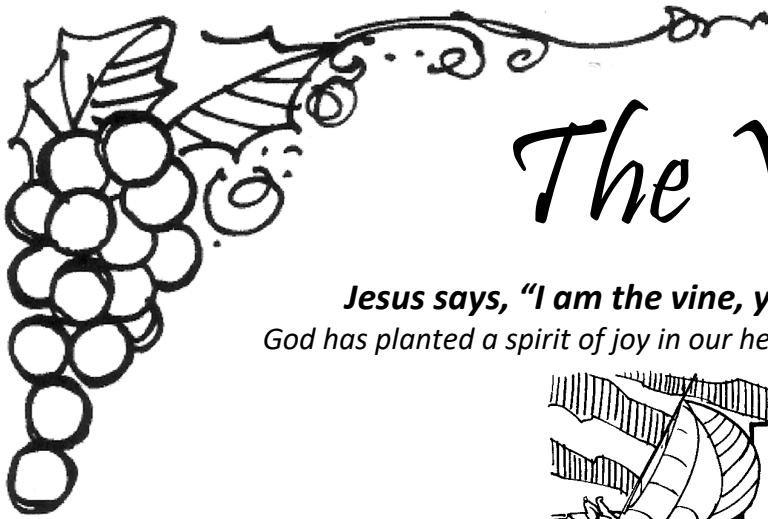
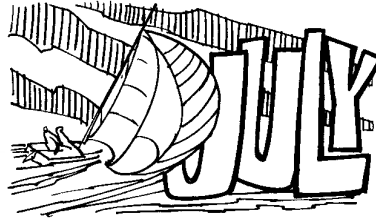




The Vine

2026

Jesus says, "I am the vine, you are the branches." John 15:5
God has planted a spirit of joy in our hearts. May the Good News of Jesus flourish!



CRAFTY SCRAPPERS

Thursday, July 7 and Tuesday, July 21
10:30 am

Whether you are a novice or an advanced scrapper or crafter, this group is for you. If you knit, crochet or do needlepoint, you are invited to join us.

This gathering will provide a dedicated time for focusing on your latest project and there will be ample time to visit and enjoy each other's company. Be sure to bring your lunch and favorite beverage.

Can't stay the whole time? No problem...just show up when you can and leave at your convenience. Mark these dates on your calendar today. Bring your pictures, paper, stickers, yarn, needles, and tools and join us for a wonderful afternoon!

VNA HOSPICE GRIEF GROUP JULY SCHEDULE

Friday, July 4...**No Meeting**

Friday, July 11...10:00-11:30 (*potluck planned following the meeting. Bring anything you'd like.*)

Friday, July 17.....9:00—10:30

Friday, July 24...10:00—11:30

Friday, July 31...10:00—11:30

If your heart is still missing that special someone, this group is for you.

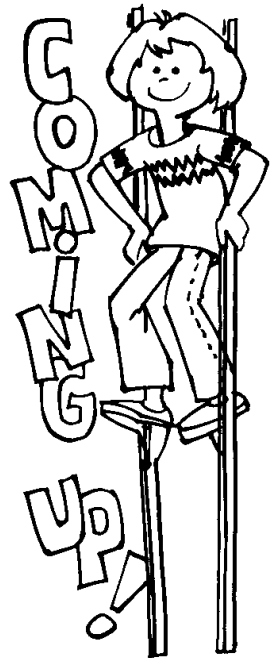
UPCOMING FAMILY AFFAIR:

SUMMER POTLUCK & ICE CREAM SOCIAL!
WEDNESDAY, JULY 22 STARTING AT 4:30 PM

There is no better way to enjoy the summer than with a good old fashioned potluck and ice cream social! This gathering is suitable for all ages.

Hot dogs (*along with these condiments: mustard, mayo, relish, ketchup, sauerkraut, and onions*), buns, chips, and ice cream will all be provided. The rest is up to you! Salads, fruit, chili, cheese, and topping for the ice cream are some suggestions and would certainly help round out this gourmet meal. Whatever you choose to bring, please make sure there is enough to feed at least 8—10 people.

Finally, this day would not be complete without games. Come and play a friendly game of card bingo. Beginning Sunday, July 5, there will be a sign-up sheet in the Narthex/Lobby. Please sign up so we know how much food to purchase and, if possible, let us know what you plan to bring.



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Other Noteworthy News...

Sunday Morning Bible Study 9:00 am

Family Affair
Ice Cream Social
Wed., July 22
Doors Open 4:30

WE, AT SPIRIT OF JOY, ARE TRULY BLESSED!!!

We are the blessed with a **great building** in which to worship.

We are blessed with the reputation of being **the friendliest church in town.**

We are blessed each Sunday with **more hugs** than you can count.

We are blessed with the **greatest people** living anywhere.

We are blessed with a **fine volunteer music team.**

We are blessed with a **reliable and helpful staff.**

Yes, we are blessed. However, history shows that a “summer giving slump” happens every year, therefore, as we head into summer we can expect a significant decrease in income. This is due, in part, to summer vacations.

In order to keep the office open, the lights on, and the staff paid, please consider dropping your tithe in the offering plate before you leave on vacation. That way, you will be sure the lights will still be on and the programming in place upon your return.



HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT...HMMM?

Have you ever picked up an edition of “The Vine”, read it, and thought to yourself, “I could do that.” If the answer is yes, please let the office know.

Perhaps you have been bitten by the creative writing bug and need to scratch that itch. It just takes a few hours each month to let folks know about upcoming events and what’s happening in the life of the church. Let me know if you’re interested.

*Blessings,
Barbara Gifford*

2026 CHURCH COUNCIL

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Marge Buller: Sunday Morning Volunteers

Pastor Brian: Care Ministry

Lyle Roberts: Men’s Group

Ruth Compton: TLC Bible Study

Pastor Brian: Child & Family Programming

Barbara Gifford: Vine Editor

Theresa Berg: Facebook Administrator

MUTUAL MINISTRY TEAM

Naoma Strock, Shirley Schumacher, Patty Gaudreau, Betty Bowles, Mary Wright, and Ed Camarillo

MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP
SATURDAY, JULY 18 AT 8:00 AM
J & M FAMILY RESTAURANT
1271 S. STATE ST., HEMET

Are you looking for a good breakfast, fellowship, or a message from the Bible? We had a great breakfast last month and look forward to our meeting on the third Saturday in July. So, the next meeting will be July 18 at 8:00 am at J & M Family Restaurant. Please pass the word.

Dollar on Sunday: The Men's Group encourages every member of the congregation to add an extra dollar each and every Sunday. The 'extra' dollar is in addition to your regular offering. The thought behind this suggestion is for everyone to give something every Sunday.

Yours in Christ's Service,
Lyle Roberts

DO YOU LIKE TO READ?

If you answered yes, here is some exciting news! If you're interested in learning how to use [free e-books](#) from the library, Librarian Letitia Bowles is available to assist you. Bring your device to church and she will help you get connected to thousands of e-books, e-audio books and streaming videos.

AMAZON & SPIRIT OF JOY SCRIP PROGRAM

Even though "Amazon Smile" has been discontinued, don't let that stop you from purchasing Amazon scrip. It comes in convenient \$25, \$50, \$100, and \$250 denominations and can easily be downloaded to your phone, tablet, or desktop or physical cards can be purchased directly from church.

Remember, Scrip is easy to buy and use, and makes perfect gifts. With the holidays approaching (*only 25 Sundays 'til Christmas*), it's the perfect time to think Scrip.

When you **use Scrip** instead of cash or credit cards to purchase food, clothes, books or hardware, fill your car's gas tank and dine out, you're 'gifting' yourself and Spirit of Joy. They work just like gift cards, there are no hidden fees, and they are surprisingly simple to use. No fee Visa cards are now available! You may even download the "Raise Right" app on your phone and keep your scrip in your virtual wallet. Check with the office for details.

GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS

Together we can make a difference!

GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. As in years past, our focus will be the *Pierre's Bread Basket Food Service*, a food ministry located in San Jacinto.

The *Bread Basket* is open to all individuals/families living in the San Jacinto Valley who are struggling financially. At the *Bread Basket*, they can purchase goods at a reduced rate because almost everything is donated. The money collected each week from the sale of food items is used to purchase milk and eggs for the following week.

However, there never seems to be enough of certain items to go around, so a strategic plan, targeting specific needs, has been developed. To fill the gap, we are asking each family unit of our congregations to donate the following items:

Week 1...Sunday, August 23...bag of pinto beans, bag of white rice, & cereal

Week 2...Sunday, August 30...Pasta & sauce, Peanut Butter, regular size salad dressing

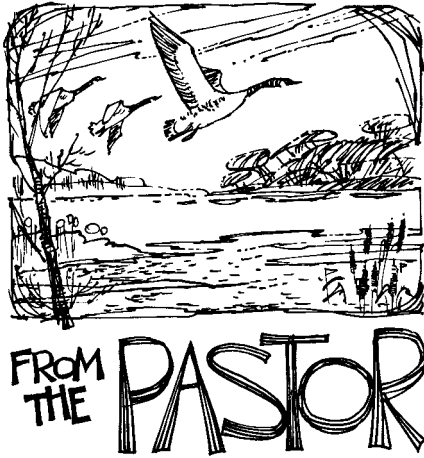
Week 3...Sunday, Sept. 6...Box of macaroni & cheese and/or small can of fish (tuna/salmon/sardines, etc.)

Week 4...Sunday, Sept. 13 (GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS SUNDAY)...A special collection will be taken during worship. The financial gifts will be directed to Pierre's Bread Basket Food Service.

Make the check out to Spirit of Joy with God's Work Our Hands (GWOH) on the memo line. **Your gifts are tax deductible.** Thank you, in advance, for participating in this outreach ministry event. Your gifts are making an



Greetings Sisters and Brothers in Christ,



As always it is hot, and I am the only one in the office that does not enjoy it! It is, indeed, the season of warmth, travel, and hopefully some rest. Recently Jesus reminded us that to give even a cup of water to a "little one" in need is the essence of the Gospel. He commanded us to love another and care for

those who are suffering. Though summer lacks a busy church season such as Christmas or Easter, it presents an opportunity to retune our souls for the work of the Kingdom. Consider the following thought:

"Imitate the trees. Learn to lose in order to recover, and remember that nothing stays the same for long, not even pain." May Sarton

This quote is specifically about loss and struggle, but I believe that renewing our spirits is exactly how we face, with hopefulness, those seasons of struggle. It is during those seasons where it is easy for us to turn in upon ourselves and easily miss opportunities to offer that cup of water to someone beside us who is in need. Our church is filled with sisters and brothers who are carrying crosses of pain, loss, physical illness, etc. I am so grateful when I hear of people stepping up to care for each other both within and outside of the church. That said, I have learned that it is easy for people to put on their "happy face" for the world and sometimes avoid deeper relationships as not to want to let people in or "trouble" others with their issues.

The Psychologist Carl Jung talked about this "mask" and said the following:

"The meeting of two personalities is like the contact of two chemical substances: if there is any reaction, both are transformed"

Trust is key when risking a friendship that is authentic and can weather good and bad times. After trust and building relationship comes that powerful transformation. As Christians we are already transformed once we accept the Gospel. It only gets better once we accept each other!

The next few months we have a lot of activities for fun and fellowship planned. These serve the purpose of carving

space to get to know each other better and grow together as sisters and brothers in Christ. When we have fun together this, I feel, is the fertile soil for deeper friendships where burdens can be shared, and milestones journeyed through together. Notice that Jesus spent a lot of time in people's homes and in their daily lives. He "knew" their suffering and, I believe, because of that gave him greater compassion and love for all of God's children. I can't wait to celebrate being together throughout the summer and into the Fall! As we have a lot of new members, I do ask that you try to wear your name tags as we better acquaint ourselves with one another! Have a wonderful summer!

*Blessings,
Pastor Brian*

What if God had an Answering Machine?

Imagine praying and hearing this:

- * Press 1 for requests
- * Press 2 for thanksgiving
- * Press 3 for complaints
- * For all other inquiries, press 4

Or "All of the angels are helping other customers right now. Please stay on the line. Your call will be answered in the order it was received."

Vine articles for the August edition of the newsletter are due Saturday, July 25 or they may be emailed to jazzgen2@aol.com by that date. Thank you, in advance, for helping to keep the Vine current, accurate, and informative.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR JULY

July 5

Zechariah 9:9-12
Psalm 145:8-14
Romans 7:15-25a
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

July 12

Isaiah 55:10-13
Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13
Romans 8:1-11
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

July 19

Isaiah 44:6-8
Psalm 86:11-17
Romans 8:12-25
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

July 26

1 Kings 3:5-12
Psalm 119:129-136
Romans 8:26-39
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

JUNE REPORTS

Financial

Attendance

General Fund

Building Fund

Income: \$ 24,416	\$ 1,897
Expenses: (29,794)	(2,100)
Difference: \$ (5,378)	\$ (1,430)

6/07 — 90	6/14 — 64
6/21 — 89	6/28 — 69

Average Weekly Attendance: 78

Checking Balance: \$ 52,399

Fix-It-Fund Balance: \$ 3,101

Scrip earnings \$ 24.77

Thank you for your donations in June. Your willingness to share will provide the necessary means to make the Family Affair Potluck & Ice Cream Social possible. Yes, your giving makes a difference!

Happy Birthday



JULY

7/01 — Mary Lou Caldwell
7/05 — Ashly Acevedo
7/09 — Corinne Mitchell
7/10 — Suzanne Villegas
Abigail Pierre
7/12 — Anthony Mendoza
7/13 — Connor Foxworth
7/18 — Lola Pinder
7/21 — Ramond Seraile IV (little)
7/22 — Esther Feigenbaum
7/23 — Brenda DeLuna
Casey Taluy
7/24 — Anthony Caldwell
Peter Taluy
7/26 — Naoma Strock
7/27 — Shirley Schumacher
7/29 — Steve Dellalonga
7/30 — Marge Buller

Sunday Morning Volunteers for July:

Lay Readers: 07/05...Marda-Ruth Roberts 07/19...Carolyn Straub	07/12...Lyle Roberts 07/26...Esther Feigenbaum	
Ushers: 07/05...Shar W. & Betty K. 07/19...Mary W. & Leslie K.	07/12...Anthony M. & Dominic D. 07/26...Roderick S. & Janet S.	
Communion: 07/05...Bruce & Corinne Mitchell and Priscilla Lindquist 07/12...Judy Addington, Patty Gaudreau and Janet Langemeier 07/19...Betty Bowles, Beth Camarillo and Carolyn Straub 07/26...Herb & Betty Kern and Lyle Roberts		
Fellowship: 07/05...Shirley Schumacher & Janet Salters 07/12...Betty Kern & Shar Wynne 07/19...Shirley Schumacher & Corinne Mitchell 07/26...Shirley Schumacher & Betty Bowles		
Welcome Cart: 07/05...Anthony Mendoza 07/19...Anthony Mendoza	07/12...Patty Gaudreau 07/26...Tricia Wilson	
Video Tech: 07/05...Barbara Gifford 07/19...Letitia Bowles	07/12...Herb Kern 07/26...Melissa Caldwell	

THIS IS A MUST

ATTENTION ALL SOJ FELLOWSHIP HOSTS, VOLUNTEERS, AND CHURCH MEMBERS...

Please, please, please make sure if you use something in the kitchen, clean it and put it back where you found it. Dirty coffee cups and utensils are often found in the sink waiting to be washed, dried, and put away.

Some new pump pots have been purchased. Using them means they get rinsed out, wiped off, and stored in their designated space...**NOT left on the counter.** An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure!

WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS...

Bonnie Kopplin...hails from Ontario, Canada. She relocated to the states in 1953 and finally, landed in Hemet in 1986. She and her late husband, Wray, were blessed to be “snowbirds”, of sorts from 1986-1999, visiting Port Angeles, Washington (Lake Sutherland to be exact) 7 months of the year.

Bonnie transferred her membership to Spirit of Joy from Trinity Lutheran Church. She enjoys musical programs and playing cards. Family, faith, friends and music are most important to her. Bonnie is blessed to have close contact with her Goddaughter, Cindy (Texas); nephew, Andy (Barstow); and, cousin, Val (Huntington Beach) but still misses her late husband, Wray (her sweetheart) very much.

Bob Carroll...transferred in from Trinity Lutheran Church. He was born in Kenosha, Wisconsin and has lived in California since 1963. Bob served our country as an Army Medic from 1961-1963.

His hobbies include sports with an emphasis on basketball, baseball, and football and travel. Bob's had the opportunity to visit Israel, China, Australia, and New Zealand. His relationship with the Lord is of utmost importance citing “having a clear pathway to Heaven and putting my faith and trust in God.” Bob is living in the moment with Joy in his heart.

Bert & Eva Gabrielson...transferred in from Trinity Lutheran. Eva was born in Germany...Bert in Minneapolis, Minnesota. They married in 1957 when Bert was stationed in Germany while serving in the Air Force.

Bert is a retired Quality Assurance Engineer and Manufacturing Engineer. Eva is a homemaker. Together they were blessed with 2 sons and a daughter.

Eva enjoys knitting, crocheting, and reading. Bert's interest included stained glass. I think it's safe to say they have been lifelong Lutherans and their relationship with God is held in high regard.

Theresa Berg...was born and raised in Portland, Oregon, spent time in Washington and settled in Hemet in 2017. She retired from the transportation industry, and her family includes 3 cats: Boris, Cali, and Buddy. She has also transferred in from Trinity Lutheran.

Theresa enjoys genealogy, travel, social justice, exercise, wine tasting, reading, social media, ELCA, her church and her community (Solera Diamond Valley). Being socially responsible, active, and engaged in her community is important to her.

Her favorite Bible verse is Micah 6:8 “...and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God?”

Priscilla Lindquist...was born in Seattle, Washington and raised in Whidbey Island, Washington. She has one brother, Larry, and a sister, Nancy. Priscilla is a life long Lutheran and has transferred her membership to Spirit of Joy from Trinity Lutheran.

Her hobbies include all kinds of crafts, quilting, diamond art, and she enjoys decorating for all occasions. Additionally, Priscilla enjoys reading. One main focus for her is keeping her mind and body alert and well. She enjoys making new friends and looks forward to meeting someone new each and every day.

Eva Johnson...transferred in from Trinity Lutheran. She was born in Berlin, Germany and has lived in Senonches, France and Minnesota before making her way to Hemet.

She enjoys history, reading, hosting, cooking, and decorating. She enjoys spending time with her kitty and her focus is on her relationship with Jesus. She would really like to have one “special” friend here on earth and all her previous ones are gone.

Anthony & Susan Pierre...have transferred in from the Anglican Church of the Spirit. Anthony was born and raised in California and Susan grew up in Nebraska. Anthony is the owner/operator of Pierre's Bread Basket Food Service and Susan is an educator at Saint Hyacinth Academy. Together they have two daughters, Abigail and Amber.

Anthony enjoys camping, sports, and outdoor activities. Susan enjoys reading, making rosaries, genealogy, and camping. It is important to them to demonstrate their faith by how they live; they strive to grow in their faith; and, focus on serving God each day.



Please be sure to water the newest blooms in our Garden of Joy with a warm greeting and a smile!

WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS CON'T...

Ruth Mushallo...grew up in Granite Falls, Minnesota. She has transferred her membership to Spirit of Joy from Trinity Lutheran Church.

Ruth is a retired counselor and has been blessed with one son (career Army) and one daughter (Educator). She enjoys sports, art, and music. Faith, Family, and Friends are most important to her.

Ruth is a former Marine Officer who loves her church. "It is the highlight of every week!"

Mike & Mary Rust...Mary transferred in from Trinity Lutheran Church and Mike has his membership elsewhere. Mary is a retired Teacher/Administrator and retired Flight Instructor. Mike is a retired professor from UCR department of Entomology.

Mary was born in South Dakota and moved to Long Beach, California at the age of 10. Mike was born in Ohio and moved to Riverside, California in 1975. Mary enjoys flying, fishing, sewing, and arts & crafts. Mike interests include insects (go figure), gardening, fishing, and cooking. Together they enjoy sharing the love of God with family and friends and focus on putting church, family, and friends in the right order.

They have always volunteered at church and "when we get the TLC dissolution completed, we will have more time to volunteer at Spirit of Joy."

Brenda DeLuna...transferred in from Trinity Lutheran Church. Brenda is married to Bill and they had two sons, Michael and Brandon. They now have 4 granddaughters to boast about.

Brenda's adopted mother, Elsie, is 102 years old and lives in a nearby assisted living facility. The Christmas carolers were blessed to sing to her last Christmas.

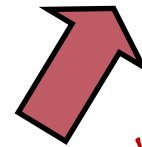
Brenda moved to Hemet in 1985 after receiving her teaching degree from CSULB. She is a retired middle school science/marine biology teacher. She spent two years with the Mounted Patrol for the Forestry Department, 9 years with Search & Rescue Dog Team, 6 years on the Mountain Rescue Unit. Brenda has been attending CFO camps for 22 years. She has written 3 children's books on wilderness safety and a young adult novel, not yet published.

In her spare time, she focuses on keeping a close personal relationship with our Triune God. Brenda enjoys spending time with her family, especially her granddaughters and she appreciates all the many blessings in her life.

Brenda is passionate about ocean conservation. She developed and advised school clubs: Environmental and Christian Clubs hoping to "spark those passions in the future generations."



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*More New Member
Bios next month!*



DINING to DONATE



Join us for a fun night at Applebee's all while raising money for

Spirit of Joy Fundraiser

Monday - August 10, 2026

All Day 11 am-midnight

2515 W. Florida Ave.

Hemet, CA - 92545

Available **TO GO** with code **DoinGood**

We will meet as a group for Food and Fellowship at 5 pm.

*Doin' Good in
the Neighborhood*
Applebee's

July 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Happy Birthday Mary Lou C.!	2	3 No Grief Group	4 Happy July 4th!
5 9:00 am Bible Study 10:00 am Worship Happy Birthday Ashly A.!	6	7 10:30 am Crafty Scrappers	8	9 Happy Birthday Corinne M.!	10 10:00 am Grief Group Happy Birthday Abigail P. & Suzanne V.!	11
12 9:00 am Bible Study 10:00 am Worship Happy Birthday Anthony M.!	13 Happy Birthday Connor F.!	14	15	16	17 9:00 Grief Group 11:00 Bunco	18 8:00 am Men's Breakfast Happy Birthday Lola P!
19 9:00 am Bible Study 10:00 am Worship	20 6:00 pm Church Council	21 10:30 am Crafty Scrappers Happy Birthday Raymond IV.!	22 4:30 Family Affair Ice Cream Social and Potluck Happy Birthday Esther F.!	23 Happy Birthday Brenda D. & Casey T.!	24 10:00 am Grief Group Happy Birthday Anthony C. & Peter T.!	25 Vine articles are due!
26 9:00 am Bible Study 10:00 am Worship Happy Birthday Naoma S.!	27 Happy Birthday Shirley S.!	28	29 Happy Birthday Steve D.!	30 Happy Birthday Marge B !	31 10:00 am Grief Group	

SPIRIT OF JOY PRAYS FOR...

*with new concerns, health and otherwise, including: **Bev Polito, Harold Hasart, Bob Carroll, Suzanne Frank, Sophie Ryan, Amy Sinclair, Bert** (Lyle Roberts' brother), **Michael** (Steve Schwacofer's friend), **Carol** (Nancy Eller's friend), **Nancy and Connie** (Barb Gifford's friends), **Tomas** (Tricia Wilson's nephew), **struggling countries**, and **Pierre's Bread Basket**.*

*Those with ongoing health concerns and our shut-ins including: **Susan Pierre, Angela Pierre, Dan Straub, Esther Feigenbaum, Michael Buller, Jo Neely, Jean Miller, Bruce Mitchell, Jose & Laurel Ojeda, Elaine** (Kate Foxworth's grandmother), **Charlie Sams, Tricia Wilson, Sue Johnson, Maria Boyd, Mike Caldwell, Gordon & Doris Mensch, Judy** (Marge Buller's sister), **Pete** (9th Shield Night Supervisor), **Mike** (the Luper's son), **Judy** (Jennifer Hanson's sister), **Isabel** (Janet Johnson's granddaughter), **Richard** (Carolyn Straub's brother), **Vera** (Laurel Ojeda's friend), **Noah & Luca Barajas, Tim Acevedo, Janet Beeson, Richard** (Marda-Ruth Roberts' brother), **Todd** (Mike & Mary Lou Caldwell friend), **George Grijalva** (Barb Gifford's grandson), **Kim** (Melissa Caldwell's friend), **Anthony Pierre & family** (Bread Basket), **Sakima** (Leah Christian's friend), **Tony & Faby** (Marge Buller's friends), **Stacy Lynn** (Esther Feigenbaum's niece), **Tim** (Mike Caldwell's friend), **Bob** (Shar Wynne's step-son), **Lee** (the Eller's friend), **Jeff** (Mike Hanson's friend), **Linda, Shane, Connie, Darrell, & Janine** (Shar Wynne's friends), **Betty** (Marge Buller's friend), **Paul** (Herb Kern's nephew), **John Schenien** (Marge Buller's nephew), **Tom Bennett** (the Addington's friend), **Leanne** (the Damiani's family member), **Glenn** (Bruce Mitchell's cousin), **Mary** (Carolyn Straub's sister), **Sue** (Betty Kern's sister-in-law), **Paul** (Esther Feigenbaum's nephew), **Gary** (the Kenyon's son-in-law), **Neil** (Sharon Wynne's son), **Erik** (Marge Buller's Godson), **Mary Ann** (Betty Kern's sister), **Brenda** (Ashly Acevedo's friend), **Linda** (Esther Feigenbaum's friend), **Vince** (Betty Kern's brother), **Jared** (Betty Kern's grandnephew), **Rob** (Lana Andre's nephew), **Nicole** (Kathy Damiani's niece), **Marsha** (Esther Feigenbaum's sister-in-law), **Ryan** (Ruth Compton's grandson-in-law), **Joyce & David** (Janet Salters' sister and brother-in-law), **Simon** (Kathy Feste's friend), **Kathy** (Corinne Mitchell's friend), **Janet** (Lana Andre's sister), **Violet** (Marge Buller's great granddaughter), **Walt Block** (Marge Buller's brother), and **Enid** (Marge Buller's friend).*

*Those with cancer including: **Mary Lou Caldwell, Nancy Eller, Marge Buller, Lyle Roberts Jr., Bob Flavell, Chuck Buller, Lisa Kramer, Danny McGarry, Debbie Piper, Judy Britain, Fred Taylor, Jim, Robert, Kathy, Joseph, Gary, Gladys, Katie, Louis, Barbie, Carole, Veronica, and James***

*Those experiencing difficult times and/or seeking employment including: **Josh** (the Damiani's nephew), **Jon** and **returning veterans***

*For Those Who are Expecting: **Kristina** (Jennifer Hanson's daughter)*

*For Those Who Mourn: **Charles Luper and Family mourning the loss of his wife, Carol**
Family and friends mourning the loss of Kathy Fodor*

A Great Big Thank You to These Fine Folks...

Property Site Cleanup: Our leasee...Jesus is the Way Apostolic Ministry has continued fighting the ongoing issue of weeds in our field. They have been addressing the 'Hesse Memorial Garden' area as that must be cleaned by hand. Lyle Roberts has planted many barrel cacti around our building. It's back breaking work. Be sure to thank him next time you see him. What a blessing they all are to Spirit of Joy.

Property Team: Dan & Carolyn Straub, Lyle Roberts, Herb Kern, Shar Wynne (advisor), Michael Caldwell (chair), and Pastor Brian have spent many hours considering requests and observations from our church family. Thank you to these dedicated individuals whose insight and wisdom have proved invaluable to the Church Council.

Altar Preparation Folks: Bruce and Corinne Mitchell along with their son, Scott, take charge every Sunday morning to dress the Altar and prepare the Communion elements. Their hard work is often overlooked because they do such a great job. Please take a moment to thank them for their dedication to this part of worship.

July Music: Spirit of Joy has given our regular musicians the month of July off for vacation, rest, and respite from the weekly music grind. Kate Rubke-Foxworth will be leading the music for the first two Sundays in July and Chris Harter aka "Curry" will lead us the last two Sundays in July. We thank both of these individuals for stepping forward to help fill the gap. We are sure to be blessed by your talents.