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Our Mission: To share the love of God in the heart of the city.

Spiritual Discipline: Showing Acts Of Mercy

By Pastor Jean

As promised, in 2009 I am devoting this newsletter column to the ten spiritual disciplines of the United Methodist Church, as upheld by our bishops. Each month I will talk about a different spiritual discipline, in hopes we will all focus on that discipline for the month. In February I invite us to participate in the discipline of doing “acts of mercy.”

Most simply defined, acts of mercy are “doing good things.” John Wesley believed that God’s grace was revealed both through our piety and our mercy. He preached that Christians must do both works of piety and works of mercy in order to move on toward Christian perfection.

Wesley described the acts of mercy in a number of writings. He believed Christians must grow in God's grace, which first prepares us for belief, then accepts us when we respond to God in faith, and sustains us as we do good works and participate in God's mission. And, he not only preached about these acts of mercy, but he also practiced what he preached. For example, Wesley chose to live modestly and give all he could to help people who were poor. He visited people in prison and provided spiritual guidance, food, and clothing to them. He spoke out against slavery and forbade it in Methodism. He founded schools, published spiritual books, and taught about good health practices. Wesley believed that Christians could not have authentic personal holiness without social holiness.



Jean Hawxhurst

Social holiness is central to our mission at Fourth Avenue. To that end, we have a separate Outreach Team who’s purpose is to do acts of mercy for our neighbors. To get involved in that kind of ministry through the church, contact Courtland Rose, who is the chair.

Meanwhile, we can also do acts of mercy on our own in the name of Christ. In one of his sermons on Jesus’ Sermon on the Mount, John Wesley said, “Take heed that ye do not your alms before men [sic], to be seen of them: Otherwise ye have no reward of your Father [sic] which is in heaven.” In other words, some of the best acts of mercy are done without any fanfare and sometimes without anyone ever even knowing about them. Simply smiling at and speaking to a stranger you pass on the street can lift a spirit in ways you may never know. Taking the time to listen to someone you know is in distress shows God’s love. Or, sneaking a card or a little gift to a brother or sister can offer a reminder that God’s love is all around them.

So, this month, let’s focus on doing acts of mercy. And, let’s do them in the name of the Living Christ, who has shown us mercy upon mercy.

African American Pot Luck and Sing-a-long

This year's kick-off to Black History Month will be our annual African American pot luck and sing-a-long. You are invited to stay after worship on Sunday, February 1, for a time of fellowship, food and fun singing. Please bring a dish to share and a good, strong voice!

Sermons in the 10:45 Service

We're going to try something different for the sermons in the sanctuary service this month. In honor of so many people who have shaped our faith, the sermons will be biographical in nature. They will give witness to African Americans who have made an impact on who we are as Christians today. We will celebrate: Slaves and overcoming the concept of "Uncle Tom," Barak Obama, Harriett Tubman, and several contemporary black women. Join us and participate in the journey.

Saturday Bible Study

We continue to be blessed by Dr. Dean Harper of St. Paul United Methodist Church with a quality Saturday Bible study. The study is open to all members and anyone in the community. We meet from 12:30 to 1:15 p.m. in the art room, and we are currently working our way through the book of Acts. You do not need to make a reservation – just show up!

Wednesday Evening Open House and Change to the Choir Schedule

We're going to try a new schedule on Wednesday evenings beginning in February. We will continue with our chapel prayer time, with praise and worship led by Jose Gonzalez and our snack suppers provided by Peggy Bennett and Carol Rhodes. However, the New Song choir will begin practicing on Wednesday evenings as well. We are doing this in order to try to help people be able to get to choir practice. Here's the new schedule:

5:00 prayer in the chapel.

5:30 snack supper

6:00 praise and worship

6:15 study

7:00 end study... begin normal meetings... and begin choir practice

Musical Practice Times

The House Band practices on Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.

The Soul-diers Gospel Group practices on Mondays at 5:30 p.m.

The New Song Choir practices on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Loving God's Creation

As a member of Kentucky Interfaith Power and Light, Fourth Avenue is committed to doing our part to care for God's creation. Here are some tips from Louisville Gas and Electric that will do just that – and save you money!

⇒ Don't preheat when cooking slow-roasted turkey or ham.

⇒ Use the oven light and window instead of opening the door to check on food.

⇒ Use your microwave when possible, since it uses 50% less energy than an oven.

⇒ When cooking on the stove, make sure your pan matches or is slightly larger than the heating element to avoid wasted energy.

⇒ Lower your hot water heater to 120 degrees and drain out any sediment. Almost 10% of a normal energy bill is due to heating the water in the tank.

⇒ Add an insulation jacket around your hot water heater and pipes. This can reduce the cost of heating water up to 15%.

⇒ Install faucet aerators or low-flow faucets and shower heads. These use less water.

⇒ Buy "Energy Star" appliances to save even more money.

Joining the Church

There are four ways we welcome people into membership in the United Methodist Church:

1. By professing faith in God through Christ and baptism.
2. By re-affirming a faith that has fallen asleep for a while.
3. By transferring membership from another congregation.
4. By becoming an affiliate or associate member (who retains membership in a different home congregation).

If you want to talk with one of our pastors about what it might mean to join the church, please call the church office at 502-585-2176

The membership vows of the church have been expanded by the 2008 General Conference. The new language used in the vow for persons joining a particular congregation is "to faithfully participate in its ministries by their prayers, their presence, their gifts, their service, and their witness." Adding the promise to participate in the faith by being a witness highlights our denomination's desire to share the love of Christ with those who have not yet experienced it.

The UMM will have their February breakfast meeting Saturday the 14th at 9:30a.m. in the parlor. Newcomers are welcome!

Valentine Dinner

The United Methodist Men will offer a special Valentine Lunch on Sunday, February 15 after the 10:45 worship service. This is a time for us to celebrate love and those we love. So, bring that special someone (partner, wife-husband, parent-child, family member, friend) with you, or simply join together with all those you love in this congregation. There will be plenty of love to go around! Please sign in the front office if you plan to attend.



Nina Hedrick's art will be shown from February 9-March 15 with her meet and greet on Sunday February 22 after the 10:45 worship service.

The 4th. Avenue UMC staff will "show their stuff" in mid March.



Laura Curry's art display

Shrove Tuesday

This year Lent begins on Wednesday, February 25. Traditionally, the day before Lent begins is the time to clean out all the sweets and other foods you will not eat during Lent. This year, for Shrove Tuesday, let's all go out to dinner and eat pancakes! More details will follow, but plan now on holding, Tuesday February 24th as a time to eat that last dollop of syrup with your church family.

Ash Wednesday and Lent

Lent is the 40-day period of repentance and renewal for Christians that precedes Easter. It begins on Ash Wednesday and ends with the Sunday Easter service. It is a special time for meditation, prayer and penitential practices, for increased understanding of Christ's sacrifice and resurrection, and for renewal of commitment to the Christian life. It is an important, because it allows us time to recall the Easter story and more fully absorb its meaning.

Our traditional service of ashes marks the beginning of the Lenten season. It will be held in the sanctuary on Wednesday, February 25 at 6:00 p.m.

Financial Update

Your Stewardship Committee wants to thank everyone very much for working together to end 2008 with a balanced budget. We know that took a lot of giving from all of us, but it also says we are a strong, healthy church, and we are walking into 2009 in good shape! Please keep praying and keep giving in the name of Christ.

"Arts and Spirituality"

David Hawxhurst, the brother of Pastor Jean, now has a show in the Central Hall. David's works are glimpses of environmental beauty around the Chesapeake Bay in Maryland. His photographs will be up through February 2nd.

DTV

From the AARP Bulletin: "Even if you don't need the two free \$40 government coupons that help defray the cost of TV converter boxes to prepare for the switch to digital television signals on Feb.17, apply for them anyway... You can donate them to other individuals or institutions such as shelters. Coupons expire 90 days after issue, so pass them on quickly. Apply online at www.DTV2009.gov or call 1-888-388-2009 toll free."

February Birthdays

5	Kevin Check
6	Tammy Jeffries
6	Gordon Knight
7	Mary Katherine Mather
8	Pam Anderson
13	Ava Berry
19	Lisa Schmitt
20	Jack Steiner
22	Debbie Smith
24	Tyra Berry

February 8:45 A.M. Worship Schedule:

Feb. 1 - Prayer, Praise & Healing

Feb 8 - Roxie Keese

Feb 15 - Jack Steiner

Feb 22 - Craig Tuck

Memorials and Honoraria

A gift in honor of Craig and Kim Tuck was given by Sally Rose.

A gift in memory of Roberta Yates was given by Bill Yates.

Gifts in memory of Jean Benz were given by Jack Benz, and James and Bernice Benz.

A gift in memory of Mae Salyers was given by Barbara Sims.

Church Calendar

Sun Feb. 1: Noon – African American Pot Luck and Sing-A-Long

Mon Feb. 2: Noon - Community Lunch
Feb. 2: 4:00 – worship planning
Feb. 2: 5:30 – Soul-diers Gospel Group practice

Tue Feb. 3 Noon - Community Lunch

Wed Feb. 4: 5:00 – Chapel Prayer
Feb. 4: 5:30 – Snack Supper
Feb. 4: 6:00 – Praise and worship and Bible Study
Feb. 4: 7:00 – New Song Practice
Feb. 4: 7:00 – Trustees

Sat Feb. 7: 10:00 – House Band Practice
Feb. 7: Noon – Community Lunch
Feb. 7: 12:30 – Saturday Bible Study

Sun Feb 8: 8:45 & 10:45 Worship Services
9:30 SS classes
12:30 – HELP Ministries Open House

Mon Feb. 9 Noon - Community Lunch :
4:00 – Worship Planning
Feb. 9 : 5:30 – Sould-iers Gospel Group practice

Tue Feb. 10: Community Lunch

Wed Feb. 11: 5:00 – Chapel Prayer
Feb. 11: 5:30 – Snack Supper
Feb. 11: 6:00 – Praise & worship & Bible Study
Feb. 11: 7:00 – New Song practice
Feb. 11: 7:00 – Stewardship

Thur Feb 12: Noon - Community Lunch

Fri Feb 13: Noon - Community Lunch

Sat Feb. 14: 10:00 – House Band practice
Feb. 14: Noon – Community Lunch
Feb. 14: 12:30 – Saturday Bible Study

Sun Feb. 15: 8:45 & 10:45 Worship Services
9:30 SS classes
Feb 15: Noon – UMM Valentine Lunch

Mon Feb. 16: Community Lunch
Feb 16: 4:00 – worship planning
Feb. 16: 5:30 – Sould-iers Gospel Group

practice

Tue Feb 17: Noon - Community Lunch

Wed Feb. 18: 5:00 – Chapel Prayer
Feb. 18: 5:30 – snack supper
Feb. 18: 6:00 – Praise & Worship & Bible Study
Feb. 18: 7:00 – New Song Practice
Feb. 18: 7:00 – Leadership Council

Thur Feb 19 Noon - Community Lunch

Fri Feb 20 Noon - Community Lunch

Sat Feb. 21: 10:00 – House Band Practice
Feb. 21: noon – Community Lunch
Feb. 21: 12:30 – Saturday Bible Study

Sun Feb 22: 8:45 & 10:45 Worship Services
9:30 SS Classes
Feb 22: 10:45 – Wesley Manor Offering

Mon Feb 23 Noon - Community Lunch
Feb. 23: 5:30 – House Band Practice

Tue Feb. 24: 6:00 – Shrove Tuesday Dinner Out
TBA

Wed Feb. 25: 6:00 – Ash Wednesday Service
Feb. 25: 7:00 – New Song Practice

Thur Feb 26: Noon - Community Lunch

Fri Feb 27: Noon - Community Lunch

Sat Feb. 28: 10:00 – House Band practice
Feb. 28: Noon – Community Lunch
Feb. 28: 12:30 – Saturday Bible Study

News from United Methodist Women

By Caryl Keeley

This month I want to highlight the gift of sight.. The UMW collects used and broken eye glasses so they may be refurbished and given to the poor in foreign countries.. There are many ophthalmologists and volunteers who represent the Lions Eye Bank in the distribution of the glasses. They give their time and risk their lives to help the poor to be able to see. They put their lives on hold for this important project. If they can do this, then surely we can help by putting old glasses, frames, sunglasses, and cases in the box provided in the main hall near the church office. So far I have been able to take about one hundred pairs of glasses and cases as a donation from our church family There is a church business card in with the glasses. The Fourth Avenue United Methodist Church Family is a great and awesome family.

The Computer Classroom

From Courtland Rose



Courtland
Rose

Not long ago, the Trustees and its benefactor, christened the Computer Classroom. It was created so that the 4th Avenue church family could expand into the internet world, for example, to enrich their teachings or knowledge of a particular subject. Also, programs were placed on the computers and a printer was installed so that documents, schedules, posters of upcoming events, and the like, could be created. Bob Boutell, the new Education Team leader, is the go-to man when it comes to assistance in scheduling your class or group in this room. (It is, also, possible to reserve the room by placing your reservation on the calendars found on the door). If you want to use it during general church business hours, M-F 11a.m.-5p.m., you just need to have Pastor Jean or Jeanne Parcher unlock the door for you. Don't forget to sign in and out.



Children's Ministry

From Sami Baker



Sami Baker

The Children's Ministry at Fourth Avenue offers Sunday school and Children's Church on Sunday mornings. Sami Baker, the Children's Ministry director, helps lead the children to learn about sharing and cooperating through games and play as well as stories and verses from the bible such as Moses, Noah, or Psalm 95. Carol Rhodes, our nursery volunteer, provides a safe loving place for infants to grow, play, and learn on Sunday mornings.

The ministry relies heavily on volunteers and is always in need of volunteers to help the children during Sunday school and Children's Church. Volunteers are provided with a lesson and activities for the week to teach the children and help the children learn and grow. If you are interested in volunteering with this ministry please let Bob Boutell or Sami Baker know. We'd love to have more happy faces enjoy the time with our children each week!

Upcoming activities with our children include learning about Moses and working with the staff at Christ Church UMC!



Meet Our New Web Designer

Web Page: www.fourthavenue.us



Keith Morria

Keith grew up in Clarksville, Indiana and after graduating from Clarksville High School, he attended Purdue University for a year before joining the US Air Force where he served for ten years. He was an Electronic Warfare Technician while in the military and was stationed at Hurlburt Field, Florida, the Naval Air Station in Keflavik, Iceland and then at Travis Air Force Base in California.

It was while on a leave and visiting his family in Southern Indiana that he met Laura White. They started dating and were married in January of 2007 here at Fourth Avenue where Laura and her son Nicholas were regular participants. Upon leaving the military in 2008, they moved back to Southern Indiana and Keith became a member of 4th Ave. church. Keith is employed at Humana as an IT Systems Analyst.

CLOUT Fundraiser was lots of Fun!



Courtland
Rose

By Courtland Rose

The annual CLOUT fundraiser, *Souper Soup Sunday*, held in the parlor on Sunday, January 18th was a big success. The soups were prepared by various members of the congregation who freely sampled the wide variety that had been prepared. Participants donated \$ 5.00 and then voted. Over \$380.00 was raised for CLOUT. The winners were as follows:.

**Best Soup

First place: Marjorie Dufek...Italian Sausage*

Second place: Mary Anne & Dan Tenfelde...Senate Bean

**Most Creative

First place: Marjorie Dufek...Italian Sausage

Second place: Joyce Wilmoth...Taco

Mom's Best - (most comforting):

First place: Polly Bennett...Chicken Noodle

Second place: Edy Johnson...Cream of Potato

Congratulations to each winner and each participant for your effort in creating and presenting your culinary delights.

The 4th Avenue Justice Ministry Team thanks you for your support for justice!



Italian Sausage recipe

Italian Sausage Soup

From Marjorie Dufek

Yield

4 servings (serving size: 1 1/3 cups soup, 1 1/2 teaspoons cheese, and 1 1/2 teaspoons basil)

Ingredients

8 ounces hot or sweet turkey Italian sausage (I usually use Purnell's Italian sausage)

2 cups fat-free, less-sodium chicken broth

1 (14.5-ounce) can diced tomatoes with basil, garlic, and oregano

1/2 cup uncooked small shell pasta (such as ditalini)

2 cups bagged baby spinach leaves

2 tablespoons grated fresh Parmesan or Romano cheese

2 tablespoons chopped fresh basil



Marjorie
Dufek

Preparation

Heat a large saucepan over medium heat. Add sausage to pan, and cook about 5 minutes or until browned, stirring to crumble. Drain; return to pan.

Add broth, tomatoes, and pasta to pan, and bring to a boil over high heat. Cover, reduce heat, and simmer 10 minutes or until pasta is done. Remove from heat; stir in spinach until wilted. Sprinkle each serving with cheese and basil.

All For Fun

Bubba attends a revival meeting. The preacher asked if anybody needs a prayer they should get in line at the front. Bubba gets in line, and when it's his turn the preacher asks: "Bubba, what do you want me to pray about for you?" Bubba replies: "Preacher, I need you to pray for my hearing." The preacher puts one finger in Bubba's ear, and he places the other hand on top of Bubba's head and prays and prays. After a few minutes, the preacher removes his hands, stands back and asks: "Bubba how is your hearing now?" Bubba says, "I don't know, Reverend, it ain't until next Wednesday"

“Getting To Know You”

By Joyce Barnett

Super Bowl or 'Souper' Bowl Sunday?

From Mary Anne Tenfelde



Mary Anne Tenfelde

For many, Super Bowl Sunday is a day of football and parties with plenty to eat and drink, but for some, it is just another day in which food is scarce and fun is hard to come by. We at 4th Ave. are designating February 1 as “Souper Bowl” Sunday. You are encouraged to bring at least 1 can of soup or donations with you to worship on that day and help us make this a national day of caring. Let’s make it a 'Souper' day for those less fortunate. The effort will help the Dare to Care Food Bank help others. Our youth will be at the entrances to the church to receive your contributions. Thank you.

HELP

The HELP Ministries office has moved to 1031 South 4th Street and we are going to celebrate! Please join us and celebrate this great addition to our community.

Open House

The Board of Directors invite you to join us Sunday, February 8, 2009 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. In celebration of the work of our ministry at our new office location and to introduce our new Executive Director, Sharon Eckler

Please consider volunteering at the new location of the Help Ministries of Central Louisville now that they are so close to our church. Volunteers are needed on Mondays from 9:30 to 11:30 am to assist with greeting clients, answering phones, filing and distribution of personal care items. Volunteers are also needed to drive clients to the Government offices at 810 Barrett Ave. from the Help office to apply for the Low Income Heating Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). Please contact Pastor Jean, Mary Anne Tenfelde or Sharon Eckler (587-1999) for more information. This ministry is an important part of our church community and we

need your help.



Tammy Jeffries

(Another in Joyce’s series of introducing our church members.)

When one enters the building at Fourth Avenue United Methodist Church, they are greeted by or have met Tammy Jeffries. Tammy is the church’s Facilities Manager, and she is very dedicated to her job. She has been a member of Fourth Avenue for seventeen years. I asked her how she found out about this church, and what motivated her to join.

"My sister Fran Jeffries was a member when Reverend Goins was the pastor. He also performed the wedding when my sister got married. She encouraged me to come and I have been coming ever since."



Joyce Barnett

Tammy's significant other, Clayton, also helps her keep the facility clean and attractive. They have been together for thirty one years. That's a long time! The couple has three children, two sons and a daughter, and six grandchildren with one on the way. They are all girls. Tammy considers herself a "Supermom".

I asked Tammy her honest opinion on what she would like to see happen at Fourth Avenue, and she expressed that she would like to see church growth in regards to membership. "What can we do to increased membership?", she asked. "There was a time when the church had thousands of members." This is something to ponder and pray about.

Tammy you are the greatest and we appreciate you. And we are always looking forward to seeing what you are going to wear. What a fashion plate!

Congratulations to Laura Curry upon receiving a MAT (Masters of Arts in Teaching) degree

UMW Meetings February 2009

By Joyce Wilmoth

Rose Circle : Tuesday, February 3 @ church; program, Edy Johnson 10:30 a.m.

Benz Circle: Tuesday, February 10 @ church; program "Remembering President Abraham Lincoln, Kentucky's Native Son" 10:30 a.m.

Wesleyan Women Monday, February 16 @ church, 6:00 p.m.

General Meeting: Tuesday, February 24 - @ 10:30 am @ church; program Prayer and Self Denial, including Penny and a Prayer. Program: Benz Circle, Hostess: Rose Circle.

Morton Circle, 6:30 p.m. Monday, February 16

History Club in church library. "Sharing Memories" 10:00 a.m. February 27

Taking a Look Back

Sally Rose shared this article from a 1979 Link by Roberta Yates, entitled " Maybe This Is For You!"

The Roberta Yates Circle meets the first Tuesday of every month in the home of a member. Each member brings a sandwich and the hostess and co-hostess provide other refreshments. We have wonderful devotions and very interesting programs. We consider ourselves an integral part of the United Methodist Women, and we always participate in the programs and activities of our unit. Our one shut-in is visited every month and we send cards for all other occasions, not only to our circle members, but to others within our unit. There is really no way to mention all our many talented members - devoted and willing and giving our circle an atmosphere of Christian fellowship. There's joy here in sharing with one another and helping to meet the needs around us. We share our time, concern, interest, information and money. Truly, what we have here is a special kind of joy!

Roberta Yates, Chairperson

UMM Park Adoption

By Craig Tuck

The United Methodist Men have applied, and have been accepted, for the adoption of Ben Washer Park. This park is on the corner of Kentucky and 5th Streets. Though the UMM are responsible for this adoption, we have invited any and all Old Louisville



Craig Tuck

neighborhood associations to co-adopt the park with us. The responsibilities of adopting the park include picking up trash periodically, providing needed and reasonable maintenance, and to periodically use the park for UMM, church, or neighborhood gatherings. UMM will communicate any cleanup days to the congregation and to our neighbors if you are willing to participate in these clean up days. If you are a part of, or know of any community association that might like to participate, please let David Stewart (UMM President) or any other UMM member know.

Our first hope in this project is to, of course, see that this local park is maintained. Second, we hope we can see Ben Washer Park as an opportunity to work and develop relationships with our neighbors who too hope the best for our neighborhood. May this be simply another way for the UMM and our church to "...share the love of God in the heart of the city."

Connie's Contribution

From Connie Meyer

Below is another prayer written in my creative writing class by Joyce Wilmoth.

MY PRAYER

First Thessalonians 5:16-18? "Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

*Dear Heavenly Father,
I praise your name, thanking you for all the blessings you have bestowed on your creation.?*

These blessings are more numerous than the stars we see and the grains of sand on lovely

*beaches and
Thank you
of life.? It is
and is not to
granted.*

*May the
mouths and
meditations
b e*

your sight,



*arid deserts.
for each hour
a precious gift
be taken for*

*words of our
t h e
of our hearts
acceptable in
p r e c i o u s*

*Savior.
Thanks be to God.
Amen and amen.*

Joyce Wilmoth

**For Valentine's Day Fourth Avenue Members
Respond to the question
"What Does God's Love Mean To You?"**

By Connie Meyer

"Two words come to mind--Forgiveness and acceptance."? Paula Sammons

"What God's love means to me is Grace.? If we had to deserve all the good things we receive every day, we'd be in trouble.? God loves us no matter what and that is what Grace means to me."? Ruth Settle

"For me God's love gives me the strength to go from day to day."? Lester Gross

"God's love means everything to me.? He answers our prayers.? I don't know what I'd do without God in my life."? Mary Bomar

"All my sins are forgiven."? Charles Wilmoth

"God's love is my all."? Pam Lewis

A Christmas Story

Submitted By Jack Steiner

Before the most recent Christmas slips into our collective memories, take a moment for another tale of humility and self-sacrifice.

As many know, donated food items occasionally come up missing from the supplies of the Open Door Ministry. This holiday season was no exception and the lunch program was suspended for two days because some of the food supplies disappeared. This unfortunate fact was not missed by young Liza Keadle, a member of Christ Church United Methodist. She was to celebrate her birthday with a well-planned party. A birthday party that was to include all of her family and friends and, of course, many, many gifts. But Liza was troubled by the missing food and the hardship it would cause others. **Page 9**

**Epiphany Celebration at the
Cathedral of the Assumption**



Jack Steiner

She decided to forgo her special party and ask her friends and family to instead donate food and money to the Open Door lunch program at Fourth Avenue. Those donations will assist those in our community for weeks to come.

In her gift note Liza wrote: "Dear Fourth Avenue Church, We heard what happened to all the food. We'd like to help. We got some cans to help you. We have our email address on the back ... so tell us what is happening. From Liza." In other words, Liza wants to be in touch, to know what's happening – she wants to be in relationship.



Pam Lewis

I learned a lot from Liza this Christmas. "Where meek souls will receive Him still, the dear Christ enters in."

Pennies Count

Pam Lewis submits the following letter:

Hi,

I am Grant Gupton. I am a Global Messenger for Special Olympics. With your help I have collected over ten thousand pennies which adds up to \$123.35.

Thank you for your help. I have until the end of February to continue collecting. Please keep those pennies coming until then.

Once again thank you.

Grant Gupton

Pam tutors this young man and encourages us to donate some of our pennies. See Pam Lewis for more information.

The CLOUT organization, which 4th Avenue UMC is a member, will be engaging officials on the issue of economic justice at the upcoming Nehemiah Action Assembly in March. The 4th Ave Justice Team is seeking church members and friends that will attend the assembly and, by doing so, support the cause. The assembly will be Monday, March 23 at Memorial Auditorium (Fourth St and Kentucky- one block from 4th Ave). The related rally, where the idea is to get your heads around the issue, will be Monday, March 9 at 4th Ave UMC. Please see Carol Rhodes, Jack Steiner or Courtland Rose, if you would like to support justice by attending the assembly.

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