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CHOIR PRACTICE

Wednesday Practice: 5:30 – 6:30 pm



Sunday Rehearsal: 9:00 am

UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov 1	Session/Deacon Retreat	11:00a-3:00p
Nov 2	Communion Sunday	10:00a
Nov 2	PW Announce- Gifts For Kids	10:00a
Nov 2	Merwin's Anniversary Cake . .	11:00a
Nov 3	Beacon Deadline for December	12:00p
Nov 9	Stewardship Sunday	10:00a
Nov 11	Veterans Day	Office Closed
Nov 12	Men's Group at Izzy's	6:30p-7:30p
Nov 13	Fireside Meeting (W)	9:30a-12:00p
Nov 15	Possible Grounds Work Group.	9:00a-12:00p
Nov 15	Choir "ICO" Benefit Concert At Church of The Nazarene	6:00p-8:30p
Nov 16	Potluck Engagement Party For Kyra Young & Drew Blank . .	11:00a
Nov 17	Stone Soup	4:30p
Nov 19	AFS Student Exchange Dessert Event	6:00p-9:00p
Nov 20	Calvin (W)	9:30a-11:30a
Nov 21	Fellowship Circle (W)	1:30p-2:30p
Nov 22	John Reh fuss Memorial Service	11:00a-12:00p
Nov 22	John Reh fuss Memorial Potluck	12:00p- 2:00p
Nov 24	Worship/Prayer/Staff Mtgs	10:30p-12:00p
Nov 24	Men's Study Grp – Church Office. .	6:30p- 7:30p
Nov 25	DHS Child Welfare Lunch/Visit. . .	9:00a- 3:00p
Nov 27	Thanksgiving	Office Closed
Nov 28	<i>Day After Thanksgiving</i>	Office Closed
Nov 30	First Sunday Advent and	10:00a
	Christmas Pagent (Party after Service)	



Dec 11 Coastalaires "**Food PantryBenefit**". .7:00p-8:00p



Pastor's Pencil

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. **Ephesians 1:3-4***

Here is a quick Thanksgiving quiz:

What did the early Pilgrims, who sailed the Mayflower to North America, have in common with the Calvinists?

- A. They both believed in Predestination.
- B. They both practiced Infant Baptism.
- C. They both read the Geneva Bible.
- D. All of the above.

If you chose "D," have another slice of turkey, wild turkey being one of the many foods they feasted on with the Indians.

The Pilgrims strongly believed that the Church of England had strayed beyond Christ's teachings. Because the King was the leader of the church their rejection of Anglican hierarchy was also interpreted as opposing King James 1.

For similar reasons they rejected the Bible dedicated to King James because it had been interpreted by Anglican clerics. The Geneva Bible interpreted by Calvinists seemed more trustworthy.

At first the Pilgrims fled to Holland where their pastor John Robinson came to believe they had been called to the new world. For such a dangerous journey a belief in predestination would have been comforting. In the same way, their belief in infant baptism would have given them solace as they faced the challenges of survival in a new land.

Along with the many reasons we have to be thankful this season, let us also give thanks to God for the rugged faith of the Pilgrims and the hope that their example will inspire us too.

Yours for a thoughtful Thanksgiving, Don

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

*Knitting done by Peggy Rosica - "Knitter Extraordinaire"
Newborn Necessities and Families*



THANK YOU TO THE PW LADIES:

Thank you ever so much for the beautiful knit hats, blankets and socks!

We are so overwhelmed with your skills and generosity. It is so amazing that you have such dedicated women in your group.

I was so happy to receive the invitation to come and visit with you all on December 7th, to talk more about our Home Visiting programs, and where and how we use your wonderful donations.

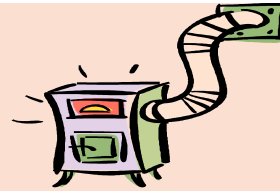
Thanks Again!

Sincerely,

*Julia Young-Lorian
Lincoln County Healthy Families Program*

CHURCH THANK YOU'S

THANKS TO BOB YOUNG -



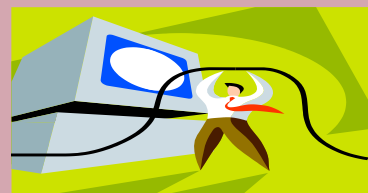
FOR REPLACING THE MANY FURNACE FILTERS!!!

THANKS TO ART BRADLEY – AND THE MANY COFFEE HOUR PARTICIPANTS -



FOR THE FOOD AND ALL THE KITCHEN HELP IS MOST APPRECIATED !!!

THANKS TO NATE GREEN AND BOB YOUNG AND DAVE HEATER -



FOR THE MEDIA TECH SUPPORT FOR OUR SERVICES! !

THANKSGIVING BLESSINGS





THANKING YOU

A Note from Maxene Bahr



A HEART-FELT "THANK YOU" TO MY BELOVED CHURCH FAMILY
THAT HELPED TO MAKE MY 90TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION SO SPECIAL.



-MAXENE BAHR



NOVEMBER SPECIAL OCCASIONS



Dennis Hawley 3RD

Marie Jelen 5TH

Judy Carkin 7TH

Neal Henning 20TH

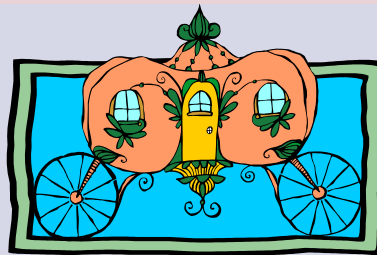
Jillian Thompson 27TH



BELATED: HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

November 2, 2014 **Don and Pam Merwin** celebrated their 60th Anniversary
with Cake in Geneva Hall (Married October 3rd/4th - Japan 1954)

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES



Mark & Cindy McConnell 10/1979

Steve & Sue Cole 1968

ANNOUNCEMENT

Kyra Young & Drew Blank



-on November 2, 2014 – at Heifer Offering during Sunday Service – will be announcing their **engagement to be married on August 15, 2015.**



-on November 16, 2014 – will celebrate their engagement with a **potluck party** during Coffee Hour after Service.



APPRECIATION

For October 18th Work Party

Hi Folks,

Mother Presbyterian is thankful she has: clean roof gutters that can flow free during our storm, new shrubs planted to be nourished by the coming rain, other shrubs pruned, camping sites free of trash, a start of ivy removal from the tree trunks – also, missing garden tools returned to the shed.

She hopes all of us enjoyed the lunch furnished by the Merwin's and served by Carol Jones and Pam Merwin. (I dunno 'bout next month-Nov15th).



Please stay tuned.

Respectfully, Jim Dunlap

SPECIAL BULLETINS

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU FIND THE FOLLOWING:



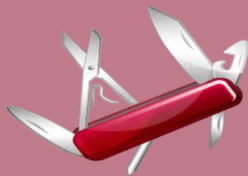
Green Plastic Box: with the word “DRAGON” in white lettering on top.

Owner: Chris McKenney (missing since the day of the Memorial Service for Sean)

Please phone the Church 541-265-2841 if you find this item.

Many Thanks !

JOY for Bob Loeffel’s recent find of his lost pocket-sized Swiss Army Knife !

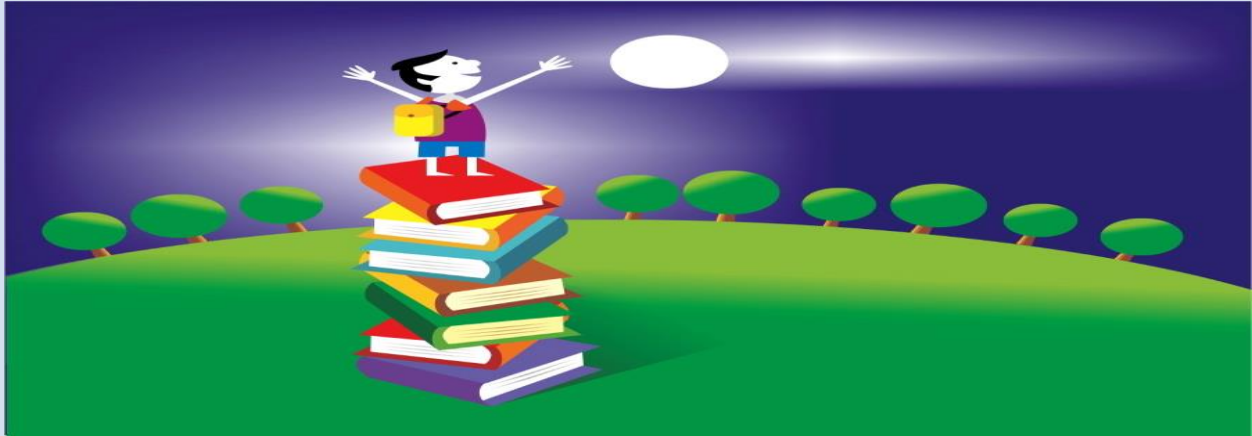


Swiss Army Knife: Small pocket size
Inscribed “DAD”

Owner: Bob Loeffel

NEW LIBRARY BOOKS

New additions to the bookshelves are as follows:



The New Adventure Bible: NIV Study Bible for Kids. This book is written for ages 8 to 12. There are many colorful pages, with helpful guides and maps and summaries for each gospel.



The New Book of Christian Prayers. The editor, Tony Castle has collected more than 1,000 prayers from the first to the twentieth century and a vast range of authors. You will enjoy browsing through the pages and recognize a variety of authors.



Nightgowns and Broomsticks, by Tennie Jenkins. The author, our long time church member, Tennie Jenkins, wrote of her experience of caring for her elderly mother and recollections of her family and her own childhood. She wrote her interesting story with care and compassion. We are replacing her book with a duplicate as it was missing from our shelves.



(More)

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

A listing of 2014 recipients of **Presbyterian Women's mission gifts*** appears on the PW bulletin board (across from the Westminster Room). The September and October issues of *The Beacon* contained excerpts from some of the thank-you letters/notes received - here are three more:

From Carol Hall, RN (School Based Health Centers Manager), Lincoln County Health and Human Services: "Thank you so much for your recent donation ... Your ongoing support has allowed us to ... improve the quality of the life and health of the youth living in Lincoln County."

From Mark Miranda (Board Chair) and Liz Martin (Development Director), Lincoln County Children's Advocacy Center: " ... You are making an investment in the future of children who have been suspected and/or confirmed to be victims of abuse or neglect ... thank you for making our work possible. It is with your commitment that we can continue to serve the children of our community and change the lives of these very courageous children."

From Cindy McConnell, on behalf of Project Homeless Connect's Food Committee (acknowledging PW's additional contribution for food for PHC's 2014 Event): "You guys ROCK!!!! Thank you so much!!!! The Food Committee Chair was absolutely over the moon!!!"

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



NOVEMBER CALENDAR ITEMS

FOR PW & CIRCLES



Sunday, November 2nd (after worship service): "Adoptions" begin for 2014 "Gifts for Kids" Christmas Mission (Geneva Hall)



Thursday, November 13th - 9:30 a.m.: Fireside Circle Meeting (Westminster Conference Room)



Friday, November 21st - 1:30 p.m.: Fellowship Circle Meeting (Westminster Conference Room)



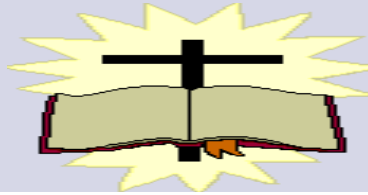
Confirmation to Church Office:

There will be NO meeting for PW in November.

Presbyterian Women

No November PW Meeting:
please join us for our next meeting
on Sunday, December 7th.

CIRCLE MEETINGS



FIRESIDE CIRCLE will meet at **9:30 a.m., on Thursday, November 13th**, in the Westminster Room. Anna Easley will serve both as hostess and leader of the meeting.

FELLOWSHIP CIRCLE will meet at **1:30 p.m., on Friday, November 21st** in the Westminster Room.

Both Fireside Circle and Fellowship Circle will be studying:

Lesson Three:

“Covenants and God’s Enduring Faithfulness”

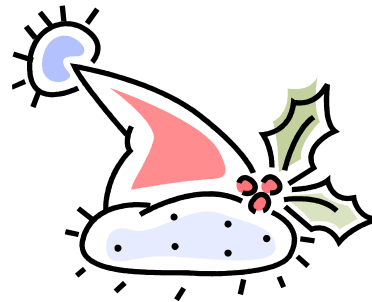
Scripture: 2 Corinthians 3:1-4:6



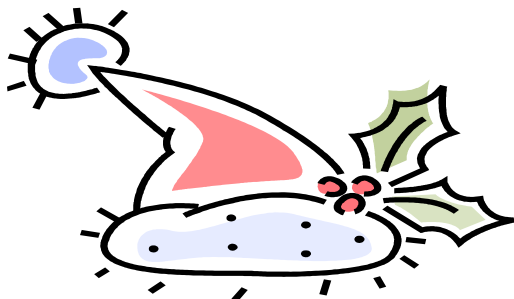


FOR THE CHILDREN

Christmas 2014



Early in November, our friendly Christmas Elf icon will once again begin to appear here-and-there around our church ... he represents our spirit of giving, as we launch our 2014 "Gifts For Kids" Christmas Mission, which provides gifts for children living in our community who are under the protection of the Lincoln County Children's Advocacy Center (CAC) and the Child Welfare Division of the Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS). Your "Gifts For Kids" Committee will have the "adoption" table ready in Geneva Hall **after the worship service on Sunday, November 2nd** (and on each Sunday thereafter until all children on our list are assured of receiving a gift this Christmas) ... we'll hope to see you there!



NOTICE OF EVENTS



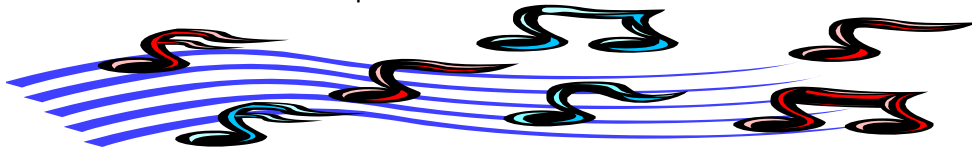
November 15, 2014 – Newport Nazarene Church - 6:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.

NEWPORT *Christian* Music Festival & All Star Dessert Challenge

Admission by donation to benefit

Inter-Christian Outreach

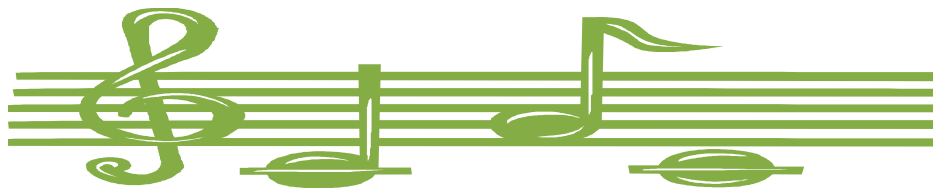
A Newport Ecumenical Mission



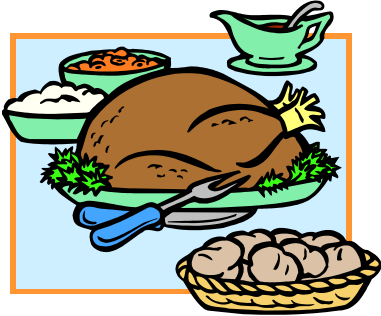
December 11, 2014 – First Presbyterian Church Newport – 7:00p.m. – 8:00p.m.

Coastalaires Food Pantry Benefit

Admission by donation to benefit



OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE



Our Church will serve dinner at St. Stephens Episcopal Church on the third Monday of each month . . . this month date is November 17th.

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, Light Bulb Changers (Office and Church), Ground Maintenance Work Party, Watch for the Time and Talents Offering coming soon

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



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Ann Denison

Administrative Assistant

Beacon Deadline(*)

for

DECEMBER

is

NOVEMBER 3

(*)NOTE: When possible, please send a Word Document as an "Attachment" when you e-mail your articles.

Thank you,
The Editor

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