

# THEPROPHET

## Woodside United Methodist Church

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## FROM THE PASTOR

Matthew 24:36-51 "No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. Two men will be in the field, one will be taken and the other left. Two women will be grinding with a hand mill; one will be taken and the other left.

Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what time of the night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let his house be broken into. So you also must be ready because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.

Who then is the faithful and wise servant, whom the master has put in charge of the servants in his household to give them their food at the proper time? It will be good for that servant whose master finds him doing so when he returns. I tell you the truth, he will put him in charge of all his possessions. But suppose that servant is wicked and

says to himself, 'My master is staying away a long time,' and he then begins to beat his fellow servants and to eat and drink with drunkards. The master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour he is not aware of. He will cut him to pieces and assign him a place with the hypocrites, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

Recently on the national news they told of an interesting meeting between Elvis Presley and President Nixon. It seems one day an aide to the President came running into the oval office shouting, "The King is here!" The staff began to look at each other and said they didn't have a king scheduled to see the President. They wanted to know where he was from. The aid said, "No--he is the REAL king!" Of course, he meant Elvis Presley, the so-called king of rock and roll. President Nixon granted him an audience, and they talked together. The newscaster was amazed that a civilian could just pull up, uninvited, in front of the White House and expect to see the President of the United States.

When Jesus comes back to earth, there will not be any formal warning like a phone call or e-mail. Just as he left, the Bible tells us Jesus will descend in the clouds over the Mount of Olives and step down on earth where he will rule for a thousand years. We know that before he returns there will be seven years of famine, pestilence, and disease. There will be wars and rumors of wars. Great disasters will befall the earth, and great economic hardship will be everywhere. These things have been common to all

generations, but they will be even greater in these last days.

There will be a few things that will be unique to this seven years before Jesus returns to earth. One is that a world leader will emerge who will unite and govern the entire world. There will be an electronic monetary system that will operate by scanning the back of the right hand or the forehead. Another Jewish Temple must be built on the Temple Mount. It will face the Eastern Gate, and when Jesus returns, he will walk through that gate and into the Jewish Temple.

I am glad you have decided to ask Jesus to forgive you of your sins and come into your heart; because it is this that makes us ready to be that bride, waiting for her husband (Jesus) to come and take us to be with him. Our going with him does not depend on what we have done, but rather what HE did for us on Calvary's Cross.

Sad to say, this world is full of people who will not be ready. Just like Elvis' meeting with President Nixon, we will have the King show up, even if he is uninvited. This time it won't be just a singer, but Lord of Lords and King of Kings! It will be our God and Savior Jesus Christ. Pray that God might send workers into the fields to help people become Christians, and that he might give YOU the chance to help someone find forgiveness of their sins and eternal life before it is too late.

In Christ,  
Bro. Poole



Please continue to pray for Loraine Byers, Barb Caldwell, Don & Gayle Highley's daughter Sara, Evelyn Highley, Hazel Lomelino, Roselyn McHatton, Emmie Pinson, our pastor and his family, our church friends, and their families, service men and women and their families. If there is someone you would like added to the prayer list, please call the church office 529-2736 and let us know.

## WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday 3:00 pm Brenden Gardens  
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## BIBLE STUDY

Monday 10:00 am Brenden Gardens  
Tuesday 2:15 pm Mary Bryant Home  
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## MEN'S BREAKFAST

The first Sunday of each month all men of the church are invited to join us for breakfast, prayer, fellowship and discussions in Fellowship Hall from 8:00 am – 9:00 am

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## UMW MEETING

Fellowship Hall  
February 8, 2007 7:00 pm  
Program: World Thank Offering  
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## MARY-MARTHA CIRCLE

Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Tuesday at 9:30 am

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## SARAH ELIZABETH CIRCLE

Meets the 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 pm

## NOTE THE CHANGE

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## RUTH CIRCLE

Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at 12:30 pm

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## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- Feb. 1 Nora Fletcher
- Feb. 4 Joe Hunsaker, Delmar Uhll
- Feb. 6 Ashley Bruce, Kathleen McDonald
- Feb. 7 Gary Ball, Ray McHatton
- Feb. 13 Aaron McDonald, Roselyn McHatton
- Feb. 14 Adam McDonald, Judy Wright
- Feb. 16 Fred Walraven
- Feb. 20 Roger Hoffman, Emmabelle Millet
- Feb. 21 Alma Clayton, Jill Garrett
- Feb. 22 Barb Caldwell
- Feb. 23 Jim Bruce, Dorothy Scott
- Feb. 24 Kelly Walraven
- Feb. 25 Marlene Seaborn
- Feb. 26 Juanita Evans
- Feb. 28 Mary (Poole) Baird

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## CONGRATULATIONS

Vincent Brackett and Pule Logo Dano on your  
January 3<sup>rd</sup> wedding  
We also want to thank everyone for their prayers and  
support.  
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## CONGRATUALTIONS

Mary Poole and Micah Baird on your January 13<sup>th</sup>  
Wedding  
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## CONGRATUALTIONS

Rod and Pat Heaton are celebrating their 55<sup>th</sup>  
wedding anniversary with a cruise to the Mexican  
Riviera, from January 17<sup>th</sup> to January 29<sup>th</sup>. They  
were married on January 27<sup>th</sup>, 1952 at the Rushville  
Methodist Church.  
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## THANK YOU

The Trustees would like to extend a belated, but  
very sincere thank you to the following individuals  
for dedicating their time to keeping the Church lawn  
looking so nice during 2006:

Gary Ball	Tom Hammel
Jim Bruce	Don Highley
Bob Dawe	Duke Stoddard
Don Hale	Fred Walraven
Mike Hall	Ed Wright

Thank you for your hard work and dedication to  
taking care of Woodside!

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## THANK YOU

To all the Greeters that have so willingly agreed  
when they were asked.

I truly appreciate you and have enjoyed working  
with each one of you.

Wilma Ulak

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## THANK YOU

My cousin, Helen Randles, died January 5, 2007. I  
want to thank everyone who has helped me and my  
family during this time.

Wilma Ulak

## CORRECTION

Mary Ryan moved to Springfield, Illinois in 1997.  
She is a CMA. We regret these errors that were in  
the January 2007 Prophet.

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## JANUARY VOLUNTEERS

**Greeters:** Jim, Vickie & Falyn Bruce, Don & Gayle  
Highley, Cathy Stoddard, Leda Thorpe, Harriet  
Osmonson

**Ushers:** Bob Dermont, Bob Edwards, Rod Heaton,  
Roger Hoffman, Leda Thorpe

**Liturgist:** Beth Brinkerhoff

**Communion Stewards:** Beth Brinkerhoff, Conrad  
Kohlmann, Karen Shields

**Acolytes:** Carly & Gabby Gardner, Victoria Price

**Fellowship Time:** Rachel Circle

## FEBRUARY VOLUNTEERS

Liturgist:

Fellowship Time: Sarah Elizabeth Circle

### February 4

Greeters: Phyllis Byers, Loretta Nutt

Ushers: Jim & Falyn Bruce, Kojo Fletcher, Victoria  
Price, Cathy Stoddard

Acolytes:

Communion Stewards:

### February 11

Greeters: Betty & Kathy Morse

Ushers: Jim & Falyn Bruce, Kojo Fletcher, Victoria  
Price, Cathy Stoddard

Acolytes:

### February 18

Greeters: Phyllis Hunsaker, Donnah Sharp

Ushers: Jim & Falyn Bruce, Kojo Fletcher, Victoria  
Price, Cathy Stoddard

Acolytes:

Communion Stewards:

### February 25

Greeters: Hilda Blair, Harriet Osmonson

Ushers: Jim & Falyn Bruce, Kojo Fletcher, Victoria  
Price, Cathy Stoddard

Acolytes:

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## **BIBLE STUDY GROUP**

You are invited to attend a Beth Moore Bible Study called "The Patriarchs" at the parsonage on Monday evenings, 6:30 PM, beginning Feb. 12. It is a study of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob from the book of Genesis. We will discover God's pursuit of relationship with man, and marvel as His plan to bless all people unfolds. This study requires a workbook and about 30 minutes of daily study. Prepare to be blessed and see the Lord work in your own life! If you can attend, please contact Cathy Stoddard (by Feb. 4) to order a workbook for this 11-week study.

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## **OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2007**

The offering envelopes for 2007 are on the table in the Narthex. In the boxes there are 52 envelopes (one for each week) plus an initial offering envelope. If you only want an envelope for each month there are also sets with only 12 envelopes.

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## **TWISTED**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2007**  
**PBS CH. 14 or CH. 8**

In TWISTED, the agonies and challenges of dystonia are discussed. Dystonia is a neurological disorder that forces your muscles into abnormal, often painful, movements that can affect one muscle group, or your whole body; it can cause your body to twist. It is as though your brain has a mind of its own.

Roselyn thought you might like to have access to this information. **Please check your TV Guide closer to the date as the channel or time might have changed.**

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**WELCOME TO WOODSIDE**

## **UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**PULA B. BRACKETT**  
**JOINED JANUARY 14, 2007**

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## **NEWS FROM UNITED METHODIST WOMEN**

All ladies of the church are invited to attend our February 8<sup>th</sup> UMW meeting beginning at 7:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. Our program entitled, "World Thank Offering", will be presented by Karen Shields. Devotions by Nancy Minnick with hostesses for the evening: Vickie Brothers, Betty Morse and Karen Shields.

Beckie Poole

The UMW of Illinois Great Rivers Conference will hold a Spiritual Retreat Friday, Feb. 23 and Saturday, Feb. 24 at the United Methodist Center in Springfield. If you would like more information, please call Phyllis Hunsaker, 726-3414.

Remember our Illinois Great Rivers Missionary of the Month listed in our program book for February. Mrs. (Mark) Becky Smallwood, Red Bird Mission School, HC69, Box 11, Beverly, KY 40913.

A special thank you to all UMW members for the gift of a President's Pin presented to me at our January meeting. I am honored to have received it and will wear it with pride.

Phyllis H

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**LOAMI UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH  
ANNUAL PANCAKE AND SAUSAGE  
BREAKFAST  
SUNDAY  
FEBRUARY 18, 2007  
11:00AM – 2:00PM**

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**Administrative Council Report**

During its January 16, 2007 meeting the Administrative Council heard the following reports and took the following action.

The Administrative Council accepted the December, 2006 financial report as presented. The Operating Account had a balance of \$12,079.33 with no outstanding bills in Accounts Payable.

Power Plus software has been purchased and installed and is being used to track the accounting, membership, and visitation records at Woodside.

The Finance Committee is still in need of locating our Incorporation Papers and Bylaws. Anyone knowing of the whereabouts of these documents is requested to contact either Fran Wenzel or the church office.

The Woodside United Methodist Women had their installation of officers at the Worship Service on Sunday, January 7. Their first meeting of the year was held on Thursday, January 11<sup>th</sup> with a presentation on Cunningham Home.

The Nurture/Witness Committee assembled and delivered 14 fruit baskets to Woodside shut-in over the Christmas Holiday. The Committee will hold a spaghetti dinner after the Gathering on Sunday, February 25. Tickets will not be sold for this dinner as it is not a fundraiser. A free will offering will be taken to help cover the expenses of the meal.

The Council gave approval for Jane Grizzell to hold a bridal shower at the church on a yet to be determined date. The Council is not certain what the procedures are for requesting and giving permission for use of the church, but will investigate this issue to determine whose responsibility this is, and what the procedures are for future reference.

The Missions Committee will be sponsoring a church-wide Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner on Saturday, March 17. The proceeds from this dinner will be used to support Woodside youth in participating in a mission trip with Laurel United Methodist Church this summer.

The Administrative Council gave approval for the Missions Committee to use contributions from the Lenten, Thanksgiving, and Advent offerings during 2007 for mission projects. The Missions Committee will be determining what their mission projects for

2007 will be in order to maintain Woodside's Five Star Church status.

## **FEBRUARY OPPORTUNITIES FOR GIVING!**

**World Service.** Use the Missions offering envelope enclosed in this Prophet to donate to World Service. World Service provides the basic financial resources for the core ministries of our denomination. The essential mission and program ministries of the Illinois Great Rivers Annual Conference are also partially funded through the World Service.

### **Non-perishable**

**Food products :** Kumler Food Pantry now serves 700 people per day. We continually accept non-perishable food products to help them meet their needs. Please place non-perishable food items in the "white box" in the Narthex. We will periodically deliver the food to Kumler.

**Aluminum cans:** Bring empty aluminum cans to the church the first Sunday of each month. Please rinse out and smash cans if possible. Cans may be placed in Dan and Karen Shield's white truck, which will be parked in front of the church with the tailgate down. We receive \$.68 per pound for all of the cans we recycle, and proceeds go to the Kumler Neighborhood Ministries for the purchase of prescriptions. We received almost \$200 for the cans that were collected over six months last year. **KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK!**

**Prescription containers:** Midwest Distribution center is again accepting prescription containers. Please remove labels and place containers in the receptacle in Fellowship Hall. Periodically the prescription containers will be delivered to Midwest Distribution

The people of Woodside gave very generously during 2006. As always, your contributions to the many projects conducted at Woodside are appreciated by the many people that are served. Please continue God's work by supporting those projects that interest you in whatever way you can – with your prayers, service, and gifts.

**DELMAR UHLL**

## **WILL BE 97 FEBRUARY 4, 2007**

Delmar has been a member of Woodside for many years. He is now living at the **Vonderleith Living Center, 1120 N. Topper Dr., Mt. Pulaski, 62548.** We are going to have a card shower for him, the goal being 97 cards.

Here are 2 options:

- 1) Send a card from home
- 2) There will be a box/basket in the narthex Sunday, January 28 with cards in it. Please take a few minutes to sign one of these cards and put Delmar's name on the front of the envelope. We will be going to see him February 1 weather permitting.

This will make Delmar's 97<sup>th</sup> birthday a memorable one.

### **Mark These Dates!!**

Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner, Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds will be used to support Woodside youth in participating in a mission trip with Laurel United Methodist Church. Watch for more information as the Committee will be organizing work responsibilities. Many hands make light work!

Semi-annual Basement Sale April 26<sup>th</sup>. This sale is sponsored by the Woodside United Methodist Women. We will begin to collect goods soon, so save all those goodies as you clean out those closets this winter!

### **Spaghetti Dinner**

On Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup> the Nurture/Witness Committee will be providing a spaghetti dinner following the Gathering. The Gathering begins at 5:00 pm with the dinner immediately following. There are no tickets to purchase, simply a free will offering.

We hope everyone will come out to hear the Praise Band and join us in sharing a meal.

See you there!

**ATTENTION ALL LADIES!!**

The Sarah-Elizabeth Circle is planning the decorations and program for the 2007 Mother-Daughter Banquet. The theme we have chosen is, "*Memories of Mother.*" We would like each of you to choose your favorite photo of your mother/mother-in-law and write a short biography of her to help us get ready for the banquet. Biographies may be handwritten or typed, and photos may be originals or copies. If possible, please choose photos that are larger than snapshot size, and where your mother is the main focus of the photo.

Please place your mother's photo and biography, along with your name and address, in a SEALED envelope, and place it in Beth Brinkerhoff's mailbox at the church, or send it to the church, c/o Beth Brinkerhoff, by **March 31, 2007.**

Please note that we would also like photos/biographies from those of you who do not necessarily attend Woodside, but whose mothers do! (Woodside mothers, please pass this request to your daughters who might not be able to attend the Banquet, or who do not receive the Prophet, so that YOUR biographies may be included!) **ALL PHOTOS WILL BE RETURNED!!**

If you have any questions, please call Beth (629-9386), or Julie Kohlmann (585-8520)

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### **PROPHET & BULLETIN DEADLINES**

The deadline for submitting articles for the Sunday bulletin is Tuesday by 9:00 am. Articles should be submitted in writing or e-mail.

The deadline for submitting articles for the March Prophet will be Wednesday, February 21, @ 9:00 am. Articles must be submitted in writing or e-mail.

**LOCAL CHURCH OFFICIAL**

## **ROLL FOR 2007**

### **ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL**

Lead Pastor: Jim Poole  
Chairperson of Ad Council: Barb Gardner  
President of Trustees:  
Chairperson of Finance: Duke Stoddard  
Staff/Pastor-Parish: Kirk Yenerall  
Lay Leader: Roselyn McHatton  
Lay Member - Annual Conf.: Barbara Gardner  
Church Treasurer: Francis Wenzel/John Morse  
Missions: William Fletcher  
Witness/Membership: Jane Grizzell  
Education:  
Worship: Karen Shields  
Golden Cross Representative: Pauline Tresso  
President of UM Women: Phyllis Hunsaker  
Church Sch. Superintendent: Beth Brinkerhoff  
Child Advocate: Mary Ryan  
Recording Secretary: Barbara Hale

### **REQUIRED COMMITTEES**

#### **COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

Chair: Duke Stoddard

Bob Dermont, Jo Gagnon, Barb Hale, Conrad Kohlmann, Ray McHatton, Dan Shields, Fred Walraven  
Automatically on Finance: Barb Gardner, Roselyn McHatton, John Morse, Fran Wenzel

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Chair:

Kristen Ball, Jim Bruce, Phyllis Byers, Bob Dermont, Tom Gagnon, Mike Gardner, Gayle Highley, Roger Hoffman, Hal Jenkins

#### **STAFF/PASTOR-PARISH RELATIONS**

Chair: Kirk Yenerall

Beth Brinkerhoff, William Fletcher, Shirley Gruenenfelder, Rod Heaton, Phyllis Hunsaker,, Dan Shields, Cathy Stoddard, Al Webb  
Automatically on Staff/Pastor-Parish: Barb Gardner, Roselyn McHatton

#### **NOMINATIONS**

Chair: Bro. Poole

Hilda Blair, Norma Brothers, Phyllis Byers, Shirley Fisherkeller, Jo Gagnon, Roselyn McHatton, Harriet Osmonson, Rich Stratton, Kelly Walraven

### **OTHER COMMITTEES**

#### **Missions**

Chair: William Fletcher

Bernice Dermont, Bob Dermont, Bob Dawe, Marlene Dawe, Pat Heaton, Al Webb, Gayle Webb, Pauline Tresso

#### **Witness/Membership**

Chair: Jane Grizzell

Betty Barregarye, Roger Hoffman, Roselyn McHatton Betty Morse, Cathy Stoddard, Donna Yost

#### **Education**

Chair:

Beth Brinkerhoff, Barb Gardner, Mary Ryan, Donnah Sharp, Kirk Yenerall

#### **Worship**

Chair: Karen Shields

Hilda Blair, Brad Brinkerhoff, Conrad Kohlmann, Harriet Osmonson, LaVerda Wenzel

#### **Memorial**

Chair: Mike Gardner

Shirley Gruenenfelder, Julie Kohlmann, Ray McHatton, Fran Wenzel

#### **Membership Secretary**

Roselyn McHatton

#### **Card Ministry**

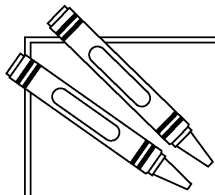
Leda Thorpe

#### **Coordinator of Drama**

Kirk Yenerall

As the Father has loved me,  
so I have loved you ...

John 15:9



## Just for KIDS

### A Message of Love

Luke 10:27 has a wonderful message to live by.

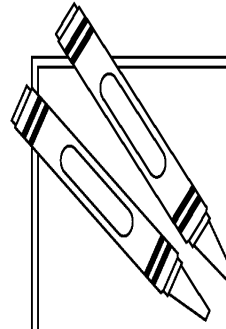
Find the message by writing the opposite words next to the ones given.  
Then transfer the letters to the numbered lines they match below.

cool	1 2 3 4	soft	20 21 22 23
under	5 6 7 8	old	24 25 26 27 28
out	9 10	after	29 30 31 32 33 34
large	11 12 13 14 15	false	35 36 37 38
quiet	16 17 18 19		

" 14 5 6 7 35 20 7 15 17 36 23 24 5 18 8 28 17 23  
 1 9 35 20 2 16 14 24 5 18 3 20 7 13 8 35 2 10 23  
 1 9 35 20 13 14 16 24 17 37 36 11 5 18 14 2 27 19  
 1 9 35 20 21 15 16 24 17 18 36 11 35 3 30 10 28 35 20  
 2 10 23 1 9 35 20 21 14 15 24 5 37 8 4 9 10 23 ;"  
 21 27 23 " 16 32 6 7 24 5 18 22 10 34 9 28 20 29 17 33  
 13 11 24 25 26 22 11 7 14 31 "



Answer:  
warm; over; in; small; loud; hard; young; before; true; "Love the Lord your  
God with all your heart and with all your strength  
and with all your mind;" and, "love your neighbor as yourself."



## Just for KIDS

### The Bible Speaks of Love

The words found in 1 John 4:16 are important for everyone every day.

To find out what the verse says, find a word that fits each description and write the letters in the boxes. Next, write the letters on the lines below (use the numbers to match the letters to the correct lines). Read the verse.

A place to live

1 2 3 4 5

Opposite of dark

6 7 8 9 10

Companion

11 12 13 14 15 16

Hand greeting

17 18 19 20

Male adult

21 22 23



" 8 2 16 13 4 6 2 19 5 "

17 9 2 5 19 5 12 6 7 19 5 4

13 15 6 2 19 20 6 7 19 14 4

13 15 8 2 16 ' 18 15 16

8 2 16 13 23 1 7 21 "

"God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in him."

Answers: house; light; friend; wave; man;