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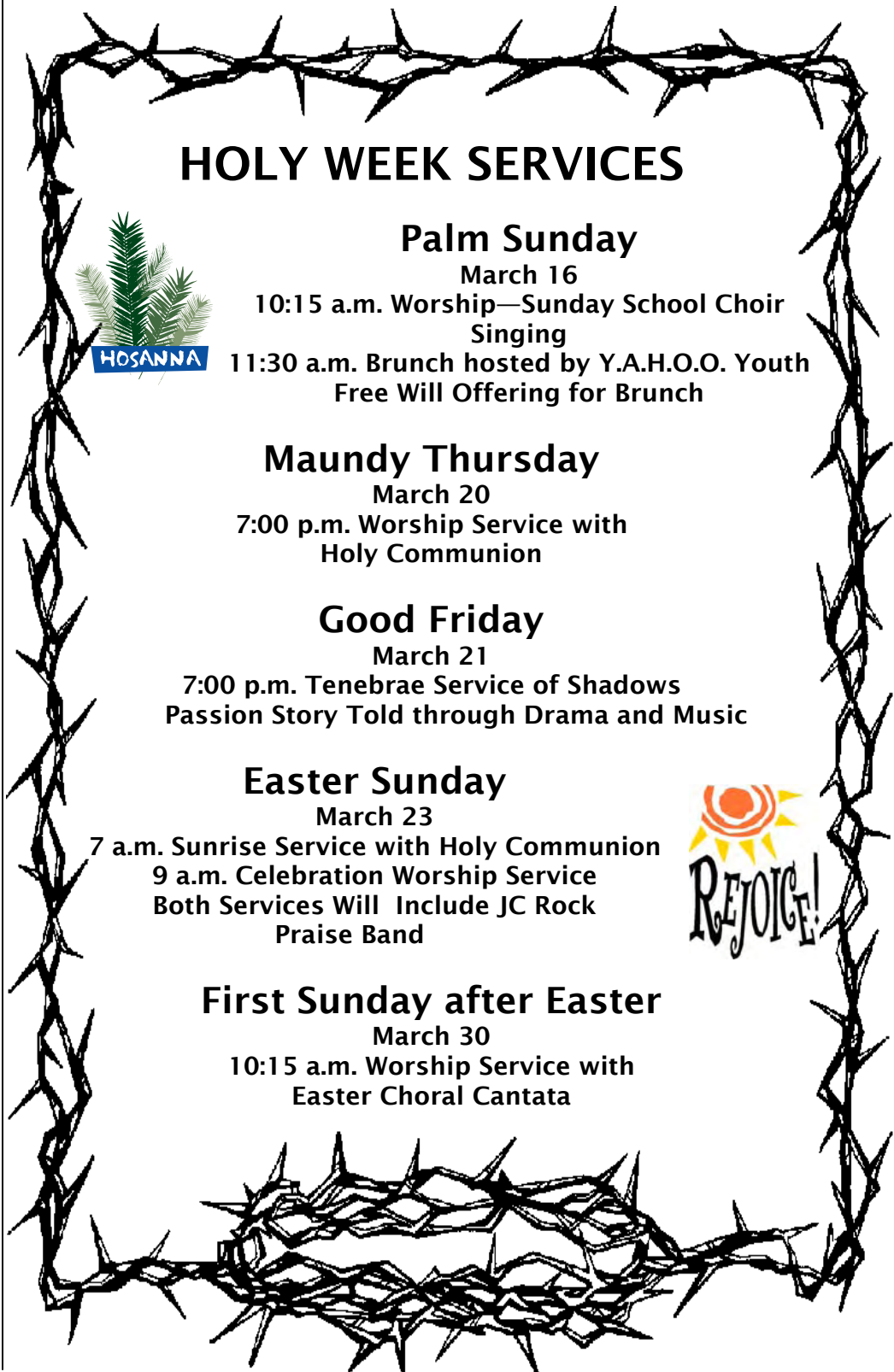


*No matter who you are
or where you are
on life's journey,
you'll find a home here!*

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HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Palm Sunday

March 16

10:15 a.m. Worship—Sunday School Choir
Singing

11:30 a.m. Brunch hosted by Y.A.H.O.O. Youth
Free Will Offering for Brunch



Maundy Thursday

March 20

7:00 p.m. Worship Service with
Holy Communion

Good Friday

March 21

7:00 p.m. Tenebrae Service of Shadows
Passion Story Told through Drama and Music

Easter Sunday

March 23

7 a.m. Sunrise Service with Holy Communion
9 a.m. Celebration Worship Service
Both Services Will Include JC Rock
Praise Band



First Sunday after Easter

March 30

10:15 a.m. Worship Service with
Easter Choral Cantata

Rev. Bryan Olson Transitional Pastor

Office Hours
Monday—Thursday
Beginning at 10:00 a.m.

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Name Tags!

"Who Are You??"

Help us be a welcoming church!
Please wear your name tag each Sunday morning.



PRAY! PRAY! PRAY!

Daniel Bies, Jerry Biscoe, Kathy Biscoe (7965 E Milagro, Mesa, AZ 85208), Bill Board, Lindi Hillman Bolinger, Judy and Ron Bonnevier, Bill Bothun, Beth Davies, Don Fiedler, Ron and Joyce Fries, Don Hanson, Delores Janke, Leona Perkins, Theresa Radke, Lucy Spicer, Rev. Bryan Olson and our church during this time of transition.

Michelle Boudreau (Tammy Brown's sister-in-law); Abi Christopherson (Elaine Mitchell's friend); Craig Dewall (Yvonne Bonngard's brother-in-law); Alan Gausman (Russ Gausman's brother); Ken & Nora Krahn (missionaries); Denise Heschke Krech (Marilyn's Heschke's daughter); Sharon Matzke (Bette Meyer's friend); Lynsay Nieman (Burt & Doris's granddaughter); Doris Rosenfelt (Kathy Biscoe's mother); Amy Stoker (Jim & Jean's daughter); Nick (husband of Stoker's granddaughter); our soldiers around the world.



Living in Minnesota is always an adventure, especially weather wise. Factoring in wind chill, we have, at times, endured nearly 60 to 70 degree temperature swings in less than 24 hours this winter. It has been brutally cold the past few months and illnesses like bronchitis, pneumonia, and influenza have seemed to flourish this winter season. Our yearning for warm weather seems to grow exponentially with each passing day.

About this time each year, many of us wonder why we continue to live in a place with such harsh winters. But just when we are getting ready to pack up everything and head for warmer climates, the days begin to change. The sun stays out a little longer, the temperature inches upward a degree or two, and we sense that something new is in the air. Then the birds start returning, the flowers bloom, and the trees regain their leaves. It is an amazing thing to watch.

We are actually quite blessed to live in a place where we can experience the change of seasons; when we can feel the heat of the summer sun give way to the cool autumn breezes, and see the death of winter turn into the new life of spring. Creation is always turning over a "new leaf" so to speak. It is always shedding and growing, dying and coming to life.

Nature provides us with the ultimate symbol of resurrection. From death comes new life. We see it in trees, flowers, insects, and animals every year. Yet it is so hard for us to recognize it in our own lives. Maybe it's because we are not looking in the right places.

We won't find new life in our status symbols of homes, cars, kids, and money. It is not in our worldly possessions. It can be found, however, in the church. The body of Christ is in a constant state of rebirth. Each year the communion of saints grows larger, but so too does the ranks of the birthed and baptized. Jesus says to look to him. He is the resurrection and the life. He was raised from death to life to establish a place for us in God's realm. Through his story of life, death, and resurrection we can see our own story of salvation played out before our very eyes. Thanks to Jesus Christ and his Easter glory we are assured that there is life after death.

After this Lenten season where we have walked to the cross with Jesus, felt the cruelty of the world and the harsh chill of death, we need to hear the Easter story once again. It brings us to life! Come and experience the empty tomb once again this Easter. Come and feel the power of resurrection. Come and see what God has done!

Happy Easter! See you in worship.

Peace,
Rev. Bryan

Lay Leaders Needed for Holy Week Services

Because of the number of extra services during Holy Week and on Easter Sunday, Rev. Bryan is looking for help with preparing and serving communion, and liturgists. If you are able to help, please contact Rev. Bryan at olsonbw@hotmail.com, or call him at the church. Thank you.



OUR NEW LAY LEADERSHIP

“Pick me . . . Pick me . . . Pick me!!!”

Service as understood by Shrek’s favorite Donkey

It’s Celebration Time! Our Congregation will be observing its 150th Anniversary this year. We NEED a few good men, women and youth willing to share their gifts to make this happen. If you are interested in being a part of the planning of this special event, call the church office or Diane Davies at 651-436-7234 and holler “Pick me!” This will be a short-term team that will disband after the celebration. What can be more fun than planning a party?

Are you looking for a project or a way to help out our church? Are you afraid that if you say “yes” you’ll be stuck for life on some team or other? Well fear no more. If you could spare a few hours and have skills in the area of computer networking and/or computer IT, please call Becky at the Church office. We need some help in this area. Does graphic design or photo journalism or updating a website fit into your gifts? Again call Becky or Diane, as there is a project awaiting your expertise.

How does the saying go, “All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy (or Jill a dull girl)”? A great way to become involved is to have some fun together. I’m looking for people interested in doing just that. How about a men’s group, or a dinner group that meets a few times a year and enjoys a new restaurant? Or maybe a book club? Perhaps a “night out at the movies.” Maybe forming some type of sport league – volley ball, soft ball, and golf come to mind. How do you have fun and find enjoyment? We’re open for all ideas. If you have interest in any of these or have another idea, give Diane a call.

Diane Davies - Gifts Coordinator
651-436-7234 or Dianedavies48@yahoo.com

Coffee Cakes Needed for Brunch

Y.A.H.O.O.s are in need of coffee cakes for the Palm Sunday Brunch. They can be dropped off and the church on Saturday morning, March 15, between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, or Sunday morning, March 16, between 9:00 and 10:00 a.m. Thank you for supporting our youth!



Sunday School News

Upcoming Sunday School Events

Sing during Palm Sunday Worship Service – March 16
No Sunday School on Easter Sunday – March 23



Choir Cantata for Easter

The Chancel Choir is beginning rehearsals for a special cantata for Easter, and all interested musicians are invited to join us. Rehearsals will be Saturday, March 22 from 9-11 a.m., Wednesday, March 26 from 7-8:30 p.m., and Saturday, March 29 from 9 a.m. to noon. The choir will present the cantata for the congregation during the worship service on March 30, the Sunday after Easter.



Coming Up in Worship

Sunday, March 16

Palm Sunday

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Worship
11:15 a.m. Brunch
??? M.O.B.

Thursday, March 20

Maundy Thursday

7:00 p.m. Worship with Holy Communion

Friday, March 21

Good Friday

7:00 p.m. Tenebrae Service of Worship

Sunday, March 23

Easter Sunday

7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service
8:00 a.m. Fellowship with Hot Cross Buns
9:00 a.m. Celebration Worship

Sunday, March 30

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Film Forum
10:15 a.m. Worship with Choir Cantata
11:15 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship
11:30 a.m. Bible Challenge Small Group



Y.A.H.O.O.

(Youth Aspiring to Help Out Others)

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cguccyouth>

Y.A.H.O.O.s is the Youth Ministry program of Cottage Grove United Church of Christ in Cottage Grove, MN.

As Y.A.H.O.O.s, we work to serve Christ by using our spiritual gifts for the benefit of our church, our community, and our world.

All youth grades 7 through 12 are invited to participate.

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cguccyouth>

YOUTH Events Calendar

Saturday, March 15—Brunch Set-Up

Sunday, March 16—Palm Sunday Brunch

Friday, April 18—Night on the Street

July 23-28—National Youth Event in Knoxville, TN

Palm Sunday Brunch

The youth group will be preparing and serving the Annual Palm Sunday Brunch again this year on *March 16, 2008*. We will need the help of all youth and their parents to make this brunch a success. Please mark the following dates on your calendar:



Saturday, March 15, 2008

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Table set-up, egg bake preparation, and decorating of Fellowship Hall

Sunday, March 16, 2008

9:00-10:00 a.m. – Final set-up

11:15 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. – Serve brunch and clean-up

A Night on the Street

On **Friday, April 18, 2008**, the Y.A.H.O.O. youth will spend a **“Night on the Street”** in downtown Minneapolis to raise awareness about the problems of homelessness in Minnesota, and to raise money for homeless people and families in our community. The Y.A.H.O.O.’s, along with hundreds of other youth from around the state, will sleep overnight in cardboard boxes in the parking lot of Plymouth Congregational Church in downtown Minneapolis. The youth will spend the evening learning about issues specifically related to teen homelessness and how they can work as advocates to help make sure all people have access to affordable housing.



This event is open to all youth in grades 8-12. If you wish to participate in this event, please RSVP with Rev. Bryan by no later than **March 31, 2008**. Parental permission is required for youth to participate in this event. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Bryan at (651) 459-1501.

Greeters Wanted

Each week we welcome members and visitors to worship with a smile and a friendly greeting. Please prayerfully consider helping with this ministry. Greeters are needed both before and after worship each Sunday. To volunteer to be a greeter, please sign-up on the sheet in the Gathering Room or contact Bev Gross. A few minutes of your time will make a world of difference in the life of our church! Volunteer to be a greeter today!



New Bible Challenge

Here is a new challenge—read just the New Testament in one year. Reading lists are available on the table in the Gathering Room for reading the entire New Testament in one year.



OR

It's not too late to start the One Year Bible Challenge. Copies of the full-year reading plan are available on the Welcome Table in the Gathering Room, while the weekly study guide questions are posted on the church web site www.cgucc.org. The next Bible Challenge small group discussion session will take place on Sunday, March 30, following worship from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Join us as we walk through the Holy Scriptures together.

FILM FORUM



Calling all movie buffs! The inaugural Cottage Grove U.C.C. Film Forum will begin on Sunday, March 30, 2008, at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Lounge. What's it going to be like? Think Cannes without all the paparazzi!!!

The film forum is an opportunity for folks to indulge their love of movies and dive deeper into the celluloid story through a discussion of its characters, messages, and themes (both cultural and theological). Each Sunday morning from March 30th – May 11th (we'll take May 4th off for Confirmation Sunday) we will discuss a new film. ***All you have to do to participate is watch the film and come to the forum.***

Below, please find the list of movies we will be watching, the dates we will be discussing each film, and a brief description about each movie (from the *Internet Movie Database*). Please note that some of the movies are rated "R" due to the mature content presented in the film. Teenage youth are encouraged to participate in the film forums; however, youth under the age of 17 must obtain parent permission before watching any of the "R" rated titles that will be discussed.

The Film Forum Marquee

- March 30** **Into the Wild (2007)**
Based on a true story. After graduating from Emory University in 1992, top student and athlete Christopher McCandless abandoned his possessions, gave his entire \$24,000 savings account to charity and hitchhiked to Alaska to live in the wilderness. Along the way, Christopher encounters a series of characters who shape his life. **(MPAA Rating: R)**
- April 6** **The Matrix (1999)**
A computer hacker learns from mysterious rebels about the true nature of his reality and his role in the war against the controllers of it. **(MPAA Rating: R)**
- April 13** **Forrest Gump (1994)**
A simple man tells his life's tale to people waiting at a small town bus stop. He has captured fame, fortune and glory, but his one true love has continuously eluded him. The world will never be the same once you've seen it through the eyes of Forrest Gump. **(MPAA Rating: PG-13)**
- April 20** **The Amistad (1997)**
Based on a true story. In 1839, a mutiny upon the slave ship *la Amistad* sets off a legal debate about freedom, human rights, racial equality, and social justice in the "New World." **(MPAA Rating: R)**
- April 27** **We Were Soldiers (2002)**
The story of the first major battle of the American phase of the Vietnam War and the soldiers on both sides that fought it. *We Were Soldiers Once...And Young* is a tribute to the men who went into the "Valley of Death," their common acts of uncommon valor, and their loyalty to and love for one another. **(MPAA Rating: R)**
- May 11** **Star Wars (1977)**
Luke Skywalker leaves his home planet, teams up with other rebels, and tries to save Princess Leia from the evil clutches of Darth Vader. May the "Force" be with you! **(MPAA Rating: PG)**



Trash to Treasure Sale

“One Person’s Trash is Another’s Treasure”

NEW - TWO DAY SALE!! Only 5 weeks away!

Friday, April 18th, 8 am—3 pm

Saturday, April 19th, 9 am—2 pm, Bag Sale all day

The Trash to Treasure Sale will be here before you know it, so now is the time to start cleaning out the garages, basements, and closets and save your good junk for our fantastic Trash to Treasure Sale.

We will begin accepting donated items on Sunday, March 30 and we would like the majority of items to be dropped off by Sunday, April 13. The following is a list of dates and times for dropping off donations. Please bring items to the church basement stage area. There will be a cart available and you can use the elevator if you wish. Please do not drop things off in the garage or the entry areas. Call Sheri Wohlers 731-2717 if you need help getting your items to church or if you need to arrange a different drop off time.

Sun 3/30 9-12 am	Sun 4/6 9-12 am	Sat 4/12 9-11 am
Wed 4/2 7-9 pm	Mon 4/7 10-12 am	Sun 4/13 9-12 am
Sat 4/5 9-11 am	Wed 4/9 7-9 pm	

There will be a Bake Sale and Lunch available both days of the sale. Sloppy Joes and homemade soup are the best kept secrets at our Trash to Treasure Sale. Come check it out for a great lunch and pick up some fresh homemade baked goods to take home.

The Trash to Treasure Sale will run for two days and it will take the help of many volunteers to pull it off. Your help is needed for setting up and pricing the week before the sale, on Friday 4/18 and Saturday 4/19 during the sale, and right after the sale to help box up unsold items and haul out to the garage, and to clean up and put the church basement back together. A sign-up sheet will be passed around during church and will be posted on the bulletin board, or you can call Sheri to sign up.

Women's Fellowship is sponsoring the Trash to Treasure Sale. Donating your unneeded items to the Trash to Treasure Sale will help us to continue to support the church's needs. Women's Fellowship recently gave \$5,000 to update the church kitchen with new counter tops and sinks. Our next projects will be to install blinds in the church offices and the fellowship lounge, and to begin purchasing new banquet tables and chairs.

Together we can make this happen! Questions, contact Co-Chairs, Sheri Wohlers 731-2717 or Mary Smythe 739-5782.



Historic Hymnals Available

In cleaning the church building, a collection of historic hymnals from the church's past was discovered. Samples of these hymnals have been saved for historic files, but the remainder will be recycled after Easter. If you would like to see or have one or more of these hymnals, please contact Becky in the church office.



National Youth Event

The U.C.C. National Youth Event (NYE) will be held July 23-28, 2008, in Knoxville, TN, on the campus of the University of Tennessee. At NYE, you will have the opportunity to join over 2500 other U.C.C. youth from around the United States in worship, workshops, fellowship, dances, mission projects, movie nights, meals, and more!!! NYE only happens every four years - so don't miss out on your opportunity to experience this fun, faith-building event! All youth that will be entering eighth grade through graduated high school seniors are eligible to attend NYE.



The Y.A.H.O.O. Youth are going to be a part of this very special celebration! Plans are currently being made to register for this event. The cost will be \$400 per person.

NOTE TO YOUTH: Remember that your participation in youth group and Sunday school events has been earning you points which translate into real dollars. Some youth have already earned over \$100 towards the cost of this trip!!! With four months remaining before NYE, there is still time to offset the cost of the trip considerably with your participation.

Official registration forms are now available. A non-refundable deposit of \$25 per person is due no later than April 15 to reserve our registrations for this event. Please complete the brief RSVP form below and return it to Rev. Bryan ASAP to reserve your spot on the trip.

RSVP Form for National Youth Event

I, _____, wish to attend the U.C.C. National Youth Event on July 23-28, 2008, in Knoxville, TN. I have spoken with my parents and/or guardians about this opportunity, and they support my participation in this event.

I also understand the financial costs associated with this trip and am willing to earn, through my participation in Y.A.H.O.O. events, and/or pay the full registration/transportation cost to attend this event.

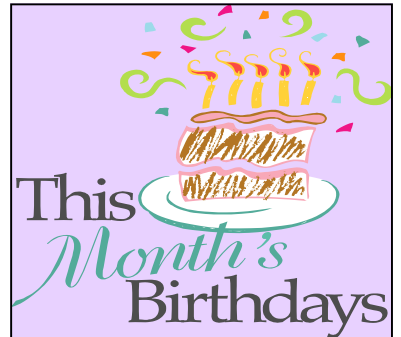
Please reserve a space for me on the Y.A.H.O.O. NYE trip.

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Please return to Rev. Bryan ASAP



If your birthday is in the church records, it will appear here. If yours does not appear, please let Becky in the office know when your birthday is and we will get it in next year. And please call if your birthday is wrong so we can get it right.

MARCH

- 6 - LeeAnne Eshom
- 7 - Cooper Blair
- 8 - Zachary Richter
- 9 - Sam Ratzlaff
- 13 - Debra Hanson
Mindy Lindeman
- 14 - Erich Fiedler
- 15 - Jan Huber
- 17 - Doreen Barta
Emily Denny
Mark Rabe
- 18 - Orinne Dunbar
Don Fiedler
- 22 - Ryan Bertram
Bryce Wilkinson
- 23 - Bryan Hakkila
Alissa Manning
- 24 - Diane Davies
Tucker Herrmann
Nicholas Warner
- 25 - Janice Munson
- 26 - Jessica Kottke
- 27 - Amanda Cherry
Emma Weber
- 29 - Karson Kropelnicki
Donna Marty
- 30 - Rod Vink



Head Start

Head Start is a free pre-school program for children ages 3—5. Head Start Accepts applications year-round. Please call (763) 783-4300 for eligibility guidelines and to register your child. Volunteer and employment opportunities are also available. Please call the above number for information.

Stone Soup Thrift Shop

Stone Soup is located at 950 3rd Street, St. Paul Park, next to Oltman Junior High School. Store hours are 9 am to 5 pm, Monday through Friday; 9 am to 4 pm on Saturday; Closed Sunday. Drop off donated items from opening until 1 hour before closing. Questions, call (651) 458-9786.

Feed My Starving Children

You are welcome to volunteer to help provide meals for starving people all over the world. This organization, located in Eagan and Brooklyn Center, needs people to help package meals. Open hours to volunteer are numerous during the week and on weekends. For more information, contact 763/504-2919 or www.fmssc.org.

Boy & Girl Scouts

More than 40 boys are involved in both the Cub Scout Den 777 and the Boy Scout Pack 777, both of which meet regularly in our church. And more than 20 adults are involved in each. Girl Scouts and a new Troop of Brownie Scouts also meet regularly at our church.

Stewardship Corner

Bruce Fiedler, Treasurer

“There are three kinds of giving: grudge giving, duty giving and thanksgiving.”

When Christ is the motive of our giving it is thanksgiving. Our giving for the physical and spiritual needs of people is a telling measurement of what Christ means to us.



Stewardship Report

Financial Summary for February 31, 2007

GENERAL FUND INCOME & EXPENSE SUMMARY

	Feb-08	2008 YTD
Income	10,110.00	23,923.86
Expenses	12,255.52	23,563.30
Gain or (Loss)	(2,145.52)	360.56

A positive amount means we have taken in more than we have spent.

A (negative amount) means we have spent more than we have taken in.

GENERAL FUND BALANCE SUMMARY

	2008
January 1st, Balance	3,691.69
Gain/Loss for the Year	360.56
General Fund Balance	4,052.25

A positive number is good news - we are in the black.

A (negative number) means we are in the red.

I am trying to gage the interest in setting up your monthly church contribution via electronic deposit. If this is something of interest for members of our congregation, please see me after church or drop me an e-mail at bruce.fiedler@hartfordlife.com.

Search Team Update

During February the Search Team continued working on the Church Profile. We spent one meeting receiving and going over comments from Pastor Bryan, who reviewed the profile from a prospective candidate's view point. The goal is to continue to work on the profile during the month of March, and hopefully to present it to the Church Council at the April meeting.

We are planning to have another meeting with our conference representative at the end of March or early April, to receive his comments on the profile, and to move on to our next step of receiving candidate profiles in May.

Please contact any member of the Search team if you have any questions.

Bruce Fiedler, Ron Bonnevier, Midge Youngquist, Carma Wilkinson, Wes Hillman, Doreen Barta, Elaine Mitchell and Bette Meyer



Food Share Month

March is a special Food Share month for Friends in Need Food Shelf. The money received during March is partially matched by Minnesota Foodshare and the Feinstein Foundation. There is a food box and a money donation box in the Gathering Room this month. The Neighbors in Need Food Shelf would be grateful for our generosity.

Food Shelf



Bev Gross for Women's Fellowship

Feed My Starving Children

On **Saturday, May 10, 2008**, members from Cottage Grove U.C.C. will be volunteering at the **Feed My Starving Children** facility in Eagan, MN, helping pack and prepare nutritional, non-perishable meals for hungry kids and families around the world. This is a great intergenerational activity in which adults, kids, and youth can all participate. There are 15 spots available for volunteers from CGUCC so sign-up today! If you are interested in serving at Feed My Starving Children on May 10th, please contact **Danyll Mills**, Sunday school Superintendent, or **Rev. Bryan**.



Host families Needed!!

Children's Program of Northern Ireland

Open your heart and home for five weeks this summer to a 10- or 11-year-old child from Northern Ireland. Over 4000 Catholic and Protestant boys and girls from Belfast and surrounding communities have experienced the hospitality of families like yours throughout the Program's 35 years of operation. Children selected to participate in the program this summer will arrive in the Twin Cities on June 26, 2008 and depart with a lifetime of memories and friendships on August 4, 2008.



Call (651) 405-1108 or check out our website at www.cpni.org to find out how your family can participate in this remarkable program.

Two-Day Bake Sale at Trash to Treasure Sale

Coming soon! This year you will have two days—Friday, April 18 and Saturday, April 19th—to donate and purchase baked goods at the huge Trash to Treasure sale. Thanks, Marilyn Heschke, for coordinating this part of the sale.



Baptized March 2

We welcomed Aidan Matthew Lindeman into the family of God through the sacrament of baptism on March second. Aidan is the son of Mindy and Matt Lindeman, new members of our congregation. Congratulations to Aidan and his family on this milestone in his life.



Intergenerational Ladies' Day Banquet

On Sunday April 27th, at 4:00 PM. there will be a very special time of fun and "ladyship" (as opposed to fellowship), for all ladies and girls from ages 2 to 92! It's been a long time since we have held a mother/daughter banquet, but this one will be so much better because it is for all women and girls to celebrate all kinds of relationships—friends, relatives, and "sisters" in the faith. Mark the date on your calendar, and plan to spend some quality time with the women in your life and in your church. Details to follow.



The first meeting of our planning committee will be on Wednesday evening, March 19 at 7:00 pm at the Church. We'd love to have more help. Questions, call me, Elaine Mitchell 651-459-6298 or email lainiesue@hotmail.com.

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April 25	May 1

Submit articles via e-mail at cgucc@usfamily.net or drop them off at the office. Thanks for all the information you submit to share with the congregation! Keep it coming!

Becky Graff, Editor

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letter, please call or send an e-mail, and we
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STOP!!

PALM SUNDAY

March 16, 2008



Come for Worship

On Palm Sunday, March 16, we will celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. There will be palms to wave, songs by the Sunday School children, and praise music by JC Rock.

Stay for Brunch

The Y.A.H.O.O. Youth will be serving brunch in the Fellowship Hall after the Worship Service. The menu will include a variety of egg bakes, coffee cakes, fruit, juice, milk and coffee. All are invited to come and bring family and friends to share the fellowship and food. A free-will offering will be accepted to support the youth in their activities.

