



"In the BEGINNING
was the WORD"



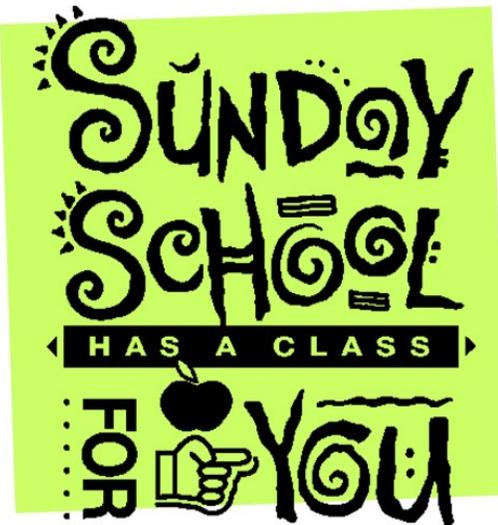
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Dear Friends,

As Fall is approaching and school is beginning, it is also time for our church to enter into its regular program year. We've all been through a lot of change in the past few years, and so there are still many programs and activities that remain in a sort of limbo. I appreciate your enthusiasm, patience, and grace this fall as we try a few new things and seek to get our footing. I already have some exciting opportunities to announce to you.



Children's Sunday School begins on Sunday, September 14th as part of the Celebration Service. Preschool and Elementary age children are invited to proceed from worship to Sunday School with Cindy Murahashi after the opening songs. Sunday School will meet the 2nd-5th Sundays of the month. On 1st Sundays, children are invited to stay in worship where there will be a Children's Lesson and the celebration of communion.

Confirmation Class and Youth Group for Middle and High School youth will be beginning on Sunday evenings in September. All youth and their parents are invited to an introduction and organization meeting on Sunday, September 14th at 6:00 pm in the Outreach House. We'll have a meal and get ourselves started for the year's activities.

An **adult Sunday School** option will begin Sunday, October 5th at 8:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. I will be teaching this short-term study, and we will focus on foundational questions of faith. I know this is a less convenient option for those of you who regularly attend the 10:30 Celebration Service. Nevertheless, we want to get something started for Sunday morning adult education while we continue to think about how best to schedule in the future. Those of you who are interested, contact me or *Doug Swanson*.

STUDY GROUP

Roy and Pat Pettit have agreed to host a **mid-week evening study group** in their home. Everyone interested are invited to an introduction and planning gathering on Thursday, October 2nd at 6:00 pm at the Pettit's, 1809 Montello Rd. The Pettits will provide a main dish, and all others can bring a potluck item. Contact me or Roy for more details.

If you have ideas for other Christian formation opportunities or would like to help get a small group started, please don't hesitate to contact me. You all know this community and its needs far better than I do, and we need your expertise and enthusiasm to move this church forward in faith.

Your Servant in Christ,

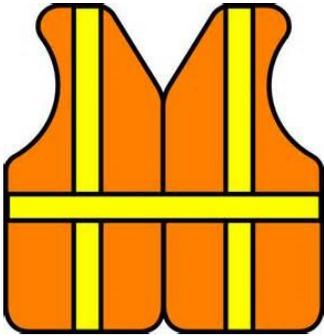
+Pastor David

**Growing
Together
in Faith**



Trucks rolled in about 2 1/2 weeks ago to begin preparing for construction. The pre-fab building pieces are located on the East end, where parking was. When the ground “compacting” and “tamping” begin, the kitchen in the office sounded like a musical band, with all sorts of banging and rattling of pans and appliances! The sidewalk between the church and office is open for use. Please contact the office if you have difficulties getting to us! I’m happy to meet anyone over in the church. *-Jennifer Fowler*





Women's Retreat

at Cannon Beach Conference Center



Renew, Respond, Rejoice!



It is time for the 2014 Cannon Beach Women's Retreat!

The retreat is October 31-Nov 2nd. Our time together begins Friday evening and wraps up after worship on Sunday. The book for this year's study is *The Noticer* by Andy Andrews. **"Many people ignore 'small stuff,' claiming to have an eye on the bigger picture, never understanding that the bigger picture is composed entirely of small stuff."** Just one of many thought inspiring quotes from the book. Books are available for purchase through any number of websites. The cost of the retreat varies depending on how many people you have per room (see below). Cost includes your room and three meals (2 breakfasts and 1 dinner). We hope you can attend what will be a special weekend at the beach with friends old and new! **Scholarships are always available;** speak with Jennifer Fowler if you have any questions concerning a scholarship.

— Cheri Anderson, Jennifer Fowler, Kris White Retreat Committee

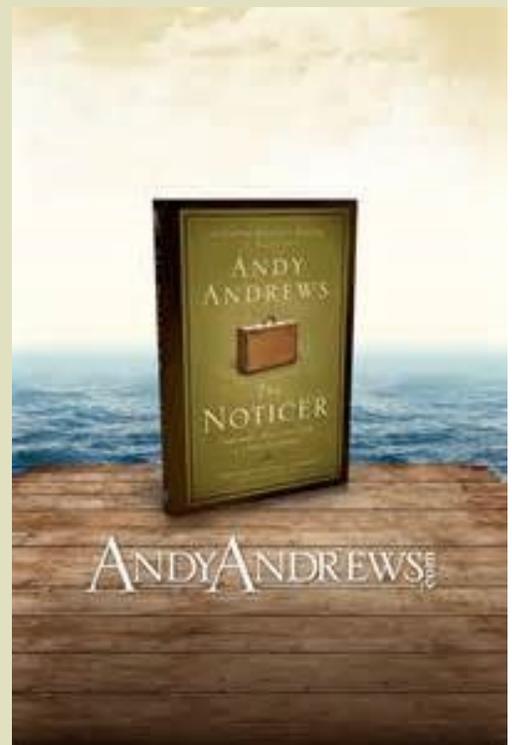
Room Prices: A \$75.00 room deposit is due by October 15th.

\$159	(1 person)
145	(2 people)
128.50	(3 people)
120.25	(4 people)

Things to know

- * Medical diets can be accommodated (speak with Jennifer if you need info).
- * There is a lift for anyone who has trouble using stairs. (We meet on the 2nd floor) There are two steps from the upper hallway guest rooms to the meeting room.
- * Our group will be eating in the main dining hall, the building across from our rooms.

A sign up sheet will be in the narthex, as well as "roommates" sign up. A schedule of retreat activities will be available early October.



Faith In Action

Our ever inventive group of people committed to outreach met August 4, putting final touches on our **Designated Giving Sunday for August**. We arranged an 'auction' of sorts, for persons to select items to purchase for donation. This year's items will be delivered to **Parkdale Elementary** for distribution to students. We are excited to be helping students in our valley.!

School Grant applications will again be made available this fall for teachers to apply for small grants to augment their classroom projects, with money having been raised at our Shrove Tuesday pancake supper in March. Plans are for another such event in February.!

Our on going recycling effort was discussed, mainly trying to find a suitable place for collection. This will be explored and discussed further at our next meeting. **Sharon Pantely and Craig Terry** take recyclables to Portland on "about" a monthly basis. If you have large styrofoam items or a large amount, they can be put in the storage shed behind the church.!

We are working with Happy Hands to incorporate reusable items in their bazaar. Reusable gift bags of cloth with drawstrings and mesh produce bags were suggested items to make. If you would be interested in participating in this project in any way, please contact a committee member.!

Future projects are being planned, and will be announced after our September 8 meeting. Please feel free to join us if any of these projects interest you.!

September 8 at 10:30 in the fellowship hall.!

Sharon, Gigi, Linda, Debby, Vicki, Pat Petit.

Asbury Our Redeemer Partnership is committed to providing for the safety of children, youth and vulnerable adults. As God cares for all, we care for all. The SPRC Committee will conduct two Safe Sanctuary meetings in September and are extending an invitation to all adult volunteers or staff persons who have regular and direct contact with children, youth and vulnerable adults. **All will be required to complete the Voluntary Disclosure Form and attend one of meetings.**

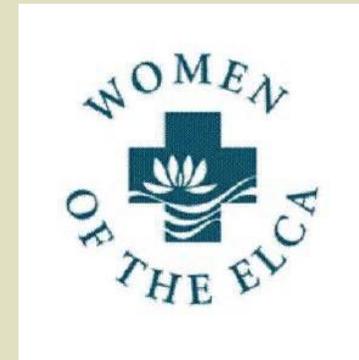
Our first date is: **Sunday September 7th at 11:30am** right after church with a snack.

Other date: **Wednesday September 10th at 6:00pm** with soup.

PLEASE R.S.V.P.

to Martha Hoskins at marahoskins@charter.net or phone 541-387-0213 for which date you will attend.

Blessings,
Martha Hoskins
SPRC Chairman



Women of the church:

The next WELCA meeting will be Saturday, September 13th from 10am-12noon with a salad and desert potluck to follow. The location will be the church fellowship room but there will be a notice if we need to move elsewhere. All women of the church are invited to come and enjoy the fellowship, help plan some activities and enjoy a delicious lunch. Call Kathy Terry for any questions 541-386-2308.

Quick Notes

Parsonage Renovations

Thanks to Rick McBee, the parsonage on Eugene Street is once again in fine shape. The Bishop's office gave permission to use up to \$50,000 of the Church building sale money for the project. The home has been rented for many years. Neither Treasurer Tom Hart nor Shelley Oates recalled any checks written for maintenance over the last 14 years. The work needing to be done was considerable. Our latest tenant told Rick the cost of heating the house in winter ran \$400 per month, more than she could afford.

Bustos and Hernandez Construction was chosen for the task. They completely removed the baseboard heating system, replacing it with a new heat pump and register system. The kitchen received a complete overhaul. Cabinets were replaced along with flooring, countertops and a peninsula added which opened the room to the dining area. A dishwasher was added which required some electric upgrade work, as well. New energy efficient windows were installed throughout. Window trim was added along with missing insulation, mold removal, wall repair, and interior painting was done at a total cost of \$47,363.

It is believed the renovations have added considerable value to the property and certainly made the home comfortable for Pastor David, Melissa, and Kartik. Thanks also to Dave Radley for filling in for Rick while he was away, Gigi Siekkinen and Linda Boris for their help selecting colors and materials.



Patrick Crompton	1
Bill Corrado	2
Lorraine Davis	3
Kate Siekkinen	5
Gretchen Winans	7
Naomi Foster, Bruce Ludwig	9
Craig Terry	10
Craig Sheppard	12
Tyler Swanson	14
Jan Dutton	16

Michele Sibley	17
Emelia Gendreau	18
Sue Miller	21
Mark Crompton	22
Erik Siekkinen	24
Tyler Sibley	26
Bryan Swanson	28
Lina Boris, Edna Carlson	29
Ila Mae Schneeberg	30



Carol & Curt Kyger	26
Katie & Nathan Koch	29

September 2014

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Labor Day Holiday Office Closed	2 10am Men's Coffee @ Rosauers	3 9am WELCA Quilting	4 11am GEM meets	5 4:30pm Celebration Serv Prac	6 9am Women's Spiritual Group @ church office
7 9am Traditional 10 Fellowship 10:30 Celebration Noon-2pm Safe Sanctuary class	8 9am Happy Hands 10:30 FIA 4:30 FISH meets	9 10am Men's Coffee @ Rosauers 6pm Women's Retreat meeting	10 6:00pm Safe Sanctuary class	11	12 4:30pm Celebration Serv Prac	13 10am WELCA meeting
14 9am Traditional 10am Fellowship 10:30 Celebration 1:15 Card Class	15 9am Happy Hands	16 10am Men's Coffee @ Rosauers 6:15 Bell Choir	17 9am WELCA Quilting	18	19 4:30pm Celebration Serv Prac	20 8am Men's Breakfast @ Charburger <u>Nwsltr Items</u> <u>Due</u>
21 9am Traditional 10am Fellowship 10:30 Celebration	22 9am Happy Hands	23 10am Men's Coffee @ Rosauers	24	25	26 4:30pm Celebration Serv Prac	27
28 <u>Food on the 4th</u> 9am Traditional 10am Fellowship 10:30 Celebration 11:30 SPRC meets	29 9am Happy Hands	30 10am Men's Coffee @ Rosauers 2-4 WELCA bible study				
	Communion for 9am service is the 1st and 3rd Sunday	Communion for 10:30 service is the 1st Sunday				



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: **September Newsletter submissions** :
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