



Hillview United Methodist Church

# THE CONNECTOR

FEBRUARY 2016

**Dates to Remember**

## Lent 2016

Ash Wednesday, February 10

Sanctuary will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:40 p.m. for personal prayer and imposition of ashes.

Wednesdays @ Hillview: February 10 to March 16 (6 weeks)

5:30-6:00 p.m. Soup Dinner

6:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. "This Is My Story, This Is My Song"

6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Grace class taught by Caltin and Pete

Youth with Brenda

Children with Heidi

6:15 p.m.-7:15 p.m. Praise Band

7:15p.m.-8:15 p.m. Choir

Sundays during Lent

February 14: Youth and Boy Scout Sunday

The Forum begins a study on Job.

February 21: Sermon Series on Job begins.

March 20: Palm Sunday

Holy Week

March 23, 5:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Soup Dinner  
Maundy Thursday, 7:00 p.m. Communion Service  
Good Friday, 7:00 p.m. Service of Tenebrae

Easter Sunday

7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service

8:30 a.m. Easter Communion Service

10:00 a.m. Easter Celebration



## Introducing the SS Hillview (Spring Survey Hillview)

This spring, we will be asking you to complete a survey to let us know what we are doing right and what we can improve on. We will be asking questions about all kinds of things, so be ready to give us your feedback! We are searching for

honest answers; we need to know the good, the bad, and the ugly. If there is something you have been wanting to tell someone, this will be the perfect opportunity for you. Keep watching for details.

Feb. Wednesdays @ Hillview –See schedule at left.

Feb. 7 Souper Bowl of Caring  
Valentines Care Package assembly

Feb. 9 Lady Veterans Luncheon

Feb. 11 Lunch Bunch at Johnny Carino's (drivers needed)

Feb. 24 Community Meal (Time change for this month is 5:30 p.m.)



## February Stewardship Challenges

Choose to do one or all!

\*Contribute to the Valentine's Day boxes sent to our church young adults.

\*Agree to teach Children's Church at least once this calendar year.

\*Make a contribution to the discretionary "Rainy Day Fund."





Offerings ~



What became clear during the sermon series "One Month to Live" is that relationships are everything. We desire deep relationships with our families and friends. We want to be able to spend time with people, and to live our lives to the fullest. Sometimes we don't know how to establish new relationships. As we get older, some of our friends move away or "go to sleep with their ancestors." I have spoken with older people in our church who are lonely, and who need a renewed sense of purpose in their lives.

If you want to establish new relationships and get to know other church members better, you are invited to come to the church any morning you would like, Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. until noon. We always have coffee and tea and treats in the Gathering Area. We would even welcome treats you might want to bring. There are things you can do!

You are welcome to bring your crocheting or knitting or other crafts and have other people who will "ooh" and "ah" over your creations. We could always use more prayer shawls to give to people who are going through difficult times. You

could bring a puzzle to work on and invite others to help you. The church will also provide adult coloring books and colored pencils every morning.

The preschool sometimes needs volunteers to help prepare craft projects for the children.

Some of the people who need this fellowship time are no longer able to drive. If you could drive someone, or if you need a ride, call the church office. We would be glad to match up drivers and riders!

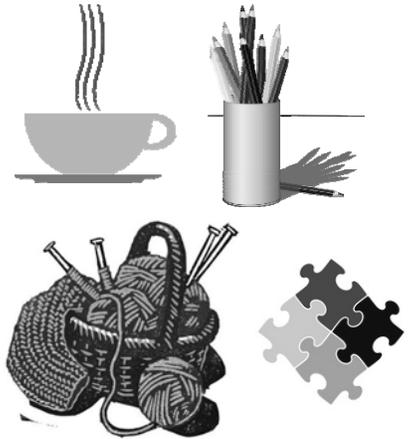
On Tuesday mornings from 11 a.m. to noon you are welcome to attend the sermon study group. We meet in the library, have a check-in time, and then discuss the sermon topic and scripture reading for the next Sunday.

On Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:15 to 10:15 you are welcome to join the Fit and Fallproof exercise group in Ballantyne Hall. This group is free. All you need to do is come early on your first visit, and bring an emergency contact number and your doctor's name.

I hope you will consider joining us at the church during the week. Claudia and I would love to get to know all of you more!

Grace and Peace,

~Brenda



Sermon Schedule

February 7:  
Children's Story: *The Amazing Jar*  
(1 Kings 17:8-16)  
Scripture: Luke 9:28-36  
Sermon: *Moments of Awe*

February 14:  
Children's Story: *The Son also Rises*  
(1 Kings 17-18:17)  
Scripture: Job 1  
Sermon: *Lessons from Job: Setting the Stage*

February 21:  
Children's Story: *The Big Rain*  
(1 Kings 18:20-46)  
Scripture: Job 2:11-13, 42:7-9  
Sermon: *Lessons from Job: With Friends Like These . . .*

February 28:  
Children's Story: *The Still Small Voice* (1 Kings 19)  
Scripture: Job 40: 6-8,  
Romans 8:31-39  
Sermon: *Lessons from Job: The Blame Game*

## Thoughts from Our Lay Leader, Marcia Belcheir

One of my intentions for this year is to communicate more with you. There never seems to be enough time on Sunday morning, so I have decided to include a few words with the newsletter each month, assuming that I can continue to think of things to communicate about! This month, the simple act of baking bread got me thinking about the simple ways love is expressed.

### Bread as Love

A friend recently gave me some sourdough starter, so I am now making bread. It's a long process that includes short periods of activity followed by longer periods of waiting for the dough to rise. As the yeasty smells fill the house, I think of the long line of those who have gone before me making bread for their families as a sign of love as well as a way to provide physical nourishment. I remember visits to my grandma's house where we would be greeted with warm bread fresh from the oven upon our arrival. Love *was* bread.

Like bread, it's usually the little things that show our love. Fixing the squeaky door. Taking the trash out without being asked. Giving a quick hug. Just listening. A task done willingly and with an open heart elevates it from the mundane to one with special meaning. Bakers will tell you that bread prepared when angry will not rise as well as bread prepared with a joyful and loving spirit. Tasks undertaken with grumbling and complaining have similar results.

Jesus spoke often of love. He even used bread as a metaphor for his love for his disciplines and as a way to be remembered. What is *your* bread? What do you do to show love to those around you? I urge you to take the opportunity this month to give gifts of yourself to your loved ones, your community,

and your church. Think also about the "bread" you are being given. With new eyes you may see gifts that you have not recognized because they were as common as a loaf of bread.

P.S. If anyone wants some sourdough starter to make their own bread or pancakes, let me know. It needs to be fed and divided weekly, so I am happy to share the love!



### *Reading Suggestion*

*Eat with Joy: Redeeming God's Gift of Food*  
by Rachel Marie Stone

Food is the source of endless angst and anxiety. We struggle with obesity and eating disorders, and agricultural horror stories make us worry about whether our food is healthy, nutritious and justly produced. Rachel Marie Stone asks us to rediscover joyful eating by receiving food as God's good gift of provision and care and fills this book with practical insights and tasty recipes.

## UMW Happenings in 2016

### *The Purpose of UMW*

United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

UMW Sunday was celebrated on Sunday, January 24. Women handled all parts of the service. We also gave out our Service Awards to two deserving Hillview members—Heidi Holmes and Charlie Pegan.

In February we will have our regular UMW Unit Meeting on Saturday, February 6, at 10 a.m. The program will concern “Climate Change.” Our featured speaker is Alyson Rene Martin from “Doing What We Can,” an Idaho-based start-up environmental organization with the sole mission of working together to solve the climate crisis. Started in 2014, its members educate themselves and others about climate change and identify possible solutions. They believe that by working with other environmental groups with similar goals we can be more effective in

maintaining the livability of the earth. Another UMW happening in February is the Idaho Legislative Event, held February 21-22. Meetings and meals will be held at First Methodist Church, First Presbyterian Church, and the Capitol. More information, schedules, and registration forms are on the UMW bulletin board

There will be an Every Member Enrichment Meeting of the Sage District on March 19 in Nampa. Meetings will be from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. and will include lunch. Registration is \$8. Contact Leah Platt before March 12 to register. They will be collecting toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, and toilet paper to distribute to people at shelters and food pantries. There will also be an Every Member Enrichment Meeting in Pocatello on March 5 and one in Baker, Oregon, on April 2. On March 10-11, First Methodist Church will be hosting the Northwest Leadership Institute.

### *Hillview United Methodist Women's Circles (Subunits)*

Hillview United Methodist Women offers five circles to provide fellowship, spiritual growth, and expanding our understanding of mission. Ladies are invited to visit and participate in these small groups. Contact names are listed below.

**Lydia Circle:** Meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month in the Hillview library at 9:30 a.m. Contact Judy Halverson at 327-0541.

**Lenten Study—Lydia Circle**  
Lydia Circle invites women to a Lenten study, *Opening Ourselves to Grace*, beginning Tuesday, February 3, and ending before Easter. This DVD four-part series explores the basic practices of Christian faith and life from a Wesleyan tradition.

**Morning Book Club:** 2nd Monday at 9:30 a.m. at Barnes & Noble. A book to read and discuss is chosen each

month. Contact Kristen Guyon at 322-5090.

**Evening Book Club:** Meets the 2nd Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the church parlor. A book to read and discuss is chosen each month. Contact Darlene Smith at 376-5977 or Michelle Ward at 322-0286.

**Fellowship Circle:** Meets the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. in members' homes. Variety of programs. Contact Betsy Baughman at 324-7713.

**Friends of Phoebe:** Study group meets in the library on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 12:30 p.m. Contact Sue Cook at 375-1835.

### *Upcoming UMW Events*

- Feb. 6: Unit Meeting at 10 a.m.
- Feb. 9: Lady Veterans Lunch
- Feb. 21-22: Idaho Legislative Event
- March 5: Every Member Enrichment Meeting in Pocatello
- March 8: Lady Veterans Lunch
- March 10-11: Northwest Leadership Institute at Boise First Methodist Church
- March 19: Every Member Enrichment Meeting in Nampa.
- April 4: Western Jurisdiction Quadrennial Meeting in Salt Lake City



*Art Exhibit (January-March 2016) “Sunlight and Renewal” by Cheryl Richardson*

It is said the magic of all art comes from the capturing of light. A symbol of blessed/new beginnings for many is a sunrise. The painting “City of Rocks,” hanging near the east church entrance is a sunrise against the sagebrush in eastern Idaho outside of Oakley. It was painted by artist and watercolor instructor, Will Nelson. Much like his transformational painting of the humble sagebrush, Will lived with dignity, selflessness and inner light.

He taught until the week before his death and admonished us always to “keep painting.”

A vision of new beginnings for me is the time after a rainstorm. “Purple Waves” was painted of the view from our family cottage in Door County, Wisconsin, and located on Lake Michigan. I enjoy the interesting cumulonimbus clouds that produce moisture as well as catch the magnificence of the sun’s rays. This was my attempt to capture the moment after a shower when the clouds are still in view and the land and waters

sparkle, washed fresh, made new. I enjoyed this sight even more because it was the last time we were able to revel in this view, as my mother sold her ownership in the cottage after my father passed. I added calligraphy because the empty spaces called to me to add the quotation by Walt Whitman– “Happiness, not in another place but this place. . . not for another hour, but this hour.”

I also enjoy looking at the light produced by stars, especially during meteor showers that appear along the Milky Way. “Night Lights” was the last piece that I painted with my mentor. It is a graded wash changing from dark indigo to teal with added white splatter for the stars. The same brush used for the mountain was also used to make the delicate blades of grass at the bottom of the painting. When asked if I had learned enough, Will replied that it was time for me to show my work.



**Warm  
Welcome**



*Calling all knitters, crocheters and seamers to make hats and scarves.*

Many delegates coming to General Conference 2016 are from climates that are much warmer than Portland’s. We want to anticipate their needs.

The hats and scarves can be any size, pattern or color. Use your favorite pattern or find lots of free patterns on-line. Keep in mind that the delegates are both men and women, so make some of the hats big enough for men. Allow a circumference of 17” to 22” for women and 18” to 24” for men. Scarves should be 40”-60” in length. If you do not knit, nice scarves can be made by cutting fleece the right length and fringing the ends.

Please put your donations of hats and scarves in the designated bin in the Gathering Area no later than April 15. For questions or more information, contact Debbie Mallis at 853-2740 or [debbiemallis@gmail.com](mailto:debbiemallis@gmail.com).



**Community Meal News**

February 24 is the date for our February Community Meal. Come enjoy a warm bowl of soup with family and friends from 5:30-6 p.m. **NEEDED:** Soups, large salads, and desserts and WORKERS. See the sign-up sheet in the Gathering Area. Contact Marilesta Nelson at 375-5116 if you have any questions.

**Lunch Bunch**

The Lunch Bunch will meet on February 11 at Johnny Carino’s at 11:30 a.m. Sign up in the Gathering Area. Come and join us for conversation and good food.



### Fun Fact



You have seen this symbol again and again. Do you know what it means? It relates The United Methodist Church to God through Christ (cross) and the Holy Spirit (flame). The flame is a reminder of Pentecost when witnesses were unified by the power of the Holy Spirit and saw “tongues, as of fire.” (Acts 2:3)

The elements of the emblem also remind us of a transforming moment in the life of Methodism’s founder, John Wesley, when he sensed God’s presence and felt his heart “strangely warmed.” The two tongues of a single

flame may also be understood to represent the union of two denominations.

The insignia, one with lettering and one without, was formally adopted by the General Conference in 1968 and registered in 1971 with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Since 1996, the General Council on Finance and Administration (GCFA) of The United Methodist Church has supervised the emblem’s use.

(Information from UMC.org)

#### WANTED:

Vacation Bible School Director

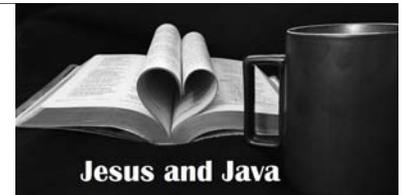
If you volunteer NOW, you can choose the program and the dates!

Please call the church office (375-0392) to apply!

### Looking for something new?

This is the right class if you . . .

- Like to discuss current events with respect to your religious beliefs.
- Want to learn in a place where all religions and opinions are welcome.
- Thrive in a place where others are not judgmental about your beliefs and ideas.
- Want to be with people who love you, even when they disagree with you.



We look at current events found in a variety of places (Time Magazine, Wired, Book TV, The Idaho Statesman, etc.) Some of our recent topics have been:

- The income divide
- Rising prescription costs
- Reincarnation
- Daily living
- What happened to someone who escaped the recent Syrian situation

As you can see, nothing is off limits. Everyone is encouraged to participate because we all learn best through personal experiences. We WANT you to ask questions and voice concerns that may linger and surface after reading or seeing a news event. Even when a subject may seem overwhelming, we can still see that people make a difference—emergency workers, volunteers, fundraisers, pen pals, etc. Come see us in Room 11 after worship and see what the buzz you have been hearing is all about.

Facilitator - Will Swenson

### Sunday School Classes

#### Adults

Jesus and Java  
Journey through the Bible  
Preacher’s Forum

#### Youth

Junior High (6-8<sup>th</sup> grade):  
High School: discussion-type class

#### Children

Preschool-2nd graders will meet in Room 10 for stories, activities, and crafts.

Be sure to check out the Christian Education bulletin board for more class information, including locations.

*Hillview Youth Group News* (by Claire Chambers)

# Youth News!

Confirmation class has been delayed until fall. Only two students were able to take Confirmation class this spring, so we decided to delay until fall when more can participate. So, if your child was debating, they have until August to decide. Talk to Claire for more information.



**February 7 is the SOUPER BOWL of Caring! For the 11th year, our youth will be collecting money in soup pots between the services for the Community Ministry Center.** The Souper Bowl of Caring started in 1990 with a simple prayer offered by a Presbyterian seminary intern before the Super Bowl. Since then, ordinary young people have generated an extraordinary \$100 million for soup kitchens, food banks and other charities in communities across the country. In addition, hundreds of thousands of youth have experienced for themselves the joy and satisfaction of giving and serving, inspiring people of all ages to follow their generous example. The vision of the Souper Bowl of Caring is simple:

- The idea for Souper Bowl of Caring is a gift from God
- Young people have the ability to serve and should be given opportunities to lead their communities in helping others.
- Every dollar collected through Souper Bowl of Caring should be donated directly to a charity selected by each participating group.
- Hunger and poverty have a negative impact on individuals and the communities in which they live, yet there is joy in serving and giving to those in need.
- The excitement and energy surrounding the Super Bowl can be used to engage young people in service while producing lasting hope for all people.

## *February Youth Schedule*

5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> United Methodist Youth Weekend Event (UMYWE) at Burley, UMC. Cost is \$40. We will leave 4:30 on the 5<sup>th</sup> and return around 1 p.m. on the 7<sup>th</sup>. Bring your usual overnight gear. Forms are available on the Youth portion of Hillview's Web page or on the UMYWE 2016 Facebook page.

7<sup>th</sup> Souper Bowl of Caring. After each services we need youth to collect money for the Community Ministry Center. **\*NO YOUTH GROUP\***

13<sup>th</sup> 1-3 p.m. Final run-through for YOUTH SUNDAY!

14<sup>th</sup> Youth Sunday! We're leading BOTH services along with Troop 40. **\*NO YOUTH GROUP\***

21<sup>st</sup> 5:00-6:30 p.m. At long last, regular Youth Group resumes! Meet at the Youth House for the usual food, fun and fellowship.

8<sup>th</sup> 5-6:30 p.m. Regular Youth Group. Again, more food, more fun, and more fellowship.

Please join us for Wednesday evenings of dinner, study, fellowship, music and fun!

5:30—6:00 p.m. Family-friendly supper.

The kitchen will be open until 6:15 p.m. Sign-up sheet is in the Gathering Area. Sign-ups are not required but would be greatly appreciated, and donations for the meal will be gladly accepted!

The Gathering Area will be open for visiting with friends.

Childcare (infants-2 yrs) is available in the nursery.

### *A Note from the Praise Band*

Isn't it nice to have John Lodal give the band a solid bass foundation and Will Swenson add that treble? Lately, I feel the core of the band coming together nicely. There is still room in the band for more. I can hardly wait for a keyboard chorder to replace me so I can get back to my saxophone and baritone. We have music for E flat and B flat instruments, so brush off that clarinet or sax and join us 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. Wednesdays, with performance opportunities at 8:30 & 10:00 a.m. Sundays.

Duane Conitz

## Wednesdays@Hillview

### Lenten Schedule (Feb. 10—March 16)

5:30—6:00 Soup Dinner

6:00– 6:30 This is My Story, This is My Song

6:30—7:30 Grace class taught by Caltin and Pete  
Youth with Brenda  
Children with Heidi

6:15-7:15 Praise Band  
7:15 - 8:15 Choir

### Regular Schedule (Feb. 3, resumes March 30)

6:00-7:00 p.m.

- Bible Study with Pastor Pete

Would you enjoy a Scripture study that values thoughtful questions above pat answers? Does it seem like God might be larger than our human perceptions? Are you available Wednesday evenings from 6:00 'til, say 7:30 or so? If you answered "Yes, absolutely, and I'm open," we have an opportunity for you. Living the Questions Study will be from 6 –7:30 p.m.

- Youth Discussion Group with Pastor Brenda
- Children's (3 yrs –5th grade) activities in room 10  
Praise Band Practice at 6:15 p.m.  
Choir Rehearsal is at 7:15 p.m.

### *Alternative Christmas Gifts Update*

Hillview members gave generously to the Alternative Christmas Gifts projects:

Imagine No More Malaria fund: \$411  
Honduras School Scholarships: \$1,600

With additional donations given during the 2015 year, we will be able to continue to send 17 Honduran students to school for the 2016 school year.

Below is an excerpt from one of the letters our church received from Honduras students thanking

us for our financial support. Greysi is a student we have supported for several years and will soon be graduating from high school. It is exciting to see that she hopes to continue her education!

*"Hello,  
I thank God for your help with my school supplies....  
I want to tell you that my favorite subject is Spanish. I like very much and I want to get a degree in English at the University. With the help of God, that I will fulfill my desire of graduating as a teacher."*

# FEBRUARY 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> 10:00 Art Group 7:00 Church of God 7:00 Boy Scouts/Troop 40	<b>2</b> 9:30 Lydia Circle 11:00 Sermon Study	<b>3</b> 5:30 Supper 6:00 Bible Study 6:00 Children's activities 6:15 Praise Band Practice 7:15 Choir Practice	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 7:30 p.m. Church of God	<b>6</b> 6:00 a.m. Zion Korean Methodist Church 8:00-4:00 African Church 10:00 Caregivers Support Group
<b>7</b> Souper Bowl of Caring 8:30 Worship 10:00 Worship 11:00 Zion Church 11:15 Sunday School 1:00 African Church 4:00 Church of God	<b>8</b> 9:30 Morning Book Group, Barnes & Noble 10:00 Art Group 6:30 p.m. Evening Book Group 7:00 Church of God	<b>9</b> 10:30 Lady Veterans Luncheon at Veterans Home 11:00 Sermon Study	<b>10</b> 5:30 Supper 6:00 This Is My Story 6:00 Children's activities 6:15 Praise Band Practice 7:15 Choir Practice 7:30 Grace Class	<b>11</b> 11:30 Lunch Bunch at Johny Carino's	<b>12</b> 7:30 p.m. Church of God	<b>13</b> 6:00 a.m. Korean Church 8:00-2:00 African Church 8:00 Men's b-fast, Moon's Café 12:30 Friends of Phoebe
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Please remember to call the church office with any scheduling requests or changes. Just because a day may look available on the calendar, it does not mean that it is! This is our church calendar. We have not included Boy Scout activities, Preschool, outside groups, Fit and Fallproof, and other activities. Please be considerate and flexible with room use.



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We are a Reconciling Congregation, welcoming all persons into full participation in the life of the congregation regardless of age, sexual orientation, gender identity, family configuration, racial or ethnic background, economic status, or mental or physical abilities. As we journey to the reconciliation of all persons as children of God, we celebrate our human family's diversity.



## ***VALENTINE CARE PACKAGES***



We have a tradition at Hillview to give Valentine Care Packages of homemade cookies to our young adults (ages 18-23 yrs.) and military service personnel. Be sure to check at the sign up tables for the listing of names and addresses of our young adults, especially the out-of-town college students, for accuracy or to add a name. We don't want to miss anyone!

Donation/Volunteer needs:

- Homemade cookies! Please prewrap the cookies (small sandwich bags work well) in groups of 3 cookies/bag. Bring the cookies to the church kitchen, identify them as "Care Pkg." by Sunday, February 7.
- Money donations! To help pay for postage for ("away") packages, a collection can is on the sign-up table in the Gathering Area of the church on Sundays.
- Volunteers needed: Assembling the care packages will be on Sunday, February 7, after Sunday School at noon, in the Gathering Area. With enough helpers, we can be finished by 12:30 p.m.! Contact Judy Halverson at 327-0541 or judybhalverson@gmail.com.