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Heavenly Holiday Faire IS COMING!

All the yearlong work is coming to an end, as Heavenly Holiday Faire approaches on Saturday, November 5 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. All completed craft projects are due October 31 or before. Bakers and candy makers are encouraged to get ready for the November Faire. If you are putting together a Raffle Basket, please contact Jan Pohlmann or Linda Kozak. Please let Ann Santos know if you will be making cinnamon buns for the Faire. Donations are needed for the lunch at the Faire; contact Suzy Wennhold for needed ingredients. Please contact Holiday Faire Chair, Sharon Calvert if you have any questions or want to volunteer.

UWF Craft workshops

Get your crafting projects started (or finished as the case may be)! UWF Craft group will meet every Monday in October from 9:30 - noon in our church education room. All completed craft projects due October 31 or before. If you need supplies, come to one of the session or call Nancy Raymond 775-720-6266. The first week of November will be Heavenly Holiday Faire set-up.

Basket Raffle

The basket raffle crew is gratefully accepting donations of new items for the theme baskets raffle. Completed baskets would be accepted as well using your own theme or one from previous years. All donations are greatly appreciated.

Candyland . . .

See page 2 for more details.





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Calendar Items

October 4 - UWF Board Meeting
9:30 a.m.

October 13 - UWF Luncheon and
Meeting - 11:30 a.m.

October 15 - CA/NV UWF Annual
Celebration in Livermore, CA or on
Zoom. Registration is on CA/NV
UWF website <https://canvuwf.org>.

October 25 - UWF Board Meeting
9:30 a.m.

October 31 - All Completed Craft
Projects are Due & Heavenly
Holiday Faire SET-UP through
November 4

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

WANTED

Buns Bakers and Candy Makers!

The November 5 Holiday Faire is nearly here! Throngs of local shoppers will be delighted with all the wonderful crafts, the Bake Sale, the Kids Market, etc.

Also popular will be the special Pecan Cinnamon Buns served warm from the kitchen, and the sweet treats in the CandyLand booth. If you can bake buns or make candy, please sign up on the UWF bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. We need to know who will make what!

All candy, including a list of ingredients, is due at the booth by NOON on November 4. Buns must be at the church kitchen at 8 a.m. on November 5.

? - Contact Ann Santos ASNDRLN@aol.com

Scripture & Sermons For October

October 2 -- Communion Sunday

Color: green

Scripture: 2Timothy 1:8-14

Title: *I Know Whom I Have Believed*

October 9

Color: green

Scripture: Luke 17:11-19

Title: *Thankful?*

October 16

Color: green

Scripture: Jeremiah 31:27-30

Title: *A New Promise*

October 23

Color: green

Scripture: 2Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Title: *Jesus and Me*

October 30

Color: green

Scripture: Luke 19:1-10

Title: *Seeing Jesus*

Chili Cook Off

Sunday, October 23

After 2nd Service

Bring your favorite chili creation for everyone to taste. There will be judges and awards in several categories like,

-  **Best Wild Game Chili**
-  **Spiciest Chili**
-  **Most Unusual Chili**
-  **THE PEOPLE'S CHOICE chili.**

If cooking is not your thing then bring the sides,

Corn bread

Rice

Cheese

Chopped onions

Sour cream

Any other toppings for chili.

Sign ups are in the fellowship hall.

CHILI COOK-OFF



October UWF Luncheon Meeting

The United Women in Faith potluck luncheon meeting will be held on Thursday, October 13, 2022, in the fellowship hall at 11:30 am. The program "Healing and Joy in the Midst of Grief" will begin at 12:15 p.m.



Our guest speaker is Debbie Posnien, Executive Director for Suicide Prevention Network since 2007. Suicide Prevention Network is a non-profit established in 2002, dedicated to suicide prevention in Douglas County. SPN is the only community suicide prevention and awareness non-profit in the State of Nevada. SPN collaborates with multiple mental health and community services agencies in effort to increase all aspects of wellness in our friends and family.

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!

2022 California-Nevada UWF Annual Celebration

The 2022 Annual Celebration will be in person and available as a virtual event on Saturday, October 15 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Asbury United Methodist Church, 4743 East Ave, Livermore, CA 94550.

The theme is "Turn It Up" featuring Western Jurisdiction President of the United Women in Faith, Bonita Jane Miller.

Registration for in person is \$25. Virtual attendance is free on CA/NV UWF website <https://canvuwf.org>.

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.



Heavenly Holiday Faire

CARSON VALLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
1375 CENTERVILLE ROAD, GARDNERVILLE

Crafts · Jewelry · Candyland · Raffle Baskets ·
Timeless Treasures · Bake Sale · Silent Auction



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



Perfectly Imperfect

“Don’t fall backwards!” An entirely appropriate warning came from somewhere in the peanut gallery as I tried to photograph a giant redwood tree using the *panorama* mode on my camera. By the time I had the top of the tree in view, my back was arched like an Olympic gymnast on a balance beam as I aimed the camera straight up into the air.

“Got it—the perfect redwood,” I bragged as I showed off my trophy to my companions, whether interested or not. Indeed, it was a perfectly shaped tree. It had great form at the trunk and rose majestically into the sky, straight as an arrow. The more I looked at the photo, I realized something else—it was boring.

Thus began my quest for the perfectly imperfect tree. I finally found it, rising from a mangled trunk that seemed as if two trees had grown together. They were twins forced together, torsos reaching to the clouds. One side appeared to be broken off toward the top, allowing the other to win the skyward race. A flawless tree? Not at all. But for some reason it is so much better than the other. It tells a story....

What about us—should we be perfect, or at least look that way? Do you know that the word translated as “perfect” occurs only 19 times (it varies by translation) in the Old Testament. Nearly every one of those words refers to God—the perfect One. That certainly seems appropriate for God, but what about us? Surprisingly, the New Testament contains a word translated as “perfect” an amazing 30 times even though the New Testament is only about a fourth of the volume of the Old. Even more amazing, most of those words apply to us.

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Perfectly Imperfect

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Jesus tells us, “Be perfect, as your Father in Heaven is perfect,” (Matthew 5:48). And so, we strive for perfection.... Moral blamelessness is often our goal, but usually the best we can achieve is an outward beauty—sort of like the perfect redwood I initially photographed. I don’t think that is what Jesus wants. Rather than a culturally defined, stereotypical moral conformity, I think we are at our best when we are like the second tree I captured—perfectly imperfect; pushed together by forces beyond our control; heaven-bound; striving and supporting each other until....

The apostle Paul described our imperfection and how it can be made perfect. In his second letter to the church in Corinth, Paul describes how he has asked Jesus to relieve him of a “thorn in his flesh,” (see 2Cor 12:1-10). Was he describing some physical defect? Many scholars believe so. But I think not. Rather I believe that it was a spiritual failing—something manifested in the “flesh” that Paul could not overcome. It was something unseen—a private concern between Jesus and Paul—otherwise Paul would have told us what it was.

Here is the good part: Jesus tells Paul, and all of us, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Paul was perfectly imperfect...and so are we, through the grace of Jesus. May our perfect imperfection, empowered by Jesus, guide us through our days as we, heaven-bound, strive together....

Be the church, --pastor tony

Playlists On Our You Tube Channel.

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



Saturday, October 8 - The Aspen Festival

Salsa and chili cook-off and craft fair at Markleeville Library (postponed from September 18 at Sierra Pines). Alpine Kids will be helping to put together the tasting kits and selling them. All youth will receive a new book from Alpine Kids. Proceeds from this event will be donated to Alpine Kids. We need volunteers. For more information call Dawn Riddle at 530-694-1816 or the Chamber at 530-694-2475.

Also Saturday, October 8 Haunted House DC Fairgrounds

Dinner to be announced. Kristy will be texting you with the times.

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.

The mission of the Alpine Kids’ Ministry is to prevent child abuse and neglect, and domestic violence while strengthening families and communities through play.



A Few Of The Infrequently Photoed First Service




We bid goodbye to the U.S. Navy Blue Angels for another year. They provided a thrilling air show for the Carson Valley in our skies last week. Quiet reigns once more!

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

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