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#### **Worship Service Time:**

10:00 Worship 11:00 Koinonia 11:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School

September thru Mothers' Day 9:00 Children's Sunday School 9:00 Choir Practice





#### **Community Lenten Series**

The Riverside Church Association will be hosting a Six Week Lenten Series beginning on Tuesday evening, February 16, from 7:00pm-8:30pm. We will meet at the Carson Community Building.

For the first three sessions, we will be viewing an hour long DVD session about the life of Muhammad. Discussion will follow from 8-8:30pm.

For the following three weeks, we will be learning about the life and ministry of Jesus.

We hope you will be able to join us for part or all of our Lenten Series.



## STAIN GLASS WINDOWS THE MEANING OF THE SYMBOLS

## JESUS CHRIST— Life Portrayed in five panels

Lamb of God –
sacrificial offering of life in death on the
cross to forgive our sin – John 1:29

Staff speaks of Jesus as the Good Shepherd

– John 10:1-18

"We seek to grow in Christ and to share our love of God in Word and Deed."



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I invite you to attend the RCA Ash Wednesday Service on February 10,

at the Carson UMC. This special service will be a kid friendly service with centers and activities for all ages together. You will be able to move around the centers as you like between 6:30pm and 8:00pm. This is a "come and go" service. It will take approximately 45 minutes to go through the centers.

One of the centers will be the imposition of the ashes. The ashes you will receive in the form of a cross on your forehead remind us who we are. The Bible tells us we came from dust and to dust we shall return. Adam was formed out of the dust of the earth by God and then God breathed life into that dust. That is a powerful image, one that is to remind us that without the breath or Spirit of God moving in us, we are just like the lifeless ashes.

The ashes are also a sign of repentance. Lent is a time of mourning our sins. It is a time when we are called to repent and change our ways. In Bible times, it was common for people who were mourning to dress in sackcloth and put ashes on their heads.

The cross of ashes is a reminder that we belong to Jesus. Jesus died that we might live. It is also significant that the ashes come from the burning of palm branches used on Palm Sunday. The palms are a sign of victory. We are reminded of the events of Holy Week and how the victory of Jesus over sin was won for us.

\*The early Christians observed with great devotion the days of our Lord's passion and resurrection, and it became the custom of the Church that before the Easter celebration there should be a forty-day season of spiritual preparation. During this season converts to the faith were prepared for Holy Baptism. It was also a time when persons who had committed serious sins and had separated themselves from the community of faith were reconciled by penitence and forgiveness, and restored to participation in the life of the Church. In this way the whole congregation was reminded of the mercy and forgiveness proclaimed in the gospel of Jesus Christ and the need we all have to renew our faith.

## **Disciple Express**

I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to observe a holy Lent: by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's Holy Word.

(\* Taken from The United Methodist Book of Worship)

May it be so for us all.

Blessings,

Pastor Karen

# WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO DO THIS COMING MONTH TO MAKE YOU A BETTER CHRISTIAN?

- ⇒ What do you plan to do this month to make your home life happier for all who live there?
- ⇒ What do plan to do this month to make your church a more effective witness in the community?
- ⇒ What do you plan to do this month to make your community a better place for all the people who live there?

#### **Youth Led Worship Service**

The Wednesday Ecumenical Youth group will lead the Sunday morning worship service on February 28<sup>th</sup>. Let us fill the pews on this special Sunday!

### **Lenten Bible Study**

I invite you to join me for our Lenten Bible Study beginning on February 14. We will meet in the adult lounge following worship until noon. We will be reading and discussing the book *Near the Cross* by Kenneth H. Carter Jr.

"Prayer nurtures our faith and encourages spiritual growth. This study calls us to a deeper life of prayer during the season of Lent. By coming to the cross through prayer, we can know and imitate the heart of Jesus."

Pastor Karen

#### **Pastor Out of Town**

Pastor Karen will be on out of town February 20-27th. If you are in need of a pastor during that time, please call Pastor Brody Tubaugh at

(712)484-2247 (Carson UMC) or by email, <a href="mailto:brodytubaugh@gmail.com">brodytubaugh@gmail.com</a>.

#### **Church Office With Limited Hours**

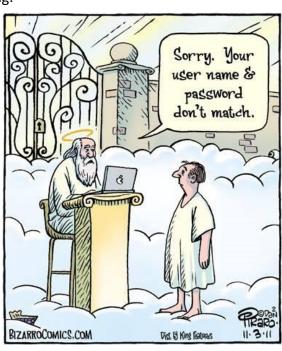
Secretary Sheryl Sindt will be on vacation February 23-26th. With Pastor Karen and Sheryl both out of the office, there will be someone covering the office on a limited schedule. Please call before coming to make sure someone is there.

#### **Board Meeting Date Change**

The Ad Board will meet on February 11<sup>th</sup> instead of the third Thursday.

#### **Third Sunday Mission Offering**

February's Third Sunday Mission Offering will go to the Omaha Street School. January marked the 17th year of the Omaha Street School. Because of God's faithfulness and the financial support of others, the School has been able to provide at-risk youth in Omaha a real chance at education. A representative from the Omaha Street School will be with us on February 21 to tell us about their work that we will have an opportunity to be a part of through our giving.



## **Disciple Express**

## Daily Bible Readings for February

V.	i Coi dai y
1	1 John 1: 1-10
2	1 John 2: 1-17
3	1 John 2: 18-29
4	1 John 3: 1-24
5	1 John 4: 1-21
6	1 John 5: 1-21
7	John 1: 19-34
8	John 1: 35-51
9	Iohn 2: 1-12

9 John 2: 1-12 10 Luke 4: 1-15

11 Luke 4: 16-30 12 Luke 4: 31-44 13 John 13: 1-35

14 1 Corinthians 13: 1-1315 Colossians 3: 1-17

16 John 3: 1-21 17 John 3: 22-36 18 John 14: 15-31 19 John 15: 1-17

20 Luke 15: 1-10 21 Luke 15: 11-32

22 Luke 18: 15-3023 Luke 18: 31-4324 Luke 19: 1-10

25 Leviticus 19: 1-18

26 Deuteronomy 6: 1-2527 Luke 10: 25-37

28 Psalm 36 29 Psalm 136

## Daily Bible readings for March

Psalm 79
 Psalm 80
 Psalm 84

4 Psalm 855 Psalm 86

6 1 Kings 3: 1-15 7 1 Kings 8: 1-21

8 1 Kings 8: 22-40 9 1 Kings 8: 41-53

10 1 Kings 8: 54-66

11 Jeremiah 31: 1-1512 Jeremiah 32: 16-44

13 Jeremiah 42: 1-22

14 Lamentations 1: 1-22 15 Lamentations 3: 1-33

16 Lamentations 3: 34-66

17 Lamentations 5: 1-22

18 Luke 11: 1-13 19 Luke 18: 1-14

20 Luke 19: 28-48 21 Luke 20: 1-26

22 Luke 22: 1-38 23 Luke 22: 39-71

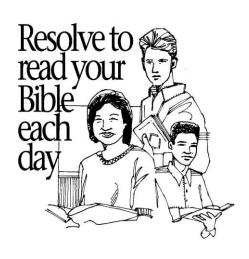
24 Luke 23: 1-25

25 Luke 23: 26-49 26 Luke 23: 50-56

27 Luke 24: 1-12 27 Luke 24: 13-35

28 Luke 24: 36-53

29 Jonah 1: 1-17 30 Jonah 2: 1-10



### NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

7th Cyndy Haines
14th
21st Sheila Applegate
28th Suzanne Pierce



#### March

6th Gloria Gleaves13th Carrie Bane20th Lindsey H27th Kristy Rieken



## USHERS, √ GREETERS,

## **CANDLELIGHTERS**

7<sup>™</sup> Mark & Lynelle Jeppesen Skip & Ilene Applegate

Candle lighters: Anna Duhachek & Bella Gute

14<sup>th</sup> Marty & Kristy Rieken Gerald & Carol Wilson

Candle lighters: Keaten Rieken & J J Wilson

21st Jean Blackburn & Jessie Shiffer Richard & Joan Shanno

Candle lighters: Elly Henderson & Claire Harris

28<sup>th</sup> Dawn Turner & Leigh Bell
Lisa Rollins & Lindsey Henderson
Candle lighters: Eric Duhachek & Kiley Bentley

#### **KOINONIA**

7th Mary Lou & Mary Waggoner

14th Norma B

21st Rieken Family

28th Jolaine Mills & Michael Jacobsen

#### March

6th Pam & Emma

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20th Heifer Mission Chicken Potluck

27th Easter

#### THIRD SUNDAY OFFERINGS

### February 3rd Sunday Offering -

Omaha Street School See article on page 3.

#### **MARCH 3RD SUNDAY OFFERING**

Heifer International - Chickens After worship there will be a potluck featuring chicken and egg dishes`.



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

Oakland Manor: Margaret Alff, Lucille Bentley,

Erma Cleaveland

Oakland Heights: Janice Harris, Neuonia Timberman,

Anita Killion







## **Pray for**

### **Our Military Family**

Kristie Copenhaver, John & Mary

Lou Copenhaver's daughter; Jared
Myers, son of Robert Myers and Sid
& Tami Skank; Sonja Husz, Niece of
Butch & Velda 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.





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



Mirror, mirror on the wall, I hate how I look most of all.

Why is it that the majority of women struggle with what they see in the mirror? According to the Dove Campaign for Real Beauty (2011), only 4% of women around the world used the word "beautiful" to describe themselves. What about the rest of us? Too many of us are using words like "ugly," "frumpy" or "fat" to describe ourselves when we look in the mirror. Even as Christian women, we can struggle with what we see. So, what are the words that you've used to describe yourself lately? Here's one more question: Would God agree?

For years, I stood in front of the mirror and hated what I saw. Yes, I knew that God loved me. Yes, I knew that I am precious in His eyes. But, I never felt like I was enough. I'd flip through magazines and compare myself to the beautiful women with smooth skin, perfect bodies, and gorgeous hair. Why can't I look like them? Feeling discouraged, I'd consume a quart of peanut-butter fudge ice cream and criticize myself for not looking like them—and for eating too much ice cream!

Then, God took me on a journey to discover the truth about beauty and my identity as His creation. That precious truth seeped into my insecure, yet longing heart. I never wanted to be beautiful because I wanted to be famous or rich. I longed for beauty because I saw it manifest in the world around me. In Genesis 1, I read that EVERYTHING that God created was beautiful. Then, I realized that since I am God's creation, I reflect God's beauty, both inside and out.

So, I began to challenge myself to repeat these seven simple words: "I am beautiful because God made me."

For some of you, those seven words sound like crazy talk. You'd rather go looking for a cheese-cake-eating unicorn perched atop a rainbow before you'd say those words AND believe them. All you see in the mirror each morning is your tired eyes and dull skin. (Then, there's that serious case of bedhead that might lead you to believe that a street fight broke out in your bed overnight. And you lost.)

## **Disciple Express**

"Women of Faith" - In Omaha Theaters

Star 16 — Thu Feb 18th, 7pm

Oakview 24 — Thu Feb 18th, 7pm

VILLAGE POINTE CINEMA - Thu Mar

3rd, 7pm; Sat Mar 5th,12:55pm



"Risen"
Showing Council Bluffs AMC 17
And several Omaha theaters opening
February 19th

But, what COULD happen if you repeated the following seven words in the mirror once a day for 30 days? What if God's truth could flow from your mouth and sink into your heart and mind? Could those words actually make a real and lasting differing in your life? I believe so.

Try this for the next 30 days. Write those seven words on a notecard or program them into your phone. Let God's truth push back against the words of criticism and condemnation that you've spoken to yourself for far too long. The truth is this:

You are beautiful because God created you.

#### Ant and contact lens: A true story

Brenda was almost halfway to the top of the tremendous granite cliff. She was standing on the ledge where she was taking a breather during this, her first rock climb. As she rested there, the safety rope snapped against her eye and knocked out her contact lens.

"Great," she thought. "Here I am on a rock ledge, hundreds of feet from the bottom and hundreds of feet to the top of this cliff, and now my sight is blurry."

She looked and looked, hoping that somehow it had landed on the ledge. But it just wasn't there. She felt the panic rising in her so she began praying. She prayed for calm and she prayed that she may find her contact lens.

When she got to the top, a friend examined her eye. and her clothing for the lens, but it was not to be found. Although she was calm now that she was at the top, she was saddened because she could not clearly see across the range of mountains. She thought of the Bible verse, "The eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth." "Lord, you can see all these mountains," she thought. "You know every stone and leaf, and you know exactly where my contact lens is. Please help me."

Later, when they had hiked down the trail to the bottom of the cliff, they met another party of climbers just starting up the face of the cliff. One of them shouted out, "Hey, you guys! Anybody lose a contact lens?" Well, that would be startling enough, but you know why the climber saw it? An ant was moving slowly across a twig on the face of the rock carrying it.

The story doesn't end there. Brenda's father is a cartoonist. When she told him the incredible story of the ant, the prayer and the contact lens, he drew a cartoon of an ant lugging that contact lens with the caption, "Lord, I don't know why you want me to carry this thing. I can't eat it, and it's awfully heavy. But if this is what you want me to do, I'll carry it for you."

I think it would do all of us some good to say, "God, I don't know why you want me to carry this load. I can see no good in it and it's awfully heavy. But if you want me to carry it, I will."

God doesn't call on the qualified. He qualifies the called.

Don Malinsky is a pastor -at .St. John's Lutheran Community

"Across the Pastor's Desk" By Don Malinsky





Pastor Karen and the members of the Baklard United Methodist Church—

Thank you so very much for your generous holiday alonations!

We at Riversale are trily blessed.

Avery Merry Christmas to all of you!

Succeeding Of Rest

#### Come Do the Chicken Dance with Us

The Missions Committee is sponsoring our 7th annual Chicken Delight Pot Luck Dinner after church, March 20th.

Bring a main dish that has chicken or eggs in it. We'll provide the drinks and table settings.

We will be taking an offering that Sunday for the Heifer Project. The mission of Heifer International is to work with communities to end hunger and poverty and to care for the earth. The money we raise that Sunday will go toward purchasing flocks of chickens. A good hen can lay up to 200 eggs a year, plenty to eat, share or sell. Heifer recipients pass on the offspring and training, adding chickens to communities in poverty. A flock of chicks can help families from Cameroon to the Caribbean add nourishing life sustaining eggs to their inadequate diets. The protein in just one egg is a nutritious gift for a child.

Flock to church March 20th and then join in on the fun, food, and fellowship at 11:15.

Let our donations be something to crow about!!

## Save the Date

Seventh Annual

## Chicken Delight

(Fundraiser for Heifer Project)

March 20th

(11:15 a.m.)

### **Potluck**

first things
FIRST



(Bring food containing eggs or chicken.)

#### 16 Ways To Impact Your Community This Winter

Written by: CVDaily Editors

As we approach the winter season it brings to mind the extreme cold, snow, ice, and other wintry conditions we expect to see this time of year. So grab a cup of hot chocolate and consider these creative ways people at your church can serve their community this winter.

Offer to take an elderly neighbor to the store to stock up on winter supplies/groceries, or have your neighbor make a list for you to pick up while you're out.

Shovel your neighbor's walkway. Or, get your exercise in for the day and do the whole street!

Place salt on someone's front door steps or that neglected bit of sidewalk between houses.

If others lose power, offer your house as a location for cell phone/laptop charging.

Invite neighborhood kids/families to build snowmen if schools are cancelled.

Create a free hot chocolate stand outside a busy shopping area.

Offer to help someone scrape the ice off their car or scrape someone's car when you do yours in the morning/after work.

Send thank you notes to police, firefighters, road crews, etc.

Order a PIZZA for your local police, fire station, or road crew!

Carry extra winter supplies in your car to assist distressed motorists.

Contact local emergency shelters to learn how you can support their efforts.

Offer hand warmers to people standing at bus stops or to school crossing guards.

If your kids have had school cancelled, help them write appreciation notes to their teacher.

Offer to watch your friend/neighbor's kids while they run out for groceries or during their work hours.

If a friend/neighbor has mobility issues, offer to walk their dog—or better yet, keep your kids occupied and have them offer to walk the neighbor's dog!

Share or post the locations of heating stations in your area on your social media pages or church website.

Whatever you decide to do—please be sure to do it safely and with good judgment. After all, it can be slick out there!

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## **Disciple Express**

#### **February Lectionary**

7th Exodus 34: 29-35
Psalm 99
2 Corinthians 3: 12—4: 2
Luke 9: 28-36 (37-43)

21st 2nd Sunday of Lent Genesis 15: 1-12, 17-18 Psalm 27 Philippians 3: 17—4: 1 Luke 13: 31-35

28th 3rd Sunday of Lent Isaiah 55: 1-9 Psalm 63: 1-8 1 Corinthians 10: 1-13 Luke 13: 1-9

#### **March Lectionary**

6 4th Sunday in Lent—
Joshua 5:9–12
Psalm 32
2 Corinthians 5:16–21
Luke 15:1–3, 11b–32

13 5th Sunday in Lent— Isaiah 43:16–21 Psalm 126 Philippians 3:4b–14 John 12:1–8

20 6th Sunday in Lent Palm Sunday
Luke 19:28–40
Psalm 118:1–2, 19–29
27th Easter Day

th Easter Day
Acts 10: 34-43
Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24
1 Corinthians 1: 19-26
John 20: 1-18 or
Luke 24: 1-12

### **February Calendar of Events**

Wed, 3rd 6:30 p.m. Youth Groups

Sun, 7th 9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Choir

Practice/Confirmation

10:00 a.m. Worship/Communion

11:00 a.m. Koinonia

11: 15 a.m. Adult Sunday School

Wed, 10th 6:30 p.m. Youth Groups

6:30-8:00 Ash Wednesday Service at

Carson UMC

Thu, 11th 7:00 p.m. Ad Board Meeting

(note the date change)

Sat, 13th 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast

Sun, 14th 9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Choir

Practice/Confirmation 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Koinonia

11:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School

Wed, 17th 6:30 p.m. Youth Groups

Sun, 21st 9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Choir

Practice/Confirmation

10:00 a.m. Worship/3rd Sunday

offering\*

11:00 a.m. Koinonia

11: 15 a.m. Adult Sunday School

Tue, 23rd 5:30—6:30 p.m. Tasty Tuesday

Wed, 24th 6:30 p.m. Youth Groups

Sun, 28th 9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Choir

Practice/Confirmation 10:00 a.m. Worship 11::00 a.m. Koinonia

11: 15 a.m. Adult Sunday School

\*THIRD SUNDAY OFFERING - Omaha Street School



#### A TIME OF FELLOWSHIP

Bring a friend Come join us for a light meal.

> February 23 And March 29

5:30-6:30 p.m.

Last Tuesday of the month



## College Addresses

If you have a student heading to college and they do not receive this newsletter, please forward their address to us. We would love to keep in touch. Or if they will have a change of address please let us know.

February Birthdays		March Birthdays		March Calendar		
1	Michaela Vlcek	1	Collin Forrester	Wed, 2nd	Youth to Harlan Wellness Center	
2	Dave Applegate	1	Molly Nedved	,		
2	Hank Beedle IV	3	Sheila Applegate	Sun, 6th	9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Choir	
4	Ana Wilson	3	Drake Bane		Practice/Confirmation	
6	Allyee Pierson	3	Zach Putnam		10:00 a.m. Worship/Communion	
6	Ron Waggoner	8	Lucia Kinnison		11:00 a.m. Koinonia	
6	Keaton Wright	10	Kent Pierson		11: 15 a.m. Adult Lenten Study	
7	Collette Beedle	11	J J Wilson	Tue, 8th	7:00-8:30 p.m. RCA Lenten Series	
7	Drake Roller	12	Byron Way		•	
9	Carol Carley	14	R J Harris	Wed, 9th	6:30 p.m. Youth Group	
9	Ellyanna Henderson	16	Karen Hoff	Sat, 12th	7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast	
10	Arlene Hackett	16	Teresa Keiser			
10	Christan Jacobsen	18	Dana Gleaves	Sun, 13th	9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Choir	
10	Mark Jeppesen	20	Eric Beedle		Practice/Confirmation	
11	Max Applegate	20	Jean Blackburn		10:00 a.m. Worship/Daylight Savings	
13	Nathan Parkhill	20	Skylar Copenhaver		11:00 a.m. Koinonia	
13	Tim White	21	Grant Henry		11: 15 a.m. Adult Lenten Study	
14	Dave Allen	22	Chris Hildebrand	Tue, 15th	7:00-8:30 p.m. RCA Lenten Series	
14	Dave Forrester	24	Noah Kinnison	Thu, 17th	7:00 p.m. Administrative Board Meeting	
14	Larry Kinnison	24	Dick Merkle	1110, 17 (11		
15	Cyndy Haines	25	Adalyn Bell		_	
16	Robert Copenhaver	25	Clark Jeppesen	Sun, 20th	9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Choir	
17	Grant Bane	25	Cherise Sparks		Practice/Confirmation	
17	Eric Carley	26	Diane Brown		10:00 a.m. Worship/Palm Sunday	
18	Debbie Parker	27	Roy Bane		11:015 a.m. Chicken Dinner	
19	Ilene Applegate	27	Tiffany Obrecht	Tue, 22nd	7:00-8:30 p.m. RCA Lenten Series	
19 19	Marilyn Hebing Jackie Hildebrand	29	Alyssa Hamilton	Thu, 24th	??????	
20	Lisa Putnam					
21	Haylee Vlcek			Fri, 25th	7:30 Good Friday Service at Wheeler	
22	Brookelyn Bane		<u> </u>		Grove UCC	
22			(·	Sat, 26th	8:00 a.m8:00 p.m. Easter Prayer Vigil	
23	Lincoln Houser		בי הממוזומם	Sun, 27th	Approx. 7:00 a.m. Easter Sunrise	
23		rianna Skank inslee Hamilton		3411, 27 (11	Service at Carson Cemetery	
24					10:00 a.m. Regular Worship	
24	Tenslee Hamilton			T 2011		
27	London Schueman		Tue, 29th	5:30 - 6:30 Tasty Tuesday Community		
28	Kyra Martens				Meal	
	,				Tactore	

### **Easter Prayer Vigil**

The sign-up sheet for the Easter Prayer Vigil will be available on March 6th. As before there will be 1/2 hour slots from 8:00 a.m. till 8:00 p.m. Prayer resource material will be available. Sign up early to get the convenient time for you.

## **January Trivia Answers**

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- 1. What did Jesus eat after his resurrection to prove he was not a mere phantom? *Luke 24: 38-43 Fish*
- 2. Who fasted for 40 days on Mount Sinai? *Exodus* 34: 27-28 Moses
- 3. Who had a Pass over meal with his followers in the upper room? *Matthew 26 : 1-30 Jesus*
- 4. Who received meals at the hands of birds?

  Kings 17: 3-6 Elijah, fed by ravens
- 5. Who was raped after bringing a meal to her supposedly sick brother?2 Samuel 13: 1-14 Tamar

- 6. What meat was eaten at the Passover meal? Exodus 12: 1-20 Lamb
- 7. Who sold his birthright for a bowl of soup? *Genesis 25 : 29-34 Esqu*
- 8. Who humbled himself and fasted when accused of Naboth's murder? 1 Kings 21 : 27 Ahab
- 9. Who fasted until his child b Bathsheba died? 2 Samuel 12: 15-16 David
- 10. How many men had bound themselves by an oath to fast until they had killed Paul?
  Acts 23: 20-21 40

**February Trivia** 

- 1. Who, in the Beatitudes, does Jesus promise laughter to? *Luke* 6
- 2. Whom did Jesus speak of as dancing in the streets? *Luke 7*
- 3. Who danced around the altar of the false god? *I Kings 18*
- 4. Whose wife despised him for dancing in the streets? *1 Chronicles 15*
- 5. What instrument is usually associated with dance in the Bible? *Exodus 15 : 20; Judges 11 :34; Job 21*

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- 6. According to Job, whose children dance around and make music? *Job 21*
- 7. What Old Testament character's name means "laughter"? *Genesis 21*
- 8. Eve is the first woman in the Bible. Who is second? *Genesis 4*
- 9. Solomon led the way in constructing the first temple in Jerusalem. Who led in the building of the second temple? *Ezra 3*
- 10. Esther is the first book in the Bible not to mention the name of God. What is the second book with this omission?

I would like to thank everyone who so willingly donated their cooking talents and time on Wednesday nites to serving the MYF kids and their leaders supper. A special thanks to the UMW for buying Blimpies Sandwiches for their last meeting of the year. Also to Blimpies for Pizza earlier in the year.

It was very much appreciated and helped make my job much easier.

Thanks again,

Carol Wilson

# **GODLY HUMOR**

It seems as if everyone waits until the last minute to get ready for a long trip."

The minister chuckled, "I know what you mean. It's the same in my business."

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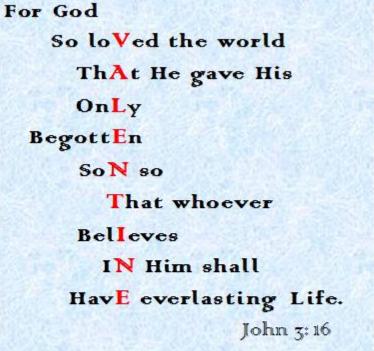
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