

The Valley Herald

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Our Mission Statement

Christ Presbyterian Church focuses on a Bible-centered personal faith in Jesus Christ; shares the Christian faith in the community through participation in community and church-based programs; and strives to allow the Holy Spirit to guide our lives.

From The Pastor's Desk

"The Way, the Truth, and the Life"

I joined the church when I was very young because my parents took me to church every Sunday and it seemed the proper thing to do. I quickly learned that in order to become a good "church member," I needed to do a lot of good deeds.

Somewhere I got the idea that if I didn't do the right things, God might punish me. That notion came from fear -- fear that if I didn't perform and stay busy doing everything I could to earn those "gold stars," God would make me pay for my lack of commitment. I wanted to fit in with my peers and be accepted in the church. So, I only read the Bible because it was expected of me. It seemed to be the thing to do and I was trying to fulfill my moral obligations.

Doing the things God would have us do is a wonderful thing. But proper behavior and obedience without relationship with our Heavenly Father is following the wrong leading down the wrong path. We can even exhaust our life's resources and grow tired, and despondent. I had to come to this

realization before I could move forward.

Thank goodness, He is patient with us on our journey. He waits for us to work through our tangled web of distractions and mistakes. I had the idea that the things I did were the measuring stick of my walk with the Lord. Sometimes, I even allowed my works to become the evidence of my worth.

I tried to walk the "straight and narrow" out of fear - not the kind of reverential fear that drives us to cling to His presence - but one that is performance driven. I love Him and others because he first loved me (1John 4:19).

Now I do my best to walk in such a way that it pleases Him. I can honestly say that His Way is the best way. His Trust is reliable. His Love is complete. When I might feel betrayed by others, I know He is always there. I do not have to be afraid because I know He wants me and He loves me. He treasures my heart and my whole being. And I want to do my best to reciprocate

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Our Prayers & Praises

- Prayers for Hazel and Ernie Dunn, as Ernie continues to recover.
- Prayers for Pastor Bill who underwent shoulder surgery recently and continues to improve every day.
- Prayers for Pann Baltz who underwent surgery recently and is doing very well
- Prayers for Charlotte Bradys' son who recently underwent shoulder surgery.



Happy Birthday Wishes

- Nancy Valiquette — October 10th
- Bill Rodman — October 17th

Changes & Additions To The Directory

Changes

Ted Conway is Ted Conover - Phone # (775) 783-1284

George LaMonica lives on Purple Sage not Sagebrush

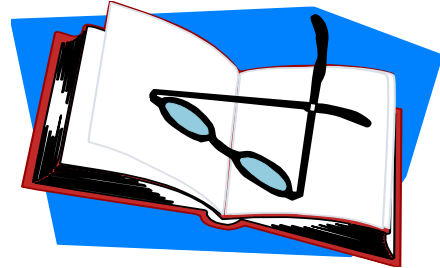
Additions

Gee Gee Gust - 1281 Kingstone, Gardnerville, NV 89410

Barbara Pardee, 103 Mark St. Gardnerville, NV 89410

Phyllis LaMayear, 1565A Virginia Ranch Road, Merrill Gardens, Gardnerville, 89410

Charlene and Bill Rodman's phone # (775) 265-7875



Adult Bible Study and Fellowship Opportunities

- **Women's Morning Bible Study** — will meet at 10:00 A.M on the 8th and the 20th. They will continue the study of "Written in Stone - the Ten Commandments and Today's Moral Crisis." For more information please call Carole Karp - 782-3230.
- **Choir Practice** — 7pm Wednesday at the church.
- **Thursday Adult Bible Study** is on hold for now. The group finished "Experiencing God" in April. Watch for new study plans to come.

Meetings & Other

- **Deacons** — Oct. 14th After Church
- **Session** — Normally meets the 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
- **Boy Scout Troop 411** meets on Thursdays at the church.
- **WOW Luncheon** — 11:30 a.m. Saturday, October 20th at the bowling alley in the Ranchos.

How to Land on a "Scratch in the Earth"

YOU MAY NEVER ATTEND the Navy's "Top Gun" school for the best aviators. But if you have flown with an MAF pilot, your regard for them may be just as high, as many MAF passengers have shared with us.

MAF pilots are highly trained, skilled, and committed. They often fly into very difficult and unusual airstrips, sometimes literally only a short strip of dirt carved out of a mountaintop, plateau, swamp, or rain forest. Seldom do they land on completely level ground. The approaches can be treacherous and unnerving for "first timers." But



that's what it takes to reach millions of people who live in extreme isolation.

These challenging strips are one of the reasons MAF has moved the Aviation Services Department and training program to Nampa, Idaho. In fact, the new MAF headquarters is located only minutes away from the Idaho/Oregon backcountry, a vast area filled with hundreds of difficult airstrips. In these mountains, MAF pilot skills are honed, where both new MAF pilots and seasoned staff

undergo regular flight evaluations. They land and take off from curved, undulating airstrips and blind—corner airstrips, places that stretch even the most accomplished, professional pilots.

The purpose for all this training? **Safety**... safe passage for the sick and the injured ... for doctors, nurses, pastors, Bible translators, missionary children and thousands more. We offered God our thanks and praise for 1,235 days of accident-free flying. Training is one of the reasons. Thank you for your faithful intercession! •

Here is how we help this important mission

As part of Christ Presbyterian Church's mission budget we help to support Alan and Renee Lindvall who serve with Mission Aviation Fellowship. For many years the Lindvalls served in Guatemala and then Peru. Alan was a pilot and Renee manned the radio and helped with Women's Bible studies. Below is an interesting article taken from their most recent newsletter and shows the dedication of these brave missionaries that serve with MAF and what great service they give around the world.

Today Alan and Renee serve at the Nampa, Idaho MAF headquarters. They are hosts for families coming home on furlough and also help to prepare those going out to service in the various MAF locations.

Bill and Charlene Rodman will be going to visit the Lindvalls in September. They will be bringing back an up to date report on their new MAF facilities and how it is coming together since moving there a year ago.

Meet New Members

Pann Baltz, the Church "Mouse"

What you may not know about your new pastor's wife...

She was born in Dallas, Texas.

At the tender age of three months, she moved to Knoxville, TN with her dad, mother, and older brother, Richard, where her daddy began a new Young Life club. As a three year old, she began riding horses during the summers spent at Young Life ranches in Colorado.

She moved to Southern California when she was five, and very quickly lost her "Southern" accent when teased in her Kindergarten class. During her growing up years, Pann learned how to play the piano and flute, became a very good snow skier, and decided to become an elementary school teacher like her mother.

She attended Hollywood High School where she was a student body officer and a cheerleader. (She never learned how to do a cartwheel.)

She attended the University of Redlands (freshman year) and UCLA.

Pann met Bill in the College Department at the First Presbyterian Church of Hollywood, where her dad married them before 1,000 people in 1969. Bill nicknamed her "The Mouse"!

She gave birth to Kenneth Chandler Baltz, "K.C.", in 1974.

She suffered a severe ninth stroke in 1992, 18 years after the open heart surgery that had stopped the strokes she suffered after K.C. was born.

She returned to teaching in a wheelchair, and was honored as California's 1993 Teacher of the Year, giving her a trip to International Space Camp in Huntsville, Alabama with all the other U.S. Teachers of the Year and reveled in the astronaut training. (Ask her about the zip line or the multi-axis simulator.) That same year she was chosen as Disney's National Teacher of the Year. With the personal award of \$25,000, Pann and Bill set up the "Mission Possible Scholarship" which sent two teachers and two middle school students to Space Camp each year until the money was gone.

Pann underwent a "Teacher Makeover" on the Regis and Kathy Lee Show (and was given a 25th anniversary dinner at Wolfgang Puck's restaurant, Spago's.)

She has been to the White House, met the first family and V.P., served on a board under U.S. Secretary of Education, Richard Riley, and testified before Congress about teaching values in our public schools.

Pann is "Granny Panny" to Garrett, age 6, and Emily, age 3.

She adores bears, especially her "Huggy Bear", Bill.

Pann loves living in the Carson Valley and treasures the ministry and people of CPC that God has given to Bill.

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Do you serve God because it's expected of you ... because you fear Him ... or trust Him? Proverbs 3:5-6 says, "Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. ⁶ In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight."


Pray for the possibilities of our Men's Ministry as we explore ways of having more fellowship with God and each other.

God Bless, Pastor Bill



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
 7 9 a.m. — Communion Worship Service with Pastor Baltz + Deacons Offering	1	2	3 7 p.m. — Choir Practice	4	5	6
14 9 a.m. — Worship with Pastor Hardy Deacons meet after church	8 10 am. — Women's Bible Study At Carole Karps' House	9 7 p.m. — Session Meets	10 7 p.m. — Choir Practice	11	12	13
21 9 a.m. — Worship with Pastor Baltz	15	16	17 7 p.m. — Choir Practice	18	19	20 11:30 a.m. — WOW Lunch at the bowling alley in the Ranchos
28 9 a.m. — Worship with Pastor Baltz +Food Ministry Sunday	22 10 am. — Women's Bible Study At Pann Karps' House	23	24 7 p.m. — Choir Practice	25	26	27
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*I am trusting Thee, Lord, Jesus,
Trusting only Thee;
Trusting Thee for full salvation,
Great and free.*

*I am trusting Thee for pardon;
At Thy feet I bow;
For Thy grace and tender mercy,
Trusting now.*

*I am trusting Thee to guide me;
Thou alone shalt lead;
Every day and hour supplying
All my need.*

*I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus;
Never let me fall;
I am trusting Thee forever,
And for all.*

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Sundays at 9:00 a.m. —
Worship Service
& Children's Sunday School

Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. —
Adult Bible Study