



FOREST GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Messenger

November 2009

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ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

On Sunday, November 1st our worship will include Holy Communion and a Service of Remembrance in which we remember in a special way all the members of the church who have died since November 1st, 2008. The families and friends of those we remember are especially invited to attend. This year we remember our church members Gib Paterson, Leona Vaughn, and Lois Zumwalt, and others who have been associated with Forest Grove UMC.

Submitted by: *Pastor Dan*

THE RETURN OF THE KING

Over the next four Sundays, we will be looking at the role of kings in the Bible, specifically how that relates to Christ being a "king" and what sort of king he was. The last Sunday of the church liturgical year, November 22nd, is "Christ the King" Sunday. On that day we will conclude this 4-part sermon series.

Along with this sermon series, we will be showing the "Lord of the Rings" movie series on three successive Sunday afternoons at 5:30 p.m. beginning November 8th. Join us in the youth room as we learn about kings and related topics in a relaxed atmosphere.

Submitted by: *Pastor Dan*

WESLEYANS MEETING

All women are invited to our gathering on Nov. 3rd at 7 pm, in the Garden Room. *Erma Heisler* will present the program; refreshments will be served. Please join us!

Submitted by: *Patty Davie*

ANNUAL ALL-CHURCH CONFERENCE

District Superintendent *Kate Conolly* will join us Tuesday at 7 p.m. on Nov. 24th in the Sanctuary for the "annual meeting" of our church family. If you haven't encountered Kate yet, you're in for a real treat!

Submitted by: *Pastor Dan*

MAY WE PRAY FOR YOU?

The prayer chain is a group of twenty-two Christians committed to praying for one another and our church and anyone who asks for prayer. You can contact them at either of the phone numbers listed below. (Please call only between 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.)

Marilyn Carr 503-357-2622

Maurine Scott 503-357-4866

We don't need the whole story. We'd like to know a name (first name only is fine) and some idea what the concern is (for example health issues, school work, or a job search). We would feel privileged to join your prayers in this way.

May God bless you and keep you and those you love.

SECOND SATURDAY GARDEN PARTY

November 14th will be the last Garden Party of the year! Begin at 8:30 a.m., quit at 12 noon. Bring your rain hats, gloves, rakes & garden tools and join the camaraderie. Weeds and fallen leaves furnished. Refreshments at half-time!

Submitted by: *Margaret Hoerber*

THE PASTOR'S PAGE

I am so grateful that you as a congregation have supported the growth of leaders in this church, both spiritually and skill-wise, by helping send them in early October to the *Leadership Institute* at the Church of the Resurrection in Leawood, Kansas. Thank you.

I want to share with you a couple of personal insights from the trip.

First, I came away from the event with a clarity that having an engaging and easily-remembered mission statement that focuses what we do as a church, is of great value. Therefore, your Church Council is engaging in a process that will lead us to a new, briefer way to say, and share with others, why we do what we do as a church.

Second, the hospitality and generosity of spirit evident in the “hospitality servants” at the church was very evident, strong, and amazing. You will read elsewhere in this newsletter, testimonies about this from others who attended.

Third, I return home with a renewed sense of hope, opportunity, and desire to be ever more intentional, clear, and focused in what we are about as a church community whose ways and lives are shaped by the ways, life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

At the Church Council retreat in mid-October, we identified three focused areas in which we wish to engage our efforts in the coming year:

Hospitality
Mission
Spiritual Growth

The Council sees much opportunity and room for growth in these areas. Perhaps you do, too! If you have an idea of how we can do better in any of these areas, speak up! We need to hear your voice, your ideas, where God is calling you. We all have gifts that God meant for us to share, and to do so shoulder-to-shoulder with others headed in the same direction is a satisfying and life-giving thing.

You will hear more about a new church mission statement, the purpose for which we exist as a church. You will see new things happening around the church and beyond. You will be invited to be a part of something that excites, inspires, or even challenges you. It may be hard work, but we seek for it to also be fulfilling work that makes a difference for the better in somebody else's life.

Jesus came that we might have life in all its abundance. So did you. So I ask: “Into whose life will you bring abundance in these days because of what you choose to do with others here at this church?”

Our God is a God of grace, abundant grace. May that grace flow through you these days to bless others deeply, abundantly, and give them hope.

In gratitude for God's abundant love that shines through you,



Pastor Dan

FROM THE ALTAR TO THE WORLD

Contentment

Lord, help me to be grateful for what I have, to remember that I don't need most of what I want, and that joy is found in simplicity and generosity. - from *Enough* by Adam Hamilton

I'll be taking care of the most important item on my Christmas list in the next few days. For some years now I have celebrated my extended family with a gift to alleviate some area of need in the world. This year goes to the Nothing but Nets campaign. You can read more about the campaign by Googling "Imagine No Malaria" and you can make a contribution at www.UMCnothingbutnets.net An insect repellent covered net sufficient to protect a family costs \$10 and is making a huge difference in the health of recipients.

Along these same lines I'd like to introduce you to the Advent Conspiracy. It is an international movement restoring the scandal of Christmas by substituting compassion for consumption. You can find out more about it and how to join in on world changing activities at www.adventconspiracy.org.

I'm guessing many of you are searching for ways to make your celebration of the Advent and Christmas seasons more meaningful and more in line with your faith. These are a couple of ideas that have captured my imagination. There are many others such as shopping at places such as Ten Thousand Villages and looking for churches in the area that may be offering an Alternative to Christmas Shopping Marketplace.

When Reverend Cathy Whitlatch preached at FGUMC during the summer, she told the story of Christmas at Ginghamburg UMC in Ohio where Pastor Mike Slaughter challenges his congregation to match the dollars spent on gift giving with a gift to a specific mission the church is related to. Those who traveled to Kansas City and the Church of the Resurrection heard Mike Slaughter himself tell the same story. Since Ginghamburg UMC is a mega church the results of the offering were huge. It doesn't have to be huge in dollars to be important. Every gift given in the spirit of making a difference in the world is spirit huge.

Your servant in Christ,
Rhoda Pittman Markus

VISIT TO A MOSQUE

We have been invited to visit Bilal Mosque in Beaverton on the afternoon/evening of Saturday November 14th. An approximate schedule is given below. Details will be firmed up at a later date.

- 5 p.m. Arrive at the mosque for a brief discussion and perhaps tea.
- 6-6:15 pm Prayers in the mosque prayer rooms.
- 6:30-6:45 pm Follow-up get-together

Shahriar Ahmed, president of the Bilal Mosque Association, has assured me that there is no "dress code" for our visit. However, I think that we should show respect by dressing modestly. The Muslim women will wear a scarf or other garment covering their hair and neck. We will remove our shoes before entering the prayer rooms.

Since the timing of our visit will coincide with dinner time for many of us, perhaps we could meet afterwards, perhaps at Elmer's or Shari's.

Submitted by *Ted Oakberg*

BETHLEHEM MARKETPLACE

Bethlehem Marketplace 2009 is scheduled for Sunday, December 6. It will take place in the Fellowship Hall during the Sunday School hour - 9 a.m. and also during Fellowship Time after worship.

Now is the time to be thinking about what role you want to plan in the event. You alone or you and your family may want to have a market stall. Shop ideas include a Jewelry Shop, Herbs & Spices, Musical Instruments, Carpentry, Pottery, Weaving, Bakery, Candy, Painting, Mosaics, Toy-Making, Perfume or your own creative idea of what might have been a market stall in Bethlehem at the time of Jesus' birth. There are individual roles to play as well - last year there was a beggar, a Roman soldier, a Tax Collector, Census Taker, and others. There will be need for behind the scenes people especially a costume organizer. Now is the time to be thinking about how you want to participate. Of course, coming and enjoying the morning is also an option! What is a marketplace without shoppers!!

Watch for an opportunity to sign up early in November or email Rhoda at revrpm@verizon.net right away if you have an idea.

Submitted by **Rhoda Pittman Markus**
503-357-3998; 503-201-1233 (cell)



Bethlehem Marketplace 2008

CHRISTMAS BASKETS

It's time to start thinking about Christmas Baskets again! This year's baskets will contain food items only. Our church will be giving out 30 Christmas Baskets this year and there are several ways you can help!

1. **Food** Donate non-perishable food items including but not limited to stuffing, potatoes, flour, sugar, rice, masa harina, yams, canned vegetables, canned fruits etc. Please bring non-perishable food items on **Thanksgiving Sunday, November 22nd**, and place them in front of the Altar or directly into the Christmas Basket container.
2. **Money** Donate money. You can write a check to the church and designate it for Christmas Baskets. The sooner checks come in the sooner we will know how much money we have to spend on baskets.
3. **Sign up to adopt a family.** (We don't have names yet so watch for more info!)
4. **Adopt a Family.** On November 28th, paper ornaments with information on families that you will be available to adopt will be posted. You may pick the size family you are able to help and then register the family on the sign-in sheet. Please record which family you have chosen and if you want to supply all the items in your basket or if you want to use some items from the church i.e. turkey, ham, chicken, side dishes etc. If you do a basket all on your own, plan with the family what they want and when to deliver your basket. The last date to adopt a family will be December 12th.
5. **Come to the Party! Saturday, December 19th at 9 am.** We will have food items available for Christmas Baskets and we will need help filling and delivering baskets. We plan to begin delivering by 11 am and cleaning up and out the door by 1 pm.

Want to help with the Christmas Basket Team? Please call Chuck and Betty at 503-359-9340.

Questions? Contact
Ken and/or **Elizabeth Larsen** 360-421-0819
Chuck and/or **Betty Pritchard** 503-359-9340

F. G. U. M. C. CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 2009

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LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE INSIGHTS

In early October, ten persons from our church attended the *Leadership Institute* at the United Methodist Church of the Resurrection in Leawood, Kansas. The *Institute* is designed to strengthen, inspire, and encourage church leaders through worship, teaching, and sharing of ideas that have worked for them and others in their endeavor to be the best they can be as the Church. Below are some thoughts from some of those whom you sent to attend the *Institute*:

Lela Baskins said, "What 'impacted' me more than anything was the complete organization and the total hospitality of the Church of the Resurrection. I appreciated the buildings that were well marked with neat signs that told us what groups were assigned to the areas. If the doors were not open, someone was there to do that and directional signs were always current. Space and effort was made for hospitality with persons available to assist in any way.

I know that we are a 'regular size' church, but we need some place that is staffed with 'hospitality minded 'servants'" (using the changed name for Volunteers) where persons will be welcomed and given proper information about the services and opportunities to serve. I think we should have an area near each door for Hospitality and items that are usually just in the narthex hall.

I think there should be signs for OFFICE, PASTORS STUDY, etc, guiding everyone to the right doors. I think we should have a well lighted outdoor sign with times of Worship and other events."

Emily Tabb said, "My time at the Leadership Institute was inspirational and refreshing. What impacted me the most was the clear and concise mission statement of the church. The youth sessions I attended started with "here is the mission of our church and here is how our youth program has adopted that and made it our own". There was a sense of continuity and accountability in every program of the church body. Second, I came away with the feeling we need to be more accommodating to young families and young adults in our church. As a young adult and a young parent, I sometimes feel left out or ignored.

A few things I would love to see happen at our church as a result of my experience would be a worship service/ experience that reached all generations through the choice of music and the order of service; more family friendly nursery and programs in the church; and a clear and concise mission statement that every member in the church knew and endorsed.

Thank you for the opportunity to attend such an amazing event. I would love to share more of my experience with anyone who'd like to hear!"

Rhoda Markus said, "The thing I liked best about the Leadership Institute at The Church of the Resurrection is how everything that was going on in the life of the church came back to the well thought out mission of the church. I can give you 2 examples from the workshops I attended.

The first workshop told about "Faith Works," a two Saturday morning a month service/outreach into the community opportunity. There are several projects going on. Some of them are one-time events; others of longer duration. It is open to people from the community as well as church members. After a very brief talk time teams are sent out to do their work. One of the advantages of Faith Works is that it is an entry point for the unchurched folks in the community. Relationships begin to happen through common need to be in service to something beyond the self. Faith Works calls the "non and nominally religious people" into the first step toward "becoming deeply committed Christians."

The second workshop was about small group ministry. Church members are expected to be in a small group aimed at spiritual growth. There is a clearly defined process of moving from an introduction to the Journey of Spiritual Growth through several levels of growing deeper. This expectation addresses the idea of "becoming deeply committed Christians."

To build a Christian community where non-religious and nominally religious people are becoming deeply committed Christians is the mission statement of The Church of the Resurrection and you can see from the phrases in quotations how these two programs lead back to the mission statement.

Liz Swenson said, "The hospitality workshop at Church of the Resurrection was impressive. There is nothing casual about how CoR welcomes visitors. They are intentional: they have a clear idea what a visitor's experience should be, and a specific plan to make it happen. They invest a great deal of staff and volunteer effort into that plan. Ask me about it. I'd love to tell individuals and groups what I learned. But their attitude is more important than their activities and techniques. The CoR hospitality team is focused on their job. They describe it as 'customer service for God.'"

THE POWER OF PRAYER

This month the youth and I are focusing on prayer. We are discussing the importance of prayer to our faith life and techniques to get us started in prayer. Here is an example:

The A.C.T.S. Prayer

A for Adoration: “Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies.” – Psalm 36:5

C for Confession: “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.” -1 John 1:9

T for Thanksgiving: “Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men.” –Psalms 107:15

S for Supplication: “...Oh, that you would bless me and enlarge my territory! Let your hand be with me, and keep me from harm so that I will be free from pain.” -1 Chronicles 4:10

We have also started **Prayer Partners**. This is an opportunity for the youth and members of the congregation to experience the power of prayer. The adult Prayer Partners will be praying for their youth every day from now until the end of the school year. Already, the youth have expressed the appreciation they feel toward their prayer partner, and are beginning to get a glimpse of just how much they are loved by our church family.

The Prayer Partners have made a very gracious and very meaningful commitment to our youth and I thank them! I can't wait to see the fruit this will produce not only in the lives of the youth, but in the lives of the adults as well.

Now I am asking you, the church body, to pray for this program and the people directly involved. This is an opportunity for the entire congregation to support and nurture the youth in our family. Please pray for the youth as they search for where God is calling them, struggle with the pressure and stress of school, and deal with the trials of being young. Also, pray for the adults that God will bless their lives and help them make time to pray for their prayer partner.

Submitted by: *Emily Tabb*

Here is a list of the Prayer Partners:

Adam Berrego	Ted Oakberg	Kayla Hartmann	Rhoda Markus
Alyssa Dionne	Patti Rose	Jason Haynes	Robert Nickerson
Connor Dionne	Dave Rose	John Heun	Ian Rice
Weston Duyck	Meri Lance	Fletcher Johnson	John Whitmore
Chanté Gustafson	Ann Ulum	David Lance	Ed Davie
Alexis Gardner	Betty Ludlam	Jaron Rust	Carole Heun
Rachel Hampton	Liz Swenson	Max Wilson-Fey	Bobby Tabb
Taylor Haney	Christie Rice	Noah Wilson-Fey	Jerry Hoerber

WORK WANTED

One of our Jr. High youth, *Adam Borrego*, is looking for work around the house and yard to help pay for a trip to Korea this year. Please contact the church @ 503-357-2689 or emily.tabb@gmail.com for more information.

CELEBRATE GENEROSITY

Celebrate the generosity of our congregation, who donated over \$20,000 so far in 2009 to special causes in our church and beyond.

You have given \$7200 to send our youth to a mission trip in Greensburg, Kansas. We have seen the result in photos. More importantly, we have seen it in the deep and enthusiastic spiritual response of our young people to the challenge of helping others. You gave \$1950 to support other youth programs, including the youth Winter Retreat, Destination Unknown, and other youth activities.

You have given \$3800 to send ten of our leaders to a Leadership Institute at the Church of the Resurrection in Kansas City. You have begun to see the results already, though you may not recognize them yet.

You have sent over \$2700 to missions around the world, for example UMCOR and the Special Sundays offerings. This includes \$984 in support for Harold and Pearl Jensen's **Volunteers in Mission** trip to Uruguay. It also includes gifts sent to Maua Methodist Hospital in Kenya, and support for a mission trip by some of our college students to Guadalajara, Mexico.

You gave \$2850 to missions closer to home, including the Food Pantry, Family Bridge, the Bishop's Fund to Eliminate Hunger, the Pastor's Discretionary Fund, and WESTCO.

You gave \$2400 to other causes, including memorial gifts, the Family Fiesta summer program, the Christian Education Fund, and others. Thank you so very much for your generous support, to care for our congregation and to accomplish missions, local and international, beyond our walls.

Submitted by: *Pastor Dan*

GOOD NEWS

Mentioned at the October 21st Church Council meeting

- for the youth hosting a dinner for Family Bridge
- sense of the presence of God working in our church right now
- the "nametag scramble" was good
- **Ann Ulum** and **Robert Nickerson** hosting the Church Council retreat at their home
- Robert Nickerson covering the heater elements in the nursery
- Seven middle-schoolers at youth group Oct. 21st
- For the **Swensons**, **Oakbergs**, **Caroline Dau** and **Tom Stewart** working in the garden recently
- Youth being asked who represents Christ well; they said **Liz Swenson**

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Thanks to all who recently contributed \$435.00 to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. This goes to help persons in need in our community.

A Community Thanksgiving Worship service will be held at St. Bede's Episcopal Church on Wednesday, November 25th at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

Submitted by: *Pastor Dan*

PEW POLISHING PARTY

Please come join me in polishing the pews Sunday, November 22nd at 2pm. No previous experience required. Tools will be provided.

Submitted by: *Delva Johnson*

PIANOS FOR SALE

The church has two surplus upright pianos that we need to dispose of as soon as possible. If you know of anyone interested in a piano, please contact Edythe Westlund at 503-357-5693.

Submitted by: *Edythe Westlund*

CALLING ALL RECORDER PLAYERS

We would like to get a group of recorders to play Christmas music before the 11 pm Christmas Eve Service. Please let me know if you are interested and we will set up rehearsals. So far we have *Delva Johnson, Liz Swenson* and *Betty Pritchard*.

Submitted by: *Betty Pritchard*
503-359-9340

HOLIDAY SALE OF BAKED GOODS AND MORE

The Wesleyans will hold a sale of baked goods and other items on Sunday, December 20th, immediately after the church service. Get your baked goodies and simple gifts for the holidays! Proceeds will go to the Wesleyan budget for kitchen supplies, etc.

Submitted by *Lois Oakberg*
503-357-8129

HAVE YOU MOVED?

Please be sure that the church office has your new address as soon as possible. Thank you.

Liz Swenson
Church Administrative Assistant

BIRTHDAYS

L. F. McClelland	November 1 st
Addison Hummel	November 2 nd
Tom Stewart	November 3 rd
Chuck Ashton	November 5 th
Eleanor Fitzgerald	November 6 th
Bill Gulacy	November 10 th
Debbie Gamble	November 13 th
Lester Heisler	November 14 th
Martha Tunall	November 15 th
Chanté Gustafson	November 17 th
Dorothy Manley	November 20 th
Dan Wilson-Fey	November 23 rd
Gage Pittman	November 24 th

ANNIVERSARIES

Dan & Eunice Gustafson	November 6 th
Dick & Sue Brenner	November 12 th
Herb & Chong Roehr	November 21 st

ADDISON'S ADDRESS

If you would like to write to Addison while he's away in Scotland, here is his address:

Addison Hummel
KIC1/10R3 Kincaids Court
Guthrie Street
Cowgate
Edinburgh EH1 1JT

<http://addiventures.blogspot.com>

Submitted by *Janet Hummel*

SERVING IN NOVEMBER

Liturgists	Janet Hummel
Altar Guild	Jan Schrock
Bus Coordinator	Lois Oakberg, 503-357-8129
Bus Driver	Elizabeth Larsen
Ushers: November	Jan & Luther Schrock Juanita Kautzmann
Greeters: November	Dick and Trudy Sundstrom David & Laurie Bond
Coffee Coordinator	Janet Hummel
Fellowship Time	
November 1 st	John & Janet Hummel
November 8 th	Volunteers needed
November 15 th	Lela Baskins
November 22 nd	Caroline Dau
November 29 th	Volunteers needed
Nursery Attendant	Adrienne Dionne
Childcare Coord.	Adrienne Dionne
Web Master	Jenny LaCombe
Kitchen Elves	Maurine Scott Volunteers needed
Sound and Media	Steven Wong
Parish Nurse	Patti Rose

CHURCH CORNER – CAROLINE DAU

Caroline (pronounced “Carolyn”) came to us from 11 years in New Mexico, where she’d retired after the death of her husband Willard. Recently she’d promised to move near one of her 3 children: Michael, in Boston, NY; Cathy in Ames, Iowa, (mother of Caroline’s only granddaughter who will be graduating from high school next year); or Alan, who has a business near the Aurora airfield but resides in Forest Gale Heights. It was a difficult decision, but Oregon’s climate won out—that and the fact that her brother lives in Grants Pass.

While in New Mexico, Caroline worked with the Los Lunas school district, and for an association that put on junior rodeos. She volunteered in Back Country Horsemen, maintaining trails for the Forest Service, work that needed to be done with no power equipment. She relearned to enjoy primitive camping.

For over 10 years Caroline and Will had run a 100 acre farm near Orchard Park, NY, replete with pastures, wooded areas and awesome views. They boarded horses; Caroline taught therapeutic riding at Lothlorian Therapeutic Riding Center, to disabled persons from 2 to 70+ years old. Will loved engines and motorboats while she loved canoeing and sailing. But they loved fun together—a legacy Caroline brings with her to FGUMC. Welcome, delightful lady!

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Forest Grove United Methodist Church is to welcome all people, wherever they are on their journey of faith, into nurturing relationships with Jesus and with one another, through worship, small group fellowship and service to others.

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