



# SOURCE

Connect • Grow • Serve

Sugar River exists for families, friends, and neighbors to gather in faith, experience God, serve others, and become devoted followers of Christ.

## This Week At the River

### TODAY:

Worship 8:30 and 10:15am; Adult Bible Study 8:30-9:30am; Fellowship 9:30am; Women's Growth Group 9:45-10:30am; Middle School Growth Group 9:40-10:10am; High School Youth Group 6:30-8:00pm

**Monday:** Council on Ministry Meeting 7:00pm

**Tuesday:** Finance Meeting 5:30pm; Men's Evening Growth Group 7:00pm;

**Wednesday:** PUSH 9:00-11:00am; Baby Play Group 9:30-11:00am; Lenten Luncheon 12:00-1:00pm; Confirmation Class 6:00-8:00pm; High School Guys Growth Group 7:00pm

**Thursday:** Band rehearsal 6:00pm; Women's Evening Growth Group 7:00pm; Men's Evening Growth Group 7:00pm

**Friday:** Morning Women's Growth Group 9:00-10:30am;

FEBRUARY 21<sup>ST</sup> -

Text: John 1:35-42

## Our Unfolding Story: Andrew

This week we begin our Lenten series about people who encounter Jesus. We begin with Andrew, the brother of Peter. Andrew plays a quiet and very supportive role in his faith. His sacrificial love played a huge part in the development of the Christian faith. Do you know someone like Andrew? Are you like Andrew? How does your story unfold in light of Andrew's story? Please join us at the River for worship during this season of Lent.



<sup>40</sup>Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. <sup>41</sup>The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). <sup>42</sup>And he brought him to Jesus.

John 1:40-42

Please note that the order of worship for this week is located on the last page of this Source.

Worship Preparation for FEBRUARY 28<sup>TH</sup>

Text: Mark 10:46-52

## Our Unfolding Story: Bartimaeus

Next week will examine the story of Bartimaeus and learn about the transformation that took place in his life after his encounter with Jesus. Do we have the passion and resolve of Bartimaeus to call out to Jesus and go when we are invited to respond? What are our needs before Jesus and where is Jesus calling us to go?

In Christ,  
Pastor Gary

## The Season of Lent

Historically, the season of Lent is a time of repentance and an intentional practice of the spiritual disciplines such as prayer, scripture reading, fasting, acts of compassion, and making room for the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ to reign more fully in our lives. Here at Sugar River we hope to assist your journey of Lent with meaning and blessing. The season began on Ash Wednesday and concludes on Easter. Each Wednesday, beginning February 24<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Lenten Luncheon from noon to 1PM, soup and sandwich provided. The lunch will include food for the body and soul, as we share a short devotion, and Pastor Gary will be sharing from the book "The Hole in Our Gospel" by Rich Stearns.

Please join us for a season of meaning and hope.

Sunday, Feb. 21	Andrew's Story	Wed. Feb. 24	<i>The Hole In My Gospel</i>
Sunday, Feb. 28	Bartimaeus' Story	Wed. Mar. 3	<i>The Hole In My Gospel</i>
Sunday, March 7	Mary and Martha's Story	Wed. Mar. 10	<i>The Hole Gets Deeper</i>
Sunday, Mar. 14	The Rich Ruler's Story	Wed. March 17	<i>A Hole in the World and Church</i>
Sunday, Mar. 21	Zacchaeus' Story	Wed. Mar. 24	<i>Repairing the Hole</i>

### HOLY WEEK:

Sunday, Mar. 28	Palm Sunday: The Common People's Story	Mark 12:35-37
	Maundy Thur. Apr. 1: Tenebrae Service: Mary Magdalene's Story, 7 PM	John 20:11-18
	Good Friday, April 2: Prayer Service, 1 PM: The Old Rugged Cross	
	Easter Sunday, April 4: Peter's Story,	John 21:15-19

### For the Source . . .

**Where:** source@tds.net or 845-5855

**When:** Noon on Wednesday

### For the Calendar . . .

**Where:** betsy.srlife@tds.net or 845-5855

**When:** Anytime!

### To Use the facility . . .

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# CONNECT

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## Message On The Web

Did you miss Pastor Gary's message? Maybe you were out of town. Or maybe you were under the weather and couldn't make it to the River. Or maybe you're looking at the Growth Guide and want to refresh your memory of what Pastor Gary said. Well, did you know that each week the message is available on our church website, [www.sugarriverumc.org](http://www.sugarriverumc.org). The media team records the message each Sunday and it is usually posted to the web site by that evening. It can be listened to as a streaming file, or downloaded to your computer to listen to at your convenience. We also maintain an archive of past messages. Downloadable .pdf copies of the growth guide are also available. Visit [www.sugarriverumc.org](http://www.sugarriverumc.org).

## Mission Driven PUSH (Pray Until Something Happens!)



P.U.S.H. is excited to announce that beginning in February, we will add knitting/crochet/sewing activities to our meetings for the purpose of providing warm hats and prayer shawls for people in need.

Our first goal will be to assist the mission team who will go to South Dakota this year. The items that are made will symbolize the warmth and encompassing love of God. We will begin by praying for those in need and knitting, crocheting and fringing fleece. Conversation, instruction, and laughter and will follow as we sip hot coffee. The group will meet on Wednesday mornings from 9-11am beginning February 3 in the fellowship hall at the church. All are welcome and invited—men and women. No experience is needed! No skills are required! Excellent instructors are on site. Supplies are provided. If you need a ride or would like more information call Sharon Billmeyer at 848-3308. Bring a friend.

# GROW

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## VBS Planning Team

The VBS planning committee has started to meet! If you are interested in being a part of this powerful ministry to help our young children Connect with God, Grow in their faith, and Serve others in need. We will meet again in a couple of weeks so let Jamie Day know if you are interested in being a part of this WILD team!

## Adult Bible Study: Sundays @8:30am

### .....The Book of Revelation

Our current study is on the Book of Revelation. The Book of the Revelation of John, usually referred to simply as Revelation or the Book of Revelation, is the last book of the New Testament. It is also called the Apocalypse of John. Revelation is addressed to "the seven churches in the province of Asia". We will see how much of the first three chapters applies to Sugar River UMC; the rest of the book is anyone's guess.

David Johnston leads this discussion based class. Join us to study in community. Everyone is welcome!

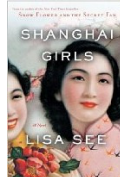
## Sugar River Prayer Chain

If you have a concern or request that needs immediate prayer, send it to [romali@sbcglobal.net](mailto:romali@sbcglobal.net) and Marian Maldonado-Pagán will send it out to all the Links on the e-prayer chain. These prayer warriors have volunteered to keep all concerns confidential and promise to lift up all joy and concerns in prayer.

Sugar River's electronic ministry consists of a group of people who have agreed to spend time lifting up joys and concerns in prayer. There are few things more exciting than experiencing God through answered prayer! If you'd like to become a "Link" on our e-prayer chain, send your e-mail address to Marian Maldonado-Pagan at [romali@sbcglobal.net](mailto:romali@sbcglobal.net).

## SR Women's Book Club

The February gathering of the Sugar River Women's Book Club will be tonight, Sunday February 21st, at 7:00pm. Please RSVP to Lisa Graham by email at [darrylisa@yahoo.com](mailto:darrylisa@yahoo.com). This month's book is *Shanghai Girls* by Lisa Lee.



*May and Pearl, two sisters living in Shanghai in the mid-1930s, are beautiful, sophisticated, and well-educated, but their family is on the verge of bankruptcy. Hoping to improve their social standing, May and Pearl's parents arrange for their daughters to marry "Gold Mountain men" who have come from Los Angeles to find brides.*

*But when the sisters leave China and arrive at Angel's Island (the Ellis Island of the West)—where they are detained, interrogated, and humiliated for months—they feel the harsh reality of leaving home. And when May discovers she's pregnant the situation becomes even more desperate. The sisters make a pact that no one can ever know.*

*A novel about two sisters, two cultures, and the struggle to find a new life in America while bound to the old, Shanghai Girls is a fresh, fascinating adventure from beloved and bestselling author Lisa Lee.*

## VBS will be here soon

Mom's and Dad's – mark your calendars for June 14-17 for this Summer's VBS! Your children are sure to have a WILD time as they discover the untamed nature of God! Children entering Kindergarten through Fifth Grade are welcome to attend. Older children and youth are encouraged to sign up to be guides!

# SERVE

## Energy Assistance Program

Have you seen an increase in your utility bills this winter? Will you have to decide tomorrow whether to pay the overdue heating bill or buy groceries to feed your family this week? Are you dreading April 15, not because it is tax day, but because that is the date by which your utility bills must be paid or you will lose your subsidized housing and possibly face homelessness? Are you feeling very blessed right now that you answered yes to only the first question?

Many families in the Verona area who are on low or fixed incomes would answer yes to one or more of the other questions. While utilities cannot be disconnected for nonpayment during the winter months, the moratorium for that ends April 15. If utility bills are not current at that time, families living in subsidized housing stand to lose that assistance. The result will be homelessness for many.

What can you do? Ten dollars will provide heat and electricity for a needy family for a day. Can you sponsor a family for a day? A week? A month? Sugar River would like to sponsor 100 days of energy use this year. Please add your pledge this Sunday! Pledges should be paid by March 14 to provide assistance before April 15.

**Children and Youth Fundraising** We are excited to offer the Scrip program. With this program families can support Sugar River while they shop. Consider where you plan to shop each week and pre-buy your gift cards through this program. Each gift card carries an associated "contribution" of 2-15% or more – that is money that we will use for different specific things in the children and youth ministries. Our current focus is for the High School youth mission trip to South Dakota. Please consider this way to support our youth while you do your everyday shopping and gift giving! Visit the table in fellowship hall for more information on this exciting program!

## Sugar River Community Mission Trip 2010!!

Sugar River Missions Team would like to announce upcoming information session to discuss a great opportunity for our congregation this summer to participate in a one week Mission Trip!

Two summers ago the Roessler and Polk families participated in a Family Mission Trip with Asbury UMC to the Pine Ridge Reservation in SD, and this year we would like to explore the possibility and interest in a **community trip** with **Next Step Ministries** to one of their locations this summer (late July or early August). This missions opportunity will be open to all in the Sugar River Family to include adults, kids, couples, singles, and friends! We would like to hold informal information sessions between services on Sunday February 14 and 21 at 9:45 in the Sanctuary for those with interest.

Please contact Rebecca Polk with any questions at 848-8391 or [polk@charter.net](mailto:polk@charter.net)

**"Team Jodi" T-shirts** T-shirts with a "Team Jodi" logo are being made that will be worn by church members and other Jodi Lou fund supporters at the "Crazy Legs" and other road running races this spring and summer. If you are interested in purchasing a shirt contact Melissa Ryan or Julie Ibinger. A sample shirt will be on display in Fellowship Hall in February.



## High School Mission Trip Information

Please refer to this area each week for updates on the High School Mission Trip. We will post new information here as it becomes available!

**Who:** All High School students interested in Serving (incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders-incoming 12 graders)

**When:** June 19-27

**Where:** South Dakota

**Why:** Because He asked us to!

**Registration forms are due to Jamie by February 5<sup>th</sup>.**

## Verona Food Pantry .

### Needs For February

Tomato sauce  
diced tomatoes  
snack crackers  
canned peas  
creamed corn  
applesauce



### Worship Leaders:

February 28<sup>th</sup>

8:30

**Greeter/Usher: Contrucci Family**

**Liturgist: Elizabeth Contrucci**

**Children's Message: Heather & Erin**

**Sunday School Teachers:**

Preschool: Roberson

K-5: Sloat, Wierzba, Dahmen

**Fellowship Hostess: Carol Hagensick**

10:15

**Greeter/Usher : Jim Strutt**

**Liturgist: Judy Keel**

**Children's Message: Heather & Erin**

**Sunday School Teachers:**

Preschool: Mizelle

K-5: Doyle, Dieck, Atwell

Float: Jensen



## Sugar River Staff

**Pastor:** Gary Holmes 608-845-5855 gholmes@chorus.net  
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**Director of Community Life**  
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**Director of Children and Youth Ministries:**  
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**Directors of Worship and Music**  
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## Sugar River Leadership

<b>Church Council</b>	<b>Darryl Graham</b>
<b>Connect:</b>	
<b>Worship</b>	Erin Wilson & Heather Royer
<b>Fellowship</b>	Tracey Shaughnessy
<b>Grow:</b>	
<b>Growth Groups</b>	Jackie Roessler & Brian Earley
<b>Community Development/Membership</b>	Betsy Forester
<b>Visitor Services (WAVE)</b>	Pam Millmann
<b>Serve:</b>	
<b>Community Services</b>	Jason Sloat
<b>Missions</b>	Beth Heneghan & Jacob Taddy
<b>In-Reach</b>	Lisa Graham
<b>Children:</b>	
<b>Children</b>	Jamie Day
<b>Youth Ministry</b>	Joe & Jocelyn Przywara / John & Kathi Oestreicher
<b>Administration:</b>	
<b>Administration:</b>	Dan Day
<b>Finance</b>	Ben Miller & Alan Bridges
<b>Trustees</b>	John Forester
<b>Staff Parish</b>	Len Daniels
<b>Communications</b>	Mike Polk

## Announcement Slides

Announcement requests should be sent to Lori at:

lori.zemlicka@gmail.com and must be received by **TUESDAY** of each week. The team would like requests to be submitted in bullet format with 3-4 lines of information (including a contact person). If there is a need to include additional information please use the *Source* and web site to describe activities/events in more detail

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### By the Numbers . . .

<b>2/14/10 Attendance:</b>	<b>8:30 - 95</b>
	<b>10:15 - 108</b>
	<b>Total - 203</b>
<b>Offering:</b>	<b>\$6,297</b>
<b>Haiti Relief:</b>	<b>\$10</b>
<b>Offering - year to date:</b>	<b>\$36,829</b>
<b>Year to date goal</b>	<b>\$33,922</b>

### Announcement Format Request

- Requests should be 3-4 bullets (i.e., short sentences) in length
- Please submit requests by Tuesday to lori.zemlicka@gmail.com
- Questions? Contact Lori Zemlicka

## Worship SUNDAY FEBRUARY 21<sup>ST</sup>

\* INDICATES, PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

### WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Welcome and Fellowship

\* Song of Celebration: *Everyday* (Houston)

Call To Worship 8:30 - Jean Phelps  
10:15 - Cindy Kuhrasch

\* Song of Praise: *Hear Our Praises* (Morgan)

Children's Time Pastor Gary

### WE LIFT OUR PRAYERS TO GOD

Sharing of Our Joys and Concerns

Silent Prayer, Pastoral Prayer, Lord's Prayer

Prayer Response: *Above All* (LeBlanc and Baloché)

### WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

The Word In Scripture

John 1:35-42  
(page 1647 in the pew Bibles)

The Word Proclaimed

Pastor Gary Holmes

### Our Unfolding Story: Andrew

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\* Song of Response *That's Why We Praise Him* (Walker)

**Mission Moment**

Family Mission Trip

### Community Life and Offering

\* Benediction

\* Sending Forth: *Take My Life* (Tomlin and Giglio)