



And Also With You

MID-FEBRUARY

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FEBRUARY

SUNDAYS

10:00 am
Worship
(nursery provided)

Children's

MONDAYS

6:30pm-Graham
Cooke Group-
Information: 455.5940

WEDNESDAYS

10:30 am
Women's Bible
Study-Information:
990.2973

12:00 noon
Holy Communion

FRIDAYS

8:15 am
Men's Group-
Information: 422.3169

CHALICE BEARERS

February 1
Jane and Bob
Grafe

February 8
Becky Johnson
Jan Bogue

February 15
Maggie Rockett
Susan Jones

February 22
Kitty Barksdale
Janic Terry

March 1
Bob and Jane
Grafe

Guest Columnist-Glenn Isaacs



Glenn M. Isaacs

God Works In Mysterious Ways

God works in mysterious ways. How often have we heard that quote? How often have we really wondered at its meaning?

Well, I am going to attempt to explain its meaning following what I call a recent *cosmic experience*.

A few weeks before Christmas, Father Scott asked me if I would be interested in joining him on

Wednesday mornings for the Ladies's Bible Study. At the time the group was studying the book of Daniel.

I answered in the affirmative, but was hamstrung by the requirements of my daily schedule.

Later in January, my work schedule changed and I was able to attend. I gave the good news to Father Scott following services on Sunday.

That done, I went to see the film *American Sniper* the next afternoon. As a Marine and a former long range identified instructor, I immediately identified with the mission of Chris Kyle, Navy SEAL and the most decorated sniper in American military history. I was immediately spellbound.

American Sniper is a powerful, in-

your-face drama. It is brutal and compelling, tender, yet tragic. It is a story that grabs you by the neck and does not let go until the credits are rolling at the end. That is when I broke down completely, sobbing like a baby. It took ten minutes to regain my composure and leave the theater.

The following day I began to read the book of Daniel in preparation for the Wednesday Bible Study. Imbedded in Scripture, I began to realize what God had been trying to tell me for over fifty years. It was then that I realized how parallel Daniel and Chris Kyle's lives



were. Daniel would have made a great, modern day warrior, yet in the ancient world he was a warrior for God. Like Kyle, Daniel was brave and courageous. He did not

suffer fools, pretensions of men on their golden thrones, or the lies of Satan. Daniel was completely focused on his mission and duty to God. He accepted his God, and did not question his destiny.

This was my *cosmic revelation*, and I imagine God in His review of my own journey finally got to say, "Glenn, congratulations! You got My message. It took fifty years, dummy, but I forgive you."

As I see it, the quote, "God works in mysterious ways" might better be explained by describing it as "God always

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points the way". We just need to look for the signs. Eventually we will always discover them, and with it our own destiny.



now feel that my status with God has been elevated by the words of Daniel and the message of *American Sniper*. Together, the messages have opened my eyes. You, too, might want to give this book and the movie a try. In God's Peace,
Glenn M. Isaacs

Ash Wednesday Services



February 18
Communion
and Ashes

12noon & 6pm

"Render your hearts and not your garments and turn unto the Lord your God for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love..." Joel 2:13



Valentines Pot Luck

When: Sunday, Feb 15 following worship

Taco Soup (provided by the church)



You are God's valentine! John 3:16

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

9 Steve Roth

10 Janic Terry



17 Susan Jones

21 Amanda Williams

23 Betty Schussler

26 Gwen Simmons

(apologies to Gwen whose birthday was left off the last newsletter)

This Lent-Get Involved!

Monday- 6:30pm-Graham Cooke Group-Sandy Sinclair-455-5940

Wednesday-10:30am-Women's Bible Study-Susan Jones-990-2973 Father Scott is teaching Daniel

12:noon-Holy Communion

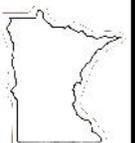
Friday-8:15am Men's Group (Lobby)-Tom Sinclair-422-3169 Father Scott is teaching Daniel



We wish Amanda and Craig and their boys God's



blessings as they move to Minneapolis, Minnesota next week. Amanda and Craig were the first couple married from Grace (the ceremony took place at St. Francis, Point Clear). Both of their boys were baptized here, and they have been an important part of the story of this congregation. We will miss them and wish them God's best.



"Never ask God for rescue; always ask for the promise. Every situation causes you to grow in some way. Everything in life right now is about your development as a man or woman of God." Graham Cooke