

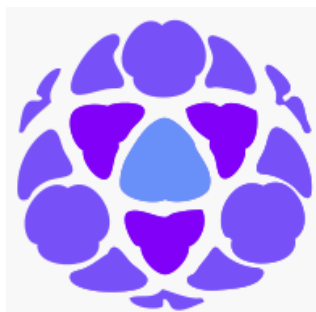
The Church Scroll

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"Reaching Up and Reaching Out"

June 17, 2010



Happy Father's Day!

Sunday, June 20

"When I was a boy of fourteen, my father was so ignorant I could hardly stand to have the old man around. But when I got to be twenty-one, I was astonished at how much the old man had learned in seven years." - Mark Twain

"It is a wise father that knows his own child." - William Shakespeare

"It is not flesh and blood but the heart, which makes us fathers and sons (and fathers and daughters)." - Johann Schiller

Fatherhood is pretending the present you love most is soap-on-a-rope." - Bill Cosby

"To her the name of father was another name for love." - Fanny Fern

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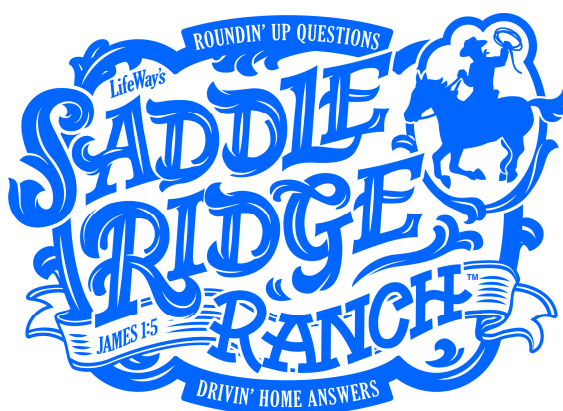
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Vacation Bible School

July 11-15 from 6:00-8:30 pm

Ages 3 years old-5th grade



Cost: \$5 per child, \$7 maximum per family.

Registration begins Sunday, June 20 after worship.

Matt's Minute

As some of you know, I like to ride bicycles. Cycling for me is more than a hobby, but a necessary part of my emotional and spiritual health. For me it is a spiritual discipline, it is a time where I am able to escape everything, clear my thoughts and be completely in the present, not thinking about the past nor worrying about the future. It is a kind of prayer and meditation for me. It is as close to a monastic experience as I probably will ever get to. It is one of the few times in my day-to-day where all the auditory and visual noise is turned off. In some ways it is a kind of retreat each time I go out and ride outside of town for miles and miles.

This is all to say that I am convinced that we all need time for retreat. We all need time to escape the noise of our lives. I am not the first to say this, but we are so media saturated and we need time to unplug. I think we need to find time to retreat. It was an essential part of Jesus' life and ministry that he took time to get away, to go and pray, to retreat, to escape to the garden to be with God. It is a necessary part of our emotional and spiritual health.

Lest I be accused of being overwhelmingly romantic about spiritual discipline, I created some practical suggestions. Here are ten suggestions:

1. Take your lunch break and go for a walk. Don't just work with your door closed, actually take a break.
2. Turn off your cell phone for a whole day on Saturday or another day off. Really, you are not that important.
3. Stop watching the television news. Get your news from newspapers or internet sources if possible, this allows you to be more selective with what you fill your brain with.
4. Turn off your television for a week. Really, you are not missing much.
5. Spend more time playing with your kids or grandkids or someone else's kids or grandkids.
6. Read a book. I hear the Bible is full of great stories or go to the library.
7. Go for a bike ride, a run, a walk, a jog, a hike, a swim—anything to get your heart up a bit, exercise is truly healing.
8. Do something for you! Get a massage or get your hair done.
9. Go through your closet or attic and give things away. It is amazing how good it feels to give. "It is more blessed to give than to receive," Jesus said.
10. Find 10, 15 or 30 minutes 3 times a week to be still and eliminate all possibility of interruption and know that God is present with you.

Sunday Sermons

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

June 6– Pastor Matt Gordon

"Who is My Neighbor?" Luke 10:25-39

Together, we will explore the greatest commandment. What does it really mean to love our neighbor and perhaps more important who is our neighbor?

June 13– Pastor Bob Hanna

"Enough" Ecclesiastes 2:1-11, Luke 12:13-34

Jesus makes a very direct response to Solomon's problem with finding everything he tried "meaningless".

In Christ,
Matt

Youth Camp Donation

If you do not have children or youth going to camp but would like to sponsor a camper, please contact the church office.

Celebrating our Church Family

Birthdays

June

Gary Danielson	20
JoAnna Jackson	20
J.B. Wagner	20
Jackie Austin	21
Zane Ridings	21
Andrew Rolen	21
Cordelia Brintnall	22
Erin Gunia	22
Walt Jackson	22
Larry Dalke	23
Earnest Freeman	23
Cheryl Cooper	24
Craig Johnson	25
Jake Mitchell	25
Russ Vlieland	25
Clara Vlieland	26
Donna Mitchell	27
Linda Danielson	28
Jack Gill	29
Barbara Leisman	29
Darlene Slater	29
Corey Beal	30

July

Ron Nelson	2
Duane Setness	2
Ralph Jull	3
Moria Harris	4
Bev Ikeda	7
Marge Ridings	7
Margaret Cleveland	8
Emily Snyder	8
Arty Day	10



ATTN: KFC Members & Friends!

Our annual June Strawberries and Ice Cream Social is coming up on Friday, June 25 at 1:30 pm. Bring cookies or brownies to share, if you would like some. Coffee, tea and water is provided. Look for us in the Fellowship Hall. Call Ruth Allen, 503-390-2350, if you have questions.

Prayers For

Evelyn Bauer, health concerns.

Jeff Kinkaid, recovering from a stroke.

Judy Warrington, recovering from knee surgery.

Welcome to our Newest Members

Ronald Crom came forward at the 11:00 am service on May 30, to (in his words) bring him out of the archives. Ron first became a part of this congregation in 1972. We welcome Ron and his family back to active membership.

On June 6 in the 9:30 am service **Chris Snow** (our new Youth Director) came forward to place his membership with Salem First Christian Church. He is transferring from Murray Hills Christian Church where his father, Larry Snow, is pastor.

On the same Sunday in the 11:00 am service **Bob Thompson** came forward to join Salem First Christian Church. Bob is the husband of Joanna Thompson who is already a member and the daughter of Gladys Sebern.

Two Special Coffee Hours

Celebrating Three Special People

On Sunday, June 20, come and celebrate the birthday of **Pat Stephens**. Join in the fun of wishing her a happy birthday.

Sunday, June 27, **Blaine & Barbara Kuhn** are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary. Come to the festivities and congratulate them on 60 years of marriage.

Mark Your Calendars

Craft Day

Saturday, June 19
10:00 am-5:00 pm
Downstairs Rms

Happy Father's Day

Sunday, June 20

Special Coffee Hour

Sunday, June 20
Come and celebrate Pat Stephens and her birthday.

Rebuilders Potluck Lunch

Tuesday, June 22
12:00 pm Chapel
This is a support group for any and all who are rebuilding from any life experiences.

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.

Summer Pinochle

Tuesday, June 22
6:15 pm, Chapel

Handbell Concert Phyllis Tincher and Sean Rogers

Tuesday, June 22
7:00 pm, Sanctuary
FCC is hosting this FREE concert.
See page 6 from more details.

KFC Strawberry & Ice Cream Social

Friday, June 25
1:30 pm, Fellowship Hall
See page 3 for more details.

Special Coffee Hour

Sunday, June 27
Come and celebrate the 60th wedding anniversary of Blaine & Barbara Kuhn.

Church Building Closed

Monday, July 5
In observance of Independence Day.

Scroll Submissions- All items need to be 100 words or less and are due no later than Monday at 10:00 am- July 6. Please email to melissah@salemfcc.org Or drop off in Melissa's box. Thanks.

Board Meeting

Sunday, July 11
12:20 pm, Fellowship Hall

Bring a Can to Feed My

Sheep Sunday, July 11
Barrels are in the Chalice entry and Narthex.

YMCA Family Night

Sunday, July 11
6:00-8:00 pm
Swimming, basketball, games and more! Free admission to the congregation.

Vacation Bible School

July 11-15
See cover for more details.

Summer Pinochle

Tuesday, July 13
6:15 pm, Chapel

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Wednesday, July 14
2:00 pm, Parlor

"Shanghaied in Astoria"

Thursday, July 29
Sold out!

All Church Picnic at Antique Powerland

Sunday, August 29

WI-NE-MA Family Camp

September 24-26
It is a wonderful time to spend on the coast with other congregations from Oregon.

Gaither Homecoming Tour

Friday, October 15
Rose Garden Arena
Seating at the 100 level.
Cost \$37.50

Please call Allison in the church office to reserve your seat.

For Our Children & Youth

Little Light from Laurie

CALLING ALL COW-POKES!

Ready to have a rip-snortin' time?

Saddle Ridge Ranch Vacation Bible School is coming up July 11-15, from 6:00-8:30 pm. Registration begins Sunday, June 20. At Saddle Ridge Ranch, our motto is: "Need Answers? Ask God!" This is a place where kids can ask questions and discover the answers found in God's Word.

We will be focusing on these questions: "Who am I?" "Does God care about me?" "What is God's plan for me?" "How can I be like Jesus?" "What do I do now?" During their evenings on the ranch, kids will visit Worship Rally Valley; the Bible Study Bunkhouse; experience crafts at Blazing Star Stables, and music at Campfire Creek; have recreation at Mustang Mountain and grab some grub at the Big Sky Grill. Anyone interested in volunteering, or help with donations, please let Betty Charnholm or I know.

Items needed: hay or straw bales; saddles, horse blankets, bridles; cowboy hats, boots; logs for sittin' around the campfire; small pup tent; ropes; saw-horses; refrigerator box; small inflatable raft. God has a way of herding us in the right direction when we ask. Please pray for His direction for VBS this year: for the children, the leaders, our community, mission and finances.

James 1:5 says: "*Now if any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives to all generously and without criticizing, and it will be given to him.*"

Looking forward to Happy Trails!

Saddle Ridge Ranch Trail Bosses,
Betty and Laurie

Flurries from Chris

I have been reflecting on a part of Pastor Matt's sermon this week. "Come to me all who are weary and burdened down." This is a message of comfort and welcoming that does not require us to live up to high standards. This call comes to us when we are weak and are struggling under the weight of our lives. We are called by Jesus when we are imperfect, to be in relationship with the holy. We are called into relationship with the holy despite our brokenness and sin. We are called first into relationship before we are called to serve. So, as this summer gets started and our calendars become filled with activities, let us remember that Jesus is calling us into a warm embrace where we may find rest in our relationship with Him and with one another.

Youth Activities Calendar

- Starting June 23 Coffee/Park Fellowship with Chris. Watch Facebook and the church website for location details. This will take place in the afternoons of every other Wednesday.
- Saturday June 26 - Day @ the Park.
When: 12:00-3:00 pm; Where: River Front Park;
Who: All youth and parents; What: bring yourselves, sack lunch, and any activity equipment for an afternoon of fun.
- Saturday, July 10 – Paintball- Meet at the church at 12:00 pm and return by 6:00 pm. The cost will be \$40. Sign up with Chris. We do need payment at the time of sign up. Permission forms will be required on the day of the event. If the price is a problem, I encourage you to come and talk with me.

Close to Home and Around the Region

CHECK IT OUT!

Check out the new books added to your church Library this week. I am especially excited about "Crazy Love" by Francis Chan and recommended by Kevin Widener. Chan is crazy in love with God and spills out his enthusiasm into this book. In "A Hole in our Gospel," donated by Brian Smith, the President of World Vision shares compelling stories of the revolutionary power of the gospel in our world. "A Same Kind of Different as Me" by Ron Hall and Denver Moore is a wonderful story of two men from completely different backgrounds, both in spiritual need, and how God worked in their lives. Look for these books on the New Book Shelf and do Check Them Out!

Betty Charnholm
Librarian

Handbell Concert

FCC will host a **FREE** concert on Tuesday, June 22, at 7:00 pm in our Sanctuary featuring Phyllis Tincher and Sean Rogers, other wise known as "Ring Praise", of Nampa, Idaho.

FCC handbell ringers meet for a potluck before the concert in the Parlor at 5:30 pm.

Upcoming Handbell Events:

- Handbell Choir to regional conference at George Fox University, June 25-27
- Velocity Ensemble Concert, George Fox Univ. June 25, 8:00 pm, there is a cost
- Showcase Concert, George Fox University, June 26, 8:00 pm, there is a cost
- Area X Conference Concert, George Fox University, June 27 4: 00 pm PM
- Wheeler Sports Center, 450+ ringers, **free**

Ringing His Praise,
Christine

Regional Picnic at Champoeg State Park

On Saturday, July 17, come to Champoeg State Park is located at 8239 Champoeg Road, near St. Paul. Follow the signs from Interstate 5 to the park.

We will gather at 11:00 am with the meal planned for 12:00 pm. Hamburgers will be provided. Everyone is invited to bring food and outdoor games to share. There will be a brief program after the meal.

Once inside the park, you will see signs with a red Disciples of Christ chalice. There is a charge for each vehicle entering the park, but we plan to have this paid as a group by the regional New Church Ministry Team.

12th Annual Max Meek Hike

Saturday, July 31

This year we will be going to Angel's Rest for beautiful views of the Columbia River Gorge! We will leave the church at 8:30 am and return around 4:30 pm. Bring a lunch, sunscreen, sunglasses, good hiking shoes, a camera and a smile.

Any questions, contact Wilbur & Lela Jackson or Wayne & Mary Ann Smith. Please sign up in the Chalice entry.

Want to Climb Mt. St. Helens?

Wayne Smith and Pastor Bob are leading a group up on September 2. Our congregation has had a long tradition of hiking the mountain. This is an all-day strenuous hike. A limited number of permits are issued for each day.

Last year, some people missed out because they did not get a permit in time. If you would like to go with us, go to the website below to get a permit. Then, let us know so that we can make arrangements. If you have any more questions, please let Wayne or Bob know.

<http://www.active.com/outdoors-membership/amboy-wa/mount-st-helens-climbing-permits-2010>

Housekeeping

June Deacons

8:30 am Service– Bob Adams, Evan & Joan Lloyd, Suzi Simonsen
 9:30 am Service– Joanna & Sebastian Brown, Cody Strehlow
 11:00 am Service– **Roy Yung**, Kathy Boles, Doris & Walt Jackson, Craig W Johnson, Dale Mitchell,
 Bob & Linda Olson, Gene & Shirley Pilcher, Don & Nancy Vowell

July Deacons

8:30 am Service– Sheila Dent
 9:30 am Service– Collin Cooper, Tara Hill, Ron Nelson
 11:00 am Service– **Irene Jones**, Richard Adams, Alicia Bolen, Rosealee Clemens, Arty Day, Sandra Gross,
 Debbie Hegr, Avis & Jim Kinkaid, Sherina Walle, Bill Wilkson

Serving Sunday, June 20

ELDERS

8:30 & 9:30 am– Rick Ikeda
 11:00 am– Claire Widener,
 Walt Adolf, Becky Johnson,
 Orin Bruton, Keven Widener

SATURDAY FILL

Margaret Cleveland

COMMUNION CLEAN UP

Cheryl & Gary Clendennen,
 Bev Ikeda

COFFEE HOUR

Ron & Sheili McKenzie

HOLY GROUNDS

Rebecca Revello, Sharina Walle

FLOWERS

Ken & Joan Behen, in celebration
 of their 33rd wedding anniversary.

Serving Sunday, June 27

ELDERS

8:30 & 9:30 am– Phil Patterson
 11:00 am– Gene Clemens,
 Craig Johnson, Doug Johnson,
 Neva Clausen, Carol Talley

SATURDAY FILL

Linda Jordan

COMMUNION CLEAN UP

Cecilia Larson, Barb Leisman,
 Bob & Janet Schafer

COFFEE HOUR

Doug & Lorna Johnson

HOLY GROUNDS

Cheryl Cooper, Colleen Revello

FLOWERS

Blaine & Barbara Kuhn, in
 celebration of their
 60th wedding anniversary.

Serving Sunday, July 4

ELDERS

8:30 & 9:30 am– Wayne Smith
 11:00 am– Orin Bruton,
 David Holler, Keven Widener,
 Becky Johnson, Diane Watson

SATURDAY FILL

Betty Patterson

COMMUNION CLEAN UP

Judy Brown, Beth Manzo,
 Ferol Weyand

COFFEE HOUR

Need Volunteers

HOLY GROUNDS

Beth Manzo, Ferol Weyand

FLOWERS

Mark & Shari Ridings, in
 celebration of their
 32nd wedding anniversary.

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June 6, 2010
 GIVING
 General– \$11,886.19
 Building– \$15
 ATTENDANCE
 8:30– 41 / 9:30– 115
 11:00– 213
 Sunday School– 102

June 13, 2010
 GIVING
 General– \$6709.94
 Building– \$70
 Special Offering– \$10
 ATTENDANCE
 8:30– 42 / 9:30– 99
 11:00– 199
 Sunday School– 125

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Vacation Bible School

**Registration begins
this Sunday, June 20.**