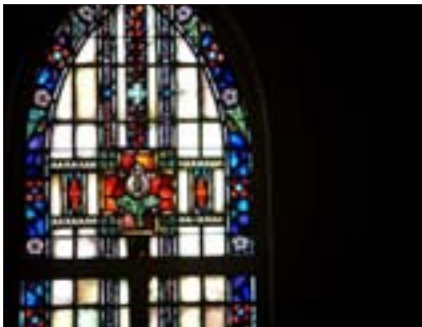


# THE BELL RINGER

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



## THE PRIESTHOOD OF ALL BELIEVERS

*“The gifts he gave were ... to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ..” Ephesians 4:11*

My hobby is being a handyman. My foray into working on the house began when we needed an extra bedroom for the in-laws, and my wife suggested I build one.

Word got out about my wife’s suggestion and it wasn’t long before Sole Coleman came over and asked if I knew how to use a table-saw. Then Mike Hawkins came by to take measurements for the walls and bathroom, and Wayne Major taught me a few framing and cabinetry tricks I never would have picked up on my own. I spent a winter with the electrical wiring under the tutelage of Harold LeTourneau and Kelly Brightwell.

Over the next five years of winters, there was a lot of hammering,envisioning, and sanding. But the work was

fun, and I sure couldn’t have done it alone. During those years a host of church friends came over, like Glynn Armstrong, Hershel Chandler, Bob Marks and Donald Dennis to offer advice or a helping hand. It was a good way to learn that doing something worthwhile takes time and, in my case, friends.

When you think about it, that isn’t only true about handyman projects; that’s true about life. God doesn’t make us saints overnight. There are a lot of years of God-work that goes into making one’s life a thing of beauty – a lot of shaping, a lot of sanding, a lot of finishing, and God uses a lot of people to do His work. We Presbyterians are the butt of jokes about our committees. We measure our faithfulness by how many people are involved in God’s work. The classical word for this is “the priesthood of all believers.” It basically means that all members of God’s church are priests. The word

“priest” comes from the Latin word *pontifex* which means bridge-builder. The 16<sup>th</sup> Century Reformers taught that Jesus Christ is our priest for he built the bridge between God and human beings. The Reformers also taught that every believer, every person is called to be a priest for one another.

You are a bridge builder, too. This week the Committee on Committees, will begin the work of recruiting committee servers. God uses a lot of people to do His work in the church. Theologically, we are a church of 700 ministers! Please consider your part in building up the body of Christ, not just in church, but in school, your office, your family, and your neighborhood as well. We are all different, but our task is still the same, building bridges for Jesus Christ. Now that’s something worth doing, and it’s going to take all of us. That’s what the priesthood of all believers is really all about!

Blessings, *Jonathan*

“WE MEASURE OUR FAITHFULNESS BY HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE INVOLVED IN GOD’S WORK.”

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# WORSHIP AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## OCTOBER 3

### WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

#### **Scriptures We Dare Not Forget Sermon Series:**

**“Thank God for Rumble Strips”**

*Amos 3:13-4:3; Luke 9:10-17*

The Rev. Jonathan Jehorek

#### **8:30 a.m. - Worship-communion**

Greeters: Mainard McCabe, Pilar and Stephen McLemore

Prayer vigil: Mary LeTourneau, Richard Fuhrman

#### **9:45 a.m. - Church School**

#### **11:00 a.m. - Worship-communion**

Greeters: Virginia and Winton Studt, Frances Thompson

Prayer vigil: Penny and Kirk Shields

## OCTOBER 24

Serving breakfast at Newgate Mission

#### **Scriptures We Dare Not Forget Sermon Series:**

**“The Power of the Gospel”**

*Romans 1:11-17*

The Rev. Jonathan Jehorek

#### **8:30 a.m. - Worship**

Greeters: Carla and Paul Szafran, Wil White

Prayer vigil: Beth and Bill Franklin

#### **9:45 a.m. - Church School**

#### **11:00 a.m. - Worship**

Greeters: Tom and Marge Dome, LaVerne Dennis

Prayer vigil: Sally Rathbun, Frances Sample

## OCTOBER 10

#### **Scriptures We Dare Not Forget Sermon Series:**

**“The Widow’s Mite”**

*Mark 12:41-44; 2 Samuel*

The Rev. Jonathan Jehorek

#### **8:30 a.m. - Worship**

Greeters: Kathie Ramey, Nancy and Bailey Salmon

Prayer vigil: Kathy and Paul Watson

#### **9:45 a.m. - Church School**

#### **11:00 a.m. - Worship**

Greeters: Tres Bainter, Susan Vella-McFarland, Suzi White

Prayer vigil: Sandra Skoog, Erica Roberts

## OCTOBER 31

### ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

#### **Scriptures We Dare Not Forget Sermon Series:**

**“Let Not Your Hearts Be Troubled”**

*John 14:1-7; 12:27-36*

The Rev. Jonathan Jehorek

#### **8:30 a.m. - Worship**

Greeters: Chan and Buster Turner, Buck Birdsong

Prayer vigil: Lien and Bill Ege

#### **9:45 a.m. - Church School**

#### **11:00 a.m. - Worship**

Greeters: Amy and Marshall Jackson, Tiffany Jehorek

Prayer vigil: Nelta and Don Ray

## OCTOBER 17

#### **Scriptures We Dare Not Forget Sermon Series:**

**“Test God on This”**

*Malachi 3:10*

The Rev. Jonathan Jehorek

#### **8:30 a.m. - Worship**

Greeters: James Shore, Marge Smith, Deborah Susik

Prayer vigil: Sherene Melton, Tess Iffland

#### **9:45 a.m. - Church School**

#### **11:00 a.m. - Worship**

Greeters: Clay Brelsford, Suzanne Cook, Debbie Bankston

Prayer vigil: Nancy and Bailey Salmon

## IN THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT



**Lottie McWhorter**  
7/14/1913 - 9/1/10

**Frances M. Landers**  
3/5/1917 - 9/14/10

Our Christian sympathy is offered to  
their family and friends.

*Neither death nor life can separate us from  
the love of God which is in Christ Jesus. -Romans 8:38*

# MEN, WOMEN, AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

## MEN'S MINISTRY

MEN'S FASTBREAK LUNCHEON  
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 —  
NOON IN THE CHURCH PARLOR—  
SPEAKER STEVE MASON

*Please make reservations by calling  
the church office or sending an email  
to kimstanley@fpclongview.org*

*From the Introduction to "The Silence of Adam"  
by Larry Crabb, with Don Hudson  
and Al Andrews:*

"Do not lose sight of one simple truth: *the only way to be manly is first to be godly.* In our day, men are looking for their manhood more than they are seeking God. Too many men make the mistake of studying masculinity and trying to practice what they learn, without paying enough attention to their relationship with God.

Do we really love Christ, or is our passion more contrived and wavering than genuine and steady? Are we growing in holiness that draws others (particularly our families) to Christ, or do we exhibit a fervency – and practice a conformity – that merely impresses others with our zeal?

...Men who learn to be fascinated more with

Christ than with themselves will become the authentic men of our day. Men of this generation must learn to count the cost of following Christ (the cost is easily calculated: everything we have); we must feel the emptiness of our souls until no cost seems too high if it brings us into contact with him; we must resist the influence of a "Christian" culture that values self-discovery and self-fulfillment above abandoning ourselves to God. To put it simply, we must be more concerned with knowing Christ than with finding ourselves.

If all this actually happens, then thirty years from now more children might find, in the older generation, more examples of godly, manly men. They might be drawn to seek God with all their hearts and souls, because of the powerful consistency and non-threatened love they see in us."

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

*The coordinating team of the  
Presbyterian Women will not meet in  
October nor will there be a general  
meeting in October.*



Circles will meet as follows:

- \* Evening; October 5 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Donna Kearns (1518 Chippewa Street)
- \* Bankston/Dome; October 11 at 9:30 a.m. in the parlor
- \* Smith/Smith; October 12 at 9:30 a.m. at the church

- \* Selph/Ege; October 12 at 9:30 a.m. in the parlor
- \* Goll; October 12 at noon in the Makemie Room

Please know that even if you have not previously been involved in a Circle, you are welcome to attend any meeting you choose.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### 13TH ANNUAL YOUTH FOR MISSIONS GOLF TOURNAMENT—MONDAY, OCTOBER 11



- Woodhollow Golf Club
- Check-in at noon - hamburger lunch included
- Shotgun start at 1 p.m.
- BBQ dinner and awards following golf
- 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th place finishers receive gift certificates to International Golf - door prizes given away during dinner
- \$85 per player or \$340 per foursome
- \$250 hole sponsorship
- \$100 sponsor board
- Entry fee includes green fee, cart, on course refreshments, hamburger lunch and BBQ dinner
- **Donations will be accepted and greatly appreciated!  
All proceeds support the FPC Youth Missions and are tax deductible.**
- **Please contact us ASAP for sponsorships**



# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

*"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." -Matthew 19:14*

Church School starts at 9:45 am and ends at 10:45 a.m.  
All children are released to parents only

Children's Church school classes and location

Infants—Room 117—Tammy McLeroy, Tijuana Bush

Toddlers—Room 113—Ruby Canida and Charity Stith

Abington Press *Rock-a-Bye* curriculum

Two's & Threes—Room 115—Courtne Wyche, Holly Hester

CRC Publications *Little Lambs* curriculum

Preschool & Kindergarten—Room 106—Penne Duke, Lysca van Zyl and Liz Johnson

CRC Publications *Living in Faith Everyday*

1st—4th grade—Chapel—Tammy Moyes

5th Grade Church School - Room 202 -Jeff and Robbie Sherrod

WE Believe curriculum



**CONFIRMATION CLASS MEETS THE SESSION TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12.** STUDENTS, PARENTS, AND ELDER PALS ARE REQUESTED TO BE AT THE CHURCH AT 6:45 PM

## CONFIRMATION CLASS MEETS

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 13 & 20 IN ROOM 202 AT 6:30 PM.  
DINNER IS IN GRACE HALL ON OCTOBER 13 AT 5:45



Sunday, October 17, 2010

4:30—6 p.m. in Grace Hall

For families with children from young to "young at heart"!

It's one afternoon filled with music, Scripture, drama and laughter for the whole family. Plus you will see clips from the upcoming theatrical release of C.S. Lewis'



Make your Family reservation now!!!

All church movie viewing in December



Joseph and His Coat of Many Colors

Bible Verse: Psalm 46:1—*God is our refuge and strength and ever present help in trouble.*

Ends on October 3, 2010

Joseph in Egypt begins October 10

Bible Verse: Romans 8:28 *"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purposes."*

Fisherman's Net—Room 204—Kahlan Alley

Salt & Light Lab—Room 110—Laney Mobley

Solomon's Temple—Rom 203—Volunteer Needed

The Upper Room—Room 205—Tiffany Jehorek

Shepherds meet with the students in the chapel and stay with them during the rotation.

1st Grade—Pilar McLemore

2nd Grade—Marshall and Amy Jackson, Deborah Susik

3rd Grade—Sherene Melton

4th Grade—Kerri Daugbjerg, Leslie Carlile

The Workshop Rotation has openings. If you are interested please contact Tammy Moyes.

- Oct 10-31—Video Rotation
- Nov 2-28—Art or Video Rotation



## Worship Service Opportunities for Children

1st—5th Grade

2nd Sunday during 11:00 worship

- Acolytes—bring the light of Christ into worship and lead the light into the world at the close of worship.
- Bible readers—are giving a prepared reading for the Call to Worship or Old or New Testament reading during the service.

**An orientation and worship preparation training will be held Sunday, October 3 from 4:30—6 p.m. in the Sanctuary and Chapel**

October 10—Acolytes—Jimmie Jakubowski & Cameron Presley

October 10—Bible Reader—Kason Kienzle

## FALL FELLOWSHIP DINNERS

Our Wednesday night fellowship dinners continue through October 13. The schedule each week is dinner from 5:45 p.m. till approximately 6:15 p.m., program following the meal until 7 p.m. The cost for each meal is \$6/adults; \$3/children ages 5-5th grade; no charge for children under age 5. Family maximum is \$15.

Reservations may be made each week on the Sunday morning attendance registers by calling the church office (903-757-2525) or by emailing [kimstanley@fpclongview.org](mailto:kimstanley@fpclongview.org) before Wednesday.

**September 29 - Mission Fair** Our Mission Committee will host this opportunity for you to see booths from many of our local agencies who receive donations from FPC. Volunteers from each will answer any questions you might have. Ingrid Johnson is coordinating this effort.

### **October 6 - State of FPC**

As a new stewardship year stretches before us, we will look at where our church is and where we can strengthen our ministry and outreach.

### **October 13 - Mission Dinner**

Jane Els, active member of FPC Garland and resident of Winnsboro, TX, will tell us about her mission trips to Guatemala, her work with Hurricane Katrina folks and her experiences with Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Jane has been a strong supporter and participant in activities at Camp Gilmont, making presentations there during Grace Summer Camps.

In addition, she is the author of "Journey to the Kingdom of God," a book which features her work in Guatemala and her work with Katrina victims.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Anna and Richard Mullinax joined FPC on September 19. Their address is 403 Woodmark (05) and home phone is 903-236-9756.



Melody McMullen also joined on September 19. Her address is 1308 Willow Oak (01) and home phone is 903-806-9125. Melody is the choral director at Pine Tree High School and Pine Tree Middle School.

Cliff and Nancy Hale joined on September 26. Their address is 775 Dennard (05). Their children are Carolyn, Joel, Blanton, and Elizabeth.



## MUSIC MINISTRY

**CHILDREN'S MUSIC**—For ages Pre K through 5<sup>th</sup> Grades  
(Pre-k: Those children who will be in Kindergarten next Fall)

**Wednesday Nights**—5:15-6 PM

### **YOUTH MUSIC**

Sunday Nights

Youth Band – 4:30-5:45 PM

Youth Choir- 5:45-6:30 PM

### **CHANCEL BELLS**

Monday nights —5:30-7 PM

Wednesday mornings—10-11:30 AM

### **CHANCEL CHOIR**

This is a wonderful time to begin singing with the Chancel Choir.

Members are needed who love to sing and can match pitch and hold a voice part (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, or Bass).

If you are interested in being a part of this talented ensemble, please contact Tim soon at [timkonvalin@fpclongview.org](mailto:timkonvalin@fpclongview.org) or call him at the church.



# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRAYER CONCERNS

## THANK YOU'S

*From Jane Gibson:*

I appreciate all the get well cards, phone calls and prayers. Your friendship and concerns have raised my spirits.

*From LCM's Executive Director Donna Sharp:*

Thank you for your generous donation to Longview Community Ministries' Food Box. This gift will allow us to help thousands of Longview residents in need. LCM is fortunate to be able to offer a variety of services to persons who face temporary setbacks. Volunteers carefully screen and assess needs to ensure that funds are allocated carefully. Support from individuals, area churches, businesses, civic organizations, and the Greater Longview United Way allows us to help families with food boxes, rent and utility assistance, prescriptions, dental extractions, Meals on Wheels, and provide a free learning lab. Please feel free to call or come by and see what wonderful works this gift supports. Thank you again, for Longview Community Ministries could not exist without its generous donors and our faithful volunteers.

*From Bill Bankston:*

I want to thank my church family for the beautiful floral arrangement you sent for my mom's memorial. Debbie and I truly appreciate you thinking about us during this sad time. Your kindness will not be forgotten.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO...

- Kristi and Jason Hunt on the safe arrival of infant daughter Lauren Katherine on September 9. Proud brother is Jack.
- Lori and Cody Aldredge on the safe arrival of infant daughter Tinsley Rebecca Aldredge on September 13. Proud grandparents are Becky and Buck Birdsong.
- Altus and Carin Esca Koegelenberg who recently became U.S. citizens.

## LCM FOR OCTOBER

- "Touch a Truck - Feed a Family" on Saturday, 10/2 at the Gregg County Fairgrounds from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; see and touch earth movers, monster trucks, antique cars. School buses, ambulances, 18-wheelers, police cars, fire trucks and much more. Admission is a container of peanut butter or a monetary donation.
- "Coats for Kids" drop off throughout the month of October at participating area dry cleaners.
- Food Box needs for October: canned meats, tune, macaroni & cheese, peanut butter, cereal/oatmeal, canned fruits, all hygiene products

## PRAYER CONCERNS

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Recent need: Terry Wohlfahrt, Jim Lindsey, Noble Roberts, Doyle Read

Continuing need: Muriel Turner, Clark Sample, Emily Aitken, Randy Cook, Bill Hollingsworth, Jeff Kearns, Mainard McCabe, Mack Baushke, Martha Armstrong, Davis Bankston, Lukas Wyche, Jack Vander Woude, Biff Cook, Mary Crawford, Hugh Taylor, Garland Baldwin, Elizabeth Stevenson, Mildred Shelton, Catherine Steinmeyer, Dorothy Bartlett, Janette Canterberry, Judy Suter, Brenda Taliaferro

### OUR RETIREMENT FAMILY:

Ray Hall, Mack Baushke - *Colonial Village*  
Jean George, John Whitaker, Anne Wyant - *Hawkins Creek*  
Dorothy Chandler, Grace Raney, Helena and Roy Talmage  
- *Buckner Westminster Place*  
Evelyne Busch, Rosa Lamb, Judy Martin - *Buckner Greenhouse*  
Betty Denton, Dot Word - *Songbird Assisted Living*  
Bill White - *Kilgore Manor, Kilgore*  
Vi Jamison - *Oak Tree Assisted Living, New Braunfels*

### OUR MILITARY FAMILY:

*Iraq:* Malisa Hammett, David Morris, Stuart Gray, Tanner Bagley, Derek Czapnik  
*Germany:* Angela Hammett  
*U.S.:* Austin Bogert, James Barnhill, Jeff Beckworth, Kyle Moseley, Brad Parr, Justin Phillips, Christopher Ray, Joshua Ray  
*Coast Guard:* Justin Vaughan  
*Others:* Patrick Amalfi, James V. Browder, Justin L. Browder, Colin Byrd, Ryan Byrd, Jeffrey Clark, Nate Cole, Mark Curtis, William Daniels, Joel Davidson, Charles Galloway, Mitch Hall, Julie Hodges, Brian Hughes, Brad Jones, Brandon Jones, Steven Lewis, Tyson Mabry, Justin Miller, Michael Smith

### VOLUNTEERING AT SOUTH WARD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Now that school is in full swing again, volunteers are needed to spend one hour a week as a Reading Buddy for a child at our Adopt-a-School partner South Ward. If you are interested in this valuable service, please call Leah Finley at 903-295-2985.

# BIRTHDAYS, STEWARDSHIP AND CLERK'S CORNER

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

1 - Robert Brenner Marcia Rotzler Colin Wyche	17 - Lori Aldredge Brenan Alley Nicholas McFarland Robert Mitchell Grace Raney Ann Reid
2 - Marshall Daugbjerg Victoria Hester Sylvia Johnson Cheryl Parr Kaitlyn Ragonesi Caroline Salmon	18 - Jade Bogue Jim Finley
3 - Delores Schoville	19 - Janel Allen Drew Bankston
4 - Rob Thompson	Travis Bunn
5 - Bailey Brightwell Gracie Roberts Mary White	Garrett Burton John Ray
6 - Luke Armstrong Kathleen Lutrick	21 - Hope McMahan 22 - Garland Baldwin Mildred Flanders Bess Miller Bill Ramey
8 - Kirk Shields	Gracie Russell
9 - Mike Hudson Stephen McLemore Jimmy Mobley Monk Willis	23 - Andrew Shea 25 - Abbie Teel Ottis Willbanks Jared Wyche
10 - Jerrett Turner Chloe Yu	26 - Jeannie Pemberton
11 - Tres Bainter	27 - Crystal Brightwell Gina Burton Jana Deeks Jack Vander Woude
12 - Dorothy Chandler	28 - Jill Berney Sue Martin John Nye, Jr.
13 - Anna Lee Allen Jim Bartlett Jan Hammer Jeannie Sisk	29 - Sarah Konvalin Barbara Pugh
14 - John Golden Rachel Golden Elisabeth Schaal	30 - Tom Gibson Caleb Liebengood
15 - Leslie Carlile Gail Godsey Valerie Smith Kathy Watson	31 - Anita Chapman Sally Rathbun Bailey Salmon
16 - Ruth Clemens Jean Knight	

## FINANCIAL REPORT—AUGUST

Monthly Receipts	\$75,750	[Budget \$93,247]
Monthly Expenses	\$98,662	[Budget \$96,151]
Year to date net Income under Expenses—(99,827)		

### *Mission Donations paid from budget*

Sick & Relief assistance	252
Newgate Breakfast	214
Contingencies	280
Newgate Stewpot	200
Meals on Wheels	150
Touch a Truck—LCM (contingencies)	500
Seminary Student	3000
Food Box	300
Southward— uniforms	1000
Longview Preschool	1200

Quarterly Statements will be mailed on Sept. 30

Electronic payments are available - please call

## CLERK'S CORNER

From the September 14, 2010 Session meeting:

- Music Subcommittee has begun the search for an organist
- Tony Insua is now working part time on the church staff in building/maintenance and with custodial staff
- Youth Mission golf tournament will be Monday, Oct. 11
- Sunday, October 3 will be World Communion Day with communion being observed at each service

Congratulations to the newly elected Class of 2013: Elders Becky Birdsong, Byron Horne, Chad Johnson, Michael McMahan, Nancy Murray, Doyle Read, Nancy Salmon, Philip Smith, Matt Yost; Trustee Betty Moseley.

## KROGER NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR DONATION PROGRAM BENEFITS LCM

Kroger's Neighbor to Neighbor Donation Program directly benefits Longview Community Ministries when you shop at Kroger. Please pick up a customer letter from the church office, take it with you when you shop at Kroger, and have it scanned. You may also use the bar code at right. Every time you shop at Kroger, the store will contribute a percentage of your eligible purchases to LCM.



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This Bellringer is available by e-mail  
Please contact the church office at  
[kimstanley@fpclongview.org](mailto:kimstanley@fpclongview.org)  
The next Bellringer will be  
published October 26, 2010.

### ADULT MISSION TRIP

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance has projects rebuilding several houses that were damaged by Hurricane Katrina in Texas City and New Orleans. Our Mission Subcommittee would like to know how much interest there is for a mission trip for adults to these areas.

The work would involve painting, trim, sheetrock, etc. Tolls are provided. Accommodations are in the PDA volunteer village. In Texas City, there are AC/heated trailers with bunk beds. In New Orleans, there is a dormitory with bunk beds. Cost is \$20 per day which includes food prepared by the workers.

Those who may be interested should call the church office. And be sure to attend the October 13 supper to hear Jane Els speak. She was a PDA volunteer village supervisor for several months after Katrina. Benefits are enormous fun, fellowship, worship, and helping others!

### LUNCH AND A MOVIE RETURNS !

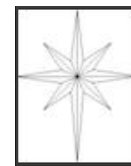
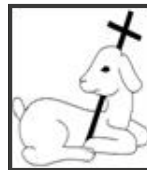
Wednesday, October 13, lunch at 11:30 in Grace Hall followed by "Miss Congeniality" in the Fallout Shelter.

A comedy starring Sandra Bullock, Miss Congeniality involves an FBI agent who must go under cover at a beauty pageant to prevent a bombing.

Please make reservations for lunch.

### CHRISMON BEADING DAY OCTOBER 9

If you would like to work on your chrismon with others, please join Donna Kearns and members of the decorating committee as they start new patterns and kits or finish one of the 24 kits checked out. If you haven't yet made a chrismon and would like to but need some hands-on help, this is for you too! We will meet in the parlor from 10 a.m. to noon. Contact Joan Osborne for more information.



### FROM THE DECORATING COMMITTEE

We are looking for a replacement for the china plate with the drawing of the church on it which was on display in the Gathering Area and was accidentally broken. If you have one of the plates and would like to donate it for this purpose, please call Joan Osborne.