



FOREST GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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CUPCAKE SUNDAY

September 4th is our annual Cupcake Sunday, when we all bring our favorite cupcakes to share for Fellowship Time. Homemade or store-bought, a dozen or two, we accept them all!

Submitted by: *Janet Hummel*

SECOND SATURDAY GARDEN PARTY

September 10th is our regular Garden Party at church. Weed, prune, clip, cut, sweep, plant, dig, pick-up. Also, drinks and goodies are furnished! Start at 8:30, leave no later than noon. Bring your gardening tools. Hope you can make it.

Submitted by: *Margaret Hoerber*

WESTERN DISTRICT UNITED METHODIST VOLUNTEERS IN MISSION

We have great mission news. Jim Monroe and Sue Owen will be going to Kenya for 2-3 years as volunteers in residence at the Maua Methodist Hospital beginning in June 2012.

UMCOR WEST Depot in Salt Lake City is in need of completed, partial cleaning kits or financial donations to replenish their store of cleaning kits for future disaster aid. They also need School Kits, Health Kits and Layette Kits.

There are two opportunities coming up for Volunteers in Mission.

On September 17th, there will be an information/training session near Medford, Oregon. This will be an opportunity to learn more: about UMVIM, about preparing for a mission, or about how to lead a team.

There is still room for more volunteers for a mission to Costa Rica, February 20th - March 5th, 2012. This will be a construction project at UBL, Bible University of Latin America.

Please contact Chuck and Betty Pritchard at 503-200-4830, b2c2m2@gmail.com or Donna and Glenn Waltman at 503-622-3226, if you have questions.
donawaltman38@yahoo.com

Submitted by: *Chuck and Betty Pritchard*

WESLEYANS POTLUCK

Wesleyans' annual potluck dinner will be on Tuesday, September 6th, at 6:00 PM in the Garden Room. Please bring a dish to share. We'll talk about summer activities and plans for Fall. All ladies are cordially welcome. We look forward to being together for delicious food and good fellowship.

Submitted by: *Virginia Heald*

ALL-CHURCH POTLUCK

On September 11th, we will hold an all-church potluck following the Sunday service. Come, make new friends and renew old friendships. Feast, as you only can at a United Methodist potluck! For more information, call Lois Oakberg at 503-357-8129.

Submitted by: *Lois Oakberg*

IT'S PORTLAND MARATHON TIME AGAIN!

I am looking for 20 volunteers to help at the Portland Marathon, **October 9th**. If you'd like to help, you have to **sign up by Sept. 15th**! We will be at the finish line again. Our shift is 12-4 p.m.. Below is the website to volunteer: www.portlandmarathon.org/volunteer. The password is **fgumc**. This is for youth, young adults, and adults!

Submitted by: *Emily Tabb*

THE PASTOR'S PAGE

Your Church Council made three important decisions in August:

1. To coalesce the administrative functions of the church into a **single 12-member Church Council**
2. To adopt the *Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations* as the concept that guides our thinking and action in regards to ministry:
 - a. Radical Hospitality
 - b. Passionate Worship
 - c. Intentional Faith Development
 - d. Risk-Taking Mission and Service
 - e. Extravagant Generosity
3. To partner with **Joseph Gale Elementary School**.

The details of each of these are being worked out. I am inspired by the Council's bold and faithful action. You are part of a great church with faithful leaders!

In regards to Decision #3, I am grateful to, and inspired by, the 11 persons who have volunteered to support a classroom teacher for the year, to Lois Oakberg for organizing refreshments for teachers as they returned to work on Aug. 29, to Rhoda Markus who is helping develop the weekend food backpack program at the school, and to Ann Ulum, who has offered to be the primary liaison and coordinator for our church's partnership with Joseph Gale Elementary. This all is so exciting to me!

In regards to Decision #1, the Nominations Committee is at work, and intends to present the 12-member Church Council slate to the Charge Conference on September 13th. I hope you plan to be at that meeting.

You may ask, "just what is this new Church Council?" The idea is to pare down the Trustees, Finance, Staff-Parish Relations, and Nominations Committees to the minimum required by the Book of Discipline, the members of each then together forming the Church Council. Only 3 Trustees and 5 SPRC members are required. Add in Finance Chair, Council Chair, Lay Leader, and a Lay Member to Annual Conference, and that's it. The goal, ultimately, is that the Council will meet only quarterly. The suggestion will be that the implementation of the new Council format will be effective immediately, not at the end of the year as is normally done.

Why do this? By limiting the number of persons caring for the administrative (personnel, financial, property) matters of the church, it will free all other persons in the church to engage in the passions of their heart in one of the *Five Practices*: Hospitality, Worship, Faith Development, Mission and Service, and Generosity.

I am inspired by the Council's bold action, and know God has exciting and new things in store for us as a church. I look forward very much to walking with you as I continue to talk with you about these things:

What makes your heart sing?

What, to you, is beautiful?

What is your favorite music?

In faith, hope, and in love,



Pastor Dan

FROM THE ALTAR TO THE WORLD

Love Your Neighbor – a statement embedded in much of Jesus’ teaching. And just who is your neighbor? Today I’m using the words of Becky Harrel, the GBGM missionary at Costa Rica’s Latin American Biblical Institute. It’s Becky who arranged the many experiences Chuck and Betty Pritchard and I took part in in Costa Rica a few months ago. Here’s her story.

“Just outside the gate and on the bottom step leading into the cathedral of downtown San Jose sits an elderly man who has a tag clipped to his shirt stating “I have Parkinson’s”. Each time I enter the cathedral with a work or study team from the U.S. he is faithfully there, humbly holding out his hand for whatever you may wish to share with him. He has captured my attention and heart each time I pass so we speak (rather I speak and he nods).

A short time ago I made that same trip to downtown with a visiting work team and once again we entered the gates. But this time there were two policemen who were attempting to lift up this man and all his meager possessions. My first response was to intervene on his behalf. The police told me they were moving him as TV cameras would soon be arriving and didn’t want him on the main steps. It was the national celebration of “La Negrita de las Angeles” and the faithful from throughout Costa Rica were making their pilgrimage to the national Basilica and on the way stopping here at the city cathedral. I suggested they allow him to stay where he is as this is his usual spot to greet all who enter, but the police saw it differently.

Suddenly two Costa Rican women, who witnessed what was happening, stopped the police and explained that this man was not bothering people, but was an elderly man with an illness and truly in need of help. Knowing these women would most likely have more sway over the police and me, we entered the cathedral.

Upon our exit I looked for the gentleman and found that indeed the police had been successful in moving him to a place where most wouldn’t observe him, and certainly out of the view of television cameras. I walked over and held his hand and his joy continued to show from his eyes as if saying “it’s alright”.

The unworthy, the unclean, the sick, the addicts, those who don’t look like me? These are the ones we are to avoid? Not according to Jesus. What is it that we fear and why do we look away? Are we really fearful of being harmed or something being taken from us? All we have is from God. Do we not realize the power of a loving touch, the amazing force behind a nod or a smile? Do we truly believe that only we are worthy and the others deserve where they are because they have done evil? Really? So we just brush them aside, pass them by on the street, ignore their need? We are saved and they are not...nannynannybooboo! Not the God I know, not the Christ, not the Holy Spirit. Is it possible these encounters are an examination of our hearts? The reflection is sometimes difficult to see.

“All the believers were together and had everything in common. Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need.” Acts 2:44

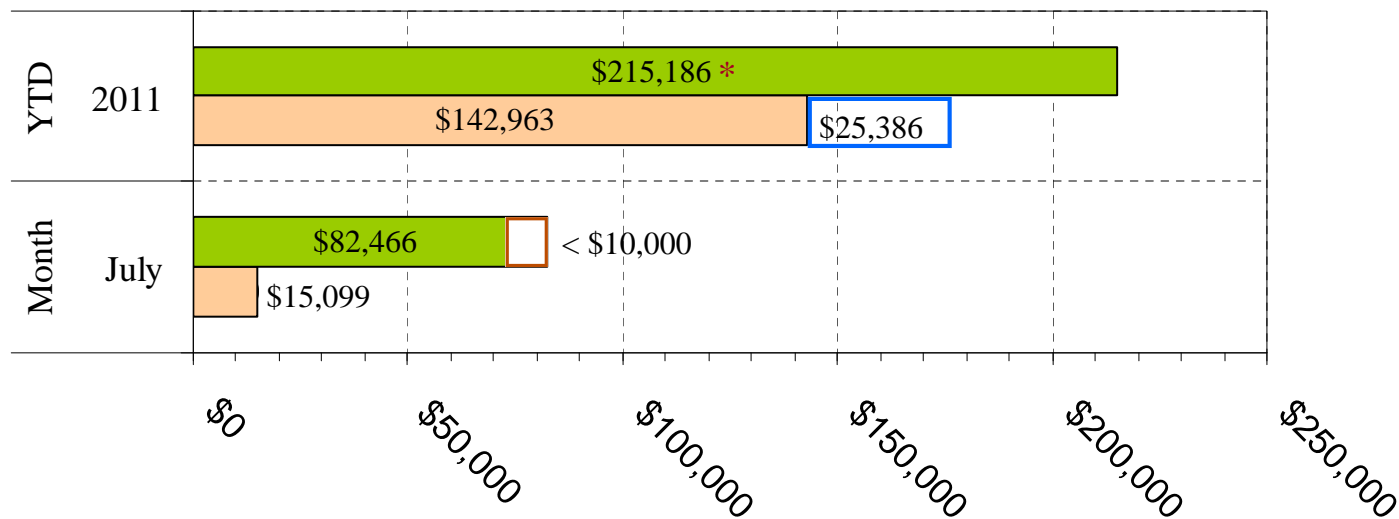
The next trip downtown to the cathedral I feel a hug is more in order for this man, a child of God who like anyone else is having a difficult time. And isn’t that how Jesus taught us to live, to help those around us and in doing so allow them to know Christ as well? One day we may be the one in need and how will we react when the faithful turn away?”

Who do we ignore in our community? Who is invisible to us? What is God calling us to do?

Your servant in Christ,
Deacon *Rhoda Pittman Markus*

MONTHLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

Income/Expense Comparison (As of 7/31/2011)



*Approximately \$65,000 in YTD income came from money transferred from previous years' endowment fund interest and dividends.

Inc. \$10k from Contingency
 Expenses
 Revenue
 Unpaid Apportionments

FINANCE REPORT

Next month when you see the bar graphs for where we are with our church finances, you will see likely see that revenues and expenditures balance. This is because of the approximately \$65,000 which was recently transferred to the operating budget from previous years' unspent interest and dividends from the endowment fund. We are indeed fortunate to have had that option available to us. It will allow us to return to the contingency the \$10,000 we borrowed, as well as paying our apportionments in full for this year.

Such will not be the case next year. With this in mind, the Finance committee is beginning to address ways in which we might cover a possible \$40,000 shortfall. At our August meeting there was a lot of brain-storming and we discussed a variety of ways in which we might increase income. One thing we talked about repeatedly is that we need to do a better job of explaining to the congregation all of the necessary (e.g. fixed) expenses, such as insurance, and the truly good things our church does with its financial resources. Stay tuned to hear more about this in upcoming newsletters. In the meantime, as always, if you have any questions or comments at all about our financial picture, please feel free to share them with any member of the Finance committee.

Submitted by: **Barbara Huson**
Finance Committee Chair

HELP WANTED—DRIVERS FOR THE CHURCH BUS

Many of our senior church members rely on the Church Bus to get to and from church on Sunday mornings. **We need more drivers between the ages of 25 and 69!** For more information, please call Lois Oakberg at 503-357-8129.

Submitted by: **Lois Oakberg**

F. G. U. M. C. CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
August		October				
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			
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	16	17	18	19	20	21
	23	24	25	26	27	28
	30	31				
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
10:00 a.m. Worship: Communion, Cupcake Sunday 11:15 a.m. Fellowship	Labor Day Office closed	6:00 p.m. Wesleyans: Pot Luck	7:00 p.m. Trustees 7:00 p.m. Nominations Committee	TBA (5:00-6:00) Guitar Group 6:00-7:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:00-8:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Pastor's day off	Pastor's day off 8:30—Noon Second Saturday Garden Party
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:15 a.m. Fellowship 11:30 a.m. All-church potluck		6:30 p.m. SPRC 7:00 p.m. Annual Charge Conference	3:00-5:30 p.m. Youth Group 7:30 p.m. Finance Committee	TBA (5:00-6:00) Guitar Group 6:00-7:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:00-8:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Pastor's day off 11:00 a.m. Have committee minutes in office	Pastor's day off 9:30 –Noon: Tillamook Forest Hike
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:15 a.m. Fellowship 11:45-12:30 p.m. Youth Band, Apostlips Rehearsal October Messenger articles due	3:00 p.m. Jennings-McCall Gathering w/ Pastor Dan		3:00-5:30 p.m. Youth Group 6:00 p.m. Grant Committee (If needed) 7:00 p.m. Church Council	TBA (5:00-6:00) Guitar Group 6:00-7:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:00-8:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Pastor's day off	Pastor's day off
<----- Family Bridge ----->						
25	26	27	28	29	30	
9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:15 a.m. Fellowship 11:45-12:30 p.m. Youth Band, Apostlips Rehearsal 12:00 p.m. UMW/UMM		2:00 p.m. The Elms Gathering w/Pastor Dan 7:00 p.m. Women's Book Club	3:00-5:30 p.m. Youth Group	TBA (5:00-6:00) Guitar Group 6:00-7:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:00-8:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Pastor's day off	

UMW -- UMM MEETING

On September 25th, Following a joint potluck lunch, the UMW will present a speaker on Domestic Violence. Anyone interested in learning more about this topic is welcome to join us for lunch and the program. Please bring a dish to share.
Submitted by: **Jan Schrock**

THE FOLLOWING IS AN EXCERPT FROM A LETTER RECEIVED LAST WEEK

"Dear Pastor Wilson-Fey,

It was wonderful meeting you last week to brainstorm different options for a partnership between Joseph Gale and your congregation. I am excited about the opportunities that will come of this partnership. As we discussed, starting off slow and building on it in the future would work well for your members and for Joseph Gale. I would also like to thank your church members for the beautiful pots of flowers they delivered to our front walkway. It brings a nice visual relief from our construction site! I know the teachers will be very appreciative for the welcome back items your church members have gathered for them. It's these generous gestures that make teachers feel appreciated and valued.

Sincerely,
Melissa Carter, Principal, Joseph Gale Elementary"

MUSIC AT FGUMC

Rehearsals for our choirs will begin soon!

Chancel Choir

Chancel Choir is open to anyone who wants to sing with us, grade 7 and above to infinity are welcome! Rehearsals are in the Sanctuary on Thursday evenings at 7 pm. - 8:30 pm. Our first rehearsal will be September 1st. Come join us!

Bell Choir

Bell Choir is open to anyone who wants to play the bells, grade 5 and above to adult are welcome! Rehearsals are in the Craft/Bell room on Thursday evenings from 6 pm-7:00 pm. Our first rehearsal will be September 1st. Come and try ringing the bells! We bet you will love it!

Chime Choir / Children's Choir

Our Children's Choir and Chimers will begin soon. Rehearsal times are yet to be determined. More information will come later.

Guitar Group

We hope to resurrect the guitar group this year. We invite anyone who plays the guitar, beginners to semiprofessionals, to join us. Please let us know if you are interested and we will set rehearsal dates that work out best for the players!

Recorder Group

Our newest musical group is the recorder group. We welcome new players of any age! We practice twice a month, usually Sunday afternoons. Our next rehearsal will be in September. More information will come later. Come, play with us!

Last but not least - Apostlips Youth Band

Any youth who have not been active in the band, please come and join this great group. They practice Sundays 11:30 - 12:45 in the Youth Room. **Christ Rocks!**

We have a lot of fun music planned for the year and would love to have you join us for any or all the choirs!

Questions? Please call Betty at 503-359-9340 or (cell) 503-200-4830.

Submitted by: **Betty Pritchard**

YOUR CHURCH COUNCIL

During the August Council meeting your Council changed the structure, size and focus of the Council. This action is a result of our self-evaluation during the past several months on how the Church organization operates. The focus was on why we have so many important but unfilled positions in our church. We looked at changes needed to help members feel freer to take on jobs and positions of the Church.

We found several things. First, positions or opportunities need to be better defined and the period of the commitment shorter. Next, fewer meetings so there is more time for action, with a contact person to give guidance, answer questions, etc.

So we changed the Council organization to meet these needs. The result is a smaller Council: twelve members, who will represent the required standing positions of the Church; Trustees, Lay, SPRC, Finance, Nominations, Pastor, and Council Chair. They will meet fewer times a year than the present monthly schedule and focus on the overall direction and effectiveness of Church operations. The weekly operations of the Church will be managed by five members, each covering one of the Five Practices; Passionate Worship, Radical Hospitality, Intentional Faith Development, Risk Taking Mission and Service, and Extravagant Generosity. These five will have a direct contact with one of the Council members for communication and support and will coordinate the work and contributions of other Church members to do the works in their area.

Our Nominations Committee will need to work quickly to fill the new and open positions before the Charge Conference that is scheduled for September 13th at 7:00 p.m. Please give them your support.

The Charge Conference is our annual meeting with the Assistant to the Bishop, Rev. **Kate Conolly**. There we will report on the activities of the year. The meeting is scheduled early this year because Kate will be leading all Charge Conferences, about fifty, in her District. This is her last year in her present position.

Please come to the conference on September 13th at 7:00 p.m, to support our Church during this important meeting. Also, please step forward to help make our Church known for our Faith and Actions and continue to support other members in their work.

Submitted by: **Harold Jensen**
Chair, Church Council

YOUTH COLUMN

As the new school year approaches, I am filled with excitement and anticipation! One of my goals is to better communicate with the church, families, and youth, so I am going to share with you my vision for the youth program.

First and foremost, my goal has always been to help youth grow closer to each other and God. From the beginning, Bobby and I believed the most important mission of the youth ministry is for youth to have a solid relationship with God and know they are loved. When all else fails, they would know that their Rock is the unconditional love of God.

With this as my foundation, I believe the most important ministers to the youth are their parents/guardians. I am going to send a monthly newsletter to parents with information about what youth “these days” are into, such as movies and music, ways they can pray for their youth, casual questions to ask, and a monthly calendar.

I will continue to communicate the upcoming youth events through newsletter articles and email. I am going to have a youth board at the back of the Fellowship Hall labeled Past, Present, and Future with information about what we are doing and opportunities for people to volunteer.

After this summer’s local mission trip, the youth group has a passion for service and mission opportunities on a regular basis. We will be discussing what that would look like and how much time they are willing to commit. We are planning to pair up with Hillsboro UMC youth as well as other youth groups on various projects through out the year.

In our weekly youth groups, we are going to grow closer to God through Bible study. Each week one of the youth or I will pick a scripture. We will read it three times, each time asking a different question about how that relates to our lives, what is God calling us to do, and so on. The youth asked for a simple way to study scripture this year.

The Apostlips Youth Band is still going strong and rockin’ the J-man! They will continue to worship God through music with Ian Rice as their leader.

Submitted by: **Emily Tabb**

I CAN BE REPLACED

I *need* to be replaced. There is a birthday coming up in September that will preclude me from driving the church bus (insurance restrictions). We lost Rhoda Markus to that last year, and I picked up some of her slack this year, but with both of us unable to drive, we need to be replaced by younger drivers. Please consider volunteering for driving for both Sunday morning and Family Bridge opportunities. Thank you.

Submitted by: *Marilyn Carr*

INVITATION TO ROMANS

It is difficult to overestimate the importance of Romans in Christian tradition. Some of the great formers and re-formers of church teaching were themselves formed by their reading of Romans. As a result, Paul's teachings in Romans come to us mediated through the history of the church's interpretations of his letter.

The challenge of reading Romans, then, is to learn to have our own interpretive conversation with the text itself, in spite of centuries of commentary on the text. One of the aims of this study is to invite us into conversation around several key themes: 1) Paul's emphasis on communal salvation; 2) the centrality of God's righteousness; and 3) the relationship between Jews and Gentiles and the relationship of both to God.

We will meet on Sundays for about 1 1/2 - 2 hours, for 8 weeks in my home. Starting September 18th or 25th will allow us to finish before Thanksgiving. I plan to do it in the evening, 7:00 - 9:00, but would listen to discussion of 3:00 - 5:00. There is a limit of 12 participants beyond the leader, so if you are interested contact David Rose. If we start on the 18th we will meet on the 11th (if we meet 25th we will meet on the 18th) to distribute materials and get to know each other a little better. We will discuss expectations for the Bible Study, which include dedicated attendance and oral participation. We did Invitation to John last spring and had a great time, so I am looking forward to getting to know this group and experiencing growth in our struggle to learn God's Word.

Submitted by: *Dave Rose*

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Yes, Mission is still alive and well in FGUMC!

Pigs: The Pig Fashion Show and collection will be Sunday September 18th. We hope this gives everyone enough time to fatten up their pigs and make an outfit to win the prize. If anyone has a creative name for this Sunday, please see or call Caroline Dau at 503-747-7321.

Next: UMCOR is in need of blankets or quilts. We will be starting a group of people who like to sew, quilt or just tie blankets. If any of you have used but good blankets, they are very acceptable. Any blankets we get or make will be sent to an area in North Dakota where it gets very cold and people are rather poor.

We could use a lot of help in this project, and it's always fun to work together. We have a sewing machine at church and several of us have portable machines. If you are interested in this project, please call me or Lela Baskins (503-747-2689). Also, let us know whether you would rather get together in the morning or afternoon and what day would be best.

Submitted by: *Caroline Dau*

POSTING SIGNS

Please use *blue masking tape* to post signs in and around the church building. You can find it in the information center in the Fellowship Hall. Our trustees put in considerable effort to repaint surfaces damaged by clear cellophane tape.

They ask your help to prevent damage.

Submitted by: *Cal Clayton*

YOUTH SCHOOL YEAR SCHEDULE

Destination Unknown (Dunk)- 1st Saturday of the month*

*Youth do not know where we are going. Cost \$10.

Youth Group- Wednesdays 3:00-5:30**

**I will be picking them up with the church bus after school

Apostlips- Sundays 11:45-12:15 --- Anyone welcome to join!

Monthly Event- Various times ***

***We have a fun event we do each month. Check the calendar!

Submitted by: *Emily Tabb*

HIKE IN THE TILLAMOOK FOREST

This month our hike date will be the 17th of September, the third Saturday of the month. We will walk west on the Wilson Trail starting from the Kings Mountain Trail Head. This is the same Trail Head we used in July when we went east on the Wilson Trail. The Kings Mountain T.H. is located on the North side of Highway 6 at 0.8 miles west of Milepost 26. We will meet at 9:30 a.m. There is a toilet at the parking lot.

This trail is a general uphill grade so the good news is that it will be downhill all the way back. This time there will not be a destination spot as we have had in the past. However the forest is great and the trail has just been upgraded by South Fork inmates.

After the hike you may join Pearl and me at our house for grilled hot dogs and salad. If you wish to bring something, that will be wonderful. Please let Pearl or Harold know if you are joining the fun, by calling 503-842-0026 or E-Mail at:

Jensen.Tillamook@earthlink.net.

We look forward to getting together with you again.

Submitted by: *Pearl and Harold Jensen*

First Aid/CPR Class

When: October 15th, 2011
Where: Garden Room of the Church
Time: 8:30-4:00 pm Bring a sack lunch!
Registration: \$10.00, which will go toward the total cost of the class.

Register by September 25th.

Instructor: Chuck Pritchard 503-359-9340

b2c2m2@gmail.com

Certification: American Red Cross Certified

Registration forms available in the church office. The total cost will depend on the cost of materials divided by the number of people taking the class, usually around \$30.00.

Submitted by: *Chuck and Betty Pritchard*

BIRTHDAYS

Lyn Boysen	September 1 st
Larean Hodge	September 1 st
Estle Hummels	September 1 st
Diane Long	September 4 th
Tara McCaughey	September 4 th
Ted DePooter	September 7 th
Anne Hall	September 8 th
Mary Jane Nordgren	September 10 th
Marilyn Carr	September 15 th
Mary Ann Mellbye	September 15 th
Delva Johnson	September 16 th
Joanne Rannells	September 16 th
Christie Rice	September 16 th
Bobby Jo Yarborough	September 17 th
Jaron Rust	September 17 th
Lefty Schultz	September 17 th
Rachel Bailey	September 20 th
Alletta Brenner	September 20 th
Muriel Roberson	September 22 nd
Luther Schrock	September 22 nd
Linda Randle	September 25 th

ANNIVERSARIES

Ted & Lois Oakberg	September 3 rd
Ken & Nancy Bond	September 11 th
Sam & Carolyn Judah	September 14 th
David & Jean Aull	September 22 nd
Hugh & Angela Gapay	September 29 th

HAVE YOU MOVED?

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

Submitted by: *Liz Swenson*
Administrative Assistant

SERVING IN SEPTEMBER

Lay Leader	Ann Ulum
Altar Guild	Marion Gustafson
Bus Coordinator	Lois Oakberg, 503-357-8129
Bus Driver:	Loretta Evans
Ushers & Greeters	Linda King, Ken & Nancy Bond, Ella Collins
Coffee Coordinator	Janet Hummel
Fellowship Time	
September 4 th	Cupcake Sunday
September 11 th	Dave & Laurie Bond
September 18 th	Volunteers needed
September 25 th	Nancy & Ken Bond
Nursery Supervisor	Melissa Holcomb
Web Master	Jenny Lyn Englin
Kitchen Elves	Patty Davie & Donna Siddall
Sound and Media	Steven Wong
Parish Nurse	Patti Rose

YOUTH CORNER – KRISTA TEBO

Our sophomore-to-be at FGHS has been active in Apostlips and our Youth Group, being part of last's year's mission trip to San Francisco and this year's local mission work.

Granddaughter of FGUMC's Price and Nelda Franks, Krista and her mother, Lynnea Tebo, love to shop and camp together. They especially enjoy roughing it at Nehalem Bay and Waldo Lake.

Krista is an English and history buff and avid reader. She's recently enjoyed the series, "The Hunger Games." She also loves to write, often creating "random acts of literature" in the form of stories and essays, both serious and optimistic.

Krista loves the color blue, but has problems with yellows, even though they are sunny and bright. She also has problems with situations where what was planned must suddenly be changed. She likes to plan her assignments and her agenda, and dislikes the chaos of disorganization.

Her thoughtful advice to adults: "Youth are more impressionable than you realize, and we tend to follow examples. So what you do makes an impact."

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

**Do justice.
Love kindness.
Walk humbly with God.**

Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors

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by the 18th of each month!

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