
Church Visitor



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Our Pony Express "Run" Starts Sunday

Our church's Pony Express RUN gets underway Sunday with a Trail Boss Breakfast and the commissioning of the Trail Bosses later in the morning by Rev. McLemore.

Jim Cox, General Manager of this year's financial stewardship campaign, will distribute Saddlebags and RUN Route Lists at the 7:00am breakfast to be held in the Fellowship Hall (note change of venue). Later, the General Manager will explain the PONY EXPRESS RUN to our members in morning worship, demonstrating how to use the Saddlebag and relay it to the next home.

The relay of the Bags among our mobile members will begin early Sunday afternoon. Each Bag bears the names and addresses of ten families in a given geographical area.

When you receive the Saddlebag, please act quickly to fill in your Estimate of Giving Card, seal it in your enclosure envelope, insert it in the Bag pouch, and then hand-carry the Bag to an adult member of the family whose name appears below your own on the Route List attached to the saddlebag.

We urge you to use and relay the Saddlebag **within 24 hours** after it is handed to you.

The teamwork necessary for the Pony Express RUN to be a success is similar to that of the Pony Express of more than a century ago. Each rider knew he could count on the next rider to relay the mail (in our case, "church" mail) to its next destination.

We are grateful to the persons who have agreed to serve as our Trail Bosses and help supervise the relay of our Saddlebags. Each Trail Boss will oversee up to ten of our Route Riders.

A spirit of friendly competition is likely to arise among some of our Trail Bosses, with each eager to see that his or her Route "run" is completed first!

Attend this Sunday morning to participate in the official start of the PONY EXPRESS RUN.

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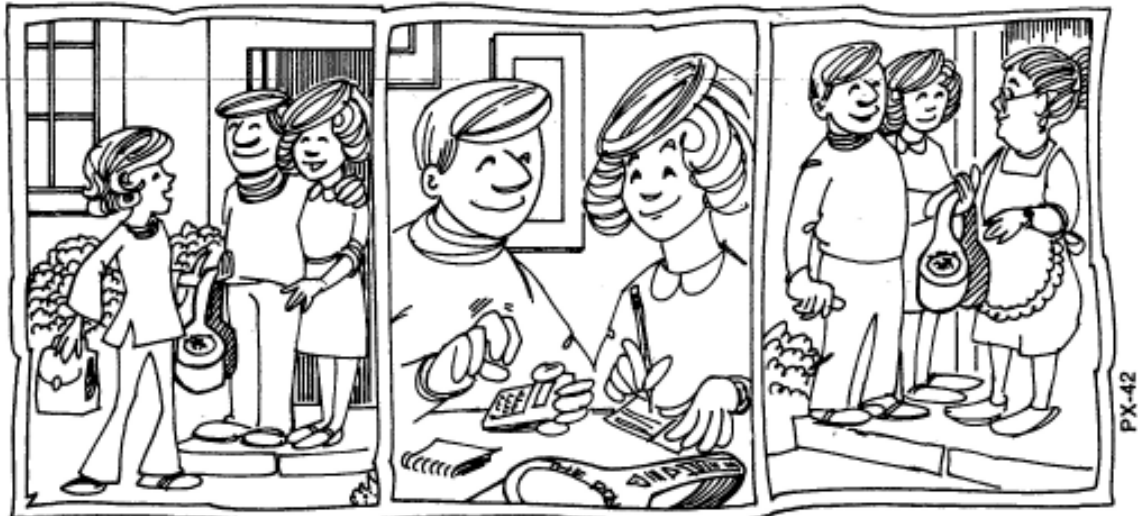
...According to John

Last Sunday's Day of Respect was a wonderful experience for this congregation. For the third time in ten years we honored those people who have served this country in time of war and in time of peace. We did not celebrate war, but we did celebrate those who have responded to the call of duty, often being placed in harm's way.

Special thanks to Carolyn McLemore who initiated this celebration and worked tirelessly to see that the displays were assembled. Thank you to Colleen Harris, who oversaw the luncheon, and thanks to Thom Bushman for the tribute to veterans during the 10:15 a.m. service. There were also a score of other volunteers who helped in all facets of planning and implementation. You know who you are. Thank you. Also special thanks to the Chancel Choir for their anthem and the singing of the military songs. All in all it was a wonderful day. Thank you to all who worked to make it a success.

THE PONY EXPRESS RUN BEGINS SUNDAY!!!!!!!!!!!!

TRY TO COMPLETE YOUR PART OF THE RUN WITHIN 24 HOURS!



RECEIVE SADDLEBAG FROM
FELLOW CHURCH MEMBER!

REMOVE CARD FROM BAG...
FILL IN... SEAL IN ENVELOPE
...INSERT IN OTHER SIDE
OF BAG!

DELIVER SADDLEBAG TO
NEXT CHURCH FAMILY ON
LIST... DON'T LEAVE IT ON
DOORSTEP!

Grace and peace,

John P. McLemore

Church Calendar

Mark Your Calendar!

November 22-All Church Thanksgiving Dinner

November 28-Decorate the Church for Christmas!

November 29-First Sunday of Advent, Hanging of the Greens and Tasting Party
More dates, events and information will be posted soon!

Phone Ministry



Several people are needed to make a few calls one day a week for our phone ministry. Please call Mary Beach if you have questions, or are willing to help! 234-5767

Homebound Members

On Sunday, November 22 we will have our annual Thanksgiving dinner. If you are homebound and unable to attend, but would like to have the Thanksgiving dinner delivered to you on that day, please call the church office, 233-1214. We will be happy to provide you with Thanksgiving dinner. There is no cost for the meal but donations are accepted.

THIS Sunday bring your nonperishable food items to the church for the Horn of Plenty!

Sunday, November 15

CWF Horn of Plenty Drive

8:00—Chapel Worship
9:00—Market of Blessings
9:00—Sunday School
10:15—Sanctuary Worship
3:30—Chi Rho
4:45—Youth Choir
5:30—CYF
6:30—R&R Worship

Monday, November 16

12:00—Noon Prayer Service
6:00—Quilter's Guild
7:00—Membership Committee

Tuesday, November 17

8:00—Single Women's Breakfast
12:00—Noon Bible Study

Wednesday, November 18

Last WWNF

5:15—WWNF Meal
6:00—Chapel
6:00—Adult Bell Choir
6:30—Classes, Choir, JYF & CCF
6:30—Youth Group
7:30—Board Meeting, Fellowship Hall

Thursday, November 19

3:00—Enid Sr. Care
4:00—Cancer Support Group
6:30—NW Disciples Men & Wives Dinner

Friday, November 20

6:00—Young Adult Gathering

Saturday, November 21

5:30—Saturday Service of Communion

Sunday, November 22

Thanksgiving Sunday

8:00—Chapel Worship
9:00—Sunday School
10:15—Sanctuary Worship
11:30—Thanksgiving Luncheon
3:30—Chi Rho, 4:45—Youth Choir, 5:30—CYF
6:30—R&R Worship

SUNDAY'S STATISTICS

November 8, 2009

Saturday Service of Communion	7
Chapel Service	34
Sanctuary Worship	209
R&R	26

VAN DRIVER SCHEDULE

November 15, Heath Wallace
 November 22, Brian Meyer
 November 29, Bret Whinery

Current Lectionary

Sunday, November 15, 2009
 Twenty fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Readings:

1 Samuel 1:4-20
 1 Samuel 2:1-10
 Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25
 Mark 13:1-8

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Diaconate Schedule

November 15—Team 2
 November 22—Team 2
 November 29—Team 3

Homebound Communion **December 6**

EARLY SERVICE DEACONS:

Nov 15—C.E & Georgie Haltom
 Nov 22—C.E & Georgie Haltom
 Nov 29—Glenn & Linda Crabbs



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

WWNF Meal Set Up and Cleanup

Nov. 18—Adult Bible Study setup, prepare & cleanup

WWNF Meal

Nov 18—Broccoli and Cheddar soup, roll, salad and dessert

~ Sunday ~ November 15, 2009 ~

Chapel Worship	8:00am
Sermon "The Decision to Tithe" Rev. John McLemore	
Scripture 2 Corinthians 8:1-9	
Sunday School	9:00am
Sanctuary Worship	10:15am
R&R in the Chapel	6:30pm

Elders: 8:00am —Dan Harrish; 10:15am—Worth Bracher, Gary Hula

Special Announcement

Members of Northend Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Seattle received a special announcement in the mail listing the many things that will be done for them at church on the following “no-excuse-to-stay-home-Sunday.”

According to Pastor Olin Nordsletten, cots will be available for those who say Sunday is their only day to sleep. Eye drops will be supplied for those who have red eyes from watching last Saturday night TV shows. There will be steel helmets for those who say the roof will cave in if they ever went to church, blankets for persons who think the church is too cold, fans for those who say it’s too hot, score cards for those wishing to list all the hypocrites present, TV dinners for those who can’t go to church and cook dinner also.

And, finally, the sanctuary will be decorated with Christmas poinsettias and Easter lilies for those who have never seen the church without them.



Giving Report

DATE	GIVING	BUDGET	O/U BUDGET	Y/T/D GIVING	Y/T/DBUDGET	O/U BUDGET
11/1/2009	\$12,330.74	\$9,416.66	\$2,914.08	\$471,005.30	\$480,249.91	(\$9,244.61)
11/8/2009		\$9,416.67			\$489,666.58	
11/15/2009		\$9,416.66			\$499,083.24	
11/22/2009		\$9,416.67			\$508,499.91	
11/29/2009		\$9,416.66			\$517,916.57	
TOTAL		\$47,083.32			\$517,916.57	

Something New Is Coming

Instead of our usual poinsettia tree being setup this year, we will be having a Horn of Plenty Food Tree. Green sacks, for you to fill with non-perishable food items and canned goods, will be available at the Market of Blessings, which is being held this weekend. These will be placed on our tree stand in place of poinsettias.



The committee felt in this economy that it would be more important to help those in need.

The green bags will also be available for those who cannot be at the Market of Blessings.

Deacon Team 2

Lorene Harnish, Jimmy Davis
 Bill Brant, Fred Overstreet
 Roger Groves, Kathy Eck
 Jana Davis, Randy McWilliams
 Rhonda Robinett, Dee Smith
 Monte Moore, Karen Moore
 John Wheeler, Sally Wheeler
 Pierce Jones, Suzanne Klemme

Market of Blessings

A Place to Buy Alternative Christmas Gifts

Saturday Nov 14 and Sunday Nov 15
9am to 1pm in the Loggia

You will be able to buy gift cards and crafts supporting the following:

- ★ Missions in Vietnam
- ★ The Bolenge Hospital in the Congo
- ★ Schools in Peru and the Dominican Republic
- ★ Loans to women through a micro finance agency in Puno, Peru
- ★ The Heifer Project
- ★ Tsultrim
- ★ Warmth Project sponsored by our CACS Committee
- ★ 4R Kids (in Enid)
- ★ Food 4 Kids (in Enid)
- ★ Scholarships for our youth group to attend International Affairs Seminar
- ★ Pecans, baked goods and cookbooks from CWF to support our Disciple's Basic Mission Finance
- ★ Horn of Plenty (in Enid)
- ★ The youth group will be selling coffee, muffins, hot chocolate, and delectable chili.



Why buy a person another tie for Christmas?
This is a chance to buy a Christmas gift that will change lives!
Buy a gift that will make a difference.

Thank You

Thank you so much for your continued support of our McKinley Share Fair. We really appreciate your letting us use your church for our registration, providing coffee and water for our guests and especially for the transportation and drivers who transported participants to and from the school. Our conference was a success again this year as we could not have done it without you. The money we raised will be spent to send our teachers to workshops and trainings to help our students in all areas of their education. Thank you for your generosity and support.

Sincerely, McKinley Staff

NW Disciple Men & Wives Dinner will be Thursday,

November 19th at 6:30pm.

Dr. John and Laurel Provine will be providing the program on their medical mission trip to Africa. A musical duet will be given by EHS students.

Childcare will be provided.

Please call in your reservation by Monday November 16th to the church office. 233-1214

KIDS CORNER

★ WOW! I can't wait to sit down and talk with each one of you. So get ready! My goal is to meet with each of you and your parents in the next three weeks! I'll be putting together a signup sheet along with calling to set up times to meet. Yay! I am so blessed to be a part of the ministry of Central.

- ★ My office hours are 9 to 1, Monday thru Thursday. You can reach me at the office by calling 233-1214, by cell phone at 747-4142 or at home 237-3667. My email is the same: sallyw@centralenid.org. I want to hear from you!
- ★ We will be decorating the Education Wing Nov. 28 at noon. Pizza will be ordered! Who knows where the Christmas decorations are?! =)
- ★ We will begin a new rotation December 6th so I'll need teachers to signup.
- ★ November 29 will be our Christmas Tree decorating during Sunday School and the 29th is also Hanging of the Greens and the Tasting Party!! It's a busy time of the year! See you Sunday!

ACOLYTES – November 15

Courtney, Sierra
(Substitute – Kaylee)

TEACHERS—November 15

Art– 5th grade, Carolyn
Science– 1st & 2nd, Lois
Story– 3rd & 4th, Sonya

KIDS TIME – November 15

Carolyn, Melissa, Molly, Meg,
Katie, Zach

Coffee Stains

This Saturday and Sunday is an opportunity for you to buy holiday gifts on behalf of the people who already have everything. While you are in our loggia looking at the displays supporting Peru, Caminante, Congo, and others, you can stop and buy a bowl of chili from the youth group. We will be selling coffee, muffins, hot chocolate, and of course some delectable chili. We are going to have a great time hanging out and selling stuff on behalf of these beloved missions. What are the proceeds going toward? Each group has their own goal, the youth will be raising money for their individual accounts which allows them to go to more camps and conferences. They still need the support from you the church, so come on out and support Centrals Market of Blessings.

Peace, JW.

Lots going on around here the next few weeks: All church Thanksgiving and our Annual Tasting Party the 29th.