

THE GREEN VALLEY VISION

Green Valley Presbyterian Church



From the Pastor's Desk

"Work hard; play hard." Those words seem to be the mantra of our American way of life. We are taught to value productivity, busyness, and a good day's work. As positive as those habits are, more often than not we carry those same values with us when we plan for the "leisure" days of summer. The more we pack into each week, the more we convince ourselves we're making the best use of our time.

Nearly every summer as we look at our personal household calendar, my wife and I find ourselves facing the same question: "Did we fail to protect ourselves from being too busy and over-extended?" As much as our culture equates busyness with positive attributes, more often than not it can lead to restless, unfulfilled living and poverty of spirit. I am often reminded of one woman's seasonal observation: "Well it's summer time and everyone is running around – wearing themselves out – trying to have fun!"

God designed our world and our bodies in such a way that we thrive when we find balance in our lives. Just as a professional athlete needs to take periodic days of rest from lifting weights at the gym, we need to carve out daily time in our life to rest in the presence of God. As Jesus looked at the Samaritan woman at the well, he could see into her heart. He understood her hunger for something more meaningful than a life defined by busyness and desperation. Jesus said, *"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst"* (John 4:13).

Every week when I water our freshly planted cactus plants in the backyard, I marvel at the power of water to revive a wilting plant. Like a plant, our soul needs the gift of refreshment that is offered to us as we quiet ourselves before God in times of prayer, worship, and study. No matter where your plans take you this summer, I hope that you'll make time to rest in the presence of God.

Summer is an ideal time to pick up a new Christian book to study an area of the Christian life you'd like to probe more deeply or to commit yourself to a new spiritual discipline. I hope you'll join us on Saturday, June 10 as my friend, Fr. Max Oliva offers his insights on the gift of "Finding God in Everyday Life." A gifted speaker, Max has the ability to help all hear God's invitation to the deeper life of faith. This summer, I will be offering a Bible Study on Monday nights for those who would like to learn more about the classic spiritual disciplines of the Christian life. No matter what the season of life or the season of the year, all of us need to put ourselves in the place where we are growing in Christ. To paraphrase Robert Schuller, "The Christian life is like a tree. Either we are growing or we are dying spiritually."

Enjoy the summer! Savor the gift of God's good creation. And don't forget to rest in the presence of the One who offers true refreshment for your soul.

Grace and Peace -
Pastor Adrian

June/July
2017

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PLEASE NOTE:

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

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Member Information

You are very important to us!!

We are asking for your assistance in keeping our church records current. **If you have moved, have a new phone number or new e-mail address**, please call the church office at (702) 454-8484 so we can update your record!

We want to be sure we take care of our members and friends.

Thanks for your help!

Photographers Needed!

Your Membership & Evangelism Committee would like to have more high-resolution photos of GVPC people and events. We are making regular posts to the GVPC Facebook page, and we plan to upgrade the church's website later this year.

If you are a photographer or just enjoy creating photo memories, we can use your help! If you do not have adequate equipment, the church can make a digital SLR camera available for your use. If interested, please contact the church office or contact Doug Small at dwsmaill@cox.net.

The Gingerbread Fair Committee announces the publication of

Favorite Recipes From The Kitchens of Gingerbread

Price of the Cookbook is \$10.00.

Copies of the Cookbook will be available July 15th and 16th, and September 16th and 17th in the Narthex before and after the Saturday and Sunday Services.

For additional information please contact Gail Gaede at (702) 896-5039.



Men's Bible Study

This group of Men meet at the church on Saturday mornings at 8:00 a.m. for Bible Study, and breakfast on the 2nd Saturday of the month. The group is currently studying "*Jesus and the Gospels*" by Professor Luke Timothy Johnson.

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

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

Green Valley Presbyterian Church Church Family Walkway

There's still space for your brick in our Church Family Walkway and we invite your participation. Your brick donation may be commemorated, as others have been, with your name, scripture references, or family memorial. Your tax deductible donation will be used to pay for your brick, installation, as well as landscape maintenance and development.

Your brick will become a permanent part of the Church Family Walkway. Bricks will be engraved by laser, and in addition to your personal message, at no extra cost, you can add a religious or other symbol from our symbol collection. You can donate either a 4" x 8" (\$200.00 cost) or 8" x 8" (\$300.00 cost) commemorative brick. Please contact the church office at (702) 454-8484 for additional details and to pick up an order form.

Your brick order is an excellent way to create lasting memories and support our Church!

May God bless you and our Church.



"FINDING THE LOVE OF GOD IN EVERYDAY LIFE"

Do you have a thirst to go one step deeper in your faith? Have you ever wondered how to be more keenly aware of God's presence every day?

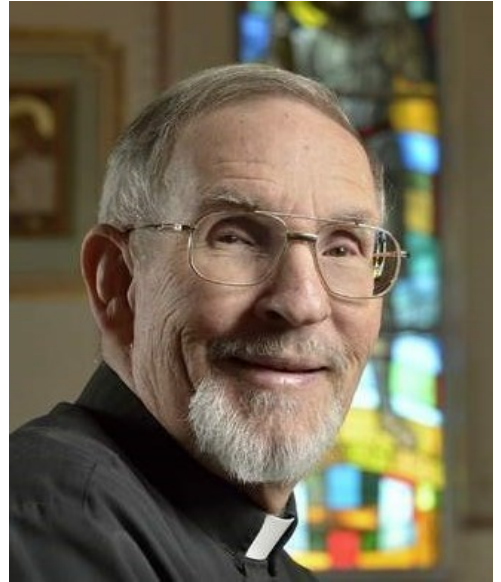
**A PRESENTATION BY FR. MAX OLIVA, S.J.
ON
ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA AND HIS SPIRITUALITY**

JUNE 10th, 2017

GREEN VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1798 WIGWAM PARKWAY
HENDERSON, 89074

9:00 A.M. to Noon

RSVP to GVPC 702-454-8484
Cost: \$5.00



Max Oliva is a Jesuit priest who lives and ministers in the Las Vegas Valley. He gives retreats and workshops on spirituality and ethics both in the U.S. and in Canada. In the summer of 2016, he travelled to the Basque country of Spain where he visited the places where Ignatius of Loyola was born and raised. One of Ignatius' mottos was: "Finding God in all Things." Ignatius was able to accomplish this spiritual practice because of his deep faith and total commitment to Christ.



Noted financial counselor, Dave Ramsey, offers a 9 week course called "Financial Peace University ("FPU")." GVPC will be hosting the class beginning on Sunday, July 16, 2017 and ending on September 10, 2017. The classes will be held in Fellowship Hall/Conference room from 12:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. on Sundays. The classes are presented via video by Dave Ramsey and will be coordinated by GVPC members Jason Jennings and Michelle Morgando, both graduates of FPU. This is a faith-based approach to getting out of debt, managing your finances, as well as planning for college, retirement and giving. As Dave Ramsey says: "Your Money. Your Story. Your Life. This Changes Everything."

Please go to daveramsey.com to review information about FPU. If you would like to sign up, just go to FPU on the main page and search for a class. Type in the zip code (89074) and click on "Green Valley Presbyterian." The cost per family is \$93.00 at this time. You can order off the website or let Jason or Michelle know if you want them to order the materials for you. More information will be posted at the church soon, as well as a short DVD presentation during a service. Jason and Michelle are happy to answers any questions you may have. You can contact Michelle at michelle132@cox.net with any questions.

HEALING HEARTS

Mission Statement: 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.

We are a small group that meets with understanding, compassion, fellowship and friendship. If you are hurting due to the loss of someone you cared deeply for, join us on the 3rd Sunday each month @ 11:30 a.m. in the Conference Room.

May God bless each and every one of you who are on a healing journey.

Linda Adams, Facilitator
702-260-9110



Monthly Money Matters

May 2017

The Financial Statement accompanying this article shows that actual offerings through April are \$8100 below budget. As April 30th was a Sunday, the April 29th and 30th offerings were counted as part of May. As a result, about \$9300 that should be on included on the April statement will show up in May. Had this amount been entered in April accounting, the April offerings would be about \$1000 over budget. Please note that every other line item, except one, is only a few hundred dollars off budget. The one exception is Cell Tower Utilities payments which is about \$1200 under budget because we have not received payment from one of the tenants this year. This issue was recently resolved and we fully expect to receive payment before the next report is made.

The staff and various committees that control church spending are also doing an outstanding job; total expenses are within \$370 of the YTD budget. All in all, this is an excellent report.

Thanks to all in the congregation who have faithfully made offerings and to those who control church expenditures.

The Administration Committee



New titles that have been added to the displays:

1. When Infertility Brings Stress and Disappointment.
2. Making a Commitment to Heal from Loss.
3. When You Feel You're a Disappointment to God.
4. Advance Care Planning: Making Care Decisions Now and for the Future.

Abbey Press, where we order our CareNotes is discontinuing and is looking for a buyer.

For the time being, there will be NO new titles but I will continue to feature a few of our available titles in the newsletter each month.

Linda Rauenbuhler

Financial Statement -- April 2017

Current Income & Expense				Building Fund Income & Expense	
		YTD Actual	YTD Budget		Year to Date
Offerings		\$241,682	\$249,833	Offerings	\$28,571
Cell Tower Utilities		\$936	\$2,175	Monthly Loan Payments	\$32,250
Other Income		\$2,505	\$2,212		
Total Income		\$245,122	\$254,221		
Total Expense		\$253,441	\$253,078	Income Over/(Under) Expense	(\$3,679)
Net Income/(Loss)		-\$8,319	\$1,143		
Temporary Restricted Funds				Principal Balance on Loan	\$166,142
		April	Year to Date	BF Checking Account Balance	\$14,264
Beginning Balance		\$46,576	\$49,043		
Restricted Income		\$18,700	\$47,078		
Restricted Expense		\$21,976	\$52,820	Custodial Fund Balance	\$209,727
Ending Balance		\$43,300	\$43,300		
Checking Account Balance					
	Operating Fund		\$162,400		
	Restricted Funds		\$43,300		

Session Highlights ~ June/July 2017

The Session would like to WELCOME our newest members listed below, please give them the GVPC welcome when you meet them.

Kim Akin	Bob and Pam Bower	Janel, David and Clair Doll	Karen Fletcher
Velda Gallegra	Nell Jackson	Jim Lawrence	Barb Norton
Betsy Paull-Rick	Diane Phelan	Sally Stolz	Chuck Tolman
Margaret Van Etten	Jill Whitfield	Jim Winkler	

Christian Education Committee requested approval of the final two payments toward the Kaleo Mission Trip to San Diego, CA from July 16-22, 2017. Pastor Doll requested hosting a June gathering of *"Going Deeper"* sponsored by the *Christian Formation and Direction Ministries* on Saturday, June 10, 2017. Elder Michelle Morgando requested implementing the Financial Peace University Proposal to take place from July 16, 2017 to September 10, 2017. FPU is a faith-based course that helps individuals and families get out of debt, manage their finances, plan for college, giving, and retirement. It is a 9-week course that is held once a week. It will be taught by Elder Michelle Morgando and Jason Jennings. The motions carried.

Fellowship and Congregation Nurture Committee – sign-ups will begin for the Dinner Show at the Firelight Theatre with Mamma Wranglers Blue Grass beginning May 20-21 through June. Group rates are \$26.00/per person. So, clean up your boots, dust off your cowboy hat and plan to join the fun.

Membership and Evangelism Committee – is busy with creating a new church logo, a church mission statement, and a new website. They're also looking for a webmaster to keep it up and running. Anyone you know who might be interested, please contact Elders Dave Cornell or Doug Small.

Worship and Music Committee – Music Director Dr. Spencer Baker will be taking his annual study leave in Italy from July 10 to August 10, 2017. If you want to go, raise your hand. I've got my hand raised.

Administration Committee – A Property Disposal Policy was created and approved by the Admin Committee and Session. It will be added to other policy manuals. The committee will be allowed to delegate two fundraisers for the First Filipino American Presbyterian Church. Approval of another Narcotics Anonymous Group having use of the conference room on Mondays from 12:00 – 1:00 PM was made. GVPC donated \$1,000.00 to the Presbytery Committee on Ministry offering to help assist pastors for ordination.

Property Committee – removed the rest of the empty shelving in the conference room for safety and aesthetic purposes.

Pastor Adrian will be Pastor-in-Residence at Zephyr Point the week of June 16-23, 2017. The next Session meeting will be held June 27, 2017. Any member wanting to attend the Session meeting is welcome.

Julie Winkler, Clerk of Session



BACKPACK OFFERING

The members of the Missions Committee want to thank the Congregation for their generous support last fall for our Backpack Offering. Because of you we were able to provide **255** backpacks (loaded with school supplies) to the children of Henderson. We are starting early this year to ask for your support for our next Backpack offering!

Through **Sunday, July 30, 2017**, your Missions Committee will be collecting unused backpacks, rulers, wide-ruled spiral notebooks, folders, wide-ruled filler (notebook) paper, pencils, pencil boxes, erasers, crayons, scissors, binders, and other supplies that teachers can use in their classrooms, as well as gift cards to Office Depot, Target, or Wal-Mart that teachers can use to purchase additional classroom supplies.

We will place a large box in the Narthex in which you can deposit supplies and gift cards. (If you wish to donate items sooner, please drop them off at the church office.) We're also happy to do the shopping for you and welcome gifts by check or cash, which you may bring to the church office or place in the offering plate (note backpack offering in memo line) at your convenience on or before **Sunday, July 30, 2017**.

The Missions Committee thanks you for your past support and asks that you prayerfully consider supporting this year's Backpack Offering. Please e-mail Nathan nathanslife@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Senior Adult Ministries | June/July 2017

Resources for Seniors

Just a couple weeks ago, Ted and I went through a sad experience that we had not gone through for 18 years. That is the death of a pet. Our special cat, Ziggy, was 16 years old. For 11 of those years, he was diabetic, but cancer is what took him. Some of the last words I said to him were that I would see him at the "Rainbow Bridge". I heard the story of "Rainbow Bridge" several years ago and I find comfort in it. Several works of poetry that speak of where pets go after death were written in the 1980s and 90s. With stories being circulated around the world, original authorship is unknown. Here is a version I found on the internet that helps me through this time.

Just this side of heaven is a place called Rainbow Bridge. When an animal dies that has been especially close to someone here, that pet goes to Rainbow Bridge. There are meadows and hills for all of our special friends so they can run and play together. There is plenty of food, water and sunshine, and our friends are warm and comfortable.

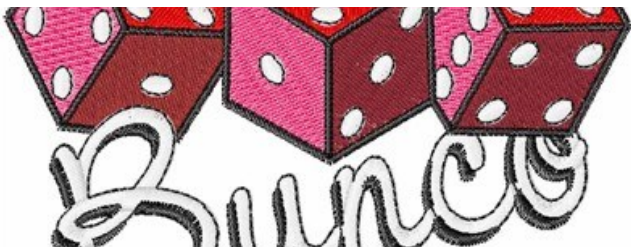
All the animals who had been ill and old are restored to health and vigor. Those who were hurt or maimed are made whole and strong again, just as we remember them in our dreams of days and times gone by. The animals are happy and content, except for one small thing: they each miss someone very special to them, who had to be left behind.

They all run and play together, but the day comes when one suddenly stops and looks into the distance. His bright eyes are intent. His eager body quivers. Suddenly he begins to run from the group, flying over the green grass, his legs carrying him faster and faster.

You have been spotted, and when you and your special friend finally meet, you cling together in joyous reunion, never to be parted again. The happy kisses rain upon your face: your hands again caress the beloved head, and you look once more into the trusting eyes of your pet, so long gone from your life, but never absent from your heart.

Then you cross Rainbow Bridge together...

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Rauenbuehler – Director of Senior Adult Ministries



Our June Bunco get together is Thursday, June 15th and in July, Bunco will be Thursday, July 20th. Both sessions are from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. 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.

Ladies Luncheon

Please join us at the Monthly Ladies Luncheons!

Thursday, June 1st at 11:30 am at
Mimi's on Stephanie St.

Thursday, July 6th at 11:30 am at
Olive Garden on Sunset Rd.

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!

Children's Ministries | June/July 2017

SUNDAY MORNING CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND CHOIR FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH—SUMMER SCHEDULE

9:00 a.m. - CELEBRATION, for ages 3 yrs. thru 2nd grade.

Celebration begins in Worship. After the Children's Message, children will proceed to class.

9:50 a.m. - RAINBOW CHOIR PRACTICE for ages K thru 5th grade.

The Rainbow choir practices each Sunday morning from 9:50 a.m. to 10:20 a.m. in room 7 of the Christian Education building. The choir performs monthly on the 4th Sunday at the 10:30 service.

10:30 a.m. - SUNDAY SCHOOL for ages 3 yrs. thru High School.

All Students begin in Worship. After the Children's Message, students will proceed to individual classes.

Volunteers are always needed to assist with these Christian Ed. programs. There are many, many ways to help. If you are able to help, please contact Julie Dorse at juliedorse@greenvalleypres.com or (702) 454-8484, ext. 505.

Thanks for your support of the GVPC children and youth!



It's almost time for 2017 Vacation Bible School at Green Valley Presbyterian Church

"Maker Fun Factory -Created by God, Built for a Purpose"

Monday—Friday, June 19th -23th, 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

We're so excited about this year's program, "Maker Fun Factory" from Group Publishing. At "Maker Fun Factory" VBS, kids discover not only that God made them the way they are, but for a purpose too. "Maker Fun Factory" VBS is filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, and touch. Sciency-Fun Gizmos, team-building games, and cool Bible songs, are just a few of the standout activities that help faith flow into real life.

Online registration is available at www.greenvalleypres.com. Invite your children, grandchildren, neighbors, and friends! Register TODAY! Volunteers are still needed in some positions.

Dr. Spencer Baker
Amy Homer-Smith
Kaymen Carter

Director of Music Ministries
Organist/Pianist
Children's Choir Director

Sundays

9:50-10:20 am

Rainbow Choir Rehearsal – Room 7

Summer Youth Music Ministries

We are pleased to announce that we will continue Rainbow Choir throughout the summer for our younger singers, ages 3-11. We continue to meet every Sunday from 9:50 - 10:20 am in the Christian Education Building, Room #7. This group performs once a month during the Sunday morning worship services. Highlights from Vacation Bible School (June 19th-23th) will be presented Sunday, June 25th at the 2nd service (10:30 a.m.). We're very grateful to all the parents and grandparents who are committed to this ministry and invite anyone with children in this age group to join us.

Kaymen Carter will present a program with the Harmonic Youth Choir Saturday, June 10th and Sunday, June 11th along with Renee Kelly, Director of Youth Ministries. Please contact Kaymen if you have any interest in assisting the Harmonic Youth choir or any ability to help put a band together for this special Graduation Weekend!

COME AND JOIN US!

The Chancel Choir will be on hiatus for the summer and will resume after Labor Day. We have an exciting season ahead of us and invite you to take part in this diverse and dynamic part of the Music Ministry. Whether you enjoy singing Bach, traditional Gospel or great Hymns, we have something for everyone in this ensemble.

Throughout the summer, we will have special music provided by small ensembles, guest artists and our own GVPC soloists. If you have the desire to participate in this part of the Music Ministry, please don't hesitate to call Dr. Baker or Amy Homer-Smith to offer your talents this summer.

A small group from the Joy Ringers Handbell ensemble will perform Sunday, June 18th. Please contact Robyn Baird if you are interested in participating at robynw702@gmail.com.

Dr. Spencer Baker will be in Italy again teaching and performing for the month of July this summer and pursuing continuing education. Our GVPC organist, Amy Homer-Smith, will be the music coordinator during those weeks. GVPC ensembles will resume August 17th.

MUSIC SCHEDULE:

Sunday, June 4	9:00 am & 10:30 am	Pentecost, Chancel Choir and Communion
Sunday, June 11	9:00 am & 10:30 am	Youth Sunday & Harmonic Youth
Sunday, June 18	9:00 am & 10:30 am	GVPC Joy Ringers Handbell Small Group
Sunday, June 25	9:00 am & 10:30 am	Rainbow & VBS Choir; Kaymen Carter, soloist (9:00am)
Thursday, June 29	7:00pm	Keyboard Quartet Ensemble Rehearsal
Friday, June 30 th	7:30pm	Amy Homer-Smith and Dr. Baker Studio Keyboard Ensemble Recital
Sunday, July 2	9:00 am & 10:30 am	Keyboard Quartet Ensemble

UPCOMING: Concert Series

Sunday, June 4	7:00 pm	Harmony Handbell Concert & GVPC Choir and Joy Ringers
Saturday, June 10	7:30 pm	Celebrity City Chorus: Sweet Adeline's Concert



Spencer Baker ~ 454-8484 x 506

Live at GVPC **CONCERT SERIES**

18th Season 2017

Dr. Spencer Baker, Artistic Director

► ***Sunday, June 4th, 7:00 p.m.***

Harmony Handbell Concert: A Musical Journey

Harmony Handbells will be presenting a spring concert of handbell music including Disney favorites and many other pieces about the journey through life. Concert will feature 5 octaves of handbells and handchimes in addition to other percussion instruments, Irish whistle, bell tree, and soprano. Featuring GVPC Joy Ringers Handbell Ensemble, Small Group, Handbell Soloist and GVPC Chancel Choir.

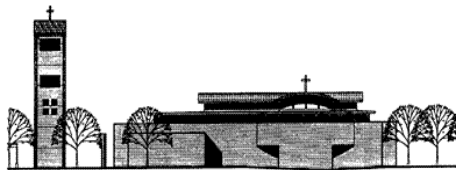
Free-Will Offering



► ***Saturday, June 10th, 7:30 p.m.***

Celebrity City Chorus: Sweet Adeline's Concert

Free-Will Offering



Great Music

Great Acoustics

Free-Will Offering

Friends in the Desert

On **Saturday, May 13th** we served a hot lunch of pulled pork sandwiches, chili beans, cole slaw, pickles, and ice cream bars at St Timothy's Church. There were 81 meals served and 40 take-out meals. Additionally, the Lunch Brigade prepared and delivered 109 sack lunches.

We were blessed to have Renee Kelly and some of our young GVPC members join us in serving our Friends in the Desert. Jonathan Watson and Clairra Doll worked in the dining room serving meals to our visitors then joined Abigail Crawford and Renee outside to distribute underclothes, socks and used clothing. This month we were able to provide many pairs of gently used athletic shoes to the homeless and disadvantaged, thanks to a friend of a GVPC member. Every month we have requests for shoes, so even though we distributed many this month, there is a continuing need for additional shoes. When you tire of your athletic shoes and replace them with new ones, please consider donating your old ones to FITD. In addition to the need for shoes for June/July, we are in the greatest need of new men's white T-shirts and men's briefs, sizes Large and X-Large and new men's and women's white crew socks, baseball hats, sunglasses and sunscreen. You can place these items on the back wall of the Sacristy or in the church office marked "FITD". If you have any questions on clothing, please contact Judy Avery at (702) -528-6775 or javery30@gmail.com.

The **Saturday, June 10th** luncheon will be Fried Chicken (that will be purchased & paid from donations to the FITD fund). Other food items needed for the luncheon also include: macaroni & cheese, cole slaw, dill pickle spears, dinner rolls, ice cream bars; and lemonade. Co-chairs are Susan Walker (702) -617-9910 and Dianna Schuster-Proud (702) 361-6354. The **Saturday, July 8th** lunch will include grilled brats with peppers and onions, cole slaw, chips and ice cream bars. Co-chairs are Lorne Schmidt (702) -738-0738 and Dianna Schuster-Proud (702) -361-6354.

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, May 2017 FITD Co-Chairs

ADOPT A PARK, TRAIL, AND ROAD

On April 22th our volunteers cleaned the Trail through the Wash area of Green Valley, Mountain View Park, Wigwam, from Green Valley Parkway to Valle Verde, Valle Verde from the Baptist Church to Wigwam, and the Church grounds.

Thanks to Ken and Esther Brown, Shari Jackson, and Bill and JoEllen Lewis for their time, enthusiasm, and effort.

Additional volunteers are needed to help with this! We clean the 4th Saturday of every month and meet at the church at 8:00 a.m.

Please contact Tony Cannella (702) 568-5238 if you are interested in helping! Please join us!



On May 13th and 20th our dedicated crew served the evening meal at the U.S. Vets facility.

On May 13th the GVPC Confirmation Class of 2017 led by Renee Kelly, with members Abigail Crawford and friend Katy, and Jonathan and Patrick Watson did the honors. On May 20th we thank David Doll, Vee and Casandra Gonzalez, Hal Hokenstad, and Carol Riback for the help. Thanks to all for their effort, fruit, and time.

THANK YOU to all who continue to donate clothing and household items. Please place donations in the large box labeled U.S. Vets located in the back of GVPC Fellowship Hall.

We serve the 2nd and 3rd Saturdays of the month at 4:15 p.m. Please contact Tony Cannella (702) 568-5238 for additional information or to volunteer to help.



Gingerbread Fair Committee

June Meeting Dates

June 5, 2017—Business meeting
June 26, 2017—Craft Session: **note date change**
Angels with Georgia Sparks

July Meeting dates

July 3, 2017— Business meeting
July 17, 2017—Craft Session

Meetings are held Mondays in Fellowship Hall at 10:00 AM

October 14, 2017

Gingerbread Fair 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Want to stay cool this summer? A great way to do this is to join in the fun of working on quality craft items that make the Fair a great success. **ALL** are welcome to come to our meetings and you may join us at any time.

For those of you who contribute to our wonderful Gingerbread Pantry ... now is the time to start planning what goodies you have in store for us. As most of you are aware we have a good market for our homemade baked goods, jams and jellies, pickles, breads, candy and cookies. We will begin taking sign ups in September.

Please be reminded that we cannot use anything that must be kept cold. We do not have the facilities to handle these items in a safe manner.

Keep in mind that all proceeds from the Fair are used to support GVPC unbudgeted capital improvement projects and mission projects within the community.

Please contact one of our Co-Chairs for further information.

Gail Gaede (702) 896-5039 or gail@gaede.ws
Judy Krug (702) 263-1350 or krugjudy@yahoo.com



Mark your calendars and join the Fellowship Committee on

Friday, July 14, 2017,
6:30 pm

Enjoy the Ultimate Western Experience!

Smokehouse BBQ Dinner & Show -
\$26.00 per person.

Reservations are required and tickets will be presold in the GVPC Narthex in June.

Firelight Barn
Dinner Theater

133 South Water Street, Downtown
Henderson

www.FirelightBarn.com,

702-518-7464



Jackson Family Band and Cloggers,
performing over 16 years!

Come join the fun!!!



PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH CONNECTION

JUNE AND JULY

Please pray for our Missionaries as well as the folks we are going to serve, prayers for traveling mercies, and that the teams would be a beacon of hope to a suffering community.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana ~ Flood Relief Mission Trip, June 25 – July 1, 2017. Our Presbyterian Disaster Assistance team members are as follows: David Doll, Kassandra and Vee Gonzalez, Tom Holslag (Elko, First Presbyterian), Corey and Renee Kelly, Anika, Janel, William and Debbie Meldrum, Rob Merriman (Grace Presbyterian), Rod and Sam Pope, Alexis Sim, Molly Willoughby (St John's, Reno) and Ben Wyllie.

Please Pray for our Alpine campers, July 9th—July 14th, they are as follows:



Makuala Camp (Elementary)

James Reill
Tyler Weiss

Junior High Camp

Alexis Coon
Stevie Hart
Cade Parsons
Nick

High School Camp

Danny Hart
Kassandra Gonzales
William Meldrum
Trey Parson
Ali Reill
Dylan Reill
Jonathan Watson
Patrick Watson

Kaleo, San Diego ~ Mission Trip, July 16 - July 22, 2017. Our Kaleo team members are as follows: Alexis Coon, Clair Doll, Vee and Kassandra Gonzalez, Renee Kelly, Trey Parsons, Sarah and Matthew Pelle, Ali and Dylan Reill, Clara, Jonathan, and Patrick Watson.

Serving Christ with you, Renee Kelly (702) 454-8484

Congratulations

To our High school graduates
Class of 2017

Samuel Kenneth Pope
Alexis Marie Sim



**To our 2017
Confirmation Class!**



Alexis Coon

Abigail Crawford

Jonathan Watson

Patrick Watson

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 would also like to thank the congregation for their continued support, WE are now able to fund Friends in the Desert every month because of your generosity!

Aluminum Cans

The Board of Deacons are no longer accepting aluminum cans for recycle. **We regret to inform you that we will NO longer continue this effective immediately.** With the new city wide recycle program now in full swing we have only collected a few cans. Please recycle at home.

The next blood drive is scheduled for October 29th, please add this date to your calendars. Thank you for your support!!

The Deacons recognize that without you we could not share God's love to the extent as expressed by your generous giving. On the first Sunday of the month, please remember to donate extra food items for the Henderson Presbyterian Church Food Bank and bulk food items for Friends of the Desert, please place all monetary donations in the Deacons envelopes.

We thank you again for your continued material and financial support so we can do more for others!

The Board of Deacons is planning their annual 'Christmas in July' donation drive that benefits the food pantries in the Henderson area. Thanks to the generosity of our wonderful congregation, the Deacons typically transport 5-6 completely packed vehicles of much needed nonperishable food, clothing, toiletries and other needed items to the Henderson Presbyterian Church Food Bank and to Friends in the Desert at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church in Henderson.



Here's how to Participate.....

In late June the "Christmas Cactus" will be located in the Narthex. We ask that you take as many ornaments as you would like over the month of July, purchase the items and return the items along with the laminated ornaments to the Narthex between July 1st and July 30th. The Deacons will distribute the items to the Food Banks.

You may also donate cash that will be used for the food pantry staff to purchase bulk items and needed fresh food like meat, bread, produce and necessary paper goods and cleaning supplies. Checks should be made payable to Green Valley Presbyterian Church. **Please remember to add "Christmas in July" on the memo line of your check.**

The Deacons thank you for your continued support and loving gifts in making this another successful year of "Christmas in July!"

Our Church Family

Our Heartfelt Sympathy

~Prayers are extended to four of our church families in the passing of our brothers in Christ.~

Anita Shabosky in the passing of her father, Manfred Erich Eitner on March 22, 2017. A memorial service was held in the GVPC Sanctuary on Saturday, April 29, 2017. Prayers for Anita, Bob, family and friends.

Sarah Hair Limbaugh on the sudden passing of husband Scott Limbaugh on Wednesday, April 12, 2017. Prayers for comfort for Sarah, children Aaron and Molly, family, and friends.

Sherri Brewer in the passing of husband, Robert 'Bob' on May 3, 2017. A memorial service was held at Palm Mortuary on May 13, 2017. Prayers for Sherri, family, and friends.

Velda Gallegra in the passing of her husband Pasquale on May 11, 2017. A memorial service was held for Pasquale on May 17, 2017 at Palm Mortuary. Prayers for Velda, family, and friends.

Thanks to ALL for the cards, thoughts, and prayers after my recent hip replacement (I don't think I have any joints left to replace.) A special thanks to my 3 daughters, led by 'Nurse Wratchet', for their constant attention and hovering!!! I am very blessed!

With Love,
Bev Rochelle

Dear Green Valley Presbyterian Church Family,

Ed and I have indeed been blessed by you, our unique church family.

Your help pours in when needed, filled with powerful prayers that we have seen working.

Despite our struggles we persevere and move on, knowing that whatever God's guidance brings, we will follow.

Thank you all for your ministry.

Love and Blessings,
Ed and Paula Ferguson

Sacrament of Baptism

We congratulate the Sanchez family on the baptism of
Cash Carter and Koa Marley Sanchez on
Sunday, April 30, 2017.

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Congratulations to Chuck Tolman on his baptism on  
Sunday, May 14th, 2017

To my dear GVPC family-

I am asking for a prayer in loving memory of my cousin, Bessie Ford. Bessie had been ill for sometime, but thankfully when she passed away on April 26, 2017, she was still in her home in Tucson, AZ. surrounded by her son, Charley and daughter, Robin and the hospice nurse. All of whom gave her wonderful, comforting care. Charley and Robin hope to have her buried with her husband at the Veterans Cemetery.

Thank you to everyone for their prayers in memory of Bessie and prayers for her children for comfort and peace following their loss.

Maxine McKibben (and son Dennis)

Congratulations to Linda Rauenbuehler, GVPC Director of Senior Adult Ministries, for an invitation to serve on the Presbyterian Older Adult Ministry Network (PONAM) Executive Board. "POAMN is a network of persons who are engaged in ministry with older adults and related to the Presbyterian Mission Agency, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)."

We thank you Linda for your continued dedication and efforts and celebrate this honor with you!

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

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**Staff:**

**Pastor/Head of Staff:** Rev. Adrian N. Doll

**Director of Music Ministries:**  
Dr. Spencer Baker

**Organist/Pianist:** Amy Homer-Smith

**Children's Choir Director:** Kaymen Carter

**Director of Youth Ministries:** Renee Kelly

**Director of Children's Ministries:** Julie Dorse

**Director of Senior Adult Ministries:**  
Linda Rauenbuehler

**Financial/Office Manager:** Carol Johnson

**Administrative Assistant:** Julie Winkler

**Nursery Attendant:** Claire Bartley

**Audio Visual Technician:** Allen Merritt

**Sexton:** Kurt Ricketts

**Elders by Committee - 2017**

**Administration**

Connie Mulick, Allen Randle,  
John Yates

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Christy Miller, Ann Fields

**Fellowship & Congreg. Nurture**  
Bernadette O'Neill, Jorge Sanchez

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**Missions**

Eric Eden, Nathan Slife

**Nominations**

Ron Sharets

**Personnel**

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**Property**

Bobby Miller, John Viner

**Worship & Music**

Donna Rorer, Bill Ruby

**Clerk of Session**—Julie Winkler

**Board of Deacons**

**Class of 2017**

Anthony Cho  
Nancy Fontana  
Regina Golenkov  
Betsy Johnson  
Corey Kelly  
Linda Sliwa  
Gloria Zimny

**Class of 2018**

Linda Adams  
Rosemary Bednarek  
Genevieve Brown  
Candice Bush  
Sandy Cloe  
Johanna Eggen  
Lorne Schmidt

**Class of 2019**

Annette Baize  
Judy Barbour  
Cindy Cerullo  
Trish Henshaw  
Bill Lewis  
Jo Ellen Lewis  
Lora Wichmann

***Join us for  
Worship:***

**Saturday Evening**

Informal Service  
with Communion  
5:30-6:30 P.M.

*A Cry Room is available for  
parents with infants.*

**Sunday Morning**

Traditional Service  
9:00 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.  
with Communion the first  
Sunday of each month.  
*Nursery Provided.*

**Sunday School**

Celebration: 9:00-10:00 A.M.  
for children ages 3, 4 and  
5 (potty trained).

10:30-11:30 A.M.  
for 3 yr. olds (potty trained)  
through High School.  
*Nursery Provided.*