

Calendar of Coming Events

January

- 24 Lord's Pantry
4:30 PM DASH
6 PM Youth Group
- 25 7 PM Troop 573
- 26 7 AM Men's Bible Study
9:15 AM Women's Bible Study
- 28 6 PM Meeting Deerfoot Lodge
- 29 9:15 AM Mom's in Touch
- 30 9 AM Scrapbooking – Liane Davis – Fellowship Hall
- 31 4:30 PM DASH
6 PM Youth Group

SESSION - Moderator - Rev. Daniel R. Stewart Clerk – Craig E. Erickson
Worship: Mark Montgomery, Ch., Millie Montgomery; Christian Ed: Kerstin Lang,
Ch., Mike Trope; Personnel: Barb Wray, Ch., Alan Papson; Corp Affairs: Ted Wray,
Ch., Alan Papson, Mike Trope; Church Life: Jim Faunce, Ch., Paul Welle, Ted Wray;
Missions: Brian Gilbert, Ch., Ken Garrison; Nominating: Millie Montgomery, Ch.,
Jonathan Schuck; Preschool: Jonathan Schuck, Ch., Ken Garrison

DEACONS Moderator – Gwen McDonald Aid to Worship: Carol Jones
Aid to Congregation: Debbie Fanus Aid to Community: Eileen Jenkins
Class of 2011 – Rick Constable, Dale Garrison, Lauren Palmer, Marie Raws
Class of 2012 – Gwen McDonald, Eileen Jenkins, Carol Jones, Debbie Fanus
Class of 2013 – Janet Medrow, Sharon Harmon, Linda Pittounicos, Myrtle Higgins

*TRUSTEES – Property Committee: Bill Anderson, Don Dunkerton, Steve Smoker
Finance Committee: Bob Wert, Ward Higgins, Alan Papson*

Cemetery Committee: Liane Davis, James Palmer, Linda Barbour

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" As an historic church, we exist to glorify God
by enabling all people to become fully devoted followers of the Lord Jesus Christ.
We prayerfully strive, through the Holy Spirit, to fulfill our purpose
by worship, Biblical teaching, service, fellowship,
and active involvement in world evangelization."

<i>Pastor</i>	<i>Director of Equipping Ministries</i>
Rev. Daniel R. Stewart	James R. Shackleton
<i>Director of Music Ministry</i>	<i>Organist</i>
Herbert E. Balian	Sharon S. Smoker
<i>Church Secretary</i>	<i>Sexton</i>
Karen E. Bittenbender	Steven M. Leach

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The Great Valley Presbyterian Church

*"An historic church,
we exist to glorify God..."*

January 24, 2010

*We are a member congregation
of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church*

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

January 24, 2010 11 AM

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP *(Please fill out the "Fellowship" clipboard)*

PRELUDE "Sarabonde" arr. Thiman

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT "Receive the Glory" *Kauflin*

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

People: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

*VOICES IN PRAISE "Great is the Lord" *(see screen)*

"How Great Is Our God?" *(see screen)*

"Great is Thy Faithfulness" HYMN #28

(Prayer cards will be gathered during the last verse.)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY "Receive the Glory" *Kauflin*

*DOXOLOGY "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" #556

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 62:8-12 (p. 725)

NEW TESTAMENT 1 Thessalonians 2:17-3:5 (p. 1147) Dan Fanus

ANTHEM "Now Let the Heavens Be Joyful" *Halter*

(Children grades 1-5 are dismissed for Children's Church following Scripture reading)

SERMON "The Disciple's Treasure" Rev. Stewart

For what is our hope, our joy, or the crown in which we will glory in the presence of our Lord Jesus when he comes? Is it not you? (1 Thess. 2:19, NIV)

WE DEPART TO SERVE GOD'S WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN "Lord, For the Years" *(see back of insert)*

*BENEDICTION *(Please be seated following the BENEDICTION)*

CHORAL BENEDICTION "Peace, Perfect Peace"

*POSTLUDE "Nun Danket Alle Gott" arr. Thiman

*Those who are able may stand

*Our Greeters this morning are
Dick and Peg Ford.*

*Our Deacons on call for assistance and aid in January are
Marie Raws (610-647-0908) & Janet Medrow (610-265-7669)*

A WARM WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP HERE THIS DAY!

It is a joy and a privilege to be here with you, praising our God. May you sense his presence in the worship and fellowship of this church today.

IF YOU KNOW of special needs, concerns, or illnesses among our church family, please inform the office at 610-644-1995.

PRAYER MINISTRY- In the pew are yellow cards for prayer requests or items of praise. After filling one out, pass it to the center aisle for the Prayer Leader to collect. It will be read as part of the Prayers of the People. If you prefer your request to remain private, take your card to the Prayer Room after the service. Prayer leaders are available to pray with you following the service. Today's prayer leader is Helen Lee Potter.

Dear Great Valley Friends: My family and I thank all of you for your kind expressions of love and care these past few weeks surrounding Doug's death. To be the beneficiary of so many prayers of the GV saints is indeed the only place to be in times of sorrow. And you nourished our bodies as well with wonderful meals and brightened our days with flowers and cards. Thank you so very much. In Christian love, *Helen Lee Potter and family*

JOIN US IN THE CHAPEL after the service for coffee fellowship time.

Women's Retreat: Ladies, as you fill your 2010 calendars, reserve the week-end of April 30-May 1 for the Great Valley Women's Retreat. Notice it is not the first Friday in May since all weekend retreats at The Traber Center were shifted due to a later Labor Day this year. Make plans now to attend!

ANTHEM "Now Let the Heavens Be Joyful" Halter

Now let the heavn's be joyful, let her song begin!
The round world keep high triumph, and all that is there-in.
He is risen, He is risen, Christ, the Lord is risen,
Our joy that hath no end!

From death to life eternal, from earth on to the sky,
Our Christ hath brought us over with hymns of victory.
He is risen, He is risen, Christ the Lord is risen,
Our joy that have no end!

Let all things seen and unseen their notes of gladness blend.
For Christ, the Lord is risen, our joy that hath no end.
He is risen, He is risen, Christ, the Lord is risen,
Our joy that hath no end!

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The round world keep high triumph, and all that is there-in.
He is risen, He is risen, Christ, the Lord is risen,
Our joy that hath no end!

*The flowers this morning are given by Forrest and Jean Garrison
in memory of Jean's brother, Austin Ferguson.*

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

It's time to think about Vacation Bible School 2010, Aug. 1-6, 6-8:30pm! Let memories of the wonderful SonRock Kids Camp 2009 energize you to come to a planning meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 2, 7PM in the Conference Room. Whether you would consider leading a certain part of VBS or if you would prefer only to volunteer in a small way, please come – your thoughts and help are important! We'll also select the curriculum for 2010 VBS. You will be able to get information prior to the meeting. Please contact Kerstin Lang (610-935-3633) or mail@kerstinlang.com.

2010 Camp Work Program (CWP) – This year's CWP is open to children and youth from 1st –12th grades. Parent information letters and registration forms are available in Dickerson Hall. Contact Rhonda or Jonathan Schuck (610-722-0619) with any questions. Please register by March 14. We look forward to partnering with you and your children as part of this fun and character-building program!

Preliminary Income Report for December and Year 2009 – We thank God for the generosity of our congregation and of the charitable foundation that enabled us to meet the 2009 Income Budget for our Operations/Ministries. While it appears we just made our budget, we actually did much better in that we were able to allocate contributions marked “use where most needed” to the Building Fund. The December total to that fund was \$37,968 and the 2009 total was \$107,293. More financial information, including expenses for the year will be provided in the 2009 Annual Report, due out in March.

	<u>DECEMBER</u>	<u>YEAR 2009</u>
OPERATIONS/MINISTRIES		
Budgeted Giving Target	\$ 161,250*	\$ 612,485
Actual Contributions	\$ 155,802*	\$ 579,487
Add'l from Cemetery/Preschool	<u>\$ 7,500</u>	<u>\$ 33,586</u>
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	\$ 163,302	\$ 613,073
Contributions toward Building Loan	\$ 37,968	\$ 107,293
Contributions toward Bollinger Prints	\$ 8,850	

(* Includes the \$100,000 foundation gift received in December)

MISSION NEWS

Lord's Pantry – January 24. City Gate's freezer is nearly bare, and they need meat (sausage, hamburger, chicken, ham, tuna fish, beef, etc.). They also need paper and plastic serving pieces (cups, bowls, small 6" plates, forks, spoons and knives), and napkins, paper towels and other paper products. They've made a special request for ice tea this month. If you can provide any of these items, please deposit them in the Lord's Pantry container in the Dickerson Room. Thank you for caring and giving!

GREAT VALLEY SUNDAY SCHOOL ELECTIVES-FEBRUARY, 2010

A Biblical Guide to Parenting Teens - Lynne Shackleton, Teacher
Every parent (and grandparent) wants to raise “good kids.” Many today find parenting to be a frightening challenge, particularly throughout the teenage years. This elective will examine Biblical wisdom and practical steps for understanding and shepherding the heart of teens as presented by Paul Tripp in his book, *Age of Opportunity*. Tripp's guidelines are not only helpful for teens but also for pre-teen parents. The class will study the nature of teenagers and the struggles they face, God's intent for the family, and goals, strategies and practical steps for being *pastoral* parents. The class will meet in the right hand side of Fellowship Hall.

Spiritual Warfare in Today's World - Bob Scott, Teacher
There is a great war being waged in the world today. It is not a conflict between nations, tribes or government leaders. It is the invisible battle taking place in the spirit world behind what we see in the natural world. It's notable that military terminology is used throughout the New Testament. The early Church obviously viewed their spiritual experience in terms of warfare. They knew they were engaged in an intense spiritual struggle. The same is true today, and believers can easily be defeated if they lack an understanding of their authority in Christ. This elective is an introduction to the vital topic of spiritual warfare. The class will meet in the Chapel.

Nooma - Phil Jones, Teacher

The thoughtful, well-produced *Nooma* video series includes 24 titles and features Rob Bell, pastor of Mars Hill Bible Church in Grand Rapids, MI. The films explore questions that arise as a person explores the Christian faith. The series title, *Nooma*, is an English variation of the Greek *pneuma* which means “wind” or “spirit.” More details on *Nooma*, including video clips can be found at www.nooma.com. Each class will include a recent video and a time for review and discussion. We'll also explore the controversy related to Rob Bell and the emerging church movement. The class will meet in the left side of Fellowship Hall.

Darwin, Doubt and the 'Daniel Factor' - Dan Stewart, teacher
Evolutionists assert “man is the result of a purposeless and natural process that did not have him in mind,” and “if you meet somebody who claims not to believe in evolution, that person is ignorant, stupid, or insane (or wicked...).” What is the evidence for and against such statements? What does our Christian faith say about evolution? Can you give a clear and convincing reason for “the hope that you have”? We'll study this important topic through video, Power Point, handouts and class discussion. The class will meet in the All Purpose Room.

Sign up sheets are on the table in Dickerson Hall or you may sign up via your current Sunday School class.