



JULY, 2009 INTOUCH

Greetings,

Loving faithfulness is not an optional part of Christianity. In fact, it should flow as a result of the amazing love and faithfulness of Christ Jesus which took Him willingly to the cross. The benefits afforded to those who exhibit both love and faithfulness include putting a smile on God's face and granting a reputation around town of which we can be proud. Proverbs 3:3-4 puts it like this:

³ Let love and faithfulness never leave you;
bind them around your neck,
write them on the tablet of your heart.

⁴ Then you will win favor and a good name
in the sight of God and man.

Loving faithfulness is not something we are to exhibit only on Sunday as we gather to worship, or only with each other within our local community of faith, but also on any other weekday when we re-enter our work-a-day world.

This past Father's Day, I was asked by one up and coming business executive for a copy of the *Big Ten* I had shared in that morning's message. It's worth sharing again. Not too long ago, a group of theologians and business executives got together because of their joint concern for American business practices. Far too much of the time, corporate decisions seemed to be divorced from ethical values. They collectively came up with *The Ten Commandments for the Marketplace*:

1. *Treat individuals as sacred.* People are more than a means to another's end.
2. *Be generous.* The benefits will exceed the costs in the long run.
3. *Practice moderation.* Obsession with winning is dehumanizing and idolatrous.
4. *Disclose mistakes.* Confession and restitution are necessary means to restoring ethical character.
5. *Arrange priorities.* Have long-range goals and principles in mind.
6. *Keep promises.* Trust, confidence, and authenticity are built over a period of time.
7. *Tell the truth.* Falsifying information destroys credibility.
8. *Exercise a more inclusive sense of stewardship.* Charity does not stop at home but extends through our global-oriented society.
9. *Insist on being well-informed.* Judgment without knowledge is dangerous.
10. *Be profitable without losing your soul in the process*—a business audit is much more than an accounting of dollars and cents.¹

¹ C. S. Calian, "Religious Roots and Business Practices: Vignettes from Life" in *A Virtuous Life in Business: Stories of Courage and Integrity in the Corporate World*, ed. Oliver F. Williams and John W. Houck (Lanham, Md: Rowman & Littlefield, 1992) p.85.

May The Holy Spirit empower you to be loving and faithful in all your weekday endeavors; may The Father's promised benefits become evident to you along the way; and may The Son inspire you afresh as you reflect upon His sacrificial love and faithfulness.

God's best to you this day,

Ron

Ron Hawkins
Pastor
pastor@horizonchurch.com

CONSIDERING PER CAPITA

Horizon is a member of the Grand Canyon Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church USA. Hopefully this will not come as a surprise to any of our members. It should also not come as a surprise that our denomination incurs some operating expenses every year. These are covered by the per capita apportionment.

You might ask, "The what?" This is the term used to describe what other organizations might call annual membership dues. This year the per capita apportionment for PC-USA is \$35 per active member on the official church roster. This includes adults and older youth who have been confirmed. It does not include younger children who are dearly loved as part of our church family, but are not included in per capita calculations until confirmed.

Horizon pays the total per capita amount for all active members and respectfully asks those who are willing and able to give a special offering to cover their individual or family portion. We extend a special thank-you to the members who have already done this for 2009. If you have not, please consider doing so in order to help replenish the general fund for this expense (just write "Per Capita" in the memo line on the check). If you are unable to help at this time, no problem ... you are still loved and valued as always.

In Christ,

Rob

Rob Rhoades
Communication Elder

HORIZON LEADERSHIP

Effective June 2009

Elder

Administration & Property	Jeff Benedict
Children's Ministries	Ruth Fuller
Communication & Evangelism	Rob Rhoades
Connection Ministries	Eric Andrews-Scharer
Leadership Development	Barb Nemeth
Mission	Bill Newton
Personnel	Mac Castle
Stewardship & Finance	Scott Delaney
Worship	Kathy Lewis
Youth & Adult Ministries	Beth Heath

Deacon

Laurie Davis – Moderator
Kim Colquitt
Jodi Combs
Becky Clarke
Ann French
Dana Sherf
Kathy Vahle

Staff

Pastor	Ron Hawkins
Pre-School Director	Beth Wilson
Youth Director	Lindsay Lavery
Pre-School Asst. to Director	Hana LoGrasso
Choir Director	Jana Minov
Organist, Children's Bell Choir	Karen Rhoades

JULY BIRTHDAYS
(SEE CURRENT PICTORIAL DIRECTORY FOR DATES)



Daniel Hood
Pat Stewart
Makayla Belfiore
Lee Whitson

Connie Huisken
Elaine Rhoades
Paulette Mulloy
Jim McKinney

Sue Peiffer
Don Clark
Greg Meredith
Megan Wolverton

Bryce Manning

GOD'S GARDEN



God's Garden Summer Camp is in full swing!

Notice anything new? We are under construction ...
More details to follow!

In Christ's Love, Beth and Hanna, GodsGarden@horizonchurch.com



SEEKER'S CIRCLE

future updates.

No Seekers' Circle meetings will be held during the summer months. The meetings will start up again sometime in September. Please check back for

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

*How great is the love the Father has lavished on us,
that we should be called children of God! 1 John 3:1*

Mark your calendars for a new Sunday School start date!

August 16th 10:30-11:30

Summer break is still here

But back to school is getting near.

And as you know from years past

Break zips right by; it doesn't last.

So mark your calendars right now

And make yourself a happy vow

To come each week to Sunday School

(and later you can hit the pool).

We start this year on August 16th.

We hope to see you ~ what do you think?

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

We'd love to have your help in whatever way you feel called. If you're interested in Storytelling (with the younger kids during the adult sermon), Sunday School (ages 4 – 5th grade), or STACK (2nd – 5th grade fellowship once a month), or just want more information about what we do, contact Jan Felton at jfelto@cox.net.

HORIZON YOUTH



Here is the youth's Swim Bible Study (SwimBib) schedule. If you would like to host a SwimBib or have questions, please email me at lindsay.lavery@gmail.com.

Summer SwimBib Schedule:
Sundays from 4 - 6pm

- July 5 Holiday Recess - No SwimBib
- July 12 at the Logan's Home
- July 18-19 Lava Tubes overnight – No SwimBib
- July 26 at the Hawkins's Home
- Aug 2 at Paulette Mulloy's Home
- Aug 9 at Open
- Aug 16 at Becky Clarke's Home
- Aug 23 at Open – Last SwimBib

Lindsay

Lindsay Lavery
Youth Director

SAVE THE DATE!
~ August 30th ~
Ice Cream is great!

Back by popular demand is Horizon's Ice Cream Social and Silent Auction. So save the date of Sunday, August 30th for this fun fellowship event. There will be a simple Silent Auction, too. Details coming soon. Questions? Contact Dana Sherf at sherf@cox.net

CHURCH SECRETARY TRANSITION

To the Horizon Faith Community,

Transitions afford both challenge and opportunity.

We are entering such a transition as Horizon's former secretary, Simone Giaquinto, moves on to new things. Many of our church family have known her for a long time, appreciate and/or love her, and have grown quite accustomed to her being at the front desk. Simone served Horizon for eleven years with many hours of hard work, often going the extra mile to get the task at hand completed. Her caring heart and longtime loyalty will be dearly missed. She is a great lady with many, many gifts and skills that will most assuredly land her a position elsewhere that is just the right fit.

Horizon's session and I wish Simone only God's best as He leads her into what He has planned as next. Scripture confirms to us, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." He is The One who both guides and provides.

While transitions are often challenging, they also provide opportunity for God to reveal new ways to trust Him and new areas for us to grow.

As Horizon transitions from the comfort of having the same secretary for so many years, some of us are challenged not only relationally but also in our weekly routine. We are fortunate to already have in place a team of substitutes to cover the interim period until God directs us to the right person, at the right time.

Although we don't plan to be interviewing for a couple of weeks, we can begin the process of identifying potential candidates. If you or someone you personally know is skilled and interested in this position, please have them contact Mac Castle or me for details. In addition, if you have the skills and would like to be added to the substitute team, or if you would like to join the volunteer team to serve as a receptionist on days the secretary substitute is not available or needed, please let us know.

Finally, while this may afford us some challenges, know that the decision to move Horizon into this time of transition was done thoughtfully and prayerfully.

Ron

Ron Hawkins
Pastor

FAITH AND FILM 2009 SCHEDULE



The Faith and Film group is an informal group that meets monthly to view and discuss films. The group is open to any adults who have an interest in exploring their faith through viewing and discussing movies from a Christian perspective. We meet in members' homes, usually on a Saturday night. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Jane Cox for more information. Jane can be reached at 480-759-2211 or jabalo@qwest.net. The Faith and Film group will be taking a break in July. Look for bulletin announcements toward the end of July and early August for the next movie night.

SUNDAY SERMONS NOW ONLINE

Horizon is now webcasting the audio file of Sunday's sermon. If you miss a Sunday, want to hear a particular sermon again or desire to recommend one to someone else, simply go to our website, <http://www.horizonchurch.com>. On the left panel under "Resources", click on "Sermons". Then choose "[Click here to view all available Sermons for listening or download.](#)" to get a listing of the sermons currently available. You can then select "download" or "stream". If you have any problems, please contact the office at 460-1480 or secretary@horizonchurch.com. We will be happy to get you the help you need.

Dear Horizon Friends,

I feel so fortunate to be a part of such a loving and caring church family. Thank you for the many cards and prayers that were sent to my children and me. A special thank you to Pastor Ron, Marie McKinney, Sharon Clark, Barb Nemeth, Karen Rhoades, Beth and Charlie Lanchantin and the volunteers that assisted in our Celebration of Life for Larry. All of you are so valued and loved. You have all helped to make the hill to climb, that is grief, easier and less steep.

In Christ,
Shirley Kellermeyer