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Newport, OR

Upcoming Events

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Oct. 1 st	Presbyterian Women
PRESINTERIAN WOMEN	12:00
Oct. 3 rd	WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
	Guest Speaker— Susan Mills
Oct. 7 th	HOMLESS CONNECT
PROJECT HOMELESS CONNECT	Nazarene Church
Oct. 10 th	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP
	Guest Speaker - Dave Heater
Oct. 16 th	BELLS OF THE CASCADES PERFORMANCE
	6:00
Oct. 18 th	STONE SOUP
	4:30 pm at St. Stephens
Oct. 23rd	ELOISE ROGERS' 100TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION
	1-5 PM Birthdoy
Oct. 31st	REFORMATION SUNDAY—COMMUNION
	CONGREGATIONAL MEETING 11:15AM

Pastor's Pencil

October, 2010

For Freedom Christ has set you free, stand firm therefore and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery. Galatians 5:1

This year October 31st is both the day of Halloween and Reformation Sunday. Which do you believe is scarier? Halloween is filled with ghouls and zombies and the latest thrills of young imaginations. The Reformation celebrates a revolutionary change in human understanding which led not simply to the birth of new theologies but to new governments, nations, and economies.

The Oxford Historian Alister McGrath focuses on the theological sea change in his book, Christianity's Dangerous Idea: The Protestant Revolution. That idea is that each person has a right and a responsibility to read the Bible seeking the guidance of the Holy Spirit for one's own life.

What do you think is scarier? To dress up in the costume of another creation and yell, Trick or Treat! Or to open the Bible, pray to God for guidance and seek the will of the Lord for your life? The former is a temporary change, fun for awhile. The latter is a life reforming change which will lead to a new world of being.

Trick or Text?



Lectionary Readings for Wednesday Brown Bag Bible Study

Oct. 3rd: Lam. 1:1-6; 2 Tim. 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10

Oct. 10th: Jer. 29:1, 4-7; 2 Tim. 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19

Oct. 17th: Jer. 31:27-34; 2 Tim. 3:14- 4:5; Luke 18:1-8

Oct. 24th: Joel 2:23-32; 2 Tim. 4:6-9, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14

Oct. 31st: Hab. 1:1:4, 2:1-4: 2Thess. 1:1-4, 11-12; Luke 19:1-10



Prayer Listing for First Presbyterian

CHURCH TRIUMPHANT:

- Ron Moreland **JOYS**:
- Birth of Kaycee Johnson (Eunice Forinash's great granddaughter)

law of Donna Siegfried) heart procedure; Bill Elam (Susan Mills father) Tom Southcott; Nancy Mitchell; Mary Moreland



CONCERNS:

9.05.10 Nancy (Pam Gamb's friend); Sharon (daughter-in-

Communion Service & Food Share / Baby Necessities Offering

Communion will be served in the pews the first Sunday of the month.

Please bring your food donations and drop them off in the baskets underneath the back table in the Sanctuary. You may also make a monetary donation to Food Share by including it with your Sunday morning pledge; please make a notation on the memo line for Food Share.

The white Baby Basket decorated with pink and blue ribbon next to the Food Share Basket at the back of the sanctuary is available to receive on-going donations for needy newborns in Lincoln County. A listing of items needed can be found in the baby basket and also on the PW bulletin board. Alternatively, your tax deductible check payable to Lincoln County Health & Human Services will be welcomed in any amount.

Questions? Contact Pam Merwin at 265-4095.



Meals on Wheels needs more volunteers. If you have time and would like to help this wonderful service organization please call **541-574-0669**. To learn more about Meals on Wheels visit http://www.mowaa.org/



Our church will serve dinner at St. Stephens Episcopal Church on the third Monday of each month.

Please come help us out by arriving at 4:30 pm to cook, serving from 5:30-6:30 pm, and / or cleanup from 6:30-7:00 pm. If you would like to help out by providing a dessert, please have it to the church no later than 1:00 pm on Monday.

Interested in being involved in Stone Soup? The church is currently looking for a volunteer to direct Stone Soup. Call the church office if interested.

Dine Out for Samaritan House

Dine Out for Samaritan House will be October 6th at Local Ocean Seafoods from 11:00 am—8:30 pm. 10% of the proceeds will be donated to Samaritan House.



Opportunities for Service within our Church & **Community**





Birthdays & Anniversaries

Kaitlyn Heater 1st Ross Martin 24th Avery Heater 1st Kathy Garner 25th Susan Mills 1st

Miranda Herzog 26th Kim Callahan 3rd Matthew Haynes 28th Tina Roberts 4th

Rob Thompson 30th Bob Young 6th

Ed Branchfield 30th Alyssa Urguhart 7th

Elsie Flower 11th

Kathryn Adams 18th





Don & Joy Newman 6/1957

Church Financial Report

August Operating Income Budgeted \$18,289.67. August Operating Income Received \$16,443.28

Ben Bodenmiller 31st

Year through August Operating Income Budgeted \$146,317.36 Year through July Operating Income **Received** \$132,582.79

Difference in Budgeted Vs. Received to date -- behind \$13,734.57.

January thru August Actual Expenses \$132,845.00

2010 Budget

Personnel \$157,571.64 Operating Expense \$51,904.44 Mission Giving \$10,000.00 Total \$219,476.08

Parish Nurse







Our Parish Nurse is available every Tuesday from 10:30am to Noon for blood pressure checkups, referral sources, and questions about health concerns. For an appointment or more information call 265-5557. Drop-ins are welcome!

Our Parish Nurse would like a volunteer to step up and volunteer for this very rewarding position. If interested please call **Doris Pickens** at 541-265-5557.

Men's Group

First Presbyterian Church Men's Group

For many years a men's group met once a month at Izzy's Restaurant or in the Westminster Room at the church.

We met for fellowship and usually had a speaker. Speakers included: Dave Heater, talking about the Newport Cubs baseball team; the Admiral in charge of the U.S. relief mission after the tsunami in Indonesia, members of the church relating their experiences in education, medicine, the military, business before their retirement. We were often educated about the world by those of our members who had recently traveled or had lived in other countries.

The purpose of this communication is to determine:

- 1. If there is interest in reviving this group,
- 2. Are there men in the church willing to step up and take responsibility for arranging the venue (new time and/or location?), getting speakers and informing the members of the group of the monthly meeting arrangements?

If you are interested or have suggestions please contact **Bob Loeffel** or **Don Merwin**. Either one or both of us will be happy to help the group get started if there is interest.

Coffee Hour Alert!

Recently there have been no sign-ups for serving and/or donations of food for Coffee Hour. Thank you to the members who have stepped up to help serve when asked before worship.

The premise of the Coffee Hour is that those who partake will also donate. There is nothing more conducive to "Fellowship" than sitting down together with cups of coffee or tea and a bit of food.

Please plan to donate edibles 3 or 4 times each year and if able to help serve. Let's keep it very simple.



Presbyterian Women's Meeting

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN MEETING

Friday, October 1st

12:00 O'Clock-Noon-Sharp!

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Geneva Hall

PRESBYTERIAN
WOMEN

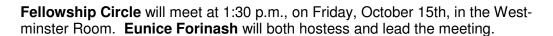
Home health services can be a comforting resource when one is homebound, recovering from an accident or stroke, or dealing with the long-term effects of cancer, heart disease, or diabetes ... perhaps the 24-hour-a-day care available in a hospital or other facility is not needed, but perhaps you or a loved one could benefit from some special assistance with health care. Our October program will feature **Deb Morgan**, R.N., who will tell us more about how her specially-skilled team of health care professionals at Newport's Samaritan Home Health Services can meet a wide variety of our health care needs.

Devotions will be given by **Susan Mills**, and October Hostesses **Jane Haskell** and **Susan Mills** will serve you a delicious salad. Remember that PW meetings are open to ALL women in the church (members and non-members), and guests are always welcome; so, bring your friend(s), bring your own sandwich(es), and join us as we learn more about the opportunities for health care in our own homes.



CIRCLE MEETINGS FOR PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Fireside Circle will meet at 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, October 14th, in Geneva Hall. **Barbara Cale** will serve as hostess, and Carol Jones will lead the meeting.





Both Fireside Circle and Fellowship Circle will be studying:

Lesson Two

"Seven Letters to Seven Churches" Scripture: Revelation 2-3

Key Idea:

Through the letters to the seven churches, John encourages his readers to remain faithful to Christ, and Christ alone.

Letters of Thanks

Thank-You's from Recipients of PW's Mission Gifts *

A listing of 2010 recipients of Presbyterian Women's mission gifts* appears on the PW bulletin board (across from the Westminster Room). The September issue of The Beacon contained excerpts from some of the thank-you letters/notes received -- here are three more:

From Pam Salisbury (Executive Director) and Rob Bovett (Board of Directors Chair), Children's Advocacy Center: "On behalf of the Lincoln County Children's Advocacy Center's Board of Directors, staff and the chidren we serve, thank you ... donations are used to provide a variety of services to children who are victims of abuse and neglect. We are indeed fortunate to have so many concerned and generous people supporting our efforts. It is the spirit of giving that makes it possible for the Center to achieve its mission."



From Sally Bovett (Executive Director) Habitat for Humanity of Lincoln County: "... Since 1995, HFHLC has built 10 homes in Lincoln County ... we are currently securing property for our 11th build ... without the support of people like you, HFHLC would not be able to provide simple, basic housing to those in need. From all of us in the Habitat family, we thank you."

From **Allan Preece** (**Stone Soup Suppers**): "Your donation is a blessing not only to those who are served, but also to those who serve. Thank you for being a part of this blessing."

PW's mission gifts are made possible by the proceeds of our Annual Rummage Sale.

Thank You Notes cont.

Gratitude for Donations

to PW's "Newborn Necessities" Mission *

From Shelley Paeth, R.N., Lincoln County Public Health Services: "Dear Ladies: Thank you so much for our recent gifts. It looks like someone had a great time shopping! All the onesies are perfect, and the cute red velvet dress, gray sweater-dress, baseball jacket, jeans, hats, socks ... well, if I weren't so old, I might think about another baby! I guess that is why we become grandparents! You are always so thoughtful as you continue to think of us and our families in Lincoln County. Thank you so much, and enjoy the last of summer!"

*Note from PW: Our "Newborn Necessities" Mission -- which benefits Lincoln County's newest citizens -- is sponsored by our Presbyterian Women, but credit for its ongoing success through the years goes to our entire congregation ... our heartfelt thanks to all who continue to help. We are perpetually in need of the following items: quilts, receiving blankets, clothing (for 6 months and under), disposable diapers, diaper bags, socks, and donations in any amount (make tax deductible checks payable to: "Lincoln County Health & Human Services." Questions? Contact Pam Merwin (265-4095).

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Thank you to everyone who helped with Jesse and Martha's wedding.

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Deacons at Work

Kitchen Police

Citizens using the church kitchen have been very conscious of the "Rules for Kitchen" and the kitchen monitor has noticed that it is hard to tell if any event has occurred in the kitchen. It is very neat and clean most of the time.

The refrigerator is mostly empty and ready for storing foods for immediate use. Remember to take away any leftovers. NO ONE will use food, condiments or beverages left in the refrigerator. Someone even left WATER in pitchers in the refrigerator!

It is well known that Presbyterians hate to throw away anything that seems useful. Please consider the next party who plans to store its refreshments in the refrigerator.

P.S. Utensils and dishes brought to the church with food ready to serve, should reclaim said items ASAP. Leftover items <u>may</u> show up in next year's Rummage Sale.

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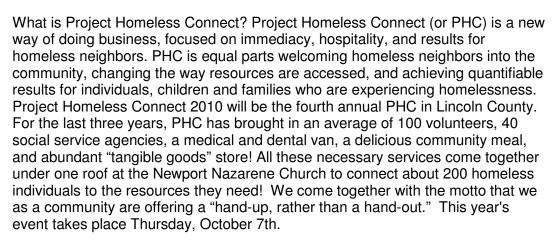
Project Homeless Connect

Dignity Drive Sunday!

Sunday, October 3rd

What is a Dignity Drive?

The availability of tangible goods offered at Project Homeless Connect on October 7th, relies on gracious donations. These donations often include used clothing, toiletries, warm coats and hats, sleeping bags, blankets, etc. However, the donations we have the most difficulty receiving are dignity clothing items - new and clean underwear and socks. Individuals, children and families who are experiencing homelessness often go without fresh socks and underwear, and this is one resource we would like to connect people with at PHC.



Please bring your socks, underwear and toiletries on Sunday, October 3rd and deposit them in the bins provided at the back of the church. Every item will make a big difference in the life of someone who is homeless or on the brink. Thank you very, very much.



Contact Updates

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Creation Care & Eco-Justice News



Talk About Your Creation Care Activities, & Help Create New Worship

By Team Chair Barry McPherson

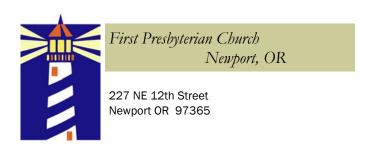
Pastor Taylor's friend **Paul Galbreath** attended our September Eco-Justice Team meeting, and we developed plans for his return on November 7th & 8th to talk to <u>you</u> in helping him design worship services that celebrate God's Creation. **Dr. Galbreath** is a Professor at Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, VA, and he is on sabbatical in Portland this year. Our church is lucky enough to be one of six churches he will be working with to design new worship services. He will hold a session open to all after church on November 7th to hear from the congregation on what we are doing to care for God's Creation and discuss how that might be incorporated into worship. Then on Monday, November 8th, he wants interested individuals to come to the church and meet with him by appointment for more in-depth conversations on this topic. Let **Barry McPherson** or **Don Taylor** know of your interest so we can schedule these conversations.

Earth Care: Inspiration, Prayer and Action

On Saturday, November 6, teams from congregations throughout the state will gather to explore how to weave caring for creation into worship, outreach, education and facilities at *Earth Care: Inspiration*, *Prayer and Action*. The new Earth Care Congregations certification program of the Presbyterian Church (USA) will serve as a guide and framework for the annual Creation Care Fellowship sponsored by Cascades Presbytery's Eco-Justice Team. The event starts with registration at 8:30 am and runs from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3737 Liberty Road South, Salem.

Keynote speaker will be the **Rev. Sam Hamilton-Poore**, author of *Earth Gospel: A Guide to Prayer for God's Creation* and Director of the Program in Christian Spirituality and Assistant Professor of Christian Spirituality at San Francisco Theological Seminary. **Hamilton Poore** is an ordained Minister of Word and Sacrament in the Presbyterian Church (USA), having served congregations in North Carolina, Missouri, and Iowa. He teaches at the Center for Nature and Christian Spirituality at Westminster Woods, a program whose mission is to empower young adults to participate in the Christian church's active engagement in caring for and restoring creation.

Workshops on care of creation will include worship, education, outreach, facilities and spiritual formation. Worship and prayer will be woven throughout the workshop and there will be times for all to share ideas, hopes, and challenges with each other. The cost for the event is \$25. Seniors and students are \$20. Registration includes locally grown lunch and Earth Care Congregations handbook. Please check the Presbytery of the Cascades website, www.cascadespresbytery.org for a full brochure and online registration. To Register: Call **Dawn** at **1-800-926-3223**. Teams of three or more from a congregation strongly encouraged to attend. If interested, contact **Barry McPherson** in our congregation, as he will be involved in the conference (as will **Dr. Paul Galbreath**).



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