

# Valley Church News

## Valley Evangelical Free

The theme of, "God Became Man" continued with Phil 2:5-22, which stresses that Jesus was fully Goad and fully human; which stresses that Jesus gave up the exercise of His divinity in order to live an authentic human life. We won't know what Jesus looked like to those he met.

The Bible does not make him look like a movie star, for example, Isa. 53:2: "He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to Him, nothing in His appearance that we should desire Him."

But what is really important? What He did for us He "made Himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant...He humbled Himself and became obedient to death, even death on a cross: (Phil. 2:7-8). Christians will rise to meet Him in Heaven.

## Good Shepherd Lutheran

Good News! As defined in biblical times, "Good News" referred to an acclamation such as: "We won!"; it meant to elicit a positive, excited response from people. Some, hearing of the "Good News" misinterpreted it to mean a great military victory had been won.

But the good news John the Baptist proclaimed and the gospels recorded in the Bible referred to the arrival of the savior of the world.

What is our role in this proclamation, other than as recipients of God's mercy? We are to share the story of Jesus with others, to live the life of a Christian, and ultimately pay the price of carrying the cross of Jesus.

## Community Bible

Continuing in Gen. 4, Dr. Don Blackburn discussed Cain's refusal to repent and to confess Abel's murder. God offered His grace, but Cain refused, so the Lord put His mark on Cain and he was sent out from the presence of the Lord.

Isaiah 1:18 says, "come now and let us reason together says the Lord and I will make your scarlet sins as white as snow. Ezekiel states God does not take delight in any sinner dying apart from God.

I John tells us if we confess our sins, God dwells in us through the Holy Spirit. He is faithful and will forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Jesus died for us and He appears for us in God's presence and to those who await Him.

**Immanuel United Methodist**  
Pastor David Goodrich based his sermon on Mark 1:1-8 and II Peter 3:8-15a, Baptism of Repentance.

John the Baptist appeared proclaiming the coming of the Messiah. He began preaching a baptism or repentance, people were hungry for a word from God.

John proclaimed that the One is coming, announcing Jesus' imminent arrival. No one knows the time of His coming and there is still time to turn away from sin and turn toward God.

# Clubs

## I.V. Garden Club

"An Old Fashion Christmas" will be the theme for the annual Illinois Valley Garden Club's Christmas Party and Silver Tea on Friday, Dec. 20.

The party will begin at noon and will be at Immanuel United Methodist Church, 200 W. Watkins St., Cave Junction. Bring finger foods to share. There will be a gift exchange with a \$5.00 limit.

Hostesses will be Dorothy Wiltfong, Angela Drenvestedt, and Joan Welcome.

II Peter was written near the end of Nero's persecution of Christian believers. Peter's focus is on the return of Jesus and the implications of his delay.

## St. Patrick of the Forest Catholic Church

As the focus changes from wait and watch to repent, perhaps we should reflect on what repent means. Many of us associate it with confessing our sins, but it means to change ones mind.

John the Baptist's call to repentance is not just a call to confess our sin, it is a call for us to change our minds about something.

Advent calls us to move past the sights, sounds and smells of Christmas and remember that God is the center of our season. Even more, it reminds us is that God in not only with us, be we have the promise that Jesus is going to come again.

Repenting means accepting the belief in the Second Coming and changing what needs changed in our lives to reflect this belief. When we prepare for Christmas we do more than get ready for Dec. 25. Isaiah expresses it as, "Here come with power the Lord God, who rules by His strong arm."

## Seventh-day Adventist

Seventh-day Adventists around the world celebrate a Week of Prayer in the fall. The congregation chose Dec. 7 to 14 to observe this event, and are conducting meetings nightly to assist members who seek a closer relationship with God. Articles prepared for this year focus on worship.

The first in the series presented Saturday addressed the question, "Whom Do We Worship?" It amplified the conversation between the disciple Philip and the Lord in John 14:8,9.

The human family developed a picture of God as remote, cold, distant and demanding before whom people trembled lest they transgress. Jesus, however, directed us to a Being perfect in holiness and majesty, yet tender and compassionate."

# Valley Obituaries

## 'Richard' Davis

William "Richard" Davis Sr., 69, of O'Brien died on Monday, Dec. 9, 2002 in a Grants Pass nursing center.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. until service time at 11 a.m. at Hull & Hull Chapel in Grants Pass. Interment will follow at Deer Creek Cemetery in Selma. Hull & Hull Funeral Directors of Grants Pass is in charge of arrangements.

It's the family's wish that memorial contributions be made to the American Heart Association, Oregon Affiliate, 1425 N.E. Irving #100, Portland, OR 97232-4201.

Mr. Davis was born in Oklahoma on June 27, 1933. He moved from Oklahoma to O'Brien more than 50 years ago. In Grants Pass on March 13, 1959 he married the former Patricia Campbell, who died on July 12, 1999.

He worked for Rough & Ready Lumber Co. as a millwright from its opening until he retired in 1998. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, working on his cars, and he loved animals.

Survivors include two sons, William Davis Jr. and Randy Davis, both of Kerby; three daughters, Cindy McCullough, of the United Arab Emirates, Patricia Patterson, of O'Brien, and Debra Davis, of Kerby; and 11 grandchildren.

## Fred J. Caron

Fred J. Caron, 63, of Cave Junction died on Saturday, Nov. 30, 2002 in Arlington, Wash. Caron and a missionary-pilot were test-flying an experimental aircraft when it crashed for unknown reasons. The crash remains under investigation by the Federal Aviation Administration.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 13 at Trinity Cathedral, 2620 Capitol Avenue, Downtown Sacramento, Calif., with Father Kent McNair officiating.

Mr. Caron was born on Sept. 30, 1939 in Frenchville,

Maine and grew up in Caribou, Maine. He spent several years in the U.S. Air Force.

An avid pilot, he had just realized his dream of building the "Seawind," his own plane, an amphibious aircraft from a kit.

He retired early and was enjoying life between Oregon and Arizona.

Survivors include his wife, Lorraine; a daughter, Michelle Zanetta, of Sacramento; a son, Michael Caron, or Orangeville, Calif.; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; four sisters (who lovingly called him "Ted"), Janet Howaniec, of Punta Gorda, Fla., Norma Haines, of Caribou, Maine, Gloria Sealander, of Shingle Springs, Calif.; and Carol Williams, of Fairvax, Virginia; several nieces and nephews.

## Helen A. Soflin

Helen Alberta Soflin, 94, of Selma died on Tuesday, Dec. 3, 2002 in a Grants Pass convalescent hospital.

A funeral service was held Saturday, Dec. 7 at the Illinois Valley Funeral Chapel, with the Rev. Charles Bridges officiating. Burial followed in the Jamagin family plot at Laurel Cemetery in Cave Junction. Illinois Valley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

It's the family's wish that memorial contributions be made to the American Diabetes Assoc, 380 S.E. Spokane Street, Suite 110, Portland, OR 97202.

Mrs. Soflin was born on Aug. 8, 1908 in Brooksville, Ken. In 1972 she moved from Los Angeles to the Illinois Valley.

She enjoyed painting, ceramics, needlework, and gardening.

Survivors include two brothers, Adrain Reid, of Arizona and James Reid, of Florida; two grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Here husband and son died before her.

The truth is that many people set rules to keep from making decisions. - Mike Krzyzewski -

**Season's Greetings**



We will be giving our drivers Christmas Day (Dec. 25) & New Year's Day (Jan. 1) off to be with their families. (Regular Wed., Thurs., & Fri. routes will be one day late)

**Southern Oregon Sanitation & The Kerby Transfer Station**

will be closed Wed., Dec. 25 and Wed., Jan. 1 (800) 922-1025



**FAMILY TREE GARDEN CENTER**

5th Anniversary Thank You for 5 great years

**Saturday, Dec. 14**

Take 15% OFF any plant, tree, fertilizer or gift item in the entire store

*The most beautiful Poinsettias in the Valley*

Winter Hours: 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday Closed Sunday

**441 S. Junction Avenue 592-3799**



# Church Directory

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SELMA

18285 Redwood Hwy. Pastor Monty Pope  
Sunday School . . . . .9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship . . . . .11 a.m.  
Wednesday:  
Music Practice . . . . .7 p.m.  
Prayer & Bible Study . 7:30 p.m.  
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## BRIDGEVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

Pastor Charles Bridges  
P.O. Box 645  
5181 Holland Loop Non-Denominational  
Sunday School . . . . .10:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship . . . . .10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship . . . . .6 p.m.  
Tuesday Bible Study . . . . .7 p.m.  
Women's Prayer/Wed. 9:30 a.m.  
Men's Prayer Meeting  
1st & 3rd Saturday . . . . .8 a.m.  
Parents' Night Out  
First Friday . . . . .6-9 p.m.  
Youth Group Sunday . . . . .6 p.m.  
Corner Dick George/Holland Loop  
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## ST. PATRICK OF THE FOREST CATHOLIC CHURCH

407 W. River Street, C.J. 592-3658  
Father Harry Holwell Parochial Vicar  
Masses . . . . . Sunday  
Daylight Savings . . . . .9:00 a.m.  
Standard Time . . . . .10 a.m.  
Daily Mass Tues.-Fri.- 9:00 a.m.  
First Saturday . . . . .10:00 a.m.  
Holy Days - 9:00 a.m./7:00 p.m.  
Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Saturday . . . . .10:30 to 11:15 a.m.  
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## GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

East River Street & Lewis Court  
Sunday Worship . . . . .9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School . . . . .10:00 a.m.  
Pastor Peg Harvey-Marose 592-2147  
Church Phone: 592-2290

## COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH

113 S. Caves Avenue, C.J. Evangelical & Non-Denominational  
Sunday School .9:15-10:15 a.m.  
Morning Worship . . .10:30 a.m.  
Junior Church, Infant and Toddler  
Nursery Provided  
Dr. Don Blackburn Pastor  
Community Christian Academy  
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## FRIENDS CHURCH OF THE VALLEY

The Friends Center  
Hymn Mtg. Sunday - 9:30 a.m.  
Worship, Praise Songs -11 a.m.  
319 S. Redwood Hwy. Cave Junction  
Phone 592-5175  
Mid-week "Life Groups"  
Phone for Time & Location  
Everyone Is Welcome  
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## FOUNTAIN OF LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD

451 S. Junction Avenue Phone 592-3956  
Pastor Mark McLean  
Sunday School . . . . .10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship . . . . .11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship . . . . .6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday . . . . .7:00 p.m.  
Adult Bible Study  
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## ST. MATTHIAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

25904 N. Redwood Highway  
Sunday Services:  
1st, 2nd & 3rd Sunday - 10 a.m.  
4th Sunday . . . . .5:30 p.m.  
Vicar: Jan Meikle 592-2006



## SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

265 S. Old Stage Road  
Sabbath School . . . . .9:30 a.m. Sat.  
Church Service . . . . .11:00 a.m. Sat.  
Prayer & Praise - 7:00 p.m. Tues.  
Pastor Harold Premdas  
Church 592-3218  
Everyone Welcome  
Madrone Adventist School 592-3330  
Sr. Teacher: Mrs. Amy Whitchurch 592-6604  
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## IMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

220 Watkins Ph. 592-3876  
Pastor David Goodrich  
Sunday School . . . . .9:15 a.m.  
Sunday Worship . . . . .9:15 a.m.  
Child-care for small children  
Potluck/Bible Study  
Thursday 6:00 p.m.  
WEB Page:  
http://Immanuel UMC.net  
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## CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

207 Junction Avenue, C.J.  
Sacrament Meet. . . . .9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School . . . . .10:20 a.m.  
Priesthood, Relief Soc. - 11:10 a.m.  
Bishop Jay Bennett  
1st Counselor Charles Rigby  
2nd Counselor Denny Swift  
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## VALLEY EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

Meeting at Immanuel United Methodist  
Sunday School . . . . .9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service . . . . .11:00 a.m.  
Wednesday . . . . .7 p.m.  
Bible Study, Youth Group  
Pastor Austin Patty 592-6160 or 479-1319

## ILLINOIS VALLEY PRAISE CENTER

28569 Redwood Hwy..Cave Jct.  
Sunday School . . . . .9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship . . . . .10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship . . . . .6:00 p.m.  
Home Bible Study/Youth Group  
Non-Denominational Bible Teaching Church  
Pastor Doug Wilson 592-4872  
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## TAKILMA BIBLE CHURCH

10300 Takilma Road  
Pastor Dan Robinson  
Bible Study/Prayer Time - 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship . . . . .11:00 a.m.  
Thursday Bible Study . . . . .7 p.m.  
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## LIVING WORD FELLOWSHIP

"Walking as Jesus Walked"  
Full Gospel  
Non-Denominational  
Sunday School . . . . .10 a.m.  
Sunday Worship . . . . .11 a.m.  
Sunday Evening . . . . .7 p.m.  
Thursday Bible Study Prayer - 7 p.m.  
139 S. Caves Ave. Suite G (Next to Junction Avenue)  
Pastor Wayne Vineyard 592-2815 - Home  
Healing Rooms Open - Tuesday 7-8 p.m. or by appointment  
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## ILLINOIS VALLEY HOME MINISTRY FELLOWSHIP

A Messianic Congregation  
P.O. Box 1949, CJ 97523  
Sabbath Services  
Hebrew classes, worship in dance classes and celebrations of the Lord's Feasts  
592-4649 for Information  
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## BAHA' FAITH

Phone 592-5234

## FIRST LOVE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

The Church that Love is Building In the Heart of Cave Junction  
139 Caves Ave. Suite A (following the pattern of the New Testament)  
Pastor Bob Kurko  
Sunday Morning Adult Study 9:30 - 10:15 a.m.  
Sunday Praise & Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Revival 6 p.m.  
Wednesday - 7 p.m.  
"A Full Restoration Church"  
Office 592-4775  
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## ILLINOIS VALLEY PENTECOSTALS

Meeting 2 p.m. Sundays  
American Legion Hall  
2110 Caves Highway  
"Road through the RV Park"  
Contact 592-4716 for Bible Study in your home or the pastor's home, P.O. Box 2180, Cave Junction 97523  
Pastor Wendell Owens 592-4716  
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## CAVES CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

222 N. Redwood Hwy., CJ  
Sunday . . . . .10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday . . . . .7:00 p.m.  
Pastor Jeremy Nehf 592-6532

## Worship at the church of your choice