



# News from the Pews

## Henderson Community Church

### February 2011



The following letter is a part of our 2010 Annual Report  
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This year has been one of challenge and strife, calm and worship, harmony and discord. This year has pointed out that though we have much, much to be thankful for, we must re-commit to appreciate one another, as individuals and as children of God.

The upcoming year poses for us the challenge to live, as we are called to in the Book of John: to simply “*Love one another.*” But as a thriving self-help industry reminds us; there are: 5 love languages; 12 steps to genuine love; 4 ways to love well; and a myriad of alternatives! The key for us here at Henderson, I believe, will lie in clarity of boundaries; amongst groups/teams, committees and projects. This will be best served by clear and deliberate decision making; maintaining a meaningful record; getting the word out; and then, following through with those decisions. “Accountability” should be the key operating instruction for each of us.

An ongoing challenge as well, is our financial condition. While we here at Henderson have the good fortune not to have a mortgage on the building, we do need to plan strategically for the future. I suggest the establishment of an endowment fund for the legacy of the Henderson Church to help the needs of our children and their children. We should clarify the intent and limits placed on existing funds and use them appropriately. And I call for an intentional and planned stewardship program to continue.

I also encourage each of you in your walk with God and remind each of us, and me as well, of the importance of our neighbors, next door and globally. Reach out! Lift, bend, stretch, lend a hand and brush one another off as you journey forth! Remember: “For whatever you do for the least of my brothers.....” Matthew 25:40 - (Look it up it’s fun! ☺)

As I conclude my role as Moderator to you all, the body of Christ, here at Henderson Community Church, I want to thank each of you for your hard work, dedication and service in the name of God, and the opportunity to serve *with* you as: co-workers in the vineyard of the Lord.

Blessings,  
Brian Bowen



### Youth Group Spaghetti Dinner

#### February 26 at 6:00 p.m.

After several years on hiatus, the HCC youth group is bringing back the popular spaghetti dinner. Join the youth for homemade spaghetti sauce, noodles, French bread and salad. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids.

### Celebrating Service

HCC is proud to announce our Layperson and Heritage Award Winners for 2010. John Ottem is our Layperson of the Year and Arlene Neese is our Heritage Award Winner. John is active in the Men’s Group, the Music Committee and the Worship Band. If you don’t find him at any of those activities, he is likely behind the scenes helping with a maintenance task or lending a helping hand to a member. We are grateful for John’s dedicated service to HCC and happy that he has agreed to lead us as our Moderator. Arlene Neese is best known for her work as Coordinator and Chief Cook at HCC’s Roast Beef Dinner. Not afraid of the kitchen, Arlene leads the efforts for the Easter Breakfast, the Christmas Family meal and other events..Arlene has served in a variety of positions at HCC including Deacon, Trustee, Wedding and Funeral Coordinator. We are most fortunate to have these two faithful servants in our midst. We will celebrate during and following the service on Sunday, March 20.



### Food Bank

As you are making purchases, consider adding peanut butter to donate to the food bank.

### Contacting Pastor Rob

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