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## WORSHIP THIS WEEK

March 7, 2010

Scripture: John 14: 1-7

Sermon: "Behold: the way, the truth, the life"

Sacrament of Holy Communion

## A PASTORAL WORD

By Tim Bever, Assistant Pastor

Well look there, just days after he became a pastor and he's already taking over the newsletter! Not really, but Reverend Amy was kind enough to offer to let me write this column this week both because I was blessed to have Woodland accept me as the Associate Pastor on Sunday (Thank You!) and because I have an important issue I would like to discuss with you.

If you read the Youth News here in the Leaflet you have probably seen me state that we need sponsors for Sunday night meetings.

According to Kansas West Annual Conference policy, we need at least two adults present when the youth meet for safety reasons. This is a good policy as it protects the youth, the adults, and the church but it means that without a sponsor to be present with me, we cannot have Sunday night youth group.

Ok, so what is this "sponsor" I keep mentioning? Let me explain. First, being a youth sponsor does not require any experience. If you can sit in a chair, you can do this job. The sponsor is not responsible for preparing or leading any kind of lesson. I do that. The sponsor is more than encouraged to join in and share their knowledge and experiences on whatever topic we are

discussing. If you were able to be at the Youth Sunday worship service a few weeks ago, you heard how each person who works with them at the church impacts our youth's lives. This is about more than youth directors or pastors. Each of you has experiences from your own faith journey that could benefit these kids.

So the kids need you. Not the person you sit next to in Sunday school or Worship. You. We have two people who have said they will take one week or so a month. Another person has agreed to come try it out one Sunday. That's what I am asking you to do. Just come hang out with us for one Sunday. If you have any questions at all or if you'd like to volunteer, please call, email, or come see me.

## Pathfinders Class

Notice!!! Date change- Sat. March 20<sup>th</sup>, Chili cook off at the Martz, 7pm.

Remember in prayer Max & Jennifer this week.

Last week we discussed "Love thy Enemies" Delora shared this thought on enemies, "Think of mean people as sand paper. They may scratch you, rub you the wrong way. But eventually, you will be polished and they will be worn out and ugly. Never lose sight of yourself.

This week we talked about taking "Hi Road". Say "Hi" to those who seem to not care about you. Make them see you in a different way... a friendly way.

Our next topic was: How do we love God, and how do we show God we love him.

We shared different ways we feel God's love and how we can share God's love.

## **Val Vers Class**

We send our best wishes to Joe and Alys who are recovering from upper respiratory ailments -- hope you are back soon! Next week the Val Vers will host the Fellowship Coffee. Bring your goodies by 9 a.m. in a basket if possible.

Rev. Amy was our teacher again this morning using the book, "Thee Good and Beautiful God." Today's topic was God is Love. From our very early experiences we are taught that being "good" is conditional for love. We feel that we have to earn what we get. Jesus came for sinners and his love saves them. Jesus loves us as we are. God has enough love for everyone, even sinners.

The wrath of God is His consistent opposition to sin; it is not out of control but a reasonable response. God's holiness helps bring wrath and love together. Thank you, Amy, for a thoughtful portrait of the God we worship.

## **Blenders**

A number of our class members provided info on recent calls they have made on our home bound. It was encouraging to hear they, for the most part, are doing well.

Prayer concerns continue to include Arlene's sister, JoAnn; Caroline Johnson; and Catherine Highfill. It was a joy to have Gladys Johnson back with us this morning.

President Eleanor wished a Happy Birthday to the six class members who will be celebrating birthdays in March. Eleanor also reminded members of March assignments: Five minute devotions - Richard Williams and Ralph Dagenais; Reporter - Caroline Johnson; and the Class Fellowship

Coffee - Marty Hartwell, Marge Brooks and Mary Jean Perry.

Many Blenders attended and enjoyed Lindsay Ramirez's voice recital Saturday evening. We're proud of you, Lindsay!

Jean Branson provided devotions centering on the Spring Season, a time of renewal and hope.

Ro Welch continued her overview of the Books of the Bible, this morning summarizing I Kings, describing the reigns of David and Solomon, who asked the Lord for wisdom, and received a favorable answer to his request; II Kings, in which Elijah was a key player; I Chronicles, which takes us back to the reigns of David and Solomon; II Chronicles, which details the construction of the Temple under Solomon's direction; and Ezra, a book of restoration that continues the history of the Jewish people.

Ro, we're pleased that you plan to continue your lessons through the month of March.

## **Youth**

We will be starting a new study on World Religions on Sunday. We will study Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism, and Islam. Our plan is that we will study the religion for a week or two and then take a trip to worship with people of that religion.

Ok, time for a quiz about our youth:

- 1) Which youth is leaving the country and to where this summer?
- 2) Which youth plays soccer?
- 3) Which youth is going to New York and Washington over Spring break?
- 4) Which youth plays on a hockey team?
- 5) Which youth plays in a Christian Rock band?

If you don't know the answer to these questions, ask one of them or volunteer to be a sponsor one Sunday.

## Pre K Class

Today in class we found out how important it is to say thank you when someone helps us.

## OUR PRAYERS

Cliff Larson, Lela Fredrick, Ashley Dinell,  
Gary Cross, Catherine Highfill, Kathy Carter  
Caroline Johnson

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Congratulations to Pastor Tim Bever!

Sunday at the special charge conference Woodland approved the compensation package allowing Tim to be appointed as a part-time Associate Pastor. This is Tim's first official clergy appointment and we are thrilled he is beginning his life of ministry at Woodland. Be sure to congratulate Tim next time you see him!

### GoZones

*by Site Council*

Did you sign up to be a GoSponsor last September?? It is not too late to make your \$20/month donation or to sign up for the remainder of the year. Thanks for helping this great program.

### Children's Sunday School

*by Linda Youngman*

Remembering Jesus is the theme for the pre-K through elementary Sunday school classes during the month of March. All children in this age range are invited to join us as we remember these things: the church is a special place of worship; when we are served Holy Communion, we remember that Jesus loves us very much; Jesus went to the garden to talk with God when he needed help; and we remember Jesus, God's son, riding into Jerusalem as the crowds waved palm branches.

To reinforce what the children learn and experience in Sunday school, families and friends might: take the child in your life to the sanctuary and talk with him/her about it being

a special place to worship God; remember Jesus and his love for us and sing Jesus Loves Me, pray before meals or bedtime, or make a small altar area in your home as a special place to talk with God.

We hope to see you every Sunday in March!

### Note from the Trustees

*by Rosalyn Welch, Chair*

There are still items in the scout room that were cleaned out of the Rose Room. If you have a need for any of these, please remove the items as soon as you can or at least put a note on them claiming them. The Board of Trustees will be getting rid of leftover items."

"It's official. Wichita has experienced the longest, coldest weather spell EVER!

Keeping the walkways clear here at Woodland on weekdays has been a challenge. Hopefully, there will be no more need, but if there is, we need someone to shovel snow from the walkways. I've been told it doesn't take very long. If you have an interest in doing this please let me know. My number is 838-2554. Someone has agreed to put the ice melt down. Thank you! And a big THANK YOU to the men of the church who clear the walkways on Sunday mornings! That is huge!"

### World Day of Prayer

Church Women United will celebrate World Day of Prayer on Friday, March 5 at Hillside Christian Church at 8330 East Douglas. Fellowship and refreshments will start at 1:00 p.m.; Program at 1:30 p.m.

This year's theme "Let Everything That Has Breath Praise God" written by the women of Cameroon on the African continent, allows us the opportunity to praise God through song and spirit. Through this service we have opportunity to praise God for the true nature of Christian unity.

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*Worship Opportunities:*

Sunday School 9:15 a.m.

Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.

Rev. Amy Lippoldt

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### Sunday, March 7

- \*9:15 am Sunday school
- 10:00 am Fellowship Coffee-FH
- \*10:30 am Worship Service.
- 5:00 pm Youth Group-YC

### Monday, March 8

- 9:15 am UMW Sewing-TR
- 5:00 pm Care Team-P|

### Tuesday, March 9

- 7:00 pm Finance meeting-YC

### Wednesday, March 10

- 9:15 am Iris Circle-P
- 1:00 pm Jenese Circle-TR
- 6:00 pm Evening Prayer
- 6:30 pm Woodland Bells
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir

### Thursday, March 11

- 5:30 pm Trustees meeting-VV
- 7:00 pm Vicki & Frances Circle-TR

### Friday, March 12

### Saturday, March 13

### Sunday, March 14

- 9:15 am Sunday school
- \*10:30 am Worship Service
- 5:00 pm Youth Group-YC

#### \*Nursery Provided

YC – Youth Center

VV – ValVers

P – Parlor

PF – Pathfinders

FH – Fellowship Hall

TR – Terrace Room

AC -Activity Center

NC – Newcomers