



# Spirit of Grace

A Lutheran-Methodist Cooperative Church

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**September 2018**

FISH FOOD BANK GARDEN'S  
**Harvest Celebration &  
 Volunteer Appreciation Potluck**



**SATURDAY,  
 SEPTEMBER 29, 2018  
 5-8 PM**

**FISH GARDEN  
 1130 TUCKER RD  
 HOOD RIVER 97031**

**HELP CELEBRATE THIS YEAR'S  
 BOUNTIFUL HARVEST  
 AND THE VOLUNTEERS  
 WHO MADE IT POSSIBLE!**

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

**PLEASE BRING A DISH TO SHARE**



**QUESTIONS?  
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THE FISH GARDEN  
 IS A COMMUNITY  
 EFFORT OF:



## Return of Wallowa Lake land to Nez Perce

As summer comes to a close and we look forward to a beautiful fall, come with me as I look back and share a story about camping that involves us all.

In 1923, predecessors of the Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church purchased 100 acres of land for what is now known as Wallowa Lake Camp located near Joseph, Oregon. Parcels of the property have been sold off over the years and the camp now stands at about 60 acres in size. Left behind in the land sales was 1.5 acres of Wallowa River property, surrounded by vacation homes and bordering the Wallowa Lake State Park. This land was part of the historic homeland of the Nez Perce people, taken from them in treaty violation.



According to Camping and Retreat Ministries Executive Director Todd Bartlett, the sacred act of returning this small parcel to the tribe was encouraged by the work done at the 2012 General Conference and is also in line with two previous actions of the Oregon-Idaho annual conference, in 1986 and 2007, when we returned land to the Klamath tribes. At the Annual Conference held in Boise in June of this year, a successful vote was held authorizing return of this 1.5 acres to the Nez Perce. During a moving ceremony before the 400+ members assembled, a rock from the camp site was symbolically passed to representatives from the tribe. Gifts of gratitude and music were shared and stories told. Both laughter and tears filled the room at times and for me, these two hours were among the most meaningful of Conference.

More information and photos of the ceremony held on-site in August are available at <https://www.umo.org/newsdetail/wallowa-lake-ceremony-honors-rightful-return-of-land-to-nezperce-11627405>. A link to a short video which features the camp director explaining the potential importance of this parcel to future tribal fisheries can be found at the bottom of that page along with a second link to photos of the site and ceremony.

Thanks for supporting me as Spirit of Grace's member of the 2018 Annual Conference. It was a joy and an honor. Watch this newsletter in the coming months for more information from Annual Conference including resources for Spiritual Formation, the role of generosity and gratitude in the life of every congregation, an update on legislative issues, and information from Pastor David regarding a Special Session of the General Conference of the UMC to be held in St. Louis, Missouri, in February of 2019.



Donna Fitch

*A rock from Wallowa Lake Camp was symbolically passed to representatives from the Nez Perce Tribe to honor and represent the vote taken to return a parcel of river bottom land, detached from the camp, that is ideal Sockeye Salmon spawning habitat.*

Photo: Kristen Caldwell 6/15/2018; UMOI.org



Thank you from the Lahti's for all your support during this most difficult time of Fred's passing.

All your remembrance's gave me and my family strength and the comfort of your love.

Marlene Lahti and family

*Weekly Reflections*

**Week of Sept 2nd** Colossians 3:16

*Which psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs have been important to your faith journey?*

**Week of Sept 9th** John 4:10

*When is a time you can remember God's living water bubbling up inside you?*

**Week of Sept 16th** Mark 8:27

*If we asked the different people in your life, who would they say that you are?*

**Week of Sept 23rd** Mark 9:35

*Can you think of a time a leader of yours acted like someone who serves?*

**Week of Sept 30th** Mark 9:40

*When was a time you worked together with someone who was normally an adversary?*

**Multi Generalized Education Event**

September 9th at 8:45am

in the FISH Community Room.

Classes for adults and children

will begin meeting regularly September 16th.



Patrick Crompton	1
Bill Corrado	2
Kate Siekkinen	5
Gretchen Winans	7
Craig Terry	10
Craig Sheppard	12
Tyler Swanson	14
Jan Dutton	16

Michele Sibley	17
Emelia Gendreau	18
Mark Crompton	22
Erik Siekkinen	24
Tyler Sibley	26
Bryan Swanson	28
Linda Boris	29
Ila Mae Schneeberg	30



Carol & Curt Kyger	26
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**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Requests can be sent to





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# September 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2 10 Traditional 11 Fellowship	3 Labor Day Office Closed 9am Happy Hands	4 10am Men's Coffee @ Rosauers	5 9am Quilting	6 11am GEM 6pm Choir Potluck	7	8 9am Women's Spirituality
9 9am Education Event 10 Traditional 11 Fellowship	10 9am Happy Hands	11 10am Men's Coffee @ Rosauers	12	13 5pm Worship Practice	14	15
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23 Food on the 4th 9am Education 10 Celebration 11 Fellowship <hr/> 30 9am Education 10 Celebration 11 Fellowship	24 9am Happy Hands	25 10am Men's Coffee @ Rosauers 2-4pm Women's Bible Study	26	27 5pm Worship Practice	28	29

## 10am Service Worship Duties

September	2 Communion	9	16 Communion	23	30
		Myrin Bentz	Shelley Oates	Pat Pettit	Roy Pettit
		Godard Family	Shelley Oates Kristen Marcroft	Fitch Family	Debby Chenoweth Kristen Marcroft
		Jan, Ruth, Barbara, Pat	Thrivent Financial	OPEN	OPEN
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## *Spirit of Grace*

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### **Sunday Worship Times**

Worship Service 10:00am  
Fellowship 11:00am

### **Education Times**

Women's Bible Study 4th Tuesday, 2-4:00pm

### **Office Hours**

**Pastor** Mon-Wed 9-Noon. Or by Appt.  
**Staff** Mon, Wed, Thurs 9am-2:00pm  
Tuesdays 9am-1:00pm

### **Pastor**

Rev. David D.M. King

### **Staff**

Jennifer Fowler

Office Manager & Financial Secretary

Linda Boris

Pastoral Assistant



### **Board of Directors**

Pastor David King, ex officio  
Pat Pettit (2018)  
Michele Sibley (2019)  
Bob White (2019)  
Shelley Oates (2020)

### **Finance Committee**

Pastor David King  
Jim Siekkinen (2018)  
Vicki Wartalski (2019)  
Muriel Ishizaka Treasurer  
Jennifer Fowler Fin. Secretary  
Tom Hart Payroll

### **Ministry Team Leaders**

Celebration Worship	Linda Boris
Traditional Worship	Dottie Gilbertson
Children & Youth	Melissa Mimier King
Men's Ministry	Marv Turner
Women's Ministry	Kris White
Outreach	Debby Chenoweth
Prayer Chain	Carol Kyger
Reception	Jill McBee & Pat Crompton
Building	Rick McBee

### **Music Ministry**

Organist/Piano Dottie Gilbertson & Audrey Bentz  
Choir Audrey Bentz & Sharon Poynter

### **Staff Parish Relations**

George Bentz, Chair (2018)  
Cindy Murahashi (2018)  
Rose Miller (2019)  
Rick McBee Board Liaison

### **Happy Hands**

Mondays 9am to 11am  
Women's Craft & Fellowship Group in Fellowship Hall

### **Quilting**

1st and 3rd Wednesdays  
Quilts for Lutheran World Relief in Fellowship Hall

### **Men's Group**

Tuesday at 10am at Rosauer's Coffee Corner

### **Women's Bible Study**

4th Tuesday of the month 2-4pm at church

### **Women's Spirituality**

1st Saturday of the month Study and fellowship



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