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### *Message from Pastor Leo...*

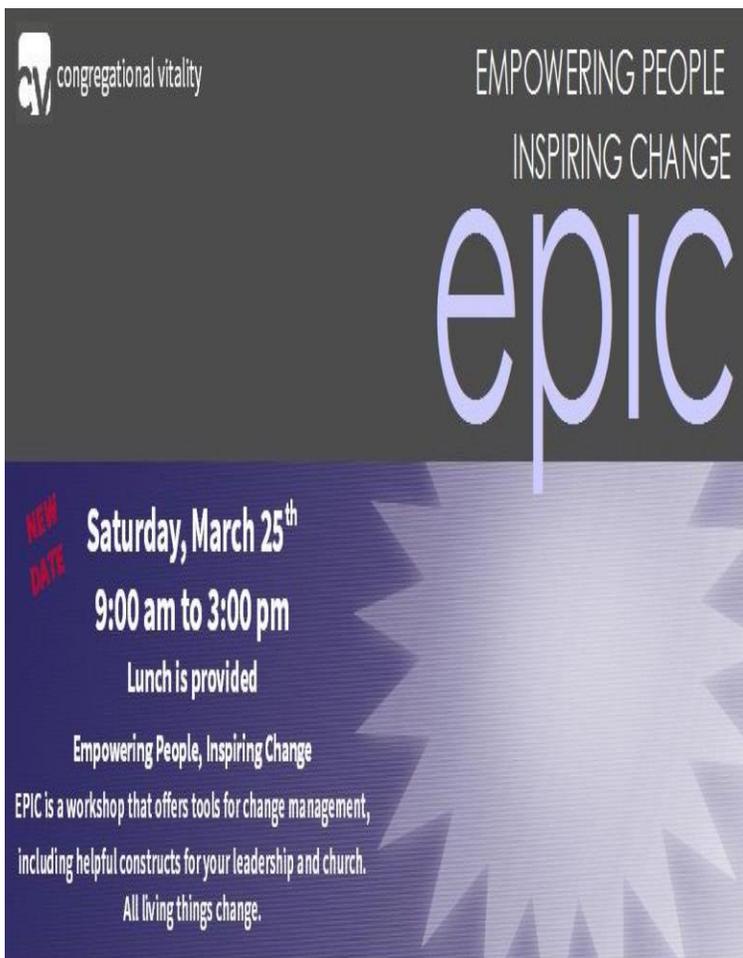
Growing up we heated our home with wood. I remember the trek into the woods to help cut down trees for firewood. I remember well having to go out in the middle of winter and dig wood out from under the snow to bring in to feed the wood stove. We kept an ash bucket next to the wood stove. Every so often, we would have to remove the ash from the stove. Often, no matter how careful we were, that ash ended up in lots of places other than the ash bucket! Ashes have been used for thousands of years to signify mourning and loss. When you have a pile of ash, whatever was there before is now gone and what is left is ashes. The season of Lent marks a time on the church calendar when the people of God take stock of their lives. What in my life needs to change? What in my life needs to go? What may I need to add to my daily routine? These questions are central to our Lenten journey. They are especially relevant now, as we walk together on the Vitality Pathway. God is moving and stirring at Desert Springs. I encourage you to diligently seek His face as we enter into this time of reflection and repentance. And never, never, never forget that Easter is coming!



**Note from Dave Guyll.....a reminder for regular attendees and members to complete and submit their Pastoral review surveys. The email links were sent out last Sunday - let one of the pastoral care team (Jim Wright, Dave Guyll, or Nolan Wilcox) know if you didn't receive one. Paper copies were available last Sunday and this coming Sunday for those without internet. These will be hand entered into the survey program so if at all possible the emailed version is much easier for the team. Thank you**

#### CALENDAR FOR MARCH, 2017

Sunday Worship, children's S.S. 10 a.m.  
Beginning Sundays March 5 through Lent - 5:00-7:00 pm  
Soup - Salad - Bible Study  
Tae Kwon Do: Mon., Thurs. 6 pm - Sat. 3:00 p.m.  
Wed/Fri. 7-8 am Men's Accountability Group  
Tues: 6-7 am.....Men's book Study  
Wed. March 1 - 7-8 pm - **Ash Wed. Service**  
Sun. March 5 - 8:30 - 9:30 am....Membership Class  
**Sun. Worship: Guest speaker, Adri Fonteijn, Intersity Christian Fellowship USA**  
Sat. March 11 -- 9 am Men's Breakfast  
Sat. March 11 10-noon Women's Ministry Meeting  
Sun. March 12 **Daylight Savings time begins**  
Tues. March 14 - Leadership Team meeting  
Sat. March 25 **EPIC 9 am - 3 pm at church**  
**Sign up sheet will be in the Narthex**  
**Breakfast goodies and lunch will be provided**



congregational vitality

EMPOWERING PEOPLE  
INSPIRING CHANGE

epic

**NEW DATE** Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 am to 3:00 pm  
Lunch is provided

Empowering People, Inspiring Change

EPIC is a workshop that offers tools for change management, including helpful constructs for your leadership and church.  
All living things change.

**Where: Desert Springs Covenant Church**

**When: Sat., March 25<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 3 pm**

**Who: Everyone 12 and over**

Breakfast goodies and Lunch will be provided

Sign up sheet in the Narthex

A very special THANK YOU to those providing and serving food on our Sunday Evening Lenten Soup & Salad Dinners and on our EPIC day

Mark Richart, Moderator, Dave Guyll, Vice Modertor, Andy Eads, Treasurer, Kim Terlson, Financial Secretary  
Leadership Team: Nolan Wilcox, Merle Fowler, Veronnic Meaders, Dave Hurley, Pat Wright



Our Chocolate Event  
We were thrilled with the turnout at the Feb. meeting and with the many who participated in the picture themed discussion. Great fun, fellowship and learning about each other.

Our new Women's Ministry Officers for 2017  
Leanne Guyll, President, Misty Edwards, Vice President, Jeri Fowler, Secretary, Frankie Meaders/Cassie Miller, Greeters, Carla Miller, Treasurer, Michelle Anderson, Phyllis Rankin, Spiritual Reps. Marge Mutch, and Phyllis Rankin, Sunshine Reps.

There is an opportunity to connect with women in a larger denominational context at the one day mini retreat to be held this March 18 in North Bend. We are not coordinating registrations but it is easy to go online and register. Carpooling may be an option...contact Leanne.

**Sat. March 11 Women Ministry Meeting**  
**10 am - noon**

**Theme is: Mugs and Muffins. Bring along a mug that is special ---and share that event if you would like to. Also please bring six muffins to share and the recipe if you wish.**

**All ages of gals are invited**