

# CORNERSTONE

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## From the Pastor's Desk

There are some things we learn through books, some we learn by watching, and some we learn by doing. The disciplines of Lent, I think, are of the latter sort. Depending upon the source, there are various reasons given for "giving something up" or "taking something on" during the 40 days (not counting Sundays) leading up to Easter. But we learn what they mean for us as disciples by actually doing them.

Whether as a reminder of what Jesus gave up in order to do God's will, developing discipline (the word "discipline" comes from "disciple") by denying ourselves, the reminders we're given about the difference between wants and needs, or the discoveries we make about God's help in times of temptation -- we learn these things by entering into the practices of the season. It's one thing to read about them or hear about others doing them, but quite another to experience them for ourselves. I hope you'll join in, and may God help us learn, grow, and walk more closely with Christ during this Holy Season.

See you Sunday, —Kevin Tully



## Mission Sunday



Rev. Jeremy Basset will preach "Participating in God's Mission: Playing Soccer in a Football World" on Mission Sunday, February 28. He currently serves as the Director of Volunteers In Mission for the Oklahoma Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. Jeremy Basset describes himself as being "passionate about God's mission in the world through the church of Jesus Christ, and absolutely committed to the belief that each congregation is called to be, and can effectively be, the expression of God's love to the world."

Jeremy is married to Lesley and is the father of Gareth and Adam. They are natives of South Africa. Lesley is a preschool teacher and children's ministry leader. Gareth is working on his Ph.D. in aeronautical engineering at the University of Central Florida. Adam recently graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a degree in music education and is married to Danielle.

Jeremy served as a pastor in the Methodist Church of Southern Africa for over 20 years before moving to the USA to further his studies. Now a clergy member of the Oklahoma Conference of the United Methodist Church, he still maintains a vital link with his home denomination through short-term Volunteers In Mission teams and leadership training events.

We are asking for a special "Mission" offering this Sunday to support our Mission Ministry.

## United Methodist Women

The next United Methodist Women (UMW) General Meeting/Program/Luncheon will be, Thurs., March 4 at 11:30 am in Wesley Hall. The UMW Executive Board Meeting will be at 10:00 in the Library.

The program will be presented by Eleanor Morrison, a long time member and past President of FUMC UMW. She will be reviewing *Mulberry Park* by Judy Duarte, a book from the "Nurturing for Community" portion of the UMW Reading List.

## Remembering What We Learned

### 5 Practices of Fruitful Congregations by Bishop Schnase

What does it mean to be a vibrant, healthy, fruitful church for the Kingdom of God?

We practice Radical Hospitality! Bishop Schnase said on page 18 of his book, "As a school for love, the church becomes a congregation where people learn from one another how to love. People need to know that life is not having something to live on but something to live for, that life comes not from taking for oneself but by giving of oneself."

How do you love others into the Christian faith as Christ first loved you?

## Mark Your Calendars...

### New Land Work-Day: March 6

**Place:** Madison Blvd. & Price Rd.

*(enter on the east end off Madison).*

**Time:** 9:00 am – 4:00 pm *(come and go as needed).*

**Things to bring:** Yourself and your family;  
Proper Clothes *(lots of vines, dirt, and mud);*  
Gloves; Long Handle Pruning Shears; Wire Cutters;  
Gas Powered Chain Saw; Brush Cutters; Rakes/Shovel  
*(trash bags will be provided).*

**Lunch:** Lunch will be provided.

If you feel that due to physical limitations you cannot "cut trees or pick-up rocks," hopefully you will come to socialize and share ideas. This is a Mission project and we hope everyone will participate in some way.

**Jacob Briggs** has been actively involved in planning this event as he adopted our land project for his **Eagle Scout Project**. Please look for Jacob at the land-site and find out if he needs assistance.

## Wednesday Lenten Study, "The Prayers of Jesus" and Lenten Activities

The Reverend Kyle Kiner's Lenten Study, "**The Prayers of Jesus**," is on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm in Room 23. The six classes include video and study guide. The study guide-books are \$8.00 each. You can still sign-up for "The Prayers of Jesus," by calling the church at 336-3361 or e-mailing Rev. Kiner at: [kyle.kiner@fumcbville.org](mailto:kyle.kiner@fumcbville.org).

The **Wednesday Community Lenten Services** at First Presbyterian Church offer pre-service music at 12:00 pm with the service from 12:15 to 12:45 pm each week during Lent. A light lunch is served before and after the service.

On March 3 Sherri Smith, of the Agape Mission, will preach and the Bartlesville High School Chamber Orchestra will provide the music. On March 10 The Rev. Kyle Kiner, Associate Minister of First Church, will preach and Delores McCreary will provide organ music.

On Sunday, March 28, we observe **Palm/Passion Sunday** with a procession of Palms in both services.

The Children's **Easter Egg Hunt** will be at 3:00 pm that day; the location will be announced.

On Thursday, April 1, we will have a **Maundy (Holy) Thursday Service**, with Communion, at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary.

On Friday, April 2, we will offer a **Good Friday Concert**, featuring the Sanctuary Choir and Harpist, Lorelei Barton, at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary.

On Easter Sunday, April 4, we are planning an **Easter Sunrise Service** on our new land; the exact time will be announced. We will also have our traditional **Easter Services** at 8:30 and 10:55 am in our Sanctuary.

**Feb. 28 - Mar. 9, 2010**

**Minister on Call: Church, 918-336-3361**  
2/8-3/6 Wayne Ford, 332-0419  
3/7-3/13 Rev. Kyle Kiner, 766-6448

**Van Ministry:**  
2/28 Lori & Warren Hibbard  
3/7 Carroll Ritchie & Wayne Middleton

**Coffee Time:**  
2/28 Crossroads Class  
3/7 Agape Class

**Welcome Center:**  
2/28 Youth Class  
3/7 Asbury Class

**Children's Time:**  
2/28 Rev. Kyle Kiner  
3/7 Dr. Jo Ann Hauger

**Flower Delivery:**  
2/28 Linda & Dean Dobbys  
3/7 Connie Ellis & Jean Owen

**Green Country Village Vespers:**  
2/28 Bob Farmer  
3/7 Dr. Kevin Tully

**Tuesday "Going for College" Drivers**  
3/2 Wayne Ford & David Blakemore  
3/9 Lori Hibbard & Wayne Middleton

### Memorial Gifts Given in Memory of:

**Karen Carmichael**

David and Patti Carmichael

**Victor "Vic" Chappelle**  
*(Brother of Gretta Parks)*  
*(For MUTUAL Girls Club)*

Larry Francis  
Howard and Gail Goforth

**Cynthia Francis**

Chase Glass  
Nathan Glass  
Bill and Lucy Leeton

**Ina Jean Gillam**

Marjorie Swank

**JoAnn May**

Bob May

**Virgil Gaede**

David and Linda Bailey  
Paul and Wyvern Beach  
Jean Becker

Charlie and Corky Bowerman

Bill and Kitty Brock  
Frankie Cain

John and Barbara Choteau  
Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Cox

Edd and Carmen Grigsby  
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hadley

Jack and Jo Hoffman  
Lenna Kier

Vernon McGhee  
Carolyn Oakley

David and Shelly Oakley  
Bruce and Velma Peterson

Jack and Betty Perryman  
Linda Potter

RESSA

John and Mavis Smith

Mary Lynn Smith  
Jimmie Lee Stark

Guy and Clair Sutherland  
Curtis and Hazel Threlkeld

Lois K. Tups

Rev. Buz and Patty Wierick

O. Harry and Jan Woods  
Nancy Worten

**Doris Phillips**

Jack Phillips

**Harvey Rogers and Harley Thorn**

Dan and Daisy Rogers

**Ed Tolstrup**

Dona K. Higgs  
Rev. Buz and Patty Wierick

**Sharon Wharry**

Mickey Russett

**Paul Widowski**

Jo Widowski

### Grief Support Group Informative Meeting

The Rev. Kyle Kiner, along with Alan and Diane Gentges, are having a Grief Support Group informational meeting next Thurs., Mar. 4 at 7:00 pm in the Heritage Room (around the corner from Sneed Chapel, on the left side of the hallway).

At this meeting it will be decided how often the group will meet, the best day to meet, and the best time to meet.

If you are an adult and have suffered the loss of a loved one or friend, you are invited to attend this informational meeting.

The support group will be led by Alan and Diane Gentges.

*Thank You*

**We extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to our church family for the many words of encouragement, cards, food provided, prayers, and other acts of kindness and support given during the illness and loss of our loved one, Cora Richardson.**

*The Extended Family of  
Cora Richardson*

**Sunday, February 28, Mission Sunday**

- 8:00 Covenant Singers, Choir Room
- 8:30 Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 9:15 Grits & Grace Coffee Time  
Wesley Hall
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 10:25 Sanctuary Choir, Choir Room
- 10:55 Worship Service, Sanctuary  
Children's Church, Chapel
- 4:00 Green Country Village Vespers  
Javier Pollock
- 6:00 Youth Praise Band Rehearsal  
Bogan Hall
- 10:00 Staff Meeting, Room 113
- 2:00 Worship Planning, Pastor's Office
- 5:30 **NO Trustees (Cancelled)**
- 6:30 Troop 2 Scouts, Room 11

**Tuesday, March 2**

- 6:30 Men's Prayer Breakfast, Wesley Hall
- 9:00 Kids First Chapel Time, Chapel
- 9:30 Library Committee, Library
- 9:30 Energizers, Bogan Hall
- 12:00 Moms In Touch, Room 21
- 5:00 "Going for College," Fountain
- 7:00 Fencing, Room 22
- 7:00 Gamanon, Room 23
- 7:00 Gamblers Anonymous, Room 25

**Wednesday, March 3**

- 9:00 Prayer Group, Prayer Room
- 12:00 Men's Reunion Group, Room 23
- 12:00 Lenten Series & Lunch, First  
Presbyterian Church
- 4:30 Joyful Noise Handbells, Bell Room
- 5:00 FEAST Dinner, Wesley Hall  
Baked Fried Chicken
- 5:45 Instruments of Praise, Sanctuary
- 5:45 KidsFEAST, Miracle Marathon!
- 6:00 Youth, Fountain
- 6:00 "The Prayers of Jesus," Room 25
- 6:00 "Jesus the One and Only," Library
- 6:00 *Disciple Bible Study*, Room 23
- 7:00 Sanctuary Choir, Choir Room

**Thursday, March 4**

- 10:00 *Disciple Bible Study*, Room 23
- 10:00 United Methodist Women  
Exec. Board Meeting, Library

- 11:30 United Methodist Women's Program  
and Luncheon, Wesley Hall
- 3:30 MUTUAL Girls Club, Fountain
- 6:30 Grief Support Meeting, Heritage Room
- 7:00 Gamblers Anonymous, Room 23

**Friday, March 5**

- 10:00 Church Women United  
Bethel Church (618 SW Adams)
- 5:00 *Cornerstone Deadline*  
[frankie.carroll@fumcbville.org](mailto:frankie.carroll@fumcbville.org)

**Saturday, March 6**

- 9:00 New Land Work-Day  
Madison Blvd. & Price Rd.
- 2:00 Earl Hicks Memorial Service  
Sanctuary
- 3:00 Project Transformation Parent's  
Meeting, Wesley Hall
- University of Northern Illinois arrives  
for Habitat for Humanity,

**Sunday, March 7**

- 8:00 Covenant Singers, Choir Room
- 8:30 Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 9:15 Grits & Grace Coffee Time  
Wesley Hall
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 10:25 Sanctuary Choir, Choir Room
- 10:55 Worship Service, Sanctuary  
Children's Church, Chapel
- 3:00 Ambassador Training, Wesley Hall
- 4:00 Green Country Village Vespers  
Dr. Kevin Tully, Communion

**Monday, March 8**

- 10:00 Staff Meeting, Library
- 2:00 Worship Planning, Pastor's Office
- 6:30 Troop 2 Scouts, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor
- 6:30 Evangelism Meeting, Library

**Tuesday, March 9**

- 6:30 Men's Prayer Breakfast, Wesley Hall
- 9:00 Kids First Chapel Time, Chapel
- 9:30 Library Committee, Library
- 9:30 Energizers, Bogan Hall
- 12:00 Kids First Advisory Group, Room 25
- 12:00 Moms In Touch, Room 21
- 12:30 Ambassador Meeting, Library
- 5:00 "Going for College" Youth Fountain
- 6:00 Finance, Library

- 7:00 Fencing, Room 22
- 7:00 Gamblers Anonymous, Room 25
- 7:00 Gamanon, Room 23
- 7:00 Stephen Ministry, Room 114

**Wednesday, March 10**

- 9:00 Prayer Group, Prayer Room
- 10:00 Worship Council, Pastor's Office
- 12:00 Men's Reunion Group, Room 23
- 12:00 Grace Circle, Room 25
- 12:00 Lenten Series & Lunch, First  
Presbyterian Church
- 1:30 Advertising Committee
- 4:30 Joyful Noise Handbells, Bell Room
- 5:00 FEAST Dinner, Wesley Hall
- 5:45 Instruments of Praise, Sanctuary
- 5:45 KidFEAST, Miracle Marathon!
- 6:00 "The Prayers of Jesus," Room 25
- 6:00 *Disciple Bible Study*, Room 23
- 6:00 Youth, Bogan Hall
- 6:00 Eve Circle, Parlor
- 6:00 **NO** Sherry Terry Class
- 7:00 Sanctuary Choir, Choir Room

**Thursday, March 11**

- 9:30 Hannah Circle, Home of Ronnie  
Cox, 2306 SE Stonewall Dr.
- 9:30 Mary Circle, Home of Kay Sowers  
5901 SE Martin Pl.
- 9:30 Deborah Circle, Home of Rose  
Schriber, 646 Se Oakridge Dr.
- 10:00 *Disciple Bible Study*, Room 23
- 11:00 Luncheon for Family Crises Center
- 3:30 MUTUAL Girls Club, Fountain
- 7:00 Gamblers Anonymous, Room 25
- 7:00 Faith Circle, Home of Carla  
Korthase, 1360 SE Evergreen
- 7:00 Project Transformation Parent's  
Meeting, Wesley Hall

**Friday, March 12**

- 10:00 Retired Teachers Meeting/Luncheon  
Wesley Hall
- 1:00 Close Knit Friends, Library

**Saturday, March 13**

- 3:00 On-the-Rock Ministry,  
Drug Prevention, Fountain
- Youth Spring Break Ski Trip

**Sanctuary Flowers****Flowers were given on Feb. 14:**

In loving memory of my husband, Bill Barrett, by Marguerite Barrett.

In loving memory of Marta Stanley on the anniversary of her death, February 14. Marta is and always will be our Valentine, by Diane, Alan, Jordan and Rachael Gentges.

**Flowers were given on Feb. 21:**

In loving memory of my grandparents, Jimmie and Myra Mullen and Sam and Alma Barrett, by Celeste Barrett.

**Christian Sympathy is Extended...**

To Dorothy and Steve Shaffer (2406 Circle Dr., Bartlesville, OK 74006) on the death of Dorothy's mother, Erma Fullenkamp, who died Feb. 7.

To James, King, Kirby, and Gary Lloyd and families (1208 SE Grandview Rd., Bartlesville, OK, 74006) on the death of wife, mother, and grandmother, Joy Lloyd, who died Feb. 8 in Bartlesville.

To Fairy Oakley (1572 SE Pecan Pl., Bartlesville, OK 74003) and family on the death of her brother, Henry Belcher, of Cherokee, OK, who died recently.

To Shirley Corley (1308 Ridgewood Dr., Bartlesville, OK, 74006) and family on the death of her husband, Donald Gene Corley, who died Feb. 12 in Bartlesville.

To Karen Sue and Dennis Caufield (216 Lakeview Ln., Junction, MO, 64834); Linda and Dean Dobyns (4001 Fairview Rd., Bartlesville, OK, 74006); Glenda and Donnie Miller (1319 N. Nail Pkwy., Moore, OK, 73160); Kathy and Richard Morris (2525 Georgetown Dr., Bartlesville, OK, 74006); and family on the death of Cora Le Richardson who died Feb. 16 in Bartlesville.

To Marcia Volz (132 Brazos Landind Ct., Freemont, TX, 77541) and family on the death of her father, Earl Hicks, who died Feb. 22. A memorial service will be held at First Church on Sat., Mar. 6 at 2:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

**Sanctuary Flowers were Delivered ...**

**On Feb. 14:** To Peggy Stevens, Ruth Gill, and Mary Alexander by Phyllis and Sonny Cummins.

**On Feb. 21:** To Paul Boatright, Louise Dutcher, and Bettye Jane Johnston by Kathy and Merlin Mitchell.

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United Methodist Men are having their Bartlesville District Rally on Sat., April 17 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at Cleora United Methodist Church (451154 E 295 Rd., Cleora, OK). The keynote speaker

will be Bishop Robert Hayes. Bring the kids and grandkids; stay for a father/child golf outing at 1:30 pm at The Coves at Bird Island. For more information, there are flyers at the Welcome Center or go to:

[www.gbqm-umc/bartlesvilledistrictumm](http://www.gbqm-umc/bartlesvilledistrictumm)

## Sunday Worship Services, 8:30 and 10:55 am

February 28 2010: Mission Sunday; The Reverend Jeremy Basset



### Name our Community Garden

We're having a contest to "Name our Community Garden". Send your suggestion to the church, PO Box 1136, Bartlesville, OK 74005 (*you may give your suggestion to Frankie at the church, 336-3361*). The winner will receive a new pair of excellent gardening gloves and a basket of produce from the garden.

## How and Why We Worship

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Lent is the time of preparation for Easter, a renewal season, a time of penitence and self-denial, and of intensive nurturing of the Spirit.

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The practice of self-denial is known as fasting. Christians choose to fast from things that distract them from God. Some will undertake acts of prayer and scripture reading to draw closer to God.

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The season of Lent (*from the Old English word meaning "lengthen"*) lasts for forty days, from Ash Wednesday until Easter Eve.

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The symbol of Lent is the Cross of Christ. The liturgical color for Lent is purple to represent the royalty of Christ as King.

## MUTUAL Girls Club Donations

For 2010, you can donate to organizations like MUTUAL Girls Club through the **ConocoPhillips "Matching Gift Program"**. ConocoPhillips matches dollar-for-dollar gifts up to \$15,000 per year for a current employee and \$7,500 per year for a retiree. They will also donate \$500 for every 20 hours an employee or retiree volunteers with an eligible non-profit organization. Call MUTUAL, 336-9151, for more specific information.

## Church Women United

Church Women United celebrates World Day of Prayer on Fri., Mar. 5 at 10:00 am at the Bethel AME Church (618 SW Adams). Join women, men and children from 170 countries in a service, "Let Everything That Has Breath Praise God," written by the women of Cameroon. You are invited to "Africa in Miniature," where the people are bound together by love of music, family, and faith. David Stewart will be the music leader, Jan Garrett will be the pianist.