

THE GREEN VALLEY VISION

Green Valley Presbyterian Church



From the Pastor's Desk

In my brief time at GVPC, I have come to appreciate our vital congregation for so many reasons. I am filled with gratitude for the blessing of this call to serve as your pastor. Truly, your joy and love of the Lord are evident, and I look forward to partnering with you as we strive to touch the greater Las Vegas Valley with Christ's love. I could not be more eager to celebrate our upcoming events in April.

The events of Holy Week allow us to focus on the very heart of the Gospel, "*For God so loved the world...*" I hope you will join us as we commemorate Jesus' passion, death, burial and resurrection.

Palm Sunday Weekend, April 8-9

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

Maundy Thursday, April 13

Join us for a presentation of the **Fauré Requiem** at **7:00 p.m.** with the combined choirs of Grace, Green Valley, and Mountain View Presbyterian Churches accompanied by a full orchestra. Our service will also include Communion as we remember the night of Jesus' betrayal.

Good Friday, April 14

Our Good Friday Service will feature a "**Service of Nails**" at **7:00 p.m.** We will hear the story of the Passion as we reflect on the price Jesus paid for the sins of the world.

Easter Saturday, April 15

Don't miss our Easter picnic and Egg Hunt from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at Paseo Vista Park hosted by the Fellowship Committee. This annual event is the perfect opportunity to invite your family and friends.

Easter Sunday, April 16

We have three services planned for our celebration of Easter: **6:00 a.m. (Sunrise service)**, **9:00** and **10:30 a.m.** Join us as we proclaim the wonderful truth, "Jesus Christ is Risen!"

Installation Sunday, April 23

We will have one combined service this weekend on **Sunday at 10:00 a.m.** (*no Saturday evening service on April 22nd*) as we celebrate a new chapter in the life of our congregation. Given the many elements of an Installation, the service will be longer than the typical Sunday service featuring guests from Los Ranchos, Maumee Valley, and Nevada Presbyteries, as well as special music prepared by our many talented musicians. Everyone is invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall following the Installation service for a reception.

I am grateful beyond words for the joy of proclaiming together the greatest story ever told – the very hope of the Gospel. May the message of Easter inspire all of us to share God's love in countless ways.

April 2017

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PLEASE NOTE:

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

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April Sermons and Scriptures

April 2nd ~ Fifth Sunday in Lent

Sermon: "Giving Up Everything to Gain More"

Speaker: Pastor Adrian

Scripture: John 12:20-26

Also: Communion

April 9th ~ Palm Sunday

Sermon: "The Lord Has Need of It"

Scripture: Mark 11:1-11

Speaker: Pastor Adrian

April 16th ~ Easter Sunday

Sunrise Service 6:00 a.m.

Traditional Services 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Sermon: "You are Known by God"

Scripture: John 20:1-18

Speaker: Pastor Adrian

April 23rd ~ Installation Sunday

Sermon: "The Road to Emmaus Meets the Road to Las Vegas"

Scripture: Luke 24:13-35

Guest Preacher: Rev. Susan Snedeker-Meier, Maumee Valley Presbytery

(No Saturday evening service, one service only at 10:00 a.m.)

April 30th ~ The Second Sunday of Easter

Sermon: "Seeing is Believing"

Scripture: John 20:19-29

Speaker: Pastor Adrian

Also: New Member Inquiry Class



HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

April 9 ~ Palm Sunday

Sermon: "The Lord Has Need of It"

Rev. Adrian N. Doll

April 13 ~ Maundy Thursday, 7:00 P.M.

Fauré Requiem with Mass Choirs and Orchestra.

Also Communion.

April 14 ~ Good Friday, 12:00 P.M.—5:00 P.M.

Journey to the Cross—Fellowship Hall

April 14 ~ Good Friday, 7:00 P.M.

Service of Nails and special music

April 15 ~ All Church Easter Picnic, 11:00 A.M.

Paseo Vista Park, 2505 Paseo Verde Pkwy, Henderson
(see details on pg. 7)

April 15 ~ No Saturday Service

April 16 ~ Easter Sunday

Sunrise Service - 6:00 a.m. in the GVPC amphitheater

Traditional Services - 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Sermon: "You are Known by God"

Rev. Adrian N. Doll



4th Annual Journey to The Cross

Good Friday, April 14th

12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

&

Saturday, April 15th

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Fellowship Hall

Meditating on the events of Jesus' final days and His resurrection can be profound. The challenge for most of us is shutting out the noise and distraction of everyday life long enough to quiet our souls and listen to the spirit of God. We hope you will plan to come to the Spirituality Center that will be set up in the Fellowship Hall. You will have an opportunity to journey through 13 stations for prayer, contemplation, and reflection as you touch, taste, smell and visualize Christ's journey with Him.

New Member Inquiry Class

Would you like to explore Church membership at Green Valley Presbyterian Church?

If so, please join us at the GVPC New Member Inquiry Class on **Sunday, April 30th from 11:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. in the GVPC Fellowship Hall**. The class will include a history of the Church, the Creeds and Confessions, Church Polity, structure of the Presbyterian Church, the history of GVPC, and opportunities for Christian Education, Fellowship, and Service.

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

Come join us and learn more about GVPC!

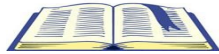
****Lunch will be provided ****

****Childcare upon request****

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



Monday Night Bible Study



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*.”

Please join us for an evening of study and fellowship.
For more information, contact moderator
Rev. Joe Fontana at (702) 260-4625.

Phoebe Circle Women's Bible Study

We invite all ladies to join us on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month at 1:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

On April 14th, we will view an Easter video, on April 28th we will view a video on “*Prodigal God*.”

In May, we will begin a study of the minor prophets.

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



GVPC MEN'S GROUP

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 “*Reading Biblical Literature—Genesis to Revelation*” by Professor Craig P. Koester.

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.

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

Linda Adams (702) 260-9110,

lindaadams1@cox.net

or Joan Randle (702) 837-7336,

randljw@cox.net

Please join us for a morning of
fellowship and sharing.



Monthly Money Matters

March 2017



In February, the budget for offerings caught up with the large one-time offerings from January. Year to date (YTD) offerings were still modestly over budget. Meanwhile February was a large expense month as we paid the per capita and the bulk of the Doll's moving expenses. Still expenses were slightly less than the YTD budget. This is due to continued careful spending by the staff and the committee co-chairs.

On the subject of expense control, we have noticed that when some of you miss a week or two you will write multiple checks the following week to "catch up" or you will write a check to the Deacons and another to the operating fund on the same week. If you are doing this for your own recording-keeping purpose, please continue to do so. However, a single check covering multiple weeks of a pledge or a single check for the Deacons and operating fund is easier for staff to record and deposit. Fewer checks are also less expensive for the church. Our bank allows us 500 transactions per month for one basic fee. A transaction is any check we write or any check we deposit. We are charged \$0.40 apiece for all transactions over the monthly allowance. The amounts involved are small but the stewardship of your offerings is important. In the Deacons/ operating fund example, or any other time your check is meant to be split among accounts, be sure to note it on the memo line of the check or on your envelope.

Respectfully, The Administration Committee

Stewardship Update

March 2017

The Stewardship Committee is still happy to receive your Stewardship pledges to the Annual Operating Budget. If you wish to pledge, please complete a white *Get Ready* pledge card located in the Narthex or pew back and leave in the offering plate or drop at the church office.

GVPC took advantage of the 10% discount offered for early payment of our required per capita. As a result, the payment made was \$19,332 instead \$21,480. Thus far, we have received \$10,450 from our church members who paid their per capita portion. Thank you to those who have generously given to cover that cost. As with the stewardship pledges, we continue to welcome you to pay your per capita portion of \$40.00 per member. Please note per capita on the memo line of check.

Thank you for your continued support of GVPC.

Respectfully submitted,

Your Stewardship Committee

Financial Statement -- February 2017

| Current Income & Expense | | | | Building Fund Income & Expense | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| | <u>YTD Actual</u> | <u>YTD Budget</u> | | <u>Year to Date</u> | |
| Offerings | \$141,538 | \$139,317 | Offerings | \$20,743 | |
| Cell Tower Utilities | \$636 | \$1,375 | Loan Payments | \$24,177 | |
| Other Income | \$1,259 | \$1,106 | | | |
| Total Income | \$143,432 | \$141,798 | Income Over/(Under) Expense | (\$3,434) | |
| Total Expense | \$144,505 | \$144,966 | | | |
| Income Over/(Under) Expense | -\$1,072 | -\$3,168 | | | |
| Temporary Restricted Funds | <u>February</u> | <u>Year to Date</u> | Principal Balance on Loan | \$188,220 | |
| Beginning Balance | \$47,005 | \$49,043 | BF Checking Account Balance | \$14,509 | |
| Restricted Income | \$5,673 | \$9,805 | | | |
| Restricted Expense | \$16,938 | \$23,107 | Custodial Fund Balance | \$209,209 | |
| Ending Balance | \$35,740 | \$35,740 | | | |
| Checking Account Balance | | | | | |
| Operating Fund | | \$169,647 | | | |
| Restricted Funds | | \$35,740 | | | |

Thank You

Dear Friends at Green Valley Presbyterian Church,

I am so appreciative for all the prayers, cards, e-mails, phone calls, and visits during my recent surgery and recovery. This was truly a wonderful display of caring! I am so thankful to be a part of Green Valley Presbyterian Church.

I would also like to thank everyone who inquired as to how my husband is doing health wise.

Thank you.

Love,
Virginia Christenson

Dear Rev. Doll and the Congregation-

I want to thank you and the good folks at Green Valley Presbyterian Church for your generous gift to Forman Christian College. Your love gift will help to educate needy students in a place of growth, truth, and love.

Thank you for being a partner with us.

Sam Schreiner
Executive Director, Friends of Forman

*Forman Christian College, supported by
GVPC Missions*

We thank so many of the congregation who have kept us in your thoughts and prayers as Craig has gone through open heart surgery and recovery. We have appreciated the many cards, emails, and phone calls that remind us we are not alone.

In Christ's love,
Craig & Pat Carrell

Dear GVPC Family,

We want to thank Pastor Adrian and our brothers and sisters in Christ for your prayers, phone calls, offers of help, transportation, food, visits, cards and all around good stuff during our recent convalescence.

All our love,
Pastor Joe and Nancy.

WELCOME CENTER UPGRADE PROJECT COMPLETION

It's time for a BIG THANK YOU to members Pam Yates and Connie Mulick for their contributions to the Welcome Center! Pam donated the exquisite material **and** her personal skilled seamstress stitching for the table cover. Connie added the finishing touch to the new colorful display board with her flair for design and organization of information and materials on both the table and the board.

The relocation of the table to a less congested area was intended to enhance viewing from the Sanctuary side through the glass and within the Narthex.

Should you have any questions or suggestions, please call Elders Connie Mulick or Hal West.

Enjoy the Enhanced Center,
Membership and Evangelism



Senior Adult Ministries | April 2017

Resources for Seniors

Meal Options for Seniors

There are numerous options available for seniors who are not able to easily cook for themselves or who really have no desire to do their own cooking. Today, I am just featuring a couple of options, though, there are so many I could write several articles. Two resources available to us that I am featuring in this article are our very own Green Valley Presbyterian Meals Ministry and a delivery service that came highly recommended to me from one of our members called Magic Kitchen. (I am always trying to keep my ears open to suggestions from church members on topics they think that our fellow church family would like to know about.)



Green Valley Presbyterian Church Meals Ministry

For a couple years, church members have been providing meals through the Meals Ministry for those going through challenging times. It began as hot meals but in November we added a new dimension which is frozen meals. Thanks to the generosity of the Deacons, we purchased a small freezer which is located in the kitchen. We have a committee of about a dozen ladies who contribute food to the freezer. Special thanks to Heather Booker who kicked off our frozen meals by contributing food to the freezer every week for a number of months. Many weeks we may not have any requests for food but other weeks, we have provided frozen food for 2-3 families at a time. Please feel free to contact me at any time if you can use assistance with meals for yourself and your family at 702-558-7829 or llrauenbuehler@cox.net.

Magic Kitchen

As our Meals Ministry cannot really cater to special diets, I have been hearing outstanding recommendations from a member of the congregation who has found that Magic Kitchen meets the needs for her family. Magic Kitchen provides healthy, chef prepared meals across the USA. Customers can order meals meeting the needs for all sorts of special diets including low sodium, diabetic-friendly, low carbohydrate, low fat, renal diet, dialysis-friendly, gluten-free, portion control and diets especially prepared for seniors. Complete meals can be ordered or items can be ordered a la carte. Several healthy meal plans are available. Complete meals average about \$12 a piece and shipping typically begins at \$18-\$20 depending on what is ordered. Further information can be found at magickitchen.com.

Please feel free to let me know when you find opportunities that you think other seniors in our church family would like to know about.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Rauenbuehler, Director of Senior Adult Ministries

HEALING HEARTS FELLOWSHIP

There will be no meeting in April since we will be celebrating Easter.

We will meet on May 21st at 11:30 a.m. in the GVPC Conference Room. There will be a guest speaker at this meeting.

We welcome anyone who has a heart that needs healing.

"Grace and Peace is yours in abundance." 1 Peter 1:2

Linda Adams, Facilitator

The latest order of **CareNotes** has arrived. Some of the new titles that have been added to the displays located at the entrance to the Sanctuary are:

- ◆ Letting Go of the Past
- ◆ Feeling Guilt After a Loved One Dies
- ◆ Finding Grace in the Everyday
- ◆ Feeling Overwhelmed When One Loss Follows Another

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

If you are not finding a CareNote topic that meets your needs, please contact Linda Rauenbuehler at (702) 558-7829.

Children's Ministries | April 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.

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!



Easter Picnic

Saturday April 15th ~ 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Paseo Vista Park, 2505 Paseo Verde Pkwy., Henderson

The whole family (and friends) are invited to the Annual GVPC Easter Picnic! Join us for fun, games, a visit from the Easter Bunny, and an Easter egg hunt! **The park has a splash pad, bring towels and swimsuits for the kids!**

Hot Dogs and drinks will be provided.
We ask that each family brings a potluck/picnic dish to share!

Hope to see you there!

Please contact Julie Dorse at
juliedorse@greenvalleypres.com,
(702) 454-8484 ext. 505 with any questions.

P.S.— The Easter Bunny is asking for donations of individually wrapped candy for the Easter egg hunt!!! (No chocolate or lollipops, please). Donations may be left in the baskets located in the Narthex and Christian Ed. Bldg. by April 9th Thanks!



parenting CHRISTIAN kids

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 5th 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.

Any feedback or suggestions you have regarding this e-mail are welcome and appreciated.

Yours in Christ,

Julie Dorse
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Dr. Spencer Baker
Amy Homer-Smith
Kaymen Carter

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

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| Thursdays | 6:00 pm 7:00 pm | Joy Ringers Hand Bell Rehearsal (Sanctuary) Chancel Choir Rehearsal |
| Sundays | 9:00 am & 10:30 am 9:50-10:20 am | Chancel Choir (8:15 am Warm-Up ~ Choir Room) Rainbow Choir Rehearsal – Room 7 |

APRIL CHOIR SCHEDULE:

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| Saturday, April 1 | 10:00 am – Noon | Fauré Massed Choir Rehearsal at Grace Presbyterian Potluck to follow |
| Sunday, April 2 | 9:00 am & 10:30 am | Communion Sunday; Chancel Choir |
| Saturday, April 8 | 10:00 am- Noon | Fauré Massed Choir and Orchestra Dress Rehearsal at Mountain View Presbyterian Church |
| Sunday, April 9 | 9:00 am & 10:30 am | Palm Sunday: Chancel Choir & Rainbow Choir (10:30) |
| Sunday, April 9 | 2:00 pm CALL 3:00 pm Performance | Palm Sunday Concert of Fauré Requiem at Mt. View |
| Wednesday, April 12 | 6:00 pm 7:00 pm | Joy Ringers Easter Rehearsal Chancel Choir Easter Rehearsal |
| Maundy-Thursday, April 13 | 6:15 pm CALL 7:00 pm Service | Fauré Requiem with Massed Choirs at GVPC |
| Good Friday, April 14 | 6:15 pm CALL 7:00 pm Service | Fauré Requiem: Massed Choirs at Grace Presbyterian |
| Sunday, April 16 | 5:30 am CALL 6:00 am 7:15 am 7:45 am 8:00 am 9:00 am 10:30 am | Amy and Kaymen Sunrise Service Joy Ringers Rehearsal Brass Rehearsal Chancel Choir and Orchestra Rehearsal Easter Services Easter Services |
| Sunday, April 23 | 9:00 am CALL 10:00 am Service | Joy Ringers, Chancel Choir and Brass One Service Only for the Installation of Pastor Doll |
| Sunday, April 30 | 9:00 am & 10:30 am | Chancel Choir Rainbow Choir (10:30 am only) |

UPCOMING: Concert Series

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|---------------------------|----------------|---|
| Sunday, April 2 | 5:30 & 7:30 pm | LVMTA Roger Bushell Winners Recital |
| Maundy-Thursday, April 13 | 7:00 pm | GVPC Orchestra and combined Presbyterian Choirs Fauré Requiem: Soloist, Travis Lewis |
| Friday, April 28 | 7:30 pm | Sirocco Flutes; Dr. Richard Soule conducts |



Spencer Baker, 702-454-8484, ext. 506

Live at GVPC CONCERT SERIES

18th Season 2017

Dr. Spencer Baker, Artistic Director

► ***Sunday, April 2 ~ 5:30 & 7:30 pm***

Las Vegas Music Teacher's Association: Bushell Winner's Recital

The most prestigious scholarship music competition for
Las Vegas youths age 9-18 presents winners in two recitals!



► ***Maundy-Thursday, April 13 ~ 7:00 pm***

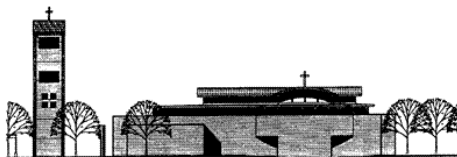
Fauré Requiem

Dr. Spencer Baker conducts combined choirs from Grace Presbyterian Church,
Mountain View Presbyterian Church and GVPC with orchestra.
Soloist, Travis Lewis and Lisa Elliott.

The service will be the Requiem, Communion, and familiar Lenten Choral anthems.

► ***Friday, April 28 ~ 7:30 pm***

Sirocco Flute Ensemble Dr. Richard Soule, conductor



Great Music

Great Acoustics

Free-Will Offering

Friends in the Desert

On March 11th, 2017 we served our Friends in the Desert guests a luncheon that included caesar salad, hot meat-ball submarine sandwiches, green beans, potato chips, ice cream bars as well as coffee, milk and lemonade. We served 90 hot meals and 40 take out meals.

The GVPC Lunch Brigade prepared and delivered 99 sack lunches. If you are interested in joining the FITD Lunch Brigade (the team responsible for preparing sack lunches every second Friday of the month), please contact Judy Avery at (702) 528-6775 or email her at javery30@gmail.com.

After enjoying their home cooked meal, our FITD visitors were given the opportunity to pick up items of clothing donated by members of our congregation. The hot summer months will be here shortly and items such as hats are always needed. They also appreciate lap blankets or regular blankets, sleeping bags, athletic shoes and pet food. Each month our church distributes new men's white crew socks, underwear and white T-shirts in every size. At this time, men's white t-shirts (sizes large and extra large) and men's white crew socks are the primary items that we need. Donations of any of these items are always appreciated. You may leave your donations in the church office or in the Sacristy by the back window. Please mark your items FITD.

Grateful thanks to all who donated money and food, and to those who came to help serve in December and January. Since our funds have been diminished due to the cold winter months, monetary donations are much appreciated. Please make out your check to "GVPC" and place the title "Friends in the Desert" in the memo line. We also wish to thank you for bringing toiletry items from your travels, and the Deacons, who purchase any other needed hygiene products.

Please note that there will be no Friends in the Desert lunch for April 2017 as the floors are being replaced at St. Timothy's. We will have a list of pantry staples that we always use listed on the board in the Narthex if you wish to donate. The May 13th, 2017 lunch will consist of pulled pork sandwiches, chili beans, coleslaw, potato chips, bread and butter pickles and ice cream bars. The co-chairs for this meal will be Terry McNamara (702) 588-3803 and Lorne Schmidt (702) 738-0738. 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 GVPC Fellowship Hall kitchen no later than 11:30 a.m. on Friday, May 12th, or delivered to the back door at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church (42 West Pacific Ave, Henderson) on Saturday the 13th by 10:45 a.m.** Please mark all items you leave at the church "FITD" with your name.

Blessings to all of you in God's service of helping the less fortunate,
Michelle Morgando and Linda Sliwa, March 2017 FITD Co-Chairs



On February 25th 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,

Ted Rauenbuehler, and Ron & Jo Smith, for their time & effort.

We clean the 4th Saturday of the month, and we meet at the church at 8:00 a.m. Please contact Tony Cannella (702) 568-5238 if you are interested in helping!

On March 11th and 18th our dedicated crew served the evening meal at the facility located at 525 E. Bonanza Rd., LV. Thanks to Bill & Landra Borrebach, David Doll, Matt Hamilton, Carol Riback, David Shaw, Ron Smith & Jo Smith, 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 2nd and 3rd 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.





Gingerbread Fair!!!

What is a Gingerbread Fair?

It is a bazaar, sale, or craft fair held in the GVPC Fellowship Hall, filled with items to give as gifts, or to decorate your home and includes some of the best pantry items and baked goods in the area! Our Gingerbread Craft Fair has become known for its quality items and the committee works year round producing these items. Income earned at the fair is used for unbudgeted capital improvements for GVPC, local mission projects, expenses and/or the building fund or mortgage pay-down.

Believe it or not, we have already completed work on some projects for our October 14th, 2017 Gingerbread Craft Fair and are busy working on more. Our April meetings are scheduled for April 3rd (1st Monday), which is the business meeting that includes show and tell (completed crafts or ideas for crafts) and April 17th (3rd Monday) our crafting session where we enjoy each other's fellowship. *At this craft session you will have your choice working with Carol Jordan and Sue Cooper on Angels or with Lynn Small in making jewelry. Estelle Brennan will have various items that she needs help with.* These meetings held in Fellowship Hall begin at 10:00 A.M.. New members are welcome at any time. Please come and join us. We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

Please contact one of our Co-Chairs if you have any questions: Gail Gaede (702) 896-5039, gail@gaede.ws or Judy Krug (702) 263-1350, krugjudy@yahoo.com.

**Don't forget – Mark the Date Now
For the best Gingerbread
Craft Fair Ever!**



Saturday, October 14th 2017

Spring Shopping and Lunch Trip to Chico's

Mark your calendars and join us for a spring shopping trip to Chico's Clothing Store on Friday, April 7th. Chico's is located in the Outlet Mall at Warm Springs and Las Vegas Blvd.

We did a couple shopping trips in the fall and had so much fun that we want to do it again. (see photo from last trip) Thank you to Anna Mae Wood for making the arrangements through her connections at Chico's. After shopping, we are planning to have lunch in one of the Food Courts where everyone can get whatever kind of food they like

Please meet at the reception desk at church at 10:00 a.m. on April 7th to carpool. To RSVP, please call Linda Rauenbuehler at (702) 558-7829 or llrauenbuehler@cox.net.



Please join us on **Thursday, April 6th** for the
Monthly Ladies Luncheon.

When: 11:30 A.M.

Where: Mimi's Café on Stephanie St.

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

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



Our next Bunco day is scheduled for Thursday, April 20th 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.

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

PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH CONNECTION



"When we consider our identities as Christ-followers, the Easter story is at the very core of who we are. But if we are not careful, we miss the chance to truly take in all that Easter has to offer us. When we don't prepare mentally and spiritually for Easter, we lose the chance for Christ to draw us deeper into what it really means to follow Him. We lose the chance to draw closer to Christ." An (EXTRA)ordinary Easter, By Stephen Ingram

This & That for April

April 1st – (Saturday) Confirmation Class 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. (No Joke)

April 2nd – Youth Group 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

April 8th – 9th – Homeless Retreat starting Saturday at 5:30 a.m. until Sunday 10:00 a.m.

April 9th – NO youth group today!

April 14th (Friday) *"Journey to the Cross"* in the Fellowship Hall from 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. See note on pg. 2

April 15th - EASTER PICNIC - 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at Paseo Vista Park, on Paseo Verde at St. Rose Pkwy. *"Journey to the Cross"* from 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

April 16th – HAPPY EASTER - "He is Risen; He is Risen indeed!" Worship Services 6:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m..
NO Youth Group today.

April 22nd – Confirmation Class 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

April 23rd – ONE service only 10:00 a.m. ~ Installation of Pastor Adrian. Youth Group from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

April 29th – Confirmation Class 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

April 30th – Youth Group 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Come and join the youth fun at GVPC (photos from Nascar booth in March).

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

Serving Christ with you, Renee Kelly



SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

The Session meeting was held on Tuesday, February 28th, 2017 with Pastor Adrian Doll moderating his first meeting at GVPC. The committees gave their reports with the following committees submitting action items for approval.

Personnel – to add the last Monday in May as a paid holiday for Memorial Day, removing Good Friday as a paid holiday and adding the Monday following Easter Sunday as a paid holiday.

Fellowship – to approve a Line Dancing/Chili Cook-Off Event at GVPC on October 28th, 2017.

Membership – to approve spending up to \$650.00 for sticker ads (advertising Easter services) that will be placed on the Las Vegas Review Journal within five chosen zip codes.

Worship & Music – to approve the Azusa Pacific Concert on Monday, May 8th, 2017 and to house 130 students. To approve holding one service on April 23rd, 2017 at 10:00 AM for Pastor Adrian's installation service. To allow the Worship & Music Committee to hold fundraisers for the music instrument fund and to bring each fundraiser before Session for approval.

Christian Education – to approve payment for vehicles for the planned mission trip to Baton Rouge, LA for the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance on July 1st, 2017 in the amount of \$2,061.00 from account #8049.

Missions – to approve the quarterly and monthly disbursements for the year 2017 to our mission projects.

Administration – the 2016 Financial Review has been completed and a motion was made to enter it as being received and approved by Session.

All the above motions were approved.

Clerk of Session – Member Joyce Carey passed away on January 10th, 2017. She had been a member since November 3rd, 1996.

Members John Ashlock and Dottie Henshaw were married on February 18th, 2017 at Green Valley Presbyterian Church.

On February 26th, 2017 Betsy Johnson was ordained as Deacon to Class of 2017 and Doug Small was installed as Elder to the Class of 2018.

The church statistical report for 2016 was presented and sent to the General Assembly. A motion was made to request the removal from active membership, Barbara Mear, at her request on January 27th, 2017. The motion was seconded and carried.

The Nevada Presbytery meeting was held at Henderson Presbyterian Church the first week in March. Some highlights for our church – Pastor Adrian Doll's call as Pastor of Green Valley Presbyterian Church was approved and he was enthusiastically received as a member of the Presbytery of Nevada. His Service of Installation will be on Sunday April 23rd, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.

The Special Offering received at the worship service was designated for the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Youth Mission Trip to Baton Rouge, LA, this summer to assist victims of flooding. The offering was \$1,341.00. Praise God from whom all blessings flow. The next Presbytery meeting will be held September 11th-13th, 2017 at Zephyr Point Presbyterian Conference Center on the shores of Lake Tahoe.

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 Deacon's envelopes, recycled beverage cans and items for the food banks we support!! Please, keep it up!! There are lots of people in need.

The Deacon's Blood Drive went amazingly well!! We had 24 participants, 27 pints of blood donated and helped save the lives of 81 people!!! Great job everyone!! The next blood drive is scheduled for October 29th, please add this date to your calendars. Thank you for your support!!

Because of your generous and continued support the Board of Deacons was able to donate \$1,000.00 to One Great Hour of Sharing this year.

Lastly, we were so pleased to have such an amazing turn out on Meet Your Deacon Sunday on March 19th! We always love to meet with our parish families! (Some photos from the event below)

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 extra food items for the Henderson Presbyterian Church Food Pantry and food, toiletry items and clothing for the Friends of the Desert.

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

GVPC Board of Deacons





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. Scieny-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



Complete job descriptions will be available upon request from Julie Dorse.

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!!

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

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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

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Nursery Attendant: Claire Bartley

Audio Visual Technician: Allen Merritt

Sexton: Kurt Ricketts

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Annette Baize
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Cindy Cerullo
Trish Henshaw
Bill Lewis
Jo Ellen Lewis
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***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.