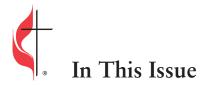


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## **Heavenly Holiday Faire IS HERE!**

The Heavenly Holiday Faire kicks off on Saturday, November 5 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Come for the chili lunch between 11:30 and 1 p.m. Our church crafters have been working all year on holiday decor, wreaths, jewelry, gifts, knit hats and scarves, centerpieces and more. The Kids's Market and Story Time with Santa at 10:30 a.m. is always a hit with children.

Invite friends, family and neighbors to bid on Silent Auction items or take a chance on the many raffle baskets. All proceeds are donated to local, national and international women's and children's charities and missions.







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#### Calendar Items

November 4 - Heavenly Holiday Faire SET-UP

November 5 - Heavenly Holiday Faire 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

November 7 - Faire Clean-up

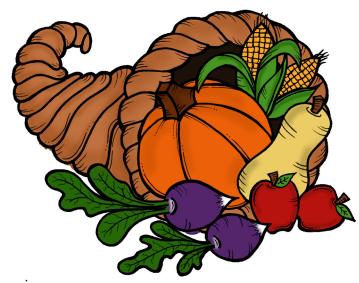
November 10 - UWF Luncheon & Meeting 11:30 a.m.

December 4 - UWF Polar Express Social 2 - 4 p.m.

December 6 - UWF Board Meeting 9:30 a.m.

# Grace Is Free. Laundry Is Not

During the summer, there was a man from Arizona driving an old motor home with license plates that said he was a Vietnam Veteran. I gave him the roll of quarters and told him the church thanked him for his service. After a few moments, he said thank you. He said, there was a time you did not want to tell people you were a Veteran because they would spit on you. - Edie



# Gather Together

Let us gather in Thanksgiving to God. Member Care Team is hosting a Harvest Dinner on Sunday November 20 after the 2nd Service. Please bring your favorite dish to share and join us for great fellowship. Look for sign ups in the fellowship hall.

Congratulations to Tanya Drew! Her fabulous chili won the Chili Cook Off!

# Scripture & Sermons For November

November 7 All Saints Sunday
Communion Sunday

Color: white

Scripture: Luke 20:27-38 Title: *God of the Living* 

#### November 13

Color: green

Scripture: Luke 9:21-26 Title: *Christians?* 

#### November 20

#### Christ the King Sunday

Color: white

Scripture: Luke 21:25-28 Title: Christ Will Come Again

#### November 27

#### First Sunday of Advent

Color: purple

Scripture: Isaiah 2:1-5 Sermon: *Hoping for Peace* 

### November UWF Luncheon & Meeting

The United Women in Faith potluck luncheon meeting will be held on Thursday, November 10, 2022 in the fellowship hall at 11:30 a.m. Irvin Jim, District 3 Supervisor with Alpine County, member of the Washoe Tribal Council and Hung A Lel Ti Woodfords Community Chairman, is the featured speaker at 12:15 p.m. He will discuss our local NV-CA Washoe/Hung-A-Lel-Ti Community and its various social, educational, recreational, and cultural programs for youth and families.

All are welcome to attend the business meeting that follows the program. President, Ann Robar, encouraged anyone interested in a leadership role with UWF should contact her. Hope to see you there!

## Get on Board the Polar Express

Carson Valley United Women of Faith invite all women in our congregation and their guests to hop aboard! The "train" departs on Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. and returns at 4 p.m.

- You may wear your cozy PJ's (if you wish) for a magical journey to the North Pole
- North Pole Passport photos will be taken as you board
- Beverages and desserts will be served in our deluxe dining car

Your exciting journey will include onboard entertainment and some surprises along the way! Reserve your free tickets now! Please reserve your seat on the sign up sheet on the bulletin board at church or email Linda Malconian at LindaL714@ yahoo.com (The entire event takes place in the Fellowship Hall)



# Locomotives Needed

If you are an O gauge model train enthusiast or know one, the United Women of Faith would like to borrow several O gauge locomotives or similar sized toy locomotive to use with the decorations on December 4. Please contact Nancy Raymond at forcenancy@yahoo.com or Linda Malconian at LindaL714@yahoo.com as soon as possible. Thank you!



Neighborhood free library by Kathy Wicker

#### **Abbey's Crossing Donations**

UWF is collecting a wide variety of items for Abby's Crossing, a local domestic violence shelter. Included in the list are Diapers(newborn-size 5), Feminine hygiene products, Full size shampoo, conditioner, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, razors, shaving cream, First aid kit with Tylenol(adult, children), allergy medicine children's and adult, alcohol wipes, Bandaids. Paper goods (paper towels, septic safe toilet paper, napkins, printer paper), Laundry detergent, softener (hypo allergenic), New underwear(various sizes women and children) sports bras various sizes. Just bring to the UWF November meeting or December Social. For a complete list check out the UWF bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

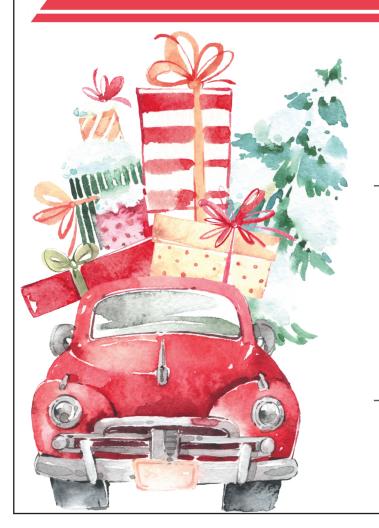


New member Jill Evans joined the church in October

# Heavenly Holiday Faire

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Saturday NOVEMBER 5th 9am-4pm

Storytime with Santa 10:30 am Kid's Market

JOIN US FOR LUNCH! 11:30 am - 1pm Chili, bread & salad \$6

United Women in Faith's Craft Faire proceeds benefit local, national and international women's and children's charities.

# That's What I'm Talkin' About A Turkey to Remember

Back when we lived in a warmer climate, our family used to go camping every Thanksgiving. Tent camping was our usual routine—one tent for the kids and one for us. While roughing it, we always tried to have something special for dinner on the big day, but we were resigned to the fact that it wasn't going to be an oven-fresh turkey.

Then an epiphany—our fall feast was forever changed when we were introduced to "trashcan turkey." Camped in our usual spot, we noticed friends had camped nearby. "Wow, what's that great smell? Are you guys cooking a turkey?" Stewart smiled at my query and pointed to a metal trashcan turned upside-down and surrounded by glowing charcoal. "Yep, there's a turkey inside that can and sweet potatoes too!" Later that day, we got a taste of the finished Turkey—awesome.

Stewart showed me how to do it. Start by placing foil on the ground, shiny side up. Use something to hold the turkey off the ground (Stewart used a modified tomato cage). Turn a metal trashcan upside-down over the turkey. Spread a large bag of charcoal on the ground around the perimeter of the can. Light the charcoal and wait. It should take about as long as it would take in the oven at home.

Flash-forward one year and we are preparing our very own trashcan turkey. Everything is in place—now for the charcoal. Hmmm...one bag sure doesn't look like much...maybe it was two. I'll also add this big bag of clump charcoal—it's supposed to burn hotter. Let's see...was there charcoal on top of the can? I'd better add some on top—it can't hurt.

Boy, that turkey started sizzling quickly! In fact, it was crackling so loudly that we could hardly talk over it if we were close to the can. Come to think of it, we couldn't get very close because of the heat. I'm pretty sure that if it had been dark outside, we could have seen that trashcan glowing red. After about an hour, the sizzling was starting to wane (that's about right for a 15-pounder isn't it?). I knew from a previous campout-meal-burning that if it stops sizzling, it's not good....

Donning enough protective gear to fight an oil rig fire, I approached the can. Have you ever thought of how you might pick up a red-hot trashcan when the handles are buried in glowing charcoal? After a few attempts, the bird was free—burned to a crisp, but free. Actually, it was beyond burned. We marveled at how the ends of the drumsticks were gone, apparently vaporized, and turned to ash. Oh well, a dinner of green bean casserole and scalloped potatoes will do just fine....

As we prepared to dig into our slightly smaller than anticipated feast, I thought it would be fun to have a chunk of the blackened carcass on a plate at the table. "I'll carve our bird," I proclaimed as I launched into an abbreviated thanksgiving prayer/bird-eulogy. To our amazement, inside the crusty charred exterior was the juiciest white meat I have ever had from a turkey! We ended up with a turkey to remember. They say that camping makes everything taste better, and I think it was the best ever.

Now I'm not saying that God was miraculously providing for our dinner, but I'm reminded of verse in Paul's letter to the Romans (8:28) We know that all things work together for good for those who love God.... All things...even trivial things? I've come to believe that when we make a mess of things, either by accident, stupidity, or intent, God will work some good. I'm not sure that we always recognize that God-worked good on this side of heaven,

but I am confident it is true.

Anticipating Thanksgiving this year, if you want to try cooking a turkey like we did, then just set the oven to "incinerate" and wait till the bird nearly stops sizzling. On the other hand, to do it right I have learned that a single large bag of charcoal is enough. Don't put any charcoal on top of the inverted can. You will know that the turkey is ready when the top of the can finally gets hot to the touch.

Have a great Thanksgiving! --pastor Tony

Worship 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Fellowship time follows morning services Loving child care provided

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### **Prayer Tree**

God answers prayers, everyone needs a prayer said for them. A prayer of praise, a prayer of need or a prayer for comfort.

There is a prayer tree in the back of the sanctuary with several names and

organizations that are in need of prayer. Please stop by and take a prayer slip and pray for that person during the week.



Tammy Shannen has developed "Playlists" on our You Tube Channel. You can now find specific videos more efficiently. If you go to our You Tube Channel and click on "Playlists," you will see a number of different categories such as Worship Services 2020, 2021 and 2022, Music Offerings, Children's Messages, Sierra Ringers, Chancel Choir and many more.

Thank you to Tammy for developing this new way of simplifying how we find videos that we are looking for.

Len Frueh

# Alpine Kids

#### Saturday, November 19 Annual Turkey Bingo

This is a fund raiser at Turtle Rock Park from 6 to 9 p.m. Alpine Sheriff, Tom Minder will be calling bingo. Proceeds from this event will be used for Alpine Kids' Teen Program. We will be selling desserts and drinks. We need raffle prizes and volunteers, and donations of turkeys would be appreciated.

#### Saturday, November 26 Annual Movie

The movie will be held once again in the church's Fellowship Hall. There will be popcorn, sodas, and hot dogs at 8:30 a.m. The film is to be announced. This year we will cover the windows so you can see better. Volunteers are needed for cooking and cleanup.

Please RSVP for all outings at least 10 days prior to the event.