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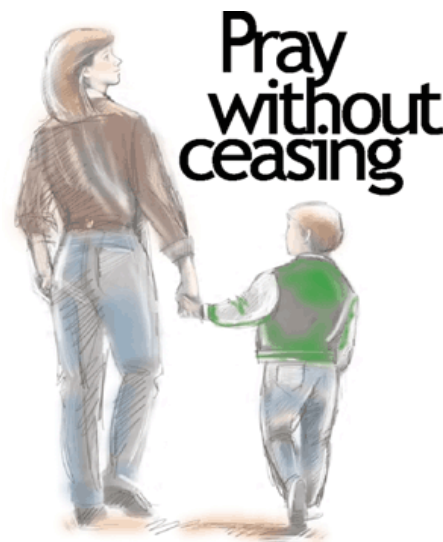
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## Footprints BAKE SALE—Mar. 13th

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Mary Jane McBride  
Shelley Outlaw

**Chapel Worship: 8:45 AM**  
**Morning Worship: 10:45 AM**  
**Sunday School: 9:30 AM**  
**Bible Adventure: 10:45 AM**

### Ushers:

<u>8:45 AM</u>	<u>10:45 AM</u>
Gary Etter	Les George
Arlene Uldrich	Pasko Evanoff
Charlene Brown	Ron Dill

I am looking for subjects or topics of your interest for a sermon series and small group discussions. Please email me at:

[pastor@greenmontoakpark.com](mailto:pastor@greenmontoakpark.com) or you can call or send it by mail.

Thanks for your input. - Pastor Greg

**"Jesus said to them, "Loose him and let him go," John 11:44.**

We have entered the season of Lent, which bids us to spend more time in daily reflection and contemplation – to think about things – things related to eternal life. We are asked to reflect on the walk of Jesus in comparison to our walk. Jesus kept saying that his walk included embracing death; the disciples rejected such idea and way of life. Jesus' walk included serving and caring for the unimportant (like blessing the children); the disciples wanted to dismiss them. Jesus wanted to loose the burdens which were weighing down people's soul; the disciples were concerned about which one of them were going to be the greatest.

When Jesus was headed toward Jerusalem where he was going to confront the religious leaders and their brand of religion and at the same time confront death, sin and evil, we come across the story of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead. It was, according to John Jesus' greatest physical miracle. It represented a peek to a new age in which he, the resurrected Lord, would do with all his people like you and me. It was not just our physical death that was being addressed it is our spiritual death we may be experiencing now. We are alive, but we are dead to what life can mean to us – to be fully alive. Try this and think about it for a moment: Put your name in the verse, "\_\_\_\_\_, come forth." Have life – be alive abundantly and forever!

There's another part of this miracle story. Jesus commanded the people to unbind Lazarus and let him go. He may be out of the tomb, but he is still bound by grave cloths. We may be out of the tomb through our belief in Christ, but we may not be set free to love. Notice that Jesus did not unbind the grave cloths. He commanded the people to unbind them. Jesus' role during this Lenten season is to help us believe in his power of life. We are the people who are to unbind others from the grave cloths of fear, sick memories, anxious self concern, labels that exclude others from full fellowship. How can we do that? By enabling them by listening and offering a space to let them be themselves and know that they are loved and accepted, neither being judging nor condemning, by praying for them and with them.

This miracle precipitated the anger of the leaders and solidified the plot to do away with Jesus. Yet Jesus did what He had to do out of love for Lazarus and his family. He showed us that the cost of living in this life was never too high for Him. The question for this Lenten season for us is, "What are we reluctant to do for people because of the danger or problems it may cause us? We often choose to be safe, but we smother life from ourselves and live with the burden of guilt and shame or hardness of heart – all of which prevents us from being fully alive now and forever. Let Lent be a time of reflecting on where Jesus is calling us to unbind people in the name of Christ Jesus and then asking for the courage to do it.

Blessings in Christ's love, Pastor Greg

**Everyone Counts— Statistics**

**Attendance— Mar. 6, 2011**

8:45 — 35  
10:45 — 68  
Sunday school — 27

**Offering—operating income**

(Monthly budget need is \$15,850)

	Income rec'd	+/- Amt.
Dec. '10	- \$ 15,964	+ \$114
Jan. '11	- \$15,252	- \$598
Feb. '11	- \$	

**Happy Birthday**

- Mike Brodowski—Mar. 13
- Bernice Colvin—Mar. 14
- Vern Hine—Mar. 15
- Dorothy Davis—Mar. 16
- Ed Alexander—Mar. 17
- Robert Gastineau—Mar. 18
- Gabby Rayney—Mar. 18
- Michelle Julien—Mar. 18



**In Our Prayers**

- Doris Alexander
- Ben Barnett
- Glenda Boddie
- Jim Farra
- Gene Gibson
- Jack Gilmore
- Beverly Guffey
- Vern Hine
- Jamie Geswein
- the Goldbergs
- Judy Hirshman
- Carol Hildebrecht



- Edna Holland
- Marilyn Jones
- Paul Jarusicwic
- Erik Landing
- Nancy Lyttle
- Bob McCray
- Marcella Miller
- Karolina O'Donnell
- Harriet Shawhan
- Laura Ruppert
- Paul Stutz
- Gloria Van Camp
- Evelyn Wheeler
- Loren Houck
- Dan Jones
- Dustin Knowlton
- Mary Lehman
- Paul Marcum, Jr
- Lauren McClure
- Jenny Mount
- Cindy Ramono
- Calire Riccos
- Doug Sink
- Danny Tomaz
- Flo Warner
- Vera Westfall
- Mary Willett

**Those in Nursing Care**

- Mary Lou Chaney – Bethany Vlg.
- Margaret Cobb – Walnut Creek
- Margaret Dill – Masonic Home
- Marion Farren—Trinity Home
- Mildred Heath – Walnut Creek
- Lottie Jaeger – The Oaks, West Kett
- Will Jaeger – Grafton Oaks
- Dan Jones – Patriot Ridge Nursing
- Darlene Mahoney—Heartland– Beav.
- Lena Patterson – Liberty Woods
- Charles Warren – East Moline, IL

**Military**

- Charles Barlow—USA  
(Jane Simmon's grandson)
- Scott Certain – Afghanistan  
(Jo Anne Jay's son-in-law)
- Andrew Hayden – USA  
(Edna Holland's grandson)
- Tyler Mantia – USA
- Michael Mantia – USA (Mantia family sons)
- Nathan Nicholas—Korea
- Brian Nicholas—USA (Nicholas family sons)
- Adam Reeves—USA (Edna's grandson)
- Sam Rogers— USA (Jen & Jim Roger's son)
- Casey Ryan - USA (Weyrauch son-in-law)
- Kevin Stites— Kuwait  
(Susie Stites grandson)

## Youth Craft Project Supplies

If anyone needs supplies for scouts, VBS, youth group, etc, I have put a box of stuff in the Christian Ed office: egg cartons, tp rolls, pie tins, film canisters, old Christmas cards and magazines, etc. Help yourself! Thanks, Lisa Bleeke

**\$201.84**

That is the amount of our last Kroger's Rewards program earnings. Our combined reloads of the rewards program over Jan. and Feb. have earned the church a \$201.84 rebate check.

Again we thank everyone who uses their Kroger Rewards program cards to buy groceries, pharmacy needs, and gas. It does add up and helps our church operating budget.

If you would like to know how the program works, talk to Nova in the church Office. -Thank you

## Let's Laugh

**What kind of lizard likes  
To tell jokes?**

- A sillymander

**What is a slug?**

**A snail with a housing  
problem.**

**What do you get if you cross  
a centipede with a parrot?**

- a walkie-talkie

(thanks to Cheryl Barnett for sharing  
this silly laughter)

## "This-N-That"

- ◆ I received an email from old friends, Julie & Rodney Finley. They have enjoyed a good winter in California, and will be home soon.
- ◆ Joyce Kelley, Diana Knowlton, Toni Bailey are making a new Lenten worship banner. (I've had a sneak-peak and it looks very nice)
- ◆ The Preschool enrollment for next fall's classes is at 93 right now.
- ◆ The Monday night "23 Psalm" study group has 14 attending the class.
- ◆ Confirmation will be celebrated on Palm Sunday, April 17.
- ◆ We have several church young ladies, enjoying their basketball activities. Taylor Steinbrunner, Taylor Medlin, and Alyssa Erbes have been good sportswomen this season. Gary Etter also has a granddaughter who has had a good basketball season. (if any parents, or youth wish to share about their winter special activities, please call me (Nova) in the church office and we'll share it with the church family)

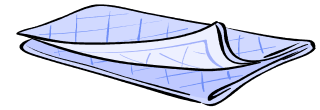


**Come to the Water**  
**Sunday,**  
**March 20, 2011**  
**2:30-4:30**  
**Witzmen Center**  
**Live Silhouette Presentation of**  
**The Stations of the Cross**  
**performed by**  
**youth and choirs from**  
**Ascension and Greenmont**  
**Churches**  
**followed by refreshments,**  
**outreach and craft activities.**  
**All ages welcome. RSVP Nova**  
**@ 252-6705.**



## Footprints BAKE SALE

Offer your support ,for our youngest group - the Kindergartners to 2nd graders, by purchasing delicious treats at their March 13, Bake Sale. Items will be available for sale following both services. The children will be using these earnings to go to Bounce U, for fun fellowship. -Carol Landing



## Living Conditions are Improving

Sunday, March 20 is BLANKETS + SUNDAY at Greenmont-Oak Park Comm. Church. CWS through its Blankets+ program works in partnership with Local communities to identify their needs and access the resources necessary to build the foundation for a more viable future. Activities include emergency supplies in the wake of disasters, tools and seeds for refugees returning home to replant their fields, wells for families in drought-prone areas for drinking water and irrigation of crops and gardens, and Literacy programs and Microcredit for women struggling to realize their potential.

Currently in Nicaragua, 200 families in ten communities are benefitting from water wells to improve their health, irrigate and plant new crops and learn how to raise rabbits for food. In Kenya, new Biogas digesters enable cow manure to be better used as fertilizer and the methane to be used for a clean, sustainable fuel supply so they no longer have to cut down precious trees for firewood. Living conditions are improving and Jobs are being created.

These are just a few examples of how our money and caring promotes God's Kingdom around our world. Join us in this special effort on Sunday, March 20.

- Social Action

**Youth Events Calendar**



**Adventure Bible Class - 10:45 worship service. (for ages 4 yrs through 5th grade)**

**5th quarter— Mar. 12 @ 8 PM  
Footprints—Bake Sale, Mar. 13  
Jr & Sr's—Mar. 13 , 12 to 2 PM  
Lunch & program practice  
Crusaders—Mar. 17, 4 PM**

**“Laubach Room Update”**

This past week the WINGS ladies, plus help from a couple of professionals began working on updating the Laubach room at church. They will be painting, replacing carpeting, new furnishings, and covering the fireplace with a stone finish. The work should be completed by Early April.

The project is being funded by designated new projects funds and some memorial funds to have the pastor’s photos re-framed and preserved in archival fashion, approved of by the Official Board.

Some of the current furnishings will be further used in the youth room.

**Preschool**

**2011-2012 Registration has Begun**

We are accepting REGISTRATION for fall classes for children for next years classes. Registrations will be accepted all week. If you need a specific class or time, I recommend that you register as soon as possible.

If you would like to know more about our program, checkout our website at [www.greenoakpreschool.com](http://www.greenoakpreschool.com) Also you may call the school office at 252-7840 and ask for Ruth Fulmer. I would be glad to set up a time for you to visit our school.



**“It Was a Little Damp in the Basement Last Week”**

If you noticed the trench mound of dirt on the south lawn of the church this past Sunday, you were looking at the work of the Trustees to resolve a water drainage problem.

With the help of Frank Taylor, a new drainage system was installed to aid in removing storm water from the ramp sidewalk area. Last Friday & Saturday we had a good trial test for the system, and it seems to be really helping.

With so much rain over the past two weeks, some water issues happened for the basement level of the church. Thanks to Gary Etter, Phil Brown, Roger & Ruth Fulmer, Ryan & Mike Brodowski, Carol Landing, Rev. King and Tom Wheeler , for their clean-up efforts and work to resolve the problem.



**Daylight savings time begins**

**Sunday, March 13th.**

*Turn your clocks ahead 1 hour.*

**Thank You...  
Thank You ...  
Thank You...**

The family of Charles Meyer would like to say “Thank you” for many blessings from our church.

To Pastor King for the comforting Memorial service. To the church for the meat tray tat was sent to us. To our many church friends that sent cards and kept us in their prayers. Your expressions of sympathy were very much appreciated. - Nancy Meyer

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To My Church Family,

What peace, joy fills my heart through this time of my brother’s passing. I could not have gone threw it without all the prayers, cards, and love I received from my whole church family and friends! I have been blessed that Greenmont Oak Park Community Church is where I call home. Love in Christ, Jane Simmons



**“The Face In The Looking Glass”**

When: Saturday, March 19th

Where: GOPCC Donut Room

Time: 12 noon to 4 PM

Come join in the fun and fellowship at another WINGS activity. Some of the ladies will be selected to have a make-over done by the guest make-up artist who will be with us.

There will be a very meaningful devotion presented about outward and inward beauty and how we need to put them into perspective.

As for the luncheon, we are asking that everyone sign up to bring either a salad or side dish. Sloppy Joe sandwiches, drinks, and dessert will be provided.

This should b e a very enjoyable afternoon with good food, a fun activity, and wonderful fellowship with all our sisters in Christ!



