

Boulder Knoll Scroll



January 23, 2019

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Participate

ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, January 27th

Join us for Westminster's Annual Meeting & Potluck Lunch at Noon, following the 11:15 service.

If your last name starts with **A-M**, please bring a **dessert** to share.

If your last name starts with **N-Z**, please bring a **salad** to share.

Come enjoy some fellowship, pick up your copy of our 2018 Annual Report, and hear the latest on the Interim Pastor search.

See you there!

WELCOME TO WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MEN

The Men's Last Wednesday Coffee Club

will meet at the Oregon Crepe at
315 High Street St. on January 30th at 8:00 AM.
Call or text David Turner for more info: (503) 580-7917

Sunday, January 27, 2019

Rev. Ken Smith

Scripture: Isaiah 55: 1-3 & John 6: 32-35

Sermon: "The Church Of My Dreams"

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

8:15 AM Traditional Worship
9:45 AM Contemporary Worship
11:15 AM Traditional Worship

The mission of Westminster Presbyterian Church is to embody God's purpose in Jesus Christ by reflecting and actively sharing God's love within a dynamic community for all God's creation through worship, education, development of faith, service and fellowship.

Dear Friends -



There's an amazing encounter (recorded in John 20:19-23) between Jesus and his startled disciples. It's the evening of the first Easter, 2 days after Jesus' followers had seen their beloved leader crucified and laid in a stone-cold tomb. Oddly, that morning some women, who had gone to the tomb to finish embalming Jesus, said the stone had been rolled away, the tomb was empty - and they'd seen Jesus alive again! The disciples' reaction to that was along the lines of "Really? You expect us to believe that? You've been through a lot; better get some rest."

So the distraught and puzzled crew gathered that evening, fearful behind locked doors - and who suddenly appears but Jesus himself! We can't imagine what they must have thought - could you? Jesus, as he often does, first reassures them: "Peace be with you," and then: "As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you... Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone their sins, they are forgiven; if not, they are not forgiven."

Wow! Jesus departs this world - and passes the torch to us! The Holy Spirit empowers us - all of us - to carry on his work - even the potent work of forgiving others. In God's startling plan, we are his hands and his heart, his face on earth. And it's all of us. It's not just John Moody (or Ken Smith or other ministers to come); God's Spirit is within each of us, guiding and gifting us to be his people and share his love.

I continue to appreciate y'all - your gifts and dedication, your service to Christ and his Church and his world in so many ways. Thanks to y'all and to God for you! Good on ya - and keep it up!

And even now, as I pass the torch to the next Bridge Pastor, who'll pass it on to the Interim Pastor, and so on, we are strengthened in knowing y'all are good torch-bearers, shining the light of Christ for all to see. May we continue to fan the flames of God's Spirit as together we journey into God's future, giving and forgiving as Christ commands, and always remembering Jesus' words: "Peace be with you."

Thankfully and hope-fully,
Ken

Hot Off the Pres-byterian

Interim Pastoral Selection Committee

The Presbytery will be sending candidates for the Interim Pastor Selection Committee before the end of January. The Interim Pastoral committee is ready to start the selection process when they receive the information.

Bridge Pastor

We are pleased to announce that beginning Feb 8, 2019, Rev. David Mote will be following Rev. Ken Smith as our Bridge Pastor until the Interim Pastor is selected.

Rev. Mote grew up in California. He graduated from Harvard College, majoring in physics, and from Union Theological Seminary in New York. He was ordained by the Presbytery of Western Colorado and served pastorates in Cortez, Colorado, Springville and Provo, Utah (two churches simultaneously), Vacaville, and Ontario, California. He has served as interim pastor in Seattle, in Richmond, California and at the Presbyterian Church in Chinatown, San Francisco. He moved to Oregon seven years ago to be interim pastor in Albany and has since served six months as interim at Westminster Church in Eugene. Now he's enjoying being retired. He has two children and five grand-children. He enjoys time with family hiking, long bicycle rides, reading and cooking.

Rev. Mote will be at services on Jan 27th to meet and greet the congregation.



PARENT'S MEETING SCHEDULED

Children's and Family Ministries are hosting a special meeting for parents and grand-parents of children ages 0 yrs old thru 5th grade. This meeting will be Sunday, February 10th, from 10:45 to 11:30 am in Russell Hall. It will be a great time to meet the directors and committees of these ministries, learn more about the current opportunities, future plans and for you to give input and ask questions. A survey will be emailed to your home so you can look it over before the meeting. Also, the survey will allow you to give us your input if you are unable to attend the meeting.

Both Children's Choir practices will be held at their regular time and location but will run the duration of the meeting. There will be childcare provided for the children not in choir (ages 0-5th grade). We look forward to meeting you!

Sue, Director of Children's Ministry &
Krisha, Director of Adult Education and
Family Ministries.

WESTPRES CALENDAR

Sun., January 27

Rev. Ken Smith
8:15 AM WORSHIP SERVICE
9:45 AM Children's Education Hour
9:45 AM INFORMAL WORSHIP
10:45 AM Children's Choirs
11:00 AM Mid Hi Youth
11:15 AM WORSHIP SERVICE
12:00 PM ANNUAL MEETING & POTLUCK
12:00 PM High School Youth Field Trip

Mon., January 28

10:00 AM Library Staff

Tue., January 29

10:30 AM Bible Study
5:00 PM Bells
7:00 PM Yoga

Wed., January 30

6:45 AM Women's Bible Study @ Rockin' Robin
8:00 AM Men's Last Wed.
9:30 AM Staff Meeting
7:00 PM Scout Troop # 108
7:30 PM N.A.

Thurs., January 31

10:00 AM Bible Study @ Chlanda's
5:30 PM Praise Team
7:00 PM Chancel Choir

Fri., February 1

Sat., February 2

Sun., February 3

Rev. David Horn
8:15 AM WORSHIP SERVICE
9:45 AM Children's Education Hour
9:45 AM INFORMAL WORSHIP
11:00 AM Mid Hi Youth—Game Day
11:15 AM WORSHIP SERVICE
High School Youth—Superbowl Party

Mon., February 4

10:00 AM Library Staff
5:30 PM WEAVE

Tue., February 5

10:30 AM Bible Study
5:00 PM Bells
7:00 PM Nominating Committee
7:00 PM Yoga

Wed., February 6

6:45 AM Women's Bible Study @ Rockin' Robin
9:30 AM Staff Meeting
7:00 PM Scout Troop # 108
7:30 PM N.A.

Thurs., February 7

9:30 AM Tea with Jesus
10:00 AM Bible Study @ Chlandas's
5:30 PM Praise Team
6:00 PM Venturing Crew
7:00 PM Chancel Choir

Fri., February 8

Sat., February 9

9AM-3PM John Knox Event in Boulder Hall

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR LENTEN EXPLOSION

March 3rd, 10th, & 17th 5:00-7:00 Dinner Included

The Forgotten Creed: Christianity's Original Struggle Against Bigotry, Slavery, & Sexism

Led by Stephen Patterson,

Chair of Religious and Ethical Studies at Willamette University

Long before the followers of Jesus declared him to be the Son of God, Jesus taught his followers that they too were the children of God. This ancient creed, now all but forgotten, is recorded still within the folds of a letter of Paul the Apostle. This ancient creed said nothing about God or Christ or salvation. Its claims were about the whole human race: there is no race, there is no class, there is no gender. This is the story of that first, forgotten creed, and the world of its begetting, a world in which foreigners were feared, slaves were human chattel, and men questioned whether women were really human after all. Into this world the followers of Jesus proclaimed: "You are all children of God. There is no Jew or Greek, no slave or free, no male and female, for you are all one." Where did this remarkable statement of human solidarity come from, and what, finally, happened to it?

OR

Moses: In the Footsteps of the Reluctant Prophet

DVD Series

Facilitated by Krisha Horn

Join Adam Hamilton as he travels from Egypt to Mt. Sinai, the Nile, the Red Sea and the wilderness exploring the sites of Moses' life. Using historical information, archaeological data, and biblical text, Hamilton guides us in the footsteps of this reluctant prophet who grew in his relationship with God and by the end of life had successfully fulfilled the role he was given. This is a six-week DVD series. The first three weeks were presented at Fall Frenzy last year. **Continue or join the journey with us. If you missed last fall, you can catch up by borrowing *Moses* from the church library. Or simply jump in!**

***Children's Activities Available
Sign-ups begin February 10th***



VOLUNTEER NEEDED FOR MISSION/PEACE "5TH SUNDAY" PROJECT



MPEJ is recruiting for a person to lead our **5th Sunday donation drives**. Four times per year, we hold 5th Sunday donation drives to give needed supplies to local non-profits. Past recipients have included: a Girl Scout troop for daughters of incarcerated mothers, Women at the Well Grace House, and Shelley's house.

The volunteer will research the 5th Sunday donation drive recipients, communicate with the committee and congregation, and deliver the donations.

This relatively small time commitment creates huge impact. Read the note we received from our September 2018 recipient:

Dear Mission Peace committee: Your generosity is something all of us - girl and troop leader alike - is still processing. We are humbled and grateful. Truly, you understand the spirit of Girl Scouts and the meaning of service.

Become the volunteer for 5th Sunday Donation Drives! Past volunteer, Gerry Morgan, marvels about the congregation's generosity and the non-profits' gratitude.

Training and support provided. Learn more - contact Christine Speak, christinelspeak0909@gmail.com.



Did you know January is National Soup Month?
Well, now you do! And we will celebrate our own "Souper Bowl Sunday" by filling Big Blue with all kinds of SOUP on **Sunday, February 3rd.**

Our "Souper Bowl Sunday" coincides with that other national "Super" day! So start watching for sales on soup, stock up, and bring your soup on February 3rd. We will fill the shelves at Table of Plenty with hearty winter soup choices, while we celebrate Soup Month, and, of course, the all-American Super Bowl Sunday.

Let's fill Big Blue to the brim!

Ciao, Bella!

Are you tired of the cold and rainy weather? Visit sunny Italy "by armchair" on Tuesday, February 26 at 6:30 pm in Russell Hall – then sign up for a trip-of-a-lifetime with the Westminster Travelers, September 28 – October 10, 2019. Brochures are available to pick up in the handout materials at the Visitors' Table.

Contact Barbara Wolfe at barbarawolfe60@gmail.com or 503-508-5508 (text or phone) for more information & to get all your questions answered.



CHURCH LIBRARY

"Love the Lord your God with all your mind."



New in the Library:

The Organist Wore Pumps by Mark Schweizer. (Fiction)

Another murder in St. Germaine to be solved by police chief/church organist. This is the sixth book in the hilarious series. "It's like Mitford meets Jurassic Park, only without the wisteria and the dinosaurs...."

Faith in Words: a celebration of Presbyterian Writers edited by Ann Weems and Louis B. Weeks. (Non-Fiction)

A timeless collection of meditative essays and poems that reflect on living the life of faith.

The Luminous Web: Essays on Science and Religion by Barbara Brown Taylor (Non-Fiction)

Faith and science join on a single path, seeking to learn the same truths about life in the universe.

Faster Pastor by Sharyn McCrumb and Adam Edwards (Fiction)


The amusing story of pastors competing in a car race for the grand prize.

Blood Orchid by Stuart Woods (Fiction)

Chief of Police Holly Barker returns in her third suspenseful adventure-along with her father Ham and Daisy the Doberman. This time, they get introduced to the cutthroat world of Florida real estate...and uncover a scam as dangerous as it is lucrative.

Faith In Words by Presbyterian Writers (Non-Fiction)

A collection of prayers and articles about Christians in North America today.



SAVE THE DATE!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:

June 24-28
Monday- Friday, 9:00-12:00
"Roar, Life is Wild, God is Good"



WINTER IHN HOSTING IN FEBRUARY

Westminster hosted IHN homeless families the last time in November and our turn is coming up again.

In this ministry, we welcome families in need of emergency housing to our church every evening for a week. They sleep, warm and safe, in the church and we provide nourishing dinners when they arrive and a good breakfast before they leave in the morning.

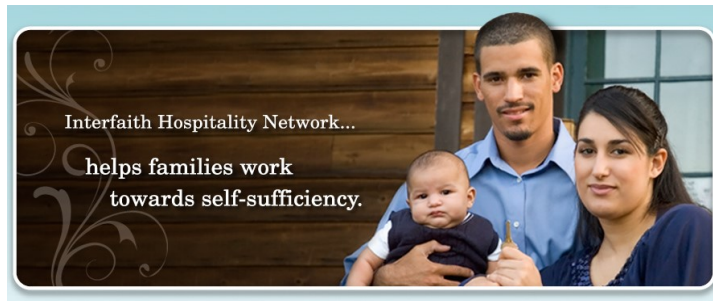
We will host the week of February 17, so we hope you'll save that week on your calendar. Many volunteers will be needed to provide meals, as well as to be present at the church to host families.

Family Promise/Interfaith Hospitality Network coordinates with 17 churches, including ours, to help families without homes to regain independence and build new lives. Their staff works with families on job searches, budgeting, parenting and other support which leads to permanent positive changes in their lives, most importantly housing.

As a church, hospitality and serving are key principles as we seek to follow Jesus. Our role is to relieve suffering immediately, while the staff can work long term to help families truly build new lives.

Serving together to make a difference to kids and parents who are in crisis is such a great use of time and energy—as well as an expression of our faith!

Volunteer signups have started—look for the table in the Narthex.
(Questions? Contact Arlene Pate 503-362-1828)



SAVE THE DATE FOR THE ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT

May 3-5, 2019 in Lincoln City
Leader: Dawn Taloyo: "Foster Friendship"

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS



Praise!

◇ Barbara Wolfe is doing very well following knee replacement surgery

Our Love and Prayers go out for:

- ◇ Ken & Joan Smith; Joan broke her hip on Monday, and is recovering
- ◇ Eleanor Pippinger, who is hospitalized
- ◇ The family of Jean Sanesi, who are mourning Jean's passing
- ◇ Sherry Kuhns, who is recovering from a fall
- ◇ Rose Ingham (18 months) & parents; Rose has RSV and is in ICU in Denver's Children's Hospital
- ◇ Carolyn Jones' friend, Addy, who is experiencing great pain in her legs.
- ◇ Mike and Debbie Rilea, who are dealing with severe water damage in their home.
- ◇ Tracy Doherty, Lynnea Lyman's daughter-in-law, who has health concerns as well as an upcoming heart transplant.

Continue to Remember:

Cynthia Currin, Eleanor Embick, Tim Holsten, Duff Kannier, Jim Lamp, Fred Schwarz, John Trigg, Sandra Smith, Dick Stephens
Mather's great-grandson, James Pratt and his parents
Sharon Gilliam, who is undergoing medical tests.
Carolyn Lawrence's husband, Mark, who is struggling with Parkinson's
David Preston, father of A.J. Preston, who has cancer
Daphne Russell (age 7), grandniece of Cindi & Bruce Chinnock, is slowly improving
Linda Sunderland, friend of Ben & Bev Silveira, who has cancer
Peter and Deanie Anderson, who are dealing with many health challenges
Cheryl Jewell requests prayers for Barbara Jewell (Stan's mother) who has cancer, and Sandy and Terry Bell (Cheryl's sister and brother-in-law) whose home was destroyed in a fire in Keizer
Brenda Cochrane, friend of Barbara Friday
Krista Wallace, friend of Chrysta Friday, who has been diagnosed with leukemia
Jennifer Russell, niece of Bruce & Cindi Chinnock, is recovering from surgery for a brain tumor
Sally Neely, who is recovering from severe pain and shingles
Ron Bell, who is in hospice
Nikki Paxton & family
Ralph & Ahmad, friends of Carolyn Jones, who are awaiting their papers to enter the country
Mary Rowlette, friend of Susan Tanabe, who is in early stages of dementia. Family also needs prayer.
Norma Slover, friend of Sarah Johnson, who was diagnosed with cancer
Peggy Klein, as she awaits test results from a medical procedure

*Thank You
to us!*

Last week at their annual dinner, **The Salem Leadership Foundation** recognized Westminster for our community service. Krishna Horn, Director of Adult Education, represented the church at the dinner. In the words of the Foundation, "Westminster is setting the pace for churches in South Salem to serve and love their neighbor... thank you for stepping up and supporting the community by sharing your space and lending support."



DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET

It is already time to start thinking about our Lenten Devotional. Once again we are asking for contributions of either favorite scriptures, prayers, poems, songs, stories or other inspirational thoughts that can be included in this booklet. You don't have to write it yourself.

There are only a few weeks to turn things in so if you have something you would like included, please email it to krisha@salemwestpres.org. as soon as possible. Email is preferred, but if that does not work for you, it can be turned in to Krisha in the church office. The deadline for submissions is **Sunday, February 17th**. Thanks so much! We are looking forward to sharing the season together as a community.



During this period of transition with our pastor, don't forget there are several ways to reach out with prayer requests:

1. Call the office directly. Our Office Manager, Jean Severson will take your request and add it to the bulletin and/or BKS. She'll also make sure the Bridge Pastor / Interim Pastor and your deacon are informed. You can reach Jean at: (503) 364-3327 ext. 103.
2. Add your request to our WestPres email chain. Send your request by email to: westpresprayer@gmail.com, and your prayer concern will be sent to everyone on the prayer chain list.
3. Go to our website at: www.salemwestpres.org. Under the "About Us" tab, there is an electronic Prayer Request Form that allows you to email your request directly to the church. Those requests are checked every weekday.

Let's stay in touch! Every prayer request is important.



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THE OFFICE



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THE NEWSLETTER



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The **deadline for submission** of articles for the next Boulder Knoll Scroll is **Monday, February 4 @ 8am**. Publication is typically every other week. Articles may be submitted directly to the church office or by email to:

jean@salemwestpres.org

*Need a
Ride?*



Do you need a ride to church? Are you available to provide a ride so someone can attend church services? The Ride to Church program would be happy to assist connecting those needing rides with those who are available to drive.

Contact:

**Katy Tillotson (503) 428-7264 or
Sandy McLean (503) 363-6479**

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