

THE VISION

“For the vision is for the days yet to come.” Daniel 10:14

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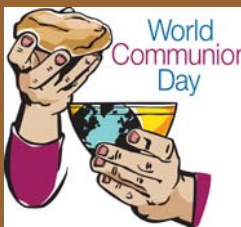


World Communion Sunday October 2

On the first Sunday of October, most denominations celebrate World Communion Sunday, a time of recognizing that we are one in the Body of Christ even though there are differences.

It is also a time of recognizing that we equip pastors to go into all the world and that these pastors come from many races and cultures. The United Methodist Church has a program to help minority students in their education so that they can make disciples for Jesus Christ.

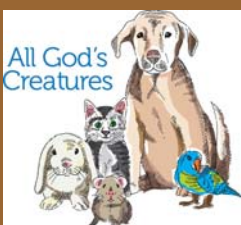
We will celebrate the Lords' Supper and will give people the opportunity to support this program. It is a way of ensuring that the church continues to reach out to all people around the world as well as at home.



Children's Sabbath

The children of the church will lead us in some very special worship services on **Sunday, October 9 in the Sanctuary & October 16 in the New Community**. The children will be participating in every aspect of the service.

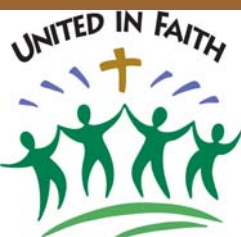
They are planning and praying in the Faith Forest for this very special service focused on the needs of children nationwide.



unCommon Groundz Begins

With the coming of Fall, we begin our unCommon Groundz coffee house experience. We will begin on **Saturday, October 15, 7:00 pm, in Moore Hall**, with the "Master's Quartet," a Southern Gospel men's group who will bring us great spiritual music.

For a great time, good fellowship, coffee and cookies, come join us. We ask for a \$5 donation to help pay expenses.



Sunday, October 30, 4:00-7:00 pm



Join us for our neighborhood **BLOCK Party** in **Moore Hall!** All of the characters from PandaMania! will be back, along with a hayride, a zoo full of baby animals, a cos-

tume contest, **Trunk or Treat Street**, a delicious chili dinner, lots of games and much, much MORE!

Invite your family and friends and start cleaning out your trunk to decorate! There is something for everyone on our block! **KIDS** – bring along your best costume for our costume parade and be part of the **Best Dressed Costume Contest!**

EVERYONE – Join us for a delicious dinner and an evening of FUN!

Trunk or Treat Street

CHURCH FAMILY – Clean out the trunks of your cars, vans or golf carts and decorate them to greet all the children of the neighborhood with treats of candy or games and a friendly smile of God's love! Bring your car to our **TRUNK OR TREAT STREET** by 6:45 PM to join in our line-up of trunks and join the evening of fun!

Medicare 2012

**Saturday, November 5
10:00 am, Martin Hall**

An **EDUCATIONAL ONLY** meeting, presented By **Kate Haase**, CSA (Certified Senior Advisor) to help you understand Medicare.

There have been many changes in recent years to Medicare, including for 2012. What are some of the changes, what could they mean to you; now and in the future. This is educational only. **NO** specific plans will be discussed. There is no cost to attend.

“What Can You Do?”



I recently had my annual physical and one of the things they do is have extensive blood tests. They can certainly get a lot of information out of a little amount of blood and I guess we should be thankful they don't need more! I do find it interesting, and take the opportunity to point out to the technician, that on CSI on TV, or any of the other crime programs, they seem to be able to tell everything about a person from one little drop of blood and do it in just a few minutes. So I always ask why they need so much blood.

Anyway, I got to looking at the results and considered how many things go on in the body. I knew about them because I had to study them in Pharmacy College but had forgotten about some of them, because they are so small and relatively unknown. The reason I bring this up is that I was also reading in Paul's Letter to the Romans about the Body of Christ and how some parts seem more important but they really aren't.

As I thought about that and was looking at my report, I realized how that can also happen in the Body of Christ. Pastors seem to be important but I think in reality they are simply the most visible. I know I couldn't come close to doing everything that needs to be done in this church, or any church, but things that only get done because there are so many willing hands. It takes us all to make the church. Some are seen, like the ushers and the custodians and the technicians. Some are not seen, like the people that clean the pews and take care of the rose garden and put the newsletter together to get it ready to mail.

I know of one church that has several thousand members and they have several thousand volunteers. If you look at their programs, what you realize is that people do one job, once during the year. If they are an usher, they usher one service on one Sunday. It takes a lot of people but it also enables a lot of people to participate. I'm not sure we want to go to that extent but we are always looking for people to be part of the ministry of this church. We recently had some folks join us as Patio Greeters, who may not seem important to some but to our first-time worshippers, they are very important for they help them find their way around.

We always have room for more people to help and to share their joy of ministry. If you would like to be more involved, let me know. We don't expect you to work 40 hours a week, because we know many of you are retired and don't have the time! We want people to put their gifts and graces to doing the work of God and we are excited about it. Give me a call and we'll see what we can do together.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Stewart



Velda Rose Food Drive Sundays, September 25 & October 2



Velda Rose Food Pantry is in urgent need of food. We are collecting non-perishable food. We need your help!!

Please check the expiration dates on the foods you donate. We cannot distribute food with expired dates due to health regulations.



You may pick up a list of items needed at the Welcome Center or church office. Thanks for your help with this mission project.

Sign Up Now for “Tables of Eight”



This is a great way to get acquainted with other adults in our church family in a small group setting. Couples and singles are paired together (group of eight) to meet once a month for an evening

of food and fellowship.

You meet four times. After that time, those who are interested will be assigned to a new table for the next four months. We meet November through June.

Everyone shares in providing the meal if you are meeting at someone's home. Your group will decide what you do—eat out, picnic, card party, event, etc. The risk to you is, you're likely to meet folks who become your very good friends in Christ.

Our kick-off dinner is Friday, November 4, 5:00 pm in Moore Hall. For more information, please contact **Delores Denny**, 654-2157.

All Saints Sunday November 6, All Worship Services



All Saints' Day

We will remember those who have died in our church family in the past 12 months. The time of recognition will be at all of the morning worship services.

Please call the church office by Noon, Tuesday, November 1, to request your loved one be added to our list.

Vows for August

	General	Special	Attendance
7	17579.85	732.00	515
14	13703.05	653.00	506
21	8129.41	673.00	498
28	14808.94	939.25	535
Total	54221.25	2997.25	2054

Be A Disciple of Jesus Christ

Our United Methodist denomination has claimed the overarching vision of *"Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the World."* But, before we can even begin to fulfill that, we need to be clear about what exactly a disciple is! It sounds like a no-brainer! Everyone knows what a disciple of Jesus Christ is, right? Well...no. "Disciple" is one of those "churchy" words of our faith that may have suffered from the curse of over-familiarity. We don't stop and really contemplate what that word means to us in our society, in our time and place.

October and November in New Community Service, we will be exploring what it may exactly mean for US...in our context...to **be a disciple of Jesus Christ**, the gifts given to us by God and the gifts we have to give the world for God.

Pastor Barb

Living Our Faith

"Living our Faith" is the theme of the sermon series Pastor Stewart will present regarding the stewardship of our lives. We will look at the commitments we make when we join the United Methodist Church to support it "with our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness." These should be guidelines for the many ways we serve God through living our lives of faith.

The series will begin on October 16 and concluding on November 13, followed by our Pledge Sunday on November 20.

These sermons will remind us of our call from God to live lives of faith so that others may become disciples for Jesus Christ.

Church Leadership

Rev. Minerva Carcaño, Resident Bishop

Rev. Bob Burns, District Superintendent

Pastors: Rev. Stewart Lewis, Rev. Dr. Barbara Doerrer-Peacock, Rev. Bob Deits

Cindy Von Bargaen, Director of Family Life Ministries

October Sermons

Hours of Worship: Sundays at 7:50, 9:20 (traditional) & 11:00 am (casual), Sanctuary
New Community 9:20 AM, Moore Hall

Oct. 2: Pastor Stewart preaching: *"One Big Family,"* Matthew 22:1-14,; Romans 11:13-24 **World Communion Sunday**
New Community - Pastor Barb preaching: *"Series: Being a Disciple of Jesus Christ, Part 1-Choosing Community"*
Matthew 22:1-14

Oct. 9: Children's Sabbath Celebration
New Community - Pastor Barb preaching: *"Part 2-Don't Tell...Show,"* Matthew 16:23-27, 25:14-30

Oct. 16: Pastor Stewart preaching: *"Serving God,"* Act 6:1-7
New Community - Children's Sabbath Celebration

Oct. 23: Pastor Stewart preaching: *"Pray for All You're Worth,"* Luke 18:9-14
New Community - Pastor Barb preaching: *"Part 3-Spending God-Time,"* Matthew 6:5-14

Oct. 30: Pastor Stewart preaching: *"Be There,"* Matthew 9:18-26
New Community - Pastor Barb preaching: *"Part 4-Showing Up,"* Matthew 8:18-22



UMOM Dinner

(United Methodist Outreach Ministry)

to be served by:

Tuesday, October 18
CHOIRS

Tuesday, November 15
CONGREGATION VOLUNTEERS

Tuesday, December 20
YOUTH MINISTRY

Caregiver Support Group

1st, 3rd & 5th Tuesdays, 6:30 pm,
Fitch Library

Grief Support Group

Wednesdays, 4:00 pm, Martin Hall

Canterbury Bell Choir

Wednesdays, 6:00 pm, Sanctuary

Chancel Choir

Wednesdays, 7:00 pm. Choir Room



Childcare Is Always Provided

In addition to Sunday morning worship (7:50 am - Noon, Room C on Sundays), we are committed to providing childcare for **ALL ministry programs at the church through the week.** From unCommon Groundz, Coffee House, to United Methodist Women's Unit meetings and including all Bible studies and classes. You may bring your children and know that they are loved and cared for by Marilyn Orris and her crew.



(All kids going into 3rd-4th-5th-6th Grades)
We're building faith wherever we go!

Monday, October 10, 10:00 am: Fall Break Mystery Trip

Sunday, October 23, Noon, Martin Hall: Join us for lunch and an amazing afternoon of learning about Jesus and his fishermen friends!

Come on over and join the fun! Permission forms are on the Children's Ministry website or at the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings. Questions, please contact Cindy at the church office or cindy@veldarose.org.

Got Puppets
Wednesday's, 5:00 pm
Upstairs Moore Hall



We have a HUGE season ahead with LOTS of ministry opportunities. For anyone 3rd grade to adult! Come and join us for practices and see how God can speak to people through puppets!

Castles-N-Coasters
Friday, October 28



Join us for Church Night. For \$12 we get unlimited rides and more fun from 6:00 –11:00 pm.

To get the **discounted ticket price**, you **MUST purchase by Sunday, October 16**. This is open to anyone...any age! Please purchase the discounted tickets at the Gazebo on Sunday mornings or the church office during the week. Tickets will be sold at the door for \$15.

Any questions or for more information, please contact Cindy at cvonbargen@cox.net.

Calling All Kids!!!



We would love for **ALL** of you to be involved in our Children's Christmas Musical this year, **"The Great Christmas Giveaway!"** There are parts for everyone...singing, speaking, props, crowd... plenty of room for all!

Join us on **Sunday mornings from 10:45 – 11:15 for practice!** The performance will be Sunday, December 11th at 3:00 pm. PLUS we will be taking the show on the road this year, too! THEN join us at Amazing Jakes for our cast party in January!

Any questions, please give Cindy a call in the church office or email cindy@veldarose.org! Can't wait for Christmas this year!



Youth Ministry

- Sept. 25:** Sunday, 11:15 am, Family Experience
5:00 pm, Youth Ministry
- Sept. 28:** Wednesday, 6:30 am, See You at the Pole
- Oct. 1:** Saturday, 6:00 am, UMOM Hike for the Homeless
- Oct. 2:** Sunday, 5:00 pm, Youth Ministry
- Oct. 5:** Wednesday, 5:00 pm, Puppet Ministry
6:00 pm, Dinner for a Dollar
7:00 pm, CRAVE Small Group
- Oct. 6:** Thursday, 6:00 pm, David Crowder Band Concert
- Oct. 7-8:** Friday-Saturday, Puppet Festival
6:00 pm, Dinner for a Dollar
7:00 pm, CRAVE Bible Study
- Oct. 9:** Sunday, 5:00 pm, Youth Ministry
- Oct. 10:** Monday, 10:00 am, Fall Break Away Mystery Trip
- Oct. 12:** Wednesday, 10:am, Fall Break Away
- Oct. 16:** Sunday, 3:00 pm, Serving dinner for Rummage Building Dedication
Deadline for discounted Castles-N-Coasters Tickets
- Oct. 19:** Wednesday, 5:00 pm, Puppet Ministry
6:00 pm, Dinner for a Dollar
7:00 pm, CRAVE Small Group
- Oct. 22:** Saturday, Go Eat at Applebee's
- Oct. 23:** Sunday, 5:00 pm, Youth Ministry
- Oct. 26:** Wednesday, 5:00 pm, Puppet Ministry
6:00 pm, Dinner for a Dollar
7:00 pm, CRAVE Small Group
- Oct. 28:** 5:00 pm. Castles-N-Coasters
- Oct. 30:** Sunday, 11:15 am, FX
4:00 pm, BLOCKtober
- Nov. 10-12:** Thursday-Saturday, 6:00 pm, Fall Retreat

Questions???? Contact Director of Family Life Ministries, **Cindy Von Bargen**, at cindy@veldarose.org or 832-2111, ext. 204.

Check out our websites for youth and children's ministries. You can connect with us at www.veldarose.org. Get all the weekly email updates...so be sure to get signed up for that one too!

See You at the Pole



Remember to meet at the front of your school before classes. Start talking to your friends now to join you for this nationwide event to pray for the students, teachers and administrators of your school. It's an incredible way to join together in prayer with your friends.



United Methodist Women (UMW)

Potluck Luncheon/Unit Meeting
Thursday, October 6, Noon, Moore Hall

Hostesses/Worship Table: Circle 3

Program: Scripture: Ephesians 3:18-19
Justa Center for the Homeless

No cost for this luncheon. Please bring your own table setting. Circle members are asked to make reservations through their Circle. Guests are asked to call Nadine Lieske, 854-4478, by Sunday, October 2.

Coming Events:

October 7: Friday, 9:30 am, Church Women United

October 8: Saturday, District Annual Meeting, "**Faith Moves Mountains,**" Red Mountain UMC

October 27-29: Rummage & Bake Sale and Luncheon

October Circle Meetings

- Circle 1** Wednesday, Oct. 19, 9:30 am, Martin Hall
Circle 2 Wednesday, Oct. 19, 1:00 pm. Martin Hall
Circle 3 Thursday, Oct. 20, off-site, check with Circle Chair
Circle 4 Thursday, Oct. 20, 1:00 pm, Moore Hall
Rebecca Circle Thursday, Oct. 13, 7:00 pm, Rm 305

UMW Executive Comm. Meeting

Tuesday, September 27
Tuesday, October 18
9:00 am, Martin Hall



**Brown Bag & A Book
(BB & B)**
Tuesday, October 4
11:00 am, Martin Hall

We meet the first Tuesday of the month. All are welcome to join us.

October 4: "The Noticer" by Andy Andrews.

If you would like to read ahead:

November 1: "Enrique's Journey" by Sonia Nozario.

December 6: "Spoken from the Heart" by Laura Bush.

January 3, 2012: "The Help" by Kathryn Stockett.

Need more information, please call Donna Jensen at 984-0171 or email dgjensen50@msn.com.

Attention: Red Hat Ladies
Friday, October 14, PotLuck
11:00 am - 2:00 pm, Martin Hall



We will be planning our outings for the next several months so come with ideas for fun things to see and do. This will be a costume part so start planning that costume now. Also, I would like to suggest that the Red Hat Ladies sponsor a round table for the use of the church, so please put a few extra dollars in your pocket for this collection.

For any additional information and reservation please call me, Mary Joseph, at 396-2320.

UMW Cards & Cutlery Sales **Sunday, October 2, Patio**

Birthday, Sympathy, Get Well and Thinking of You cards: \$7.00/box of 12 (58¢ each).

Cutlery by Rada Manufacturing, cheese and tomato knives are the favorite. Great gift idea. Priced separately.

Look for them on the patio following each service.

United Methodist Women **Unique Boutique & Gourmet Food**

Just in time for holiday giving, the **Unique Boutique and Gourmet Food** sale will be held Saturday, November 12, at Velda Rose. The proceeds of this sale will be used to supplement our mission projects.

A small group of UMW women formed a sewing circle that meets each Thursday at the home of **Becky Jackson**. They are busily sewing hand made items for the event and could use some help, some ideas for projects and your support. If you sew, perhaps you would like to join the group. If you are handy with an iron, they can use you. If you can pin and cut fabric, they can use you. If you would rather sew at home they can provide you with materials. If sewing is not your thing perhaps you could help with donations of fabric, thread, and sewing materials. If you need directions to Becky's house give her a call at 832-9056.

Perhaps you have ideas for some other craft items that would be suitable for our Unique Boutique. Are you a crafter of handmade cards? Maybe your skill is in beading or jewelry making? How about donating the stained glass or fused glass items you have created? We know you crafty folks are out there, just waiting for an invitation to join in – so here it is!

As time grows closer to the Nov 12 sale, we will be looking for help with the gourmet food items too, especially those that could be given as gifts for the holidays. Help make the boutique unique (and yummy) with your special contribution!



Toothbrushes & Toothpaste

We're low on toothbrushes and toothpaste, so if you're going to the dentist please don't forget to ask for an extra set for missions. They're being distributed to Mexico, UMOM, and Wesley Medical Center. Thanks for your support on this project.

Global Ministries

Our support for the Global Ministries is being renewed for three years. We will continue supporting Lorene and David Nelson Persons in Africa, and Murial and Terry Henderson in Mexico. We will be supporting them at \$1,500 per person or \$3,000 per couple each year. The special offering in December helps to pay the support for these missionaries.

UMOM Meals

Thank you to the congregation volunteers who served the UMOM meal in September.

Due to decreased support for this project, Velda Rose is changing the number of months we will be serving UMOM Meals. We will continue serving the 3rd Tuesday of each month for the rest of 2011.

Starting in 2012, the new arrangement for meals at UMOM will be: Cook and serve meal the 3rd Tuesday for seven months (Oct. thru April). Give UMOM \$200 a month and they will buy, cook, and serve the food for five months (May thru Sept).

To keep this project going, Missions must put together a list of people that would like to be involved in the UMOM meals. It takes only about 6-10 people each month to cook, serve, and drive the bus.

Cooking usually takes about two hours in the morning 10:00 am-Noon. There is one person leading the cooking and has the recipe and all the food. The recipes are simple and no cooking experience is needed. You don't have to be a good cook either. Cooks need to be able to chop, open cans, dump cans, mix, and sometimes peel.

Servers need to arrive at 4:00 pm to help load up the bus. The bus leaves about 4:30 pm for UMOM. The group usually returns between 7:00-7:30 pm. We also need individuals to donate cookies for dessert. We sometimes need 30 dozen cookies for one month!

This mission project can only continue with your help, don't assume someone else will volunteer. If you can help with this mission, please fill out the form on this page and leave it at the Welcome Center, church office or email the information to Jeanne Salt, jtsalt@mindspring.com. **Even if you have helped in the past please submit your information,** so we can make sure the list is current. Thanks for your help with this mission.

The information can also be to Jeanne Salt:

Jeanne Salt
510 E. Harwell Road
Gilbert, AZ 85234

UMOM Meals Volunteer Information	
Name _____	
Phone number _____	
E-mail address _____	
Months available _____	
Best time to call _____	
Okay to contact by e-mail	yes ____ no ____
You may sing-up for one or all jobs:	
Cook _____	Serve ____ drive bus ____
Donate cookies _____	dozen ____

Name That Building

The "Name That Building" contest ended as of September 15. We were very pleased to have received over 60 entries to this contest. That is evidence that the whole church is interested in the new building that will house the rummage sales.

Thanks to all who submitted an entry. The committee met on September 19 to select a name from the many entries. The new name will be announced on "Celebration Sunday", October 16.

Nadine Lieske, President, UMW

Third Grade Bible Recipients

We celebrate with our 3rd graders who received the lifelong gift of a Bible in Worship.

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| Alyssa Amador | Scrapper Riggs |
| Charlotte Archuletta | Corrine Veik |
| Ian Molyneux | Ciara West |
| Ronnie Nevarez | |

Please pray for these young people that they will hear God speaking to them and learn the ways of Christ as they read the words written on the pages of their Bibles.

Thank you to the members of the J.O.Y. Class for providing these gifts.

**Arizona Opry Christmas Spectacular
Monday, December 12**

We have some group tickets to the Arizona Opry. Tickets are \$29 for a delicious dinner and wonderful evening of musical entertainment.

Please purchase tickets at the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings or in the church office during the week and reserve your seat on the bus. Bus leaves at 5:00 pm.

For questions or more information, please contact Cindy in the church office or at cvonbargen@cox.net

Entertainment Books Are Here!!



Entertainment Books for 2012 are here and are for sale!

For only \$30, the books are loaded with discounts and coupons for places all over the valley – over \$21,000 worth! This year you can even order your books online and get access to even MORE coupons and savings. PLUS, you can order books for family and friends in other cities and the Velda Rose Youth still get the benefit of the

sale!

Books are available on Sunday mornings on the patio or in the church office during the week. Thank you for supporting the Youth Ministry!

Class for Making Beaded Christmas Ornaments

Saturday, October 15

12:30-4:30 pm, Martin Hall



This course is for anyone with or without experience in beading. We're hoping to get enough of you to make this ornament to help us make some for the Unique Boutique.

You must sign up for this class in advance. **Checks** should be made **payable to VRUMW**. Sign-ups can be made in the Welcome Center or church office.



Cost \$10.00 plus supplies (to be determined). For more information please call Donna Jensen at 984-0171.

100 Faces of Faith

The Youth Ministry project to interview 100 people from our church family is continuing. We would like to discover how you keep your faith strong and how God has led you on your journey of faith.

Most of the interviews will take place on Sunday mornings, but other times are available as well. If you would be willing to sit with three to four youth and share your experience of faith, please sign-up with the youth on the patio on Sunday mornings at 10:30 or contact Cindy in the church office at cindy@veldarose.org. Thank you for sharing your faith and encouraging our youth.

Members Removed

Jack & Marjorie Edson - Withdrawn



Fitch Library

Sundays: 8:00 - 12:00 AM
Wednesdays: 9:00 - 11:00 AM

Where are you and where have you been? We certainly have missed you. Come in and visit one of the spokes in the hub of your church. We have so much to share with you. Do you have anything to tell us? See all of our new artwork.

Summer Reading Program



Travel to another part of the world... grab a book and read! Our reading program continues into October! We have some AWESOME books for you to read and learn about God and this wonderful world!

100th Anniversary of Arizona

How are you going to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Arizona becoming a state

My suggestion is to read a book about Arizona. First start with something about the settling of the state. I'd highly recommend **"These Are My Words"** by **Nancy Turner**. She has subsequent books that are very descriptive of everyday life in the settling of this great state. **"The Lazy B"** by **Sandra Day O'Connor** is also a great choice. Expand your boundaries - READ.

Donna Jensen

One Way Street Puppet Festival Friday-Saturday, October 7-8



Mark your calendars for a fantastic puppet festival right here in the neighborhood. We will meet at the church at 5:15 pm on Friday. Bring some \$\$ for a fast food dinner and then we're off to a full evening of ministry and competition. Tickets are \$10 for those involved in Velda Rose Puppets.

Adult Volleyball



Adults, this is your chance for some spikes, digs and wonderful fellowship, too! All ages 18 or older are invited to join in the Central East District UMC volleyball league that will continue into the fall.

If you are interested in playing, or know someone who is, please contact **Tamara Mulligan** at tamaramulligan@cox.net.

Dine to Donate Saturday, October 22



Invite your family and friends and join us for lunch or dinner at Applebee's. Grab the flyer from the church website, the church office or the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings.

Take the flyer to the Applebee's on {Higley and Brown} OR on {Power and Southern} and present the flyer to your server. Applebee's will then donate a portion of your meal to the Youth Ministry of Velda Rose, so go hungry and eat a lot!

Blessing of the Animals Sunday, November 6, 2:00 pm. Patio



We will have an outdoor worship service for a Blessing of the Animals in the tradition of St. Francis of Assisi who loved all God's creatures.

All people who love animals, along with all pets and their human friends, are invited to this service. Bring your dog, cat, lizard, rabbit, pig, hamster, fish, tortoise, bird...whoever shares your home with you in celebration of God's gifts of animals.

You Are Invited...Giving Thanks Dinner Sunday, November 6 5:00 pm, Moore Hall



The Youth Ministry would like to give a HUGE thanks to all those in our church family who supported the Youth in their Summer Mission Experiences to San Diego (Jr. High) and Heifer Ranch in Arkansas (Sr. High).

We would like to invite you to join us for a delicious dinner and an evening of seeing and hearing of the ways God used the young people of Velda Rose and how our lives were changed.

Please get a **FREE** ticket at the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings or in the church office during the week. We can't wait to say "THANK YOU" in person!

500 Christmas Stockings are ON THE WAY!

Thanks to some very generous church and community friends, we are the recipients of 500 handmade, hand painted Christmas stockings to deliver to our shut-ins, local elementary schools, and children in the community.

We are gathering items to place in the stockings... cereal bars, sampler size soaps and shampoos, toothbrush and paste, toys, socks, etc. Any donations would be great!

There will be containers on the patio for collecting the items. If you would like to help with the stuffing or delivering, please contact Cindy at cvonbargen@cox.net or in the church office.

WINTERJAM Tour Spectacular Saturday, November 5



Join us for this awesome evening of music at US Airways Arena! **Newsboys, Kutless, Red, Matthew West, Fireflight, KJ-**

52 and MORE!

Tickets are \$10 at the Door! Show starts at 6 PM... but we're getting there early for those great seats!!

Any questions or for more information, please contact Cindy at cvonbargen@cox.net.

Free Money with Scrip

Shopping with gift cards is an easy way to support our organization every time you shop. We offer a great variety of brands in addition to your weekly gas and grocery purchases. From dining and entertainment to home improvement and beyond, we have all your shopping needs covered! Orders for gift cards placed by Monday morning will be ready for pick-up on Sunday.



Use them for your usual shopping or get them as gifts! Whatever! It's all free money for the youth! Pick up an information packet at the Gazebo on Sunday mornings or in the church office.

Any questions, please contact **Cindy Von Barga**n at cindy@veldarose.org.



I was so pleased with the response to the article about the rummage building and appreciated the many compliments. But I must be honest...I had help. **Tish Roberts** supplied the pictures and she and **Nadine Lieske** added some of the facts. We are happy that so many of you expressed interest and hope you all will continue to share in the joy and excitement of this amazing UMW project and keep Velda Rose blooming.

Barbara Clayburn

On behalf of all Taft students and teachers, we would like to thank you for your generous donation of school supplies. We greatly appreciate it!

Taft Elementary Resource Center ☺

Thank you to everyone who donated school supplies for our Stevenson students. This really helps out our teachers who in turn help out our students. We really appreciate the generous donation and thank you for thinking of us.

The Stevenson Staff



OUR VOWS

" We will be loyal to Velda Rose United Methodist Church and uphold it by. . ."

Please Remember These People in Your Prayers

Adele Wolke
 Agnes Alldredge
 Alice Annear
 Alice Atkinson
 Alvin Crandall
 Ann Greenberg
 Betty Barger
 Betty Myers
 Budd Allen
 Charlotte Saum
 Dan Walkowiak
 Diane Fischer
 Dillon Owens
 Donna Collins
 Doreen Ingham
 Dorothy Troute
 Dorothy Wirtz
 Dylan Ellefson
 Edith Moyer
 Eileen Jackovich
 Elizabeth Genevese
 Elsie Thomas

Esther Powers
 Esther Sundberg
 Ethel Burlingham
 Gene Ball
 Geneva Richardson
 Guyneth Gottschalk
 Hannah Turowski
 Harmony Williams
 Helen Davies
 Helene Keller
 Jane Black
 Jean Bennett
 Jeanne Johnson
 Jim Kirk
 John & Arlene Spykerman
 Joyce Bennett
 Judy Rhinehart
 Justin Collins
 LaDeen Shepherd
 Lenore Ravert
 Linda Bates
 Lloyd Waltrip

Lois Hedges
 Lois Schoech
 Lorraine Coffey
 Louise Green
 Lowell Stock
 Lydia Kratzer
 Marian Pilkington
 Marjorie Corr
 Mark Florey
 Mark Hennen
 Mary Donohoe
 Mary Ann Chelf
 Mathew Hale
 Maxine Galland
 Melva Metzger
 Merrilyn Stock
 Nadine Rothrock
 Nell Marsh
 Norman Fenske
 Parker Holm
 Paul & Pauline Warg
 Phyllis Snowden

Randy & Joan Bailey
 Ray Kerr
 Reese Cole
 Richard Jensen
 Richard Miller
 Robert Willhoit
 Ruth Bulfinch
 Ruth Eldred
 Sarah Swaim
 Sheri Richardson
 Steve Wanner
 Suzi Reed
 Tina Danielson
 Tom Partington
 Tommy Forsberg
 Virginia Frey
 Virginia Reedy
 William & Amber Brooks
OUR TROOPS

*Please keep in our prayers
 the people of
 First United Methodist
 Church, New Orleans.*



CALL: Marian Lorenz - 807-9739



We extend our Christian sympathy to all of the families of our members and friends listed below on their deaths.

Estelle "Sally" Anderson - August 22
Jarroldine Mair - September 2
Quinn Shuler - September 22
Dolores Friedman - September 22



Jeanne Burdsall - Jeanne Burdsall Memorial Fund
 Given by: Calvin & Janet Cassaday, Gordon & Helen Pecha, Ellis & Geraldine Swanson

Mary Zeller - Memorial Non-Designated Fund
 Given by: Elwin Zeller

Hyacinth Kroeppler - Memorial Non-Designated Fund
 Given by: Lloyd Kroeppler

Jarroldine Mair - Memorial Garden Fund
 Given by: Melva Metzger

Prayer Request Book

You will find the Prayer Request Books on the podium in the Narthex on Sunday mornings. The books are open to everyone who has a loved one or friend they would like to be remembered in prayer.



Our Hearts go out to... Jim & Sandy Kuchan & family on the death of Jim's mother Aug. 21.



I appreciated the many cards and prayers I received during my recent hospital stay. Thank you also to Pastor Stewart for his special care and Pastor Bob & Pastor Barb for their visits and prayers.

Judy Christgau

Our Sunday Morning Classes



J.O.Y. Class (Jesus, Others, Yourself) Sundays, 9:00 am, Martin Hall

Our traditional SS Class meets for Adult Bible Study looking at Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon and Matthew. For more information, call **Ginny Vaughn** at 832-1795.



New Horizons

Sunday, Oct. 2, 10:45 am, Martin Hall
(1st Sunday of the month)

Topics to be chosen from the group. They enjoy lunch out after class. Weekly classes begin in November. Led by **Gene & June Osborne**, 984-1583.

Journey through the Bible

Sundays, 9:20 am, Rm 610

"More Bad Girls of the Bible" is the study. Join Mary Joseph as she leads this class.

Christian Forum

Sundays, 10:45 am, Room 305

Also a traditional adult SS class using the same study as J.O.Y. Questions, call **Donna Jensen** at 984-0171.

The Middle

Sundays, 10:45 am, Library

using "**Wired World**" current event discussion topics relating what's happening today to our faith, led by **Howard Orr**.

Christian Awareness

Sundays, 10:45 am, Room A (begins October 30)

Led by **Rev. Ernie Bringas**. Questions, contact **Jan Stallard** at 830-9173.

Sr. High Atmosphere

Sundays, 10:45 am, Upstairs Moore Hall

For students in grades 10 - 12, take your understanding deeper and your faith higher. **Dave Monk** leads the class. We will be doing **100 Faces of Faith interviews** during this time as well.

Jr. High Atmosphere

Sundays, 10:45 am, Youth Center

For students in grades 7 - 9, come "grapple" with the challenges we face and see how God answers our questions like "now what?" **Deirdre Poyer** leads the class.



FX - Family Experience is WILD this month!

Join us on **Sunday, September 25, 11:15 am in Moore Hall** for our – once a month - FX! This is a worship experience for all ages! The Youth of Velda Rose

LEAD the worship time the last Sunday of each month – and you can't even believe how much fun you will have!

If you missed last month, you missed Aspin the SEAL trainer; Bobby's great shoe-eating invention; Bryce losing his own son; and Ashleigh...well, you just had to be there for that one! ALL are invited!

Our next FX will be Sunday, October 30.

The Faith Forest

Sunday Mornings for Children PreK-6th Grade



During the month of October, the children of Velda Rose will be learning about **Creativity**— using your imagination to do something unique. What does all of this mean? We are creative, but so what? It means that we have

creative minds which enable us to solve problems and lead others to accomplish remarkable tasks. It means that we have creative hands that can make art and music and write stories. It also means that we have a unique ability to use our creativity to make a difference in this world by helping others. So this month, we will discover the creativity that God has given you, and find a way to put your remarkable creativity into practice.

Children begin in worship with their families at the 9:20 Worship Services until the Time with Children. They then gather together for an opening celebration in the YOUTH CENTER with singing and praying and celebrating.

From there, they will join their age group and travel to one of our ministry centers: Amazon Art, Rainforest Café, Canopy Computers, Swing Vine Science, Scavenger Service, Sky High Stories, Monsoon Movies or Green Tree Games. Each week they will visit a different location and learn God's truths in new ways!

And don't forget the Bible Bucks in the Reward Zone! Kids get a GodTime Card each week to let parents know what we've been learning that morning! Then, the next week, stop by the Reward Zone table on the patio and get a Bible Buck for knowing the monthly virtue and definition, Bible verse, Bottom Line, a GodTime Card signed by your parents, or bringing a friend! The Bible is FULL of treasures for us to bury in our hearts!

The Faith Canopy

Sunday Mornings for Children ages 2-3 in Room B

After the Children's Time in worship, children ages 2-3 have a very special time just for them. With singing and learning for some of the smallest of God's children, join Miss Teri for a wonderful time of learning about God's BIG, BIG love.

Children's Rainforest Rhythm

Sundays at 10:45 in Room D
for children age 3 – 6th Grade

If you love to sing and you love to dance, come join us as we begin to prepare for our next musical production – "**The Great Christmas Giveaway!**" We'll be singing in worship and taking our musical on the road this year.



Life-Long Learning at Velda Rose - Jump Into Fall

Learning and growing does not stop when we graduate from school! Our faith calls us to **become** ever new creations, so learning and education is a vital part of our faith practice. During September and October, our learning opportunities will kick into high gear. YOU are invited to take part!

Being part of a small group or class serves many purposes:

1. Learn something new! Broaden your horizons and understandings. Deepen your relationship with God.
2. Build deeper relationships with other people. Share with others your ideas, opinions, questions and prayers, and offer your listening ear. Please read the following synopses of some of our upcoming offerings.



Bible Study

October's Life-Long Learning...

The *Disciple Bible Study* program is one of the BEST ways to learn the bible, deepen relationships with both other people and with God. But, it's not for the "dabblers." *Disciple* is an in depth and intensive experience and weekly commitment.

You must begin by taking Disciple I, but once you've done that, you can choose to take any one of Disciple II, III, or IV in any order. We will offer all four parts this year. Each of the four parts take approximately 32 lessons to complete.

Disciple 1-"Becoming Disciple through Bible Study"

Tuesdays, 9:00 am, Conf. Rm, starts Oct. 18 (17 weeks)

Led by **Bruce Williams**..

Disciple 2-"Into the Word-Into the World"

Tuesdays, 9:00 am, Rm 610

Led by **Mary Joseph**.

Disciple 3-"Remember Who You Are"

Thursdays, 9:00 am, Rm 610

Led by **John Kleinbach**.

Disciple 4-"Under the Tree of Life"

Thursdays, 9:00 am, Conf. Rm

Led by **Cindy Von Barga**n.

Other Bible Book Studies:

"Unveiling Mary Magdalene"

Tuesdays, 1:00 pm. Oct. 4-May 2012, Room 305

Led by **Cindy Von Barga**n. The veil has been lifted. Discover the Gospel truth about the most myth-understood woman of the New Testament. Was Mary Magdalene a prostitute? An adulteress? The wife of Jesus? An ancient goddess? **Liz Curtis Higgs**, best-selling author of ***"Bad Girls of the Bible"*** and ***"Really Bad Girls of the Bible"***, combines heartfelt contemporary fiction with extensive biblical research to bring to life the *real* Mary Magdalene of the Bible.

Young Women's Bible Study

Wednesdays, 9:00 am, starts October 8, Room 610

Led by **Janet Cassaday**. The group will study **Kay Arthur's "Zechariah"**.

"Here and Now...There and Then"

Mondays, 2:00 pm, Oct. 10-Dec. 19, Martin Hall

Led by **Linda Lewis**. This is our latest women's study by Beth Moore and is a study of the book of Revelation. There will be one homework assignment each week. Student books are \$10.00. For more information, you may contact Linda at 214-5909.

Wednesday PATHWAYS:

The Church is one of the last places where the different generations of people come together on a regular basis and relate to one another. Starting **October 5**, we will again draw our congregational family together on **Wednesday nights** for fellowship, food, and enrichment. It was a great success last year, and we want to continue it.

The adult educational and devotional offerings will have two time periods: **5:00-6:00 pm**, and **6:45-7:45 pm**. **A supper** will be served from **6:00-6:30 pm**. Some of the offerings planned will be:

"Centering Prayer"

Wednesdays, Oct. 5-Dec. 21, 5:00 pm, Chapel

A 45 min. period of silence in which you may pray in any way you choose as long as it is silent, or you may try the style of centering prayer that is a meditative practice of continually releasing all thoughts and concerns to God as they come into our minds. Led by Pastor Barb.

"The Jewish Roots of Christianity"

Wednesdays, Oct. 5-26, 6:45 pm, Martin Hall

Did you know that the word "Messiah" is a Jewish word and concept? Did you know that much of what we do as Christians is rooted in the Jewish religion? If you didn't know the answer to these questions, you are the perfect person to take Pastor Stewart's class, "The Jewish Roots of Christianity."

The class will look at a variety of Christian scriptures and interpret these in light of various Jewish holidays and traditions. We will look at the ways that Christians have incorporated many Jewish beliefs and terms into our religion.

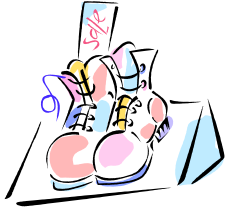
There is no charge but you are requested to sign-up for the class so there will be sufficient materials.

"Life Support"

Oct. 5-Dec. 21, 6:45 pm, Library

Pastor Barb leads the class, a support and learning group designed for those who are dealing with some "mountains" of challenge of some kind, and would like a safe and supportive place to share, to receive support, and an opportunity to perhaps learn to "reframe" your thinking in light of your relationship to God.

Please sign up in the Gazebo or the church office for any of these classes so appropriate material can be available.



RUMMAGE SALE

October 27-28-29



Thursday, Friday, & Saturday, 7:00 AM - 3:00 PM
(1/2 price sale all day Saturday!)

We will be moving into our new building soon so watch the bulletin for ways you can be part of this exciting first sale in our new building!!!!

Thank you for keeping the rummage coming in. This includes clothing, housewares, furniture, books, knickknacks, linen, jewelry, shoes, purses, etc. These may be put in the large wooden box marked RUMMAGE located in the breezeway. **Last day to drop rummage off is Monday, October 17. Please hold any rummage until after the sale, as the sorters are busy with other duties getting ready for our sale.** Thank you for your cooperation.



Departments and Chairpersons:

Co-General Chairperson	Tish Roberts	-986-1720
	Janet Cassaday	985-6943
	Joan Most	219-2669
Appliances (small)	Danny White	924-4356
Bake Sale	Jan Bennett	664-9717
Blouses	Donna Jensen	984-0171
Books	Don Larson	924-9294
Cashiers	Marian Bakle	380-1201
Children's Items	Marbeth Kobak	396-2763
Coats & Sweaters	Cynthia Borneman	641-0905
Collectables	Sheryl McKinney	602-620-1296
Computer/ Software	Ron Roberts	986-1720
Dresses and Skirt Suits	Celine Gagnon	641-2479
Fabrics	Lavaun Schaeffer	515-745-4931
Furniture	Maynard Bauer	924-9063
Guards	Frank Yoder	832-7072
Hardware	George Heasley	602-421-1188
Holiday Decorations	Elsie Smith	924-0174

Departments and Chairpersons:

Housewares	Ruth Mogen	985-6677
	Adair Quam	358-9728
Jewelry	Marjorie Troute	380-5488
Ladies Slacks & Shorts	Ginny Mosier	984-1854
Linens	Kathy Kolbo	830-4758
Lingerie	Nadine Burley	832-8577
Luncheon	Janet Cassaday	985-6943
Men's Shoes	Diane Cahill	415-0217
Men's Wear	Jo Ann White	924-1191
	Phyllis Fields	275-9193
	Peggy Scott	354-4513
Odds & Ends		
Pant Suits & Skirts		
Scarves, Hats & Belts	Dorothy Peterson	985-9202
Ladies Shoes & Purses	Roy & Bonnie Sager	380-7898
Stationary/Games, Etc.	Carol Nichols	641-0097
Trifles & Treasures	Lori Makeever	373-1758
	Margot Benham	986-1823

Anyone interested in helping may contact the co-chairpersons or one of the above persons if you would like to work in a specific area. You may also sign up on the patio at the Rummage Table on Sunday mornings.



RUMMAGE BAKE SALE & LUNCHEON



All Kinds of Baked Goods Needed

Breads, homemade candies, jams & jellies, pies, cookies, cakes, etc..are needed for all three days of the Rummage Sale. Lots of pies needed for the luncheon.

Even though a group of our ladies will be baking at the church, we need you to bake if you are able. When you make your specialty, that gives our customers a larger variety to choose from.

Watch the bulletin for more information on when to bring your goodies.



THIS MONTH'S
Birthdays

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| 10/01 Chuck Hohnbaum
Dee Moffatt
Norm Walker | 10/15 Lloyd Keilholtz |
| 10/02 Sailor Huntley
Sharon Mulligan | 10/16 Donna Kerr
Betty Johns |
| 10/03 Ruth Mogen
Shirley Hershey
Daniel Kobak
Roger Torkelson
Bruce Annear
Ruth Zeisloft
Mary McVeigh | 10/17 Joyce York
Elton Bauman
Logan Veik
R. T. Schlotzhauer
Katie Cook
Jamie Kuchan
Tatum Monk |
| 10/04 Harriet Stamm
Sandy Lerversee
Vernita Seidel
Muriel Price
John Halvorson
Orval Rodgers | 10/18 Glenn Heckman III
Rachel Shelton
Gordon Hensel
Alice Atkinson |
| 10/05 Garrett Duffy
Liz Thompson | 10/19 Marge Osenbaugh
Keith Pelletier
Earl Schlick |
| 10/06 Devany McClaskey
Warren Saum
Lori Makeever
Calvin Cassaday | 10/20 Jean Brady |
| 10/07 Jack Spitzer
Marcy Hamstad
Carolyn McGaughey
Billie Klaus | 10/21 Diane Cahill
Linda Norgaard |
| 10/08 Bill Rogers
Cynthia Borneman
Phyllis McNeil
Phyllis Moum
Mildred Willson | 10/22 Brenna Condon
Tony Colombo
Vivian Raeinhardt
Lyn Olesen
Don Frederick
Irma Heasley
Darrel Moses |
| 10/09 Ladessa Winter
Jay Scott | 10/24 Eve Taylor
Ann Bell
Pete Peterson |
| 10/10 Nellie DePoy
Rhea Jackson
Dick Norgaard
Crystal Williams | 10/25 Brandon Spitzer
Sione Kaipelea
John Fleet
Edith Paugh
Jaden Summers
Sara Hill |
| 10/11 Seno Latu
Jocelyn Condon
Jo Ann Rodgers
Avery Whitney | 10/26 Grace Van Brunt
Fay Ganzerla
Elijah Ruppert |
| 10/12 Joe Jansen
Charlotte Rosenberry
Jo Malo
Gerald Hamstad | 10/27 Clarence Wolke
Milly Jansen
Ruth Polanec
Harry Myers |
| 10/13 Scott Putsey
Harry Orris
Louise Post
Mary Ingram | 10/28 Doris Clarke
Dean Spitzer
Florence Marlowe
Isabelle Gangey |
| 10/14 Mabel Lane
Mary Lou Monson | 10/30 Nadine Rothrock
Jennie Hanson
Betty Pagano
Bill Heller |
| 10/15 Janet Laut
Byron Ayers | 10/31 Warren Gearhart
Kay Gearhart
Angel Vergara |



THIS MONTH'S
anniversaries

60 or More Years

- 10/01 Woody & Hazel Boyd (66)
Don & Elaine Schwendener (67)
Bob & Betty Wilson (62)
- 10/02 Ronald & Dorothy French (64)
- 10/09 Bill & Jean Sitka (63)
- 10/17 Bruce & Alice Annear (63)
- 10/18 Lloyd & Ruth Keilholtz (66)
- 10/21 Peter & Dorothy Kuspis (61)
- 10/22 Don & Bev Geisler (64)
- 10/24 Peter & Louise Post (67)
- 10/28 Richard & Carol Miller (62)
- 10/30 R.T. & Mildred Schlotzhauer (68)

50 or More Years

- 10/06 Royal & Barbara Howard (56)
- 10/08 Donn & Deonna Larson (51)
- 10/12 John & Nadine Burley (55)
- 10/16 Larry & Darlene Jones (57)
Dan & Carolyn McGaughey (56)
- 10/18 Glen & Sandy Lerversee (54)
- 10/30 Gene & Della Haugland (56)

Also Celebrating

- 10/04 Leighton & Ann Adams (42)
- 10/08 Tim & Becky Duffy (23)
- 10/12 Bill & Mary Lou Monson (43)
Richard & Deirdre Poyer (26)
David & Amy Sanders (20)
- 10/16 Keith & Jenny Pelletier (12)
Bill & Bonnie Stolins (12)
Don & Mary Strutz (12)
- 10/17 Jim & Judy Jorgensen (36)
- 10/23 Milt & Rita Vesta Holec (6)
Danny & Jo Lynn White (40)
- 10/28 Bill & Florence Marlowe (22)
- 10/29 Saita & Hinga Fakatava (30)
Jesse & Tracy Hupko (1)
- 10/31 Barry & Donna Jensen (37)

NEXT DEADLINE

Next publication date - 10/20/2011. Items considered must be in the Church Office by **Wednesday, October 12, 2011.**

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Wednesday, October 12
Wednesday, November 9
Wednesday, December 7



**Breakfast: 7:30 am
Tuesday, October 4
Velda Rose UMC, Moore Hall**

Special program by Cindy Von Bargen on the summer trip with the youth to the Heifer Project.

HELP!!!!

For the last several years, we have had a Thanksgiving Dinner that is open to all. We usually serve some 250 people. Food is donated and there are many volunteers to help but we need someone who is willing to coordinate the meal.

If you would be willing to help, or two or three of you to help, please contact Pastor Stewart. We need to know as soon as possible so we can start planning. If no one steps forward, we may have to cancel the dinner, which is the only Thanksgiving some people will have.

CELEBRATION SUNDAY for the New Rummage Building October 16, 2011, 3:00 pm

Start planning now to attend this important event because you won't want to miss it. A part of that afternoon event will be a wonderful **FREE DINNER** sponsored by UMW. Our own **Linda Lewis** is preparing this meal and we know it will be delicious.

Tickets will be required. They will be available at the Welcome Center on Sundays. They will also be available in the office during the week. Tickets will be made available at the UMW Unit Meeting October 6.

The deadline to obtain tickets is Monday, October 10. So don't miss out. Be sure to get your tickets soon!