



# The Good News

December 2011



40 Poinsettias will be available for members to order in honor of, or in memory of, a loved one. The cost is \$10 again this year, and you can stop by the church office to place your order. Please fill out an order form so that we make sure we have the correct information. We will be printing a special recognition insert for the Christmas Day bulletin with the information you give us. After Christmas, you may take your Poinsettia home, or ask the church to deliver it to someone who is homebound or in a nursing home.

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## FAITH WALK

with

Bro. Jaimie J. Alexander



In each of our lives there are special nights. The night we graduated from High School is a special night; as is the night of our senior prom and the night of a wedding. Other special nights in our lives are the first night in a new home, or the night of a wedding anniversary, but no night can compare to "The Night" that our Savior was born. It was a night like none other. On that night, God came to earth in human form and humanity was changed forever. That night Jesus was born in a borrowed stable to parents who were ordained and handpicked by God. The stars were majestic and the shepherds humbly assembled around the manger of the newborn king. During December, the sermon series will focus on "The Night" of Jesus' birth. We will look at the night from the point of view of Mary, Joseph, the Shepherds, and the Magi each Sunday leading to the Marvelous Night of Christmas Eve and the Glorious Day of Christmas.

There will be many special events to celebrate the night of the birth of our Savior during December. I encourage you to use these events as perfect times to invite your friends and family members to attend. There will be many Shepherd Group Christmas Gatherings, United Methodist Circle meetings and on Wednesday, December 14 at 6:00 p.m. United Methodist Men's Christmas Dinner with special music by "The Well" service Praise Team.

Other Special Events:

**Monday, December 5, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.**

Nativity Walk and Soup Supper in Becker Hall

**Wednesday, December 7 at 6:00 p.m.**

Service of Healing and Grief Support

**Sunday, December 11, 8:00 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.**

Christmas Jazz Cantata presented by the Chancel Choir

9:30 a.m. "The Well" Contemporary Praise Team

Christmas Music Presentation

**Saturday, December 24, Christmas Eve Services**

12:00 noon.... Midday at the Manger Service with Communion

5:00 p.m. ..."The Well" Contemporary Service of Carols & Communion

7:00 p.m. ...Traditional Candlelight and Communion Service

**Sunday, December 25, one service at 10:00 a.m.**

followed by an 11:00 a.m. Christmas Potluck.

The church will provide Turkey and you are asked to bring salads, vegetables, and desserts to share.

*Merry Christmas to you and yours. . . .*

*God is Faithful!*

*Bro. Jaimie*



## OFF and RUNNING

with  
Pastor Lee Myane



With our Youth Choir singing in all three services on Sunday, November 20, and 26 children in Sunday school that same morning, now is the time to work out plans for some additional space for children and youth. Currently our Preschool uses two rooms below the sanctuary. If the preschool moves and shares our children's Sunday school rooms we will have two vacant rooms where the preschool currently resides. This sharing of space with our preschool and children's Sunday school is a first effort to better utilize the facilities we have.

A second step is to possibly relocate some of our items we keep in storage that support our many missions and ministries. I've been visiting with our Shoebox ministry and a potential relocation for their storage and work space. In the process of planning for our growing youth and children's ministries, there will be some shuffling of where we do things. Hopefully, in the shuffle we can find better spaces everyone needs, and improve all our ministries and missions. It's an exciting time for our growing congregation, and I appreciate everyone's willingness to find solutions that are beneficial for everyone.

*May God bless us in all we do.  
Pastor Lee*

### Happy Holidays to You and Yours from your FUMCBV Church Staff

- Pastor Lee
- Bro. Jaimie
- Jan Louie
- Troy Jorgensen
- Larry Behring
- Dawn Thompson
- Marge Smith
- Janet Walton
- Amy Gilmore
- Raiselle Grim
- Danette Baker
- Carrie Drish
- Kyle Elmore
- Angie Rader
- Garrett Greer
- Catherine Hollan
- Shannon Wicker

### Kudos!

With this issue of the *Good News*, we will begin recognizing members of the church who go above and beyond.

This month we recognize Troy Jorgensen for the many hours he puts in giving us our up-to-date website information, the wonderful graphics on the screens during services, the live-streaming recordings of the services which can also be seen at a later time on your computer, and the research he does to make sure we are technologically current with the times. He recently applied for and was awarded a grant for updating and installing equipment to enable him to record and live-stream the services from Becker Hall.

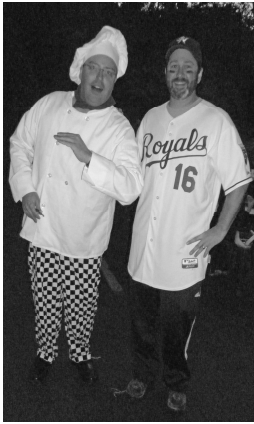
There is a new portable camera stand (no, that is not a cage for the unruly!) which was very professionally constructed by Keith Sterwald, with the help of Ed Fischer, to hold the video recording equipment.

Kudos to these three for enabling our message to be sent out for all the world to hear and see.



## CHILDREN

In October the children went to the Right Choice Corn Maze in Southwest City, MO. We had such a great group of children and parents! It is always such a wonderful time of fellowship.



Also, in October we hosted Trunk or Treat. Thank you to Pastor Lee who organized an amazing event which allowed us to serve so many people in our community. Even Brother Jaimie got into the act! Thank you again!



In January we will be starting a "top secret" Wednesday night program for children 1st-6th grade. The children will be learning how serving others around the world starts right here at home. They will also learn that a simple task can change the lives of so many people. We could be making cards to send to soldiers, blankets for children in the hospital, collecting canned food for a local food pantry, or blessing bags for homeless people. To start a class like this, I will also need parents' help. I will need two teachers, parents to hand out information, and children.

### **PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE - IF YOUR CHILD IS ILL, LEAVE HIM/HER HOME!!**

Speaking of missions, we only have three spots left for the Spring Break mission trip to Ft. Smith. We will be leaving the church on Wednesday, March 21 and returning on Saturday, March 24. Our mission trips have grown to 11 churches in our district, and with the grace of God they will continue to grow. Our trips are set up so that we work during the day, and then in the evening we have a fun activity. We also spend TAG time (time alone with God). I have all the information on the table outside of my office. You can also download all the forms on our Facebook page <http://www.facebook.com/destination.mission>. Registration forms are due by January 15.

Important Dates for December:

December 9 - F.N.C meeting

December 16 - Youth Christmas Party

December 18 - 4th annual children & youth Christmas pageant & Pot Luck,  
4:30 p.m. in Becker Hall

Happy Birthday to Izzy Mendoza, Brittany May, Sawyer and Brynn Hanson and Sarah Myane.

*Carrie Drish,*  
*Director of Children's Ministry*



*Please welcome our newest member:*

*Kaden Shawn Baker*

*Son of Eric & Danette Baker, brother of Kamryn, Kaci & Kyler*

*Born November 28 at 10:14pm*

*5 pounds, 15 ounces ~ 18-1/4 " long*



## PRAYER

### The Scripture

*Then I said to them, "You see the trouble we are in: Jerusalem lies in ruins, and its gates have been burned with fire. Come, let us rebuild the wall of Jerusalem, and we will no longer be in disgrace." I also told them about the gracious hand of my God me and what the on king had said to me. They replied, "Let us start rebuilding." So they began this good work. Nehemiah 2:17- 8*

### How Does This Apply to Us?

It is my custom to follow the Daily Lectionary plan of Scripture readings. One day this past week, I finished a series of readings from Nehemiah. I have read it before; but this time, by God's grace, I saw meaning and relevance in the story of the rebuilding of the walls in Jerusalem thousands of years ago as it relates to us today, as I had never before.

The book of Nehemiah, in addition to fulfilling the prophecies of Zechariah and Daniel in regard to the rebuilding of the walls of Jerusalem, teaches lessons on restoration, leadership and prayer. These lessons are as applicable to Christians today as to the Hebrews of that day. It proves yet again that the Bible is able to serve as our guide book and the source of determining God's will for us.

### Restoration

In the process of rebuilding, Nehemiah brought restoration not only to the walls and safety of Jerusalem; but the system of worship in the temple and the faith of the people in Almighty God. The captivity in Babylon was over and many Hebrews returned to their homeland and joined with those who had not been marched away by the conquering forces. Seventy years with no religious leadership had dulled the spirits of the Hebrews, and the younger ones had not been taught at all in some cases.

Upon completion of the rebuilding (which miraculously took only 52 days), Nehemiah recalled the temple workers from all of Judah to resume their duties. The Scriptures were opened and read to the people and a time of joy and thanksgiving ensued. Some people were resistant; but Nehemiah was a strong leader and overcame the dissenters. The people were refreshed and restored to the traditional worship in the Temple.

*Marilyn Hertel,  
Steward of Prayer Ministries*

### A HOLIDAY TRADITION



*Give a gift  
that counts*

The holidays are upon us and we're back to that age old question, what do you get for the person who has everything? Rather than another sweater, tie or gift certificate to a favorite restaurant, how about making a donation in that person's name to a charity they support? Better yet, how about supporting one of the mission projects through FUMCBV? Knowing that your gift may feed a child, help build a house, make your church more energy efficient, support our missionary partner in Bolivia, prevent the spread of malaria, or help a family become self-sufficient may be just the gift that impossible-to-buy for person is looking for. And, you can do your "shopping" from the comfort of your home. No hassles with traffic, crowds or returns.



**2nd Annual  
NATIVITY  
DISPLAY  
&  
SOUP SUPPER  
Monday,  
December 5th  
5:00-7:00p.m.  
Becker Hall**

Enrich your Advent celebrations this year by viewing a display of nativities owned by members of our congregation, followed by a soup supper. Two kinds of soup will be available, and a free-will offering will be taken. Funds will be used to support an area charity.

If you have nativity sets to display, contact Jean Justice [jfjustice@cox.net](mailto:jfjustice@cox.net) or 855-0570. We will have a space available for you. Set-up will begin at 3 p.m. that day.

Sponsored by the Metfield Methodist and Sunshine Shepherd Groups, and Wesley Class.

**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN**

The UMW Quarterly luncheon will be held on Wednesday, December 7 at 12:00 noon with quiet time in the Sanctuary at 11:45am. The entertainment will be Kolby Williams and Catie Hartman playing the violin and viola. Hot turkey salad, cranberry salad, rolls & dessert is the menu - all for \$7.00. Everyone is welcome to come hear our talented youth perform. Please let Sue Nebrig know by Friday, December 2 if you can come, so she will have an accurate count to make sure there is enough food. Send her an e-mail at [fineb@aol.com](mailto:fineb@aol.com) or call her at 855-9269.

**UNITED METHODIST MEN  
"LADIES NIGHT"**

We're having a Ladies Night on December 14, at 6:30 p.m. in Becker Hall.

Papa Mike will be serving Chicken Cordon Bleu, vegetables, salad, cheese cake and drinks.

Our entertainment will be "The Well" Praise Band.

Tickets will be \$12.00 each and will be on sale in the narthex after each service December 4 and 11. They will also be available in the office.

**A CHRISTMAS CANTATA**

*WE HAVE SEEN HIM....*

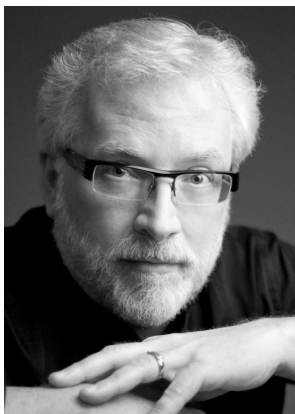
Sunday, December 11

at both Traditional Services,  
8:00a.m. & 10:45a.m.,

featuring composer and pianist

Dan Knight

and the choruses of FUMCBV.





## BOOK NOOK



We have lots of new books in the Library this month. A summary of the books is located on the bulletin board outside the Library.

### LARGE-PRINT FICTION:

*ONE SUMMER* by David Baldacci  
*PROPER INTENTIONS* by Dianne Christner (Book 1)  
*LOFTY AMBITIONS* by Dianne Christner (Book 2)  
*AMPLE PORTIONS* by Dianne Christner (Book 3)  
*CASTOR OIL AND LAVENDER* by Dianne Christner (Book 4)  
*A HOME IN THE VALLEY* by Dianna Crawford  
*ON A SOMEDAY* by Roxanne Henke  
*A CHRISTMAS STAR* by Thomas Kinkade  
*THE CHRISTMAS BASKET* by Debbie Macomber  
*COMFORT AND JOY* by Fern Michaels  
*THE CHRISTMAS WEDDING* by James Patterson  
*THE SWEETGUM LADIES KNIT FOR LOVE* by Beth Patillo

### FICTION:

*AN UNFINISHED MARRIAGE* by Joan Anderson  
*NEW MEXICO* by Janet Lee Barton  
*DASHING THROUGH THE SNOW* by Mary Higgins Clark  
*UPON A MIDNIGHT CLEAR* by Jude Deveraux  
*CAPTIVATING* by John Eldredge  
*SNOWY NIGHTS* by Heather Graham  
*THE CHRISTMAS ANGEL* by Thomas Kinkade  
*THE CHRISTMAS CHILD* by Max Lucado  
*THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT CHRISTMAS* by Debbie Macomber  
*WHEN CHRISTMAS COMES* by Debbie Macomber  
*WHERE ANGELS GO* by Debbie Macomber  
*KANSAS WEDDINGS* by Kim Sawyer  
*CRIME FOR CHRISTMAS* by Various Authors

### DVD'S:

*INVISIBLE ENEMY* by a Vietnam Soldier  
 RECOGNIZING AND PREVENTING STROKES by Mayo Clinic (1 of 4)  
*TAKING WARFARIN: HOW TO MANAGE YOUR "BLOOD THINNER"* (2 of 4)

*UNDERSTANDING ATRIAL FIBRILLATION* (3 of 4)  
*EATING FOR A HEALTHY HEART* (4 of 4)  
*THE GREATEST GENERATION* by Tom Brokaw (a 3 DVD box set)

### BIOGRAPHY:

*HERE WE GO AGAIN* by Betty White

### NON-FICTION:

*JESUS AND HIS TIMES* by Reader's Digest (232.9)  
*A STILLNESS IN THE STORM* by Anabel Gillham (242)  
*JESUS, BE IN MY CHRISTMAS* by Sarah Hornsby (242.33)  
*SOURCES OF STRENGTH* by Jimmy Carter (248.4)  
*LIVING SIMPLY IN GOD'S ABUNDANCE* by Suzanne Ezell (248.8)  
*FORGIVE AND LOVE AGAIN* by John Nieder (248.8)  
*THE POWER OF A PRAYING HUSBAND* by Stormie Omartian (248.8)  
*TREASURED STORIES OF CHRISTMAS* by Various Authors (248.8)  
*IF YOU'RE MISSING BABY JESUS* by Jean Gietzen (398)  
*MERRY CHRISTMAS* with Various entries (398)  
*REFLECTIONS OF REALITY* by Maria Brown (811)  
*THE KENNEDY WOMEN* by Laurence Leamer (973.9)



The Metfield Methodist Shepherd Group held its annual game night at the church on November 10. Mona and Ralph Johnson kept things "All in the Family" at the Farkle table by having the high score (Mona) and the low (Ralph).



## THANK YOU

Dear Church Family:

We really enjoyed the Pastors and Spouses Potluck Supper. Thanks for the appreciation cards and special thanks to everyone who made this celebration possible. God bless the Bella Vista UMC, the greatest church family in the whole world! We love you! *Verle and Suzanne Shoemaker*

Thank you so much for inviting me to be a part of the pastor appreciation dinner. Thank you to everyone who presented me with cards of appreciation. I feel very honored to be a part of such a loving and giving church. God bless you every one. A special note of appreciation to Brother Jaimie and Pastor Lee for including me.

*Doris Schlessman*

Thank You to everyone who volunteered their time at Helping Hands on October 29. We missed the presence of B.J. very much, but the 16 adults and several teenagers who came worked very hard to keep the shop running smoothly and organized. The manager told me later that it had been an exceptionally profitable day. That's probably why we were all pretty tired by closing time. Hope to see you all when it's our turn again next year. *Verna Bottjen*

I wanted to write you a quick note to say thank you. My family looks forward to coming to Trunk or Treat at Halloween. Thank you for providing such a fun and safe event for the kids. And Mom and Dad love the chili dogs! *Julie Hull*

We cannot say thank you enough to our church family for the calls, cards, and visits we received while Tibbie was in the hospital and rehab. Knowing we have been in your prayers has made this time of recovery and change easier for us. *Tibbie and Harold Fitch*

Thanks to everyone who was involved with the Apostle Build in Bentonville. Thank you to the workers, the women who provided lunch and those who were in prayer for us during this build. God bless! *The Habitat Crew*

We want to thank each and every one of you for helping us celebrate our 75th wedding anniversary on November 12. We know some of you could not make it and we appreciated your cards.

We had another celebration in Tulsa on the 14th and of our five generations, every single one was in attendance, even the one who arrived by birth on the previous Thursday!

We just want to say thank you for making our anniversary so special.

*Wayne and Ara Mae Calhoun*

### Quotes from the foreword of *The Green Bible*

by

**Archbishop Desmond Tutu**

"I have gifts you don't have. You have gifts that I don't have. Thus we are made different, so that we can know our need of one another. And this is a fundamental law of our being.

All kinds of things go horribly wrong when we flout this law – when we don't ensure that God's children everywhere have a supply of clean water, a safe environment, a decent home, a full stomach. We could do that if we remembered that we are created to be members of one family, the human family, God's family."

"Once we start living in a way that is people – friendly to all of God's family, we will also be environment – friendly. The future of our fragile, beautiful planet home is in our hands. As God's family, we are stewards of God's creation. We can be wantonly irresponsible, or we can be caring and compassionate. God says, "I have set before you life and death.....Choose life." (Deut. 30:19)"



## MISSIONS

### PAK-A-SAK

Sunday, December 18, our collection of non-perishable food items will be going to the Northwest Arkansas Children's Shelter. The shelter is a temporary home for children from infants through teen years. They are in need of all types of food including, canned fruit, milk, vegetables, cereal, juice, and food for infants and toddlers. Thank You for all your donations to the Pak-A-Sak Program that has helped so many in Benton County during 2011. May all of you have a very blessed holiday season.

### MISSION OF THE MONTH:

#### *METHODIST FAMILY HEALTH*

Established in 1899 by the Arkansas Conference of the United Methodist Church, the Arkansas Methodist Orphanage addressed the need for care of orphaned and dependent children. In 2003, Methodist Family Health was formed to manage the operations of the full continuum of care established by Methodist Children's Home.

#### **Methodist Family Health Today**

Today, Methodist Family Health provides the only comprehensive behavioral healthcare system to children and families of Arkansas, offering comprehensive care ranging from acute psychiatric care to the least restrictive level of outpatient counseling.

Methodist Family Health has established varying components of behavioral healthcare services in 19 Arkansas cities and towns, and offers a wide array of care venues. Every day Methodist Family Health serves approximately 300 clients in its inpatient and residential venues of care, with an additional 800 clients receiving intermittent care in outpatient and school-based services.



### SHOEBOX MINISTRY

September-October deliveries totaled 568 boxes. Thank you to our dedicated delivery persons and to James and Vicki Forrest who delivered 90 Sunshine Sacks to Cooper Elementary during that period.

#### **Legacy Village**

Legacy Village gift boxes were made each month for 19 "Elders" who really enjoy these boxes. Thanks to the UMW, we will be able to include some small Christmas decoration from the bazaar. Also, lap blankets are being made by a dedicated group of women. These will be used for Christmas gifts, so that everyone will have a gift to open.

#### **Volunteers to Our Rescue!**

Danette Baker's Wednesday night youth group, which included Catie Hartman, Kolby Williams, Kurtis Morris, Lacie & Madison Conway, Carly Engle, Mason Jones, Devon Jones, Kara Updike and Kaci Baker, packaged dozens and dozens of items. Thank you for such great job in time for our baby pack.

In November, we held a two-day pack to re-supply our boy's, girl's and baby boxes. A total of 140 boxes were packed. Thank you to everyone who was involved in preparing and packing!

#### **Blessings**

Thanks to all who donated items, including some beautiful knitted baby caps to be placed in the shoe boxes. Thank you to Bud Henke for his donation in honor of his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. Bella Vista Lutheran, Bella Vista Presbyterian and St. Bernard Churches all have donated packed boxes and/or supplies for packing on a regular basis. Christmas wrapped boxes donated by their shepherd groups will arrive the first of December for distribution.

#### **Needs:**

White socks of all sizes, disposable razors, detergent, game books such as word search, and crossword puzzles

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to you and yours!

*The Shoebox Ministry Team Leaders*





**FINANCE**

Thank you to everyone who has given that "extra" \$10 a week to help us meet our budget needs. As of the end of October, our year-to-date receipts have exceeded budgeted projections and we are at 88% of our projected budgeted receipts for the year. Expenses are being kept down, which has also helped. Not knowing what the congregation pledged this past year has been a challenge. (We used 2010 income as our budget.) That being said, we never really know what is going to be given. However, when you turn in your pledge cards it gives the Budget Committee a much better idea, and we can react accordingly.

As of November 18, there have been 195 pledge cards returned. If you have not returned your pledge card, please do so at your earliest convenience.

The Budget Committee will be meeting again before the end of the year to refine and finalize the 2012 budget.



**The Green Church Project**

Finding ways to be better stewards of all our resources

**At Church:**

- ◆ We asked Carroll Electric to do an energy audit of our church and have worked hard to correct things that audit identified. Have you had a home audit?
- ◆ Coming to church for a meeting, circle or class? Whose house will you go by who could ride with you?
- ◆ Programmable thermostats have been installed throughout the church. If you need to adjust the temperature, only go up or down one degree.
- ◆ Are you receiving your newsletter by email? This saves paper, ink and mailing costs! Try it; you'll like it! Please sign up on the FUMCBV website, or contact the church office.

**At Home:**

- ◆ Use LED lights on your Christmas displays. They emit far less carbon dioxide than other lights.
- ◆ Turn lights off in unused rooms.
- ◆ Use higher lighting levels in work areas.
- ◆ Reduce overall lighting levels for room illumination.



SPRC invites you to join in a Love Offering . . . .  
 . . . . .for your Church Staff. You can drop your check in the offering plate, in the church office, or in the basket in the Narthex through December 20. Be sure to mark it as "Love Offering".

**FINANCE CORNER**

Month-to-date (as of 10/31/11)	Budgeted Expenses.....	\$54,038
Month-to-date (as of 10/31/11)	Receipts.....	\$52,408
Year-to-date	Budgeted Expenses.....	\$523,138
Year-to-date	Receipts.....	\$483,997
Year-to-date	Actual Expenses.....	\$490,384



*If you are interested in having your contribution automatically deducted from your checking or savings account, please let Amy or the office know. We hope to have this available after the first of the year.*



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

### **Tom & Ruth Ann Hough** (pronounced "huff")



joined our church on October 23 at the Contemporary service. Tom and Ruth Ann first visited our church soon after Bro. Jaimie arrived. They had been

members in his congregation at Central UMC in Rogers.

Tom and Ruth Ann have three grown children, Payton, and twins, Kristy and Rachel. Tom is the Regional Service Director for Boys and Girls Clubs of America. That job has allowed them to live in several states including Missouri, Louisiana, Texas and Arkansas. Ruth Ann is a registered nurse and currently works at Northwest Health in Bentonville.

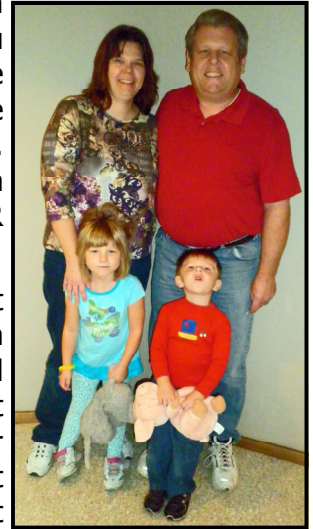
They enjoy golfing, traveling, and visiting grandchildren.

We are so glad they decided to make our church, their church. Welcome Tom and Ruth Ann.

### **Heath & Jennifer Lehmann** have been

members of our church since October 9th. You will find them in the Contemporary Service on Sunday mornings. They moved to Bella Vista from Rogers, AR in 2009.

Heath is employed at Wal-Mart as a Divisional Replenishment Manager. Jennifer works at the Arvest Treasury Management Call Center.



Joining with them are their two children; daughter, Dylan Kate, age 5, who attends R.E. Baker Elementary, and son, Zachary, age 3 who attends the Helen Walton Children's Enrichment Center.

The family enjoys boating and camping. Please make them feel welcome when you see them next.

**David & Marilyn Frisby** joined our church on November 6. They moved here from San Jose, CA, where they were very active in their church at Almaden Hills, UMC. David was somewhat reluctant to make the move but a visit to see friends here changed his mind and in 2004 they bought their home and waited till they could retire to Bella Vista in June of this year. David had been Warranty Administrator for Ford, while Marilyn was a Human Resources Manager.

David is a Viet Nam Veteran, wounded during his tour there. He enjoys taking life easy now, reading, and serving his church in various capacities. Marilyn also has worn many hats in her church, from working on the Missions Team, Outreach, and Facilities Manager. Marilyn is catching up on ten years of quilting and other unfinished craft projects before she joins the quilt group. She also enjoys beading.

They have a son in Oregon and a married daughter and an 11 year old granddaughter, who live in CA. Take a minute to introduce yourself to the Frisbys when you see them in church. They usually attend the late service.



# December 2011

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
9:00 Blood Pressure ✓ 9:30 Golden Links 9:30 Seekers 9:30 Wesley 10:30 OT Study 1:00 Play Rehearsal	10:00 Staff Meeting 12:45 Women's Chorus 5:00 Nativity Walk & Soup Supper	10:00 Concordia Bible Study 1:00 Prayer Shawl 6:30 Bd of Directors	8:30-Bible Study 9:00-Quilters 9:00 Disciples I 12:00 UMW Luncheon 1:00 Guest Follow-up 3:30 Chancel Bells 4:00 PACE 6:00 Prayer Service 6:00 Youth Choir/Mtg 7:00 SALT	8:00 Men's Chorus 11:00 Men's Golf 12:30 HOPE Circle-Freds 3:30 Choir Practice	9:00 Disciples III 11:30 Pre-School Board Mtng	4:00 BVFD Xmas Pty
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
8:00 & 10:45 CANTATA 9:30 Praise Tm Music 9:30 Golden Links 9:30 Seekers 9:30 Wesley 1:00 Play Rehearsal 3:00 Calhoun Recital	9:00 Alzheimer's Sprt 10:00 Staff Mtng 12:00 Calico Cut-ups 12:45 Women's Chorus 5:30 Abrams SG	9:00 Charity Circle 10:00 Concordia Bible 11:30 Naomi Circle 1:00 Prayer Shawl 1:00 Sarah Circle 5:00 For God SG 5:30 Agape SG	8:30-Bible Study 9:00-Quilters 9:00 Member Mtng 9:00 Disciples I 9:30 Mission Mtng 2:00 Concordia Xmas 3:30 Chancel Bells 4:00 PACE 6:00 Prayer Service 6:00 Youth Choir/Mtg 6:30-UMIM Dinner	8:00 Men's Chorus 11:00 Men's Golf 2:00 Sons of Rev 3:30 Choir Practice 6:30 Men's & Women's Chorus	9:00 Disciples III 5:00 Youth Xmas Party	
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## **Christmas Day Potluck**

December 25, 2011

11:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.

(following the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service)

The Church will provide turkey and gravy.

Bring a dish to share and, if you wish,  
a friend who may not have family nearby for the holidays.

Bro. Jaimie Alexander will be on hand to present Door Prizes.  
Share Christmas Music and Holiday Memories to add to the Festive Event!

Everyone is invited. Please contact the Church office  
at 855-1158, or in person if you plan to attend.  
If you are not able to bring a dish, just pay \$5  
and extra food will be prepared.

