

# PINNACLE VISTAS

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## SUMMER WORSHIP TIMES CONTINUE

We had a wonderful summer of worship here at Pinnacle.

With two services for the first time ever in the summer, worship attendance was up by an average of 28 people from the Summer 2007.

In the spring, the Session of the church voted to keep the worship times at 8 a.m. in the Chapel and 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

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## THE WALKING STICK IN THE SANCTUARY

The Sunday after the Rev. Larry Corbett left in August 2007, I came into worship with a walking stick.

The stick was a gift from church member Chuck Borsos, and it is a beautiful long rib of a saguaro.

The walking stick sits in the sanctuary between the boulders on the sanctuary chancel floor.

Every once in a while I have a someone come up to me and ask, "Hey, what's that stick doing there?" This is no surprise, since many of our members are away in the summer months and were away when I gave my first sermon as interim when I talked about the stick.

The walking stick is a symbol of the season and journey we are going through as a church.

The walking stick was brought in when the interim period began and it will sit in the sanctuary until this interim period is over and a new pastor has arrived.

The walking stick is a reminder of the support we have from God on this journey. We can trust that God is moving and working as the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) looks at resumes and begins interviewing candidates.

The walking stick is a reminder of the job we all have right now to prepare the church for new leadership to come and lead the church into the future.

A few months ago I wrote the Vistas article on the "Five Developmental Tasks of an Interim Church." Ralph Macy says there are "Six Stages in the Interim Process":

- 1. A PERIOD OF TERMINATION** The pastor announces that he is leaving  
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Rev. Mac Schafer,  
interim pastor

## TOUR GREECE AND TURKEY IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF PAUL

Join us May 2-15, 2009, as we explore the sights and sounds of Thessaloniki, Athens, Corinth, Ephesus, the Greek Islands, Istanbul and more and learn of the apostle Paul's passion and perseverance in spreading the gospel message to this region.



Dr. Michael Hegeman, a recent Ph.D. graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary and New Testament scholar, will guide us on our journey.

For more information or to register, please contact Shelly Core at 480.488.8912 or [snscore@msn.com](mailto:snscore@msn.com). Space is limited.

### WORSHIP From page 1

So as you come to worship this fall and are wondering what the differences between the two services are, here is a little worship guide:

8 a.m. Worship in the Chapel	10 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
■ Approximately a 35-minute service	■ Approximately an hour-long service
■ There is special music and one hymn sung (less music than 10 a.m.)	■ The full Choir leads the congregation in worship
■ Nursery care provided	■ Nursery care provided
■ Communion celebrated the first Sunday of the month	■ Children's Sermon
■ A more intimate setting	■ Church School provided
■ Refreshments served on the terrace after worship	■ Refreshments served on the West Terrace
■ Simple liturgy	■ Full liturgical service

We look forward to seeing you at worship. Remember it is the life blood of our community and the center of all we do!

## VISTA DEL CAMINO NEEDS FOOD DONATIONS

Thank you for your generous contributions this summer!

Pinnacle will again be collecting non-perishable foods, paper products and personal care items this fall on the fourth Sunday of each month.

Please place your food drive donations in the Sanctuary red wagons on Sept. 28, Oct. 26 and Nov. 23.

Vista del Camino also is looking for volunteers to work in the food bank. If interested, please contact Pat in the Vista del Camino office at 480.312.2323. For questions about the PPC food drive itself, please contact Linda Coughenour at 480.585.3719.

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and says goodbye.

**2. A PERIOD OF DIRECTION FINDING** The church asks what do we do now? What is the process?

**3. A PERIOD OF SELF STUDY** What is the church's focus in the future? What are our needs? What kind of skills do we need in a pastor?

**4. A PERIOD OF SEARCH AND SELECTION** The PNC interviews pastoral candidates.

**5. THE PERIOD OF NEGOTIATION AND DECISION** The end of the pastor interview process and the congregational vote for the candidate.

**6. THE PERIOD OF INSTALLATION AND START UP** The new pastor begins.

Pinnacle Presbyterian is in stage 4 of this process. But hopefully we are continuing to engage the questions of stage 3: What is the church's focus in the future? What are our needs? These are questions we should always wrestle with and engage.

As we enter into worship this fall, have a look at that walking stick in the sanctuary. And when you see it, imagine your hand upon it.

This interim period is *our* journey. All of your gifts and talents are needed to carry out Christ's calling and mission in the world.

Reach out, think hard, give generously, worship intentionally, listen carefully, and love radically.

The Peace of Christ be with you,

— Mac

## SINGERS TREK NORTH TO MINNESOTA

One might wonder what there is to find in Northfield, Minn., besides corn fields, clean air and a Malt-O-Meal cereal plant.

Yet from July 21-25, 10 Pinnacle Presbyterian youth and seven adult chaperones found their way to the campus of St. Olaf College to find much more than cliched northerners who say their "O" kinda funny. (They all wondered who "Luke" was... they think the director meant "look.")

The group got to experience the joy of Summer Choir Camp. Of course that meant sleeping in a dorm room with no air-conditioning and walking down the hall to a shower, but no one minded that when compared to the great musical experiences the group brought back.

Under the direction of Elizabeth Shepley and Chris Aspaas, our young men and women were given the opportunity to sing with choristers from around the country, to continue to develop their talents as singers by exploring new techniques and styles, and to perform in the acoustically famous Boe Memorial Chapel.

The trip was punctuated with a bonus visit to the Mall of America where some of the group shopped till they dropped and the rest just dropped... from a roller coaster plunge! They were also lucky enough to celebrate a birthday with Pinnacle Music Director Brent Hylton and explore downtown Northfield after a night of swimming and pizza.

The skills these young singers have gained from this experience will enrich the music programs at Pinnacle. They will always have memories of the lovely summer weather, green grass and tall shady trees, meaningful friendships and the experience of creating beautiful music.

Each choir camp singer exclaimed with joy that they would love to join the group again when it returns to the land of the Norsk in July 2010.

We hope to bring the rest of our Club Wed! and Youth Choir friends along next time.



Elizabeth Shepley led the youth choirs at the St. Olaf choir camp.

## PPC LAUNCHES TWO ADULT SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES

At the request of many in the congregation, Pinnacle will offer at least two different classes at 11:15 a.m. Sunday mornings.

The first class begins Sept. 28 and will discuss various topics beginning with a discussion of the decisions and recommendations of the PC (USA) General Assembly held in June in San Jose.

Bill Noyes, PPC's first commissioner to General Assembly, and Rev. Fran Park, an alumni of many General Assemblies, will summarize the actions of our governing body and the implications of those decisions.

The following three Sundays will feature presentations on the Koran, Muslims in the West, and women in Islam led by Alan Stone.

The second class will be facilitated by Rod Houston and will be a continuing group that will select and discuss a Christian article or video tape. It will begin on Oct. 26.

## MEN'S BREAKFAST MOVES TO PINNACLE PEAK COUNTRY CLUB

In light of the changes at Classic Residence, the Men's Breakfast Group will be meeting at Pinnacle Peak Country Club at 7:30 a.m. on the first and third Thursday mornings. Meetings begin Sept. 4.

The group has a new book, "The Great Awakening" by Jim Wallis. Copies of the book are available for purchase in the church office. Come and share your thoughts on how to deal with the changes all around us. Rev. Fran Park will help facilitate the conversation.

## SENIOR ADULTS GAINING ENRICHMENT RESUMES SEPT. 3

S.A.G.E. (Senior Adults Gaining Enrichment) has completed its study of the Old Testament and now moves on to the New Testament.

The group will start with the Gospel of Matthew to see how God lives among us in Jesus. Come and share food (\$5), fun, fellowship and study at noon every Wednesday. Rev. Fran Park leads this lunch bunch in the Chapel Conference Room.

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: JESUS' USE OF THE PROPHETS

Have you ever wondered how the prophets of the Old Testament affected Jesus' ministry? That's what the Wednesday Night Bible Study will be looking at beginning Sept. 10.

Jesus enriched the lives of God's people because he acted within the framework of those men who preceded him. Expand your faith journey by sharing in God's word for us today.

Rev. Fran Park leads this Bible Study that meets from 6-7 p.m. Wednesdays in the Chapel Conference Room.

## ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES BEGIN THIS MONTH

Our Adult Education classes begin in September.

Check out the Adult Education brochure or Pinnacle's Web site for more details. Here is a partial listing of classes offered:

Class	Leader	Day	Time	Starts
S.A.G.E.	Rev. Fran Park	Wednesday	Noon	9/3
Lectio Divina	Rev. Mac Schafer	Thursday	7 a.m.	9/4
Men's Breakfast	Rev. Fran Park	Thursday	7:30 a.m.	9/4
Theology on Tap	Rev. Mac Schafer	Tuesday (2nd/4th)	7 p.m.	9/9
Wed Night Bible Study	Rev. Fran Park	Wednesday	6 p.m.	9/10
Mug & Muffin	Katy Schafer	Wednesday (1st/3rd)	9:30 a.m.	9/17
The Life and Ministry of Paul	Shelly Core	Wednesday	6 p.m.	9/17
Kerygma Bible Survey	Brandon Willett	Every other Monday	7 p.m.	9/29



Rev. Kristin Willett gives a tour of the new Youth Center to Pinnacle youth and their parents during the youth group kickoff on Sunday, Aug. 24.

## **CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COMING TO CLOSE; PLEDGES NEEDED**

The most recent capital campaign for the Youth Center and additional facilities that are making great progress is coming to a close. Thank you to all those who have pledged to the capital campaign.

Your financial support and God's blessings have created the construction of the office expansion and new Youth Center. If you have not yet fulfilled your pledge commitment for the capital campaign, we ask that you submit the balance of your pledge as soon as possible.

If you have been on the church campus recently, you can see that the construction is right in line. The bills are coming in quickly, therefore, we need all the assistance to meet our campaign goal in order to meet our obligation.

Thank you for your generosity.

## **2009 OPERATING BUDGET TO INCLUDE ALL MORTGAGE OBLIGATIONS**

While the capital campaign comes to a close (see above), our commitments for the mortgage and expenses do not.

You will notice in this fall's pledge drive for 2009, we will be making

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## **PASTOR SEARCH CONTINUES**

The Pastor Nominating Committee has been meeting throughout the summer as we continue the search for our new Pastor.

To date:

- We have received over 80 resumes (called Pastor Information Forms, or PIFs) for consideration.
- The committee has carefully reviewed each PIF.
- We have a number of viable candidates that we are following up with by letter and have begun our phone interviews.
- We are continuing to receive PIFs and are carefully reviewing them as they arrive.

The Pastor Nominating Committee is chair John Terhune, Greg Barber, Greg Bright, Julie Fiala, Mark Leinweber, Emily Mitchell, Bill Noyes, Molly Rosenbaum, Tanya Rosenfeld and Sally Williams.

Check Pinnacle's Web site ([pinnaclepres.org](http://pinnaclepres.org)) for PNC information or talk to any member of the committee.

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fundamental changes in how we ask you to consider your pledge amounts.

In the past, Pinnacle did not include the mortgage commitments under the operating budget. The mortgage always has been separate and managed through the building fund/capital campaigns.

As our church has evolved, we meet new financial demands and challenges. Therefore, after careful consideration and analysis, the Finance & Stewardship committees have decided that to better manage expenses including the mortgage, we must do this under "one" operating budget.

We ask that you keep this in mind and understand the church needs all members of the congregation to increase their 2009 pledge accordingly in order to handle the mortgage expenses.

With this new approach, our goal is to avoid additional campaigns for the mortgage and allow the members of our church to manage their generosity through their "one" annual pledge.

More information will be coming, but for now please keep these changes in mind when you consider your pledge amounts.

It is with your blessings and generosity that this church thrives.

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### SYMPATHY

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to:

The family of **Edward Rennhack**

**Lin Ogden** on the death of her mother, **DE Nielsen**

**Anna Wyatt** on the death of her husband, **Wes Wyatt**

**Dianne Drake** on the death of her father

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

### SEPT. 7 IS CHURCH SCHOOL KICKOFF

After the 10 a.m. worship service on Sunday Sept. 7, you are invited to join us on the Green for a light lunch, to say hello to friends new and old, and watch kids have fun with each other.

Remember, kids should dress appropriately for an hour of running, bouncing and rolling around.

### TEACHER DEDICATION IS SEPT. 21

Please join us at the 10 a.m. worship service on Sunday, Sept. 21, as we dedicate the teachers who work with children at our preschool and in our church school programs.

We are truly blessed to have so many wonderful adults working with our children and youth.

### CLUB 46 BACK FOR EXCITING NEW YEAR

Club 46, the fellowship group for upper elementary school kids, will get together twice in September.

All 4th, 5th and 6th graders are invited to join us for a scavenger hunt and barbeque from 4-6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 14. On Sept. 28, Club 46 will go on a special field trip... think corn, mazes, fun and teamwork.

If you've not received an invitation from Debbie Lisk, please call 480.585.9448 ext. 203, or e-mail [dlisk@pinnaclepres.org](mailto:dlisk@pinnaclepres.org).



[pinnaclepres.org](http://pinnaclepres.org).

## PINNACLE YOUTH

### GETTING THE YEAR STARTED!

Church School will start Sept. 7 as will our normal Sunday evening Youth Groups.

For those new to the programs, Church School meets during the 10 a.m. worship service.

This year we will return to the schedule of leaving the service after the Children's Message.

The Jr. High Church School will meet in the Chapel Conference Room. The Sr. High Church School will meet in the youth room.

Jr. High Youth Group meets in the youth room from 5:30-7:15 Sunday evenings, and Sr. High meets from 6:30-8:15 p.m. Sundays with the groups sharing dinner during the overlap.

### LESSONS AND TUTORING

We have very talented teachers and retired teachers here at Pinnacle who have shared their willingness to tutor our youth who may be struggling with their academics.

If you are interested in pursuing academic tutoring, contact Pastor Kristin at 480.585.9448 and she will put you in contact with a tutor. Rates and schedules will be discussed with tutors themselves.

Many of our staff and members at Pinnacle are musically gifted and want to share their talents with the youth.

Below you will find a list of individuals who offer private music lessons:

■ Marilyn Hylton, beginning through advanced piano lessons, 480.585.9448 x241

■ Kira Rugen, private voice lessons, 480.419.8748 or [kiradawn@cox.net](mailto:kiradawn@cox.net).

■ Brandon Willett, beginning through intermediate guitar lessons, 480.284.6803 [brandonjohnwillett@gmail.com](mailto:brandonjohnwillett@gmail.com)

■ Jim Matney, African Drum Lessons, 480.585.7536

If you are interested in pursuing lessons contact them directly to discuss scheduling and rates.

## PARENTS OF YOUTH BOOK STUDY LOOKS AT 'THE PRIMAL TEEN'

The medical science and health editor of the *New York Times*, Barbara Strauch, has compiled the most recent research on the teenage brain.

The Parents of Youth Book Study will examine *The Primal Teen: What the New Discoveries About the Teenage Brain Tell Us About Our Kids*, beginning Wednesday, Sept. 17.

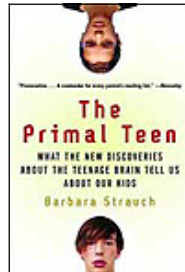
Her easy-to-read book promises insight for anyone who has ever puzzled over the mysterious and often infuriating behavior of teenagers.

It turns out that hormone levels aren't the only changes during adolescence. The brain goes through changes that are as dramatic and crucial as those that take place in the first two years of life.

Featuring interviews with scientists, teenagers, parents and teachers, *The Primal Teen* explores common challenges — why teens go from articulate and mature one day to morose and unreachable the next; why they engage in risky behavior — and offers practical strategies to help manage these formative and often difficult years.

Though dealing with scientific findings, this book is very accessible to parents.

The cost of the book is \$15. The book study will meet at 6:30 Wednesday evenings, Sept. 17 and 24, Oct. 1, 15, 22 and 29. If you are interested in participating, contact Pastor Kristin at 480.585.9448.



## COMPASSIONATE CARE FOR SICK AND HURTING

Are you interested in learning how to more effectively visit and give spiritual care to the sick, terminally ill or bereaved in your congregation or elsewhere? You are invited to "Compassionate Care for the Sick and Hurting," Beatitudes Center DOAR's annual Health Ministries Fall Conference.

The event takes place from 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 29 at Franciscan Renewal Center, 5802 E Lincoln Dr., Scottsdale. For more information, call 602.274.5022 or e-mail [nmn@centerdoar.org](mailto:nmn@centerdoar.org).

## MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY NOW ONLINE

Pinnacle Presbyterian Church is pleased to announce that the church's pictorial directory is now available online for member viewing.

The directory has many features that you will find very useful in helping you to connect with your fellow members.

The site is secure and requires a password to view member photos and contact information.

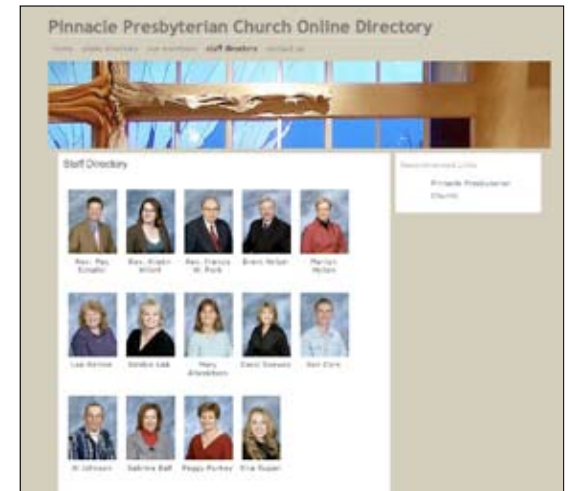
Members can call the church office (480.585.9448) to receive the password.

The staff photo page does not require a password, so non-members can view that portion of the directory.

Even if your photo is not in the directory, your contact information will be listed. Please check your contact information for accuracy and be sure to let us know if there is an error or an update.

If you prefer not to appear in the directory, please contact Administrative Assistant Carol Skewes at [cskewes@pinnaclepres.org](mailto:cskewes@pinnaclepres.org) or 480.585.9448, or just click on the "Contact Us" link on the directory Web site.

To access the site, go to <http://om310237.onlineolanmills.com/home>, or go to the Pinnacle Presbyterian Church Web site ([www.pinnaclepres.org/](http://www.pinnaclepres.org/)) and click on the link on the front page.



Some pages of the online directory, including the staff page, are open to the public. The membership listings and photos require a password to access them.



## CANCER SURVIVORS, FRIENDS GATHER FOR FELLOWSHIP SEPT. 26

Act II – Beyond Cancer will be meeting at 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26. We invite all of you who have survived cancer, or are in treatment at this time.

Please invite anyone you may know who could use fellowship with other cancer survivors or friends whose lives have been touched by cancer. This meeting, at Carrol Svedeen's home, will be about friendship and food, no speaker this month.

Teri Jimerson has kindly offered to help with the preparation of the main course, but everyone is asked to bring a side dish or dessert.

Please R.S.V.P. to Carrol Svedeen at 480.419.0348.

If you are not on the e-mail list for Act II and would like to be, please e-mail me at [csvedeen@cox.net](mailto:csvedeen@cox.net).

## ANDRE HOUSE NEEDS HELP IN SEPTEMBER

A total of 110 PPC members and attendees have contributed 597 volunteer hours to Andre House since Jan. 1.

This stellar service from our congregation is noticed and appreciated by the staff at Andre House.

Even during the hottest months of June, July and August, PPC was able to provide the same number of volunteers as during the winter months. These dedicated volunteers were a tremendous help to Andre House during a time when their manpower was stretched thin due to vacations and people fleeing the valley for cooler climates.

Students who would like to volunteer at Andre House to complete community service hours for school projects are encouraged to schedule a time in September or October. Volunteer opportunities fill quickly for winter months as everyone tries to meet deadlines before the end of the semester.

Also, September is a difficult month to cover our volunteer commitment to Andre House because it is still quite warm and our winter volunteers have not returned to the Valley. September dates for Andre House are Tuesday, Sept. 9, Thursday, Sept. 11, and Sunday, Sept. 28.

To volunteer contact Lila Kleinkopf at 480.893.3646 or [lkleinkopf@cox.net](mailto:lkleinkopf@cox.net).

## PINNACLE PRESBYTERIAN PRESCHOOL

### WHAT IS EMERGENT CURRICULUM?

At Pinnacle Presbyterian Preschool, the curriculum that is used by the teachers is an Emergent Curriculum.

“What does that mean for my child?” most parents ask.

An emergent curriculum is one that builds upon the children's ideas. Topics for study can emerge from a deep action of listening to the children's experiences, as well as through different kinds of experiences with the family and the community.

To plan an emergent curriculum requires observation, documentation, creative brainstorming, flexibility and patience.

Teachers work with the children to formulate hypotheses about the possible directions of a project and the materials needed.

The schools of Reggio Emilia, Italy, use this approach in Early Childhood Education. At Pinnacle, we embrace the philosophy of the Reggio schools and also find the Emergent Curriculum one of the best for young children.



### A RESOURCE FOR NEIGHBORS IN NEED

Our congregation is engaged in an uplifting interfaith partnership with Beatitudes Center DOAR (Developing Older Adult Resources). Caring volunteers from our faith community assist homebound adults – people who can no longer drive – with simple yet vital help.

Services offered at no charge to our neighbors include transportation to medical appointments, grocery shopping, friendly visiting and phoning, minor home repairs, business help, respite and computer assistance.

If you know of a person in need or want to join in service, call 602-285-0543. Attending one orientation session is all that is needed to begin a wonderful volunteer experience.

## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

### Sept. 1

Justin Laurent

### Sept. 2

Julia Chandler

Alice Colston

Bill Hyatt

### Sept. 3

Emily Gardner

Autumn Helfert

Barbara Moffitt

### Sept. 4

Ken Brousseau

Joyce Gant

Beverly Grossman

Aaron Slegers

### Sept. 5

Brock Richard

### Sept. 6

Luke Chandler

Carly Lenniger

Shea Lenniger

Olivia Matheson

Alan Oeste

Katie Rich

### Sept. 7

John Collins

Tomoki Inoue

Nancy Martin

### Sept. 8

Breanna Granger

Katie Nutter

### Sept. 9

Camille Edwards

### Sept. 10

A.J. Duxbury

### Sept. 11

Sarah Love

Mary Noyd

Charles Rusy

Phillip Wiltfong

### Sept. 12

Danny Barber

Cassandra Hendricks

Sue Larson

Grace Rosenfeld

William Schoedinger

Scott Uelner

### Sept. 13

Amy Belluomini

Joseph Corbett

Robert Dueker

Matthew Lucky

### Sept. 14

Joshua Hylton

Theodore Mobley

### Sept. 15

Skye Schafer

Barbara Sitzler

### Sept. 17

Leslie Mann

### Sept. 18

Gerald Kempthorne

### Sept. 19

Sandra Baker

Ray Bentsdahl

Donald Gardner

Richard Snowden

### Sept. 20

Brad Jones

Scott McDonnell

Stephanie McDonnell

Susan Stanton

### Sept. 21

Nadine Collins

Noah Rash

Owen Stewart

### Sept. 22

Kimberly Bianco

Gena Brown

Johnathan Lane

Mara Love

Emma Nicholas

Kathryn Snowden

Ruth Kay Wetzel

Alison Zajacek

### Sept. 23

Barbara Christensen

Lili Drinkall

Matt Lucky

Jacob Muth

Patrick Soper

Carrol Svedeen

### Sept. 24

Jonathan Coughenour

Bill Pickering

Marilyn Sorenson

### Sept. 25

Briana Cooper

### Sept. 26

J. A. McConnell

Katelyn Wise

### Sept. 27

Annie Frey

Fay Gates

Caitlin MacGregor

Hale Stewart

Andrew Vogensen

### Sept. 28

Becky Blomquist

Brooke Harris

Diane Pasco

### Sept. 29

Kaddie Stephens

### Sept. 30

Charles Gurler

Vicki Helming

Andrew Newman

Kahili Southworth

Do we have your birthday on file? If not, please give us a call 480.585.9448 or e-mail Carol Skewes at cskewes@pinnaclepres.org.

## PPC MISSION STATEMENT

The Session approved a new Mission Statement for the church earlier this year. Pinnacle's bylaws require that the session of the church review and update the mission statement every three years.

### MISSION STATEMENT

In the heart of the Sonoran Desert, Pinnacle Presbyterian Church invites all people to hear God's story and experience God's love expressed in the life of Jesus Christ; and by the power of the Holy Spirit, we strive to equip the generations with the practices of our faith.

At the foot of the mountain we created a sanctuary.

We come together as God's people,

reaching out to make a difference in one another's lives,  
in our community, and around the world.

We express our faithfulness through excellence in worship,  
the arts, serving meals, building homes, crossing borders,  
and nurturing children and youth.

We are people who know the  
power of forgiveness,  
joy and  
love.

## PPC ON THE WEB

Don't forget to visit us online for the latest information about Pinnacle Presbyterian Church. You'll find calendars, activity listings and photos of events. Also listen to sermons online.

### iTUNES PODCAST

Now you can log onto the iTunes Music Store



and subscribe to the free PPC Sermon Podcast to have them automatically downloaded to your

computer or iPod. Search for "Pinnacle Presbyterian."

**VISTAS ONLINE** Also, you can download PDF versions of *Pinnacle Vistas*. Print them or e-mail them to share with your friends and family.

Find out more about all of this by going to [pinnaclepres.org](http://pinnaclepres.org).

## WELCOME OUR NEW FRIENDS

Say "hello" to our newest members.



**Brad and Laurie  
Jones**



**Chip Uhlmann**



**Derek Wilson  
(not pictured, Eliza)**

## SCHEDULE FOR NEW MEMBERS CLASSES

Interested in joining Pinnacle Presbyterian Church? The New Connection classes are for you.

The classes are held in the Chapel Conference Room and meet at 11:15 a.m. for two consecutive Sundays. Please call the Church Office at 480.585.9448 to sign up.

### New Connection dates

- Sept. 28 and Oct. 5, 2008
- Nov. 23 and 30, 2008
- Jan. 25 and Feb. 1, 2009
- March 22 and 29, 2009
- June 28 and July 5, 2009

### HOW TO CONTRIBUTE TO PINNACLE VISTAS

To make it easy for you to let others know what's going on with your Pinnacle group, there are two ways to submit articles to *Vistas*.

Submit your article via the church Web site, [www.pinnaclepres.org/vistas/contribute.html](http://www.pinnaclepres.org/vistas/contribute.html), or e-mail to Pinnacle. [Vistas@gmail.com](mailto:Vistas@gmail.com).

# The Big Event

Awake! Explore! Connect!



Practicing our Faith!

## Saturday, October 25

Mark your calendar — plan to attend this full day of worship, workshops and witness. Registration materials will be available soon.

Sponsored by the  
Presbytery of Grand Canyon  
at

Valley Presbyterian Church

6947 E. McDonald Drive  
Paradise Valley, AZ 85253

## Big Event 2008

A day to Awaken your Spirit  
Explore the practice of your Faith  
Connect with Christ

As information becomes available it will be posted on the  
Presbytery of Grand Canyon web site: [www.pbygrandcanyon.org](http://www.pbygrandcanyon.org)

Telephone: 602-468-3820

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