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Texts for Next Sunday John 12:20-33

**WE NEED YOU!!!!!!
TO JOIN THE CROP WALK MARCH 29 - 1 PM
Get your signup sheets after church and let's make plans to walk together**

GIVE US A HAND

Barbara Shively is collecting the outlines of hands, which she will use as part of our Easter Banner. If you would like to help cut the paper banner, please join us next Saturday morning at 10 AM in the Fellowship classroom.



Frances Lowe & Shirley

FROM THE MINISTER

The visit from Frances Lowe, reminded me of the connections we have over our lifetime with others. Listening to his many stories makes one marvel at what an 87 year old can remember. We all need to record those connections when we can, but it seems we are often too busy with life to take the time or get our histories organized. With new technology, a personal family history with pictures and historical documents is just waiting for what we have to offer. But still we are a busy people.

We have the time we need to listen to stories everyday. It doesn't need to be recorded but just telling others about our experiences can enrich the lives of others. Faith-sharing happens, most often, not at some formal point of evangelism, but in the small encounters we make everyday. The hard part for most of us is not telling what has happened, but listening to others tell what has happened to them. We like to talk but we could all be enriched if we could master the art of listening. Where have we been most excited and where have we danced across the sky? What were the most predictable moments

in our life? From those rhythms of life when everything seemed organized, what did we learn?

I heard this past week that teen binge drinking was on the rise. And the best way to help them avoid it is to talk to them about situations they will be in and what they could do. Fear and threats most often do not work. But working out ways to help them does make a difference. And the best way to do it is to talk-keep talking and listening. It's a skill that lasts a lifetime.

**Chris C. Nettles
Happy 93rd Gene**



Maxine & Gene

**WE WELCOME
GLADYS O'NEILL**

Sunday Gladys O'Neill placed her membership into FCC, transferring from The Grove. She and her husband have five children. The younger children are active in worship & wonder. Her husband is an active member of St. Frances DeSalles Catholic Church.

Join Us for a new Study:
Is The Bible True?
Each Wednesday Morning
10 AM @ FCC
Led by Farolyn Hanscom

Our Vital Statistics

Worship Attendance: 66
7-12th Youth Group: 7 youth & 1 adults

“Praying for Our Community”

Barbara Ku,
Sally Randall is being moved to Reche Canyon
Convalescent for therapy,
Unity Hixinbaugh is still
being treated for pneumonia,
Jill Field's grandmother,
Rosie Stocks,
Madlyn Hatzler,
Frances Lowe arrived Saturday night from Florida in
his car and small trailer. He is heading out for
Indiana on his way home,
(Frances is 87 years old)
Dee Owens has decided to forego surgery,
Reba Mathis,
Robert Shively is leading a new
church start in Oakland,
We sent Arlene Jones, “Healing A Spouses Grieving
Heart” from the Friendship Group,
Irene Wilkman in Camarillo,
Pearl Haynes receiving 24 hours care,
Martin & Nathan Dornan are gaining
weight ounce by ounce. JoAnna & Kyle are finally able to
hold them both.

This is the second week we are hosting training
for the US Census from 8 AM to 4:30 PM in the
Lounge.



**Grandma Cheri shower
UPCOMING EVENTS**

THURSDAY MARCH 26

9:00 AM Quilting
7:00 PM Choir

SATURDAY MARCH 28

8:30 AM Women's Book Club @ CoCo's on
Central

10:00 AM Easter Banner Cutting

SUNDAY MARCH 29

9:15 AM Adults Church School
10:30 AM Worship
10:45 Worship & Wonder
1:00 CROP Walk at Temple Beth El

MONDAY MARCH 30

Youth Group @ 6:30-8:00PM

WEDNESDAY APRIL 1

10 AM Bible Study @ FCC
4 PM Friendship Group @ FCC

SUNDAY MARCH 29, 2009

WORSHIP LEADER Scott Copenhaver
SONG LEADER Cheri Quintana
COMMUNION PREP Barbara Watson
HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

Shirley Baker
HOSPITALITY Sherry Nettles

“Hot dogs, Chips & Beanie Weenies”
Lite lunch for all, including CROP
volunteers/walkers

**WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB
SELECTION FOR MARCH**

“The Guernsey Literary &
Potato Peel Pie Society”
By Mary Ann Shaffer
Discussion & Breakfast 8:30 AM
March 28 @ CoCo's on Central