

The Church Scroll

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Church Services ~ 8:30 am, 9:30 am & 11:00 am ~ Sunday School ~ 9:45 & 11:00 am

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“Reaching Up and Reaching Out”

January 21, 2010

Discover FCC on Sunday, January 31



Do You Want to Know More About First Christian Church?

We are hosting a luncheon for you regarding information about First Christian Church. You are invited to stay after the 11:00 am worship for this event.

We will share basic information about FCC-

- what it means to be a member
- how one goes about joining
- a time to ask any questions about the church leadership
- **tour the church**
- meet others new like you!

Please RSVP to the church office at 503-363-9273. The table is ready. Come to the table!

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CWF Book Sale

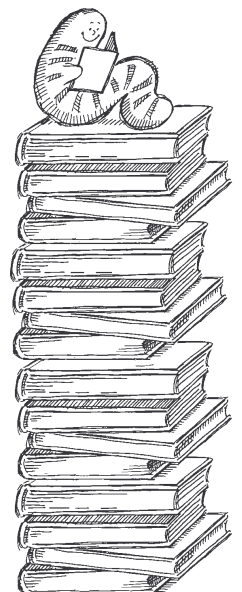
We need your books, games, puzzles, videos, CDs, DVDs and tapes for our annual sale. Please bring these donated items to the Fellowship Hall as soon as possible, so they may be sorted for the sale!

Set up– Friday, February 5, from 12:00-5:00 pm

Book Sale– Saturday, February 6
from 9:00 am-3:00 pm
Fellowship Hall

Proceeds go to Christian Women's Missions Projects.

Contact Judy Erickson at 503-362-5389 or on her cell phone 503-798-5455.



Matt's Minute

Last week, in the wake of the Haiti earthquake, televangelist Pat Robertson proclaimed that the tragedy was a "blessing in disguise." Apparently, Robertson believes that God was responsible for killing Haitians as part of a divine plan to rid the world of those less Christian and less worthy of God's favor. Robertson's hatred and intolerance represent everything that is wrong with Christianity. Robertson claims to speak for Christianity and for God, but his toxic words do not represent most Christians I know and from my perspective is inconsistent with the Jesus I love.

"In our lives, we will have countless opportunities to show the love of Christ to others, to live the dream of Dr. King and to even change the world."

This tragedy also happened on the eve of our country's celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. In contrast to the ignorance and hatred of some, Dr. King and the civil rights movement represent everything that is right with Christianity. It was the words of Christ and Dr. King's foundation of faith that led him to lead a people on a march towards freedom. It was the promise of hope found in the Bible that inspired King and inspired others to work

towards equality. It was by following the example of Christ that so many led a non-violent resistance that changed America forever. The civil rights movement of the 1960s showed the world that we could be a nation of tolerance, equality and love.

In our lives, we will have countless opportunities to show the love of Christ to others, to live the dream of Dr. King and to even change the world. We will undoubtedly miss some of those opportunities because of our own busyness, inconvenience or simply ignorance that those opportunities are in front of us. There will be times, however, that we can indeed change the world in small and big ways.

My hope and prayer for First Christian Church is that we will reflect Dr. King's dream: that we will be a place of sanctuary and hope for all people, that we will love our neighbor as ourselves and that we will always work for justice.

Peace,
Matt

Sunday Sermons

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

January 24— Pastor Bob Hanna

A Welcoming Church. Lorna Johnson has been interviewing people for a video clip that will be used as Pastor Bob shares what it means to be a welcoming church.

January 31— Pastor Bob Hanna

A Caring Church. Allison Pfaff is a tremendous example of what it means to develop loving and accepting relationships with others. Allison will be sharing with Pastor Bob in this important message of being the church Christ calls us to be. An added bonus is that we will have the Female Quartet, "Virtue", from NCC sharing music with us.

Youth Super Bowl Fundraiser



Our next fundraiser is on Sunday, February 7.

Let the youth do the cooking for you and your Super Bowl party. We can't wait to make your Super Bowl and super success!

Please collect your order forms from the Welcome area at the Chalice Entry! You can also print off order forms from the webpage!

Your order forms need to be turned in by Wednesday, February 3.

Celebrating our Church Family



Birthdays

January

Joe Resch 24
Kathy Boles 26
Zachariah Earls 26
Zachery Noble 27
Colin Cooper 29
Mary Lou Hazelwood 30
Bob Olson 31

February

Sarah Dalke 1
Jim Gerking 1
Judy Erickson 3
Keith Ridings 3
Judy Dyer 5
Ila Russell 5
Dennis Turner 5
Shirley Pilcher 6

Baby Shower

Everyone is invited to a baby shower for Miranda & Matt Gordon on Sunday, January 24, at 2:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Baby Moses only uses cloth diapers, but he would appreciate any other gifts. He will be in attendance to say thank you in person.

Come to the Theater

I wanted to be sure to invite our church family to the upcoming musical at McNary High School, "*Kiss Me Kate*".

McNary has a great drama program and FCC youth, **BJ Hirsch** and **Natalie Clark**, are cast members.

Performances start at 7:00 pm and the January dates are: Friday 22 and Saturday 23
Thursday 28, Friday, 29 and Saturday 30

There is a 1:00 pm show on Saturday, January 30.

Hope to see you there!
Audrey Hirsch

Prayers For

Justus Bessett, (Barbara Holler's great-nephew and Ken Blair's great-grandson) Justus is at Dornbecker Hospital waiting for surgery to remove a blockage between the stomach/intestine.

Jenna Hermann, recovering from an appendectomy.

Thank You

I want to thank all of the ladies that have been helping me through my recovery from hip surgery. Thank you the warm welcome you give me when I come to church. Thank you for all of the cards you have sent to me. It all means so very much.

Love,

Mary Haskell

Condolences

Lucille Battin passed away on January 17. Our prayers and sympathies go to her children and family, Jerry & Diane Watson, Mike & Mary Watson, Bob & Pam Battin and Kathy & Tony Cunha.

Lucille's memorial service will be on Saturday, January 23, at 11:00 am in the Sanctuary. Mrs. Battin gave all her children pins when they learned the Lord's Prayer. If you received a Lord's Prayer pin from her, wear it proudly.

New Member

During the 9:30 am service on January 10, **Nehemiah Elijah Huffman** made his confession of faith. He will be baptized during the 9:30 am service on Sunday, February 7. Nehemiah is the son of Deana Costello and daddy mentor to Paige and Lily. He is an avid Blazer fan and is planning on attending the game on February 1 with the church group. A revealed secret regarding Nehemiah is his desire to open a pizza parlor. He has all his secret recipes ready. His address is 175 Garland Way #9, Keizer, 97303. Please introduce yourself to this really great guy.

Mark Your Calendars

Baby Shower for Moses Gordon



Sunday, January 24
2:00 pm, Fellowship Hall
See page 3 from more details.

Rebuilders Potluck Lunch

Tuesday, January 26
12:00 pm Chapel
This is a support group for any and all who are rebuilding from any life experiences.

2nd Annual Movie Evening

“Julie & Julia”
Tuesday, January 26
6:15 pm, Fellowship Hall
See page 6 for more details.

Friendship Sewing Circle

Wednesday, January 27
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.

Cabinet Retreat

Saturday, January 30
10:00 am, W. Salem Roth's

Discover FCC

Sunday, January 31
12:15 pm, Fellowship Hall
See cover for more details.

CWF Group Meetings

Wednesday, February 3

- J. Wilson– 10:00 am Parlor
Hostess' Darlene Salter and Karen Salter
- Mary-Martha– 1:00 pm Parlor,
Eleanor Amo hostess
- Priscilla– 6:30 pm at Joyce
Frame's
- Rosa Page Welch– 6:30 pm at
Feryl Weyand's

CWF Book Sale

Saturday, February 6
9:00 am-3:00 pm, Fellowship Hall
Now is the time to bring in your books, DVDs, CDs, videos, games that you want to donate.
See cover for more details.

Board Meeting

Sunday, February 7
12:20 pm, Fellowship Hall

Youth Super Bowl Fundraiser

Sunday, February 7
Order food for your Super Bowl party through the FCC Youth!
Pick it up after church! Pick up a forms in the Chalice entry.
See page 2 for more details.

YMCA Family Night

Sunday, February 7
6:00 pm

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.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Wednesday, February 10
12:00 pm, Parlor

Bring a Can to Feed My Sheep

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

Ash Wednesday Service

February 17
12:00 pm, Chapel

Craft Day

Saturday, February 20
10:00 am-8:00 pm
Fellowship Hall

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

Announcement of Resignation from Jacki Christian

I am writing to you with deep love in my heart for you all. For the past five years I have had the privilege of serving as the Youth Pastor of Salem FCC. In the past five years you have taken me in as a member of your family. We have learned, grown, laughed and cried with one another. I have had the amazing opportunity of seeing our youth grow in their gifts and talents, wrestle with right and wrong, and be a witness to others with their unfailing faith. You have been my family, mentors, and spiritual guides and that I am very grateful for.

Therefore, it is with a sad and heavy heart that I give my resignation to Salem First Christian Church effective April 4, 2010. I appreciate the amazing opportunity you provided me and I am so grateful for the privilege to work with your youth. I know that God will continue to do great things at Salem FCC. Many prayers and blessings be with you all.

In His Service
Jacki Christian

Youth Updates:

- Attention CYF Youth. Silverton Prom forms are due to Jacki No later than Monday, February 1.
- Chi Rho Mid Winter Youth, your forms and money are due to Jacki no later than Sunday, February 7.
- ALL Mission youth and adults we are having our Super Bowl Fundraiser Sunday, February 7. Please be ready to cook, box, and serve from 10:30-2:00 pm.

Flickers of Light from Laurie

JYF Activity
Family Game Day!
Sunday, January 24
Lunch: 12:15 pm
Games: 12:45-1:45 pm

Bring your lunch, favorite board game and snacks to share. There will be a Wii Bowling Tournament!

Come to The WOW

(The Way on Wednesday)

Donations are gratefully accepted to cover the cost of the meal.

January 27 Schedule

- 5:00-6:00 pm Walking Group– Chalice entry
- 5:30-6:30 pm Dinner, Soups, Sandwich Bar 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
AMPT Practice– Rm. 207
"NOOMA" Study Series– Rm. 206
Youth Gathering Time– Rm. 310
Children's Programming grades 1-5 Rm. 113

February 3 Schedule

- 5:00-6:00 pm Walking Group– Chalice entry
- 5:30-6:30 pm Dinner, Beef Stew, Vegetable Risotto 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
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Close to Home and Around the Region

An Evening with Julia

We are going to experience the 2nd Annual Movie Evening.

MOVIE: "JULIE AND JULIA"
ON: TUESDAY, JANUARY 26
IN: FELLOWSHIP HALL
TIME: 6:15 PM
COST: FREE



PLEASE BRING YOUR VERY SPECIAL HORS D'OEUVRE TO SHARE (Something Julia would be proud to present!)

Beverages will be provided.

This is a wonderful opportunity to invite a special friend and neighbor to a fun activity at the church.

Any questions? ask Anna Russell or Allison Pfaff.

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

CHECK IT OUT!

The Power of a Praying Church by Stormie Omartian was mentioned by Keven Widener on Sunday in worship as he talked about the power of prayer in his and Claire's life. This book was studied in the Thursday Night Bible Study last fall and I think I speak for everyone in the group when I say that it is a powerful and convicting book.

We all spend time in individual prayer and that is so important. However, in The Power of a Praying Church, Stormie, with the help of Jack Hayford, teaches the importance of prayer partners, small group prayer and intercession within our church.

You will be blessed by reading this book. You will find The Power of a Praying Church on the back shelf of the Library for the next month. Do Check It Out!

Betty Charnholm
Librarian

Regional Women's Pray & Play Events

Pray and Play events do just what the name says, pray and play. This year's theme will encourage people to recognize the Spirit in their lives and learn to pray in ways that foster hope and direction.

The cost of \$20 covers a copy of New Day Magazine (with articles about Doug Wirt's trip to Congo), and three other items involved in the praying and playing. Registration materials are on the web site, www.oregondisciples.org

Dates-

- February 20 Forest Grove 9:30 am-12:30 pm
- March 13 Silverton 1:00-4:00 pm
- March 27 Eugene 9:30 am-12:30 pm
- May 22 Grants Pass 9:30 am-12:30 pm
- June 26 LaGrande 9:30 am-12:30 pm

Housekeeping

Serving Sunday, January 24

ELDERS

8:30 & 9:30 am– Keven Widener
 11:00 am– Diane Watson, Neva Clausen,
 Phil Patterson, Dave Holler, Claire Widener

JANUARY DEACONS

8:30 am Service– Bob Adams, Joan Lloyd,
 Suzi Simonsen
 9:30 am Service– Sebastian Brown, Tara Hill,
 Cody Strehlow
 11:00 am Service– Ione Adolf, Kathy Boles, Sheila
 Dent, Sandra Gross, Debbie Hegr, Walt & Doris
 Jackson, Dave Rehbehn, Joe & Kim Resch
 Choir: Mary Ann Smith

SATURDAY FILL

Linda Jordan

COMMUNION CLEAN UP

Cecilia Larson, Barb Leisman,
 Bob & Janet Schafer

COFFEE HOUR

Dolores & Ken Blust

HOLY GROUNDS

Cheryl Cooper, Colleen Revello

FLOWERS

From Carol Talley to the many teachers, small group
 leaders, and Sunday School helpers at FCC.

Serving Sunday, January 31

ELDERS

8:30 & 9:30 am– Carol Talley
 11:00 am– Craig Johnson, Becky Johnson,
 Wayne Smith, Rick Ikeda, Gene Clemens

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Colette Tennant

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Carole & Richard Adams,
 Debbi Rehbehn, Colette Tennant

COFFEE HOUR

Rick & Bev Ikeda

HOLY GROUNDS

Cheryl Cooper

SUNDAY NUMB3RS

January 10, 2010

GIVING

General– \$8340.20
 Building– \$35

ATTENDANCE

8:30– 32 / 9:30– 103
 11:00– 222
 Sunday School– 129

January 17, 2010

GIVING

General– \$5610
 Building– \$0
 Special Offering– \$3079

ATTENDANCE

8:30– 33 / 9:30– 87
 11:00– 226
 Sunday School– 133

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