

The Church Scroll

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“Reaching Up and Reaching Out”

February 4, 2010



CWF Book Sale

Saturday, February 6

9:00 am-3:00 pm

Fellowship Hall

Proceeds go to Christian Women’s Mission Projects.

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Letters From Dad Kick Off BBQ

Sunday, February 21

6:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

Our own CWF are putting on a BBQ to introduce Letters From Dad to our congregation. Greg Vaughn, author of the best selling book, *“Letters from Dad”* recalls *“I was in my garage, cleaning up after the death of my father when I found his rusty tackle box. I realized that he died without leaving me a note or a signature, only this rusty tackle box. Then it dawned on me, what if I were to die today, what would I leave for my wife and children? I concluded that I would be leaving nothing but a rusty tackle box too! That’s how “Letters From Dad” was born. From there I called 14 other fathers and we started on a journey to leave a legacy to our family. That group birthed a group of 130 men that tuened into a group of 350 men and then a group of 700 men. It is now in over 700 churches and nearly 13,000 men have participated.”*

“Letters from Dad” teaches men to open up their hearts and put into words their love for their wives, children and parents. It not only teaches men “Why” to write letters, the men also learn the mechanics of letter writing and how to keep them preserved for posterity.

The food will be great! Admission is FREE. Anyone is welcome. BRING A FRIEND! Sign-up at church or call the church office so we know how many to expect.

Bites of Bread from Bob

I have always felt that one of the best things that our church does, in ecumenical partnership with other denominations, is Week of Compassion. Over and over again, they are always ready to come bringing the compassion of Christ where ever the need may be.

Their quick and effective response to the earthquake in Haiti is no exception.

Through the largest global alliance of Christian humanitarian agencies, Week of Compassion was on the ground in Haiti within 24 hours. Your generous gifts and offerings are already at work.

In the chaos of aid distribution, they are managing to get food, temporary shelter, water cleaning materials and expertise to the Haitian capital. In cooperation with other Christian relief organizations, Week of Compassion started distributing food and tents, hygiene kits, blankets, jerry cans and water purifiers to 15,000 people in eight communities, targeting areas getting little help from other agencies. It has also sent in a medical team through a specialist healthcare organization. A storage and distribution center in the Dominican Border Town of Jimani has been established, and has begun to provide assistance for Haitians who may try to enter the neighboring Dominican Republic. An air-freight arrived on January 22 in Santo Domingo. The shipment

contained 500 CWS blankets; 1,125 baby kits, 10,595 hygiene kits; 720 tubes of toothpaste; and 25 flash-lights with batteries. An air shipment of 60 cartons of medicine boxes arrived in Santo Domingo on January 26. Each box contains enough essential medicines and medical supplies to treat the routine

ailments of about 1,000 adults and children. A second shipment, by ocean ship, is to arrive in Santo Domingo on February 2.

It contains 500 light-weight CWS blankets; 13,325 hygiene kits; and 375 baby kits.

Another shipment is also expected to arrive in Santo Domingo on February 2 with

2,950 blankets; 3,150 baby kits; and 7,215 hygiene kits. A first aid clinic and emergency room has been located in the Christian School of Parisien, in Haiti, some 8 kilometers from the Haitian/DR border, about two hours from Port-au-Prince. There is space and capacity for no more than 30 patients at a time, and it is secure.

Food and supply distribution sites have been established across the border through Haitian churches and managed through different Haitian non-profit organizations and community leader associations. The hub of a five-center distribution network is located in Pétionville. For more information on how Week of Compassion is responding, go to WWW.Weekofcompassion.org

God Bless,
Pastor Bob

**“Week of Compassion
was on the ground in
Haiti within 24 hours”**

Sunday Sermons

8:30, 9:30 and 11:00 am

February 7– Pastor Matt Gordon

A Serving Church. James 1:1-13

February 14– Pastor Bob Hanna

A Giving and Sharing Church. This will be the conclusion of the sermon series on our seven Core Values. To assist that Sunday, Andrew Lane, director of Interfaith Hospitality will be sharing the sermon with Pastor Bob

Upcoming Lenten Series: “The Seven Deadly Sins”

 **ASH
Wednesday
Services**

February 17

Services will be held at-
12:00 pm and 6:45 pm.

For more details see page 3.

Celebrating our Church Family



Birthdays

February

Al Thompson	2	Ken Blair	14
Edith Jones	7	Krisi Kamstra	14
Doug Knights	7	Thalia Lazarus	14
Sally Dalke	8	Julie Kephart	16
Leslie O'Brien	8	Norma Loquvam	16
Andrew Kenady	9	Terrance Jull	19
Irene Jones	11	Teresa Altaras	20
Shekinah Jull	11	Kurt Bauer	20
Bailey Kalar	11	Tammy Colgan	20
Wade Buckmaster	12	Rochelle Ikeda	20
Brenda Kenady	13	Ruth Schnelle	20

February

What is Ash Wednesday?

In the New Testament, Jesus is led by the Holy Spirit to fast for about 40 days and then be tempted. His emergence from the desert wilderness and temptation marks the beginning of his public ministry. Early Christians developed a practice of taking the 40 days prior to Easter as a time of self-reflection, prayer and repentance. This time is called Lent, a word that simply means "spring," a season where days begin to lengthen and winter starts to fade as new life emerges.

In antiquity, ashes were typically placed on one's forehead to signify mourning or loss. The tradition was later adapted by early Christians to signify this time of reflection, fasting, prayer and repentance. Christians are called upon to fast and pray during this season which culminates on Easter Sunday. Jesus is resurrected and our lives are transformed by this resurrection and our own work during Lent.

With all that said, think of Ash Wednesday as the kick-off to the Lenten season. There will be two opportunities to participate in Ash Wednesday services on February 17. First, will be a service and imposition of ashes at noon in the Chapel. Next, will be a multi-sensory experience and imposition of ashes from 6:45–7:45 pm that evening in the Sanctuary.

Prayers For

Lori Mason, health concerns.

Thank You

Thank you Allison Pfaff and Anna Russell for organizing the "Julie & Julia" movie event. The decorations and tables were beautiful. Thank you to all who participated and who provided decorations and food for this wonderful and fun evening of fellowship.

God Bless You,
Suzi Simonsen

Flower Calendar



Remember the 2010 Flower Calendar is on the bulletin board by the staff offices. Please consider sharing your memories and celebrations with your church family through flowers.

Ambassador Class

Karaoke/Talent Night Fundraiser

On Friday, February 26, at 6:00 pm the Ambassador Class will be holding a fundraiser to support their work to improve the facility occupied by the Teen Center on Union St. near FCC.

We are planning a fun night filled with singing karaoke to your favorite singing artists or performing one of your many talents like playing the piano or reading a poem. It will be in the Parlor and Chapel.

Being a fundraiser there will be a suggested voluntary entrance fee and it will cost about one dollar each time you perform. There are 2100 songs to choose from to show your talent.

Ambassadors, time to show our diplomatic skills.

Mark Your Calendars

CWF Book Sale

Saturday, February 6
9:00 am-3:00 pm
Fellowship Hall

Board Meeting

Sunday, February 7
12:20 pm, Fellowship Hall

Youth Super Bowl

Fundraiser

Sunday, February 7
Remember to pick up your food order in the kitchen.

YMCA Family Night

Sunday, February 7
6:00-8:00 pm

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Wednesday, February 10
12:00 pm, Parlor

Outreach Meeting

Wednesday, February 10
6:45 pm at the WOW
For more details, see page 6.

First Aid & CPR Training

Saturday, February 13
9:00 am-2:00 pm, Fellowship Hall
This class is open to the congregation and will certify you for two years. The cost is \$25 per person. To sign up or for more details, call the church office.

Bring a Can to Feed

My Sheep

Sunday, February 14
Barrels are in the Chalice entry and Narthex.

Church Office Closed

Monday, February 15
In observance of President's Day.

Scroll Submissions- All items need to be 100 words or less and are due no later than Monday at 10:00 am- February 15. Please email to- melissah@salemfcc.org Or drop off in Melissa's box. Thank you.

Ash Wednesday Services

February 17
12:00 pm, Chapel
6:45 pm, Sanctuary
For more details, see page 3.

Craft Day

Saturday, February 20
10:00 am-5:00 pm
Fellowship Hall

Letters From Dad

Kick Off BBQ

Sunday, February 21
6:00 pm, Fellowship Hall
For more details see cover.

Rebuilders Potluck Lunch

Tuesday, February 23
12:00 pm Chapel
This is a support group for any and all who are rebuilding from any life experiences.

Friendship Sewing Circle

Wednesday, February 24
9:00 am, Sunshine Room
We make and tie quilts for Family Building Blocks and make lap robes for the Veterans Hospital. Questions: Call Lois Kinkaid, 503-362-6594.

Ambassador Class

Karaoke/Talent Night Fundraiser

Friday, February 26
6:00 pm, Parlor & Chapel
For more details, see page 3.

Regional Assembly

"What's Next?" with Rick Morse.
May 14-15, 2010
Held at Portland FCC.

Ambassadors Annual RV Outing

The Ambassador Class has reserved the Group Camping Area B at Silver Falls State Park from June 22-24, for our annual RV outing. If you are a RVer, please come join us. Contact Jim Kinkaid, 503-581-8679, for details or for more information.

For Our Children, Youth & Adults

A Little Light from Laurie

Thank you to those who attended the Children's Ministries team meeting in January. We had a great group. I am also very thankful for Nancy Stebbins who is continuing as Team Leader. The Children's Ministries team is a committee represented by Nancy, me, and others who can take the time to stop by. We would love to have parents involved or others who are curious about the children's programming in our church and who are willing to help. Reaching out to the children in our congregation does not have to take place in a Sunday School classroom. We discuss issues involving our children and plan upcoming events. We would love to see you at our next meeting on Tuesday, March 9, at 6:00 pm. It only takes a small gesture to make a big difference in the life of a child.

In Sunday School, the 1st-5th graders just finished a rotation on This Train is Bound for Glory. We associated various train cars with Biblical lessons that help us stay "on track with God." The engine, like God, gives us power; we learned to serve others in the dining car; God helps us with our fears in the baggage car and just like the fuel car, through God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, we get our fuel.

Thank you to Julie Kephart, Leann Hughes and the Strehlows for volunteering to teach. Our next rotation begins March 7 on Moses and the Passover. Thank you to all who volunteered to bring snacks to the children.

Coming Up: JYF is having a Bowl-A-Thon to raise funds for orphans in Haiti. Sunday, February 28 at 12:15 pm. In the next few weeks, our 3rd, 4th and 5th graders will be asking for church and family members to sponsor them for bowling. It should be a fun day for a great cause. Please help support our kids.

Have a blessed week!
Laurie

Youth Updates:

- CYF Silverton Prom Participants, Parents, and Sponsors please be ready to leave on Saturday, February 6, at 2:00 pm to help set up!
- Chi Rho Mid Winter participants, parents, and sponsors please be at the church at 3:30 pm on Friday, February 26. Plan on staying until 12:30 pm on Sunday, February 21.
- Mission to Mexico participants, sponsors and parents there is a MANDATORY meeting in Springfield on Sunday, March 7, at 3:00 pm. Please be at the church at 1:30 pm to leave for the meeting. We are taking the church vehicles.
- Mission to Yakima sponsors, parents and participants we are having our MANDATORY meeting on Sunday, March 14, in the Youth Lounge. Lunch is provided.
- No Sunday School on April 4, one joint service.

Come to The WOW (The Way on Wednesday)

February 10 Schedule

- 5:00-6:00 pm Walking Group– Chalice entry
- 5:30-6:30 pm Dinner, Pizza Night and Salad Bar-Rm.106
- 6:30-6:45 pm Opening Worship– Sanctuary
- 6:45-7:45 pm
Children's Activities to age 5- Rm. 213
Outreach Meeting– Room TBA
AMPT Practice– Rm. 207
Pinochle and Train Dominoes– Rm.106
"NOOMA" Study Series– Rm. 206
Youth Gathering Time– Rm. 310
Children's Programming grades 1-5– Rm. 113

February 17 Schedule

- 5:00-6:00 pm Walking Group– Chalice entry
- 5:30-6:30 pm Dinner, Tamale Pie, Mac & Cheese and Salad Bar-Rm.106
- 6:30-6:45 pm Opening Worship– Sanctuary
- 6:45-7:45 pm
Children's Activities to age 5- Rm. 213
Ash Wednesday Service– Rm. 207
"NOOMA" Study Series– Rm. 206
Youth Gathering Time– Rm. 310
Children's Programming grades 1-5– Rm. 113

Close to Home and Around the Region

Outreach Meeting

Wednesday, February 10 at 6:45 pm during the WOW

This meeting is open to anyone interested in getting involved in outreach.

Topics of discussion will be:

- Habitat for Humanity project this year
- Mission Trip to Ecuador
- Interfaith Hospitality Network
- “Global Mission Church” Designation
- Other outreach projects the church is involved in

Who should be there:

- Anyone wanting to learn about outreach
- Anyone wanting to become involved with an outreach project
- If you have an outreach project you think the church should be involved in and want to help
- No experience necessary

You can contact me at rick@westerntool.com or 503-371-1411(work), 503-463-8902(home).

Rick Ikeda
Outreach Chair

Still time to sign up for First Aid & CPR Training

Saturday, February 13
9:00 am-2:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

This class is open to the congregation and will certify you for two years. The cost is \$25 per person. To sign up or for more details, call the church office.

Your Help is Requested!

Please consider volunteering in support of FCC's ongoing mission to Salem Interfaith Hospitality Network. Help prepare and serve a meal, provide an evening activity, or be an overnight host.

A minimum of two people are needed for each of the three host tasks. The next two dates FCC provides hosts will be **February 21 at St. Mark's Lutheran Church** and then again on **March 4 at First Congregational Church**.

Instructions are available for each of the three tasks. I will be more than happy to answer any questions you may have. Please call or email me if you are willing to serve or need additional information.

Rosealee Clemens
503-393-4366 or rosealeeclemens@yahoo.com

Regional Potluck February 28

Come to Lynchwood Christian Church on Sunday night to share food, fellowship and worship with other Disciples.

We will join together at 6:00 pm and finish by about 8:00 pm. Bring a main dish, salad or dessert to share and plan to meet some new friends. This is another of our meals to bring our new and existing congregations together.

Lynchwood Christian Church is at 3815 SE 174th Avenue in Portland. Take I-84 or I-5 to I-205, then east on SE Division and right on SE 174th.

Housekeeping

Serving Sunday, February 7

ELDERS

8:30 & 9:30 am– Walt Adolf
11:00 am– Dave Holler, Doug Johnson,
Claire Widener, Phil Patterson, Orin Bruton

FEBRUARY DEACONS

8:30 am Service– Dallas Dyer, Bud Robbins,
Eileen Shinn
9:30 am Service– Kelsie Dalke, Tara Hill,
Cody Strehlow
11:00 am Service– Ione Adolf, Dolores & Ken Blust,
Ed Gish, Avis & Jim Kinkaid, Bob & Linda Olson,
Don & Nancy Vowell, Dianne Wilkson
Choir: Alicia Bolen, Barbara Holler

SATURDAY FILL

Betty Patterson

COMMUNION CLEAN UP

Judy Brown, Beth Manzo, Ferol Weyand

COFFEE HOUR

Bob & Linda Jordan

HOLY GROUNDS

Beth Manzo, Ferol Weyand

FLOWERS

From the Resch family,
because of God's love.

Serving Sunday, February 14

ELDERS

8:30 & 9:30 am– Diane Watson
11:00 am– Rick Ikeda, Keven Widener,
Gene Clemens, Wayne Smith, Neva Clausen

FEBRUARY DEACONS

8:30 am Service– Dallas Dyer, Bud Robbins,
Eileen Shinn
9:30 am Service– Kelsie Dalke, Tara Hill,
Cody Strehlow
11:00 am Service– Ione Adolf, Dolores & Ken Blust,
Ed Gish, Avis & Jim Kinkaid, Bob & Linda Olson,
Don & Nancy Vowell, Dianne Wilkson
Choir: Alicia Bolen, Barbara Holler

SATURDAY FILL

Mary Weathers

COMMUNION CLEAN UP

Linda Jordan, Donna Mitchell, Shari Ridings

COFFEE HOUR

Lee & Catherine Hazelwood

HOLY GROUNDS

Colleen Revello, Rebecca Revello

FLOWERS

From Gladys Sebern and Joanna Thompson,
in memory of their loved ones.

YEAR END & SUNDAY NUMB3RS

In December I wrote an article about the year end finances for 2009. *“As the year comes to a close I wonder if the expenses will be covered by the gifts received. Why should I wonder! This is a giving, caring, loving Family of God that supports the many programs that happen here.”* As we closed the financial accounting for 2009, we covered all the expenses with an additional \$1,699 to be added to the reserves. Thank you. Your gifts will bless the this church, community and our outreach projects.

Peace and HUGS,
Allison

January 24, 2010

GIVING
General– \$4928.90
Building– \$0
Special Offering– \$680

ATTENDANCE
8:30– 33 / 9:30– 89
11:00– 235
Sunday School– 125

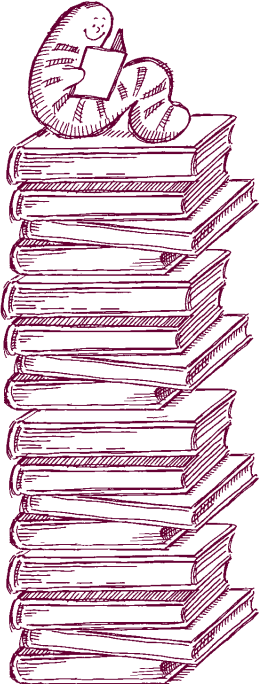
January 31, 2010

GIVING
General– \$5591
Building– \$60

ATTENDANCE
8:30– 42 / 9:30– 90
11:00– 278
Sunday School– 102

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CWF Book Sale

Saturday, February 6

9:00 am-3:00 pm

Tell your family, friends
and neighbors. Great
selections and prices on
books, cds, dvds, videos,
games and more!