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JULY/AUGUST 2025 NEWSLETTER



Pastor Joyce and Pastor Ron Talbott recently held a Certified Lay Servants Spiritual Gifts class. Partaking in the class were our three Certified Lay Servant, Sally Kwak, James Medbury and Penna Smith. The class was designed to help identify our God given Spiritual Gifts. These gifts are unique powers and abilities given to the followers of Jesus by God himself. Throughout Scripture, we see the Holy Spirit lavishing believers with special and unique endowments to build the Kingdom of God. As Christians, we are not only encouraged to identify our gifts but are called to cultivate and use them as we live out our faith. Some of our gifts are:

Creativity - The gift of creativity is the ability to express faith, truth, and beauty through various art forms such as music, visual arts, writing, and other creative endeavors.

Compassion - The spiritual gift of compassion involves a deep sense of empathy, understanding, and a strong desire to alleviate the suffering of others. This gift is a true reflection of Christ's love and empathy for humanity.

Intercessory prayer - The ability to pray fervently for the needs of others and to engage in spiritual awareness through prayer.

Hospitality - The gift of creating an atmosphere of warmth, welcome, and care for others, often through hosting and serving others in a generous and loving manner.

Empathy - The gift of deeply understanding and sharing the feelings of others, providing comfort, compassion, and support in times of need.

If you belong to Jesus, there is a gift you possess that the Lord desires to use. You have a unique ability inside of you designed to bring Him glory to help others. So take the time to discover your gift, embracing the journey along the way. Seek God to reveal your gift and its purpose.

Pastor Joyce

Joyce Royal

Food Pantry Report -May

The weather was a breezy cool day for our pantry day. We had 70 come through the pantry with 14 new. The turnout was a few more than the totals we have been having lately so that was good. The totals were 51 adults, 18 children and 76 seniors.

This month we gave out hot dogs, ground beef, cheese, eggs, and butter in the cold bags. We gave out the dry bags that had the usual canned vegetables and fruit, along with peanut butter, pasta. There were the choices of cold cereal, juice, and shelf stable milk. We also had mayonnaise, oil, ketchup, mustard, and salad dressings for the extra choices. As usual, we will be restocking before the next month's pantry.

Our pet ministry is still doing very well. We had requests for only 29 cats and 34 dogs. We will restock for next month also. We still have a small supply of diapers in assorted sizes for those requests.

Again, thanks to all those who donate to the funding of our pantry and those who work so hard to make our pantry a success. We thank God that we have the chance to help those in our community who are in need. We are thankful for the grant money we have received and those who put the work into applying for them.

Food Pantry Report - June

The weather was nice and sunny for our pantry day. We had 72 come through the pantry with 12 new. The turnout seems to be quite a few newer people lately. The totals were 66 adults, 31 children and 68 seniors.

This month we gave out ground beef, fish nuggets, eggs, and butter in the cold bags. We gave out the dry bags that had the usual canned vegetables and fruit, along with peanut butter, pasta. There were the choices of cold cereal, juice, and misc. items. We also had mayonnaise, oil, ketchup, mustard, and salad dressings for the extra choices. As usual, we will be restocking before the next month's pantry.

Our pet ministry is still doing very well. We had requests for only 53 cats and 15 dogs. We will restock for next month also. We still have a small supply of diapers in assorted sizes for those requests.

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Thank you,

Edna Benne

Free Lunch

Lunch has been VERY busy doing anywhere from 50-100 meals most weeks. We still have a good supply of frozen meat and canned soups, vegetables, fruit, etc. but what we really would like is some fresh fruit. If you find any good sales please let us know so we can purchase what we need. As usual, I am so thankful for my help who covered while I recuperated from surgery. Penna, Nancy Egan, Sally, Kasey and Pastor Joyce. I don't know what I would do without you! Also the group from Northville church and my financial supporters. Thanks so much!



WICS

The Women in Christian Service delivered Mother's Day toiletry bags to Haven of Hope and while there of course we had to shop in their bakery! We support them in so many good ways! Our Spring Tastefully Simple fundraiser netted us about \$100. Thank you to all who placed an order. Hope you enjoy your goodies as much as I do! Can't wait for the Fall catalog to arrive in my mailbox! God bless.

Nancy Marsh



The Glove Cities Coalition held a Sturgess Chicken Barbeque at Runnings parking lot on June 4th. Our own Richard Kwak was pressed into duty as the chicken to entice passersby to come and buy a chicken dinner. Great job, Richard, particularly as it was such a hot day! The Coalition made \$1,300 from this event and those funds will be used for the education of our students at the Skye Farm Methodist Church Camp in Lake George.

Miscellaneous

A hula hoop contest was held by North Main at the Boulevard School Spring Frolic. The heavy rain prevented a large turnout but it was definitely fun.



Abra, our beloved therapy dog, on vacation at Moffit Beach

***Volunteers needed for Coffee Hour after Church
Jackie Capasso has been doing a great job but could use some help.***



Good News: Due to some unexpected circumstances, we have been gifted by the Jobe and Barbara Crosten Trust with some additional funds.

We just finished the Spiritual Gifts class led by myself and Pastor Ron Talbott and graduated nine students. Our next class will be "Lead in Prayer". Congratulations to Sally Kwak, Penna Smith and James Medbury for now completing four of the required courses to become Certified Lay Speakers.



Fund Raising Team

The Fund Raising Team will begin taking orders for mums in middle to late August as part of our Annual Fall Fund Raiser. Colors and prices will be determined at that time. Thank you in advance for your orders.

James Medbury

Popcorn

We are still selling assorted flavors of popcorn for \$3.00 a bag
***White Cheddar *Buttery Caramel *Movie Theater Butter**



Birthdays

Sharon Rogers – July 7
 Trisha Byrnes – July 14
 Jean Hart – July 15
 Ron Holly – July 16
 Kassidy Towne – July 26

Jean Hall – August 1
 Ann Veeder – August 2
 Warren Baldwin – August 6
 Sandy Trevett – August 6
 Christine Schoonmaker – August 6
 Michael Salvione – August 7
 Lorenzo Boles – August 13
 Thomas Bielli – August 16
 Valerie Kevlin – August 22

Anniversaries

Mavis and Warren Baldwin – July 11
 Nancy and John Marsh – July 21
 Kasey and Mike Fredericks – July 29
 Christine and Peter Schoonmaker – August 6
 Linda and Dave Sammons – August 22



HAPPY 4th OF JULY

July

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Captains Meal	3	4 4 th of July Office Closed	5
6 10:30 Service in Sanctuary Communion	7 11:30 – 12:30 Free Lunch	8	9	10	11	12
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