

## FROM THE PASTOR'S HEART.....

Every congregation, like every organization in general, struggles to overcome the 20-80 Rule. This rule states that 20% of the members do 80% of the actual work of the organization. Healthy churches are those who increase the involvement of their members and constituents beyond the steadfast and stalwart 20%. Every member is a minister in a vital congregation. Each person has found a place to plug into the ministry of the congregation based on their passions and gifts. Are you truly involved at APUMC? We want you to have a part in the risk-taking mission and service of our church. Although we are always asking, don't wait to be asked. Become one of the ministers of our church.

I am happy to share with you this excellent thought by Rick Warren titled "Your Service Is Desperately Needed in the Church."

*"Today thousands of local churches are dying because of Christians who are unwilling to serve. They sit on the sidelines as spectators, and the body suffers."*

*One reason why you need to be connected to a church family is to fulfill your calling to serve other believers in practical ways. The Bible says, "All of you together are Christ's body, and each one of you is a separate and necessary part of it." (1 Corinthians 12: 27)*

*Your service is desperately needed in the body of Christ— just ask any local church. Each of us has a role to play, and every role is important. There is no small service to God; it all matters.*

*Likewise, there are no insignificant ministries in the church. Some are visible and some are behind the scenes, but all are valuable. Small or hidden ministries often make the biggest difference.*

*In my home, the most important light is not the large chandelier in our dining room, but the little night light that keeps me from stubbing my toe when I get up at night. There is no correlation between size and significance. Every ministry matters because we are all dependent on each other to function.*

*What happens when one part of your body fails to function? You get sick. The rest of your body suffers. Imagine if your liver decided to start living for itself: "I'm tired! I don't want to serve the body anymore! I want a year off just to be fed. I've got to do what's best for me! Let some other part take over!" What would happen? Your body would die.*

*God calls you to a service far beyond anything you could ever imagine. He created YOU for a life of good deeds, which he has prepared for you to do (based on Ephesians 2: 10). Whenever you serve others in any way, you are actually serving God.*

See you in church, APUMC!

Pastor Carl

## **DID YOU KNOW??**

**Our own Linn Sampson was listed as an “Original Bloomie” this year, meaning he was run in all 35 Bloomsday runs! Way to go, Linn!**

## **IN SYMPATHY**

Our sympathy is with the family of Elsie Smith who passed away in February.

## **WORDS OF THANKS**

Thank you for your support of me and my team for “Race for the Cure” which was on April 17th. I raised \$399 for the cure!

-Barbara Burns

## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:**

There will be a planning meeting for our summer Vacation Bible School on Sunday, May 15, at 11:30 a.m. We’ll meet in Room 201. **This is for all people willing to help with VBS in any way!**

## **FOOD BANK NEEDS:**

Funds for the Food Bank, which is housed in our church, are very low and we need to replenish the funds for this. Each month our Food Bank serves between 50-80 families from our area. Thank you for your continued support!



## **Hello Audubon Park UMC Congregation:**

**There are currently three relatives of members of our Church, who are deployed. We are collecting items to send them.**

**The items should be individual size, as much as possible.**

**They can use personal items, such as deodorant, toothbrushes/paste, a small flashlight, playing cards, paper back books, baby wipes, drink mixes, gum, beef jerky.**

**We will also need help in paying the postage. There is a box to collect items located in the parlor. Thank you.**

**P.S. Another way, is to write a letter. Let your children, grandchildren help also!**

## **‘MIRACLE WORKER’ to Benefit Shalom Ministries**

There will be a special showing of the play “The Miracle Worker”, directed by Patty Duke, as a benefit for Shalom Ministries. It will be playing at the Interplayers Theatre, Sunday, May 15, at 3:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20 each and available through the church office. Shalom Ministries, a very active outreach to low-income and homeless people in downtown Spokane, will receive \$10 of each ticket sold! Please call the church office, 325-4541, to reserve your ticket.

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### **REQUEST FROM INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK**

We have received a note from Renee at IHN about the summer camp experience that they can offer their clients. Money has been donated for camp scholarships and the need is now for some specific items: 4 outdoor sleeping bags (newly washed, if used), an LG flip phone and a Men's mountain bike (used). If you have any of the items, please contact Mel Gantney ([melgantney@gmail.com](mailto:melgantney@gmail.com)) or call Jan in the church office and leave a message for Mel and the Risk Taking Missions Team.

### ***Retirement Dinner & Celebration Service for Keat and Jenni Yeoh***

***Saturday, June 18, 2011***

Kent United Methodist Church

11010 SE 248th Street, Kent, WA

Tickets for the supper are \$10 a piece. (doors open at 4:30 p.m.; dinner at 5:00 p.m.)

The celebration begins at 7:00 p.m.

Please contact Roy Bollinger for more info and ticket purchase (206-276-3232)

If you'd like to send a card or letter to Keat and Jenni, please send them to Kent United Methodist Church (address above)

### ***TWINLOW CAMP MINISTRY CELEBRATION!***

Please join us as we celebrate through pictures, words and song the many ways that Twinlow makes a difference in people's lives.

**When:** Sunday, May 22

3 p.m. Tours of the camp begin

4 p.m. Annual Meeting Presentation

5 p.m. Dinner served

**Where:** Twinlow Camp

Come and meet our new camp director, Tyler Wagner!

### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS AND OTHER HAPPENINGS**

The B.L.A.S.T. children are studying the Walk to Emmaus story. The last Sunday for B.L.A.S.T. is May 22nd.

**Middle School Youth** meet every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month from 7-8 p.m. The meetings are held in the middle school room at the church. The next meeting is May 19th. For more info, call Josh Clark at the church office 325-4541.

**The Young Adult/College Age Group** will gather again on Friday, May 13th, at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Josh and Courtney Clark, 2822 W. Sanson. For more info call the Clarks at 991-1801.

**MOMMY AND ME GROUP**

Monday, May 16th at 2:30 p.m.

If the weather is good we'll meet at Audubon City Park, if not we'll meet at the church; Come and enjoy a time with other Moms and kids!

Contact Nicolle at the church office 325-4541.

**Kids, Parents and Grandparents..**

Do you have any gently used toys? Audubon Park UMC will be doing a Toy Exchange on May 28th and need toy donations. All left over toys will go to a charity. Questions: Call Nicolle

At the church office 325-4541.

***LOOKING FOR GRADUATES!***

**Graduation time is quickly approaching! Please let the church office know of graduates in your household: high school, college or trade school!**

**“BEING A UNITED METHODIST”**

“A United Methodist Membership and Membership Renewal Seminar”

Led by Pastor Carl Sundays, 9:30 a.m.

Please call the church office to indicate your interest in attending this class.

**BOUNDARIES: WHEN TO SAY YES; WHEN TO SAY NO TO TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR LIFE**

By

Dr. Henry Cloud & Dr. John Townsend

Join Dr. Pamela Ridgeway in this essential discipleship class at the 9:00 AM Discipleship Hour. It is Pastor Carl's goal that EVERY member and constituent of APUMC learn the healing power of good, healthy personal boundaries.

*Sunday, May 22*

*Teacher/ Christian Education Volunteer  
Appreciation Sunday!*

*Please join us in worship and afterwards for refreshments!*

**UNITED METHODISE WOMEN READING PROGRAM**

Here are some more choice books for you.

MY SISTER THE FATHER The stories in this book are a collection of personal events that span the 25-plus years of Reverend Whitaker's ministry. The Cookson Hills Center is a community center operated by the United Methodist Church to meet the needs of the people of the Cherokee, Adair and Sequoyah counties in Oklahoma. The people in this book are an eclectic collection of persons who have had their lives changed because Christ has been introduced to them through this ministry. (Education for Mission)

INHERITING THE TRADE: A Northern Family Confronts Its Legacy as the Largest Slave-Trading Dynasty in U.S. History In 2001, Thomas DeWolf discovered that he was related to the most successful slave-trading family in U.S. history, responsible for transporting at least 10,000 Africans. This is his memoir of the journey in which 10 family members retraced their ancestors' steps through the notorious triangle trade route—from New England to West Africa to Cuba—and uncovered the hidden slave trade history of New England and the other northern states. (Nurturing for Community)

JUST CHOOSE HAPPINESS: A Guide to Joyous Living Nell Mohny believes that an abundant life is to be had not only in the world to come but also in the here and now, where a series of committed choices can cause your spirit to sing. Use this guidebook to explore with her these committed choices for joyous and happy living. With one "choice" in each chapter, and a section at the end of each for "digging a little deeper," this book can be used for individual and group study. (Spiritual Growth)

**The following people are scheduled for various duties for upcoming worship services:**

**ENTRYWAY SWEEPERS:**

May 15 Rich Hickman

May 22 Mike Gilbreth

**LAMPLIGHTERS:**

May 15 Don and Carolyn Wilson

May 22 Jan Ferguson and Betty Moos

**PRAYER ROOM:**

May 15 Tom Kraus

May 22

**USHERS:**

May 15 Sunny Day Thompson and Jean Judah

May 22 Don and Marlene Peters

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:**

May 15 Ann Fritz

May 22 Mel Gantney

**GREETERS:**

May 15 Paul and Kathy Cottrell

May 22 Dorothy Rowe and Char Wilcox

**COFFEE HOSTS:**

May 15 Connie Hickman and Janet Rhodes

May 22 Lucia Neilson and Judy Ritz

**Saturday, May 14**

9:00 a.m. Stephen Ministry Leader Meeting

**Sunday, May 15**

9:00 a.m. Discipleship Hour

9:00 a.m. B.L.A.S.T.

10:30 a.m. Worship

11:30 a.m. Vacation Bible School Planning Mtg.

3:00 p.m. Financial Peace University

**Monday, May 16**

Noon– Elderberries

1:30 p.m. Ruth Circle

2:30 p.m. Mommy and Me Group

7:30 p.m. AA Meeting

**Tuesday, May 17**

9:00 a.m. Downtown Food Bank

9:30 a.m. Quilters

**Wednesday, May 18**

10:00 a.m. Overeaters Anonymous

10:00 a.m. Needlework Group

7:00 p.m. Choir

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

**Thursday, May 19**

7:00 p.m. Middle School Youth

**Friday, May 20**

6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts

**Saturday, May 21**

9:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast

**Sunday, May 22**

9:00 a.m. Discipleship Hour

9:00 a.m. B.L.A.S.T. (last Sunday)

10:30 a.m. Worship

3:00 p.m. Financial Peace University

**Monday, May 23**

7:00 p.m. Church Council

7:30 p.m. AA Meeting