

Montrose United Methodist Church "Joyfully, To Love All, To Serve All, and To Share Jesus Christ With the World!"

Pastor's Ponderings... "THANKFUL!"

As you might imagine, many of my thoughts over the last five days have been devoted to Tracy's and my first grandchild.

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Emerson Richard Reinhard was born to Scott and Cindy Reinhard on Friday, October 21, in Ogden, Utah. Richard was my dad's name and is our daughter-in-law's dad's name. Emerson was 10 pounds, 21 inches, and he was born on 10-21. Those details will help me remember the date of birth and size of our grandson, but I don't think I would ever forget anyway! Soon after we first met Emerson, Tracy said, "I'm so in love!" Isn't that amazing? We are completely, head-over-heals in love with this little person who has done nothing

whatsoever to earn our love or deserve our love. In fact, a lot of

things newborns do are not even very appealing. (I won't go into that!) An experience like this teaches me in a way like no other what God's love is like for us. God doesn't love us because of what we DO. God loves us because of who we ARE: We are God's. That is enough. I love Emerson because he is my grandson and because he is my son's son. That is enough. This is unconditional love. This is the grace of God flowing through us in love for others.

As we were driving to Utah on Friday to say hello to Emerson, I was doing a devotional in the car. The devotional book I was using pointed me to Psalm 139. I went to the *Message* version of the Bible on my phone. There, I read these words in verses 13-16:

Oh yes, you shaped me first inside, then out; you formed me in my mother's womb.

I thank you, High God—you're breathtaking! Body and soul, I am marvelously made!

I worship in adoration—what a creation!

You know me inside and out, you know every bone in my body;

You know exactly how I was made, bit by bit,

how I was sculpted from nothing into something.

Like an open book, you watched me grow from conception to birth;

all the stages of my life were spread out before you, The days of my life all prepared before I'd even lived one day. So, as we enter into this special season of Thanksgiving, I am thankful for the miracle of God's love and the way God's love flows through us to all God's Children so they will know that they are loved with an endless, boundless, unstoppable love.

Thankful, and so in love!

Paston Steve



Operation Christmas Child is a project of the international relief organization, Samaritan's Purse. Our mission is to provide local partners around the world with shoeboxes filled with small toys, hygiene items, and school supplies as a means of reaching out to children in their own communities with the Good News of Jesus Christ. We ship these simple gifts outside the United States to children affected by war, poverty, natural disaster, famine and disease; and to children living on Native American reservations in the U.S.



<u>Operation Christmas Child at Montrose Methodist</u> <u>Church</u>

Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes will be available October 23, in Baldridge Hall (limit of 2 please at first) along with instructions and all required information. Boxes must be returned no later than Sunday, November 20.

Kid's News

<u>CHRISTMAS PROGRAM</u>

WE HAVE ANOTHER GREAT PROGRAM PLANNED FOR OUR CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY OUR VERY OWN TAYLLOR PITTMAN!

REHEARSALS WILL BE ON THESE 3 WEDNESDAY'S NOV. 16, 30, DEC. 7 FROM 2:30 TO 4:00 PM. A LIGHT SNACK WILL BE SERVED AT 2:30. THE DRESS REHEARSAL WILL BE SATURDAY DEC. 11TH AT 1:00 PM.

WE WILL NEED 3—4 ADULT ASSISTANTS. LET BECKY KNOW IF YOU CAN HELP OUT!





Sunday School News The theme for November is "God Provides" In The Wilderness Ten Commandments A House For God The Peaceable Kingdom



Young People's News

For 5th-8th graders, High school students 🕴

young adults

All Youth Lock In Nov. 5th & 6th with Grand Junction Youth We will leave Montrose Saturday at 11:30 am (bring your lunch). We are



going swimming in Glenwood, back to Palisade UMC for dinner, games and movies and will participate in worship Sunday morning. Our plan is to return by noon Sunday. Cost is \$20.00 per person. Space is limited so sign up early. Deadline is Oct. 30th. Sign up is online at this link:

https://goo.gl/forms/V6QJvAwmc9ZEtOd03

Santa's Cabin Fundraiser

Tree Lighting (Nov. 25th kicks off the Santa's cabin season!

We will need volunteers to help decorate the

wagon Santa will ride in and help out at the

event. That's our first night at the cabin

too! Filery weekend in December! 🛊





<u>Nov. 5-6</u> Lock In with Grand Valley Youth <u>Nov. 11th</u> "Catch Me If You Can"

<u>Nov. 18th</u>

"Glow Ultimate Frisbee" <u>Nov. 27</u> no group



<u>Nov. 11th</u>

GaGa Ball

<u>Nov. 18th</u> "Angry Birds Game Event"

This is going to be a crazy fun night and we would love for

each student to invite several friends!

Angry Birds Event Nov. 18th for 5th-8th graders

This is an outreach event so please invite friends! We will be playing a life size game!

Worship & Donuts Nov. 20th 9:45 am

Youth and parents are invited to attend worship together and then meet upstairs in the youth wing to talk about the sermon and have donuts! Watch your email for Santa's Cabin volunteer sign up coming soon. This is our last fundraiser for the school year!

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Dean Martinson	11/06
Madison Whitaker	11/06
Bob Rainey	11/07
Lillian Hadley	11/07
Karen DeJulio	11/07
Gloria Heitsman	11/08
Sandy Whitley	11/09
Tina Rupp	11/09
Mark Evans	11/09
Marsha Ross	11/09

Brekin Hutto	11/10
Cathee Nielsen	11/14
Mary Kay Richardson	11/15
Steve Loesch	11/17
Jim Warren	11/18
Cynthia Reiss	11/20
Herb Anderson	11/21
Elsie Dawirs	11/21
Betty Gorsline	11/22
Bonnie Smith	11/24
Caroline Evans	11/24
Mary Ann Langley	11/26
Bob Strong	11/27
Richard Halverson	11/28
Jonathan Becker	11/29
Kristy Barrett	11/29
Kathie Adamson	11/29
Caroline Davis	11/30
Scott Armentrout	11/30
Dean Clark	11/30

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Mappy Anniversary Paul & Nancy Zaenger 11/02 **Chuck & Sharon Moslet** 11/10 Neil & Mary Black 11/11

Bill & Cynthia Reiss



CHRISTMAS MISSION PROJECT

For Northside & Pomona families in need

We will be hosting a "store" for parents to come and pick out a gift for their children. We are inviting 30 families to share with us their kids ages and what they might like. It's a way to "adopt" a family for Christmas and give the parents the ability to provide for their child and come and shop for them. Watch for details soon!

Contact Jenny Hurshman 249-8611 or Becky Clark 209-6977 for more information

Poster/MyWall.com



Upcoming Happenings

United Methodist Women

--November 7-Monday- Executive Board Meeting-9.00A.M. Baldridge Hall

--November 9- Luncheon-Wednesday -11:30 A.M.

Baldridge Hall-Hope Circle Hostess

--Program: <u>World Thank Offering-</u>Bring your offering for the many things for which you are grateful. First time guests are free-Others \$5.00

--Hope Circle-Meets Nov. 17-Thursday-11:30 A.M.-Joan Dunham-Hostess, 200 N. Stough --Mary Olive-Faith-Mary & Elizabeth Circles-**Do Not Meet** in November

--November 12—**BAZAAR! BAZAAR!! BAZAAR!!!** 8:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

If you would like to help in some way, please contact the following Chairwomen:

General Chair: Suzanne Carter...240-3616 Candy, checkout tables, name tags: Bonnie Lamb...249-8334

Outside Crafters: Ruth Heath...249-3677 Cashier Tables: Linda Goodhue...249-6258 Bake Shop: Pam Shippy...249-9496 Coffee Shop: Barbara Canada...252-0182 Grannies Attic: Holly von Helms (Nancy Johnson... 249-7303) Luncheon: Annie Hauck...275-2607-Micki Kintner... 249-9552-Deidra Manary UMW Crafts: Sharon Hayes...240-3505-Jan Rexroad Publicity: Tonya Clark-Rhonda O'Brien-Connie Pittenger...249-4308 Greeter: Joan Dunham...249-1334 Technical Assistance: Lorie Cribbs United Methodist Men for set-up and take-down-Stan Hayes...240-3505

BIG THANK YOU TO ALL! Thank you for all donations of time, items, food and support.

The Purpose of United Methodist Women: The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is: **To know God** and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; **To develop a creative** supportive fellowship; and **To expand concepts** of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

<u>Sunday Morning Bus</u> <u>Drivers</u>

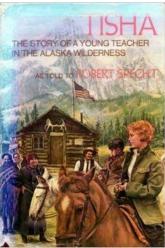
The current drivers will continue to provide transportation using the bus when necessary and private vehicles when more convenient.



We are trying to find one more permanent driver, but until that time, we are asking for a list of people willing to <u>occasionally</u> provide transportation for one or more passengers using their private vehicles or the church bus. You would be called by 5:00 p.m. on Friday if you are needed to drive that Sunday. Please call Carol Jones with questions (970) 596-8694



Brown Bag Book Club The Brown Bag Book Club will be meeting on November 15@ 11:45 in Baldridge Hall. This month's selection is <u>Tisha: The Story of a Young</u> <u>Teacher in the Alaska Wilderness</u> by Robert Specht





<u>Advent "Music at Noon" Concert Series to start at</u> <u>the end of November!</u>

"Music at Noon"

Advent Wednesdays

12:00 – 12:30 p.m.

Fill the heart of your week and day with some celebratory seasonal music.

Bring a brown bag lunch, a friend, or just your Christmas spirit. A variety of musical styles and performers will be featured.

<u>November 30</u> Montrose United Methodist Church Music Department

<u>December 7</u> Robin Freed and Harp Ensemble Choir from Colorado West Christian School will be singing along with harp accompaniment of all ages.

December 14Dr. Ronda Parker/Bethany WardDecember 21Tom and Debbie Turner, vocal

* Saturday November 12, 2016 Down Home Country

Kazaar

Doors open from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Craft Tables, Bake Shop, Coffee Shop, Grannie's Attic Now Accepting Credit Cards

please join us for Lunch

Homemade Hamburger Soup Luncheon 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. \$5.00 per person

Montrose Methodist Church 19 South Park Ave.

The deadline for the December newsletter will be Monday, November 21. This is less than 2 weeks away from Rachael's due date. Please plan ahead and get

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articles to Rachael early as she will not be able to add anything late.