

# *THE BEACON September, 2016*



## **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NEWPORT**

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### **Announcements Page – September 4, 2016**

**Our Interim Pastor:** The Reverend Dr. Richard Neese

**Office will be Closed September 5th- Labor Day**

**American Red Cross Blood Drive – September 9th, 10am-3pm**

**See Margaret & Bill Mortimer for details.**

**Choir Practice resumes Wednesdays 5:30pm-6:30pm starting Sept 7th**  
**and on Sundays before service starting Sept 11th**

**NEXT Men's Group at Izzy's September 14th at 6:30pm**

**Final 2016 Grounds Work Party- Saturday – Sept 24 - 9:00a-12:00noon**  
**Jim Dunlap says, "Please Help!"**

**Literary Group meets Mondays at 12:00noon**

**New Book: "The Rosie Project"**

**Author: G. Simsion**

**Brown Bag Bible Study meets Wednesdays at 11:00am**

**Calling All Drivers!** If you are ready and able to drive or are currently driving someone, please sign the Transportation Call List located in Geneva Hall. The list will be used to find available drivers for those who need assistance, for things such as getting to and from church, for errands, and similar. Please see Rebecca Wright if you have questions.

## **Presbyterian Women**

### **Meeting Schedule for 2016-2017**

Summer is winding down and it's time to reunite in fellowship and shared purpose, as the Presbyterian Women begin their 2016-2017 program year. All women of the church – members and nonmembers alike – are invited to attend the meetings listed below. Busy schedules can make attending all meetings difficult for some, so please feel welcome to come to one, two or any number of meetings.

Meetings take place in Geneva Hall at Noon on these Fridays:

- October 7
- December 2
- February 3
- March 3
- June 2

If you are new to PW and want to learn more about the group, its mission, and the meetings, please call PW Moderator Clair Finnigan at (541) 961-0240. We would LOVE to have you join us!

### **Circle Meetings are starting again!**

Circle meetings are starting again – a time when Presbyterian sisters gather as friends for a thought-provoking discussion on topics related to scripture. The 2016-2017 Circle season will begin in September and if you haven't joined a group in the past, now is your chance!

This year's Horizons Bible Study for both Circles will be: "Who is Jesus? What a Difference a Lens Makes." September's lesson is "According to Mark" and will utilize the scripture of Mark 8:27-33 to stimulate discussion on the key idea that Jesus is not the messiah they expected, but he is indeed God's son.

The **Fireside Circle** will meet at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, September 8. The meeting will be hosted by Kathy Garner at her home at 2782 NW Pacific Place in Newport. The schedule for upcoming meetings will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at 9:30am. If you have questions about the Fireside Circle, please call Gladys Snedecor at (541) 574-8703.

The **Fellowship Circle** will meet at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, September 16, in Geneva Hall. The schedule for this group's upcoming meetings will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month at 1:30pm. If you would like to know more about Fellowship Circle, please call Eunice Forinash at (541) 265-7106

Want to attend but have a schedule conflict with these two Circles? 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 and they can meet at ANY time. There doesn't need to be a formal host, as meetings can be held in Geneva Hall or in someone's home and be a BYOC affair....bring your own coffee! If you would like to propose an additional Circle, please call our PW Moderator Clair Finnigan at (541) 961-0240.

## **Fall Gathering of Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of the Cascades**

Saturday, October 22, 2016

McKenzie Valley Presbyterian Church

88393 Walterville Loop, Springfield, OR 97478

Theme: "Out of the Darkness" - a focus on criminal justice

Registration begins at 9:30am

For more information, visit [www.cascadespw.org](http://www.cascadespw.org)

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**Help us spread the word!**

No Rummage Sale Donations Accepted Before January 1, 2017

In addition to the Godly Play room, the north side of the Calvin Suite is now needed for our children on Sunday mornings. For their safety, the room CANNOT contain donations of rummage. The Rummage Committee will gratefully accept your donations beginning the first Sunday in January.

Questions? Contact 2017 Rummage Chair Beth Mathewson at (541) 265-7484

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Save the Date!

**2017 Rummage Sale Dates**

April 27-29, 2017

Proceeds will support:

Our Church, Our Community and World-Wide Mission Goals



## *September Birthdays and Anniversaries*



**September 2     Edith Branchfield**

**September 2     Barbara Bradley**

**September 7     Kathy Heater**

**September 13    Maxine Bahr**

**September 14    Paige Schindler**

**September 15    Ruth MacLeod**

**September 17    Bette Owens**



**September 1 (1984) Dave and Kathy Heater**

**September 12 Dennis and Marla**

***Thank You Rob Thompson!***

Dang those tree and shrubs grow fast! The Grounds Crew and FPC thank you for providing free haul away service this summer which helps us immensely to keep the grounds looking good!



## *Grounds Crew News!*

There is one more Saturday of church grounds clean up on September 24, from 9:00 am until noon. This small but dedicated group are hard at work to keep FPC looking weeded, trimmed and tidy. If you like gardening and being out of doors in good fresh coastal air, consider joining this ministry. "Good grounds maintenance is a silent expression of evangelism." Contact Jim Dunlap if interested in joining this ministry. Gloves recommended.

Thanks for doing such a great job. You are appreciated!



## *Blood Drive in honor of 9/11 Anniversary*

The American Red Cross and FPC of Newport have scheduled a **Blood Drive** on Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-RED-CROSS or, sign up on line at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) using sponsor code: NewportCommunity.



**American  
Red Cross**

*Together, we can save a life*

## *Library News*

New Books donated to our FPC library!

### What We Talk About When We Talk About God

Author Rob Bell.

The author challenges the reader's thoughts about God. How he is both with us and for us and can change the course of our lives.

### Leading Through the Water

Author Paul Galbreath.

The author was a minister in the North West before becoming a Professor at Union Presbytery Seminary in Virginia. He writes about Baptism and the spiritual power of our Church Sacraments.

### Friendship Psalms: God's Gift of Joy and Encouragement

This collection of Psalms, lovely illustrations and short stories about friends is an uplifting book to enjoy with your friends. It is published by Honor Books.

### American Presbyterian: A Pictorial History

Author James H. Smylie

Published by the Journal of Presbyterian History. This book has pictures from earliest beginning of Presbyterian history up to 1980.

### My First Book of Prayers...Let There Be Peace

Illustrated by Lisa Gardiner

This is a small book of prayers for children.



## *On the Calendar for September*

**9/5 Labor Day** Office Closed **Literary Group** 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm

**9/7 Worship Committee** 10:30 am

**9/7 Brown Bag Bible Study** 11:00 am to 12:00 noon **Choir Practice** at 5:30

**9/8 Fireside Circle** Kathy Garner's Home

**9/9 American Red Cross Blood Drive** 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

**9/10 Orchid Show** Central Coast Orchid Society 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

**9/11 Choir Practice** 9:00 am to 9:45 am **Worship Service** 10:00 am to 11:00 am

**9/12 Literary Group**

**9/14 Worship Committee** 10:30 am to 11:00 am

**9/14 Brown Bag Bible Study** 11:00 am to noon **Choir Practice** at 5:30 and **Men's Group** at Izzy's 6:30 pm

**9/16 Fellowship Circle** Ruthie MacCleod, Hostess

**9/18 Choir Practice** 9:00 am to 9:45 am **Worship Service** 10:00 am to 11:00 am

**9/19 Literary Group** Noon to 1:00 pm **Stone Soup** 4:30 to 7:00 pm

**9/21 Worship Committee** 10:30 am to 11:00 am

**9/21 Brown Bag Bible Study** 11:00 am to noon **Choir Practice** 5:30 pm

**9/23 Office Closed**

**9/24 Grounds Crew Work Party** Last one for 2016! 9:00 am to noon

**9/25 Choir Practice** 9:00 to 9:45 **Worship Service** 10:00 am to 11:00 am

**9/26 Literary Group** Noon to 1:00 pm **9/28 Worship Committee** 10:30 am to 11:00 am

**9/28 Brown Bag Bible Study** 11:00 am to noon **Choir Practice** 5:30





### *Thank you to PW*

Thank you notes from Julia Young-Lorian at the Healthy Families program, Lincoln County HHS were received over the summer thanking Pam and the PW for all their thoughtful and generous donations. They were much appreciated and they were praised for their positive energy and generous hearts. Our PW does amazing work. Kudos!



### *The Beacon Has Returned!*

You know you missed us! If you have any announcements, news, tid-bits or other items for The Beacon, our next deadline is October 14, Friday. Send a Word file to [office@fpc.org](mailto:office@fpc.org) with Beacon in the subject line. Thank you! Glad to be back.



### *Food Pantry and Baby Items*

Remember to bring food and baby item donations the first Sunday of the month, Communion Sunday and leave in the baskets at the back of the sanctuary. Thank You!



## *Prayer Concerns September 2016*

### *Joys*

**We Gratefully Proclaim...**  
**Glory Be to God...**

### *Church Triumphant*

Vera Lund, close friend of Ramona Martin

**O Lord...**

### *New Concerns*

- Ava, 3 months old, had surgery Friday, Sept 2nd on right hand to separate 3 fingers and thumb (great granddaughter of Ramona Martin)
- Michael Gibbons, local artist, who is being treated in Corvallis for a stroke he suffered this past week
- Kinder Cottrell, for guidance and strength while fishing in Alaska for the coming month

**O Lord...**

### *Continuing Concerns*

- Jane Haskell, recovering from pneumonia
- Margaret McClellan
- Bob & Shirley Loeffel

**Battling Cancer:** Kay Bensing, Alice Bregman, Pam Spence, Christian Johnson, Karen Howard, Diedra White, Don Delzel

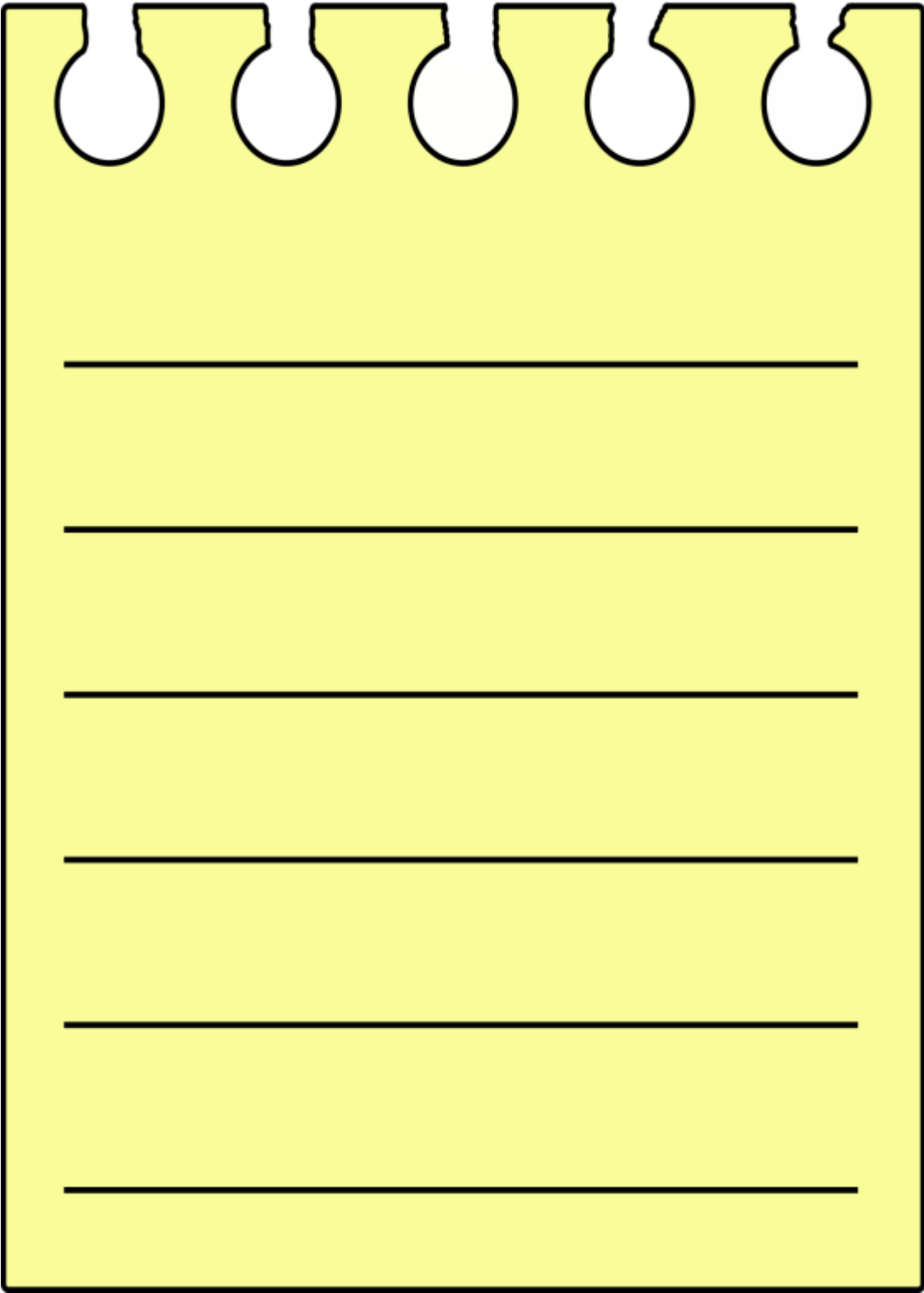
President Obama, Congress, and World Leaders; Refugees, Christians in Iraq, Syria, Libya, Egypt and China; Armed Forces; Police, Doctors and Nurses; victims of violence and their families throughout the United States; those killed and injured in attacks and bombings and upheaval throughout the world; special prayers for Afghanistan, Turkey, Syria, Iraq, France and Russia; Families recovering from earthquakes, fires, flooding and other disasters. Protect us from fear in these troubling times, Heifer Offering, Transition Team; crabbers and fishermen for a safe season, *Sister Churches*: 09/04/16 Lake Grove Presbyterian Church, Lake Oswego, OR 09/11/16 Community Presbyterian Church, Lakeside, OR 09/18/16 First Presbyterian Church, Lakeview, OR 09/25/16 Chapel-By-The-Sea, Lincoln City, OR

**O Lord...**

### *Long Term Concerns*

Mason Carney, Lori Mickelson, Leland Taraba, Bonnie (friend of Shirley Kimnetz).

**O Lord...The Lord's Prayer**





For

October 2016

Beacon Deadline (\*)

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September 16, 2016

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**(\*)NOTE:** When possible, please send a **Word** Document as an "Attachment" of your email. Thanks!

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