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Easter Issue

Upcoming Events

- March 2 Choir Practice Begins 5:30 pm
- March 2 Dine Out Samaritan House at the Chowder Bowl
- March 3 Wednesday Choir Practice begins at 5:50 pm
- March 4 World Day of Prayer at Trinity United Methodist Church, Toledo
- March 6 Worship and Communion at 10:00 am
- March 9 Wednesday Choir Practice at 5:30 pm
- March 10 Fireside Circle at 9:30 am, leader: Kathy Garner, at her home
- March 11 PW Meeting at 12 noon, in Geneva Hall
- March 13 Daylight Savings begins, spring forward
- March 13 Worship Service at 10:00 am
- March 13 Deacons' Meeting, at 11:30 am, following Worship Service.
- March 14 Beacon Deadline
- March 16 Wednesday Choir Practice at 5:30 pm
- March 18 Fellowship Circle at 1:30 in Geneva Hall, Leader: Ruth Macleod
- March 20 Palm Sunday Worship at 10:00 am
- March 23 Wednesday Choir Practice at 5:30 pm
- March 27 Easter Sunday Worship at 10:00 am
- March 27 Kids' Easter Egg Hunt to follow service
- March 30 Wednesday Choir Practice at 5:30 pm

Rummage Sale 2016 Review

Save the Dates: April 21, 22, and 23

Raffle Items: Raffle items will be two \$100 gift cards, one for retail and one for a restaurant. Ticket pre-sales will begin during coffee hour in Geneva Hall on Sunday, April 3rd, and will continue through the first two days of the Rummage Sale. The tickets are one dollar for one ticket, or, get six tickets for five dollars. What a deal! Buy often, buy in bulk. Increase your odds of winning. Drawings for the winning tickets will be at 3:30 p.m., on the second day of the Sale (Friday, April 22nd), and you need not be present to win! If you would like to purchase tickets but cannot do so during the coffee hour or during the Rummage Sale, please contact Raffle Chair Martha Sneller (541/270-6041).

Placard Posting: On March 21, we'll kick off our advertising campaign! Step number one is positioning posters advertising the Presbyterian Women's Rummage Sale in strategic locations around Newport and beyond. The usual public bulletin board locations will be utilized, but if you know of a business that would permit one of our posters in its window (or otherwise displayed), please tell Publicity Chair, Martha Sneller (541/270-6041). If you would like to help distribute posters, let Martha know how many you need.



First P Needs You, Yes You!

Cheers for our Volunteers: It takes our entire congregation to produce a successful Rummage Sale. Please check PW's bulletin board, across from the Westminster Conference Room, or Geneva Hall's northeastern-most window for a complete listing of Department Chairpersons and their phone numbers. Call the person in charge of the department you'd like to help out. If you don't have a department preference, contact Rummage Chair, Beth Mathewson (541/265-8474). Please keep in mind that if you are unable to help during the Rummage Sale, there are also set-up and clean-up opportunities available. Also, the snack-foods that some of you bring in for our volunteers, on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of "Rummage Week," are always greatly appreciated! These snacks help energize our hard working volunteers.

Pies, Pies, Pies

Pies: 100, yes, that's one hundred fresh, baked pies. They will be sold by the slice, in our Diner, on Thursday and Friday of the Sale. You'll find a sign-up sheet on PW's bulletin board, across from the Westminster Conference Room, together with some guidance concerning Health Department restrictions.

Cream pies: Cream pies from commercial vendors only, JC Market, Chalet, Safeway, or Fred Meyers, for example.

NEW REQUEST: Each donated pie needs to be delivered pre-sliced with six slices per pie. If your pies are purchased, your vendor will do this upon request. If you have any questions, contact our Kitchen Co-Chairs, Ruby and Bob White (541/764-3134).



Rummage: What we need is clean and saleable rummage! The key attraction to our rummage sales has always been our policy that we do not offer items in such condition that we would not select them for ourselves. For example, clothing must be clean and free from stains, holes, rips or tears. Appliances must be clean and working order. Your donations are greatly appreciated, but we respectfully ask that you examine what you donate and save us the time and expense of discarding unmarketable items.

As a reminder of what not to donate are the following items which we cannot accept or sell: No exercise equipment, TV's, copy machines, fax machines, computer configurations or peripherals, such as CPU's, monitors, keyboards, printers, scanners and the like, items that are soiled and/or torn, items that do not work or that have missing parts, textbooks (unless current), old encyclopedias, dated magazines (such as news magazines and National Geographic), mattresses, refrigerators, stoves, pianos, organs, Christmas garland, personal toiletries, such as soaps, lotions, toothpaste, perfumes, medicines, pesticides, dyes, opened paint and other hazardous waste products. Please save us the time and expense of discarding what cannot be sold. Thank you.

Drop Off Times: Either Fridays at 9:00 a.m. or Sundays as you come to church. Please delay bringing your large items, such as furniture, until the Monday of Rummage Week, which is April 18, and please delay bringing your plant donations for the Garden Department until Tuesday afternoon, April 19, of Rummage Week.

Also, please join us every Friday morning, starting at 9 a.m. for the weekly rummage sort. Take a couple of hours for fun and fellowship. No heavy lifting, see what's coming in so you can plan your Rummage Sale strategy.

Recycling Opportunities: Please save your plastic bags for us. All sizes accepted. We'll use them during the Rummage Sale to sack up our shoppers' bargains. Please check your Thompson's Sanitary Service bill or the website (www.thompsonsanitary.com) for good news about their free recycling service for certain electronic items. It doesn't include all electronics, but it does include CPU's, computer monitors and TV's.

Why do we do this over and over again, year after year? We do it for the tradition, fun, fellowship, food, prizes and neat stuff we can't live without. Seriously, the proceeds go to our church, our community and worldwide mission goals. So let's get to work and make lots of money.



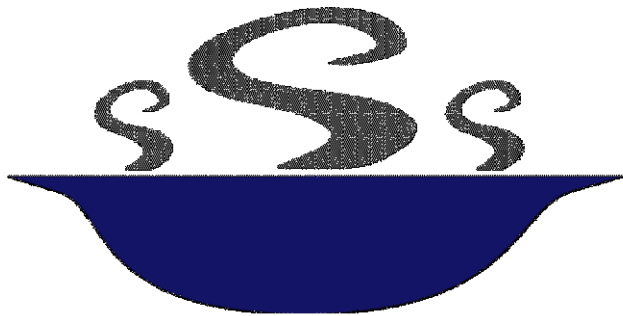
Happy
Birthday

March Birthdays

March 2	Peggy Bickford
March 12	Jesse Schonau-Taylor
March 14	Jacob Schonau-Taylor
March 17	Shirley Loeffel
March 19	Kath Schonau
March 20	Rhonda Harman
March 22	Gladys Snedecor
March 24	Theresa Young
March 25	Lois Lederman
March 26	Doris Beemer

Dine Out Samaritan for March

The Chowder Bowl in Historic Nye Beach will host Dine Out for Samaritan House on Wednesday, March 2, 2016. A generous percentage of the day's proceeds will be donated to this homeless shelter for families. Mmmmmmmmm.....**clam** chowder.



New Books in Our Church Library

Acts of the Holy Spirit: God's Power for Living

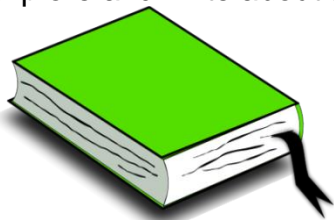
By Lloyd Ogilvie

The author challenges the reader by asking, "Where better to learn the power of the Holy Spirit than from the Book of Acts?" He makes his case with clarity and enthusiasm.

The Cloister Walk

By Kathleen Norris

The author is married, protestant woman who chose to move into a monastery to explore and write about a way of life centered on reflection and meditation.



World Day of Prayer

World day of Prayer is Friday, March 4, 2016. Service time is 1:00 pm at the Trinity United Methodist Church located at 383 NE Beech Street in Toledo. Carpooling is available. Meet at the First Presbyterian Church no later than 12:30 pm to share a ride.



Presbyterian Women's Meeting for March. 2016

The March Newport Presbyterian Women's meeting will be held on the second Friday of the month, March 11, at 12:00 noon in the Westminster Room. Tea and scones will be served. Please RSVP by Sunday, March 6 to Jane Haskell, jnphaskell@charter.net or 541/265-9822)

In a departure from the Newport Presbyterian Women's traditional "first Friday" meeting day, we ask you to mark your calendars for the second Friday in March for our gathering, as we continue with our 2015-16 program theme of *Getting to Know You*. As we enjoy tea and scones, each of us will be provided the opportunity to share, *if we choose to do so*, something about ourselves, which could be a favorite story about a child or children, a favorite story about parents, or a favorite story about you.

Remember that the meetings of Presbyterian Women are open to all women of the church both members and non-members. We cordially welcome guests so, bring your friend(s) and join us for the warm fellowship of your Presbyterian sisters.



CIRCLE MEETINGS

Fireside Circle will meet at 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, March 10th, at Kathy Garner's home (2782 NW Pacific Place, Newport). Kathy will both hostess and lead the meeting.

Fellowship Circle will meet at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, March 18th, in Geneva Hall. Ruth Macleod will lead.

Both Fireside Circle and Fellowship Circle will be studying:

Lesson Seven: "Streams of Mercy – Forgiveness"

Scripture: Isaiah 35:1-2; 5-7; Psalm 51:1-12; Matthew 6:12

Lesson Focus: Christians forgive and are forgiven. What can we learn about forgiveness and streams of mercy, both from the psalmist and from Jesus?

All are welcome to attend

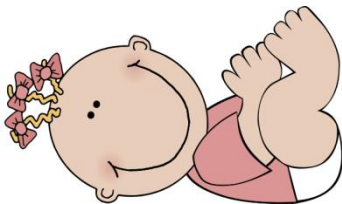


Thank You

To Pam Merwin and the Presbyterian Women,

Thank you for your generous donations to our program. You are always very thoughtful in thinking of the babies we serve in our program. We appreciate all the wonderful gifts!

Sincerely Julia Young-Lorian, HealthyFamilies



Holy Week Combined Services

Maundy Thursday Service

On March 24, 2016 at 7:00 pm at the Yachats Community Presbyterian Church

Good Friday

We Remember Calvary, a Good Friday Cantata

Presented by the combined Chancel Choirs of the Waldport and Yachats Presbyterian Churches

March 25, 2016 at 7:00 pm

Community Presbyterian Church, Waldport



Rex Putnam Singers

The Rex Putnam Singers are coming April 8,9,10 and need host families. If you have completed the required paperwork from the school last year, you are good to go. If you didn't, see Ann in the church office and she will get that underway for you. Sign up list is in Geneva Hall.

Wednesday Choir Practice Begins

Starts Wednesday, March 2, at 5:30 pm in the choir room.



Literary Group Meeting

Every Monday at noon. We are currently reading: [Olive Kitteridge](#) by Elizabeth Strout. Come and share the reading and discussion of this very interesting and well writing collection of stories around the character of retired school teacher, Olive Kitteridge, who lives in a small Maine village on the coast.

Brown Bag Group

Brown Bag bible study group continues to meet Wednesdays at noon. Open to all. Bring a lunch and discuss passages from the Bible. It is rumored that coffee and cookies sometimes make an appearance as well. I hear some laughing as I type this so it sounds like a fun group and a chance to get to know and understand the Bible at bit better.

Per Capita Reminder

\$29.89 for 2016

Beacon Deadline

The new Beacon Deadline is now the second Monday of the month.



Prayer Joys and Concerns

Church Triumphant:

Helen Jones and Elsie Flowers

New Concerns:

Joe Paradise, fall, Paul Barker Serving with CARE in Southern Sudan, Krista Johnson

Sharon Johnson, recovering from surgery on 2/9, Alice Silverman, failing health

Continuing Concerns:

Clair Finnigan, Ruby Cooper, on Hospice, Lori Mickelson, macular degeneration, Connie Hildebrand

Battling Cancer

Pan Spence, Anna Kelly, Claire Friedrich, Elsa Schmithorst, Alice Bregman. Kari Lu Denison-Laswell, Christine Nestor, Seth Raleigh, Hazel Barendse,, Christian Johnson, Orion Von Stetten, Eric Gill, Gary Kober, Mickey Satterfield, Andy Ardis, Katherine, Pam Earls, David Jenkins

Long Term Concerns Mason Carney, a person struggling with faith and medical issues, Don Merwin, Jr., Deanne Dunlap, Maxine Bahr's niece, Anne Southcott, Glenda Shepler, Elsie Flower's niece

The World at Large and in General

President Obama, Congress and world leaders, refugees, Christian in Iraq, Syria, Libya, Egypt, China, the Armed forces, Heifer Offering, earthquake victims in Taiwan and those who aid them, the Transition Team, patience during the transition for all involved or touched by it, protection from fear and ignorance, our crabbers and fishermen for a safe and bountiful season



Oh Lord, Hear our Prayers

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 **MAR 21ST.**

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



FOOD PANTRY/BABY NECESSITIES

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.

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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March 14th



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(*)NOTE: When possible, please

Document as an "Attachment"

you e-mail your articles.
Thank you,

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