



# Maynard Messenger

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Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday Midweek: 7 p.m.

(Sacred Time-out)

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## Notes from the Journey . . . “Repairs and Rejoicing”

by Pastor Patricia

*Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;  
 you shall raise up the foundations  
 of many generations;  
 you shall be called the repairer  
 of the breach,  
 the restorer of streets to live in.*  
 Isaiah 58:12

I pulled into the church parking lot at 8:15 a.m., and saw it immediately a large shard of clear glass, at least 5 feet tall, barely attached to a window frame, was hanging from one of the small trees just below the windows outside the church parlor. And just beside the glass, stood a small boy.

Are you alright? I called out. The boy nodded, solemnly. I hurried to him, as quickly as the ice and snow would let me, glass shards, everywhere. “It looked like this when I got here,” the boy said. “This is my bus stop.”

I put up caution tape, called Trustees — Adam, Wes and Sandy — and began to gather up the pieces, muttering a prayer of gratitude that no one had been hurt. This one child was more precious to us and to God than this whole building.

Sandy, then Wes, then Adam arrived, all stunned to see the damage, all grateful that no one suffered harm.

Just as we finished cleaning up, Franklin Art Glass arrived. They were here to work on another window and took measurements for this one.

It was awful, and it was perfect. The window was broken but the child was fine and the repairs would soon begin. The cost, well, the costs would be great, but could have been so much, much, more.

I would see the boy again, the next day, and the next, as the snow melted and more shards revealed themselves. “Are you having a children’s party,” asked the child, who had seen the notice about the chili cook-off and game night. “I would like a party. What is this place?” *It’s a church.* “What is a church?” *It’s where we learn about God.* “What is God?” he asked.

You have such a beautiful way of speaking, where were you born? I asked him. “Russia,” he said. Then, putting out his hand. “My name is Yarik.”

Well, Yarik, every week for children we have Sunday school. “What is this school?” *Where we study the Bible.* “What is Bible?” asked Yarik.

I got a copy of last week’s bulletin, and circled the Sunday School class

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## Caregivers Group

March 4 will be the last Tuesday meeting of this group. They will begin meeting on Mondays beginning **April 7**.

Join this group the first Monday of each month for the support and information you need in caring for another person.

For March's meeting Sandy Gaston has lined up a speaker whose topic was be dealing with difficult family members. Sandy believes the group always learns something new at each meeting.

Come and be a part of this important support group.



*Sunday, June 8 to  
Wednesday, June 11, 2014*

*Lakeside Chautauqua  
236 Walnut Avenue  
Lakeside, Ohio 43440*

*Registration Opens  
March 3, 2014*

## Kroger Community Reward Program



Thank you for signing up for the Kroger Community Reward Program. It's one of the easiest fundraisers:

Once a year on April 1 or shortly thereafter, just log on to Kroger Community Reward Program website and choose Maynard as your "charity" of choice. Then shop using your

Kroger Plus card. This does not affect store discounts or gas points.

With all that said — drum roll please — Kroger contributed **\$358.51** total donations for the period from November 1, 2013, through January 31, 2014.

Thank you for your continued support of Maynard ministries!!

**Reminder: On April 1 or soon thereafter, re-register for Kroger Community Reward Program. This must be done every year!**

## Christian Ethics and the Crisis in U.S. Criminal Justice

**Saturday, March 8, 2014**  
**9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

*Sponsored by the Sprague Scholar-in-Residence Fund at North Broadway United Methodist Church, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Columbus Mennonite Church, West Ohio Black Methodists for Church Renewal, West Ohio Methodist Federation for Social Action, East Ohio Methodist Federation for Social Action, United Theological Seminar*

### About the Sprague Lecture Series

Bishop Joseph Sprague is a retired bishop in The United Methodist Church. The Sprague Scholar-In-Residence Fund was established to express appreciation to Joe and Diane Sprague for their ministry and leadership at North Broadway and throughout the United Methodist Church. The fund supports an annual event — The Sprague Lecture — focused on justice and theological reflection.

### About This Event:

There is a growing awareness that something is very wrong in criminal justice. The U.S. has dramatically higher per capita imprisonment rates than other developed nations, and those rates are systematically skewed by race, ethnicity, and social class. In these matters, the church has often defined its role mostly as bringing personal comfort and change to incarcerated individuals, helping

them to “lead a new life” and re-enter society successfully after incarceration. While this is commendable, this year’s Sprague lecturers challenge all of us to rethink these issues. Space is limited, so don’t delay and miss out on this important opportunity!

### Speakers:

**Michelle Alexander**, an OSU law professor and author of *The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in an Age of Colorblindness*.

**James Logan**, professor at Earlham College and author of *Good Punishment? Christian Moral Practice and U.S. Imprisonment*.

**Bishop Gregory V. Palmer** was assigned as Episcopal Leader of the Ohio West Area of The United Methodist Church Sept. 1, 2012. He also served as president of the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry from and president of the Council of Bishops.

### Location:

University Plaza Hotel and  
 Conference Center  
 Location Address:  
 3110 Olentangy River Rd,  
 Columbus 43202

### Email:

info@north-broadway.org  
 Price: \$25.00

More information about the 2014 Sprague Lecture and other programs of the church can be found at [www.north-broadway.org](http://www.north-broadway.org).



## “Real Faith, Real World ... A Working Session to Reduce Domestic Violence and Human Trafficking”

**Saturday, March 29, 2014**

9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. – lunch provided

Bellbrook UMC, Bellbrook, OH  
47 E. Franklin Street  
Bellbrook OH 45305  
937-848-2909



Registration Fee: \$10. Lunch provided

To register, go to:  
[www.westohioumc.org](http://www.westohioumc.org) and click on “Register for Events”  
Registration deadline: March 24

This seminar will be a working session for people interested in educating and mobilizing people in their congregations and

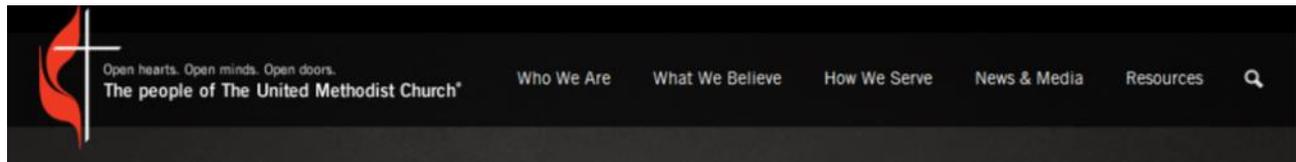
communities about domestic violence and human trafficking. Facilitators will be Susan Burton, Director of Women & Children’s Advocacy,

General Board of Church & Society and Rev. Darryl Fairchild, pastor, Bellbrook UMC.

Sponsored by Bellbrook UMC in partnership with the West Ohio Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church and the General Board of Church & Society

### Questions?

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## www.umc.org Redesigned

The United Methodist Church debuted its new [www.umc.org](http://www.umc.org) - the denomination's website and digital home. The redesign is aimed to ease access to the stories and resources of United Methodism. United Methodist Communications manages the website.

## Euchre Night



DON'T FORGET – keep an ear out for the Euchre group that will be starting! Every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday, Maynard’s Euchre rookies, fiends, and friends who just wanna have a great time will be getting together

for some nonstop laughs, some major tricks and trumps to end all trumps! More information to follow.

## Chili Cook-Off and Game Night Recap

Oh the weather outside has been so frightful ... but inside Maynard Avenue UMC, the BRING THE HEAT CHILI COOK-OFF AND GAME NIGHT was so delightful!!

On February 15, the Maynardites and our SoHud neighbors came out in full force with money to spend and empty bellies to fill. Rumors had been circulating for weeks about the internationally known, famous BRING THE HEAT CHILI COOK-OFF and let me tell you it did not disappoint. With 12 different chilis to choose from, the possibilities lined the Social Hall ... and the sampling choices were endless: Veggie Chili, Beef Chili, Turkey Chili. The competition was fierce and votes were cast to decide the favorite of all ... and the winners were ...

**BEST VEGETARIAN** — Connie Hammond

**BEST MEAT** — Danielle Davis

**BEST OVERALL** — Diana Kubovcik

Congratulations to all our winners! I am sure that their award winning recipes could be bribed from them (or may try a hug, pout, or chocolate never fails J)...

And now the answer to the question that everyone was asking: How much did we raise to help offset the higher utilities and snow removal during this cold and bitter winter? Drum Roll please! At the CHILI COOK-OFF, we raised \$350.00!! Yaaaay ... and that is not all... The next day we offered the opportunity for everyone to donate, especially those who did not get a chance to be there the night before – and we raised

another \$193.00! Now we will pause for celebration dancing ... Go ahead – I will wait J

A special thank you to all who helped to organize, plan, prepare, and operate this amazing event! To everyone who made chili, donated toppings, bread, drinks, snacks, desserts — we could not have done it without you!

Once our bellies were full of chili and our wallets were empty ... we closed the night with games, games, games. How amazing it was to look around the room and see groups of people — young, old, neighbor, long-time church member — interacting, laughing, and sharing the love that can be found at Maynard Avenue. How great the connections are that we are making in this home; this community that we are building is like no other, a unique expression of the love we are to share for all God's children!

For those who could not make it ... don't you worry, the BRING THE HEAT CHILI COOK-OFF & Game Night will be back, maybe reimagined a little differently, but still filled with good food, good fun, and good people! See everyone then!





**Gregory V. Palmer**  
Resident Bishop | Ohio West Area



## 2014 Annual Conference — Letter from Bishop Palmer

While we toil in the cold and snow we also anticipate the warmth and brightness of Spring and Summer. June 8-11 we will gather on the shores of Lake Erie and raise our voices singing “And Are We Yet Alive?” We will worship and learn together and deliberate in community on our way to making some important decisions that will shape our shared ministry going forward. We will commission and ordain as well celebrate some milestones in ministry. For example you have done a remarkable job with Imagine No Malaria, Connectional Giving and Disaster Response.

Last year we plunged into to the theme *Becoming the Beloved Community: Taken, Blessed, Broken and Given*. This year we will focus on **blessedness**. I have no illusion that we will exhaust the theme or what it means to be blessed. But I hope we will go deep enough to allow the truth of our being a blessed people to give shape and contour to all that we do and say.

To help us work the theme, I am delighted that The Reverend Eric Law will journey with us and

have several opportunities to address us. His latest book *Holy Currencies: Six Blessings for Sustainable Missional Ministries* has been on my recommended list for many months. Our conference is currently implementing a pilot project using the principles of this book as a framework to assist congregations in claiming a new future. I encourage you to read this important volume as a part of your preparation for Annual Conference 2014.

For more information about Annual Conference, please go to this link [2014 Annual Conference \(http://www.westohioumc.org/ac/2014\)](http://www.westohioumc.org/ac/2014). Online registration begins March 3 at 10 a.m. To register, visit our website at [westohioumc.org](http://www.westohioumc.org) and click on *Register for Events*. Most of all give yourself to the preparation of prayer as we continue to be shaped and formed into God’s *Beloved Community: Taken, Blessed, Broken and Given*. I remain,

Your servant in Jesus Christ,

*+ Gregory V. Palmer*

  
Donna B's  
Thrift Store & Boutique

Donna B's at Maynard, a thrift shop and boutique, hours:  
Every Saturday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
First and Third Sundays following worship

*“The Producers”* presented by Gallery Players (reminder)

Doug Joseph invites you to see

**“The Producers”**

by Mel Brooks and Thomas Meehan

Location: Jewish Community Center (JCC)  
1125 College Avenue



*The Producers* is Mel Brooks' irreverent adaptation of his film about two con men who conceive a scheme to produce a Broadway show they think is guaranteed to flop. Check out the website for more information:  
[www.jccgalleryplayers.org](http://www.jccgalleryplayers.org).

Dates: Sunday, March 2, 2:30 p.m.  
Thursday, March 6, 7:30 p.m.  
Saturday, March 8, 8 p.m.  
Sunday, March 9, 2:30 p.m.  
Thursday, March 13, 7:30 p.m.  
Sunday, March 16, 2:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Pricing: \$20 for JCC members, \$25 for nonmembers.  
\$18 for senior JCC members, \$23 for senior nonmembers,  
\$15 for children under 18 years old or students with valid ID,  
\$15 per ticket for groups of 20 or more.

### South of Hudson (SoHud) Block Watch Update

Mark Dravilas from the City's Planning Division will be at the next SoHud Block Watch meeting on **March 13** at Maynard. He will be fielding questions about the current state of the University District's planning process.

Community Police Liaison has also agreed to join us as well.

Everyone is welcome to attend but an invitation especially goes out to Old North Columbus, Glen Echol and Iuka Ravine residents. Please let us know how many of your group will be attending at [news@sohudblockwatch.org](mailto:news@sohudblockwatch.org).

Deb Supelak  
SoHud Block Watch



## Children's Sunday School Update

So, if March comes in like a lion, what exactly happened in February? Even with the lousy weather, we had Sunday School. Not everyone made it every week but lessons went on.



One Sunday we put "Love into Action" by making birthday cards for our dear friend, LeRoy Griffin. We just wanted to share some love with a very special person that we miss seeing in church. Sandy said he smiled as he read each card created in love.



Our story of Abram, Lot, and Sarai followed them after Egypt. When they entered the Southern Plain, Abram, realizing the land could not support all of them, offered Lot his choice of land. Lot chose the North, the Jordan Valley, and settled near Sodom. Abram went South to the land of Canaan near Hebron.

It was not long before Lot found himself in a war of multiple kings. Before you know it, Lot, his family, servants, and belongings are being carried off as the "spoils of war." Abram hears of this and gathers 300+ men and slaves and heads North to free Lot. He succeeds and brings everything taken as spoils back to the South.

King Melchizedek visits Abram and sings praise to him for his acts of bravery. Abram chooses to give a tenth of his spoils to the King. If that sounds familiar, many people still choose to give a tithe or a tenth of all we earn to the church to further the work of God's kingdom on earth.

Sarai was still childless at this time and decided to give her Egyptian slave, Hagar, to Abram. Perhaps Hagar will bear a child for him Sarai thought. Legally, the child of this union would be thought of as Sarai's. Of course, Hagar gets pregnant. Sarai gets jealous and treats Hagar harshly so Hagar runs away. Alone and fearful, Hagar is visited by an angel who speaks to her and promises her that her son will be the father of a great nation. She will call him, Ishmael. And so, at age 86, Abram finally becomes a father.

March will begin with Abraham and Sarah and Isaac. At age 100, Abraham becomes a father, and at age 90, Sarah becomes a *first-time* mother! But the road ahead will not be easy. There will be many tests of faith and trust! Join us to find out "the rest of the story."

Natalie Snarr



## Lenten Study and Sharing Group

Hope will lead this small group. We will share our faith journeys, read and hear of others, reflect on the missteps and misinformation that has damaged our sense of belovedness, and consider the deepest truths of God that we need to remember and share with the world.

Hope will meet with interested folks after worship next Sunday, March 9, to plan the time and day of this class.

## Visit from Martin Butler, Executive Director, NSI

In February, Martin Butler joined us in worship and told us of those needing NSI's help—and our help. He spoke of the 68 percent increase in visitors to the food pantry from January 2013 and January 2014.

Although January and February are usually slower months for NSI, it did not happen this year. In the first two weeks of the year, NSI served 210 families! They are anticipating serving 300 families by the end of January. They are in need of lots of prayer and food to help our neighbors! NSI is asking

for **peanut butter; canned vegetables – spinach, peas, corn, canned fruit, dried beans, rice, and soups** (please, no tomato or vegetable); **and personal items such as toilet paper, feminine products, toothbrushes, and toothpaste.**

As Martin Butler puts it: "From the current pace and costs of these items, we will be looking for them most of the year." So let's keep picking up these items for the next few months. Thank you for your generosity!



## A Fond Farewell to Mabel Vidal

We welcome the OSU students and teachers/professors who join us each school year but are sad when they return to their home or to new jobs. It was no different as we bid a farewell to Mabel on her return to her home in South America.

We enjoyed having Mabel here for Tuesday evening service but

even more we appreciated the sharing of her musical talents with us on Sunday mornings. She sang and played the mandolin with Ryan McAuley for centering music several times.

Her smiling face and musical talents will be missed.

May God keep her safe until we meet again!



## Playing Drums or Bells of Interest to You?

### Drums/Drumming Circle

Are you interested in learning to play the drums? Already know how but would like to be part of a drumming circle? Now is your chance. Wahru Cleveland will hold a 2-hour class on **March 16** at 2 p.m. Following the class at 4, you can join a drum circle. Be a part of this unique experience.

### Hand Bell Choir

Bell choir will resume practice on Sunday evenings at 6 p.m. You need no experience; just know right hand from left and be able to count to 8. Adults and Youth are invited to be a part of the bell choir. You'll have a lot of fun and meet new people! See you at 6!



## Peace and Justice in Palestine

### Dear Maynard Friends:



Peace!



The Maynard UMC Palestine study group decided NOT to meet in March. We have had some great discussions and from opening up our meetings to the community, we have many wonderful people who are interested in peace and justice in the Middle East. I plan to go to Philadelphia for a Friends of Sabeel North America Conference the last weekend in March. The schedule of speakers is really wonderful. We may continue our 4<sup>th</sup> Friday night programs, if there is continued interest.

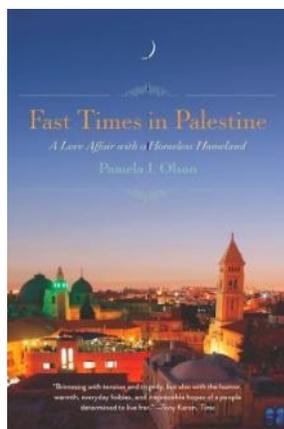
The good news is that there are lots of informative community programs on Palestine in March.

**Monday, March 10, 2014, 7 p.m. Central Ohioans for Peace Meeting.** Program: A Report from Israel and Palestine. Emily Schornstein and Connie Hammond will talk about their trip last November to Israel and Palestine to attend the Sabeel Ecumenical Liberation Theology Conference and pre-conference tour. They visited many cities and refugee camps and heard from Palestinians citizens in Israel and Palestine, prisoner rights and other organizations and people working for justice and human rights. Their talk will focus on the barriers to economic development in Palestine, human rights violations, and the stories of the people, both Israeli and Palestinian, who are struggling for basic human rights and justice. They will end with a discussion the

Palestinian Kairos document and the international action/response that could lead to a more justice society. Free and open to the public. Location: Columbus Mennonite Church, 35 Oakland Park Avenue. For more information on COFP, visit <https://sites.google.com/site/centralohioansforpeace/>

**Thursday, March 13, 2014, 7 p.m. Democratic Socialists of Central Ohio Meeting.** Program: Connie Hammond will show pictures and talk about her trip in November to attend the International Sabeel Liberation Theology Conference. She will be discussing economic development in the West Bank, human rights of the Arab population in Israel, as well as the West Bank and what we can be doing to promote a just solution to the conflict. For more information, contact Simone Morgen, [smorgen@juno.com](mailto:smorgen@juno.com) Location: Northwood Building, Northwood Building, Room 100, 2231 N. High St., Columbus. (Free parking available in the R spaces - Rardin clinic — behind the building.) Website: [www.dsacolumbus.org](http://www.dsacolumbus.org).

**Sunday, March 23, 2014, 3 p.m.** I am particularly so **excited** about bringing Pamela Olson, the author of *Fast Times in Palestine: A Love Affair with A Homeless Homeland* to Columbus. This irresistible memoir chronicles her journey from aimless ex-bartender to Ramallah-based journalist and foreign press



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## Love One Another Ministries (LOAM) Update

*Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.  
Hebrews 13:16*

We went to the homeless camp on Saturday afternoon (February 22). We had loaded up on groceries before we left (finishing off the gift cards — all but \$25.00). We had canned meats and canned pineapple and assorted fruits and soups. We also had packs of hot chocolate mix. We took all the small propane tanks and two large tanks for exchanges, some candles and all the batteries. We also brought five large Little Caesar pizzas with us, they devoured those!!!

We encountered at least 30 people there. **All were in need.** We gave away every bit of food we had, all the propane tanks, all the AAA and almost all of the AA batteries. We exchanged one tank and just gave one. There were people who were asking for burners. We are out of those. I told them we would shoot for next time. Unfortunately, we also gave out the last of our small SONY radios.

Not everyone got propane but I believe everyone did get candles (for heat) AND food. If nothing else I believe everyone got SOME food.

There was a lady there named Michelle who was looking for a burner. She also asked for a can opener and a saucepan to heat food. I will pick one up at the thrift store.

There was one other person wanting a burner. As we were running out of food, I looked behind me from the back of the van. Without my even hearing them, about eight vans pulled up and everyone got out and formed a giant prayer circle in the alley. We all held hands and prayed together.

As we were leaving, they opened the doors on the back of a van and set up a table. I believe this particular group brings a hot meal to them once a week (give or take). I'm not sure where they are from but it was nice to pray with them.

Winter is not over — **hopefully, SOMEDAY.**

We are extremely low on everything. PLEASE, if you can help, we just want to (at least) help them through the winter. By the Grace of God, we have just received three burners to go out. And we will use the last of the gift cards to fill in for some things we are needing, but we do need help — ONE can of food, two if the spirit moves you, a small package of batteries or a small tank of propane.

How much has God given to you? I know we have asked a lot of everyone this winter but if we can just keep going a little bit more. This has been an extremely difficult winter for them. We are not asking for ourselves.

We will be going out on our regular monthly trip March 2.

Thanks!

Zachary Wilcox



**Canned meats:** vienna sausages, potted meats, small cans of corned beef hash or chicken, tuna.  
**canned fruits:** any kind.  
**Soups**  
**Small green propane tanks.**  
**AAA & AA batteries**  
**Candles - new or used.** (for light and heat)  
**Tarps** — needed for protection from the snow and wind  
**Sony Radios (that take AA batteries)** found at Walgreens for \$13



## Peace and Justice in Palestine (cont'd from pg. 10)

coordinator for a Palestinian presidential candidate. With dizzying speed she found herself attending Yasser Arafat's funeral, tour-guiding Israeli friends around the West Bank, dating a Palestinian from a conservative village, being held at gunpoint and injured by a stun grenade, and witnessing the 2005 Disengagement from inside the Gaza Strip. The gripping narrative focuses not only on violence, terror, and politics but also on the daily rounds of house parties, concerts, barbecues, weddings, jokes, harvests, and romantic drama that happen in between. Funny, gorgeous, shocking, and galvanizing, *Fast Times in Palestine* challenges the way we think not only about the Middle East but about human nature and our place in the world. A question and answer session will follow the book discussion. Copies of her book will be available for signing after the event. Free and open to the public (donations accepted to help Pamela continue her book tour). "No other book has conveyed such an authentic, penetrating, and enchanting sense of the Palestinian people and their

long struggle for rights and security." — Richard Falk, *UN Special Rapporteur on Human Rights in the Palestinian Territories*.

Location: First Unitarian Universalist Church of Columbus, 93 W. Weisheimer, Columbus, Ohio 43214.

**Monday, March 24, 2014, 7 p.m.** St. John's Evangelical Protestant Church, 59 East Mound St., Columbus. Free parking is available in the gravel lot directly east of the church, at the corner of Mound and Third streets, on Sunday mornings and for special events. (Please do not park in the lot directly across the street; towing is enforced.)

The Committee for Justice in Palestine is launching its BDS (boycott, divestment, and sanctions campaign) this month. I hope Maynard will have the opportunity to work with these wonderful young people in our OSU neighborhood.

If you have any questions, please call me, 614-531-4146 or email [cmhammond11@att.net](mailto:cmhammond11@att.net).

*Connie Hammond, outreach chair*



## Midweek Worship: Sacred Time Out

**JUST A REMINDER TO JOIN US ON TUESDAYS AT 7 P.M.**

The "Sacred Time Out" gathering creates an opportunity to pause, be still, and share the faith experiences that have challenged or changed us. In just 30 minutes or so, the community shares songs, prayers, and testimonies in an informal setting to help us experience God's love in a new way.

## Repairs and Rejoicing (cont'd from pg. 1)

and tutoring session. "Can you help me with math?" asked Yarik. We also have a Martial Arts for children, I said. "What is that?" he asked. "Well...Karate." His eyes lit up, "Oh yes, I know this. I want to learn this. I want to be strong. I can come to this class, it doesn't cost money?"

"Yes, all free," I said. "Ask your parents if you may come. You will meet your teacher, Master Dan." Yarik was so happy; he fairly skipped up the steps of the bus, and then waved vigorously from his window.

There were so many gifts in that fallen window. No one injured, the immediate response of trustees, and especially, realizing that there was a child such as this, just outside our doors, a child thirsty for companionship and knowledge. For children, and adults ready to listen and teach.

I don't know if Yarik will be permitted to come inside. But we will continue to talk on school mornings, and one day I hope he will.

In the meantime, we all want to be sure he is safe as he waits for his bus.

So, about the windows.

Wes Harrison and Franklin Glass will be checking all our windows to see what we need to do to secure and protect them so they can protect the stained glass. At the very least, we will need to reinforce them, perhaps with new framing and/or metal brackets, and apply fresh sealer and paint.

As you know, we are in the midst of a number of renovations. We have raised enough money to install a ramp and a chair lift, we have secured a loan and a grant to begin work on the masonry. We have wonderful new and established ministries happening here: Donna B's, a thrift store and boutique; a strong block watch; outreach to the homeless, to children, and, soon, to victims of human trafficking. Now we need your help for the windows.

### Adopt a Window

How about this: we will get an estimate for the cost of rejuvenating each window, and you can choose one to make "yours"! As the benefactor, you will pay for the cost of replacing or securing the frame, and painting it, and for that you will have a plaque installed at the base of that window, dedicated as you like.

Whether you live far or near, are a newcomer or long-timer, whether you have significant resources or few, we can each leave our mark on this place, as the church has left her mark on us. Together we can make this place a safe one for children to come and stand beside, waiting for the bus, asking about God, learning they are welcome.

Peace,  
Patty

Adopt a Window

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>2</b>  9:30 —Sunday School 10:30 —Worship 11:30 Wahu/Drums 11:30 — Healing Oils 12—Donna B's open 12:30 —Martial Arts 6—Hand Bells	<b>3</b> 4:30 p.m.—Tutoring 7 p.m.—Alcoholics Anonymous	<b>4</b> 6 p.m. Caregivers Group 7 p.m.—Sacred Time-Out (vespers) 	<b>5</b> <b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b> 12 p.m.—Alcoholics Anonymous 7 p.m.— Service at Summit on 16 <sup>th</sup> 7 p.m.—Choir 	<b>6</b> 7 p.m.—Leadership Team Meeting	 <b>7</b> 7 p.m.—MaryMakers 8 p.m.—Narcotics Anonymous	<b>8</b> 10 a.m. — Donna B's 2 p.m. — Barnett Shower 6 p.m. — Simply Living Annual Meeting 6 p.m.— Youth Group 
<b>9</b> 9:30 —Sunday School 10:30 —Worship 11:30 — Fundraising 12:30 —Martial Arts 6:30—Hand Bells	<b>10</b> 4:30 p.m.—Tutoring 7 p.m.—Alcoholics Anonymous	<b>11</b> 7 p.m.—Sacred Time-Out (vespers)	<b>12</b> 12 p.m.—Alcoholics Anonymous 7 p.m. — Choir 	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 8 p.m.—Narcotics Anonymous	<b>15</b> 10 a.m. — Donna B's 5 p.m.—Babysitting 
 <b>16</b> 9:30 —Sunday School 10:30 —Worship 12 — Finance Team 12—Donna B's open 12:30—Martial Arts 2— Drum Class/Circle 6:30—Hand Bells	<b>17</b> 4:30 p.m.—Tutoring 7 p.m.—Alcoholics Anonymous  	<b>18</b> 7 p.m.—Sacred Time-Out (vespers)	<b>19</b> 12 p.m.—Alcoholics Anonymous 7 p.m. — Choir 	<b>20</b> 6:30 p.m.—Knitting Group 	<b>21</b> 8 p.m.—Narcotics Anonymous	<b>22</b> 10 a.m. — Donna B's 6 p.m.—Youth Group TBA — Euchre Night 
<b>23</b> 9:30 —Sunday School 10:30 —Worship 12:30 —Martial Arts 6:30—Hand Bells	<b>24</b> 4:30 p.m.—Tutoring 6 p.m. — Federation of the Blind 7 p.m.—Alcoholics Anonymous	<b>25</b> 7 p.m.—Sacred Time-Out (vespers) 	<b>26</b> 12 p.m.—Alcoholics Anonymous 7 p.m. — Choir 	<b>27</b> 6:30 p.m.—Knitting Group 	<b>28</b> 8 p.m.—Narcotics Anonymous	<b>29</b> 10 a.m. — Donna B's 
<b>30</b> Same as above	<b>31</b> Same as above, no Blind					
<b>12</b> — Trustees Meeting						