



### **From Pastor Tom's Desk**

#### **A Warm Cup of Fun: Sages through the Ages**

I'm having so much fun...

While January's gloom, grey, and grime threatens to deteriorate my general euthymia (that is, my normal non-depressed reasonably positive mood), I've found a way to brighten my days with sips from a cup of warmth and enjoyment. "How," you might ask? By preparing myself to facilitate a class called "Sages through the Ages," beginning Thursday evening January 27 at 7:00 PM at our house.

Because of my studies, I've discovered massively helpful lessons from the book, Philosophy for Dummies, like how to avoid intellectual wedgies when I engage in philosophical arguments. How wonderful! I wish I had learned how to avoid them when I was in college: I might have enjoyed a more pleasant educational experience.

Also, along the line of wisdom thinking, I learned that Ralph Waldo Emerson once said, "Life is a festival only to the wise." I don't know about you, but I'm ready to party! "Come over to my house, and let's become wise!" It might even be more entertaining than a Super Bowl party: Just imagine an evening class filled with brilliant leaps, inspirational jumps, and an occasional Hail Mary. Wow!

In addition to learning about less painful argumentation as well as how to live life festively, I've learned how philosophy can be "aerobics for the intellect and weight-training for the soul." Sounds like real United Methodist exercise to me.

What's really fun to me is that since I've begun studying philosophy and wisdom again, I find myself writing pithy one-liners, like, "Whether you find wisdom or not, the journey is worth the while," or "We're born with minds, and philosophy teaches how to use them." The author of Philosophy for Dummies comes up with great one-liners, too, like, "Your beliefs are your map of reality." (I believe that no truer word can be said.) And you can create your very own one-liners to amaze not only your family and your friends, but also your enemies.

So, when the gloominess of January menaces your mood, think about how you can make your life a festival, growing more and more wise each week, lifting some weight with (and maybe off) your soul, doing aerobics for the intellect, and coming up with your very own pithy one-liners to amaze your friends.


Sound like fun to you? I hope so. Let me know if you'd like a warm cup of fun this winter.

And if you call now, I'll add another class called "Biblical Wisdom" absolutely free. But you'll need to call right now. The line is open: 801-486-5473, Extension 14.

And here's another one-liner to ponder, "In the country of the blind, a one-eyed person rules." (Michael Apostolious)

*I wish I'd said that...*

*Tom*



Give the gift of life this Valentine's month - give blood. CUMC is sponsoring a blood drive through ARUP on Sunday 2/20/11 from 8:30am to 12:30pm. To schedule a donation appointment please contact Tom Loken at 801-272-6782 or email to: [Lokens@juno.com](mailto:Lokens@juno.com) If you're unsure of your schedule, walk ins are accepted. If you can't give in February, there will be other opportunities every 3 months.



Mark your calendar and save this date

April 30, 2011  
for the  
50th Buffalo BBQ

### Dorcas Circle

Tuesday, February 1, 9:30am,  
Quilting in the Gym.

### Lydia Circle

Saturday, February 12, 11:00am,  
Meeting in the parlor.

### The Women's Book Club

Monday, February 21, 1:00pm in  
the parlor. Questions? Contact Gina  
Kiechle at 801-583-764

### Claire Circle

February 15, 7:00 pm, Meeting in  
the Parlor. We will be making  
plans for the March Fancy Dress  
Re-sale. Childcare is always pro-  
vided, as long as children are in  
the nursery by 7:15 pm. All  
women are welcome!

February's book: *Half the Sky* by  
Nicholas D. Kristof and Sheryl  
WuDunn [\*UMW Reading Program  
Book—Leadership category]

### General Meeting

Date: Thursday, Feb. 3rd

Time: Noon

Cost: \$3.50

Program:

Call to Prayer and Self-Denial  
Coordinator: Kitty Borrowman  
Hostess: Claire Circle  
Greeter: Dorcas Circle

### Executive Committee

Thursday, Feb. 24th 10am

The United Methodist  
Women at CUMC is made up of over  
120 women of various ages that  
have many different interests. UMW  
women are usually known as the  
"kitchen ladies," as they are usually  
found in the kitchen when a church  
activity involves food. Yes, they can  
cook! BUT they also meet monthly  
in a circle (a small group) and then  
gather together usually on the first  
Thursday of the month for lunch  
and an informative program.

The purpose of United  
Methodist Women is to "know God"  
and to "develop a creative, suppor-  
tive fellowship." The missions of  
UMW focus on needs of women and  
children. This year, the mission pro-  
ject of the District's UMW units is to  
provide materials for and to make  
birthing kits for UMCOR. We will be  
collecting kit materials through the  
beginning of September, when the  
items will be delivered to UMCOR  
West here in Salt Lake City. See the  
UMW bulletin board outside the  
gym for details!

Any woman can be a mem-  
ber of UMW. There are no dues and  
no attendance requirements. We  
invite all women of CUMC to check  
out UMW! To find out which circle  
might fit your needs, contact Cathy  
Perryman, UMW President, at 801-  
272-0853.

### Witty Knitters .

Monday, February 14th at 1:30pm  
at the home of Ginny Duncan,  
4758 S. Coopers Hawk Bay (1250  
E.), Salt Lake City. 801-265-0936.

### The Evening Knitting Circle

Wednesday, February 16 in the  
parlor. Knitting lessons will be at  
6:30, followed by knitting at  
7:00pm. Contact Donna Thomas,  
801-466-6243 for information.

### Martha Circle

Tuesday February 8 at 7:00pm in  
the parlor.

**"Ancient Oils in the Bible" by  
Maxine Garwood**

### Ruth Circle

Thursday, February 10,  
11:00am, Meeting in the parlor,  
Bring a sack lunch.

### Deborah Circle

Thursday, February 17 at 9:30am in  
the parlor. Mary Ann Allison will be  
presenting a program

### The Birthing Kit Items

(Value \$8 per kit) are as follows:

- ◆ 1 hotel-size bar of soap (1 oz. and up)
- ◆ 1 pair of clean latex gloves
- ◆ 1 square yard of clear 4 mil plastic sheeting
- ◆ 3 pieces of clean string each 12" long
- ◆ 1 clean single use razor blade (carefully wrap the blade in paper or plastic to protect it and keep it from causing injury)
- ◆ 2 flannelette receiving blankets, each 1 square yard

Place these items inside a sealed one-gallon plastic bag.

### February Coffee Hour Hosts

- 6 - Venture Crew 9410
- 13 - (Scout Sunday) - Cub Scout Pack 3410,  
Boy Scout Troop 410, Venture Crew 9410
- 20 - Cub Scout Pack 3410
- 27 - Boy Scout Troop 410



## Parent/Adult Help Needed for Sunday School

This year we will have two adults in each classroom during our children's Sunday School classes. Our Safe Sanctuaries policy requires this for the safety of our children and volunteers, plus it's a great help to our teachers when there is a classroom full of busy children! We are asking all parents and anyone else who would be interested to please sign-up for one Sunday a quarter. There is no preparation required, just willing hands and hearts. Please see Vanitta Conrad, DCE, if you are interested.



## Safe Sanctuaries Training Upcoming Dates

If you would like to work with children &/or youth here at Christ UMC, you will need to attend one of these training sessions on our Safe Sanctuaries policy. These informative meetings help us all protect our children, youth and ourselves from abuse. Please choose one and RSVP to Vanitta Conrad, DCE at [vconrad@mindspring.com](mailto:vconrad@mindspring.com).

**Wednesday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm – Room 101**

**Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm – Room 101**

**Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm – Room 101**

More sessions are scheduled for fall 2011.

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## Mark your calendars for 2011

Annual Pax Cakes Event – Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 pm. Includes pancake and sausage dinner and those fun pancake races! Start your Lenten season with your church family and enjoy learning more about why we celebrate Lent.

## Vacation Bible School 2011

Our fun annual Vacation Bible School will be held July 11 – 15<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to Noon. Our theme this year is: *Pandamania – Where God is Wild about You!*. We are currently seeking individuals who would like to co-direct the program. The program is easy to follow and lots of fun. If you would be interested in helping lead, please contact Vanitta Conrad, DCE as soon as possible at (801) 486-5473 ext. 12 or at [vconrad@mindspring.com](mailto:vconrad@mindspring.com). We'd like to start planning soon!



## Our Annual Easter Eggstravaganza is back!

The Education committee will be sponsoring the annual Easter Egg Hunt and Brunch this spring. We'd like your feedback on which date you'd prefer:



Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup> (the day before Palm Sunday)

Or Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> (the day before Easter)

We'll have Easter Egg hunts for ages 1 yr olds – 6<sup>th</sup> grade at 10:00 am, followed by a potluck brunch and fun activities. Please let us know which date you'd prefer by Sunday, February 6<sup>th</sup>. Please e-mail your response to Vanitta Conrad at [vconrad@mindspring.com](mailto:vconrad@mindspring.com). We'll publish the chosen date soon!

### Winter Children & Youth Sunday School Classes & Teachers

#### 9:00 am

Rm 103 – Pre-Kindergarten – Margret Boes-Ingraham  
 Rm 202 – Kindergarten & 1<sup>st</sup> Graders – Heidi Walter, Marcy Rigstad & Paula Vernon  
 Rm 203 – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders – Colleen Werzinski  
 Rm 208 – 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Graders – Mandy Loveday & Kitty Borrowman  
 Rm 201 – Confirmation (7<sup>th</sup> Grade +) – Rev. Tom Towns & Team  
 Rm 209 – 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Grades – Jon Jolley, Karen Berner & Patsy Simons  
 Rm 207 – 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grades – Kurt Zimmerman & Paul Conrad

#### 10:30 am

Rm 103 – Pre-Kindergarten – Diane Minerich & Danette Luthi  
 Rm 202 – Kindergarten & 1<sup>st</sup> Graders – Kim Johnson & Alicia Simons  
 Rm 203 – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders – Tammy Haynes  
 Rm 208 – 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Graders – Dorothy Pearce & Patsy Simons

### Adult Education and Spiritual Enrichment Opportunities

#### Wesleyan Class begins new Study January 30.

Americans are a “positive people”—cheerful, optimistic, and upbeat: this is our reputation as well as our self-image. But more than a temperament, being positive is the key to getting success and prosperity. Or so we are told.

By any quantitative measure, the most successful preachers today are the positive thinkers. Between 2001 and 2006, the number of mega-churches—defined as having a weekly attendance of 2000 or more, doubled to 1,210, giving them a combined congregation of nearly 4.4-million. In a 2006 Time poll, 17 percent of all American Christians, regardless of denomination, said they consider themselves part of a “prosperity gospel” movement.

Whether in houses of worship, at work, through positive psychology or motivational speakers such as Steven Covey or Tony Robbins, Americans are exhorted to “maintain a positive attitude”.

But is there something missing? After all millions of Americans breathlessly turned the pages of the best-selling self-help book *The Secret*.

If you are interested in re-considering everything you’ve ever thought (or been told) about “the power of positive thinking”, then join the **Wesleyan Class at 9 a.m. beginning Sunday, January 30** for an eight week study of author Barbara Ehrenrich’s new book “Bright-Sided, How Positive Thinking Is Undermining America”. With myth-busting powers for which she is acclaimed, Ehrenreich exposes the downside of positive thinking: personal self-blame and national denial. Join us to share in the discussion and consider the alternatives. All are welcome.

#### The Spirits and Spirituality Class

A study-discussion class for men which will meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday each month from 8 – 9 pm at McCool’s Irish Pub and Restaurant in Foothill Village beginning February 13. We will announce the first study topic on January 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Contact Chuck Williams for more information, 801-588-0466, [marathonchuck@comcast.net](mailto:marathonchuck@comcast.net).

#### 5-Day Academy for Spiritual Formation

**March 20-25, 2011**, Sacred Heart Retreat Center, Sedalia, CO. The Academy is designed to feed both the head and the heart; offering both knowledge about spirituality and a context for experiencing the love of God. The theme for the week is “Listening for the Heartbeat of God (inspired by Philip Newell).” For more information and registration log on to <http://rmcmmc.org/rmc/resources/751-5-day-academy-for-spiritual-formation.html>.



**Peter Yeo, Vice President of the United Nations Foundation and Executive Director of the Better World Campaign, will speak to the United Nations Association of Utah on Monday, February 21<sup>st</sup>. His topic is “How U.S. Participation Enhances American Interests.” Yeo has over twenty years of experience in U.S. Government positions on the House Foreign Affairs Committee and with the State Department. He holds degrees in East Asian Studies from Wesleyan University and Harvard. **The public is encouraged to attend the meeting, which will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 110 West 600 South in Salt Lake City. The free lecture starts at 7:00 p.m., preceded by a \$20 dinner at 6:00 p.m. For dinner reservations, call 801-277-7493 by Friday, February 18<sup>th</sup>.****

# Ministry and Missions

## *“Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors”*

Have you ever wondered what that Methodist slogan means? Found all over the country in United Methodist churches (UMC), it declares that Methodists **ARE** people with open hearts, with open minds and their church doors are open. It sounds welcoming to all people.

But, have you ever known anyone who wasn't welcomed at a Methodist church? When I was young in South Texas, it was the Black and Mexican people that were not welcomed. No signs were needed to announce it – they just didn't get treated like I was treated. Maybe you haven't felt that way at any church, but many of our sisters, brothers, neighbors, friends, and yes, some of our children, have been unwelcome – even at Methodist churches in the past and still today.

If you know anyone who is Lesbian, Gay, BiSexual or Transgendered (LGBT), you probably know that they do not feel welcomed in Methodist churches. With good reason, my daughter Katherine, who is gay, left the Methodist church and is an active member of an Episcopalian church. She decided she could not worship God among people who would neither accept her nor be friendly and caring unless she carefully hid her true self.

Everyone should feel comfortable, welcomed, and cared about in a church. Every person should be treated as a person of sacred worth and not be asked to hide while others in the church are free to be themselves. All should be able to freely talk about going on a camping trip or out to dinner with their partner and not worry about using a carefully chosen “she”/“he” or “we”/“our”– it's just a pronoun choice! BUT, it is with a phrase like “we spent Saturday looking for furniture for our house” that LGBT people can slip out of hiding and quietly announce who they are. What if you had to guard your every pronoun to talk about your life?

Perhaps we don't realize how we force limitations on some people in order for them to worship among us. I bet our hearts and minds are truly larger than some of our behavior would indicate. I am certain that God meant church doors to be wide open to all. Perhaps we have some work to do on ourselves before the goodness of our own hearts and minds becomes truly inclusive.

A movement known as the Reconciling Ministries Network (RMN) works to help Methodist churches reach their own potential by opening their hearts and minds to truly receive ALL of God's children. Some of us are already “reconciling” individuals and members of RMN, the ‘Life and Times of Jesus’ adult Sunday School class has been a Reconciling class for over two years, and a congregation can become a Reconciling congregation. I would like our church to take that step of becoming open to all people.

*Reconciling Congregations offer welcome to LGBT people in particular, because this is one group, the only group that is expressly made to feel unwelcome in the UMC. When a UM congregation wants lay LGBT people to feel welcome, they need to say it out loud. If you find that you believe that God accepts all people as valued, then maybe you might want to wear a pin that says: “Believe OUT Loud!” and consider what different behavior we might exhibit to truly welcome all people to this house of God's people. Keep an open mind. Let's think, pray and talk about it. You may contact me: patklentzman@comcast.net or 801-891-3014.*

## **MANY FAITHS ONE FAMILY: Interfaith Musical**

**Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> 6 -7:3PM at the Tabernacle on Temple Square**

"The Salt Lake Interfaith Roundtable is a group of faith leaders who come together to promote love, harmony and understanding among people of all faith traditions, cultures, and belief systems in the spirit of the 2002 Olympic Winter Games." Each month, Rev Marti joins Hindu, LDS, Jewish, Muslim and other spiritual leaders for a lunch of sharing and support. This year Mary Dickson of KUED will MC the Interfaith Musical Tribute including a Greek Orthodox Choir, dancing Thai Buddhist Children, the gospel choir of New Pilgrim Baptist Church, Sikh Prayers, and more to celebrate the religious diversity of Salt Lake. All are welcome. Free tickets available at Christ Church office or [www.lds.org](http://www.lds.org).

## Church and Community



The 6th Annual Running for Relief 5K Run/Walk will be held Saturday, April 9 at 9am at CUMC. This year, the proceeds from the race will go towards the UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) efforts in Haiti and to the Utah Chapter of the Multiple Sclerosis Society. Over the past five years, runners and walkers have raised over \$13,000 for various relief/support efforts locally and internationally. New this year will be a 1K Kid's Fun Run! Online sign-ups will open on February 1 at [www.signmeup.com/73761](http://www.signmeup.com/73761). Look for more information on the website and in the March Connection and weekly bulletins. Registration price of \$15 will include a t-shirt, course support, great door prizes, and of course, the burritos! Start your training now, and see you in April!

### Support Parents' Day Out!

The Parents' Day Out program is holding a fundraiser with The Pampered Chef!

We are raising money to provide PDO with new books, toys, and educational material. All funds for PDO come from parent tuition and other donations such as fundraisers like this one. PDO is an outreach ministry of CUMC that provides care for children 18 months to 4 years old and supports families of many backgrounds and faiths.



There are three ways to show your support:

- 1- Visit our table during Coffee Hour to shop on **February 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, and 20<sup>th</sup>**
- 2- Shop online until February 20<sup>th</sup> at [www.pamperedchef.biz/kitchenlady](http://www.pamperedchef.biz/kitchenlady). Click "Shop Online" and enter in "Parent's Day Out"
- 3- Purchase gift certificates for future use or as gifts by contacting Marcy Rigstad at 801-277-0761 or [mrigstad@xmission.com](mailto:mrigstad@xmission.com)

Thank you in advance for your support! The kids and teachers of Parents' Day Out appreciate it!

### Homeless Youth Resource & Outreach Center WISH LIST January - March 2011

**\*Financial Donations are their current greatest need.**

You can make financial donations in one of the following ways:

\*\*Online at [www.voaut.org](http://www.voaut.org) or \*\*Make a check out to Volunteers of America; write "Homeless Youth Resource Center" on the memo line; mail your check to:

**Volunteers of America, Utah -511 West 200 South-Suite 160-SLC UT 84101**

**\*Other needs are:**

- +Canned meals (Spaghetti-o, Chef Boyardee, thick and chunky soups & stews, etc.)
- +Canned tuna
- +Men's boxers (Sizes: **MEDIUM, LARGE, XLARGE**)
- +Deodorant (men's)
- +Baby wipes
- +Diapers (Sizes: 4, 5 and 6)
- +Batteries (AAA, AA, C, D)
- +Lighters (preferably Bics) and matches
- +Thermal underwear (men and women, all sizes)
- +Work/Interview clothes (Adult sizes, especially XL sizes)
- +Waterproof hiking boots (male or female, any adult size)
- +Postage stamps
- +Bus tokens
- +Gift Certificates (increments of \$10) to Smith's, Payless Shoes, Wal-Mart, Burger King, etc. (If you don't want to leave these in the donation bin, you can safely give them to Coni Hampton)
- +Tents (new or used)



# Joys, Concerns and Thanks



**Deepest Condolences** to the family and friends of York McDowell who passed away December 24th. Services were held at Christ Church January 5th.

**Deepest Condolences** to David Buck on the death of his brother January 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Deepest Condolences** to Danny Liston and the family and friends of Sandy Liston who passed away Wednesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>. Services were held January 15<sup>th</sup> at Christ Church.

**Deepest Condolences** to Sharon Balch and her family on the death of her father Victor Serviss, Friday, January 14<sup>th</sup>. The memorial service was held Saturday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> in Colorado.

**Deepest Condolences** to Marion Beaco Matson on the death of her sister who passed away December 24<sup>th</sup> in North Dakota.

**Remember our service personnel in the Middle East:** Jon Klentzman, son of Pat and Doug Klentzman and Ron Mawson, son of Kathie Mawson.

**Thank you** for your donations to the Homeless Youth Resource and Outreach Center during the 2010 holiday seasons . . . Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas! The outpouring of God's love that you shared with Salt Lake valley's homeless youth was amazing! I made several trips downtown during those months, my vehicle loaded to the brim with much needed items from their Wish Lists.

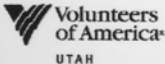
Your generosity has warmed the hearts and lives of many. **Thank You!**

Coni Hampton, Church & Society Committee

To my dear church family – thanks so much for all of your support during my recent surgery and recovery. Your prayers, the wonderful food, and a lovely prayer shawl, helped me heal both physically and spiritually. Bless you all! Julie Peck-Dabling

Thank you so much to every one who held me and my family in prayer during my father's illness, and after his passing. Thank you to all the staff members who not only prayed, but covered for me during my trips to Colorado to be with my parents. A special thank you to Jeanmarie, who has been a huge support and friend, and made it possible for The Connection to get out to everyone, in spite of my absences. ~Sharon Balch

Christ United Methodist Church



Thank you for your recent in-kind contribution to Volunteers of America, Utah. Your donation helps us spark positive change in our community. Volunteers of America, Utah is a faith based nonprofit agency. In Utah, we offer homeless outreach, homeless youth services, substance abuse detoxification and treatment services, housing case management, substance abuse prevention, domestic violence counseling and senior volunteer services. With your support, we will continue to serve those in greatest need. Please contact me at 801-363-9414 ext. 102 with questions or to further your involvement. Thank you!

*Zachary J. Bale*

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December 8, 2010

Sally Loken  
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2375 East 3300 South  
Salt Lake City, UT 84109

Dear Sally:

On the 6<sup>th</sup> of November a wonderful group of volunteers from Christ United Methodist Church donated a total of 48 hours at our Magna jobsite. We are grateful for their hard work, determination, and upbeat attitude. Christ United Methodist Church has made a profound difference in the lives of the family who will be residing in this home in Magna.

Since 1986, volunteers have assisted Salt Lake Valley Habitat for Humanity build 78 homes for hard working low-income families in Salt Lake County. This fiscal year, Salt Lake Valley Habitat for Humanity provided home ownership to four new families in Salt Lake County. Thousands of valuable volunteer hours have been donated to accomplish this task.

We appreciate Christ United Methodist's hard work and dedication at our job site. We hope that you will continue to support us in our mission to provide affordable housing for hard working low-income families.

Thank you again for all that you and your fellow employees have done for Salt Lake Valley Habitat for Humanity and our many partner families.

Sincerely,

*Stephen Tagliaferri*  
Stephen Tagliaferri  
Executive Director

**Where oh Where is your Pledge Card?**

If you haven't turned in your pledge card for 2011 yet, please drop it off or mail it to the church office as soon as possible. We have 157 pledges returned so far (compared to 211 last year). Please remember that both the General and Building/Mortgage Funds are important as you make your pledge. Each fund serves different purposes – the General fund pays all of our regular expenses like utilities, staff salaries, programming costs, building maintenance, etc. Our Building/Mortgage Fund pays our monthly payment on our building loan. Both funds are considered First Mile Giving which is very important. If we fail to meet our basic needs we can't do the extra things we enjoy doing through our Second Mile Giving, i.e. Crossroads, UMCOR, etc. Thank you for helping Christ UMC fulfill our calling to do Christ's work in our community. Please contact Vanitta Conrad, Financial Secretary, at 801-486-5473 ext. 12 with any questions.

**Charitable Giving Made Easy!**

Now you can make contributions to Christ UMC through our website using your Checking or Savings Account or a Debit/Credit Card! Just click on the link on our home page titled "New Convenience" and enter your information. You no longer need to give this information directly to the church office!

**2010 Giving Statements**

The 2010 Giving Statements were handed out at church on Sunday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>. If you were unable to pick yours up, they were mailed the following week. If you have not received your statement or have questions, please contact Vanitta Conrad, Financial Secretary at (801) 486-5473 ext. 12.



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BOOK OF THE MONTH

FOR FEBRUARY, 2011

“FOXES’ BOOK OF ENGLISH  
MARTYRS;

REFORMATION HEROES WHO PAID  
THE PRICE FOR OUR RELIGIOUS  
AND POLITICAL FREEDOMS”

CUMC CALL # 272.09 FOX

**"Come As You Are"**  
**Contemporary Celebrations**  
**Wednesday Evenings at 6:00 pm in the Youth Room**  
 This worship celebration is a time for reflection, meditation, contemporary music, and fun fellowship.  
 A mid-week "pick me up" -  
**COME AS YOU ARE.**  
 Bring Potluck to share.

**The warmest shawl is the one you'll knit for somebody in need.**



**Learn to knit or crochet...free lessons.**

Join Evening Knitting Circle and learn to make a prayer shawl for someone who needs solace.

Lessons from 6:30 to 7:00 PM on the third Wednesday of every month starting in January in the Parlor at church. Knitting practice and fellowship follow from 7:00 to 8:00 PM.

Call Donna Thomas at 801-466-6243 or email [donrot@comcast.net](mailto:donrot@comcast.net)

**Evening Knitting Circle**

**MEDICAL MISSION TRIP  
TO GUATEMALA  
May 7-15, 2011**

There is an opportunity to join a team traveling to Guatemala in May 2011. Openings are available for doctors, dentists, nurses, pharmacists, therapists, and any other medical or dental professionals. This is an interfaith team consisting of Jews and Christians and we welcome participants from any faith tradition.

Interested persons should contact team leaders Scott & Jessica Patton at 801 583 3327 or email [iapq1990@comcast.net](mailto:iapq1990@comcast.net) before March 1, 2011 to be considered for the team.



Dear Church Family,

Our youth greatly appreciate your prayers and support! We just completed 3 youth created and facilitated worship services in the sanctuary on January 23rd. Our theme was "Conflict with God - Forgiving God and God Showing Mercy". Our youth praise band, youth dance troop and youth drama group performed. Eric's sermon inspired us to look within and know that God is with us...ALWAYS.

Our 4th Annual Community Youth Dodgeball Tournament was January 8th. It was our biggest turnout ever! We had 96 Jr and Sr High Youth from around the valley participate. The winners were as follows:

Sr High: 1st place - a team from Skyline High School (including Morgan and Kristin from CUMC)

2nd place - a team from Hilltop UMC

3rd place - a team from Park City UMC (including Gabe from CUMC)

Jr High: Top 3 teams were all from South Mountain Church

We went skiing and snowboarding up at Brighton with 20 free passes compliments of the Brighton Ski Patrol! We LOVE YOU GUYS!

We also invited local exchange students from around the world to join us. We enjoyed getting to know them and look forward to doing more activities with them.

Our Sr High Sunday School class is studying World Religions as they compare to United Methodist beliefs in order to better understand our beliefs as well as others. They recently visited our local Jewish Synagogue during one of their Friday evening worship services.

As we get ready for our 30 Hr Famine the end of February, we thank you in advance for your prayers and financial support as we raise money for World Vision to help curb Hunger around the world and here in Utah. During the famine besides fasting, we'll be doing a can food drive for Crossroads Food Pantry, and we'll be volunteering at the Utah Food Bank and Crossroads Thrift store. Our youth understand the importance of being Christ's Body in doing His work!

Below is our youth schedule for February - as always - any youth in grades 7-12 are warmly welcome to join us. Youth who might attend another church, which doesn't have a youth group are also welcome! We stand with our UMC Motto: Open Hearts, Open Doors, Open Minds. As always, please let me know if you plan on joining us for any of the events outside the church (including the 30 Hr Famine) so we can organize carpools.

Your humble servant of Christ,

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## **Christ UMC YOUTH HAPPENINGS**

**Fri 4 Feb - Sun 6 FEB:** Winter Retreat at Big Canyon Ranch (No evening youth on 6 FEB)

**Sun 13 FEB** 3p-430p Sr High Youth / 5p-7p Jr High Youth

**Sun 20 FEB** 430p leave CUMC and carpool to INTERFAITH MUSICAL TRIBUTE downtown at Temple Square. Groups include: Greek Orthodox Choir, Quaker Harp, Jewish Children's Choir, Thai Buddhist Children's Dance, New Pilgrim Baptist Choir, Earth Harp and Women's Chorus, Buddhist Taiko Drum, Hindu Dance, One Voice Children's Choir, Holy Scriptures of Islam, Sikh Prayer and MORE!

**Mon 21 FEB** Presidents' Day - Youth to Brighton

**Fri 25 FEB - Sat 26 FEB** 30 HR FAMINE (Closing ceremony on Sat 26 FEB at 5p - congregation is welcome in Sanctuary and also invited to our Breaking of the Fast meal in the youth room)

**Sun 27 FEB** FAMINE SUNDAY - youth speak at all 3 worship services about their experiences

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

**Fri 1 APR - Sat 2 APR:** SPRING FLING - a Utah state-wide Youth LOCK-IN at the West Valley Fitness Center! This is one of the biggest events of the year - you definitely want to be there!!

**Wed 8 JUN - Sun 12 JUN:** Jr High Mission Trip/Camp to PINECLIFF

**Wed 20 JUL - Mon 1 AUG** Jr & Sr High Mission Trip (open to all youth currently in grades 6-12) to Sacramento and the YOUTH 2011 -a HUGE United Methodist Youth Event with approx 10,000 Youth from around the US!

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