

THE BEACON



Upcoming Events

Sept. 1st	<i>Communion Sunday</i>	
Sept. 2nd	<i>Office Closed</i>	
Sept. 4th	<i>Communion at Oceanview</i>	<i>2:00 pm</i>
Sept. 8th	<i>Deacons Meeting</i>	<i>11:30 am</i>
Sept. 10th	<i>Men's Group at Izzy's</i>	<i>6:30 pm</i>
Sept. 11th	<i>Choir Practice Resumes</i>	<i>5:30 – 6:30 pm</i>
Sept. 12th	<i>Fireside Circle</i>	<i>9:30 am</i>
Sept. 16th	<i>Stone Soup</i>	<i>4:30 – 7:00 pm</i>
Sept. 20th	<i>Fellowship Circle</i>	<i>1:30 pm</i>

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Other Dates To Remember

Wednesday Bible School – 4:00 – 5:30 pm

The Screwtape Letters by C.S. Lewis will be the next book selection for the Monday Literary Group. Mondays from 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Pastor's Pencil

The laborer deserves to be paid. 1 Timothy 5:18b

You cannot build character and courage by taking away a man's initiative and independence.

Abraham Lincoln

No one is quite sure who first came up with the idea of Labor Day, to honor and celebrate the workers of this country, but did you know that [Oregon](#) was the first state to make it a holiday on February 21, 1887?

The importance of labor to this country is much more than people simply having a job and earning money. As Abraham Lincoln recognized, it also has to do with character building. Each Sunday we pray for those looking for work. I'm happy to report that many of the people we have been most worried about over the years have found employment. Though their work might not be exactly what they wanted most seem grateful to be in the labor force again and you can see it in their new found self-esteem.

Taking this further, did you know that when Ulysses S. Grant agreed to be the Republican nominee for President his motivation was to continue the work of Abraham Lincoln, of which he saw two major goals, to solidify the work of emancipation and improve the economy? With the Civil War taking so much of President Lincoln's time, it's often forgotten that one of the major reasons he was elected was his pro business policies which won the favor of many urban northerners. Clearly he believed there was a purpose behind this *new nation, conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.*

When we pray for those looking for work, we are praying for so much more, including the future of this country.



Yours for a thoughtful Labor Day,
Don

Prayer List

Church Triumphant

- ❖ Arthur Allen
- ❖ Agnes Thompson

Joys:

- ❖ Shirley Scott – successful knee surgery
- ❖ Neva Stewart – feeling better after hospitalization
- ❖ Betty Schwartz – back at Oceanview after hospitalization
- ❖ Birth of Benjamin Clausen
- ❖ Marriage of Kaitlyn Heater & Andrew Stevenmer on 8/1

Concerns:

- ❖ Shantelle – Granddaughter of Bob & Ruby White, recovering from two surgeries

Youth & Missions:

- ❖ Marcus Luther – Teach To America
- ❖ Candice Mettle – studying in Germany

Local:

- ❖ Salmon fishermen – including Kinder Cotrell on "Last Dance"

Opportunities For Service



Stone Soup

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, serve 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.**

Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels need 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 www.mowaa.org.

Church Office Help Needed

The church is looking for volunteer substitutes in the office from 9:00 am to noon. Please contact the church office or Dave Heater at 541.265.2841. Training will be provided.

Food Pantry/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***. **Monetary donations to Food Pantry need to be sent directly to: Newport Food Pantry, PO Box 1415, Newport, OR 97365.**

The white **Baby Basket** decorated with pink and blue ribbon next to the Food Pantry basket 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 541-265-4095



Newborn Necessities

Dine Out for Samaritan House

Watch here for upcoming dates.

Presbyterian Women



CASCADES PW FALL GATHERING

October 26 -- Central Presbyterian
Church, Eugene
More details to be posted soon on
the website: www.cascadespw.org

PW'S MEETING SCHEDULE (Major Changes for 2013 - 2014)

Presbyterian Women have unanimously approved the continued scheduling of five (5) meetings for our upcoming 2013-2014 year; HOWEVER, the day will be moved from the 1st Friday to the 1st Sunday of the designated months, and the business portion will be conducted first, followed by program/fellowship. Please MARK YOUR CALENDARS and plan to join your Presbyterian Sisters on these dates for fellowship, and for opportunities to share and participate in the PW Purpose:

Sunday, October 6th *
Sunday, December 1st *
Sunday, February 2nd *
Sunday, March 2nd *
Sunday, June 1st *

*11:30 a.m.
Westminster Room
CHILD CARE PROVIDED !!

We invite ALL women of the church (members and non-members) to attend any portion of our meetings for which you can spare the time. Come one time, OR come every time, as your schedule allows ... YOU ARE WELCOME !!

Circle Meetings

Fireside Circle will meet at 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, September 12th, in the Westminster Room. The meeting will be hosted by **Carol Jones**; the lesson leader will be **Peggy Bickford**.

Fellowship Circle will meet at 1:30 p.m., on Friday, September 20th, in the Westminster Room.

The 2013-2014 **Horizons** Bible Study for both Circles will be: *"An Abiding Hope - The Presence of God in Exodus and Deuteronomy."* September's Lesson One is entitled, "God at Work." Key Idea: God prepared for the exodus event, which saved the Hebrew people, through the intervention of five women. The people came to see that God was with them throughout all their suffering, acting on their behalf. Scripture: Exodus 1-2.

What about MORE Circles? If your time constraints do not permit your participation in the meetings of either Fireside Circle (2nd Thursday at 9:30 a.m.) or Fellowship Circle (3rd Friday at 1:30 p.m.), would you be interested in another time? According to our PW By-Laws, circles are small groups which are created to provide an inclusive, caring community of women ... they can meet at any time (sunrise? sunset?), and need not include hostess duties (meet at the church or in your homes, and BYOC - bring your own coffee)!! Questions? Please contact PW Moderator Clair Finnigan (541/961-0240).

Thank you

- Thank you to **Dr. Carol Schriner** for all the ground work she did before Mothers' Day to make the north garden look so nice. It included cleaning out a lot of big weeds, weeding a lot of stuff out of that yellow ground broom, purchasing several flowering plants and planting them.
- Thanks to the great grounds crew on June 22nd: **Sam Adamson, Steve Arbona, Jim Dunlap, Bill Johnson, Carol Jones, Gene Nelson, Dave Perry, and Carol Schriner.**
- Thanks to the July 27th Work Crew who finished removing ivy from the trees and filled the dumpster with some black berries and other undesirable plants.
James Dunlap; Carol Jones; Carol Schriner; Dave Perry; Debe Arbona; Gene Nelson; Luke Carter; Rob Thompson; William Johnson & Velma Burkart.

TOOLS NEEDED

The grounds crew occasionally needs tools such as pliers, wrenches, screwdrivers, hammer, small bench vice and tire pump to work on equipment. Please donate. Drop off at the office 9 - noon Monday thru Thursday or Sunday. Thank you.



MOLE TRAPPER WANTED

If you would like to trap moles on the church grounds, please contact **Jim Dunlap** 541 961 3389.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

The Beacon Team

Laurie Hanson – Printing

Martha Sneller – Mail Coordinator

Elsie Flower & Marguerite Sanchez –
Proofreaders

Mike Eastman, Sam Adams & Ben
Bodenmiller – Tech Team/Online Beacon

Wren Clark - Editor

SEPTEMBER

Edith Branchfield 2nd
Barbara Bradley 2nd
Donna Siegfried 5th
Kathy Heater 7th
Jack Jenkins 10th
Maxene Bahr 13th
Paige Schindler 14th
Bette Owens 17th
Grant Brannaman 29th
Dave & Kathy Heater 1/84
Dennis & Marla Hawley 12th



RECIPIENTS OF PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S MISSION GIFTS SAY "THANK YOU" *

A listing of 2013 recipients of Presbyterian Women's mission gifts appears on the PW bulletin board (across from the Westminster Conference Room). Here are **excerpts** from four thank-you letters/notes:

From **Sharon Fries** (Treasurer), Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of the Cascades (acknowledgment of Newport PW's support of the mission of the church worldwide): " ... how amazing you ladies are ... Newport PW gets a big hurrah! ... " **

From **Karen Shores** (Executive Director), My Sisters' Place: "Thank you! ... Because of you, we were able to fulfill our mission, which is to support victims facing domestic violence, sexual assault and dating abuse in Lincoln County by providing shelter, practical assistance, and promoting community awareness."

From **Pat Stern** (Administrative Volunteer), Samaritan House: " ... Your contribution is greatly appreciated and will be used to help provide our emergency and transitional shelter programs ... with your help we will continue to address the great need in our community. Thank you so much for your generosity!"

From **Lola Jones** (Treasurer), Project Homeless Connect: "Thank you for your gift ... Your contributions are much appreciated ... we hail you as our hero ... best wishes for the year ahead!"

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

** Gifts sent to the Cascades Presbytery also include
additional individual offerings from our Presbyterian Women.

Dear Newport Presbyterian Women

Thank you so much for the beautiful items you've donated to Healthy Start-Healthy Families. Recently one of the home visitors went to see a family in the hospital having their second child. The home visitor was so happy to be able to give the family one of your hand knitted blankets for their newborn baby girl. Again, thank you so much for your support of young families in our community!

Sincerely,

Amanda Claxton

Lincoln County HHS

HealthyStart-Healthy Families

LETTERS OF THANKS



New Address:

Mignonne Pride

814 Woodard Avenue - #132
Cleburne, TX 76033

Campus Ministry at the University of Oregon

Many of our Oregon Presbyterian youth will attend the University of Oregon and that is why we want to tell you about an exciting project of the Koinonia Campus Ministry and Central Presbyterian Church. We have partnered to create a hospitality ministry to students at the University of Oregon in the form of a student housing project coupled with a vibrant campus ministry.

The Rev. Jennifer Martin and the campus ministry will work to create a living learning community that supports not only academics, but the emotional, spiritual, and relational health of students who live there. The project is developing 145 beds of student housing right across the street from the Educational Quad of the University of Oregon, the current site of the Koinonia Center and the Presbyterian Campus ministry.

As you may know, the Presbytery of the Cascades is in its last year of financial support of campus ministry but we feel called to extend and expand our campus ministry. For that reason we need to develop additional financial support so that we may continue to develop disciples into the next generation. There are several ways you can help. If campus ministry was a meaningful part of your spiritual formation you could commit to support it for those who will be shaped by it in the future.

The very first thing you can do is pray for campus ministry and this project. The power of this positive support has served the church well in the past and will continue to provide leaders in the church for the future.

Some of you may be able to support a financial pledge to the ministry. Others may wish to give a significant legacy gift that will keep on giving to the development of leaders in the church and the world as we help to sustain and nurture Christian faith and discipleship. We hope to raise between \$360,000 and \$900,000 to put the campus ministry on a sustainable path into the future. Whatever way best fits your sense of commitment we encourage you to be in touch with Rev. Jennifer Martin to let her know how you can help.

If you cannot give an outright gift at this time but would consider a charitable remainder gift that will provide you with income while supporting campus ministry into the future please call Jennifer for further details. **Jennifer Martin** can be reached at 541-221-6527 or kcenterjen@gmail.com.

New Member Classes begin Sunday October 6th and continue through October with New Members joining on Reformation Sunday, October 27th. See Don Taylor or Bob Loeffel for more information.

Library News



The following books were donated to our library:

Proof of Heaven: a neurosurgeons's Journey into the Afterlife, by Eben Alexander, M.D. This New York Times Bestseller was studied by one of our book groups and was discussed by many in our congregation.

Life Beyond Death, by Norman Vincent Peale. This well known author, who was founder of GuidePosts Magazine and known for his book The Power of Positive Thinking, writes about near death experiences with hope and faith and comfort to readers.

The Pursuit of God by A.W. Tozer, This well known author wrote this entire book on a train trip when words came to him as fast as he could put them down.

To Pray God's Will: Continuing the Journey by Ben Campbell Johnson. The author, a Professor of Theology, has written several books on the subject. This one continues to guide us on a spiritual journey, with practical help, emphasizing keeping a journal.

Peculiar Treasures:Biblical Who's Who, by Frederick Buechner This author writes about these people with wit , humor and insight.

22-READY-TO READ PROGRAMS FOR WOMEN'S GROUPS, BY Dorothy MacNeill. Each program is complete and covers many seasons and topics.

Two books for children are as follows: Noah's Ark: and The Life of Jesus



New Windows

The outside of our Church Building is being blessed with 26 new vinyl, energy efficient windows, glu lam posts and fresh paint! The Total cost should be around \$72,000.



There will ***"not"*** be a Fund Drive. We have the money in our Wills and Gifts Fund. If you would like to help build up our Building Improvement Fund please make your check out to ***First Presbyterian Church*** and mark it "Wills and Gifts."

Congratulations

- 🎉 Congratulations to **Dave Heater**, who was selected to coach the 4A All Star Baseball Team.
- 🎉 Congratulations to **Eldon Whitesitt**, who was voted ***Most Valued Customer*** at Fred Meyers, where he stops every morning for coffee after his daily walk.

New Members

Kinder William Cottrell

As submitted by Kinder

I was born in San Diego, California on Father's Day, June 18, 1978 to James and Kathleen Cottrell. From the age of eight, I was raised by my maternal grandparents, Bill and Bernice Paishon. During these years I attended Silver Gate Elementary, Correia Jr. High, and Point Loma High School.

I began fishing – commercially – at the age of 19. For 6 years I fished primarily for tuna and swordfish up and down the West Coast while I resided in San Diego. In 2003 I came to Newport as Captain of Fishing Vessel, Kismet. While walking on the bayfront after selling my catch I met my future wife, Michelle. Six months later I left my vessel and home behind and moved to Newport to be with the girl I fell in love with.

We were married on May 1, 2006 in Yachats in a simple ceremony surrounded by our family next to the ocean that brought us together. Our oldest child, Sophia Isabella was born on July 24, 2008 and Sean William completed our family on February 8, 2011.

We first came to this church in April of 2011 when Sean was just 2 months old. Since then we have been welcomed with open arms and our family has grown yet again to include an amazing church family who mean so much to my family.

Steve and Debe Arbona

As prepared by the Arbonas

Steve and Debe were married on June 20, 1972 in Pensacola, Florida. Yes that was 40 years ago! They have two sons, Stephen and Tony both married with children Ethan is 5 and Sebastian will be 2 in October. Steve has been involved in the flower business, growing up in multi-generational family flower shop in Pensacola, Florida. Having been a floral designer for 35 years, he also worked in the wholesale flower industry and owned his own wholesale floral business. Taking a few breaks from floral industry, Steve worked in the welding industry as well as the wholesale industrial tool business as a manufacturers' representative in Kentucky and West Virginia.

They sold their home and decided it was time to come to Oregon and help out with Debe's folks, as her mother's health was failing. Debe is the daughter of Ted and Vera Roseland, who moved to Newport in 1969, from Iowa. Ted was a barber in Newport for the past 40 years. Last year, both Debe's mother and father passed.

Debe has been the Home Lending Officer with Umpqua Bank for the last 4 years. Prior to her current employment, Debe has spent her career in banking and worked as a trainer specializing in mortgage lending.

Steve has been enjoying his retirement by playing golf and cooking. This year he is the assistant coach for the Newport High School Golf Team - the Cubs! They are currently in Number 1 position and heading to the district championship?

They both love flowers and gardening and are looking forward to helping with the food bank gardens.

Steve met Don Taylor at the golf course, and decided to come see what the Presbyterian Church had for him and Debe. They found a welcoming family of people they wanted to spend their Sunday worship and fellowship with. Steve had been attending the First Presbyterian Church in Pensacola during his youth and felt right at home here Sunday morning as become his "Happy hour."

SESSION MEMBERS / ELDERS**Clerk of Session: Mike Eastman ('13)****Building: Bob Young ('15)****Christian Education:****Congregational Life/Personnel: Kristin Yuille ('15)****Evangelism: Steve Cole ('15)****Grounds: Jim Dunlap ('13)****Mission: Jill Luther (14)****Publicity: Sam Adams (14)****Stewardship: Bill Johnson ('15)****Wills and Gifts: Don Merwin(15)**DEACONS**Moderator: Don Taylor (14)****Secretary: Trish Henson (14)****Treasurer: Dick Carkin ('15)****Care Team Ministry: Stuart Clauson (14)****Nancy Cox ('14)****Celebration of Life:****Communion & Receptions: Lue Hoeft (13)****Parmelee Perry(15)****Greeting Card/Phone Calls: Jamie Hall ('13)****Publicity: Rebecca Wright (14)****Session Liasion: Dave Perry(15)****Transportation:****Visitation: Judy Carkin ('13)****Prayer Chain: DK Beemer**

Acts 20:35 tells us: "In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" I see that truth every day in the dedication of the volunteers and donors who eagerly give of their time, money, and food. And I witness how difficult it can be to be on the receiving end when people shyly apply for help the first time.

As we finish up our second year of pantry operations, it becomes more and more apparent that most people really do find it more blessed to give than receive. Quite a few of those who come to the pantry for help are also now volunteering. Families who attend Read & Feed are asking to help with the preparation. Those same families threw us an appreciation dinner last July that was extraordinary. They wouldn't let us lift a finger. It was delightful.

Not only does this increase in labor lighten our load, but gives us a greater opportunity to build relationships that, in the hustle and bustle of getting things done, we sometimes miss. Wonderful ideas for program improvement enter into the mix. Multiple perspectives allow us all a better look at the big picture. It's a huge blessing. One of the things I enjoy about scripture is the great depth that can be gleaned from each verse and I'm still in the process of discovering all that Acts 20:35 has to reveal.

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Beacon Deadline

for

October

is

Sept. 9th



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