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# Zion's News & Notes



A Message from Pastor Roger

## Take Time to Get Ready

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Susan Marie Smith writes about a time when she did not expect to be so moved by a children's lesson. Jerome Berryman, the author of *Godly Play*, was demonstrating one of his children's lessons. His eyes were focused on the props, "the story," which drew in the hearers' attention as well. It worked. She was filled with a sense of awe and holy desire to "come closer to the mystery of Easter." She is astonished to find that she has held that anticipation ever since.

Jerome Berryman says, "Some people walk right through these (Easter) feasts and don't even know what's there! It takes time to get ready to come close to a great mystery..... The time to get ready to come close to the mystery of Easter is called Lent..." Preparation is a way of taking seriously what is to come. It creates suspense and anticipation.

Smith writes :

There is reason to think that the twenty-first-century Western world is hungry for *meaning*: for a Mystery greater than ourselves for which we can offer our best and our deepest. Something that is not "whatever," relative, or under our control; but something-Someone-we can utterly trust, give ourselves to, stand for, honor, and live into. Someone we would be willing to proclaim publicly. Someone Lent would prepare us to meet.

Lent is a time for self-examination, course correction, and spiritual practices that enable the Word of God to penetrate busy lives....to fulfill our baptism into a life of holiness, deepen our relationship with the Holy One (and each other.)

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>. We offer services of communion with the imposition of ashes available at noon and 7:30 PM. To be marked by the sign of the cross with ashes reminds us that, in spite of our past alienation from God, we live under the cross of Christ, free for a new future.

The readings for Sundays in Lent this year help us to explore both Jesus' and our identity: *Who is Jesus? Who are we? What is our relationship with him? How can we be most fully human?*

*At The Cross* is the theme of our Wednesday night worship services. With a brief service of Responsive Prayer and dramatic readings, we will relive the story of Jesus' arrest, trial, mistreatment, and death from several points of view. We begin each evening by gathering in the Fellowship Hall for a potluck dinner. This is where we deepen our relationships with each other.

Easter and Lent are later this year. (Almost as late as they can be.) With Daylight Savings Time beginning the first Sunday in Lent, Spring beginning the second Sunday in Lent, and the parking lot now well lit (like daylight!) by five new light poles, hopefully the snow, ice and darkness we have experienced lately will not be around to deter us from this important time of preparation. Easter is coming! Take time to prepare. Worship every Sunday and Wednesday. Sign up to help host or read at one of the five Wednesday nights.

In Christ,

*Pastor Roger*

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## Stewardship

In the Gospel reading from Matthew wherein Jesus was preaching to 5,000 people and dusk was starting to set in, supper was long overdue, stomachs were starting to growl, and all there was to eat were two fish and five loaves of bread. The disciples were aware of the predicament. They said to Jesus, in effect, “This is a sticky situation, and we can’t do anything about it anyway. Let’s take what we have gathered and go away and eat!”

By nature there is some of that mentality in all of us. Whenever God places us in a situation that challenges us to use our time and talent, and to invest some of ourselves in finding a solution to someone’s problem or need, our first response is to remove ourselves from the problem.

Matthew, the one who wrote the account of the miracle of the feeding of the five thousand, was an eyewitness to the event. Can you imagine the joyful satisfaction ... the uplift in faith Matthew experienced when he was able to write, “But everyone ate, and there was more than enough. They gathered twelve baskets full of leftovers!”

Do you think there could be any symbolic significance to the fact that there were twelve baskets full? One for each disciple? Enough to satisfy their needs for days to come? And all because they trusted God and had the joy and satisfaction that comes with being a partner with Jesus? A partner in his ministry of love and service.

For that matter, some of the most tired, worn out at times, almost burnt out disciples at every church have become that way because they have a difficult time saying “no” when our Lord calls them to join hands with him in using their time and talent to serve their church. Tired? Yes! Weary? Yes! But then, you should be let in on a little secret: You should see their “baskets”!

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## Community Food Bank of Greater Utica

The congregation’s response to Souper Bowl Sunday was fantastic. The Youth Group collected the largest amount of canned soups ever!!!! Thank you to everyone for making the February event a great success. The Utica Food Bank was very happy to be able to stock up their shelves with this hearty winter food item. Thanks to Gene White for getting all that soup delivered to the Food Bank.

During the month of March we ask Zion members to put pasta and tomato sauce on your grocery lists. Your purchase of a few extra items will help to feed the hungry in our community.

Your clean, useable warm clothing in good shape has also been happily received by clients served by the Utica Food Bank. **Place clothing items in a plastic bag and tie it up then leave them in the coat room downstairs. Thank you for your all the ways you support the Greater Utica Food Bank.**

## Social Ministry Focus—Hartwig’s Update

We continue to support the work of Zion missionaries, Kristopher and Rebecca Hartwig. Kristopher has made known to us a special request for financial assistance with the medication costs for one of their hospitals. **The cost for the medication for one year is \$2,000.** He is asking Zion members to consider making extra donations specifically for this purpose during January, February and March this year. If you have not already done so, won’t you consider giving a donation to help many patients hospitalized in Tanzania. Our small donations can make a large difference, please consider what you can do.

Donations can be placed in the green envelopes in the pews indicating your intent to support the Hartwig’s work.

You shall open  
your hands  
wide to your brother,  
and to your needy  
in the land.” (Deut.  
15:11) In addition  
to faith, add brotherly  
kindness, love,  
self-control, knowledge  
and goodness  
to create a recipe for  
stewardship.

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## Lenten Potluck Dinners & Worship with “At The Cross”



Lenten midweek potluck suppers and services are being offered for **five Wednesdays beginning on March 16<sup>th</sup>**. The season of Lent tells the story of the Passion. You are invited to journey through Lent each Wednesday evening as we focus on “**At The Cross**” as we relive the story of Jesus arrest, trial mistreatment and death from several points of view.



The setting is a post resurrection reunion of people who shared time with Jesus before His death. Peter will invite you to hear the thoughts of Simon of Cyrene, a Lamenting Women, a Sneering Ruler, Jesus Mother and John as part of our worship.

All Zion members and friends are invited to begin the evening with an informal Pot Luck Supper starting 6 PM in the Fellowship Hall then moving to the church sanctuary for the worship at 7 PM.

Hosts, readers, set up and clean up help will all be needed. A sign up sheet will be posted in the Narthex for each of the 5 Wednesdays. If you have any questions, please speak to Helga Morrison.

## Lenten Devotional Materials

You are encouraged to grow in your faith journey with Christ during the season of Lent. Check out the table in the Narthex for a variety of Lenten Devotional Materials available for all ages. Please feel free to help yourself to material that are appropriate for you and your family.

## American Heart Run & Walk

Due to the American Heart Run & Walk taking place on **Saturday, March 5, 2011**—to assist with traffic control Zion’s two driveways on French Road will be barricaded off. **If you need to access the church parking lot on Saturday from approximately 7 AM until 1 PM, please use the Burrstone Road entrance to enter and exit the parking lot.**

## 1<sup>st</sup> Communion

**First Communion will be celebrated Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>.**



Families with children in 1<sup>st</sup> Grade and above who would like to participate are invited to meet with Pastor Roger for **two Family Events 6:00-8:00 p.m., Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup> and April 4<sup>th</sup>**. We will begin with a pizza and salad supper. Please make your reservation by Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup> by using the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please speak with Pastor Roger.

## Wise Women in Training

Wise Women will continue The People of God: Unity in the Midst of Diversity Bible Study that we began in the fall of 2010. The Amos 3:3 text “Can two walk together, except they be agreed?” is the ongoing focus throughout the monthly studies.

In March, Wise Women will reflect on theme verse of the month from John 4:23-24 “But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship with him. God is spirit and those who worship God must worship in spirit and truth.”

Friends are invited to join in the discussion, share in the fellowship and enjoy an evening of growing in Christ on Tuesday March 15, 2011 at 7 PM in the Fireside Room.

## Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Wednesday Morning Bible Study began a new Lifeguide Bible Study on Wednesday, February 9<sup>th</sup> entitled “Christian Virtues” by Cindy Bunch. This is a 9 week study and will take us into April. Everyone is welcome to join this small group that meets on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 AM in the Confirmation Room. (Weather permitting.) If you have any questions, please contact Tammy Miller at 363-6587.

## Men’s Group

The Men’s Group will meet on Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 8 AM at Breakfast at Tiffany’s, Seneca Turnpike, Clinton. All men are invited!



# Christian Education at 10:30 AM



Zion members, friends and visitors are invited to grow in relationship with Jesus through the Christian Education opportunities offered for all ages from 10:30-11:10 AM each Sunday. The theme for the 2010-2011 Christian Education year will continue to encourage all to do "God's Work-Our Hands". The Christian Education team has chosen to support World Hunger with Benevolent offerings.

## March

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

March 6	<b>Music and Activity Sunday-The Apostle's Creed</b>	
March 13	Elijah and the Widow	1 Kings 17:8-16
March 20	Jonah and the Big Fish	Jonah 1-4
March 27	The Wedding Banquet	Matt 22:1-14

### CONFIRMATION CLASS

The Confirmation Class continues their study of the Lord's Prayer and will focus on the following topics during March:

March 6	Temptation and Trial
March 13	Temptation and Trial
March 20	Deliverance
March 27	Deliverance

### HIGH SCHOOL CLASS

The Youth Group and advisors John and Carol Blackburn hosted a prayer Labyrinth on Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> inviting everyone to walk through the maze and pray for the hungry in our world. Hunger awareness continues to be the ongoing focus for the Christian Education year. All students in grades 9-12 are invited to take part in the weekly gathering of the High School class for lively discussions on a variety of topics.

### ADULT FORUM

Adult Forum discussions will wrap up the February study of Galatians then invites participants to begin a six week Lenten Bible study titled "My God, My God, Why have You Forsaken Me?" Join in the study of Psalm 22 and rediscover the depths of Christ's love for us, a love so deep it compelled Jesus to suffer all, even death for us and for our salvation.

3/6/2011	How do we live by the spirit? Galatians 3:1-5; 5:1-26; 6:8-10
3/13/2011	Psalm 22 Outline and Introduction
3/20/2011	Psalm 22:1-2 Reminiscere-The Second Sunday in Lent
3/27/2011	Psalm 22:3-1 Oculi, The Third Sunday in Lent

**You are invited to come and join the conversation!!!!!!**

## Vanderkamp

### Summer Camp Registration Opens

Summer 2011 Brochures have been mailed to 2009-2010 alumni campers. Zion will have Summer brochures available on the table in the Narthex.

We encourage you to register by May 1, 2011.

For more information on what's going on at Vanderkamp check out the website [www.vk.org](http://www.vk.org) or give us a call at (315) 675-3651 and we'll be glad to help.

## Learning at the Crossroads

Learning at the Crossroads will be holding a workshop on **Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at Luther Memorial Church**, 435 S. Main St., N. Syracuse, NY 13212. Telephone number (315) 458-1481, **from 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM**. The cost is \$20 and includes breakfast and lunch. The topic will be: The Old Testament and Grace, led by Pastor Diane Wheatley (this workshop satisfies deacon training requirement for workshop on Old Testament). People often speak as if the Old Testament presents a God of Law and the New Testament the message of grace. However, a survey of the Old Testament will provide dramatic evidence that Grace has been the foundation of God's interaction with people from the very beginning. Please send your checks to the address listed above so they arrive no later than Wednesday, March 2, 2011. If you need a registration form please call Zion's office.

## 2011 Volleyball Marathon



The 32<sup>nd</sup> annual Central Crossroads Conference Volleyball Marathon will be held at Syracuse University on March 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. Our sign-ups are complete so watch for Youth Group members soliciting sponsorships to raise money for the following charities:

- The Samaritan Counseling Center
- Vanderkamp Center
- Watertown Urban Mission
- Lutheran Campus Ministry @ SU
- LutheranCare Ministries Network
- Appleseed Scene 1
- The Ministry of the Central Crossroads Conference
- Mohawk Valley Lutheran Confirmation Camp
- Lutheran Charities of Central New York

If any parents are willing to drive out on Friday night or back home on Saturday morning, please see John or Carol Blackburn.

## Your Neighbors Garage Sale

Your Neighbor, Inc. is an affiliate of the Lutheran Home of Central New York

The Your Neighbors outreach program will once again hold their garage sale on Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>. The Garage Sale is held each year at **Our Saviour Lutheran Church**. Start now to set aside good used household items, to be donated to this annual fundraiser. Items donated can be dropped off at: **Our Saviour Lutheran Church, 1640 Genesee St. Utica, back corner door 9AM-3PM** beginning on Monday, April 25 through Wednesday, April 27, 2011 from 10 a.m.–2 p.m. Or call Your Neighbors @ 732-6804 to schedule a picked up.

### YOU CAN DONATE:

- Household items
- Furniture
- Lawn & Garden Equipment
- Books
- Toys
- Games, etc.

Your Neighbors is requesting that you

### DO NOT DONATE:

1. Clothing
2. Luggage
1. Sporting goods/equipment (bowling balls, winter sport's equipment)
4. Computers or computer parts
5. Christmas Trees
6. Appliances—not in working conditions.



## Easter Flowers

If you would like to purchase a Easter Plant in memory or honor of someone, please use the sign-up sheets in the Narthex. Checks can be made out to *Zion Lutheran Church*, please put *Easter flowers on the memo line*.

## Crisis/In-Reach team/ministry meeting

An "in-house, crisis or in-reach team/ministry" was suggested by a couple people in the discussion at last year's annual meeting. A few people responded to an invitation to brainstorm what that might look like. Ideas brainstormed were listed on the spiritual gifts inventory to determine who might be interested in serving in this capacity. We invite anyone interested in looking at this input to help determine how we can move forward to meet at 7 PM, Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> in the Fireside Room.



## Zion's Choir

Choir will warm-up at 8:45 AM on Sunday to sing for the 9:15 AM services. Sunday morning rehearsals are at 10:30 AM in the Choir Room.



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### Souper Bowl Sunday Report

Thanks to everyone who contributed to the Souper Bowl Sunday collection. Our totals for this year's event were 323 cans of soup (a new record!) and \$133. All the donations went to the Utica Food Bank. All the contributions were reported to the Souper Bowl of Caring website at [www.souperbowl.org](http://www.souperbowl.org). The Youth Group thanks you for once again making this a successful community service event!



### Your Neighbors, Inc.

Dear Zion Members,

Thank you for your recent donation of \$30. We are witnessing an increasing population of seniors who are trying to maintain their homes as well as independent residency while living here. At YNI, we are increasingly supportive of those homebound people who continue to need our help. We thank you for your continued support to help us during these increasingly difficult times.

Sincerely,

Roberta Schiavi  
Program Director



### Lutheran World Relief

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your recent contribution of \$108 to the Lutheran World Relief, received through the Upstate NY Synod of the ELCA. Your gift brings help to some of the world's most impoverished families in 35 countries worldwide.

On behalf of everyone at LWR and those we serve, again—many thanks!  
John A. Nunes-President and CEO

### Heifer International

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your generous gift of \$700, your gift for Heifer International's work to help hungry people feed themselves. Gifts are used as designated until a project's needs are met. Additional gifts are then used where needed most.

Sustainable livelihoods are one example of the profound impact your support of Heifer International is having on the lives of impoverished families around the world. Together, we are making a difference in the lives of families once trapped in the cycle of hunger and poverty.

Sincerely,

Charles O. Stewart  
Interim Chief Executive Officer

## Lenten Schedule for March 2011

Ash Wednesday March 9, 2011	12 Noon	Worship Service with Communion and Imposition of Ashes
	7:30 PM	Worship Service with Communion and Imposition of Ashes
Sunday, March 13 <sup>th</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent	9:15 AM	Tradition Worship Service with Communion
	11:15 AM	Contemporary Worship Service
Wednesday, March, 16 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 PM	Lenten Pot Luck Supper in FH followed by "At The Cross" Lenten Worship in Sanc.
	6:45 PM	
Sunday, March 20 <sup>th</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent	9:15 AM	Tradition Worship Service with Communion
	11:15 AM	Contemporary Worship Service with Communion
Wednesday, March, 23 <sup>rd</sup>	6:00 PM	Lenten Pot Luck Supper in FH followed by "At The Cross" Lenten Worship in Sanc.
	6:45 PM	
Sunday, March 27 <sup>th</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent	9:15 AM	Tradition Worship Service with Communion
	11:15 AM	Contemporary Worship Service
Wednesday, March, 30 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 PM	Lenten Pot Luck Supper in FH followed by "At The Cross" Lenten Worship in Sanc.
	6:45 PM	



### Welcome New Member

Steve Kehr joined Zion at the 9:15 AM worship service on Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. Steve enjoys building model cars, bowling, walking and going to the beach. He is very interested in the many opportunities to become involved with community service through Zion Church. He decided to join Zion because he felt the church was very family-orientated and caring.



Steve Kehr

### Lenten Luncheon Series at the First Baptist Church in New Hartford

The First Baptist Church of New Hartford is holding it's annual Lenten Lunch programs on the Wednesdays of Lent. (See flyer on the bulletin board in the lower level by stairs.) The luncheons starts at 11:30 AM and are done by 1 PM. Everyone is invited to join these Lenten Lunch services.



# Wise Women's Warm Hugs Event Pictures



## Thank You

A tremendous "thank you" goes out to Claudia King for presenting an inspiring women's program focusing on "Warm Hugs" on Tuesday evening, February 15<sup>th</sup>. God inspired her to share the message using her spiritual gifts.



All those in attendance received the benefits, including a heart warming prayer scarf to wrap around ourselves to remind us of how God is always there to give us a warm hug, and that we can receive hugs from others or extend God's hugs to others.



# Vanderkamp's 2011 Summer Camp Schedule



**July 3<sup>rd</sup> – July 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Retro Week**

**Ages 7-11**

This week we go back in time and experience the fun our parents and grandparents had growing up. We will go back in time when more kids were outside playing games than indoors watching TV or playing video games. This week we will experience some old time favorites; which include games like marbles, stickball, card games, capture the flag, and kick the can just to name a few. We will also tie-dye some t-shirts and have a sock hop! Come prepared to have a great retro time.

**July 3<sup>rd</sup> – July 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Retro Week**

**Ages 12-15**

This week we go back in time and experience the fun our parents and grandparents had growing up. We will go back in time when more kids were outside playing games than indoors watching TV or playing video games. This week we will experience some old time favorites; which include games like marbles, stickball, card games, capture the flag, and kick-the-can just to name a few. We will also tie-dye some t-shirts and spend one night camping outside like they use to in the olden days. We will cook over a fire and enjoy sleeping out under the stars. Come prepared to have a great retro time.

**July 10<sup>th</sup> – July 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Vanderkamp Sneak-A-Peek**

**Ages 6-8**

We take special care of first-timers! Choose Sneak-A-Peek and join the fun for two nights. First-timers who are enjoying themselves may choose to stay the rest of the week if space is available. Make sure that you pack their bags for the whole week because most of our Sneak-A-Peekers want to stay the entire week!

**July 10<sup>th</sup> – July 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Adventure Camp**

**Ages 7-11**

Choose your Adventure! Every day will be a new adventure filled with fun and excitement. You will have the opportunity to try new things each and every day. Each child who attends this program will not only have a good time, but will learn a few things about themselves, the world around them and God.

**July 10<sup>th</sup> – July 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Adventure Camp**

**Ages 12-15**

Choose your Adventure! Every day will be a new adventure filled with fun and excitement. You will have the opportunity to try new things each and every day. Each child who attends this program will not only have a good time, but will learn a few things about themselves, the world around them and God.

**July 17<sup>th</sup> – July 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Camp S'more**

**Ages 8-14**

Join us this summer for s'more faith, s'more fun, and s'more friends! There is nothing better than cooking marshmallows over a fire then adding chocolate and graham crackers. Not only will we do the awesome daytime activities together, like swimming, fishing, and boating. But we will do nighttime activities as well. We will take a night hike, cook up a S'mores feast, and play flashlight tag, enjoy a late night or two and sleep-in mornings. What can be better than that?

**July 24<sup>th</sup> – July 30<sup>th</sup>**

**Sports/Olympics or Music and Drama\***

**Ages 8-15**

It does not matter if you like to play sports or play the trombone we have it here for you. When you register, please indicate if you would like to be on the sports track or the music and drama track. You will have an opportunity to enjoy all that camp has to offer, but you will also either be preparing yourself for an Vanderkamp Olympic medal or a concert on Friday night followed by an ice cream social.

**July 31<sup>st</sup> – August 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Camp Outrageous**

**Ages 12-17**

What would Vanderkamp be without Camp Outrageous? If you have experienced this week before, you know you want to come back. So, what's Outrageous? Well, the dictionary says that being outrageous is exceeding the limits of what is usual; or it is fantastic. In other words, Camp Outrageous! You will have an opportunity to pack as much camp fun in as possible. There will be time to be outrageous both during the day and at night. Sound crazy? Well it is!! Warning: if you come this week you will want to come back for more.

**August 7<sup>th</sup> – August 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Camp Outrageous Extended**

**Ages 12-17**

If you are able, extend your time at Vanderkamp with Camp Outrageous Extended. We will extend the fun we are having at Vanderkamp by another week. Do your favorite activities again, swim some more, do more fishing and have an extra good time.

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# Vanderkamp's 2011 Summer Camp Schedule continued

## Teen Leadership Programs

*Please note the changes in our L.I.T. and crew programs.  
If you have questions about the programs please contact Vanderkamp.*

**Vanderkamp L.I.T. Level 1**  
**Vanderkamp L.I.T. Level 2**

**Ages 16-17**  
**Ages 16-17**

**June 20<sup>th</sup> – July 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**July 24<sup>th</sup> – August 20<sup>th</sup>**

If you are interested in spending the summer at Vanderkamp and if you think you have what it takes to be a leader, we need you. Sign up for L.I.T. level one or two and spend a life changing summer at Vanderkamp. You will learn about God, about how to be a counselor and about yourself. Visit [www.vk.org](http://www.vk.org) to download and send in the application.

**Vanderkamp Crew**

**Ages 17-18**

**June 20<sup>th</sup> – August 20<sup>th</sup>**

If you have completed L.I.T. levels one and two and you would like to join the Vanderkamp staff, then fill out an application and let us know. The Vanderkamp crew will do a wide variety of jobs over the summer; including kitchen work, site work, program assistant, and counselor assistant. It is a great way to learn about all the aspects of Vanderkamp, as well as having a blast to hang with the campers and other staff.

To contact Vanderkamp call (315) 675-3651

## From the Pen of Mae Parker



Regardless of the weather  
If it's stormy or it clear  
There is always something to accomplish  
A little here and a little there.

Think of all the pleasure  
That a good book always brings  
Music played so softly  
While favorite contraltos sing.

Sitting by a crackling fire  
Or just sitting in a chair  
Jesus is always with you  
Giving hope and gladness there.

Winter soon will vanish  
Pretty flowers and trees in color abound  
Spring comes in silence and in wonder  
All creation changes magically all around.

## Music & Activity Sunday, February 6<sup>th</sup>



**Music and Activity Sunday, February 6, 2011**  
**John Blackburn, Linda Lambe and Jim Marscher using**  
**Puppet ministry and music to teach children about the**  
**Sacrament of Baptism.**