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"Come To The Water"—Lenten Program Sunday, Mar. 20, 2:30 Pm at Ascension Ch

| WORSHIP LEADER: | |
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| Anna Slaidns | |
| GREETERS: | |
| Barb Varine | |
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am the RESURRECTION and the LIFE. He who believes in me will LIVE, even though he dies.

John 11:25

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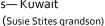
Youth Leader: Sheri Parrett

Admin. Chairperson: Bob Beall

Choir Director: Rob Duerr Organists: Jacque Fisher Mary Jane McBride Shelley Outlaw

Chapel Worship: 8:45 AM Morning Worship: 10:45 AM Sunday School: 9:30 AM <u>Bible Adventure: 10:45 AM</u>

| Ushers: | |
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| <u>8:45 AM</u> | 10:45 AM |
| Gary Etter | Les George |
| Arlene Uldrich | Pasko Evanoff |
| Charlene Brown | Ron Dill |



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I am looking for subjects or topics of your interest for a sermon series and small group discussions. Please email me at:

pastor@greenmontoakpark.com or you can call or send it by mail.

Thanks for your input. - Pastor Greg

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"... Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" Mark 10:38b.

As we walk in the season of Lent we are being asked by our Lord Jesus, are you able to drink His cup and be baptized with His baptism. James and John wanted positions of prestige and power. They wanted greatness. They have been misunderstanding the real meaning of Greatness. Jesus asked them if they were able to drink the cup that He would drink and be baptized with the baptism with which He would be baptized. Jesus was implying His forthcoming cross and suffering. But the competitive, recognition-hungry disciples did not comprehend. They naively replied, "Yes, we are able." Jesus then told them that greatness means being a servant. Let us ponder this awesome challenge this week: "And whoever of you desires to be first shall be slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many," Mk 10:45. With the question of "are we able?" is a similar question, "Are you willing?" Jesus did say to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized..." This promise comes as we recognize our unwillingness to serve one another in love. We are called to expose our inner secrets in the light of our Lord who is able and willing to transform these deep-seated secrets into instruments of His work. If God is able to turn "spears into pruning hooks and swords into plowshares," Christ is able to transform our inner, secret desires that were once instruments of power-hungry, oppressive self-centeredness into instruments of peace.

Our journey during Lent is a transitional walk from what we think we are able to do for Christ to what Christ Jesus is able to do through us. When we get clearly in mind what we are called to be and do as servants, then we know that we can't take that walk alone. The refrain of a gospel song, "Are We Able?" should not be, "We are able," but Christ is able."

Blessings in Christ's love, Pastor Greg

Everyone Counts— Statistics Attendance— Mar. 13, 2011 8;45 - 20 10:45 - 83Ash Wed. service- 54 Sunday school —27

Offering—operating income

(Monthly budget need is \$15,850) Income rec'd +/- Amt. Dec. '10 - \$ 15, 964 + \$114 Jan. '11 - \$15, 252 - \$598 Feb. '11 - \$

Happy Birthday Bob Karl—Mar. 20

Sam Rogers—Mar. 20 Eleanor Bane—Mr. 22 Jon Dull—Mar. 22 Norma Haines—Mar. 22 Kristen King—Mar. 23 Anu Marcum—Mar. 23 Eric Landing—Mar. 25 Teresa Risch—Mar. 25 Beth Heath—Mar. 26

In Our Prayers

Doris Alexander Ben Barnett Glenda Boddie Jim Farra Gene Gibson Jamie Geswein Jack Gilmore the Goldbergs Beverly Guffey **Jim Haines** Ken & Ginny Hambrick Judy Hirshman



Doug Sink Danny Tomaz Flo Warner Vera Westfall

Those in Nursing Care

Mary Willett

Mary Lou Chaney – Bethany Vlg. Margaret Cobb – Walnut Creek Margaret Dill – Masonic Home Marion Farren—Trinity Home Mildred Heath – Walnut Creek Lottie Jaeger – The Oaks, West Kett Will Jaeger – Grafton Oaks Dan Jones – Patriot Ridge Nursing Darlene Mahoney—. The Sanctuary Lena Patterson – Liberty Woods Charles Warren – East Moline, IL

Military

Charles Barlow—USA (Jane Simmon's grandson) Scott Certain – Afghanistan (Jo Anne Jay's son-in-law) Andrew Hayden – USA (Edna Holland's grandson) Tyler Mantia – USA Michael Mantia – USA (Mantia family sons) Nathan Nicholas-Korea Brian Nicholas—USA (Nicholas family sons) Adam Reeves—USA (Edna's grandson) Sam Rogers—USA (Jen & Jim Roger's son) Casey Ryan - USA (Weyrauch son-in-law) Kevin Stites— Kuwait



Young Children's Play Coming to Green-Oak Preschool April 4th & 5th a Home Schooled group of youth will be performing the play, "The Wizard of Oz" for our Preschool students. We invite any church families with preschool age children to come see the play as well. Come either Monday, April 4 or Tuesday, April 5 in the morning around 10: 15 AM. The performance is free and will last around 30-40 minutes. This group performed for the school last year, and offered a simple & nice story for the children.

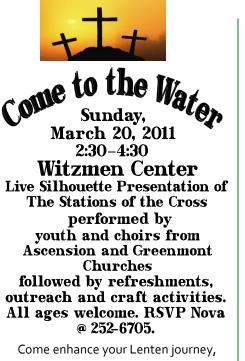
Youth Craft Project Supplies If anyone needs supplies for scouts, VBS, youth group, etc, I have put a box of stuff in the Christian Ed office: egg cartons, tp rolls, pie tins, film canisters, old Christmas cards and magazines, etc. Help yourself! Thanks, Lisa Bleeke

Going Down GOPCC History's Lane...

(An excerpt taken from Rev. Ray Hilty's story, Four-Score and More.)

Community Church was led by the Holy Spirit when a Constitution was written in 1946 for a new church. Though many other church rules for membership were consulted, none suited the committee members. They finally were led to choose the basis for membership that Jesus gave the rich young ruler who asked what he needed to do in order to be saved: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, strength, and mind... and ... your neighbor as yourself". That Covenant put the emphasis not on belief but on attitude and relationship ... on love to God and to man. Thereby differences in beliefs are possible so long as the relationship is loving and caring.

Time will prove that Jesus' command is the best qualification for church membership because love, like God, is eternal.



and walk the Journey with Jesus again, through these silhouette presentations of the Stations of the Cross. Our Ecumenical team and youth brought us this presentation a few years ago, it was very moving, a visual journey to remember. Also, a joint choir will add to the program, with a beautiful anthem.

Along with the presentation, outreach ministry crafts, family crafts, and refreshments will be offered, including King Cake. One craft will be making Easter cards for our shut-ins, that the Pastor can deliver on his visits.

So come, give yourself over to experiencing this Lenten journey and fellowship with our neighbors from Ascension church..



Blanket Sunday—March 20th Our CWS Partnership has existed at GOPCC since 1948.

This week we focus on the work of Church World Service (CWS) through the Blankets + program. The primary work of CWS is in the areas of disaster relief & redevelopment and refugee assistance.

After the earthquake and tsunami in Japan, CWS is in contact with the Japan Platform, a group of 32 NGO's and government agencies, to offer assistance in meeting emergency needs of people in this disaster of unprecedented size and scope. More specifics will be worked out after needs are assessed and a plan can be put together.

After a tsunami last October in the Mentawai Islands, CWS was on the scene and provided tents for immediate shelter after thousands of homes were destroyed. Now the focus is on building transitional shelters until permanent housing can be rebuilt. This is how CWS does more than just provide immediate help. They stay and work until a semblance of normalcy can be restored.

Our support of the Blankets + program assures that resources are in place when needed anywhere in the world at any time when God's children need His help. Thank you for supporting this vital ministry. - Social Action

Youth Events Calendar



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Adventure Bible Class - 10:45 worship service. (for ages 4 yrs through 5th grade)

Crusaders—Mar. 17 @ 4 PM

5th quarter— Mar. 19 @ 8 PM Jr & Sr's—Mar. 20 , 12 to 2 PM Lunch & program practice 2-4 PM Program Jr & Sr High LOCK-IN Mar. 25 -bring permission form

- bring \$5 for meals
- bring a snack/drink to share
- bring sleeping bag/pillow



We Earned \$54.00

Thank you to all who bought or made a donation to the Footprints group Bake Sale fundraiser. We are looking forward to going on this fun activity together with our church friends.

Thank you again.



"The Face In The Looking Glass"

When: Saturday, March 19th Where: GOPCC Donut Room

Time: 12 noon to 4 PM

Come join in the fun and fellowship at another WINGS activity. Some of the ladies will be selected to have a makeover done by the guest make-up artist who will be with us.

There will be a very meaningful devotion presented about outward and inward beauty and how we need to put them into perspective.

As for the luncheon, we are asking that everyone sign up to bring either a salad or side dish. Sloppy Joe sandwiches, drinks, and dessert will be provided.

This should b e a very enjoyable afternoon with good food, a fun activity, and wonderful fellowship with all our sisters in Christ!



"Thank You"

Thank you so much for the staff gift. It will be used for a pair of Organ shoes. Be looking for: "them Golden Slippers". Thanks again, Mary Jane McBride

"Thank You"

We have such a dedicated group of individuals who cut out and collect the Campbell's labels and the Box Tops for education for the Children's Crossroad Home in Indiana. Your support of this program really helps to supply the home with educational tools. So keep up the good work and thanks again.

Dear Rev. King and Greenmont-Oak Park Community Church,

Thank you for the generous gift of \$350.00 to St. Vincent de Paul. We are honored that you choose to entrust in us to serve our neighbors so in need of assistance, shelter and hope.

Through your support we are able to give safe shelter , feed and clothe the poor, and transform the lives of those seeking self-sustainability. Our neighborhood conferences, gateway shelters, transitional and permanent housing programs, community store and food pantries work together to provide a safety net to men, women, and children during their time in need.

You've made a difference. Leigh Sempeles, Esq. Executive Director

"In Sympathy"

We extend our prayers and thoughts to Tom Wheeler and Linda Brewer and families, upon the passing of their father, Herbert Wheeler, onto eternal life. May God comfort the family at this time of loss. - Your GOPCC family

Ten Positive Assurances

- 1. God will still be on the Throne Ps.47:8
- 2. His Grace will still abound Rom.5:20
- His Mercies will still be new every morning. - Lam. 3:22
- 4. His Promises will still be true.
 Cor. 1:20
- 5. He will still be faithful—Isa. 49:7
- 6. He will still be working out His plan. Eph. 1:11
- 7. He will still provide. Phil. 4:19
- 8. He will still Bless you with every Spiritual blessing in Christ.- Eph.1:3
- His Blood will still have the Power to cleanse from all sin.—I John 1:7
- 10. He will still Love you with an Everlasting love.—Jeremiah 31:3

UNTIL HE COMES! Rev. 22:20

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