



L to R – Steve Gulbranson for son Caleb, Katie Davidson, Mason Skaggs & Carson Skaggs

The Rupert United Methodist Church is pleased to announce that four members of our congregation were awarded Foundation Scholarships at church services on Sunday, May 21, 2017. This year a total of \$4,000 is being awarded as Foundation Scholarships.

The scholarships were awarded to Carson Skaggs, Mason Skaggs, Katherine Davidson, and Caleb Gulbranson.

Carson received a \$1,000 scholarship. Carson is attending Idaho State University and will be a sophomore this fall. He is majoring in Physical Therapy. Carson is the son of Jared and Michelle Skaggs.

Mason also received a \$1,000 scholarship. Mason is attending Lewis-Clark State College where he is earning a bachelor's degree in Information Technology and Business Management. Mason is the son of Jared and Michelle Skaggs.

Katherine Davidson also received a \$1,000 scholarship. Katherine is a 2017 graduate of Minico High School. She is planning to attend Idaho State University in the fall, majoring in Anthropology. Katherine is the daughter of Dan and Diane Davidson.

Caleb Gulbranson also received a \$1,000 scholarship. He will be attending the College of Southern Idaho this fall, majoring in Computer Science. Caleb is the son of Steve and Peggy Gulbranson.

The Rupert United Methodist Church Foundation Board of Directors and the Rupert United Methodist men are excited about the opportunity to make scholarships available to members of the congregation for an eighth consecutive year and over 30 years, respectively. We are thankful for these blessings.

The United Methodist Men also awarded Scholarships in the amount of \$500.00 each to, Katherine Davidson, Mason Skaggs and Carson Skaggs. Congratulations to these young adults for their achievements thus far.



IT'S FLOWER BED TIME! TO THOSE WHO TOOK CARE OF FLOWER BEDS LAST SUMMER - Jim Rodgers has prepared the beds. It is time to begin watering, weeding and anything else that needs done throughout the summer. If for any reason you cannot take care of your bed this year, please let the office or the pastor know. Thank you for your help.



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PARABLE OF THE WEEDS

Rev. David Madden

Matthew 13: 24 Jesus put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; 25 but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. 26 So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well.

38 the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, 39 and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels.

The good news is that Jesus describes this field, which is the "world" (v. 38), as a field of wheat, not as a field of weeds. When Jesus sees the world he looks out across a field of wheat in which there are weeds growing.

This is encouraging news for the Christian. It's so easy to be discouraged and to believe that evil is all around us and about to overwhelm us. In fact, Jesus reminds us that there are more of the faithful, and less of those who have bowed to Baal. Yes, the "children of evil" exist, and they do damage to the crop, but they exist in a field that is predominantly a field of wheat, not weeds.

If Christ is your Lord and Savior you have nothing to fear from the "weeds" of this world. As followers of Christ we are no longer "asleep." Our eyes are open, and we can see clearly the evils of our world. And with the power of the Holy Spirit nothing can harm us. Thus, we live in peace in a field of wheat and weeds.



We are excited to announce that beginning late June to early July we will be sharing part of the upstairs portion of the fellowship hall with a daycare center.

Rev. Madden was approached in April by Stacy Uscola, with interest in beginning a daycare center in our building. A lot of due diligence has been performed by Rev. Madden, and others making sure all liability to RUMC is covered. We have passed the fire inspection conducted by the Rupert Fire Department. Stacy can now submit her application to the Dept. Of Health & Human Services. They will set a date for their inspection of the facilities, and if all goes well, issue Stacy a license to operate a daycare.

The ruling body of RUMC, the Council, has voted and passed a motion to approve the operation of a daycare in our building.

Stacy has hired 4 workers and a business manager. She would like to begin with 14 children and eventually work up to no more than 34. The center, when opened, will operate Mon. through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

If you have any questions, or would like to discuss this further, please feel free to call or come by the office to talk with Rev. Madden.



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 9:00 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.

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The family of Howard and Doris Bruns have donated as a memorial Doris' Hammond organ. It is available in the church parlor for your viewing. We intend for the instrument to be played, so feel free to come in during church hours to practice

There are three old upright pianos upstairs that need to be moved out of the building. They have been here for such a long time that there is no memory of where, or who they came from. If then, there are no objections, these pianos are available to anyone who would like one, or all three. Moving costs and man power will be the responsibility of anyone taking them.

Food Pantry WITH AN OPEN HEART



You remember that in last month's newsletter we made mention that the Kiwanis sponsored, K Kids Club at Rupert Elementary conducted a food drive competition between the various classes. As a result of this drive they collected 2,250 lbs. of canned goods for Open Hearts Food Pantry. The winning class pictured above was rewarded with a pizza party. Cheryl Juntunen and Leanna Bruns were invited to attend. They took with them a 'thank you' banner, which Leanna made. They also took treats for the kids. We cannot thank this great group of kids for their ambition and service.



May 17, was a cold, snowy, wind blowing day, but that did not deter the Minidoka Christian Education Association from having their annual barbecue for the high school. Did you know that Rev. Madden is on the MCEA Board? And, yes, he was outside in the snow, cooking hamburgers! Once again he has been reminded that he is no longer in Texas.

Thank you Rev. Madden and to those who supplied cookies for this event. Here is a thank you in advance to those who will be taking care of the lawn this summer at the MCEA building.

Thank you to everyone who helped with The Annual Relay For Life Yard Sale - by bringing 'treasures', helping to set up and clean up, bringing yummy food and staying during and after to clean-up. The proceeds of \$849.45 will be divided between the Relay For Life and Open Hearts Food Pantry.

Relay For Life happens on Saturday, June 10, running from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. at the Burley High School Football field.

I can't believe that another 30 days has gone by and it is still snowing, and I haven't caught any fish yet. Oh, well! I mentioned last month I would talk about what programs are run daily for your listening enjoyment. KUMC goes on the air at 6:00 a.m., Here is the morning schedule:

- 6:00 to 8:00 a.m. - **Bible readings**
Bill Gaither's Home Coming Hour (your friends at Homecoming Radio bring you soul touching music and heart changing lyrics, and sincerely pray that Homecoming Radio gives you what you are looking for Pass the Good News along . . . tell your family and friends about us.)
Communing With God (Leading believers into a lifestyle of communing with God for he purpose of Building greater intimacy with Him).
- 8:00 to 8:30 a.m. **Music to Walk By** (for your morning exercise, or just to listen to some good gospel music).
- 8:30 **Proverbs 31** (Proverbs 31 Ministries is a non-denominational, non-profit Christian ministry that seeks to Lead women into a personal relationship with Christ).
- 9:30 **Billy Graham's, Decision Minute** (Biblical truths delivered in one minute. Be challenged encouraged or Both).
- 10:00 **Family Money Minute** (Listeners will learn everything from basic money saving techniques to smart tips on how to make their dollars stretch further.)
- 10:30 **Garlow Perspective** (a one minute commentary, presenting authentic Christian thinking in a winsome and compelling way.)
Starting Over Financially (Miriam Neff and Valerie Neff Hogan talk about money. Money when you're in a difficult situation.)
A Word With You by Ron Hutchcraft (a 4 1/2 minute inspirational program with captivating and Biblical insights for daily life. Christians are challenged to a deeper Biblical faith and those without Christ are introduced to Him using non-religious terms. Listeners are encouraged to unleash their relationship with God, rise above the hard times, deepen relationships with those they love, conquer their dark side and live as a "make-a-difference" person).
The Light House (Each short yet packed program offers practical, relevant approaches and ideas through interviews with people just like you who are making their lives count for more. These ideas are designed to both inspire and help you to extend your influence for Christ to your extended communities.)
Community Events (info about our community events)

These short programs are designed to uplift and provide ideas to stimulate your thinking.



I will be attending the National Federation of Community Broadcaster's Conference in Denver in July. There are some changes taking place in the broadcast industry which are being discussed in great detail at this conference. Some of the changes affect Low Power Operations, such as KUMC. Unfortunately, Vicki Fike, who has been a great help in the past, is retiring now from her teaching position. She and Jerry are planning to travel for the next year. They don't yet know where they will settle down. We wish them safe and fun travels.

Since Vicki will not be able to help me, I am looking for volunteers to help operate the radio station while I am at the conference. It's not as scary as it may appear. Everything is pretty much automated. The FCC requires that the station be monitored during operating hours, which is from 6 a.m. to midnight. If you, or anyone you know might be interested, please

contact me, and we will talk. I can be reached at 208-431-6451.

Well that is about all for now. I'll talk more about the programs next month. Oh yes, for your information the music I play in the morning is mostly religious. In the afternoon I play all genres. I have even noticed a piece of holiday music pop up, even though it may be July, and that is OK.
 John Johnson, KUMC-LP 101.7 FM

<p>THE CRITIC Anonymous A little seed lay on the ground And soon began to sprout. "Now, which of all the flowers around, It mused, "shall I come out?"</p>		<p>"The lily's face is fair and proud But just a trifle cold. The rose, I think, is rather loud, And then, its fashions old. The violet is all very well, But not a flower I'd choose;</p>		<p>Nor yet the Canterbury bell-- I never cared for blues." And so it criticized each flower, This supercilious seed, Until it woke one summer morn, And found itself - - - a weed.</p>
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