

# Go Tell It on the Mountain

March 2015 Newsletter

Skyland Community Church

Rev. Stephen Glauz-Todrank

10:30 Sunday Service

Church phone: 408-353-1310

**Migrant Worker,  
Homeless Families Need  
Peanut Butter, Tuna Fish**



Angela Patterson reports that the Davenport Resource Service Center, which Skyland Church has been supporting in its efforts to aid migrant worker families and homeless people, needs sealed, nonperishable foods like peanut butter, canned tuna fish, and soups with meat. At present the center has to buy such food from the Second Harvest Food Bank in Watsonville.

Angela asks that such foods be brought for the food collection basket on Sundays to help defray this cost.

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## Work Parties Trustees message:

**Wood splitting party** planned for 9:00 AM Saturday, March 7. As you may have noticed, there are a great quantity of large rounds that need to be split. Please join this event and if possible bring a hydraulic splitter. If you need wood, then bring your pickup to take it home. Remaining wood will be left for neighbors who need wood.

**Spring cleanup** is planned for after Palm Sunday service

[Minister's Column:](#)

## *Expressing the G-Ts Gratitude; Stephen Hopes to Return Mar. 3*



**Stephen and Carolyn with Annalise. left, and Bethany, right**

Dear Skyland Friends,

Gratitude! That is the word that summarizes my message for this month and my feelings for my family and you, my church family, as the G-Ts navigate the recovery project following Annalise's surgery this past month.

It's by far the most challenging experience of our family life together, and we are so beyond-words grateful for your love and prayers and willingness to give me time to be at home with Annalise during this period when she needs particular care and attention.

I am hoping to return to work on March 2d, but may have to balance work and home responsibilities for a few weeks to come. We do not know what lies ahead (of course we never do!); but we know the quality of your words and prayers and kind gestures, and they help to keep us strong to do the hard work. Bless you and thank you.

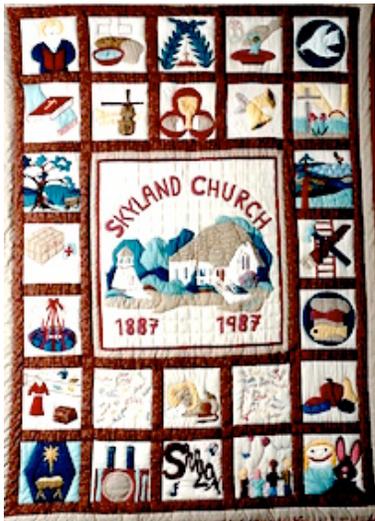
With hearts full of gratitude,

(March 29). Wear your grubbies to church and join in wall and window washing, weed whacking, trimming, storage organizing, and anything else you have noticed that needs attention.

-- Gerald J. Alonzo

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## Skyland Quilt Still Missing



Ye newsletter ed. has personally searched the Whitaker Hall attic, but did not find there the quilt created by Skyland women to celebrate the church's 100th year.

The quilt has not been seen for a couple of decades, and is sorely missed by Margretta Dollard and Joan Law, who have put out a general request for members to search those old chests and the shelves of those deep closets and see if it hasn't migrated there from Whitaker.

Please let Margretta or Joan know if it turns up.

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## Altar Flowers

Open dates for donating

Stephen and Carolyn

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## Poet Laureates to Teach Teen Girls To Turn Their Poems into Videos



Image from Media Poetry Studio video wherein Erica Goss tells how girls are taught to make videos from poetry. See it [here](#).

Los Gatos poet laureate Eria Goss has joined with colleagues Jennifer Swanton Brown of Cupertino and David Perez of Santa Clara County to form the Media Poetry Studio, which will offer a summer day camp for Silicon Valley and Santa Cruz girls 13-18 on July 20-31 at the San Jose History Park.

Camp attendees will learn to work in art and technology through the medium of video poetry. The goal of the camp is to stimulate women's participation in technology.

The camp costs \$799 for the two weeks. To register your child or for more information, see [www.mediapoetrystudio.com](http://www.mediapoetrystudio.com).

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## Financial Report for February 2015

NOTE from your treasurer:

Nothing special to report, other than our generous gift supporting our local Loma Prieta Volunteer Fire & Rescue purchase of a Water Tender. We were able to contribute \$10,000, using money previously allocated for capital improvements for which funds are no longer needed.

Pledge gifts are falling behind and are almost \$2200 less than

flowers are March 8, 15,  
and 29. Please sign up in  
Whitaker Hall.



*calla lilies slumber  
leaf out with springtime showers  
trumpet creamy blooms*

-- Haiku by John Heyes

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## Meditation Moment



*The more a person expresses  
his love,  
the more people love him; and  
the more  
people love him, the easier  
it is for him to love others.*

*In this way, love is eternal.*

expected. Offering donations are still on target.

Here are our operating finances for Feb. 2015, as of Feb. 24.

	Summary of Operating Finances		Feb. 2015		Jun 1, 2014 to Feb. 24	
	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	Planned
Income	\$ 8,781	\$ 9,361	\$146,318	\$140,706		
Expenses	\$ 10,078	\$ 10,301	\$125,607	\$126,091		
Net	\$(-1,297)	\$ (-940)	\$ 20,711	\$ 14,615		

-- Gerald J. Alonzo

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