Reill for suppling lunch in February!

## A RECENT SUCCESS

### Souper Bowl of Caring

Thank you to all those that donated food for this effort, and to the youth and adults that collected in the neighborhood!

#### DRUM ROLL PLEASE...

#### RESULTS

Food items 571

\$150.00 dollars

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### YOU CAN DO IT!

*"Take the limits off of yourself. You will never rise higher than your thinking. Create a great vision for your life."*

*Joel Osteen*

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### EVENTS THIS MONTH



March 3<sup>rd</sup> – NO YOUTH GROUP DUE TO NASCAR.

March 6<sup>th</sup> – Ash Wednesday; Service at 7:00 pm

March 9<sup>th</sup> (Sat) – The Road Show 5:00pm – 10:00pm; Henderson Pavilion, \$15.00 dinner and show.

March 10<sup>th</sup> – Labyrinth at St. Andrews in Boulder City 11:30am – 2:30pm. Cost \$10.00 for lunch.

March 24<sup>th</sup> – Confirmation parent meeting at 11:45am in room #7.

March 30<sup>th</sup> (Sat)– Confirmation Class 10:00 – 11:00am in room #7.



In Christ's Service, Renee Kelly ~ 702-454-8484



Labyrinth

*If you would like to be taken off the mailing list, please call the Church Office at (702) 454-8484.*

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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 & 10:30 AM  
with Communion the first  
Sunday of each month.  
*Nursery Provided.*

**Sunday School**

10:40 AM- 11:30 AM  
for children K-5th grade

**Coffee Hour and Fellowship**

10:00 AM in the  
Fellowship Hall