



“that they may be one...” John 17:11



...Redhawk and Edie are joyful that Sophie was able to come home for a weekend last month.

# Among Our Folk...

...Joy and happiness for the beautiful sunshine. Enjoy the flowers that are blooming!

...Redhawk is thankful that Edie is home after a week of travel the end of last month.

...Salli & Anthony request prayers to go with Rachel as she travels to Seattle May 3-4 for World Language Day at Univ. of Washington



Time to register for summer camp!



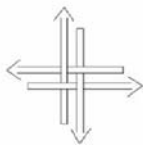
Dan Clinton  
May 4th

Emily Rudd  
May 21st

Johanna Goodwin  
May 22

Terrie Roberts  
May 24th

Betty Fiorelli  
May 28th



New Directions

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...Redhawk asks for continued prayers for his sister Elizabeth as she recovers from emergency surgery.

...Terrie Roberts requests prayers for Judy McMillen while she under goes chemotherapy for Breast Cancer.

...Continued prayers for Betty Fiorelli who is ill.

...Salli & Anthony Dutton request prayers for friend Mary Kay Poppe as she recovers from ankle surgery last month.

...Jane Knutson requests continued prayers for the homeless population in Spokane.

...Terrie Roberts asks for prayers for her son-in-law Tom while he works through God's call to the ministry.

...Continued prayers for Emily Rudd who injured herself in a fall.

Edie requests prayers for her parents as they consider moving to Tucson.

...Prayers for Salli's dad Bill who will have a shoulder replaced May 24th.

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Core Values  
 Love  
 Community  
 Faith Journey  
 Creativity  
 Justice

DATE WORSHIP	MAY 6TH	MAY 13TH MOTHER'S DAY	MAY 20TH	MAY 27TH DAY OF PENTECOST	JUNE 3RD
SCRIPTURE	1 John 4: 7-21 John 15: 1-8	Acts 10: 44-48	Acts 1: 15-17 & 21-26	Acts 2: 1-21	Romans 8: 12-17
THEME	"The Starting Point"	"Spirit Time!"	"Witness"	"A New Age Begins"	"Children of God"
DIACONATE	All Members				
ELDER: Offering	Willene Goodwin	Harold Skinner	Harold Skinner	Julie Banks	
ELDER: Communion	Don Rodman	Julie Banks	Don Rodman	Nancy Carroll	
LITURGIST	Mitch Bernardi	Diane Clinton	Julie Banks	Renata Robb	Terrie Roberts
COFFEE HOUR	Christie Family	Shirley St. John	Terrie Roberts		
FOOD PANTRY REQUESTS <i>(Note: we can now take frozen items.)</i>	Paper Goods: Kleenex, Toilet Paper, Paper Plates	Microwaveable Soups, Pasta, Chili, etc.	Juice Boxes, Fruit Snacks	Canned Protein: Chicken, Tuna, Beef	Cereal & Granola Bars, Boxed Cereal

DATE	OFFERINGS	ATTEN- DANCE
4/1/12	511.74	50
4/8/12	579.00	60
4/15/12	291.00	34
4/22/12	230.00	31
4/29/12	641.00	27
<b>Total Giving (April)</b>	<b>1952.74</b>	



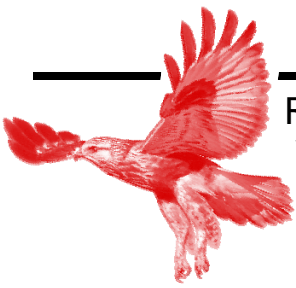
**VITAL  
SIGNS:**  
*Our  
Giving*



**Thank you to our Praise Band**

Edie Rice-Sauer, Julie Banks,  
 Renata Robb, Terrie Roberts  
 & Redhawk

*With special thanks to Shirley St. John for her musical leadership on the piano*



### Redhawk's View,

## Leaning Forward Into the Dream of God

I love dreamers! A dreamer is someone who is always trying to engage tomorrow from the fullness of today. But dreams can be cheapened by their very character. As one said to me earlier in my life, "dreams are a dime a dozen. Growing one can take a lifetime." We have become a people of the dream, if you will. What dream? The "dream of God"! That dream is about creating a "heaven on earth".

Our spiritual community has been working on instilling this dream into the fabric of Spokane for over 125 years now. We have sought to be faithful in our efforts of preaching, teaching, seeing and being God's Word as it moves among us and courses through us. We are still seeking to participate in this movement who is God's very being and we are finding new ways to follow this Love that was made so clear in Jesus Christ. To that end we have made our main focus on ministry and mission.

From that focus we created a radio show that aired for almost four years and fleshed out some new ways of talking about faith, God and justice. We also gave birth to The Voiceless Homeless Choir and HeartSongs from the Voiceless; an organization that is now learning to walk on its own. We also spawned a number of small study groups and trained our sights on learning to love ourselves more, that we might love our neighbors more, that we might love God more. As of the last few months we have all been dreaming about a new place to call home and, to that end, we bought a piece of prime land

to plant ourselves in a more permanent home. This is an exciting time for us. It is also a time of deep considerations that bring us face to face with the reality of our finances and our ability to sustain ourselves into the future.

As mentioned earlier, dreams are a dime a dozen until one is chosen to live for and out of. In 1886 a small group of folks planted this church in order to help Spokane know God's dream for all of us. We have been faithful to God's dream over the last century through our worship, our study, our service... and our stewardship. Over the last few months your church board created a Design Team to look at our needs as a church. This process was laid out in a previous newsletter. We took the results of the Design Team to an architect so they could review them and project out our costs. Although many of us were concerned that those costs would be higher than expected, they actually came in much more than any of us had anticipated.

As your church Board grapples with the reality of our resources and our commitment to stewardship we have begun to reflect on a good many "ifs" regarding how and when to build a new facility. At this time your Board of Directors has made no decision on any front but has begun to explore "what is needed" in order to move forward. As well, the Board has been re-examining our direction so when we do move forward we will be assured of both success in sustainability, growth and the assurance that the new church will be around for our grandchildren.

This process has not been an easy one. I want to thank Dan Clinton for taking up of the mantel as our interim Moderator during this critical time in the life of our church. As well, we wish Bruce Folsom the best in his new journey. The change on the Board has been fairly smooth and has been a healthy one; our last meeting was one of grace, openness

with a fresh honesty of feelings. Your Board has been working on a number of fronts – from re-branding to looking at differing transitional strategies for our "in between time". We will hold a Congregational meeting once we have a handle on all the relevant issues that we are facing and are able to articulate them in a clear and concise manner.

The Good News is that all issues and challenges we face are about growing a new tomorrow in the name of the Love. The past no longer has a hold on us and we have become free to be God's new people. The Board does have a request of ALL who are members or attend our church in any of its incarnations. That request will be for EVERYONE to answer two questions. A question form is located in another part of this newsletter.

The Questions:

### **Why do you attend Covenant Christian Church?**

### **What do you get out of your attending our church?**

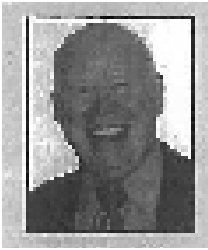
This is one of the most exciting times in the life of this church and we look forward to discovering more of the Holy Presence in our journey.

We will need everyone to help in the next step of our journey as a spiritual community. Please take the time to respond to the questions in this newsletter with the deepest part of your hearts. I look forward to hearing what you have to say.

Stay well..... wonder deep..... love deeper!

Peace,

Redhawk



**Ted Parrish reaches 60-year mark**

## Words from a Fellow Traveler...

Last month Ted Parrish reached a milestone achievement for The Vernon Company. He became the first person to be employed with Vernon for 60 years!

How did he mark the special occasion?... By totaling another million dollars in sales volume and reaching the Nine Million Dollar Club.

Ted began his long, successful career in 1952. Since that time, he has achieved \$9,000,000 in sales volume and

is a perennial leader in Vernon exclusive product sales (OEM caps, cutlery and calendars). He is currently ranked in the Top 50 Points Grand Champs and has won 20 Circle of Excellence incentive trips.

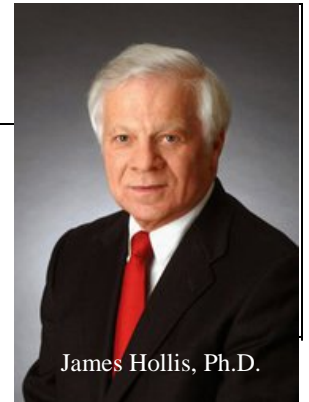
That's quite a list of accomplishments, considering he achieved his first million dollars in sales volume in 1969. "At that time, there were nine members in the Million Dollar Club," said Ted. "It took 17 years for me to achieve that goal."

"I plan on selling for as long as I can," says Ted. "It's great for me to look forward to new challenges each day!"

"Ted is still the master at identifying a product that he knows his customers will like...and selling it to almost everyone of them." says Bill Vernon, Chairman of The Vernon Company.



*Congratulations Ted on your achievements! We wish you many more years of daily happiness, health and challenges!*



James Hollis, Ph.D.

### Book Shelf Report

I discovered James Hollis some 20 years ago and he changed my life. Dr. Hollis' writings take the reader into the larger story of their being. He is able to help all of us see the deeper unconscious aspects of life that, if unowned, can and will control us. I invite you all to take a little time and read this brilliant teacher. If you are over 40 years old I would recommend "The Middle Passage". It is not an easy read but, as you will see, it is an important one.

James Hollis, Ph.D was born in Springfield, Illinois. He graduated with an A.B. from Manchester College in 1962 and with a Ph.D. from Drew University in 1967. He taught the Humanities 26 years in various colleges and universities before retraining as a Jungian analyst at the Jung Institute in Zurich, Switzerland (1977-82). He is a licensed Jungian analyst in private practice in Houston, Texas, where he served as Executive Director of the Jung Educational Center of Houston from 1997 - 2008. He lives with his wife Jill, an artist and therapist, and together they have three living children, and six grand-children. He is a retired Senior Training Analyst for the Inter-Regional Society of Jungian Analysts, was the first Director of Training of the Philadelphia Jung Institute, and is vice president emeritus of the Philemon Foundation, which is dedicated to the publication of the complete works of Jung. Additionally, he is Director of the Jungian Studies program of Saybrook Graduate School of San Francisco. (See [www.saybrook.edu](http://www.saybrook.edu) and then Jungian Studies).

He has written eight books published by Inner City Books, a Jungian-oriented press located in Toronto, Canada; he has also written three books published by Gotham Press, a division of Penguin, and two books published by academic presses. His books have already been translated into Russian, German, Swedish, Spanish, Portuguese, Turkish, Italian, Korean, Finnish, Hungarian, French, Czech and Japanese.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 9:30am - Adult 11am - Worship 12pm - Crop Hunger	30 6pm - The Voiceless	1 7pm - Praise Group	2 7pm - Ministry	3 6:30pm - Youth	4 Dan Clinton	5 Cinco de Mayo
6 9:30am - Adult 11am - Worship	7 6pm - The Voiceless	8 7pm - Praise Group	9 7pm - Board	10	11	12
13 Mother's Day 9:30am - Adult 11am - Worship	14 6pm - The Voiceless	15 7pm - Praise Group	16	17	18 Paul & Susan Regional Assembly	19
20 9:30am - Adult 11am - Worship	21 Emily Rudd 6pm - The Voiceless	22 Johanna Goodwin 7pm - Praise Group	23	24 Terrie Roberts	25	26
27 9:30am - Adult 11am - Worship	28 Betty Florell Memorial Day 6pm - The Voiceless	29 John F. Kennedy's 7pm - Praise Group	30	31	1 Rachel Dutton Theo Goodwin @	2

## *With Gratitude.....*

Thank you to our **coffee hour hosts:**  
Nancy Carroll, Theo & The Duttons

We thank our **elders:**

Nancy Carroll, Willene Goodwin,  
Harold Skinner, Don Rodman  
and Julie Banks



*Thank you to everyone who helped at the Women's Hearth breakfast and the Baptism Lunch!*

*Sending special thanks to Nancy Carroll, Rick Enright, Renata Robb and Edie Rice-Sauer for cooking breakfast at Women's Hearth!*



If you can help, or have questions, please contact **Michelle Christie** by phone at **509-218-3780** or by email: [mlchristie69@yahoo.com](mailto:mlchristie69@yahoo.com)



### **Let us know what you think!!**

The Board has a request of ALL who are members or attend our church in any of its incarnations. They would like for EVERYONE to answer the two questions below.

We need everyone to help with our next step in our journey as a spiritual community. Please take the time to respond to these questions with the deepest part of your hearts. Replies due by May 8th. Thank you!!!

1. Why do you attend Covenant Christian Church?
2. What do you get out of your attending our church?

Please respond however easiest for you:

via email to: [covenant@sisna.com](mailto:covenant@sisna.com)

via fax: 509-448-1362

via USPS: 2308 E. 57th Ave, #1, Spokane, WA 99223

**Please call the office with any questions - 509-448-1311**

**DEADLINE:**

Tuesday, May 8th



*Youth Group meets at the church every other Thursday from 6:30 - 8:30 pm from September through May. All junior high and high school youth are welcome!*

- \* May 3rd: Wonderland 6:30 pm
- \* May 18th - 19th: Regional Assembly in Olympia



**Baptism photos**  
Congratulations Albert, Aimee, Emma, Jenna, Matthew and Zack!!!

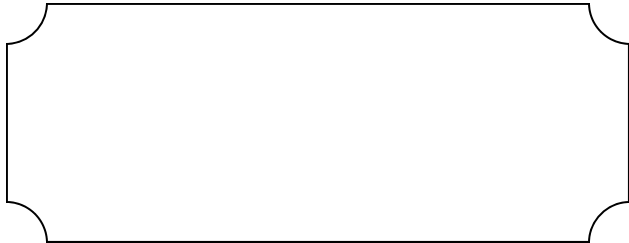


***It's time to register for Summer Camp!***


- Kid's Camp Youth Entering Grades 2 and 3..... July 9th - 12th*
- Junior Camp Youth Entering Grades 4, 5 and 6..... July 9th - 14th*
- Chi Rho Camp Youth Entering Grades 7, 8 and 9..... July 16th - 21st*
- CYF Camp Youth Entering Grades 10 -12 and new Grads..... July 16th - 21st*

***See Edie for registration information***

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CHURCH STAFF	
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Admin. Assistant	<a href="#">Salli Dutton</a>
Ministers of Music	Praise Band
Nursery Attendant	Dragana Perkovic
Kid's Sunday School	Volunteers

***"Human Beings are the place where the universe dreams out loud of a new tomorrow."*** 



All men of action are dreamers.  
[James Huneker](#)

It takes a lot of courage to show your dreams to someone else.  
[Erma Bombeck](#)

All the things one has forgotten scream for help in dreams.  
[Elias Canetti](#)

Judge of your natural character by what you do in your dreams.  
[Ralph Waldo Emerson](#)

A man is not old until regrets take the place of dreams.  
[John Barrymore](#)

Dreams pass into the reality of action. From the actions stems the dream again; and this interdependence produces the highest form of living.  
[Anais Nin](#)

All human beings are also dream beings. Dreaming ties all mankind together.  
[Jack Kerouac](#)

I do not know whether I was then a man dreaming I was a butterfly, or whether I am now a butterfly dreaming I am a man.  
[Zhuangzi](#)

All men dream, but not equally. Those who dream by night in the dusty recesses of their minds, wake in the day to find that it was vanity; but the dreamers of the day are dangerous men, for they may act on their dreams with open eyes, to make them possible.  
[T. E. Lawrence](#)

"The Bible is the story of the "dream of God"  
[Marcus Borg](#)

"On Earth as it is in Heaven..."  
[The Dream of God](#)



Podcasts of "The Deep End" are available on our website or CD.

Contact the church office for details.

