# THE GREEN VALLEY VISION

# **Green Valley Presbyterian Church**



# From the Pastor's Desk

Whenever I think of you, my new church family, I am reminded of the words of the Apostle Paul, "I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for you" (Philippians 1:3-4). It was such a joy to celebrate my first Lenten Season, Holy Week, and Easter with you. From the opening notes of the prelude and introit on Easter Sunday morning, I was overwhelmed with a deep sense of gratitude knowing that we have been called together "for such a time as this" (Esther 4:14). There is no way I could possibly say thank you to everyone who did so much to ensure that our services were meaningful, inspiring, and hopeful, for surely I would miss someone. However, I would be remiss if I did not thank Spencer, our talented and dedicated Director of Music; Amy, our gifted organist; the many talented musicians that make up our choir and bell choir; and our Worship and Music Committee. It is truly a privilege to be part of a church that is committed to excellence each time we gather to worship the Living God.

Like the disciples who ran from the Empty Tomb, we, too, have a message of hope to share with the world. As we look to the months ahead, we have so many opportunities to share the wonderful news of Easter. I trust you will make plans to join us on Monday, May 8 at 7:00 p.m. as we host the Azusa Pacific University Choir and Orchestra in a concert of sacred song. Invite your friends and family to join us for this special event. On Sunday, May 21, once again, we will celebrate Heritage Sunday. I'm already looking forward to this annual opportunity to celebrate our Scots-Irish heritage as Presbyterians. (My greatgrandmother from N. Ireland would have been so proud to see me wear a kilt—but the verdict is still out on that one). Heritage Sunday is not only a chance to celebrate our cultural heritage, but more importantly, it is also a time to give thanks for the 16<sup>th</sup> century Reformers such as John Calvin and John Knox who reignited the Church with passion with their message that our salvation has been secured in Jesus Christ.

There are many exciting things happening in our church for which we can give thanks. In the month of May, we also have the blessing of welcoming new members to the life of Green Valley Presbyterian Church. Their decision to join our church reminds us that God has given us a message of hope to share "in the heart of Green Valley." Our Membership and Evangelism Committee is looking at new ways of reaching the community through an updated website and revision of our church mission statement. The Christian Education Committee is actively planning for another exciting Vacation Bible School the week of June 19. Our Fellowship Committee is planning some exciting activities for the summer including an evening at the Firelight Barn Dinner Theater on July 14. And our youth are preparing for their summer mission trips to San Diego and Baton Rouge, Louisiana. As I look around this church, we have many reasons to give God thanks. We have been blessed, and now God would ask each one of us to share the hope that is ours because of Easter.

May your Eastertide be blessed as you continue to walk with the Living Christ.

Pastor Adrian

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# May 2017

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# <u>PLEASE NOTE:</u>

<u>VISION</u> Articles are always due on the 15th of each month.



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 19<sup>th</sup> -23<sup>th</sup>, 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.

We currently have opportunities for you to put your gifts and strengths into action to share the good news of Jesus Christ with all the participants in our program.

# VBS 2017 Volunteers Needed:

- Sound Wave Sing & Play Rock Opening/Closing Leaders
- Actors for Skits
- Registration
- Bible Discovery
- Imagination Station Leaders (Science)
- KidVid Cinema Leaders
- Game Makers
- Photographers
- Crew Leaders
- Decoration Team
- Snack Preparation/Service
- Set-up/Breakdown crew members

# Registration is available online at www.greenvalleypres.com.

Please contact Julie Dorse for additional information and questions at juliedorse@greenvalleypres.com or 454-8484 ext. 505!!

Please volunteer for this exciting, outreach program!!
We need everyone's help to make this a successful, awesome, fun program for the kids!!





Monday Night Bible Study class meets on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

The current study topic is "*Parables of Jesus*."

Bible Study will finish the end of May for the summer and resume in September.

For more information, contact moderator Rev. Joe Fontana at (702) 260-4625.

Women's Bible Study

# Phoebe Circle Women's Bible Study





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

# Sundays in May

# April 30<sup>th</sup> ~ The Third Sunday of Easter

Speaker: Pastor Adrian

Also: New Member Inquiry Class

# May 7<sup>th</sup> ~ The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Speaker: Pastor Adrian Music: Chancel Choir Also: Communion

# May 14<sup>th</sup> ~ Mother's Day

Speaker: Pastor Adrian Music: Chancel Choir

Also: Reception of New Members, Girl Scout Bake Sale

# May 21<sup>st</sup> ~ Heritage Sunday

Speaker: Pastor Adrian

Music: Joy Ringers Handbell Ensemble and Chancel Choir,

Bagpiper, and Reenactors.

# May 28<sup>th</sup> ~ The Seventh Sunday of Easter

Speaker: Pastor Adrian Music: Piano and Organ Duos

Rainbow Children's Choir performs at 10:30 service

# **HEALING HEARTS FELLOWSHIP**

"GOD will give you peace to help you through your storm."

If you are hurting due to the loss of a loved one, join us as we continue healing our hearts.

We will be meeting May 21 at 11:30 a.m. in the Conference Room and we will be having a guest speaker whose counseling career included grief counseling.

Linda Adams, Facilitator

# 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month. The group is currently studying "<u>Jesus and the</u> Gospels" by Professor Luke Timothy Johnson.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> 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 iwillis40@cox.net.

Please join us, we look forward to meeting you!

# Ladies Bible Fellowship

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

Conference Room

September through May

We share Christian Living Studies

Books and Videos

plus lively discussions, prayers and

encouragement

helping us take God's amazing love
into our hearts and into our world!

For more info or questions,

Please contact

Cindy Cerullo (805) 479-5431

cicerullo@outlook.com

Please join us for a morning of fellowship and sharing.

# **Monthly Money Matters - April 2017**

The March financial statement shows offerings are about \$6700 under budget. The offerings from people who pledged is slightly under the year to date pledges but the income from those who did not pledge is running less than the budget. Careful analysis of the budget shows that this is more a result of budget timing rather than of a fall-off in actual giving. Thanks to all of you who have given so freely to your church.

The expense side of the ledger shows expense through the first three months was \$312 over budget. That deviation is less than half a percent of the total budget. Thanks to our staff and everyone else who makes spending decisions for your stewardship of the church's treasury.

Recently we wrote about two tax advantaged methods of giving to the church. The first is a direct transfer of a portion of your Required Minimum Distribution from your IRA. The amount that is transferred does not have to be shown as income on your tax returns nor can it be taken as a deduction. This reduces your Adjusted Gross Income which can be beneficial in certain situations. The second is a contribution of appreciated stock through Charles Schwab. The value of the stock on the day the stock is donated can be deducted as a charitable donation but you would not have to pay taxes on the gain from the stock.

If you would like more information on either of these tax advantaged approaches to giving, contact either Allen Randle at (702) 837-7336 or Carol Johnson in the church office.

# Respectfully

The Administration Committee

		Financial S	tatement M	arch 2017	
Current Income & Expense			Building Fund Income & Expense		
		YTD Actual	YTD Budget		Year to Date
Offerings		\$187,838	\$194,575	Offerings	\$24,307
Cell Tower Utilities		\$786	\$1,775	Loan Payments	\$28,686
Other Income		\$1,907	\$1,659		
Total Income		\$190,531	\$198,009	Income Over/(Under) Expense	(\$4,379)
Total Expense		\$202,602	\$202,290		
Income O	ver/(Under) Expense	-\$12,071	-\$4,281		
Temporar	y Restricted Funds	<u>March</u>	Year to Date	Principal Balance on Loan	\$173,058
Beginning Balance		\$35,740	\$49,043	<b>BF Checking Account Balance</b>	\$13,564
Restricted Income		\$18,573	\$28,377		
Restricted Expense		\$7,737	\$30,844	<b>Custodial Fund Balance</b>	\$209,372
Ending Balance		\$46,576	\$46,576		
Checking A	Account Balance				
	Operating Fund		\$158,648		
	Restricted Funds		\$46,576		
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"I extend my thanks for your prayers, the cards, calling me, and the food too!

I am doing well, still kinda weak in the legs. I didn't have a heart attack, they finally tracked it to the right side of my heart, was "Pulmonary Hypertension".

If I am moving better I will be back in church soon. I'll see you in church, I hope!

Again, thanks for the prayers, God must have heard you!

John Krill,







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 May 6th and 7th, 2017 in the Narthex before and after the Saturday and Sunday Services. For additional information please contact Gail Gaede at (702) 896-5039.

Thank You from the Girl Scouts of GVPC-

The Girl Scouts that meet at GVPC want to thank all of you for buying cookies this year, as well as making donations to our troops. We have three troops, Brownies through Seniors, that meet at the church, with girls ranging from 2nd up to 10th grade. We would not be able to continue our programs without the use of our beautiful church facility and the support we receive from our members.

Although, we want you to know that we do a whole lot more than sell cookies! This year, our Junior troop (4th and 5th grade), which includes church member, Danica Saeger, completed their Bronze Award. These girls built a goat playground for the Gilcrease Sanctuary, made out of recycled wood pallets. Additionally, three of our 6th grade Cadettes, including church member, Emily Cox, earned the Silver Award. The girls had a permanent bird enclosure built for the Lion Habitat Ranch in Henderson. The ranch was in need of this enclosure after accepting numerous exotic birds from the old Las Vegas Zoo. The girls also held donation drives to collect needed items for the Ranch, such as bird seed and bird toys. The story caught the attention of KVVU Fox-5 TV, that ran the story on their evening news. The story was also featured on the online magazine, the "Las Vegas Informer."

In June, our Scouts have an educational trip planned to Knott's Berry Farm. The girls will learn about transportation of the past, as well as the early pioneers and geology. We will be hosting a bake sale on Mother's Day, May 14th, at the church to help raise funds to pay for the charter bus for that trip.

Thanks for your continued support!

Candace Cox



The Christian Education Department at Green Valley Presbyterian Church is pleased to introduce, "Parenting Christian Kids" a monthly newsletter from Group Publishing. Each month this newsletter will contain articles of interest to GVPC families with children through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Topics include: Teachable Moments, The Heart of the Matter, Media Madness, and Culture & Trends.

There is also a calendar that will show important save the date events during the current month, information on upcoming events and information regarding the various programs GVPC offers.

This newsletter will be distributed by e-mail monthly. If you are interested in receiving this email, please let me know.

Yours in Christ,

Julie Dorse Director of Children's Ministries Green Valley Presbyterian Church juliedorse@greenvalleypres.com (702) 454-8484, ext. 505

# Senior Adult Ministries | May 2017

# Resources for Seniors

# **Positive Thinking and Your Health**

A very negative person once told me that I was much too "Pollyannish" for her. It was meant to be negative but noting that I was obviously much happier and healthier than she was, I decided to take it as a compliment. Researchers are finding that being an optimist can do more than raise one's spirits. It may improve health and extend life. Studies have shown a link between having a positive outlook and health benefits like lower blood pressure, less heart disease, better weight control, and healthier blood sugar levels.

I was very happy when a member of the congregation brought to my attention, a recent article from the *Las Vegas Sun*. It was titled, "A Positive Outlook May Be Good For Your Health". (March 30, 2017).

Judith Moskowitz, a professor of medical social science developed a set of eight skills to help foster positive emotions. She tested these skills on newly diagnosed HIV patients with positive results. Following are eight strategies:

- 1. Recognize a positive event each day.
- 2. Savor that event and log it in a journal or tell someone about it.
- 3. Start a daily gratitude journal.
- 4. List a personal strength and note how you used it.
- 5. Set an attainable goal and note your progress.
- 6. Report a relatively minor stress and list ways to reappraise the event positively.
- 7. Recognize and practice small acts of kindness daily.
- 8. Practice mindfulness, focusing on the here and now rather than the past or future.

I know practicing these common sense strategies, on a daily basis, would be helpful to me and probably beneficial for everybody.

It would help us to enjoy each day that God has given us to its very fullest.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Rauenbuehler, Director of Senior Adult Ministry



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Our next Bunco day is scheduled for Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> 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 <a href="mailto:llrauenbuehler@cox.net">llrauenbuehler@cox.net</a>.

Please join us on **Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup>** for the Monthly Ladies Luncheon.

When: 11:30 A.M.

Where: Olive Garden on Sunset Rd.

Please RSVP Linda Rauenbuehler at (702) 558-7829 or <a href="mailto:lirauenbuehler@cox.net">lirauenbuehler@cox.net</a>.

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



# Children's Ministries | May 2017

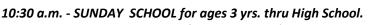
# SUNDAY MORNING CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND CHOIR FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

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 5<sup>th</sup> 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  $4^{th}$  Sunday at the 10:30 service.



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



Thanks for your support of the GVPC children and youth!



# 9 month Sunday School ends May 28<sup>th</sup>.

The Christian Education Committee would like to thank the 9-month teachers who have volunteered their valuable time to lead our students. We are looking for volunteers who are willing to fill on one Sunday during the Summer recess to give the regular teachers a much needed break! Ideally, we would need one volunteer for the elementary grades, and two volunteers for the pre-school/kindergarten age group. The dates are: June 4, June 11, June 18, June 25, July 2, July 9, July 16, July 23, July 30, August 6, and August 13.

Please contact Julie Dorse at the church office or on her cell at (702) 339-4013 for further information.



# **Sunday School Offerings**

The Sunday School offerings have been pledged to purchase items from the PCUSA Giving Catalog to benefit people in need at home and around the world.

We currently have a balance of \$341.47 in our Sunday School Mission Account. The Sunday School students have previously voted to spend \$50.00 of this money on 2 families of chickens which were donated to improvised families in another country. We will be voting again in May to determine which items from the catalog to donate. Possible purchases are school supplies for displaced students (Lebanon), school uniforms (developing countries), refugee food baskets, native seeds (corn, sorghum, millet, or rice), farming equipment, or a bicycle for a pastor in rural Zambia.

It is exciting to see what the generosity of a group of young children can do to help those in need. No matter what age we are, we can all give to those in need.

The results of the vote will be posted on the bulletin board in the Christian Education Building.

**GVPC MUSIC MINISTRIES** 

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Dr. Spencer Baker **Director of Music Ministries** Amy Homer-Smith Organist/Pianist Kavmen Carter Children's Choir Director

**Thursdays** 6:00 pm Joy Ringers Hand Bell Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

> 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Chancel Choir (8:15 am Warm-Up ~ Choir Room) Sundays 9:00 am & 10:30 am

> 9:50-10:20 am Rainbow Choir Rehearsal - Room 7

Harmonic Youth Choir Rehearsal—Fellowship Hall 11:30 am

# **Azusa Pacific University Choir and Orchestra**

Help! Green Valley Presbyterian church is looking to partner with the First Filipino-American Presbyterian Church of Southern Nevada (FFAPC) to bring this wonderful collegiate performance to the GVPC: Live! concert series, Monday, May 8th for a 6:00 pm concert. Christine Mendoza was the pianist for the FFAPC Praise band and is now studying at Azusa and is currently the pianist for this wonderful concert chorale. Yes, Pastor Joe has agreed to move Bible study that evening to accommodate this special concert!

We need homestays for 120 students in order to bring the 90 voice choir and 30 piece orchestra to our church sanctuary. We are about 2/3 the way in meeting our goal. Please contact the event chair, Alice Hoelzer at (702) 454-0343, if you can help assist in getting the rest of the students housed. Housing is for Monday evening after the concert and the host family is asked to provide breakfast Tuesday morning and a sack lunch to take on the bus to the next city on their concert tour.

# **COME AND JOIN US!**

🛂 Sunday, May 7	9:00 am & 10:30 am	Communion Sunday; Chancel Choir
Sunday, May 14	9:00 am & 10:30 am	Chancel Choir (Mother's Day)
Sunday, May 21	9:00 am & 10:30 am	Chancel Choir and Joy Ringers Handbell Ensemble
7		Heritage Sunday
Sunday, May 28	9:00 am & 10:30 am	Piano and Organ Duos (No Chancel Choir)
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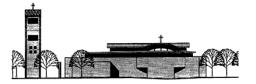
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UPCOMING: Concert So	eries			
Saturday, May 6	7:30 pm	Dr. Katya Bessmeltsva, Chamber Music Recital		
Monday, May 8	6:00 pm	Azusa Pacific University Choir and Orchestra Dr. John Sutton conducts		
Sunday, May 21	7:30 pm	"Ludlamshöhle" Guitar and Piano Ensemble Dr. James and Karen Buckland		
Thursday, May 25	7:30 pm	Dr. Mykola Suk and Oleh Krysa Beethoven Violin Sonatas		
		Dr. Spencer Baker ~ 454-8484 ext		
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Dr. Spencer Baker ~ 454-8484 ext. 506

# Live at GVPC CONCERT SERIES 18<sup>th</sup> Season 2017 Dr. Spencer Baker, Artistic Director Saturday, May 6 at 7:30 pm Dr. Katya Bessmeltsva, chamber music A concert of Chamber Music by All Women composers Monday, May 8 at 6:00 pm Azusa Pacific University Choir and Orchestra (UCO) Azusa is a Christian College from the Los Angeles area. The Azusa UCO is under the direction of Dr. John Sutton. Sunday, May 21 at 7:30 pm "Ludlamshöhle" Guitar and Piano Ensemble South Carolina Presbyterian College Profs., Dr. James and Karen Buckland, present a chamber music concert of classical guitar music. Great Music Great Acoustics Free-Will Offering





# Friends in the Desert

GVPC did not provide a hot meal or sack lunches on Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 as Friends in the Desert closed its operation for that week in order to install new flooring and paint the dining and kitchen area at St. Timothy's where the FITD meals are served. We will return to our normal schedule in providing our monthly sack lunches, hot meal, and clothing distributions in May!

Our hot meal on *Saturday, May 13*<sup>th</sup> will be pulled pork sandwiches, co-chaired by Terry McNamara (702) - 588-3803 and Lorne Schmidt (702)-738-0738. The other food items needed for the luncheon include: hamburger buns; chili beans; cole slaw; bread & butter pickles; ice cream bars; and lemonade.

Our Friends are so appreciative for the new underclothes, socks, other gently used clothing items, and pet food distributed monthly by GVPC. Obtaining a pair of new socks and underclothes may seem a normal part of life for many of us, but for those who are homeless or who are trying to survive from month to month on little funds, it is considered a luxury. 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 white crew socks. We welcome gently used men and women's athletic shoes, sleeping bags, and other current seasonal clothing items. You can place these items in the Sacristy or church office marked "FITD." If you have any questions on the clothing needs, please contact Judy Avery at (702)-528-6775 or email her at <a href="mailto:javery30@gmail.com">javery30@gmail.com</a>.

The *Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup>* luncheon is one of our Friend's favorite: 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. 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 a.m. 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 a.m. on the Saturday the meal is served. Please mark all items you leave at the church "FITD" with 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.

# **ADOPT A PARK, TRAIL, AND ROAD**

On March 25<sup>th</sup> 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 Jim & Bug Bond, Bill Borrebach, Ken & Esther Brown, Shari Jackson, Jason Jennings, and Ron & Jo Smith, for their time, enthusiasm, and effort.

We clean the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of every month. We 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 April 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> our dedicated crew served the evening meal at the U.S. Vets facility located at 525

E. Bonanza Rd., LV. Thanks to Bill and Landra Borrebach, David Doll, Vee and Cassandra Gonzalez, David Shaw, and Margaret Van Etten for their effort, fruit, and time.

THANK YOU to all who have donated clothing and household items. These donations make a difference in the life of a Veteran. Please place donations (clothing, small household items, etc.) in the large box labeled U.S. Vets located in the back of GVPC Fellowship Hall.

We serve the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of the month, and leave the church at 4:15 p.m. Please contact Tony Cannella (702) 568-5238 for additional information or to volunteer to help with this mission outreach program.



# Save the Date Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> 2017

You have probably heard the expression before "save the date." We are asking you to do just that. Why? This date is the day of GVPC's Annual Gingerbread Fair, Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. The money earned from this fair is used for unbudgeted capital improvements for GVPC, local mission projects, expenses and/or the building fund for Christian Education Building mortgage pay down. As always, the Session has the final approval on all these expenditures.

The Gingerbread Fair Committee members are working hard and having fun creating items for the fair. Our May meetings are scheduled for May 1st (1st Monday), this is our business meeting that includes show and tell (completed crafts or ideas for crafts) and the May 15th (3rd Monday) is our craft session, devoted to working on projects for the fair. Sharon Baggs is our Craft Coordinator. You can contact her for more information or to schedule a craft work session. You can reach her at (702) 896-1330 or mothergoose1307@cox.net. At the May craft session you will have your choice of working with Sandy Appleman on Bear prayer blankets, Candy cane mice with Gail Gaede, Estelle Brennan on various items and Sleep Mats with Candice Bush. You can also bring your own projects to work on and get help if you need it.

All meetings are held in the Fellowship Hall and begin at 10:00 AM. New members are welcome at any time. We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

Please contact one of our co-chairs if you need further information: Gail Gaede (702) 896-5039, <a href="mailto:gail@gaede.ws">gail@gaede.ws</a> or Judy Krug (702) 263-1350, <a href="mailto:krugjudy@yahoo.com">krugjudy@yahoo.com</a>.

Don't forget—Mark the Date Now For the best Gingerbread Fair Ever! Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> 2017



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



133 South Water Street, Downtown
Henderson
<a href="https://www.FirelightBarn.com">www.FirelightBarn.com</a>,
702-518-7464

\*Reservations are required and Tickets will be presold prior to the event.\*



Jackson Family Band & Cloggers, performing over 16 years!

# PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH CONNECTION



May will end our Sunday afternoon meetings, but we will have some fellowship opportunities, camps, and mission trips this summer.

Parents—We still need lunch donations for May 7<sup>th</sup>, May 14<sup>th</sup> and May 21<sup>st</sup>. Thanks!

MAY 6<sup>th</sup> – (Sat) Confirmation class from 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

MAY 7<sup>th</sup> – Youth Group 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 a.m.

MAY 13<sup>th</sup> – Confirmation Homeless Retreat begins at 5:15 a.m. through Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

MAY 14<sup>th</sup> – Youth group from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. "HAPPY MOTHERS DAY!!!"

MAY 20<sup>th</sup> - (Sat) Confirmation class 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

May 21<sup>st</sup> – Youth group 11:30 a.m.– 1:30 p.m.

MAY 27<sup>th</sup> – (Sat) Confirmation 11: 00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

MAY 28<sup>th</sup> – END OF THE YEAR BBQ! 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Please bring a side dish to share, I will get the hamburgers and hotdogs! Location to TBA.

JUNE 11<sup>th</sup> - Youth Sunday and Graduation Sunday. Mark your calendars, we need everyone's help in Youth Sunday! Details to follow!

Feel free to call with any questions or concerns, (702)454-8484 X 504.

In His Service,

Renee Kelly

# Session Highlights May 2017

Your Session has been very busy with new ideas, building fixes, planned events and plans to make our church grow.

The Fellowship Committee led by Elders Bernadette O'Neill and Jorge Sanchez have already hosted a discussion of the movie, "The Shack," with Pastor Adrian and Elder Dave Cornell. It was attended by 30 people with a great discussion about the movie. This was followed by the Easter Picnic with over 100 people in attendance. Good food, good fun and good fellowship was had by all. The kid's baskets were overflowing with goodies. There are many events planned throughout the year and you're all invited.

The Membership Committee led by Elders Dave Cornell and Doug Small has been busy advertising GVPC. Sticker ads were placed on the Review Journal on Good Friday inviting everyone to worship with us Easter morning. The Welcome Center is up and being updated regularly. The committee has 20 people signed up for the New Member Class. The church brochure has been designed and printed along with church business cards everyone can use. Also, a new website is in the works.

The Worship and Music Committee led by Elders Donna Rorer and Bill Ruby are always busy this time of year. Spencer Baker has many concerts planned. This committee was responsible for the beautiful lilies and banners in our sanctuary on Easter morning. There has been much planning for Pastor Adrian's Installation.

The Christian Education Committee led by Elders Ann Fields and Christy Miller are getting ready for Vacation Bible School, Summer Camp and two missions trips, one to Louisiana and the other to San Diego. The committee members were responsible for the games at the Easter Picnic, the Easter Egg Hunt, and the Easter Bunny visit. Also, the well-received Stations of the Cross held on Good Friday and Saturday. They are planning to develop more adult studies in the future.

The Missions Committee led by Elders Eric Eden and Nathan Slife were responsible for the One Great Hour of Sharing offering and the payments made throughout 2017 to our missionary families and our sponsored organizations.

The Administration and Stewardship Committee led by Elders Allen Randle, John Yates, and Connie Mulick are always busy handling the finances of the church.

The Property Committee led by Elders Bobby Miller and John Viner keep the buildings operating. We now have more electricity in the kitchen and new paint on the walls of the conference room.

The Nominating Committee and Personnel Committees are busy as needs arise pertaining to their committees.

**Pastor Adrian** has been working hard attending committee meetings; meeting with members; visiting our members in the various hospitals and serving communion to our homebound family members. Oh, and writing sermons, too.

The Clerk of Session has been busy trying to keep the Session members informed with various minutes and electronic votes between their monthly meetings plus the meeting minutes. If you feel the urge to join any of these committees, we'd be glad to see you and value any input.

Julie Winkler Clerk of Session April Happenings at GVPC



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# Green Valley Fresbyterian Church

Ministers: Members of the Congregation

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:** 

Administrative Assistant:

Linda Rauenbuehler

Julie Winkler

Financial/Office Manager: Carol Johnson

Nursery Attendant: Claire Bartley

Audio Visual Technician: Allen Merritt

Sexton: Kurt Ricketts

# **Elders by Committee - 2017**

# Administration

Connie Mulick, Allen Randle, John Yates

# **Christian Education**

Christy Miller, Ann Fields

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

# Membership & Evangelism

Dave Cornell, Doug Small

## Missions

Eric Eden, Nathan Slife

# **Nominations**

Ron Sharetts

# Personnel

Michelle Morgando, Molly Pope

# **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.*