



Community of Grace Presbyterian Church

In the life of our church...

...for the week of February 8, 2009.

Seeing as God sees, and making a difference

in the lives of those in need.

This morning we welcome Karen Keene as our worship leader. Karen is a member of Community of Grace and a Presbyterian Elder who has served 8 years on Session at our church. She is currently serving as Moderator for Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Utah, sings in the Spirit of Joy band, and participates regularly as a worship liturgist. Karen is the Chief Financial Officer for Volunteers of America, Utah. She is also a commissioned minister with Volunteers of America, a national church, and one of the largest non-profit providers of housing and other social services in the country.

Youth

LaserQuest Feb. 15, 6:00 pm -midnight: If you missed today's deadline of the 8th, please contact Heidi Carter or Debbie/John Colt to see if there is still availability. \$25 is required to reserve your space – sign up in Message room. Pizza provided. Drop-off/pick-up at LaserQuest; Friends welcome; check cogpc.org for COG liability form if you haven't filled one out yet.

2009 30 Hour Fast: End your H2O Challenge with a 30 Hour Fast and really make a difference. 30 Hour Fast begins on Sat. Feb. 28 (5:00 am breakfast, 6:00 am start) and ends with an all-church brunch on March 1. Sign up TODAY to commit to give up so that others can get clean water. Tables are in the narthex.

Children

Joy and Easter Egg Hunts go together. Please contact Lorrie Gaffney if you can coordinate and lead our annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 11, 10:00 – noon. This is a fun occasion that welcomes family and friends into our church on Saturday, and invites them to join us on Sunday to continue the joy in worship. Support will be available leading up to this event by Lorrie Gaffney and Administrative Assistant, Sandy Growe.

Adult

Today's Drop In: Focus on The Fast: Information sessions focusing on water issues & faith in action leading up to our February 28th FAST weekend.

Gospel of John—Room 1C, led by Ed Sanders. This continuing bible study is open to all interested adults!

God Has a Dream: A Vision of Hope for Our Time (by Desmond Tutu) – Alwyn Vanderwalt will be leading a 6 week book read and discussion. The focus is to address the timeless and universal concern all people share which envisions a world transformed through hope and compassion, humility and kindness, understanding and forgiveness. Books now available in the class from Alwyn.

Small groups at Community of Grace- Taekwon Do, volleyball, yoga, prayer and book studies. Check out our website www.cogpc.org or contact dede@cogpc.org for details

CHILI DINNER Saturday February 21st- Family, friends and neighbors welcome! It's a chili potluck so come in out of the cold and sample a variety of chili recipes! Sign up sheets are in the Narthex for chili, salad, bread or dessert. Contact Adrian Gentilcore if you have questions www.AdriansCrazyLife@gmail.com

PW

FEB 24 Craft Night Learn to knit! 7 pm

Coffee Hospitality Coordinator needed. Coffee Hospitality is an important ministry that helps us in our church mission by extending hospitality to our volunteers, members and visitors. A coordinator is essential to build this as a true ministry of caring and is a point person and support for volunteer teams to set-up/prepare and then clean-up each Sunday. This coordinator position comes with lots of room for your creativity. Interested in developing this as a Fair Trade Coffee ministry? Check out options at:

<http://www.pcusa.org/coffee/church.htm> Administrative Assistant, Sandy Growe is available to create sign-ups, send reminders, etc. If Starbucks can do this with a smile... I know we can too! Contact Lorrie or Dede to offer your hands and heart for this ministry.

The first Sunday of the month **Starbucks** has **graciously** volunteered to provide coffee free of charge as their community outreach. Please visit the Starbucks on 9400 and Highland Dr. and tell them thank you for their generosity to Community of Grace.

Faith in Action

COPI Vitamins: Thank you to all our elementary kids, teachers and other volunteers who purchased vitamins, brought in money,

packaged and made cards for kids in Vietnam. 126 kids will have a 6 month supply of vitamins, necessary for their health and growth, in a place with a too often inadequate diet. May ya'll be blessed by your offering of time and resources.

Ripple effect of clean water compassion: Youth creating symbols of clean water need; teachers taking websites and video out to share with elementary and middle school classes; adults considering training in filtration systems at Clean Water U; members and friends committing to fast, or sacrifice beverages except water, and donating to World Vision water; a child who urgently handed me \$10 for clean water, her heart opened to the need of others...

Thank you for your offers of donations to Bintiw, Sudanese refugee and for opening your heart to her. Catholic Community Services and International Rescue Society have warehouses of goods to help refugees get set up. Binti seems to have her needs met at this time. This is the greatest need now, I believe: please pray for her to know God's love for *her*, and God's presence surrounding her at all times.

Please help our youth put Faith into Action by dropping off donations of scarves, gloves and hats. Gloves are especially needed now. Youth will have opportunities to take these to people in need in our community!

SAT FEB 21st – Community of Grace opens its doors for our first Crossroads Food Co-op distribution! This food co-op is open to all and provides quality, healthy food at a substantial savings through cooperative purchasing while building a sense of community by bringing people together and promoting volunteer service. General information regarding membership and volunteer opportunities is available at www.crossroads-u-c.org/cfc. Our Community of Grace volunteer team is being led by John and Shelly Horel (523-9298)

Worship

Adult Choir Rehearsals are Wednesdays from 7:00-8:00. Please come & join & make a joyful noise to the Lord! Any questions—please call Kathy Moore @ 824-7244.