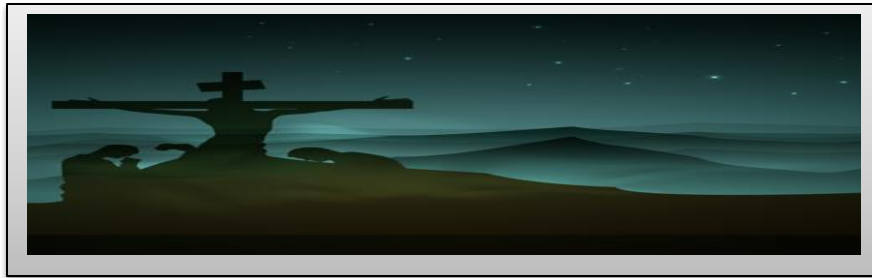


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CHOIR PRACTICE

Wednesday Practice: 5:30pm – 6:30pm

Sunday Rehearsal: 9:00am

Rejoice and be Glad!



UPCOMING EVENTS

April 2 **Maundy Thursday Service**____ 7:00pm
 April 3 Rummage Sorting-Calvin_____ 9:00am
 April 3 **Good Friday Service**_____ 12:00 noon

April 5 **Easter Sunday**
Service_____ 10:00am
 April 5 Kids **Easter Egg Hunt**_____ 11:30am



April 9 Fireside-(Judith Pierce's Home)__ 9:30am
 April 10 Rummage Sorting-Calvin_____ 9:00am
 April 12 **Worship Service**_____ 10:00am
 April 16 Calvin –Westminster Rm_____ 9:30am
 April 17 Rummage Sorting-Calvin_____ 9:00am
 April 17 Fellowship Circle-Westminster Rm 1:30pm
 April 19 **Worship Service**_____ 10:00am
 April 19 PW Award-Honorary Life Mem at Service
 April 20 Stone Soup-St Stephens_____ 4:30pm
 April 23 First Day-Rummage Sale _____ 9:00am
 April 24 Second Day-Rummage Sale _____ 9:00am
 April 25 Third Day-Rummage Sale_____ 9:00am
 April 26 **Worship Service**_____ 10:00am
 April 26 Don and Kath – **Happy 40th Anniversary**
 April 28 Session _____ 7:00pm

Pastor's Pencil

Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty thunder-peals, crying out,

'Hallelujah!

*For the Lord our God
the Almighty reigns.*



On his robe and on his thigh he has a name inscribed, 'King of kings and Lord of lords'.

Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying,

'The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord

and of his Messiah,

and he will reign for ever and ever.' **Revelation 19:6; 11:15; 19:16**

Throughout the Christian tradition there have been many mystics and saints. On the lonely isle of Patmos, imprisoned for preaching the Gospel, a disciple in the midst of prayer and worship was blessed with a vision he wrote down to become *The Revelation of St. John*.

If the verses above sound familiar it may be because you are a serious student of Revelation. Or it may be these words resonate with you because George Frederick Handel based his most famous work, *The Hallelujah Chorus* from *The Messiah* on them.

In fact, Mr. Handel was blessed with a vision of his own. After 24 days and nights of constant work hardly eating, or sleeping, he wrote, *I saw the great God himself, on his throne and all his company of Angels*.

Easter is the first Sunday in April this year, the 5th. As always we will conclude with a rousing rendition of the Hallelujah Chorus. Everyone present is invited to join the choir and sing. Extra copies are available. If you don't wish to sing then simply come to listen. The only caveat is this, whether singing or listening, watch out for visions!

Mystically yours,

Don Taylor



Thanks to all who contributed to and helped with the February 22, 2015

Congregational Potluck and Clean Up, with special mention to

Bob & Ruby White, who provided the delicious roast

Gladys Hartsel, Kath Schonau-Taylor, Anna Easley, Mary Shaller

Eunice Forinash, Kathy Garner and Jane Haskell



Thanks to

Jan and Mike Eastman for Draping the Cross for Lent

Bill Johnson for blowing away the pine needles in the parking lot (again)

Bill Johnson for cleaning the carpet in Geneva Hall (again)

Dave Heater for running the power point on Ash Wednesday

Nate Green for running the power point the First Sunday in Lent

MORE THANK YOUS!

February 25, 2015

Dear Presbyterian Women,

I sure do owe you all a **BIG Thank You** for the generous, beautiful and speedy work you have been doing!

We so appreciate all the hand knit items along with the onesies, fleece blankies, and other soft things that you shower our program with! It is truly a Baby Shower.

All of our staff from the different home visiting programs here at Lincoln County Health and Human Services get excited to see the new items that Pam drops off... A million thanks to you all!

Sincerely, Julia Young-Lorian

Lincoln County Maternal Health Program Manager



To our friends at First Presbyterian Church,

Thank you for choosing to support
Heifer International during the holidays.

Because of your generosity, struggling
Families around the world have food, income
And hope for a brighter future.

Please contact us if we can answer questions,
Provide materials or a presentation.
With gratitude for your partnership,

Eliza Heifer NW Coordinator

**A THANK YOU
TO
MARY LOU CAMPOS**

All of us here at the First Presbyterian Church, Newport send our thanks to you.

**We so appreciate all of the Holiday Greeting Cards you have generously
provided to us,**

through Steve Vickers who brings them to the church.

**Thank you for sharing your creative talents and abilities with us in such a
generous and fun way.**



APRIL BIRTHDAYS



Blair Thompson 7th

Bob Dougherty 11th

Eunice Forinash 12th

Art Bradley 14th

Kathleen Dougherty 21st

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES



Scott & Ma Chin Bradley 16th

Ken & Helyn Layton 23rd

Don & Kath Schonau-Taylor 26th

Dick & DK Beemer 26th

April's New Books For the Library



Thank you Nancy Hawley for donating to the library a special book Ten Thousand Candles of Thanksgiving, which was written by Nancy's sister, Margaret Robertson. Margaret wrote a collection of stories about her journey as a young wife and caregiver of her husband Fred, who was born with Muscular Dystrophy and was wheelchair bound. Some of her stories are humorous and others amazing, how they raised their two daughters and Fred achieved three masters degrees as well as a respected career in the medical field. We treasure this gift book for the library and ask that you please return it for others to enjoy, as it cannot be replaced.

The following two books were also donated:

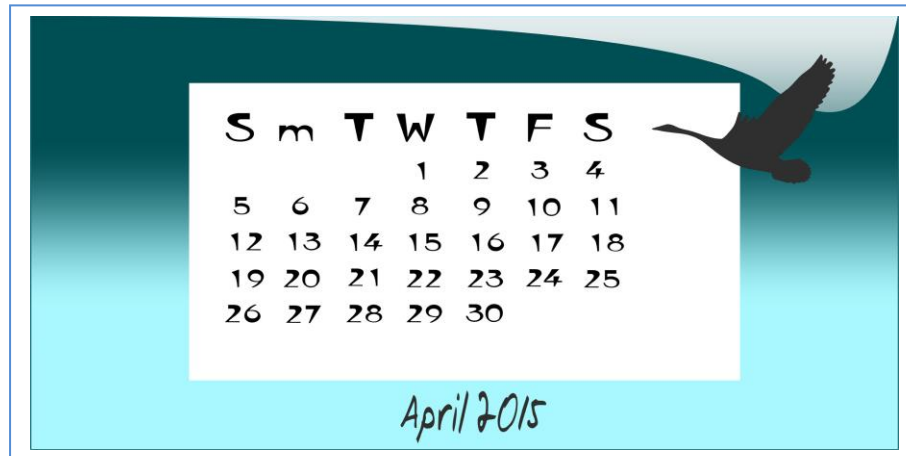


Godric, by Frederick Buechner, a well-known Presbyterian Minister and author, who writes of the spiritual and adventurous journey of an Englishman, a historical person also known for his poetry, who lived in the 12th century.

New Directions For Youth Ministry, by Wayne Rice, Chap Clark, and others. This book has many helpful and practical suggestions for ways to reach teenagers with the Gospel in new and effective ways.

APRIL *

CALENDAR ITEMS FOR PW & CIRCLES



Friday, April 3rd - 9:00 a.m.: Rummage Sorting (Calvin)

Thursday, April 9th - 9:30 a.m.: Fireside Circle Meeting (Judith Pierce's home)

Friday, April 10th - 9:00 a.m.: Rummage Sorting (Calvin)

Sunday, April 12th - 11:30 a.m.: Rummage Department Chairpersons Final Meeting (Calvin)

Friday, April 17th - 9:00 a.m.: (Deadline Day/Time for Rummage Donations!)

Friday, April 17th - 9:00 a.m.: Rummage Sorting (Calvin)

Friday, April 17th - 1:30 p.m.: Fellowship Circle Meeting (Westminster)

Sunday, April 19th - Saturday, April 25th ("Rummage Week"):

Sale Day #1 - Thursday, April 23rd (9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

Sale Day #2 - Friday, April 24th (9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

Sale Day #3 - Saturday, April 25th (9:00 a.m. - Noon)

**** Confirmation to Office Staff:***

\$ There will be NO meeting for PW in April.

\$ Per policy in place beginning with the 2004 Sale, no NON-church-affiliated meetings should be reflected on the calendar for "Rummage Week" (Sunday, April 19th - Saturday, April 25th).

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

No April PW Meeting -- we'll be
preparing for our
2015 Rummage Sale!

(Sale Dates: April 23^d, 24th and 25th)



CIRCLE MEETINGS

Fireside Circle will meet at 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, April 9th at Judith Pierce's home (Lost Creek Estates - 444 SE 127th Drive, South Beach). For driving directions, please call Judith at 541/867-6652. Jane Haskell will lead the meeting.

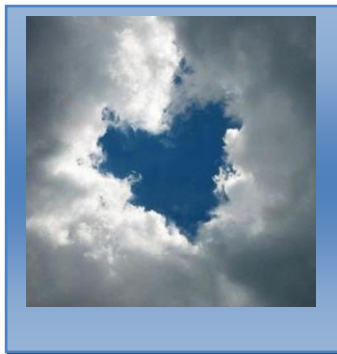
Fellowship Circle will meet at 1:30 p.m., on Friday, April 17th, in the Westminster Room.

Both Fireside Circle and Fellowship Circle will be studying:

Lesson Eight:

"Power, Authority and Honor Are Not Always What We Might Expect"

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 11:1-32



SPRING GATHERING OF PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN IN THE PRESBYTERY OF THE CASCADES

**Saturday, April 11, 2015
Columbia Vancouver Presbyterian Church
805 Columbia Ridge Drive
Vancouver, Washington**

(Further details anticipated on Cascades PW website):
<https://sites.google.com/a/cascadespw.org/www-cascadespw-org/events>

| April | | | | | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|---------|-----------|----------|--------|----------|
| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 5 Easter Sunday | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| 12 | 13 Thomas Jefferson's Birthday | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
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RUMMAGE ROUND-UP

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NOW is the Time ... for all donors of rummage to deliver those items to the Church !! The last-ditch time/date that we can receive and sort your CLEAN & SALEABLE donations will be at **9:00 a.m., on FRIDAY, APRIL 17th** !! The only exceptions are these:

- § Your plant donations (labeled as to name/care requirements, please!) for the Garden Department should be delivered either between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21st, or between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 22nd of "Rummage Week." *
- § Your large items (furniture, etc.) can be delivered between Monday (April 20th) and Wednesday (April 22nd) of "Rummage Week." *

* If you have precluding circumstances, please contact either:

Rummage Co-Chair Beth Mathewson (541/265-7484) or
Rummage Co-Chair Marianne Mendenhall (541/867-7474).

Please understand that we ***absolutely/positively CANNOT*** receive your donations on the actual days of the Sale. By "Rummage Sunday" (April 19th), our volunteers will have worked diligently each week for over three months to make an attractive presentation of your donations, and once the Sale is underway, our "sorters" become sales staff, cashiers, cooks, food servers, etc., etc., and they will have NO TIME to sort and display late donations. Your thoughtfulness and consideration will be greatly appreciated.

A Good-News Reminder about Thompson's (***FREE!***) recycling service for certain electronic items - including CPU's, computer monitors and TV's - which we cannot accept; they will also take paint in original containers and certain metals. Please be aware that SUCH ITEMS ARE NOW PROHIBITED FROM GARBAGE CANS; however, Thompson's will accept up to seven (7) such items per delivery at NO CHARGE!

RUMMAGE PLEAS

(Please! Please!! Please!!!)

Although the days are dwindling down "to a precious few," with your help, we'll be ready for "Rummage Week" (Sunday, April 19 - Saturday, April 25th). On Sunday afternoon, April 19th, we'll begin the set-up phase of the Sale. WEAR YOUR WORK CLOTHES TO CHURCH and BRING A BROWN-BAG LUNCH- we'll start right

Rummage Round-Up (Page 2 of 2)

after the coffee hour. NO HEAVY LIFTING ... we'll have hired help for that, but your assistance will be needed in transporting smaller items to the designated rooms. On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, we'll continue the set-up - your help and expertise will be needed and appreciated, especially in the areas of displaying and pricing our wares.

ALSO NEEDED:

- \$ Vehicles (plus able-bodied people!) to transport large items from donors' homes to the Church;
- \$ Pies - to make our quota of 100! Questions? Contact Pies Coordinator Anna Whitehurst (541/265-7587);
- \$ Plastic Bags (any size - needed for sacking up our shoppers' bargains!);
- \$ Sales Staff (part-time/full-time) for ALL departments;
- \$ Help with the Clean-Up Phase on Saturday.

The majority of the proceeds from our 2015 Rummage Sale will benefit our own Church and our own community, but our outreach will further extend to national and worldwide mission goals. It is hoped that no one will wait to be asked to help with this meaningful event ... EVERYONE is needed, welcomed and GREATLY APPRECIATED (*you'll also have a great time!!*). If you would like to volunteer (or if you have any questions about volunteering), please contact the designated Chairperson for the department you'd like to help (you'll find all names/phone numbers on PW's bulletin board, which is across the hall from the Westminster Conference Room). If you have no departmental preference, please contact either Rummage Co-Chair Beth Mathewson (541/265-7484) or Rummage Co-Chair Marianne Mendenhall (541/867-7474).

To Our Great Gardeners: If you need pots for your plant donations, please contact Garden Chairpersons Janice and Jim Scharbach (541/867-6437); also, another reminder that LABELING your donations as to name/care requirements would be greatly appreciated by the staff of the Garden Department.

Calling All Rummage Department Chairpersons: Our Pre-Rummage-Week (final) Meeting will be held on Sunday, April 12th, at 11:30 a.m., in the Calvin Room. Please bring a list of all of your last-minute questions and needs!

Rummage Sale Dates:

April 23rd, 24th, and 25th, 2015

Proceeds will support:

Our Church, Our Community, and World-Wide Mission Goals



When: *Saturday, May 2, 2015*

Time: *7:30pm*

Where: *First Presbyterian Church – Newport*
227 NE 12th Street, Newport, Oregon

Program: *This Eugene Girlchoir will perform assorted favorites*

Director: *Jennifer Searl*



**American
Red Cross**

**BLOOD DRIVE
COMING
MAY 21, 2015**

TO

First Presbyterian Church – Newport

227 NE 12th St., Newport, OR 97365

Volunteers Will Be Needed

Registration Volunteers

Escorts

Canteen Assistants

Cookie Donations

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS



Cooking – Serving – Bring a Dessert – Cleanup

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

STONE SOUP



Our Church will serve dinner at St. Stephens Episcopal Church on the third Monday of each month . . . this month date **is APRIL 20TH.**

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 – 7:30pm. 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.



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 needed items 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.

Baby Necessities Questions? Contact Pam Merwin at 541-265-4095

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

**Coffee Hour Volunteers, Worship Assistants, Ground Maintenance
Work Party, Other Time and Talents Offering!**

You may call the church office: 541-265-2841 THANK YOU!

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