



Community of Grace Presbyterian Church

In the life of our church...

...for the week of March 29, 2009.

Seeing as God sees, and making a difference

in the lives of those in need.

Adult

Drop In: Serving & Sharing our Stories – Volunteers of America is a non profit, spiritually based organization. Karen Keene's commitment to this organization goes beyond her employment; connecting to her heart and putting her faith in action. Come listen to her story and learn more about volunteer opportunities in the Salt Lake Valley.

Next Week Drop In: One World Café guest speaker **Don Merrill** will introduce us to this unusual café that has existed in downtown Salt Lake City since 2003 Their **vision statement** * *We are dedicated to eliminating world hunger.* * *We are dedicated to serving organic unprocessed food.* * *We are dedicated to feeding and including all members of our community.* * *We are dedicated to eliminating waste in the food industry.* * *We believe that we can trust our customers to be inspired, honest and fair in their exchange of money and/or work for the fresh, gourmet, organic food we prepare both mindfully and in a heartfelt way each day.* * *We will keep believing ..Join us Sunday April 5th to hear more!*

1 Peter – Ed Sanders is now leading a bible study on 1 Peter and welcomes all interested adults.

Art of Living has reserved space at Community of Grace April 1-5 for two **workshops** (youth Art Excel course and adult Yoga Breath) More information is available on the Narthex Community board or you can contact artoflivingslc@yahoo.com

All Church

Our new Interim Pastor (Bill McGuinness) will be leading our Easter services on **April 12th** prior to his official **May 1st** starting date. An **Easter brunch** will be held in the gym during the Sunday school hour (no classes) to celebrate **New Life & a New Interim Pastor**. Sign up now in the Narthex to bring an item and come share God's love Easter morning.

One Great Hour of Sharing Easter Offering

100% of the Easter worship offering will go to PC(USA) programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program and Self-Development of People. Children will receive "fish" in Sunday School to collect an offering and bring on Easter. Additional fish banks can be picked up at the Welcome Center.

Renewal: Stories from America's Religious Environmental Movement: A free screening of Renewal, produced by Emmy Award winning documentary filmmakers Marty Ostrow and Terry Kay Rockefeller will be shown Tuesday, March 31, at 7 p.m., at the I. J. \$ Jeanne Wagner Jewish Community Center, 2 North Medical Dr. Salt Lake City

Camp and Raft with COG

Wind Rivers Mission Trip is full but COG members of all ages can still join in. Following the mission trip, June 26-27, you are invited to join the mission team for **camping and rafting in Flaming Gorge**. Space is first come. Reserve a spot today with \$5/person at the Welcome Center.

Through March 15th, we have received per capita payments for 108 members. Thank you for your support for our Community's ministries. You may still make your Per Capita membership payment of \$35.80 per member by sending a check marked "Per Capita". You may mail the check to Community of Grace Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 902410, Sandy, UT 84093 or place the designated check in the offering plate during Sunday worship.

Faith in Action

AMOR DOOR: Please offer your prayers for the Amor Ministries House building team that will be in Mexico April 9-14. This prayer can be for the team members, the family we build for, the people of Mexico – whatever is on your heart that will join you to us. Sticky notes and pens are available in the entryway. We will bring a copy of the prayers with us to read after a long and tiring day...

Amor Team Members Amie Boyer, Sara Boyer, Emerick Chow, Lorrie Gaffney, Dave Gaffney, Jess Gaffney, Jackie Goodman, Bruce Goodman, Judy Smith, Taylor Thurman, Sarika Khanwilkar, Laura Sterner, Mexican family in need of shelter

Prayer Team Partners include: Bill and Jane Cooper, Maria Soriano, Denise Harris, Jo Ann Maxwell, Barb Gentry, Dede Carpenter, Connie Marshall, Heidi Carter, Randy Carter, Minerva Overstreet, Lori Packard, Millie Nielsen, Nancy Halden To join in personal daily prayer, as part of the team, please contact Millie Nielsen

Did you complete the H2O Challenge by drinking only water for two weeks? Anyone who was successful in this extreme challenge will get \$10 donated to World Vision Water in your name by Lorrie Gaffney! Just email lorrie@cogpc.org with your name and "Completed H2O challenge" in subject line. One more person will have a lifetime of clean water!

Saturday April 4th Tree Utah and Community of Grace – All church tree planting event. Please sign up in the Narthex TODAY and pick up directions to the work site. **We will meet at the site at 8:45** (granola bars and water provided) Please bring a shovel, work gloves and Energy!

March and April—During the months of March and April our Adult Drop in Class will focus on real life stories that connect faith with special needs that exist in Salt Lake Valley. Members of our congregation will be sharing personal stories regarding their relationships with some very special organizations. Our March calendar is listed below; please consider dropping in to hear a message of Faith in Action.

TODAY—Volunteers of America (Karen Keene)

April 5th One World Café – (guest speaker Don Merrill)

April 19th-Stephen Ministry (Sherry Britt)

Children and Youth

Christian Summer Camp – Children and Youth Information is available at the Welcome Center regarding different Summer Camp options. A carpool sheet for those interested in Camp Perkins, a Lutheran Camp near Sun Valley Idaho is also available to let others connect with dates and/or transportation.

ACTS for Wentworth Seniors – **Next date is TODAY – BINGO!** Bring money to stop for lunch at Carl's Jr. following 2nd service. Pick up at Wentworth at 3:00 pm. Thanks for the amazing care and kindness shown last Sunday by Blake Gentilcore, Jesse Sindelar, Kari Schott, Cliff Hellings, James and Sam D'Antuono and leaders Jessica Rollins and Karen D'Antuono in extending Christ's blessings to others.

Easter Egg Hunt: Raechel Hwang is our Easter Egg Hunt Coordinator and is joined by Millie Nielsen, Adrian Gentilcore and Debbie Colt in bringing the joy of Easter here to COG. Grab a flyer by the Easter bulletin board and invite friends and family to join the hunt and an invitation to an even bigger celebration on Sunday!

Eight (or more) 5th/6th graders, and a few parents, are needed to help us with egg hiding and leading kids to the appropriate areas. To sign up please go to the outside of the 5th/6th grade Sunday School room.

Community

Lenten Services: First Presbyterian Church

Maundy Thursday: Thursday April 9th 7:30 pm. First Presbyterian and Wasatch Presbyterian will join together in our sanctuary for this service.

Good Friday: Friday April 10th 12:00pm. This is a community-wide service based on the seven last words of Christ. Seven pastors from different churches will participate.

Interfaith Procession of the Cross: Friday April 10th, 6:00 pm. Through the streets beginning at First Presbyterian Church and ending at the Cathedral of the Madeline. In candlelight, worshipers will sing hymns, stopping at local church sites to pray and to listen to scripture.

PW

PW Statewide Spring Gathering will be held at COG April 24-25. The theme is Understanding Hunger and Poverty in Utah and our World. Please visit the display in the narthex for information about the Gathering and how to pre-register. This is an event you won't want to miss.