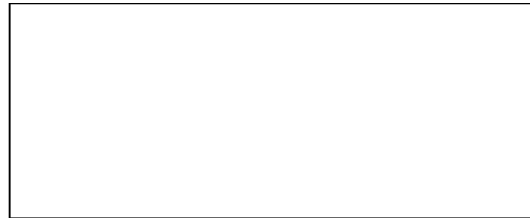


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March Coming Events

- 3rd** Adult Study noon
- 5th** CWU 9:45 a.m.
- 7th** Cathy Sunbury's trip
- 9th** P.W. Meeting 9:45
Deacons 7p
- 10th** Adult Study noon
- 12-13th** Presbytery meets
- 17th** Adult Study noon
Session Meets 7p
- 22nd** Dove Articles Due
- 23rd** Soup Kitchen 5p
- 24th** Adult Study noon
Choir Practice 7 p.
- 28th** Palm Sunday



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- 7th Del Goddard & Jerry Kalina
- 14th Charley Browning & Jack Rogers
- 21st Robert & Leone Burger
- 28th Bob Vaughn & Jerry Kalina

LITURGISTS

- Mar
- 7th Michele Ward
- 14th Jeanne Kennett
- 21st Jim Mltchelmor
- 28th Jeanne Schulz

COFFEE HOUR

- Mar
- 7th Sheila & Elvin Snyder
- 14th
- 21st Jeanne Schulz
- 28th Sheila & Elvin Snyder

FLOWER PROVIDERS

- Mar
- 7th Dorys Rear
- 14th Sheila & Elvin Snyder
- 21st Nancy Grube
- 28th Palm Sun [Marilyn Dahlen]

NURSERY

- Mar
- 7th Barbara Rose
- 14th Sandra Geiseman
- 21st Karol Kroeze
- 28th Nancy Goddard

COMMUNION Servers

- Bob & Karol Kroeze
- *Mary Lou Pierce; Jerry Kalina

MARCH Birthdays

- 01 Steve MILLER
- 02 Mary SELF
- 06 Glenn REAR
- 11 Bill LANGE
- 19 Karol KROEZE

Visibility: Unlimited

Weather Report or

Goal for 2010 ?

This edition of *The Dove of Peace* newsletter has been produced by the following people. [Please remember to thank them for *The Dove*

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The People of Peace

Please remember these members of the Peace family in your prayers.

We were sorry to hear that former member **John McGrath** passed away on Saturday, January 23rd.

Elmer Renken also died recently.

Jay Phillips, **Myrna's husband**, continues to seek answers for his medical problems.

Ralph Kephart is keeping pace with his new pacemaker.

Memories of Peace from Japan

(Gretchen grew up in the Peace family)

People telling ME they loved seeing me peak at them from behind the pews in my baby carrier. Going up the rickety steps of the old trailer to the Jr High bible study group.

Ice cream socials and showing off the tricks of my dog Spooky.

The excitement when the last of the advent candles was lit.

Jim McConnell's WONDERFUL acapella voice singing the Christmas Story with Pastor John reading the same. That was Christmas.

Weeding at Ruth's with my Mom, and playing chess with the old couple that lived off of Howard Road – I cannot recall their names – as part of the mission of Peace. I always thought that was the BEST thing about the Church – taking care of people unable to actually get to the Church buildings!

Welcoming my parents back from “Pickin’ Chickens” to send Becky’s group to Alaska . . . I think.; Getting married there!!!!

Gretchen Wilbur Shinoda

Lectionary for Sundays and Festivals Scripture Reference March 2010

March 7 (3rd Sunday in Lent)

Isaiah 55:1-9

Psalms 63:1-8

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

Luke 13:1-9

March 14 (4th Sunday in Lent)

Joshua 5:9-12

Psalms 32

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

March 21 (5th Sunday in Lent)

Isaiah 43:16-21

Psalms 126

Philippians 3:4b-14

John 12:1-8

March 28 (Passion / Palm Sunday)

Liturgy of the Palms

Luke 19:28-40

Psalms 118:1-2, 19-29

Liturgy of the Passion

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalms 31:9-16

Philippians 2:5-11

Luke 22:14—23:56

or Luke 23:1-49



Pastor's Pages

Winston the Wonder Dog, our Scottish Terrier, has been insufferable ever since Sadie the Scottie (AKC registered name: Roundtown Mercedes of Maryscot) won the Best of Show prize at the Westminster Dog Show in Madison Square Garden. Winston gazed at Sadie on the t.v. as she made her appearance on the Good Morning America show the day after the contest, and I distinctly heard him say: "That's my cousin! See! I told you we were the best!" There's no living with him now. He even got Michele to bring him to the Ash Wednesday service.

While imposing ashes on all the worshipers but Winston and reminding everyone of our mortality that evening, I was saddened to realize that my current dog is now just past the halfway mark of a normal canine life expectancy. Although he is still quite healthy, a certain separation anxiety crept over me as I suddenly remembered that I have had a number of dogs in my life, and that all but the current one have gone on to their reward (yes, I think that all dogs, along with rest of creation, do inherit the promise of a completely new heaven and earth). To the best of my knowledge, Winston shares no such anxiety about his fate! He's pretty much an in-the-moment type of creature. I envy him.

One of the great theological mysteries is why we bipeds normally outlive our

animals. Barring disease or a tendency to get loose and chase cars, most dogs only last about 12-15 years if they have normal life expectancy. Anything beyond that is a bonus.

I love the way the rabbis explain this mundane mystery of life regarding our best friends:

When Cain killed Abel, Adam and Eve lost not only Abel, but Cain too, who was driven away for his crime. It was another 15 years or so before the replacement, Seth, was born. The story goes that to ease their grief, our Maker provided Adam and Eve with the dog as companion, servant and family member. When Seth came along, the dog was no longer needed as a substitute child.

For many young adults dogs do act as practice for having human children. For many of us empty nest types, the dog is kind of a replacement for the grown kids. Our dog of course is "only" a dog and not a human child. At least that's what his piano teacher and his pediatrician keep telling us!

Thinking of taking on a quadruped? The animal shelters have lots of them available. You could save their lives and enrich your own. The fact that we get relatively few years with them makes our relationship with the animal kingdom all the more poignant.

Session 01/20/10

Meeting was called to order @ 7:11 by Bruce Cameron who opened with prayer.



Clerk: Minutes were approved for 1/20/10
Communion was served on 2/7/10
Clerk's Statistical Report copies were provided MSC to approve report

MSC: Remove John McGrath from the member rolls. He died on 1/23/10.

Financial Report: A good month:
Net: \$6952 (incl. some full-year pledges)

Budget 2010: Discussion of the proposed budget: Should Golden Anniversary Funds be rolled over into Matching Grant for upgrades? Synod loans pledged support covers approx. \$3400 of \$5800; remainder comes from General Fund. MSC to transfer \$2539 from Nurses Fund to General Fund; Priorities for "Access" projects: #1 sidewalk repair & amplified telephone/speaker. Matching funds (2-year window) Raise funds in 2nd year to have bathrooms completed that year

Bruce stressed advantage of earlier capital campaigns that included packages, over individual fundraisers
AT&T interested in some cell relay stations on Peace site. They are not towers, but power/amp racks [would pay \$500/month] possible shed location? If used tractor site, offered to build new storage.
Next step is city approval?

Access Committee: request expectations of "open doors" commission? Priorities: #1 sidewalk repair [get 3 bids] Speaker system & hearing aids; printed sermons.

Karol proposed a Session member Work

Activity for Saturday.

Peace & Justice: giving \$50 to 4 speakers/presenters @ P&J meetings.
Last meeting was "School of Americas".
Future meetings: Jeanne will survey those who have attended

B&G: cost for aggregate driveway upkeep: Bid requested; PW proposed project: to fund painting of chapel interior: bids discussed; Height and architecture make it challenging (bids are high)

List of Future B&G Projects could be posted for volunteer sign-up

Insurance: updated figures requested; possibility of higher deductible to lower premiums?

Sound System: Bruce ordered hearing necklaces that link to hearing aids (trial)

Pastors Report: visited Thelma Coombs; she can use more visitors

Worship: Mary Lou, Bruce, & Jim met to discuss future ideas

Scottish Festival: will send minutes to Session members; Will hire help for the heavy jobs.

Presbyterian Women of Peace

Next Meeting
Tues. Feb. 9th
9:45 Fellowship Hall

We meet on the second Tuesday, March 9th at 9:45 in Fellowship Hall. Our Bible study this year is Joshua, which continues with Chapter Two of our lessons. We welcome all women of our congregation, and anyone else who may enjoy participating in our study and fellowship. Shalom, B.J.

Deacons' Meeting Minutes 2/9/10

Nancy Goddard opened with prayer

Old Business:

Bruce received the Stephens Ministry booklets. Each deacon has the guide book, "Journeying through Grief Giver's Guide" to read over. The Journeying through Grief is a set of four short books; we have a set of 3 packages, which are to be given out at four crucial times during the first year. One member will take the set of 4 to read and then pass them to another deacon until everyone has read through the books. Nancy took a set to send out to Melda McGrath.

The pizza party at Abby's Pizza was well attended with between 25 to 30 people enjoying pizza, salad and great conversation. Thank you to Bob Kroeze for putting this together and for his generous donation.

Devotions/prayers: March Mary Self

New Business:

The deacons are hosting a potluck on March 14th with the theme, "Foods from the Bible". BJ brought in a book for us to see and will get us copies of the recipes on Marcy 9th. Each deacon will get a recipe to make for after church on the 14th.

Discussion of the members of Peace.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, March 9, 2010, 7:00 pm.

Nancy closed with Prayer.

Scottish Festival Update

The festival committee is busily planning for the 8th annual festival to be held

May 15, 2010 10:00 to 5:00

With no evening concert this year before or after the festival, entrance fees have been changed to \$2, plus 2 cans of food. The food will be donated to Fish and undetermined food banks. This year we are asking our clans for a \$20 donation rather than the free admission of the past years.

Robert Burns night

This was a fundraiser for the Scottish festival sponsored by the Eugene Scottish dancing club which was held Jan. 31 at the Vet's club. It was a successful evening with lots of fun. The night included a variety of local Scottish entertainment; Robert Burns' poetry reading and attributes; roast beef dinner and Scottish country dancing afterwards. Around 78 people attended which exceeded last year's total of 72. Burns night generated a profit of \$240.

Scottish New Year Concert Jan 3, '10

This concert was another fundraiser for the Scottish festival. The audience of 95 was ecstatic about the performance. The Concert featured Rebecca Lomnicky, winner of 2009 Glenfiddich Scottish Fiddle Championship, with David Brewer, piper and co-founder of Molly's Revenge, and Peter Willis on guitar. After a 50-50 split with the performers, the concert generated a profit of \$304.

Is the Jesus way the only way to salvation?

You may have seen this often-debated question discussed recently on the Religion page of the Register Guard. Surveys reveal that many Presbyterians now believe that there are multiple paths to a destination called Salvation. (a term that is never defined in the survey, but in popular understanding means something like post-mortem admission into heavenly bliss. (Let's set that problem of definition aside for the moment.) Liberal Presbyterians tend to believe that there are many paths to the same spiritual destination. Those who define themselves as "evangelical" insist that there is only one way. Which group is right? Marcus Borg would say that they are both right.

Borg tells the story of a conversation with a Hindu professor who told him, "Christians say there is only one way to salvation and they are right. Jesus taught that there is only one way, and that is the way that leads through death to resurrection. And that is exactly what all the great religions of the world have taught for a very long time." (See Borg's book in our church library, Reading the Bible again for the First Time.) The season of Lent is a time when we focus in particular on that paradoxical truth of the Gospel. I hope you will make it your intention to participate even more faithfully in the various options for worship, study and service available through Peace Church.

Have you remembered Peace Church in your will?

Thanks to all who have contributed or pledged to the fund for hiring an office assistant. When you see how much better we are able to function (assuming we can make a wise hiring choice), I think you will find that the money was well spent.

Need hearing assistance in the worship service? We are adding some necklace-type devices to our Listen-brand hearing assistance technology. They are supposed to work well for those with a t-coil feature on their hearing aids. Try them if you need them and let us know if they work for you. If we need more, we'll get more. If they don't work well, we'll try something else.

Our bylaws state that our **Annual Congregational Meeting** is to be held in the first quarter of the year. Watch for the date of that meeting in March.

-bwc

Guatemala Trip

Dr Marie Buscemi, (my employer), her son Michael, and I went to Guatemala/Guazecapan along with 34 others on a medical mission. We were there for a week at the end of January. Thanks again to a number of you who helped make my participation possible with your contributions. Come see our presentation after church on March 7th

Cathy Sunbury

Soup Kitchen

"The Dining Room" aka "Family Dining Program" We are now serving one shift, on the fourth Tuesday of each month. For March we serve Tuesday, March 23rd from 5-7pm. We need three people because we serve about 400 at a quick pace from 5 to 6:30. The final half hour we help clean the kitchen.

The sign up sheet for our monthly service at the Dining Room is located on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.

Through our donations and volunteering, we at Peace are a vital part of this very important program. Each month we have the opportunity to serve those in need by serving at the Dining Room. Many thanks for your support, and a special thanks to Jerry Kalina, Robert and Leone Burger, Bob and Karol Koeze, Peg and Jim Hengstler, Ralph Kehart, Lavelle Hollis, Jack Rogers, Jane and Sterling Heidegger, and others who have been so greatly helpful, for being our loyal servers and those who prepared on Tuesdays and Wednesdays throughout the year. **THANK YOU.**

And here's a thought..... During Lent instead of "giving up something" why not give of your time and talents by helping out in the soup kitchen, or getting involved in other activities so needed in our community. Shalom, B.J.

FISH – Thank you to all who remember to bring your donations of food, clothing the first Sunday of each month to FISH.

For more information on how we at Peace serve our community, check out the white mission binder located in the library. We also have a very informative brochure available in the chapel.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING .

One of our strengths as Presbyterians lies in sharing what we have with others, a discipline that continues for more than six decades through the One Great Hour of Sharing. This year's offering theme is drawn from Jesus' last encounter with his disciples, and highlights the message he leaves them --- to focus not on one's own needs but on those of others. "Do you love me?" he asks three times. Three times he repeats a variation of the instruction, "Feed my sheep."

Join us in fellowship hall after church on March 14th for a feast of biblical foods prepared by our Deacons. "Gracie the offering fish" and her friends will be there as well,. Your offerings to "Feed the Fish" are always welcome.



Groundbreaking [4/23/61]



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