

# Come and See...

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## Dates of Interest:

- May 26 — Mike Stewart Memorial Service
- June 1 — Deacons Deliver Communion
- June 5 — Quiet Summer Worship
- June 14 — PW Rummage Sale
- June 15 — Father's Day Luncheon
- June 21 — Salvation Army Luncheon
- June 26 — Fourth Thursday

## Archives Committee at Work

The Archives Committee has been at work during recent weeks sorting, organizing, and arranging for proper preservation of the church's historical records. In the end, materials will be catalogued so that they can be easily accessed by those searching information and, at the same time, will take up less room than current holdings with all their unnecessary duplications.

Already some interesting items have surfaced, including the following piece "Why I am a Presbyterian," by W. P. Havenor, published as part of a series in the *Pocatello Tribune*, December 10, 1912.

Percy Havenor was an elder and one of the early giants of the First Presbyterian Church, which he and others referred to proudly as "The Church of the Open Door." Havenor's words have continued relevance today as the denomination debates how narrowly to define its theological positions:

"It cannot be said that I am, personally, a Presbyterian because of heredity or early training, for my father was an Episcopalian and my mother a Baptist. . . . I am a Presbyterian because I believe most

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## Financial Peace University

The Stewardship Committee is pleased to report that another Financial Peace University class graduated May 11th. The program has helped congregations throughout the country reduce debt and understand financial issues in a non-threatening informal environment. This is the third group that has completed the class at First Presbyterian Church in Pocatello.

Currently, plans are in the development stage for another class for younger members. In addition to financial topics, it will include a segment on goal setting. Zig Zigler, an international speaker and author, is part of the new program. Anyone interested should contact the church office and leave their name.

## New Book for June!

### **CARING FOR MOTHER**

by Virginia Stem Owens

*Caring for Mother* is the story of Owens' care for her own mother in the last stages of Parkinson's Disease. Though the book may sound depressing or hard to read, it is a loving, honest portrayal of Owens' journey through a difficult time and the spiritual sustenance she found there. The tone of the book is hopeful and it is beautifully written. This is not a book just for

those in similar situations, but for all who have experienced God's love in dark and painful times. These kinds of things happen, and Owens helps her readers see that even in the most difficult situations, God can bless us.

You can find *Caring for Mother* on the New Book table at the back of the sanctuary. Look through it. See if it might not be the next book you want to read.

## Father's Day Lunch

Make your plans now to join us on June 15<sup>th</sup> immediately following worship to honor the men in your life at a Father's Day Celebration.

A delicious Lunch will be served, so bring all the guys that are important in your life with you to church that day and then stay and celebrate with us.

## Practicing the Presence of God

*Monthly suggestions for ways to stay aware of God in your daily life*

### **Suggestion #9**

Do you ever have those days when nothing seems to go right or when you feel you just can't move fast enough to get everything done? Usually by the end of days like that, we feel as if time has run over us like a big truck; we're flattened and listless. So what to

do? Everybody experiences times like these, but how can we avoid letting them overwhelm us? Next time you find yourself in the midst of moments of tension, anxiety or hurry, just stop for a moment. Take a few deep, slow breaths. Give thanks for and ask for awareness of God's presence especially in these

times. The busier and more harried we are, the more we need small times of quiet, peace, and thankfulness. We can't avoid hurry and pressure in our lives, but we can remember that God is present with us, right in the middle of our chaos.

## Fourth Thursday: MOVIE NIGHTS!

In June, July and August, we will be having movie nights for Fourth Thursday events. Come see a good flick, munch some snacks, enjoy fun and conversation with your church family. These evenings are for all ages, kids

to grandparents. The first movie night will be June 26, 7:00 pm. WATCH FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE FIRST FILM TO BE SHOWN. Be one of the first to tell your friends what's coming up!

Want to suggest a movie? Drop your suggestions in Janne Goldbeck's mailbox in the kiosk or email them to [goldh@isu.edu](mailto:goldh@isu.edu).

## Archives...

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thoroughly in its doctrines and form of government, although I freely confess that this is not . . . the test of many of those holding membership. . . . Other things enter into the consideration, and this is one great reason for the hope held to by many of us that we shall become one both in spirit and doctrinal belief . . . until we all come to a common and essential unity of denomination. This is the end and ultimate of all denominational differences today. And I believe that this series of addresses arranged by the minister of the church had in view not so much emphasizing . . . the differences that separate us as the great considerations that unite.

“The form of government prevailing in the Presbyterian church is, as its name indicates, presbyterial. First, the individual church with its two classes of elders, teaching and ruling. Next, there is the presbytery corresponding roughly in geographical significance to the county. Then comes the synod which approximates the political division of the state. And finally, there is the general assembly, or the great national body, and which is the last court of resort, both as to matters doctrinal and matters ecclesiastical. . . . Presbyterianism, it will be seen, stands at an intermediate point be-

tween prelacy and congregationalism.

“While we hold the doctrines of the Presbyterian church to be essentially scriptural, and this also as to form of government, we do not declare . . . to have an absolutely scripturally-grounded church, either in doctrine or form of government. Nor do we believe that any other denomination can claim this high distinction. We do claim, however, that both doctrine and form are grounded upon scripture.

“In essential doctrine the Presbyterian church is Calvinistic in the sense that it stands on the system expounded and framed by Calvin. The Presbyterian church is [also] an historical church. . . . It antedates the Reformation of Luther, and furnished the inspiration for the changed church in Switzerland, France, the Netherlands, Scotland and England. One of the greatest gatherings of great men in history was that now known as the Westminster assembly in 1643. This

## Communion

Deacons will be taking communion out to shut-ins on June 1<sup>st</sup>. Please let us know if you're aware of someone we can do this for. Thanks!

was the era of England's greatest intellectual and spiritual enlightenment—the age of Shakespeare and of the translation of the King James version of the Bible. This assembly sat for five and one-half years, and during that time held more than 1200 separate sessions. The outcome was the production of the historic symbols, consisting of the Westminster [Confession] . . . and the longer and shorter catechisms.

“But the Presbyterian church stands for that growing toward unity of faith and form which shall one day bring all the churches of whatsoever name and faith into one great denomination having a single system of faith and form in government. We believe that we are in accord with the best and truest thought of the age in this respect, and look forward with a great longing to the consummation of this great event.”

May the day soon come!

## Our Daily Bread

Copies of the June, July & August issue of ***Our Daily Bread*** are available on the kiosk. Help yourself to the **ODB** guide to daily devotions.

## Camp Sawtooth Prayer Partners

Our church has a beautiful summer camp – located just outside Ketchum – which is making a difference in young lives.

For your summer prayers, please add Camp Directors and Staff, and young campers of all ages. It was a wonderful blessing last summer to join with others from Idaho Presbyterian churches to pray for the Directors, Staff and Deans of Camp Sawtooth who are dedicating their summer to influence the lives of kids! What a privilege, not to mention the responsibility they will have to influence young lives for Jesus. With a million influences clamoring for our kids' attention, they will be giving them the Solid Rock to build on (Matthew 7:24-27)!

Listed below are the Directors, Program Staff and Camp Deans we will be praying for. If you would like to pray for one of them specifically for the summer, please email Marcy Paul (marcypaul7@peoplepc.com) for their information and prayer requests.

Directors: Ted and Debbie Davis

Cook: JayDene Aquizo

Asst. Cook: Joanna Cox

Staff – Boys: Kyle Boylan,

Nick Davies, Miguel Bailey

Staff – Girls: Sandra Earles, Becca Walters, Erica Cox, Amy Moos

Deans:

5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grades, #1-June 15

-20: Dan Kuka

7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grades, #1-June 22

-27: Dave & Jamie White

9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> Grades, June 29-

July 4: John Murphy

3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> Grades, July 6-July

9: Mark Cox & Carrie Kotara

3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grades, Deaf

Camp: Mark Cox & Carrie Kotara

5-6<sup>th</sup> Grades #2, July 13-

18: Jim Keegan

7-8<sup>th</sup> Grades #2, July 20-

25: Kev & Raylene Anderson

11-12<sup>th</sup> Grades, July 27-

August 1: Phil Rogers

One staff person is from Pocatello, and we have several people going to camp. If you would still like to attend, contact Pastor Pam, or Leona Skaggs.

## Summer Guitar Lessons

Harald Wyndham is offering to lead a series of guitar workshops during the summer. The instruction would be for beginners and those who would like to brush up on skills learned long ago but not used for some time.

Lessons would include learning the basic chords, chord changes, strumming and

picking techniques and how to accompany simple songs.

We have several guitars that were donated to the church by Lillian Smith which can be used by people who do not currently own a guitar. Or, if you have a guitar stashed away in attic or closet, now is the time to dust it off and bring it along.

There is a sign-up sheet posted on the Kiosk in the Narthex. Please sign up during May or contact Harald directly at 775-3216 if you are interested.

Lessons will begin in June -- day and time to be determined by the group.

## Least Coin: Mark 12:42

Fellowship of the Least Coin links prayer and “least coins” in a very significant way, as the “least coin” becomes the symbol of prayer for peace and reconciliation. It was begun in 1956 by Shanti Solomon of India who considered that women anywhere could have a sense of being part of a worldwide family of faith as they prayed for peace and reconciliation in the family, the community, the nation and the world and set aside the “least coin” of the country as a token of the prayer. The giving of the “least coin” of

the country was to be only a symbol of the prayer for peace, a symbol made more significant by the gathering of the “least coins” from throughout the world into a common fund where the identity of the donor is lost and the oneness of women in their common quest for peace is symbolized.

Grants are made by an international committee for special projects of evangelism, service and relief throughout the world – particularly programs of development and empow-

erment of women and opportunities for women to meet internationally and ecumenically.

Our pennies sometimes stack up around the house and car, and this offering is a chance to be a part of a wonderful mission worldwide. A large jar will be placed on the table for you to drop them in. If it is not there, it will be in the middle office. Our bank will roll them for us. We will report on the amount that is collected when the figures are available. It is very significant.

## Storage Reverts Back to CE

*Time for God*, Sunday morning programming for persons of all ages, grew substantially over the past year. The number of classes offered to children and youth increased from two to three in 2007-08, and this Spring there were four study options for adults. The good news of growing interest in discipleship has an inconvenient side, unfortunately.

Session has discussed with Presbyterian Women the need to revert back to use for Christian Education the room used in recent years for year-round storage of rummage

sale items. Over the summer the classroom across from the Nursery will be prepared for fall and winter classes, and will no longer be available for rummage sale storage.

Over the next year, please save your rummage at home and bring it to church at the conclusion of *Time for God* in May 2009. Remember, 100% of the proceeds of the PW sale goes to mission!

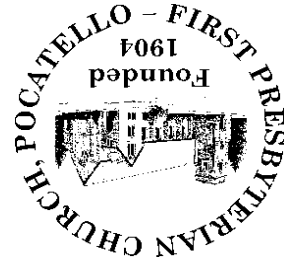
## Financial Report

For the first quarter ending March 31, 2008:

Total Receipt	\$50,650.47
Total Expenses	\$45,582.44
Net Income	\$ 5,068.03
Designated Gifts	\$ 975.69
Overall gain	\$ 6,043.72

## Salvation Army

FPC's next Salvation Army luncheon is scheduled for 6/21 and anyone who'd like to help by contributing food or serving should contact Kerry Williamson at 234-2989 or email to [willkerr@isu.edu](mailto:willkerr@isu.edu).



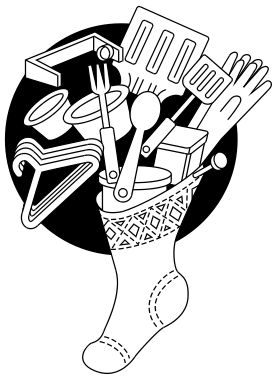
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What:

# POCATELLO'S BIGGEST AND BEST-KNOWN RUMMAGE SALE

When: Saturday, June 14, 2008

**What is needed:** Volunteers needed daily (9-12) at church the week before • Buyers • Stuff • More volunteers

**Please:** Mark your calendars. This is a time to volunteer for fun work the entire week before.



*Please call if you need items picked up.*