FRESNO SUNNYSIDE SDA CHURCH



Sunnyside News is a weekly publication designed to inform members and subscribers of our current news and events

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER APRIL 2, 2009

PASTOR'S NOTES

PASSION WEEK

This Sabbath, we will begin remembering the final week of Jesus life, including the Triumphal Entry and the Last Supper. The worship will include observance of Communion.



POTLUCK

This Sabbath is also potluck. Please join us in the community center, immediately following the worship service, for food and fellowship.

RESURRECTION CELEBRATIONS

Next weekend we will celebrate the Resurrection on Sabbath and Sunday. Sabbath is our annual Resurrection Celebration Worship Service which will include lots of music. Sunday morning we will celebrate the Resurrection at FAA with a worship service, breakfast, and egg hunt for the kids.

THANK YOU

I appreciate the cards and messages of condolences many of you have sent this past week following the passing of my grandfather. It has been comforting to know that others care about my grief.

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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

April 4, 2009 I I:00 A.M.

"Come, Thou Almighty
King"

Welcome

Pastor Dennis Ray

"How Majestic is Your Name" "Shine, Jesus, Shine" "Cares Chorus"

Garden of Prayer

Desrie van Putten

Children's Story Linda Barron

Offering

"Take My Life and Let it Be" Camille van Putten

Echoes of Yesterday

Pastor Ray

Communion

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, APRIL 5

ABC Open House & Food Sale – Conference Office 10:00 a.m.

TUESDAY, 7

Adventurer & Pathfinder Clubs – Church 6:00 p.m.

"Prayer: Finding the Heart's True Home" Class 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

Deadline for Bulletin info: bulletinstaff@sunnysidesda.org 6:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study – Marsh home 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 9

Church Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.

SABBATH, APRILII

Meditative Service — CANCELED Sabbath School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

PREACHING SCHEDULE

April 11 — Pastor Ray April 18 — Pastor Ray

April 25 — Pastor Ray

MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION SUMMARY

March Approved Budget	\$18,300.00
Amount Received	14,781.24
Over (Short)	(3,518.76)

YTD Approved Budget \$54,900.00 Amount Received 45,046.72 Over (Short) (9,853.28)

Youth Pastor Fund: \$33,592.15 Children's Offering YTD: \$1,329.68

This Week's Offering:

Local Church Budget

YOUTH EVENTS

SABBATH: Parents' Pow-wow —Youth Culture Chp 9: Living in a Material World.

Kristi Burkhart would also like to meet with Youth Leaders to fill vespers and Sabbath School schedules.

HEALTHY BYTES

SPICY CABBAGE SLAW

Dressing:

1/4 c raw sugar

½ c. rice or cider vinegar
2 t. each salt and pepper
¾ c. olive or grape seed oil

1/4 c. sesame oil

I ½ t. hot chili oil (or to taste)

Tabasco works well

Salad:

I lg. head of green cabbage, shredded

I c. chopped green onions

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chicken flavored seasoning

1/2 c. toasted sesame seeds

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To make dressing: place all dressing ingredients in large bowl and whisk until sugar is dissolved. Add cabbage, green onions and seasonings. Mix well with dressing. This recipe is actually better the next day so make it ahead and relax.

For more info on healthy solutions contact Gale at 974-2459 or email at gale4health@comcast.net

Join Gale's "Healthy Eating" cooking class every 2nd Monday of the month at 7pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POTLUCK REMINDER

Don't forget that potluck is this Sabbath.

A-M bring a casserole & salad; **N-Z** bring a casserole & dessert. Potluck is a great time to fellowship with old friends & to make new ones.

Sunnyside Women's Ministry Invites you to join them for

TEA &THEE 2009 April 26 at 1:00PM

Hope Lutheran Community Ctr.

\$20.00 per Adult \$10.00 per Child

EASTER MORNING SERVICE

Come and celebrate the Lord's resurrection with your church family at Sunnyside's 6th Annual Easter Service at the FAA Mansion Sunrise

Service Service picnic grounds. Join us for a light breakfast



starting at 9:30am on April 12, followed by a celebration in music and a short sermon from Pastor Ray. Bring your lawn chairs and picnic blankets. Kids, don't forget your baskets for the Easter egg hunt!



PLASTIC EGGS & TREATS NEEDED

This is the last week to give donations for Sunnyside's annual Easter egg hunt. We need: plastic Easter eggs, small individually wrapped candy, jelly beans or small novelty toy items (like those found at "dollar stores"). A box will be available in back of the church foyer.



Accepting Conations Sunnyside Women's Ministry is looking for raffle prize donations for their upcoming Tea & Thee. Money raised from these raffles pay for Bible study materials for those who cannot afford them, and for projects this ministry supports. To date, we have given over 400 baskets to the women of Rosecrest. If you would like to donate raffle prizes, please contact Sherry Marsh, 224-9005 or 974-3634. We are looking for crystal serving pieces, tea pots, tea cups, and items relating to tea.

Sign ups will be posted April 4 or RSVP with Angela 229-5501 or Sherry 224-9005

You are invited to join us at the Adventist Book Center, 2820 Willow Ave., Clovis, this **Sunday, 10:00–4:00.** We'll have our case lot food sale, our free lunch (11:00-2:00), big savings throughout the store,

special discounts, enter-&win drawing, new releases!



FUA/FAA ALUMNI WEEKEND

It all begins on Friday, April 24 with the Alumni Golf Tournament. You don't have to be alumni to play.

Young Alumni Vespers on Friday, April 24 will be at 7:30 p.m. in the FAA Music Room. Vespers will be hosted by the Honor Class of 1999.

Alumni Reunion Sabbath, April 25 Registration starts at 10:00 a.m. The reunion service will begin at 10:45, followed by a potluck dinner. Please bring your favorite dish to share!

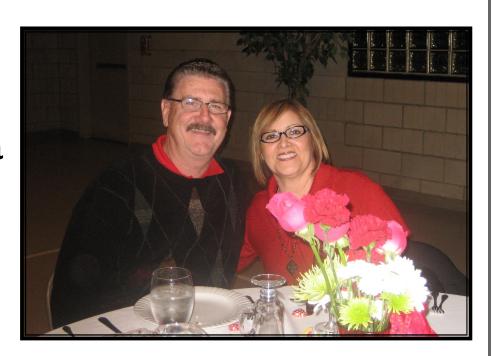
Slam Dunk 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament. The Student Association invites the Alumni to join in the annual 3-on-3 basketball tournament Saturday night. Registration begins at 7:45; games begin at 8:00. Food and refreshments will be available.

For more information on these events, contact Richelle at 251-5548.

EARL MEYERS IN CONCERT Fresno Central Church presents baritone, Earl Meyers in a vespers concert April 18 at 6:15 p.m. For more information call 233-1171.

GETTING TO KNOW OUR FRIENDS & FAMILY Building Lives Through Relationships...

Tim & Irma McGuinn





Karen & Ken Swanson

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

Steve Willey (4/4)
Dale Lucas (4/6)
Christian Vaughn (4/6)
Jana Fritz (4/8)
Brian Jones (4/8)
Denise Lowe (4/8)
Aelis Batty (4/10)
Chad Fitzgerald (4/10)
Calista Foss (4/10)

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO...

Tim & Irma McGuinn (4/7)

Jesus knew his mission statement, and he did not deviate from it. He declared that his mission was, in essence, to teach people about a better way of life. He saw himself as a teacher and a healer.

An ancient adage says, "If you want to defeat them, distract them." In the wilderness Jesus was given several "business opportunities" that did not relate to his mission.

Each of these opportunities was related to talents that Jesus had, and used, in some form or another during his tenure. But he resisted them because they did not fit his mission statement.

Pause for a moment and consider the things Jesus did not do. Here is someone endowed with limitless power from on high. He could have done literally anything. Yet he did not build a temple or synagogue. He did not write or distribute books. He did not even heal all the sick people in the world. He did not go down to the graveyards and raise everyone from the dead. He did not build shopping malls. His mission was very specific.

Jesus stuck to his mission.

— Laurie Beth Jones, "Jesus CEO"