

# THE BEACON



## Upcoming Events

<b>Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Communion Sunday Presbyterian Women Recorder Society Benefit</b>	<b>11:30 3:00 pm</b>
<b>Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Mission Study</b>	<b>11:00am</b>
<b>Feb. 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Read &amp; Feed</b>	<b>4:30-7:00</b>
<b>Feb. 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Deacons Meeting Kids Church</b>	<b>11:30am 11:30-1:00</b>
<b>Feb. 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Mission Study</b>	<b>11:00am</b>
<b>Feb. 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Men's Group @ Izzy's</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>
<b>Feb 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Fireside Circle</b>	<b>9:30am</b>
<b>Feb. 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Kids Church</b>	<b>11:30-1:00</b>
<b>Feb. 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Presidents' Day Office Closed Mission Study Stone Soup</b>	<b>11:00am 4:30-7:00</b>
<b>Feb. 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Fellowship Circle</b>	<b>1:30pm</b>
<b>Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Congregational Mtg. &amp; Potluck-</b>	<b>Noon</b>
<b>Feb. 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Men's Book Study</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>

## February 2014

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### Rummage Sorting Dates

Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> – Rummage  
sorting – 9:00 am

### Wednesday Meeting Schedule

#### **NEW**

10:30 – Worship Team

11:00 – Prayer Team

11:30 – Staff Meeting

## Pastor's Pencil

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*For my thoughts are not your thoughts, says the Lord, nor are your ways my ways  
As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways.*

Isaiah 55.9.

With Dave Heater leaving to become the new General Manager of Mariner Square, the Session has approved my request for a new Mission Study. Bill & Vivian Johnson, Jane Haskell, Don Merwin, Stuart & Benjamin Clausen have been recruited to help with this study beginning with a review of the book *Holy Conversations*, by Gil Rendell and Alice Mann. The book is based on the experience of the two authors who have worked with churches the past twenty years.

What I like most about the book is its emphasis on *discernment*. In our techno, scientific, rational age, we want to solve a problem right away. That might work in a business, science lab, high tech firm or university, but a church is a much different creation. In our Reform Tradition, the church is a divine community seeking to serve the Lord.

Dave has left a big, big hole in our common ministry. We are still discovering how much he did and we appreciate your patience as we temporarily fill the gaps. The rational question would be, "How can we quickly plug this hole?" The *discernment* question is, "Where is God leading us?" The first question usually is responded to with a quick solution. The second question takes time.

Please pray for us as we seek the Lord's guidance in hopes that we will continue to serve him in our Newport ministry.

Yours for an inspiring Mission Study,

Don

### Kids Church

We are keeping the fun going on February 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> with Kids Church. From 11:30am-1:00pm the youth of our church will be enjoying fellowship, fun, and food while learning about God and the importance of friendship. All ages are welcome, please contact **Michelle Cottrell** for details 541-961-4721.

## Prayer List

### Church Triumphant:

- ❖ Clay Creech

### Concerns:

- ❖ Rex Parker – Newport Rehab
- ❖ Jim Myers – cancer treatment
- ❖ David Hansen – heart surgery
- ❖ Katey Thomas – healing
- ❖ Bob Gableman – cancer
- ❖ Shantelle White – cancer
- ❖ Cassie Seems – cancer (Neva Stewart's niece)

### Youth, Military & Missions:

- ❖ Marcus Luther – Teach To America
- ❖ Candice Mettle – studying in Germany
- ❖ Navy Warrant Officer Dustin Trask – Afghanistan
- ❖ Dave Heater – mentoring students at Newport High School

### Local:

- ❖ Crab fishermen – including Kinder Cottrell 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 needs 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](http://www.mowaa.org).

### Dine Out for Samaritan House

Wednesday, February 5, Kum Yon Restaurant hosts Dine Out for Samaritan House. Enjoy traditional Oriental Cuisine, Sushi, Bento and more as you help support our homeless families. Kum Yon will donate 15% of the days proceeds.

### 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.

**Questions?** Contact **Pam Merwin** at 541-265-4095



Newborn Necessities



## Presbyterian Women Meeting

Geneva Hall  
 Sunday - February 2nd  
*Meeting in Westminster Room, followed by  
 Program Presentation by **Bill Hall***

Presbyterian Women are pleased to welcome back our own Bill Hall (Lincoln County Commissioner) as our February Guest Speaker! We are grateful to Bill for again making time in his schedule to update us on the realities of Lincoln County's homeless individuals, and also on the status of alcohol and drug abuse in our community. Please note that PW meetings are open to ALL women in the church (members and non-members), and we cordially welcome guests; so do invite your friends, and join us for PW's fellowship and Bill's enlightening program.

## Circle Meetings

**Fireside Circle** will meet at 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, February 13th, in the Westminster Room (Hostess: **Anna Easley**; Leader: **Carol Jones**).

**Fellowship Circle** will meet at 1:30 p.m., on Friday, February 21st, in the Westminster Room.

Both Fireside Circle and Fellowship Circle will be studying:

### Lesson Six:

"Becoming a Holy People"

Scripture: *Exodus 19 and 24; Deuteronomy 7:1-11*

Key Idea(s): In the covenant relationship, God offers us abundant blessings. We honor this covenant through the choices we make each day.

### The Library Ceiling Is Fixed And The Library Is Open Again

Volunteers removed all the books from the shelves while repairs were made and reshelfed the books when the work was completed.

Thank you for your hard work: **Bill Johnson**, **Sharon Beardsley**, **Eunice Forinash** and **Shirley George**.

We notice that some children's books are missing, especially those about Easter and Thanksgiving. If you have them please help our library by returning them as soon as possible.

Thank you **Nel Ward** for your continued supply of beautiful new Christmas books that children and parents have enjoyed for many years.

This year she contributed the following beautifully illustrated books:

**The Story of Christmas** using the King James Bible and illustrated by Pamela Dalton.  
**The Birds of Bethlehem.** *Tomie de Paola* is the author and illustrator.





## Coffee Hour

Donations for Coffee Hour would be greatly appreciated!! Cans of Coffee, bottles of juice, Chocolate chip Cookies and other treats! Cash donations in the plastic container purchase fresh roasted coffee from a local vender. In the past, many have purchased a pound of coffee for their birthday. Volunteers are needed for serving and cleanup. Using Paper Cups helps with cleanup. Any suggestions are appreciated. Please see **Carol Jones**.



## Pies, Please

Calling all aspiring pie chefs! Your gracious help is once again needed for the Annual Rummage Sale's "Diner Extravaganza!"

A total of 100 are needed. Fruit pies (also cakes or brownies) will be welcomed from your own kitchen, but all cream pies (per Oregon Department of Health Requirements) must come from a commercial source (i.e., Safeway, Fred Meyer, The Chalet Restaurant, etc.)

Your desserts can be delivered starting Wednesday, April 9th. A sign-up sheet is posted on PW's bulletin board (across the hall from the Westminster Conference Room).

A big thank-you for your enthusiastic help in support of this event!

Questions? Contact Kitchen Department Chair **Liz Martin** at 541-270-1300.

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

### FEBRUARY

Anna Easley 1<sup>st</sup>

Jane Haskell 1<sup>st</sup>

Richard Beemer 2<sup>nd</sup>

Jan Bauer 2<sup>nd</sup>

Sarah Shindelman 4<sup>th</sup>

Marianne Mendenhall 5<sup>th</sup>

Toni Mueller 11<sup>th</sup>

Don Taylor 11<sup>th</sup>

Connie Hildebrand 14<sup>th</sup>

Shirley George 14<sup>th</sup>

Don Merwin 20<sup>th</sup>

Justin Layton 23<sup>rd</sup>



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# Rummage Sale

## RUMMAGE REMINISCES, RESONANCES AND REQUESTS

("PW" and "Rummage" -- by any other names,  
they really remain about the same!)

Over 100 years ago -- in December 1907, our Newport Presbyterian Women were known as the "Presbyterian Ladies' Aid," and they held a "Church Bazaar" on December 13th in a log cabin! They issued their invitation in verse -- a copy of which you'll find posted on PW's bulletin board (across from the Westminster Conference Room). As you read this clever invitation of yesteryear, you'll see that the gist of it is still true today -- as the present-day members (now known as "Presbyterian Women") prepare for what they now call their "Rummage Sale."

Although our Sale is sponsored by PW, it takes our entire congregation to produce it -- we can't do it without YOU!! We invite YOU to become an important part of this church-wide endeavor by considering (one, some, or all of) these volunteer/donation opportunities:

1. Provide one or more pies (a total of 100 are needed) -- slices of which will be served in our "Diner" on Thursday and Friday of the Sale (sign-up sheet on PW's bulletin board). *Note: Please see a separate message in this issue from Kitchen Department Chairperson **Liz Martin** concerning Department of Health requirements.*
2. Provide plant cuttings, divisions and bulbs -- to be delivered to our Garden Department on Tuesday afternoon of Rummage Week (if you need pots, please contact Garden Co-Chairs Janice and **Jim Scharbach** at 541/867-6437).
3. Provide **CLEAN!!** rummage donations -- 4"x5" "**Do Not Donate**" cards are available at five convenient locations within the Church: (1) **Library window**, (2) **North-Eastern-most window in Geneva Hall**, (3) **window next to the Office door**, (4) **Calvin Room door**, and (5) **PW's bulletin board**. They'll help you to determine what we can accept.
4. Be a Friday "Sorter" -- join us for fellowship and fun as we sort and "departmentalize" our rummage donations each Friday morning, beginning at 9:00 a.m.
5. Provide "Rummage Week" Help -- needed are: **sales staff** for each department; **vehicles + strong arms and backs** for pick-up and delivery of large items; **snack-foods** to sustain the energies of our volunteers during Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of Rummage Week; **"pricers"** of our wares (Monday-Wednesday of "Rummage Week"); **set-up and/or clean-up volunteers**.

Questions? Call either of our Rummage Co-Chairs: **Beth Mathewson** (541/265-7484) or **Marianne Mendenhall** (541/867-7474).

Presbyterian Women  
Rummage  
Sale



Rummage Sale Dates:

**April 10th - 12th, 2014**

Proceeds will support: Our Church, Our  
Community, and World-Wide Mission Goals



**FPY's "Shoppers-Extraordinaire"  
for the  
2013 "Gifts For Kids" Mission:  
Paige Schindler, BayLee Layton, Laura Kruse &  
Sydney Brucha**



### "GIFTS FOR KIDS" Christmas Mission 2013 Accomplished!

From our hearts to yours -- thank you from Presbyterian Women's "Gifts For Kids" Committee to our Presbyterian Community -- you've ensured that 117 at-risk children in Lincoln County under the protection of the Lincoln County Children's Advocacy Center (LCCAC) and the Child Welfare Division of the Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS) received a gift to open at Christmas-time!

Our benefactors who love to shop "adopted" and lovingly selected gifts for a total of 88 children; our benefactors who find it difficult to shop made generous cash donations, with which our own First Presbyterian Youth (FPY) carefully custom-shopped for a total of 29 children. Making thoughtful age/gender selections were the following members of FPY and their adult advisors: **Paige Schindler, BayLee Layton, Laura Kruse, Sydney Brucha, Dave Heater, and "Gifts For Kids" co-Chairs Barbara and Art Bradley.** Presbyterian Women extend grateful recognition to each "Shopper-Extraordinaire," and again to our generous and caring benefactors whose donations made it all possible!!

AN FYI concerning monetary donations: In order to allow time sufficient to accomplish the "adoptions" and shopping (by FPC/FPY) plus the gift inspections, wrappings and deliveries (by LCCAC AND DHS), the list of children must be furnished to our Committee each year in October; inevitably, though, more children are admitted to the system in the months of November and December. The "Gifts For Kids" Committee carefully monitors the donation amounts in order to balance what is received against the cost of FPY's shopping for those not chosen from our list; however, although our goal is not to ask for more than is needed, it is impossible to collect what is needed to the exact penny. Question: What happens to any extra amount received? Answer: Priority dedication is to additional gifts for the November/December-entry children; any further amount remaining is deposited in LCCAC's New Clothing Fund.\*

*\* The New Clothing Fund was a long-time dream  
of the Children's Advocacy Center,  
for those children who enter the system  
lacking essential wearing apparel.  
The fund's seed money was provided in 2005  
by our "Gifts For Kids" benefactors!*

Our annual "Gifts For Kids" Christmas mission is PW-sponsored, but it is made possible through your love and generosity -- our heartfelt gratitude to you, not only for the gifts received, but for the ongoing gifts of your prayers for these very special children.

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Beacon Deadline  
for  
March  
is  
February 10<sup>th</sup>



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