



Community of Grace Presbyterian Church

In the life of our church...

...for the week of January 4, 2009.

Seeing as God sees, and making a difference

in the lives of those in need.

We welcome the Rev. Dr. Jeff Silliman, leading us in worship this week and next week:

The Rev. Dr. Jeff Silliman is President of Salt Lake Theological Seminary. Due to funding difficulties the seminary is in the process of closing. Previously Jeff was a pastor in Utah for 33 years (26 at Mount Olympus Presbyterian) and then served as a presbytery executive in southern California for 5 years.

Faith in Action

Thank you for the generous donations to **Living Waters for the World**. We have enough funds to purchase two filtration systems. \$5600 (minus 35 cents at the moment!) We hope to raise additional funds to send two people to Clean Water U to learn how to build filtration systems and then to go to a place in need of clean water to install a system. If you would like to be a part of this next phase, please contact Lorrie or Dede. A special thank you for the creative work of the Advent Conspiracy Team: Tina Moody, Nicole Moody, Amie Boyer, Betsy Boyer and Dede Carpenter.

Our Neighborhood Faith in Action – During the Week! Did you know that Community of Grace serves the neighborhood by providing its building and facilities for two Voting districts, commuter parking, UPS Christmas shipping transfers, weekly AA meetings, La Leche League, multiple practices for youth basketball teams, Interfaith volleyball league for adults, Taekwon Do and Yoga instruction.....plus all those encouraging messages posted on our outdoor sign!

We are also currently making arrangements to become a once a month food distribution hub for the Crossroads Food Coop which would start up in February. Our Faith in Action is not limited to Sunday...it's 24/7/365!

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!

Crossroads Food Co-op – The Food Co-op provides quality, healthy food at a substantial savings through cooperative purchasing; and builds a sense of community by bringing people together and promoting volunteer service. The Community Food Co-op is for **everyone**. **Whether you are struggling to meet your basic food needs or are just looking for a way to share in community, you can be a part of this simple exchange: giving and receiving.** Community of Grace will be opening its doors as a distribution hub (third Saturday of every month) starting in February. Interested in becoming a Co-op member and volunteering? Check out the website www.crossroads-u-c.org/cfc/ for more details and then contact John and Shelley Horel who will be leading our COG team.

Sandwich Making and Serving for the Homeless. Jan. 11. Reach out to our local community by helping make sandwiches immediately following the second service. We also need a team (5-6 adults or supervised teens) including a team leader to serve the sandwiches at the Salvation Army (4:30- 7PM). Contact John Horel (523-9298) for more information.

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.

Children's Ministry

Children are serving children in Vietnam! Please encourage your child and friends to give vitamins (no gummi and no-iron). Bring during the month of January for Children of Peace International, a non-profit that supports 14 orphanages in Vietnam. Enjoy shopping together and teaching that all ages can make a difference around our world

Thank you to all the Sunday School teachers, Teens and Youth Leaders, Sharon Riley's background, Santa (with a REAL heart for others, Set-up Crew and Take-Down crew that made the Birthday Party for Jesus possible.

Youth

Youth are serving our homeless! Bring scarves, hats and gloves to bring Christ's warmth to someone in need. We will be planning an evening of knitting and another time to deliver these donations to people in need!

Adult

TODAY'S DROP IN CLASS-Lorrie Gaffney will share stories and photos of people on "both sides of the wall" in Israel and Palestine. In early Nov. Lorrie attended a Compassionate Listening Project delegation.

Lorrie looks forward to sharing about Compassionate Listening, the amazing people of Israel and Palestine, and some of the issues and struggles of this time.

Thursday January 8th (7-8:30pm) The Institute for Spirituality and Healing in Medicine will be presenting a free program open to the public on Living with a Chronic Disease, Disability or Condition: Lessons Learned from Our Most Successful Patients and Their Families. Location is St. Marks Hospital-Women's Pavilion 3900 south 1250 East....Classroom B, refreshments served

Adult Interfaith Volleyball – Recreational league is starting up! Must be 18 years and older; men and women welcomed. Contact Duy Beck 801-891-3876 or Duy@eurasianmodel.com for more details.

Yoga Classes will be starting up again Tuesday January 6th (7:30-8:30pm) and Saturday mornings (9am-10). Come restore some flexibility to your Body & Spirit after the holidays. Classes are \$5.00 for drop in or a 10 pass ticket is available for \$40.00; sold prior to class start time.

Prayer

Here's what people are saying about Stephen Ministry—I had never been able to open up to someone before and had always kept my feelings to myself. My Stephen Minister helped me to talk about the painful things, which opened the door to God's healing. For more information about Stephen Ministry, please call Jan Foutz 944-4496 at HUCC, or Sherry Britt 733-0083 at CoG.