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# Church Visitor



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## **SUNDAY** **March 8, 2009** **Second Sunday in Lent**

The adjacent illustration by Cerezo Barredo depicts Jesus rebuke of Peter saying, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me".

The Gospel text for this Sunday is Mark 8:27-38. Rev. McLemore's sermon title is "Lead, Follow, or Get Out of the Way".

Bring a friend to church with you this Sunday as we continue our journey through Lent.



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# ...According to John

## *Lent in Bygone Days*

BY SR MARY CATHARINA, ODC  
THE MONASTERY, LOUGHREA, CO. GALWAY



And there we were  
at the morning meal  
with just a heel  
of brown.

T'was Lent.  
Repent, He said,  
the kingdom of God is at hand.  
In our Land?  
Yes, in our very land.  
But first the appetite to whet  
but don't fret  
the kingdom is at hand.

So let us stand  
and break the bread.  
Blood for sinner's shed.

Repent, He said  
the kingdom of God is at hand.

See you in worship this Sunday. Grace and peace,

Grace and peace,

Handwritten signature of John P. McLemore in cursive script.

In case of an emergency please call Rev. McLemore any time at the office at 233-1214. If you are unable to reach him at the office, his cell phone number is (580)402-2522, or you can reach him by calling his home 233-4214.

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## SUNDAY'S STATISTICS

March 1, 2009

Chapel Service.....	36
Sanctuary Worship.....	255
Saturday Evening Worship.....	10

## VAN DRIVER SCHEDULE

March 8, Brian Meyer  
 March 15, Heath Wallace  
 March 22, David Dell

## Servers for WWNF Meals

March 11—Adult Bible Study  
 March 18—Sooners Class  
 March 25—Crusaders Class  
 April 1—Genesis Class

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**WWNF Menu**  
 Chicken Fettuccini Alfredo, bread, dessert

## Diaconate Schedule

March 8—Team 2  
 March 15—Team 2  
 March 22—Team 3

## EARLY SERVICE DEACONS:

March 8—C.E. & Georgie Haltom  
 March 15—C.E. & Georgie Haltom  
 March 22— Glenn & Linda Crabbs

## Prayers for those in the armed services:

Joshua Avants in Iraq (friend of Barbara Baker),  
 Doug Carpenter (Caitlyn Castle's uncle),  
 Johnathan Hale to Iraq in Mar 09  
 (nephew of David and Sue Dell),  
 Caleb Holden (son of Robert and Carolyn Holden),  
 Brandon Kasper, Ft. Riley, KS (Don Johnson's  
 grandson),  
 Ryan Maphet (grandson of Ron & Pat Maphet/  
 nephew of Van & Natalie Schuermann),  
 Justin Ray Diel in Iraq  
 (Vern Thornburgh's grandson),  
 Phillip Schwitz in Iraq (Judi Heller's cousin),  
 Kevin Vendetti in Iraq  
 (nephew of Kids Central employee Kelly Straw) ,  
 Andrew Wiles in Italy/Paul K Wiles  
 (sons of Roger & Catherine Wiles)



Our congregation is continuing to pray for other churches in our area. This week we have been asked to pray for **Elm Flat Christian Church, Cleo Springs**. Please keep them in your prayers this week.

~ Sunday ~ March 8, 2009 ~

Chapel Worship .....	8:00 a.m.
Sermon .....	"Lead, Follow, or Get Out of the Way" . . . .Rev. John McLemore
Scripture .....	Mark 8:27-38
Sunday School .....	9:00a.m.
Sanctuary Worship .....	10:15a.m.

Elders: 8:00-Madge Loomis, 10:15-James Cox, Chuck Pritchett

## GOT SHOES?

**Make Promises Happen** and **Central Christian Camp, Guthrie** have an IMMEDIATE need for a new Tractor for its 360 acres.

An organization will give the camp \$1.00 for each pair of USED SHOES donated to MAKE PROMISES HAPPEN

**THIS IS A GREAT FUNDRAISER FOR THE CAMP!**

Please donate shoes! Tie each pair of shoes together and place them in one of the boxes marked CHILDREN, WOMEN, MEN in the Loggia.



The shoes will be sent to 3<sup>rd</sup> World Countries.

### Lifelong Learning Institute Spring Bus Trip

Tuesday, March 10th (leave @ 8am)

#### 1st Stop

The Sod House at Aline, Ok

#### 2nd Stop

Heritage Manor B&B where lunch will be served.

#### 3rd Stop

Historic Waynoka Station

Cost for bus transportation, lunch and all admission fees or donations is \$50.

For more information contact  
Max Johnson 234-8322 or  
Lorene Harnish 234-1975.

### Sunday, March 8

- 8:00—Chapel Worship
- 9:00—Sunday School
- 10:15—Sanctuary Worship  
—Bell Choir Rehearsal following svc
- 3:00—Children's CD Recording
- 4:00—Youth Group Painting Party
- 5:00—Snack Supper
- 6:00—Elder Meeting

### Monday, March 9

- 12:00—Noon Prayer Service
- 6:30—Property Committee Mtg
- 6:30—Kicking Habits study

### Tuesday, March 10

- 10:00—LifeLong Learning
- 12:00—Noon Bible Study
- 3:15—Greenbrier Service
- 5:00—Kids Central Board Meeting
- 6:30—Agape CWF
- 7:00—Quilt Central

### Wednesday, March 11

#### See WWNF Schedule!

- 10:00—CWF Naomi, Ruth, Sarah
- 1:30—CWF Esther, Lydia
- 5:15—Hospital Ministry

### Thursday, March 12

- 7:00—Lenten Breakfast & Prayer
- 10:00—LifeLong Learning
- 5:30—CACs Meeting

### Friday & Saturday, March 13 & 14

Baptism Camp @ Central Christian Camp

### Saturday, March 14

- 5:30—Saturday Evening Service

### Sunday, March 15

#### Horn of Plenty Sunday

- 8:00—Chapel Worship
- 9:00—Sunday School
- 10:15—Sanctuary Worship  
—Bell Choir Rehearsal following svc
- 4:00—Chi Rho
- 5:00—Snack Supper
- 5:30—CYF



*Memorials  
Established*

**Dean Merryman**  
February 25, 2009



**Centours**

Sack lunch and a movie  
**Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> @ Noon**  
Fellowship Hall-Central Christian Church  
Cost is \$3  
Invite a friend  
Please RSVP to Tina Swanson 233-2866

**REVIVE  
&  
RENEW  
@**

Central Christian Church  
In the chapel  
6:30 pm  
Sunday March 29th

Experience a new type of worship

**Homebound Members**

If you are homebound and don't receive communion the first Sunday of each month and you would like to have communion brought to you during Lent, please call Mary Beach at 234-5767.

**WWNF Schedule**

- 5:15pm—Meal: Chicken Fettuccini Alfredo
- 5:30pm—Youth Choir
- 6:00pm—Chapel
- 6:00pm—JYF choir (grades 3 – 6)  
—CCF free play time  
(ages 3 – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade)
- 6:30pm—CYF art time (5yrs to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade)  
—Adult Chancel Choir  
—Adult Class, Kicking Habits  
—Youth Group
- 7:00pm—CCF (ages 3 – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade)  
—JYF (grades 3 – 6)

**Giving Report**

DATE	GIVING	BUDGET	O/U BUDGET	Y/TO/D GIVING	Y/T DATE BUDGET	O/U BUDGET
3/1/2009	\$17,698.53	\$9,416.66	\$8,281.87	\$97,732.23	\$103,583.31	-\$5,851.08
3/8/2009		\$9,416.66			\$112,999.98	
3/15/2009		\$9,416.66			\$122,416.64	
3/22/2009		\$9,416.66			\$131,833.31	
3/29/2009		\$9,416.66			\$141,249.97	
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## IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Updated 2 March 2009

All Caps reflects additions or changes

### **Please remember the following people as they deal with chronic illness:**

Judi Heller, L.V. Powell, Jerry Reinhart, Mason Brinley (Glenn & Linda Crabbs grandson), & **Judi Jorden**.

### **Please remember the following as they battle cancer:**

Elbert Wheeler, Julie Bloom Schroeder (Steve Bloom's sister), Eric Koegel (Connie Koegel's son/Cindy Worthington's brother), Marilyn Sommer (Virginia Spencer's daughter), Ann Herndon, Mary Simpson, Ann Riley (Enid HS teacher, & Beth Henneke's friend), Brenda Brown (Darrell Herndon's friend), Edna Womack (Gladys Snyder's daughter), Lisa Wehrenberg, **Patty Melott, Roger Groves, Court Loomis, & Geneva Burger**

### **Please lift up the following in your prayers:**

- Deloras Oringerdoff for health issues.
- Leonard Edwards is facing health challenges at home.
- Dale & Melva Dean Vance as they struggle with their health.
- Kathy, as she recovers from a stroke. (Vera French's daughter)
- Jennifer Garrett Kirk, recently diagnosed with MS. (Sherry Garrett's daughter)
- Amanda Stallings is dealing with life/medical dilemmas. (Kids Central Employee)
- Stephanie Hayoz is recovering from major jaw surgery. (Paul & Mickie's daughter)
- Don Eck as he recovers from two recent surgeries in OKC. (David & Kathy Eck's nephew)
- Sheena Ponce has a herniated disk & possible lesion/tumor in brain. (Kids Central Employee)
- Sheryl Mason Glusing obtained a preliminary MS diagnosis (Yvonne Little's sister).
- Linda Crabbs as she recovers from a hospital stay.
- ROBERT GREGORY as he recovers from surgery.**
- DEAN MERRYMAN passed away, please comfort and lift up his family in prayer. Funeral Services were held at Central Christian Church on Sunday, Mar 1st.**
- SAM & SANDRA JUSTICE'S long time friend, FREDA "ANN" CLARK, passed away. Funeral Services were Saturday, Feb 28<sup>th</sup>.**
- WES KEINATH for new job opportunities. (Sam & Sandra Justice's son-in-law).**
- MARY OLLER as she undergoes medical tests.**
- MEG MORGON is having problems with Asthma.**
- JOHNNY BROCK is having heart problems. (Sam & Sandra Justice's son-in-law)**
- RUBEN JUSTICE is having horrible headaches. (Sam & Sandra Justice's son)**

#### **Bass**

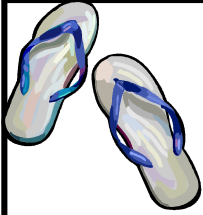
Danny Baker, ICU  
Bob O'Brien, ICU

#### **St. Mary's**

Joan Ingmire, 596  
Davita Whitsitt, 527  
Lucille Teemley, 206

### **Work Day Volunteers Needed**

On Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, we will have a mini work day from 6:00 pm to 7:15 pm where we will finish painting the stairwell to the basement floor in the education wing. If we have enough volunteers we will begin to paint the hallway in the basement. This is simple painting- using latex paint (easy to cleanup). We need four to six volunteers for only 45 minutes. Call the office and leave your name for Don Johnson if you can help.

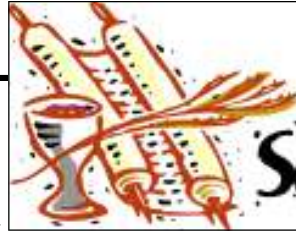


## We need your help!

The Oklahoma Region has established a “one-room school” in the Dominican Republic that teaches remedial reading and math to grade school drop outs. It is called “The Oklahoma Room.” To further our identity with this mission, when we go on our mission trip to the Dominican Republic in April, we want shirts or other clothing with the word “Oklahoma” on it. This could include T-shirts, shorts or pants with the name: Oklahoma State University, Oklahoma University, The Oklahoma Blood Institute, Oklahoma City Red Hawks or anything else with the word “Oklahoma” on it.

The children who attend the “Oklahoma Room” have a huge need for shoes, particular flip-flops. We will also take flip-flops and shoes with us on our mission trip.

Please drop off your “Oklahoma” clothing and flip-flops in Don Johnson’s office. We are leaving on April 24 for the Dominican Republic.



## April 9

# Seder Meal

MARCH 5

Isaiah 11:1-10

## Connective Living

Living my life in tune with the spirit of God is my life’s desire and goal. I have to constantly search and endeavor to grow toward the goal of being one with God. In order to accomplish the task, I practice the spiritual disciplines of reading scripture, meditation, prayer, listening to the spirit’s guidance in my life and making my will available to what service is needed in the life of the church.

I am in search of the peace that comes when God’s spirit dwells fully dwells in me. The passage in Isaiah 11:1-10 describes the full blessing of God’s peace. As Christians we are connected to God’s people through the tribe of Jesse. Jesus is like a new shoot that comes from the roots of a tree that has been chopped down (vs1). We are connected to God through Jesus. We also know relationship with God through the Holy Spirit (vs2). Trusting in God’s love is a delight for all persons of faith. Our sins are forgiven in this full relationship with God (vs3). We are called to be reasonable and live in peace with all in the world (vs4).

In this Lenten season we seek God’s blessing in our life. I am sure I will make room for God and welcome God’s blessings into my life. Invite the peace of God into your life. Seek Godly character in your life. Exclude those things that keep you from God. Receive God full blessing for you.

*Gracious and loving God, grow within us your spirit of love, forgiveness and grace. Help us to not only be receivers of your wonderful grace but strong givers of your love and grace. We thank you for your continued relationship. Praise be to you. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen*

Gene Spillman

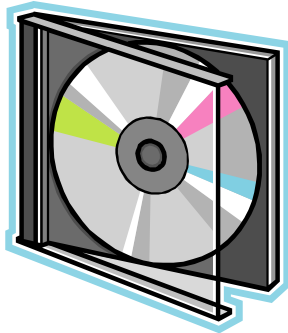
You can read more Lenten Devotions written by Oklahoma Disciples at [www.okdisciples.org](http://www.okdisciples.org).

## KIDS KORNER

DON'T FORGET THE CD RECORDING THIS SUNDAY AFTERNOON. BE HERE AT 2:45 AND WE WILL BEGIN PROMPTLY AT 3:00. WE'LL BE COMPLETELY DONE BY 4:00.

If you have any questions, please call me.

+ DON'T FORGET – I STILL NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU



ABOUT BAPTISM CAMP on March 13th & 14th. If you'll be baptized Easter, come to Baptism Camp. AND, if you were baptized last Easter, you come, too, since we didn't have it last year. I HAVE TO HEAR FROM YOU BY MARCH 7TH.

+ I was so proud of how many "Where your treasure is" offering chests you brought back Sunday!!!!!! And, my goodness, all that change that **Addison** brought. WOW!!!!!! Max had to take it to the bank to get it counted. Bless all of you!!!!!!

**ACOLYTES – March 8**  
Meg Bloom, Molly Bloom  
(Substitute: Connor Angleton)

**TEACHERS – March 8**  
Carolyn, 1st & 2nd (science);  
TBA, 3rd & 4th (art);  
Laurie, 5th & 6th (storytelling)

**KIDS TIME – March 8**  
Kristy, Jane, Caitlyn, Sierra,  
Macy, Kinsey

## Coffee Stains

. This Sunday I am eagerly looking forward to spending time with our youth in a Painting Party... We will start on Sunday afternoon at 4pm. We will be painting the Theater Room in preparation for the chairs going in. Please wear some painting clothes on Sunday night. Supper will be served by Jana Davis at 5pm. Soon we will be clearing out the youth room and make the room our own. This has been a long drawn out process, but will soon be coming to a close. Thank you for your help in making these rooms come back to life.

Last Sunday in the CYF Sunday School class we had a stimulating talk about Communion. This Sunday we will talk about Jesus washing the feet of his Disciples. I look forward to seeing you in Church on Sunday.

Also, IF you want to run for Regional Youth Council election I need your form filled out by Sunday evening. If you are planning on going to CYF Spring Fest I need your registration on Sunday and your money soon after.

Peace, JW.

