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Worship Service Time:

10:00 Worship
11:00 Koinonia

Starting Sept 9
Sunday school
Youth 9:00 a.m.
Adult 11:15 a.m.



Choir singing during Advent

Sights and sounds of Christmas

Youth lighting Advent candles

Calvin Duhachek Piano solo



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THE PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As I was thinking about the coming of a new year, I recalled words I had read about how to go into a new year. The words can be found in a daily devotional book written by Mrs. Charles E. Cowman titled *Streams in the Desert*. The book was published in 1966. I purchased the book in 1971 as a Father's Day gift for my grandfather. The book was returned to me after my grandfather's death in 1975.

I found much comfort and encouragement from the reading of this book as I have turned to it countless times for over 35 years. I would like to share with you the words written by Mrs. Charles E. Cowman about how to go into a new year:

“Advance into this new year on your knees. Faith does not concern itself with the entire journey. One step is enough. That first step is all that is needed. Breathe a prayer of courage to fill your legs as well as your heart as you face the unknown, the unexpected. What matters that you know not your destination? Put your hand into the hand of God. He gives the calmness and serenity of heart and soul. As He endures, you too, can endure the climb over sharp rocks and crags. Climb with Him to the end of the year – yea, even to the end of life's trail.”

Begin the new year with prayer, and hold on to God's hand as He leads you through the year. I can't think of any better advice than that!

Wishing you a Blessed New Year!
Pastor Karen

FROM THE BISHOP

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

In this sacred season of the coming of the Christ child into the world may we all receive the blessing of Peace on Earth. May the Good Will of the Creator God who came to us as a precious child open our hearts to the Divine love that embraces everyone, everywhere.

This season of the Birth of Emanuel, God with us, offers a most special gift. With innocence and hope we can look at life anew. Defenses can disappear. Conflict can cease. We can do away with anger. We can put an end to the efforts to divide. We can open that gift of new life and begin to live as Christ did – with wide-eyed wonder, understanding, appreciation, and compassion.

The closing days of 2012 have been difficult ones. People are struggling to overcome the effects of Hurricane Sandy; many are not back in their homes, or don't even have a home to which to go back. Hopes of freedom from past springs seemed to be dashed. Opposition is more a part of life than unity. Many grieve in the wake of the tragedies in Newtown, Connecticut, in Aurora, Colorado, and the too many other places where senseless acts of violence have stolen away beautiful lives.

A traditional Christmas carol gives voice to our prayer.

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel...”

*O come thou Wisdom from on high, and order all things
far and nigh...*

*O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer our spirits by
thy justice here...*

*O come, Desire of nations bind all peoples in one heart
and mind...*

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come...”

In this time of heavenly promise and earthly hope, may you be encouraged in your coming and your going. May you be the “peace that passes all understanding.” And as you live to see the Christ in others around you, so too, may they come to know the same presence of Christ in you.

Be Encouraged,

Bishop Julius Calvin Trimble
and Racelder Grandberry-Trimble

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Ed Kail –Retiring

Have you ever had your life redirected? You're going along in one way, and suddenly, something changes and you go a different direction. It happened to the apostle Peter. There he was, fishing for fish, when Jesus showed up and called him to follow. He was redirected to "fish for people." Three years later, after that confusing Resurrection morning, Peter went back to the lake to get back to fishing for fish. John 21 tells us that Jesus showed up again, called to Peter, and – next thing you know – Peter is redirected again, this time into shepherding: feeding and tending sheep. Have you ever been redirected?

After 5 ½ years of Field Outreach Ministry, I am being redirected. I have been listening to myself as I have taught people that our mission lies outside the walls of our buildings and customs. I have convinced myself while persuading others that our call is to transform the world through changing lives for the better in our communities – one life, one disciple, one family at a time. I have realized that, in working with churches and church people all my life, I have been pretty narrow in focus. There is a huge mission field out there that I know very little about, and have virtually no experience in encountering.

So I have asked the Bishop, Cabinet and Board of Ordained Ministry to grant me retired status at the next Annual Conference session in June, 2013. Myra and I plan to relocate to Kansas City, MO, partly to be close to our younger son and his family, but also to move into a neighborhood that will serve as our mission field. As near as I can discern, my next direction will involve working to eliminate poverty of every kind in our communities.

I am curious to see if we can actually facilitate the building of neighborhoods in our old housing development. I have told God that I am at his disposal, and ready for adventure – probably a dangerous prayer to offer! I understand that the opening for the Field Outreach position in the SW

District will be advertised during December. This is so that clergy under appointment who are interested can apply and not unduly complicate the appointive process early in 2013. I confess that I am quite curious to see who will be selected to take up this work. I am committed to contribute to an orderly, smooth and effective transition process. Both you and the mission deserve no less.

It is not time to say goodbye -- yet. My intention is to "run with perseverance the race that is set before us," and to finish strong. Please do pray for me, my resolve and my discernment in this transition time.

Pray also for the next candidate who will carry on the Field Outreach mission among you in this district, whoever they may be. And, for the next 7 months, let me know how I can be of service or assistance to you and your mission. That's what I'm here for, now.

Ed Kail

Field Outreach Minister



THANK YOU'S

Dear Friends,

It is with sadness and joy that I have joined the Westwood UMC here in Omaha. I treasure my 50+ years as a member of your church. I miss my friends there, but life goes on. Bless you and thank you for the fond memories.

Dorothy Brandes

To the UMW of Oakland,

We want to thank all of you for your kindness. The food was wonderful and allowed us to grieve, to remember and to sit and visit and laugh. I, too, am a UMW member at my church in Rapid City. This is a difficult time and you all made it a little more bearable.

Terry & Julie Kullbom



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Human Relations Day: Jan. 20

Honor the Christ-child and make a difference in someone's life! Just as the Magi honored the Christ child with gifts, we honor the Savior by sharing with others. One way is by giving a special Christmas contribution to Human Relations Day offering. Whether your gift is \$25, \$100 or \$1,000, it will make a huge difference in the lives of persons like Monty Payne.

Human Relations Day: Church Helps Addicts Heal

Monte Payne pulls from personal pain and experience when he counsels men and women battling addiction. "A lot of the counseling that we do here like helping with jobs, helping with finances, helping with parenting, would seem real simplistic to the average American but they didn't lose ten or fifteen years of their life in drug addiction," says Payne. It took more than one try for Payne to stay clean but he finally found peace and sobriety with help from Theresa Hoover United Methodist Church in Little Rock, Arkansas. Payne is now a homeowner, an active parent to his teenage son, and a mentor to others trying to turn their lives around.

Iowa State University

At the Wesley Foundation at Iowa State University we've had a busy month. We held three planning meetings where students enjoyed food and talked about what they want to do next semester. They talked about studies, service projects, social events and more. It was a great time for students to converse about those studies and projects that touch their hearts.

We also had three sections of the book study Christmas is Not Your Birthday. There was a lot of excitement around this study. We even had a student that was in another state for an internship this semester Skype in for the study. We had lots of discussion about the real meaning of Christmas, Christmas traditions, and how we can find ways to try to escape from some of the commercialism and reclaim Jesus as the center of focus for the season.

For the second year we brought the kids from the Emergency Residence Project (the local homeless shelter) to the Advent Workshop where students helped them make gifts for others including candy, blankets, scarves, ornaments, and more. It brought joy to both their lives and ours. Each kid had a big buddy or two that helped them with the crafts and spent some quality time with them. We also had students that were in charge of leading the craft tables and explaining what to do. It was a fun time for all. In 2013 we hope to strengthen our relationship with the kids at ERP by doing activities with them once a month.

We ended the semester with dead relief stress relievers, which included mosaic night, food craft night, craft night, and a movie and craft night. We also once again served free finals week breakfasts.

University of Iowa

At the Wesley Foundation at the University of Iowa, Free Finals Week Breakfasts cap off a semester of outreach, spiritual deepening, theological conversations and service.

The Finals Week Breakfast remains a big hit with students at the University of Iowa. The Wesley Foundation provides hospitality and nutrition during a week of stress. We met many new students and nurtured relationships with others.

From 8-10am each morning of finals, the Wesley staff would gather early prepare pancakes, eggs and bacon. Wesley Foundation Board members would drop off quiches and sweet rolls. Students would slowly stream in beginning at 8am; and by 9am, the Coffeehouse would be strewn with groups of students sharing stories of finals taken and papers written.

Campus ministers, Paul and Marsha, heard stories of where students were in their life.

After the last pancake was flipped on Friday morning, we celebrated the role of the table in extending Christian community.

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December 21st, 2012

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“When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart.” Luke 2:17-18

People live differently when we each experience for ourselves the unimaginable reach of God’s love for us all in Jesus.

A few years ago we had to put down Katie, our twelve year old cocker spaniel. For several years we had delayed the inevitable – even though she was blind in both eyes, suffering canine glaucoma. Still, she got around remarkably well. (Just don’t move the household furniture!) But in the final year or two things got worse, especially when we let her outside and she’d get lost out in the backyard, unable to find her way to the backdoor. So through rain, sleet, and snow, fair weather and foul, I often had to go out and get her. Calling out her name wasn’t enough. Tapping on the deck and whistling wouldn’t do. Instead I had to go after her. Otherwise she just wandered in circles, hesitant and uncertain, tripping and stumbling, wary and even fearful – unable to find her way on her own. But as soon as she felt the touch of my hand on her collar, visibly you could see her relax, and almost trot with me up to the house. With my touch, she came home.

I’ve come to realize in my life that I am not much different than a blind cocker spaniel. I too live hesitantly, sometimes tripping and stumbling, often uncertain, wary, and yes in moments and whole days even fearful, wandering in circles, unable on my own to find my way home. And all of God’s calling, and all of God’s whistling and waiting and banging for me to turn my life towards God’s direction and make it on my own didn’t get me there. Instead, God has had to

come out to get me—in the flesh—with the touch of God’s hand; which began one night so long ago as a baby reached for me from a manger trough, and years later from a cross, helping me find my way home. And yes, because of that my friends, I live differently. Because God in the flesh came out for me, it continues to change everything for me – and I pray for each person God now reaches through me.

You see it all began with shepherds and a pondering new mother, and so it continues even to this day. People do live differently when they—when we experience the unimaginable reach of God’s love for us in Jesus. If such love can reach so far that it can be born in the flesh in a crude stable on a lonely night so long ago, then wherever lost and circling you and I and others too may live today, is not too much of a reach for such love to find us either. This is what the Christmas story tells me.

God became one of us so that we may know what God has always known about us. God’s love claims us – with a far reach, so far that God would come out to find us with God’s saving touch in Jesus, to bring us home. Nothing else, nothing else says this. As Christians who know this and now celebrate this in Christmas, it doesn’t make us better than anyone else. It just makes each of us better, able now to live differently, no longer circling, because we have been “found and brought home”.

What a gift is given. What a wish is fulfilled and now ready to be shared, in Jesus.

So this is my deepest Christmas wish, for me and for you and for all those that God continues to place into our pathways all these days of Christmas – and each and every day, beyond. May you feel the touch of God’s hand upon you this Christmas season, and may you be that touch in the life of someone near you, that brings them home to God, too.

**Wishing you all the joy of this season, which only God can give you, in Jesus,
SCOTT**

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Neuonia Timberman

Dick Timberman

Barb Schorsch

Skye & Carl Schorsch

Jim & Joretta Johnson

*Harold & Parthena Carley
John & Elenor McConnell*

Patty Marsh

Kyra Taylor

*Merlin and Sharon
Jones family*

*Jeryl Jones
Addie Mae Smith*

Norma Glass

Roland Glass

Richard & Joan Shanno

John & Virginia Ford

*Dave and Sheila
Applegate family*

*Earl and Ilene Applegate
Dalene Howard*

*Marty and Kristy
Rieken and boys*

*Our Grandparents
Our Anniversary*

Sandy Bane

Barry Bane

Jerry and Karen Hoff

*Rebecca Blake
Earl & LaVina Hoff
Clifford Conklin Jr.*

*Sherry & Joel Russell
& families*

Wayne Hopping

Jerry and Suzanne Pierce

*Ovulle & LaVina Pierce
Don & Dorothy Campbell
Dona Pierce
Don Johnk*

Erma Cleaveland

*Berwyn Cleaveland and
Our Parents*

Lee Knudsen

Don Knudsen

Dan & Robin Jefferson

Bud & Irene Jefferson

Hazel Harvey

*Walter, Phyllis &
Wayne Harvey
Raymond & Hazel
Bingham
Robert & Roberta Bingham*

Gerald & Carol Wilson

*Mark Allen Wilson
Bette Jean Wilson*

*Ferry & Cyndy Haines
& family*

Friends and family

Bud & Marsha Beedle & family Perry Beedle Jr.

Hilda Beedle

Perry H. Beedle Jr.

Camryn & Allyce Pierson

*Dick "Papa" Pierson
Aunt Kimmy Pierson
Farrell*

*Doc & LaVinna
Blanchard*

*Belle Rucker
Jennie Blanchard
Henry & Jennie Killion*

Wayne & Mary Lou Colvin

*Joseph Colvin
Robert Colvin
Porter Howard
Stanley Howard
Mary Gibson*



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Joel Hopping
- 2 Ashley Way
- 3 Emily Johnson
- 4 Kristy Bane
- 5 Jamie Ewalt
Brent Applegate
- 6 Kolton Finnegan
- 7 Heather Pitt
Joel Sowers
- 9 LaVinna Blanchard
- 11 Cale Roller
- 12 Evan Gleaves
- 13 Larry Danker
- 14 Brad Cleaveland
- 15 Jessie Shiffer
Marv Thompson
Dave Woodward
Kim Gambaina
Claire Harris
- 17 Greg Bentley
- 19 Ryan Danker
Eric Duhachek
- 20 Fred G. Henry
- 21 Craig Hummel
- 23 Rachel Allensworth
- 24 Jerry Pierce
- 25 Justine Cleaveland
- 27 Claire Palmer
Brody Kinnison
- 28 Judi Danker
Lindsay Bentley
- 30 Don Hildebrand
- 31 Dick Cleaveland



REMEMBER OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

Kristie Copenhaver, John & Mary Lou Copenhaver's daughter; **Jared Myers**, son of Robert Myers and Sid & Tami Skank; **Tyler Williamson**, son of Michelle Swope; **Sonja Husz**; **Lucas Smith**, Addie Mae's grandson; **Brian Thornton** from Avoca; **Tyler Clark**, Marvin & Carolyn Clark's grandson; **Brad Grosvenor**, Cathey Grosvenor's son stateside, and other area service men and women. **Landen Pedersen**, son of Tab and Lorie Pederson & great-grandson of Edith Haines



If you have a loved one in the service and wish to have them listed on our prayer list, please contact the church office.

*If I rise on the wings of the dawn,
if I settle on the far side of the sea,
even there your hand will guide me ...*



NURSING HOMES - Remember those in the nursing homes with cards and visits.

Oakland Manor: Margaret Alff, Eileen Haines, Audrey Hartje; Ralph Pierce

Oakland Heights: Lucille Bentley, Erma Cleaveland, Janice Harris, Pat Burgett



If you have a student in college, please contact this office with their address. We would like to keep in touch.

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Sunday school youth meets at 9:00 a.m. and the adult Bible study meets at 11:15.

NURSERY

VOLUNTEERS

- 6 Joan Shanno
- 13 Lindsay Bentley
- 20 Carol Wilson
- 27 Lisa Pierson



Teacher's schedule -

- Nursery Kyra Martens
- 6th Pre Leigh Bell
- K-1 Lynelle Jeppesen
- 2-4 Jenn Wilson
- 5-8 Kristy Rieken
- 13th Pre Sheila Applegate
- K-1 Lisa Pierson
- 2-4 Sue Duhachek
- 5-8 Kristy Rieken
- 20th Pre Lindsey Henderson
- K-1 Lynelle Jeppesen
- 2-4 Jenn Wilson
- 5-8 Kristy Rieken
- 27th Pre Leigh Bell
- K-1 Lisa Pierson
- 2-4 Sue Duhachek
- 5-8 Kristy Rieken



USHERS,

GREETERS,

CANDLELIGHTERS

- 6th Mike & Kristy Bane
Dick & Louise Merkle
- Candle lighters
Andrew Jones & Sarah Jones

- 13th Bob & Beverly Beckendorf
Mitch & Penny Anderson

- Candle lighters
Kyra Martens & Kristian Martens

- 20th Bernie & Norma Bolton
Mark & Mischa Martens

- Candle lighters
Emma Ehmke & Anna Duhachek

- 27th Alan & Connie Gardner
Jerry & Suzanne Pierce

- Candle lighters
Grace Gleaves & Camryn Pierson



5:00p.m. Hispanic Worship Service

	Host	Nursery
6th	Mary Waggoner	
13th	Lynelle Jeppesen	
20th	_____	
27th	_____	

**THANK YOU
VOLUNTEERS!
YOU'RE THE
GREATEST!!!**

KOINONIA

- 6th Mary Waggoner & Mary Lou Colvin
- 13th Lucia Kinnison & Sandy Bane
- 20th Skip & Ilene Applegate
- 27th Barb Schorsch

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Centro Latino: New Place, Same Mission

The following article was written by Tim Johnson of the Daily Nonpareil Newspaper in Council Bluffs, IA (Posted: Tuesday, October 30, 2012 12:00 am). Photos were provided by Erin Duerr, also of The Daily Nonpareil. Reproduced by Permission.

Centro Latino is set to reopen in a new location. The center, previously housed at the Council Bluffs Community Health Center, will hold an open house Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the downtown Care and Share House building at 600 S. Main St. Beginning next week, Centro Latino will be open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and by appointment, said Linda Vasquez-Evans, coordinator. "I'd love for this to be open every day," she said. "I need volunteers to help."

Vasquez-Evans is a psychologist in private practice in Omaha and also provides employee assistance programs for large companies. She has worked as a family support worker with Spanish-speaking families, a family life minister for the Archdiocese of Omaha and is former chairwoman of the Chicano Awareness Center Board in Omaha.

"I think when I applied for this job it was a way for me to come to Iowa," she said. "Because of my work with families, domestic violence and substance abuse, to me, I thought it was a perfect fit. And 85 percent of my work in Omaha is with Hispanic families."

Vasquez-Evans is excited about working with Hispanics in Iowa. "I've always liked Iowa, because they open their arms to the Hispanic people," she said. Centro Latino was formed 10 years ago as a ministry of the United Methodist Church's Iowa Conference and Southwest Iowa District. Services were suspended Feb. 15 because of a lack of adequate space to offer classes and group activities, which a survey

showed local Hispanics wanted to have. In addition, the Community Health Center, which has provided space for the center, was preparing to move and will not have as much space available in its new facility.

"The survey showed people want more seminars, courses, group activities, support groups," said Ernie Ruehle, board vice president and coordinator of Hispanic ministries for the Southwest Iowa District. Parenting and literacy classes were among those requested, he said. An office alone would not provide enough space for those activities. One of the first events in the new location will be a program by Iowa Legal Aid to help people with limited English skills understand contracts and other legal documents. The session will be Wednesday, Nov. 7, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at Centro Latino.

Vasquez-Evans would like to bring someone in to do a nutrition class, too. She would like to organize a quilting group that would meet regularly. A long-term goal is to offer childcare at the center.

She encourages anyone who cannot come to the center during its regular hours to call and leave a message at (712) 256-6009 so she can set up an appointment with them.



Help us do our part to support these types of services. Volunteer for our Hispanic Worship hosts and child care on Sunday nights.

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Billy Graham's Prayer For Our Nation

THIS MAN SURE HAS A GOOD VIEW OF WHAT'S HAPPENING TO OUR COUNTRY!

'Heavenly Father, we come before you today to ask your forgiveness and to seek your direction and guidance. We know Your Word says, 'Woe to those who call evil good,' but that is exactly what we have done. We have lost our spiritual equilibrium and reversed our values. We have exploited the poor and called it the lottery. We have rewarded laziness and called it welfare. We have killed our unborn and called it choice. We have shot abortionists and called it justifiable. We have neglected to discipline our children and called it building self esteem. We have abused power and called it politics. We have coveted our neighbor's possessions and called it ambition. We have polluted the air with profanity and pornography and called it freedom of expression. We have ridiculed the time-honored values of our forefathers and called it enlightenment. Search us, Oh God, and know our hearts today; cleanse us from sin and Set us free. Amen!'

GOD'S ACCURACY – THE FACTS

This is awesome! How Great is our God!!!
Our Creator and Redeemer . . . and do we even THINK about it???

God's accuracy may even be observed in the hatching of eggs.

For example:

- The eggs of the potato bug hatch in 7 days;
- Those of the canary in 14 days;
- Those of the barnyard hen in 21 days;
- The eggs of ducks and geese hatch in 28 days;
- Those of the mallard in 35 days;
- The eggs of the parrot and the ostrich hatch in 42 days. (Notice, they are all divisible by seven, the number of days in a week!)

God's wisdom is seen in the making of an elephant. The four legs of this great beast all bend forward in the same direction. No other quadruped is so made. God planned that this animal would have a huge body, too large to live on two legs. For this reason He gave it four fulcrums so that it can rise from the ground easily.

The horse rises from the ground on its two front legs first. A cow rises from the ground with its two hind legs first. How wise the Lord is in all His works of creation!

God's wisdom is revealed in His arrangement of sections and segments, as well as in the number of grains.

- Each watermelon has an even number of stripes on the rind.
- Each orange has an even number of segments.
- Each ear of corn has an even number of rows.
- Each stalk of wheat has an even number of grains.
- Every bunch of bananas has on its lowest row an even number of bananas, and each row decreases by one, so that one row has an even number and the next row an odd number.
- The waves of the sea roll in on shore twenty-six to the minute in all kinds of weather.
- All grains are found in even numbers on the stalks, and the Lord specified thirty-fold, sixty-fold, and a hundred-fold all even numbers.

God has caused the flowers to blossom at certain specified times during the day. Linnaeus, the great botanist, once said that if he had a conservatory containing the right kind of soil, moisture and temperature, he could tell the time of day or night by the flowers that were open and those that were closed!

The lives of each of you may be ordered by the Lord in a beautiful way for His glory, if you will only entrust Him with your life. If you try to regulate your own life, it will only be a mess and a failure. Only the One Who made the brain and the heart can successfully guide them to a profitable end.

January Calendar of Events

Sun, Jan 6	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Sunday School/Confirmation Worship/Communion Koinonia Undecorated the Sanctuary Hispanic Worship Service
Wed, Jan 9	6:30 p.m. 7—8:00 p.m.	Jr.& Sr. High Youth Groups English as a second language
Sun, Jan 13	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Sunday School/Confirmation Worship Koinonia Adult Bible Study Hispanic Worship Service
Wed, Jan 16	6:30 p.m. 7—8:00 p.m.	Jr.& Sr. High Youth Groups English as a second language
Sun, Jan 20	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Sunday School/Confirmation/Choir practice Worship/children sing/3rd Sunday offering Koinonia Adult Bible study Hispanic Worship Service
Wed, Jan 23	6:30 p.m. 7-8:00 p.m.	Jr.& Sr. High Youth Groups English as Second Language class
Sun, Jan 27	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Sunday School/Confirmation/Choir Practice Worship Koinonia Adult Bible study Hispanic Worship Service
Wed, Jan 30	6:30 p.m. 7-8:00 p.m.	Jr.& Sr. High Youth Groups English as Second Language class

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

Oakland United Methodist Church			
General Fund Expenses -- 2013 BUDGET			
Pastoral Compensation and Benefits		2012 BUDGET	2013 BUDGET
5.100.100	Pastor's Salary	42,000	\$ 43,700.00
5.100.105	Pastor's Continuing Education	500	\$ 500.00
5.100.110	Pastor's Health Insurance	12,480	\$ 12,432.00
5.100.115	Pastor's Pension	7,875	\$ 7,101.25
5.100.120	Pastor's Travel Reimbursement	2,000	\$ 1,500.00
5.100.125	Annual Conference Expense	400	\$ 400.00
5.100.130	Pastor's Miscellaneous Expenses	300	\$ 300.00
	Pastoral Compensation and Benefits	65,555	\$ 65,933.25
Staff Compensation and Benefits			
5.100.200	Custodian Salary	6,670	\$ 7,000.00
5.100.210	Administrative Assistant Salary	6,670	\$ 7,200.00
5.100.220	Organist Salary	3,679	\$ 3,679.00
5.100.230	FICA Medicare	1,500	\$ 1,500.00
5.100.240	Workers Compensation	900	\$ 900.00
	Staff Compensation and Benefits	19,419	\$ 20,279.00
United Methodist Conference Apportionments			
5.100.300	General Church Apportionments	4,510	\$ 4,675.00
5.100.310	Conference Ministries	15,083	\$ 16,336.00
5.100.320	Conference Missions	5,426	\$ 5,731.00
5.100.330	District Asking	1,656	\$ 1,656.00
	Conference Apportionments	26,675	\$ 28,398.00
Utilities			
5.100.400	Electricity & Gas	7,500	\$ 7,500.00
5.100.405	City Utilities (Water, Trash & Sewage)	450	\$ 500.00
5.100.410	Telephone/Internet	2,000	\$ 2,000.00
	Utilities	9,950	\$ 10,000.00
Property & Building Expense			
5.100.500	Parsonage Maintenance	1,000	\$ 1,000.00
5.100.505	Church Building Maintenance	2,000	\$ 2,000.00
5.100.507	Church Equipment & Maintenance	1,000	\$ 1,000.00
5.100.510	Custodial Supplies	600	\$ 600.00
5.100.515	Custodial Equipment	300	\$ 300.00
5.100.520	Snow Removal	750	\$ 750.00
5.100.525	Yard Care	600	\$ 600.00
5.100.530	Insurance	5,000	\$ 6,000.00
	Property & Building Expense	11,250	\$ 12,250.00
Administrative Expense			
5.100.600	Postage	1,400	\$ 1,400.00
5.100.605	Office Supplies	1,700	\$ 1,700.00
5.100.610	Office Machine Maintenance	1,200	\$ 2,400.00
5.100.615	Continuing Education Administrative Assistant	200	\$ 200.00
5.100.620	Bank Fees (Safe Deposit Box)	32	\$ 32.00
	Administrative Expense	4,532	\$ 5,732.00
Christian Education/Fellowship & Worship Expense			
5.100.700	Sunday School Donations	1,200	\$ 1,200.00
5.100.710	Youth Ministry	150	\$ 150.00
5.100.720	Vacation Bible School	0	\$ -
5.100.730	Common Cupboard	100	\$ 200.00
5.100.740	Worship	500	\$ 500.00
5.700.750	Music	100	\$ 300.00
5.100.760	Media Expense	100	\$ 100.00
	Christian Education		\$ 125.00
	Christian Education/Fellowship & Worship Expense	2,150	\$ 2,575.00
Miscellaneous Expense			
5.100.800	Stewardship	500	\$ 500.00
5.100.805	Miscellaneous Committee Support	100	\$ 100.00
5.100.810	Lay Member to Annual Conference	400	\$ 400.00
	Miscellaneous		\$ 1,000.00
	Miscellaneous Expense	1000	\$ 2,000.00
	TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSE	140,531	\$ 147,167