

IMI**MARCH 2017****KEITH'S QUILL**

We had a little snow last evening. Not enough to stick anywhere but on a roof or two. It was one last reminder that winter is still around. But it won't be for very long. Today is March First.

When March comes into our valley so does Spring and with Spring the flood of tourists arrive in Moab. They bring with them prosperity to our little town. They fill up our hotels and restaurants and even our churches. They camp in our deserts and in our campgrounds. They buy groceries and bicycles and rent boats and four-wheeled vehicles. They come here because this is one of the best places on earth to come. What they get to see and experience in this amazing place keeps bringing them back year after year.

Those of us who live here are probably a little "put out" because we have to share this

place. It really isn't ours. It belongs to everyone. We get the privilege of sharing it with the world. As locals and believers we have a duty to care for the land and to honor those who come to enjoy it with us. We have been empowered by the Holy Spirit to be people of love and charity. So this year as a new opportunity to care for our visitors arrives, I hope that all of us that know Jesus and love His world will honor Him by caring for those who come into our desert home. I would love for Moab to be thought of by our visitors as a friendly and happy place. People coming here find lots of problems already. They might have a difficult time getting a place to stay or a seat at a restaurant. Why not practice our Christian virtue and give to our visitors a positive experience. When we have made a good impression on them lets go ahead and invite

them to church. We have thousands of visitors coming into our community each week. Isn't this an opportunity to reach some of them with a message of hope? Rather than protect and horde our place in the sun, lets use it's beauty and attraction as an opportunity to reach a few for the Kingdom. Be creative. Look for the opportunity, and above all else care for our visitors with the Love of God. You will like them better if you do and they just might like us better too.

This is also the season to be preparing ourselves for the celebration of the Resurrection. Take some time each day this month to draw near to the Lord. Just that one act will make your Spring and the approaching Resurrection event special in your life.
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THE COMMUNITY CHURCH OF MOAB SUNDAY SERVICE**TIMES:****10:00 a.m. -****Morning Worship****11:00 a.m. -****Fellowship Time****11:15: Connection Classes****GREETERS FOR MARCH****March 5: Karisa & Tamara Larsen****March 12: Jana Smith & family****March 19: Jim & Darleen Nelson & Margaret Maki****March 26: Cricket Green & Sue Batchelder****PLEASE EXCUSE THE CLUTTER IN OUR PARKING LOTS.**

The new roofing project is over half done now. The Trustees are having a metal roof put on all our buildings...but will look like shingles. It is really looking nice!

(If you would like to give, just note on your check: Roofing Project)

STUDENT ASSISTANCE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM of The Community Church

It is that time of the year again for all who are involved with the S.A.P. Scholarship Fund thru Community Church to fill out another application for the 2017-18 school year. It is also that time for you Seniors at Grand County High School, who attend Community Church, to make your application. These applications are due into the church office by April 15.

We would like to share a very special letter that our own Jayelen Knowles recently received from The United States Naval Academy. Jayelen is the daughter of John and Jacque Knowles and granddaughter of Don and JoAnn Knowles. The following is a portion of the letter she received from the Naval Academy:

"I am pleased to offer you an appointment to the United States Naval Academy as a member of the Class of 2021. You should take pride in having successfully competed with outstanding young people from across the nation for admission into this historic institution. Acceptance of this appointment will be your first step in a challenging voyage of discovery that will afford you a world-class four year degree and commission as an officer and leader in the United States Navy or Marine Corps.

This program is highly competitive and will prepare you morally, mentally, and physically for the privilege of leading Sailors and Marines. I congratulate you on your fine record of achievement and invite you to join the ranks of over 81,500 men and women alumni who have attended the United States Naval Academy, including one President of the United States, 24 Members of Congress, 53 Astronauts, 73 Medal of Honor Recipients, and two Nobel Prize winners. I look forward to welcoming you into the Brigade of Midshipmen this summer"

Jayelen leaves Moab the end of June for her new assignment. CONGRATULATIONS JAYELEN!

We will be highlighting all our GCHS Seniors in the upcoming April Newsletter. Keep watching the SAP Bulletin Board for updates from our current college attendees. We love being able to support them financially and thru prayer as they seek their college degrees.



Our Vacation Bible School this year is the week of June 5-9 from 9:00 to 11:30. This is for ages 4 thru 5th grade. Tammy Thayn is our wonderful Director of this action packed week of activities and Bible lessons. She has a huge staff already, but there is always help needed. Contact her for more information.

NEEDED FOR VBS: We are needing lots of scrapes of carpet and old towels. Please bring to the office if you have any to donate. THANKS!

MARCH 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1. **6:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast at Moab Grill	2.	3.	4.
5. Communion 11:15— Connection Classes	6.	7.	8. ** 7:00 - Night of Worship *	9.	10.	11.
12. <i>Daylight Savings Time Begins</i>	13.	14.	15. ** 6:30: Church Boards Meet	16.	17.	18.
19. 11:15 - Connection Classes	20.	21.	22. ** 7:00 - Night of Worship	23.	24.	25.
26. Food Bank Sunday 11:15 - Connection Classes	27.	28.	29. **	30.	31.	

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

5)Lauren Drake 6)Jill Jacobson, Jessica Stotz 7)Dianne Bates, Crystal Bowden 9)Dotty Carpenter, Don Monniere 10)Jennifer Jonas 13)Lonnie Campbell 15)Brian Jonas, Tracy Renn, 16)Carrie Klepzig, Merrick Relph 18)Ryan Mathis, Martha Lamb, Janet McLean 20)Shannon Scherer 21)Crystal Senter 26)Amber Hughes, Heather Taylor 27)Troy Scovill 30)Kensington Penner

If your birthday is missing from our calendar, please call the office and let them know :)

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FEBRUARY Funds Report

Given in 2017: \$33,628.00

Budget Need: \$38,840.00

On-Line Giving for January \$2,085.00

Income for the month: \$17,482.19

Expenses for the month: **\$19,917.46**

Average Worship Attendance: 124

COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS



Our sympathy to Cathy and Joel Tuhy on the passing of her father, Stanley E. Logan, age 92, on February 3rd in Santa Fe, NM. Cathy's dad was a W.W. II Veteran. He was one of those unique pilots who

flew a P-61 Night Fighter. He was buried with Military Honors. Her mother will stay in their home in Santa Fe.

We also have a big hole left here at The Community Church. Albert Louis Washburn Jr. (Al) passed away here in Moab on February 13. Al served as a Trustee here for many years and was responsible for many of our upgrades we did to our church buildings and property. We have always been so grateful for his insights and talents. Al leaves his wonderful wife, Sondra and three sons.

We also want to send our sympathy to Janet and Brad Weis. Janet's mother, Elsie, passed away in Michigan on February 19. Janet was able to be there during this difficult time.

Our love to ALL these families!!

We need help from our church families... Our Custodian, Kelly Green, is having extensive surgery on March 9th and will not be able to work for about 6-8 weeks. We are going to have a sign-up sheet for anyone or any families who would like to volunteer to take a week to clean our Buildings. This will be coordinated thru the church office. If you would like to help, please let Dianne know, or sign-up in the church foyer. Thanks!!

Mark Your Calendars: It has been 3 years since we performed the LIVING LAST SUPPER Tableau. We plan on doing it again on:

Sunday, April 9th

Palm Sunday

@ 6:00 p.m.

Community Church Sanctuary

(If you notice some scruffy faced men around church, they are just getting ready to portray one of Jesus's Disciples).

Congratulations to Jordana Nickle. She has finished her 6 month mission training with YWAM. She graduates on Saturday, March 4th in Madison, WI. We will love having her back home as she awaits her new mission assignment.