

# The Trumpet

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*From the Pastor's Workshop*

## "Turning the Corner"

As we enter this month we begin a season we call Lent. Lent means "springtime" but even with it coming later this year we know that Lent did not start in Northern Nevada! No one from our part of the world would call a season that begins in March, "springtime"! But even on the snowy, cold days of our lives, because we belong to Jesus Christ springtime is possible. Lent is a time of looking toward this when,

"The roots are silently at work  
In the darkness of the earth  
Against the time when there shall be new leaves, fresh  
blossoms, green fruit.  
Such is the growing edge." - *Howard Thurman*



And so I want to invite us all to "turn the corner" in this season of faith and ministry. For us to grow we need to put our roots down deep into Jesus Christ and let him lead us to the places he has for us to go. Sometimes that is really hard because we don't want to wait. We can be like the little boy who planted a seed and then dug it up every day to see if anything had happened. OR we can be like I was as a little boy, (and still too often am!) who planted seeds, got excited when they started up out of the ground, and then forgot to water them!

To "turn the corner" in Lent is to learn to wait, to go deep, to water and tend, and to look beyond the moment, realizing as we do that God WILL act on his terms in his way for his glory and our joy. Yes, such IS the growing edge.

What will this look like for us as individuals and as a congregation? I want to suggest that it will mean living differently. As a creature of habit I am not very good at this. In order to live different I have to make very intentional, concrete decisions to go a different way, particularly when it means getting out of my comfort zone. But I will say that I have learned from experience this IS POSSIBLE!

Here's what I have learned: on this page you see a motorcycle picture. It is me at 17 in my first motorcycle race. I had no idea what I was doing! But I knew I wanted to be out there. What I learned from that day and days to come was that I had to talk to people who had been there before. They taught me to look through the turn. Look where the course is going. I learned to know the course; to memorize and study it and to study what each turn was about. Some turns get tighter as you go through them and need to be ridden in a special way. This is the same with our faith. Some turns take more study and reflection. We need to talk to people who have "ridden" the turn many times. We need to "study the course" which is reading God's word and knowing what we are called to do rather than making it up ourselves.

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I am so grateful for the people who showed me how to do this. And I am so grateful to be making this “turn of a corner” with you as we are led into a new chapter of life and ministry. God is so faithful. He has so prepared us for this time. He has sent wonderful new friends and partners in ministry in Bob and Jen Davis. And He has given us this season of Lent; a time of learning to go a new way with Jesus Christ who is leading every step of the way.

My prayer is that all of us will make the very most of this Lenten time of growth beginning with our Ash Wednesday service and continuing in the Lenten intentionality of reading devotions and God’s word that calls us to let God make us over...and over again. Please join in welcoming Pastor Bob and Jen and praying for them as they make this turn in the corner. May this be a season of wonder-full growth for all of us in Christ.

Learning to look through the turn with you,

***Bruce***



<b>Congregational Giving—GENERAL BUDGET</b>			
	<b>2019 Projected Budget Need</b>	<b>Given</b>	<b>Difference</b>
<b>February 17, 2019</b>			
<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>\$77,147</b>	<b>\$62,136</b>	<b>-\$15,011</b>
<b>Current</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expense</b>	<b>Difference</b>
	<b>\$62,136</b>	<b>\$66,050</b>	<b>- \$3,914</b>
<p><b><i>Thank you for your great response to our ECO Dues Campaign. It has been an interesting winter with no Sunday services, so as you can see we are a little behind on giving. If you can catch up, we would appreciate it.</i></b></p>			
<p><b><i>THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!!</i></b></p>			

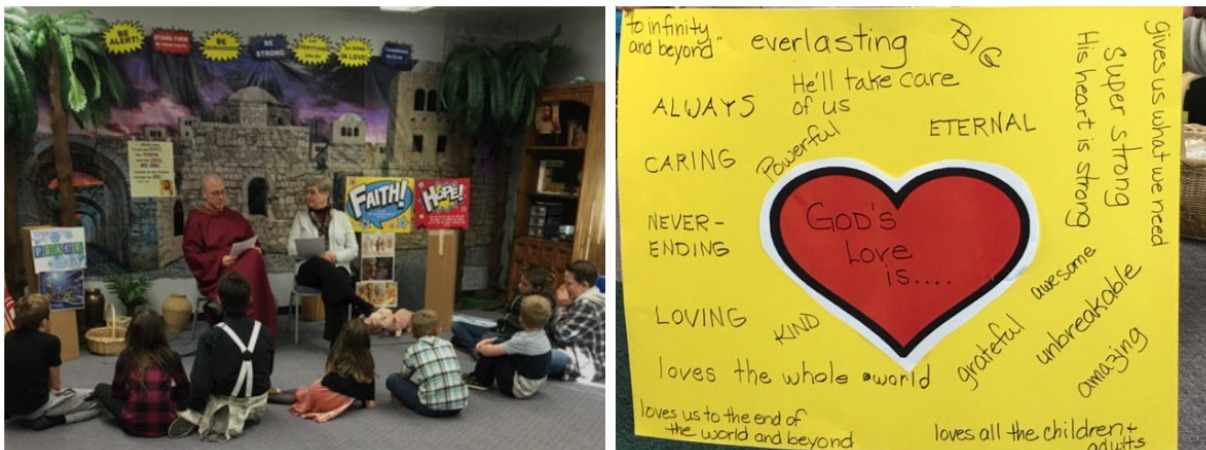


# THE KING'S KIDS



...Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me...for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs.' Luke 18:16

## KING'S KIDS BIBLE EXPERIENCE



The "Prodigal Son" visited us and told us his story via interview. Then we brainstormed descriptions of God's love.

## KING'S KIDS BIBLE EXPERIENCE

...Experiencing GOD... Experiencing the BIBLE... Experiencing COMMUNITY...

We're looking at people who were WITH JESUS.

### Memory Verses:

"Be alert. Stand firm in your faith. Be courageous. Be strong.

Let everything you do, be done in love."

1 Corinthians 16:13-14

"Cast all your cares upon Him, for He cares for you."



**SATURDAY MATINEE: MARCH 16<sup>TH</sup>, 1:00 p.m.**



**COME to the Family Life Center, and ENJOY A MOVIE GREAT FOR ALL AGES!**

**(All our Church Family is welcome!)**



## Creation Sings!

*Psalm 19: 1-4a - (1) "The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. (2) Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge. (3) They have no speech, they use no words; no sound is heard from them. (4) Yet their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world."*

*Psalm 148: 1-5a - (1) Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights! (2) Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts! (3) Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars! (4) Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! (5) Let them praise the name of the LORD!*

We don't often think of the heavens (stars, skies, planets) as singers, do we? The sun and the moon are not anything we can hear in our natural state. Just goes to show us that we don't know everything! You scientists in our congregation will say, "Well, duh!" But just as we can hear (and feel!) the rumble of earthquakes just beneath the earth's crust, it turns out that scientists are recording wavelengths of sound from stars and planets. Stars in particular have seismic waves that carry with them a frequency that creates "sound" that can be measured by instruments. Scientists use the frequency information to calculate the life of the star, as they watch the expansion and contraction of the gases within the star. If we can hear these pressure waves via instrumentation, they sound like bells going off. For instance, stars sound like bells and quasars (which are black holes) sound like the tubular bells that were so popular in the music of the 1970's. Pulsars (highly magnetized rotating neutron stars) sound like the drummers of the universe - regular knocking sounds! This "music of the cosmos" is inherent to each body suspended in space. In other words it exists as a characteristic of that body. And, just as whales have been discovered to be making sound in the sea, now the natural world of the heavens is being recorded as well. What a revelation that, like the Psalm says, "Praise Him, sun and moon, all you shining stars," the creation sings the praise of God, the Creator!

In our created state, should we not also praise the Creator? How much more does God desire to hear praise from our lips? We are not called to worship the creation (the sun, the moon, the stars, the earth, etc.) — we are called to worship the Creator! In the month of March, we will again sing a modern hymn rendition of Psalm 148 by Graham Kendrick. In my pursuit of Psalms in song, we will have some new music to sing in our congregation soon, as well. What a joy to join our voices, with all creation — testifying to our Heavenly Father! Let us "tune" our hearts to sing His praise!

Seismically singing,  
*Karen*



### **MARCH 6 – ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE & SOUP SUPPER COME AND JOIN US!**

A potluck soup supper will be held at 6:00 p.m.

Pastor Bruce will lead a worship service at 7:00 p.m.

If you are able, please bring a crockpot of soup and/or a loaf of bread to share between 5:30 and 6:00 p.m.

**Ash Wednesday is the first day of the Lenten season, in preparation for Easter.**



## DESERT SCHOONER'S CHILI COOK-OFF THANKS

What a wonderful evening of good Christian fellowship! As one stepped back and listened, what they heard was an abundance of visiting and laughter. We had another record crowd and lots of delicious chili and soup. As usual, a big expression of appreciation goes to all of you who took time to make such wonderful chili and soup for this special occasion.



**Congratulations to the Chili Cook-off winners:**  
first place, Kellie Butterworth;  
second place, Dave Laursen; and  
third place, Dick Curry.

Again, without the efforts of so many of you who volunteered to help, and who contributed items for the raffle and silent auction, the evening would not have been such a success. I would like to say a **"BIG THANK YOU"** to all of you.

The proceeds will be used for various church related projects as determined by the Desert Schooners.  
Chuck Beattie, Chairman  
Chili Cook-Off Committee



## THE ROAD TO THE CROSS

We know many of you, for several years, have experienced our Road to the Cross event on Good Friday and may be wondering about this year. We have decided to take 2019 off. However, we will return in 2020 and invite all of you and our community to attend The Road to the Cross again as we experience our Savior's last hours on this earth.

Thank you,  
The Road to the Cross Team





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## ON OUR PRAYER LIST

Requested as of 02-17-2019

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# MARCH 2019



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31	<p><b>APRIL TRUMPET DEADLINE - Friday, March 8</b> Have something to share? Please send your articles to Margo Weaver at <a href="mailto:margo@fpccarsoncity.org">margo@fpccarsoncity.org</a></p>					
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## March Sermons

March 3: "The Way, the Truth, and the Life" John 14:1-14

March 6: Ash Wednesday: "No Checked Bags" Luke 15:3-7  
Supper at 6:00 p.m. Worship at 7:00 p.m.

March 10: "The Comforter" John 14:15-31

March 17: "The Vine and the Branches" John 15:1-11

March 24: "No Greater Love" John 15:12-17

March 31: "Servanthood: "John 15:18-27



**Daylight Saving Time starts  
March 10!**

Don't forget to move your clock ahead  
one hour before bedtime on March 9th!

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