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SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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Shepherd's Office Hours;
Mon-Thurs. 8:00 - 1:00 p

Pastor Randy's Office
Hours;

(On medical leave)

Temporary Pastor

Brian Brandt

Tues. - Fri

10:00 - 2:00 p

And by appt.

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Worship Services

8:30 a & 10:30 a

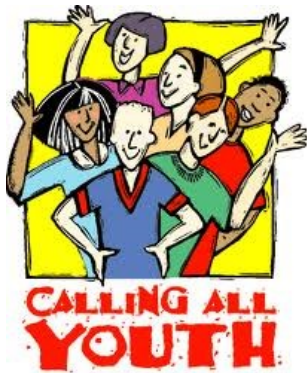
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"A caring community
touched by Christ,
touching others for Christ"

Youth Group Update

During the rummage sale the youth group will be selling drinks and treats! We will have some baked goods from Great Harvest Bread Company!



Youth group will be starting up in late August. So if you are entering 6-12th grade be on the look out for meeting dates and times! Please contact Stacey or Caitlin if you would like more information on what we do as a youth group.

If you are interested in attending the ELCA Youth Gathering in Detroit July 2015 please check out the ELCA website and Facebook page to find out what's been going on and what to expect. Remember you have to be going into high school Fall 2015 or just graduated 2015 to be eligible for the trip.



Pastor Brian's Message

I met with the Evangelism Committee a few weeks ago. We got to talking about prayer. We decided it would be good to promote prayer at SOV. Evangelism is not just reaching out to engage people in the life of a nonprofit institution. It's more about sharing our faith, our hope, our heart set on God — which is the whole reason for us to exist as a nonprofit institution. So, in the coming year you'll notice a greater emphasis on prayer at SOV, because prayer is all about strengthening our connection with God. When we attend to our own connection with God, we are better equipped to share our heart for God with others.

Here's a word from St. Paul about prayer: "Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." (Phil. 4:6)

Here's some practical guidance on prayer — courtesy of a book sometimes used by our Confirmation students: *Here We Stand (Student Book)*. It's full of wisdom that's as good for adults as it is for teens.

HOW TO PRAY

Prayer is intimate communication with God and can be used before a meal, at bedtime, during a worship service, or any time the need or opportunity arises. Silent and spoken prayers are both okay and may be used liberally throughout the day. Prayer is also taking time to listen to what God is saying to us. Spontaneous prayer is often best, but the following process may help build the habit.

Assess your need for prayer. Take stock of the situation at hand, including your motivations. What are you praying for and why?

Select a type of prayer. Prayers of *supplication* (requests for God's help), *contrition* (in which sin is confessed and forgiveness requested), *intercession* (on behalf of others), and others are good and time tested. Books of personal prayers, hymnals, and devotions often contain helpful, prewritten prayers. Consider also an ad-libbed prayer from the heart.

Select a physical prayers posture. Many postures are appropriate. The most common type of prayer in the New Testament is from a prone position, lying face-down on the ground, arms spread. Kneeling with your face and palms upturned is good for prayers of supplication. Bowed head with closed eyes and hands folded is common today and aids concentration. There is no official posture for prayer. Choose your posture according to your individual prayer needs.

Offer your prayer. Pray with confidence. God listens to all prayer and responds. Breathe deeply, relax, and be open as the Spirit leads you.

Listen. Take time during your prayer simply to listen. Some prayer traditions involve only silent meditation as a means of listening for God's voice.

Be aware. God hears every prayer. Prayer can be done either alone or in the company of others. Environment matters. If possible, consider lighting a candle and dimming the lights to set the correct mood and help block out distractions.

Concluding remarks from St. Paul: "And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." (Phil. 4:7)

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT... Submitted by Jim Tabor

First, we would like to thank Terry Wagemann as Council President this past year! Terry has been a diligent servant to SOV and guided with a gentle hand. We should all make it a point to express our gratitude for his time as President. We would also like to thank Bill Hessler for his time as Vice-President.

Now we are transitioning into a new council and officers. There are so many gifted and talented people who have stepped up to make SOV a place where people can feel the presence of Christ in our lives. If you have not already done so, please consider joining a committee. Currently we are asking people to consider joining stewardship as way to help other people share their talents and gifts,

Thank you to all who have helped make the Rummage Sale a success! Wow! We sure have a lot of STUFF! Thanks to the donors and the people who volunteered their time to make this a success. Peggy again demonstrated her leadership in organizing, delegating, and moving things to make this a huge success. And as many know, the proceeds will help buy NEW CHAIRS! Again thanks for everyone who helped make this happen.

We, Calvin and I, would like to thank Pastor Brian for delivering excellent sermons these past months. We are blessed to have his leadership while Pastor Randy heals. It was definitely a highlight to see two baptisms this past month; Hailey Miles and Deric Chance Hayes Martinelli. The life of SOV continues to move forward with baptisms, confirmation, and new members. These are exciting times at SOV.

A special thanks to Arden, Matt and Tom for the new 80" TV screens, Computer, IPAD and endless wires to add a new dimension to our worship services. The memorial fund from Pastor Kurt Riser provided the majority of the funds. This was always on Pastor Kurt's wish list. There will be many times the added audio and visual effects will be able to enhance the quality of the message delivered.

Rally Sunday is coming in early September so stayed tuned. Hope you are enjoying your summer and find time to recharge your body, mind, soul and hearts. By the way, SOV provides many avenues to help you do all of these just ask the hard working volunteers at the rummage sale.

Yours in Christ,

Jim Tabor and Calvin Sugiyama

Co-Council Presidents

Shepherd of the Valley is proudly sponsoring an American Red Cross blood drive Monday, August 18th 1:30—7:00 pm

We encourage all eligible persons to help our local community by giving the gift of life. The blood donation process takes about an hour of your time and could save up to 3 lives.



First time donors are welcome! For more information and/or to schedule your appointment to donate- blood please call 800-787-9691 or 503-284-4040. **Walk - in's Welcome**

Parish Education....Submitted by Stacie S.

We hope everyone is having a wonderful summer! Can you believe we only have a few more weeks before Rally Sunday is here? Please look for updated information in the bulletin as we start to prepare for the start of Sunday School. The August newsletter will have more information for the dates below, but please mark your calendars. We want everyone there!

Rally Sunday will be September 7th
Start of Sunday School classes September 14th



VOLUNTEERS NEED

- ⇒ Sunday Kitchen Cleaners
- ⇒ Sunday Ushers
- ⇒ Sunday Fellowship Treat providers (baked or homemade)
- ⇒ Communion Bread Bakers

PLEASE SIGN UP ON THE CLIP BOARDS IN THE FELLOWSHIP AREA OR CONTACT TAMMY IN THE CHURCH OFFICE.

Kids of the Kingdom Christian Preschool and Kindergarten

Fall 2014 Enrollment is Continuing

We are still enrolling children, ages 2-6, for our Fall Classes of Two's and Parent, Preschool 3's and 4's, Prekindergarten and Kindergarten. Please share this news with your family and friends to help our ministry to grow. You can contact us at kokpreschool@gmail.com or phone 503-645-0236. Tours will be provided at your convenience and more information can be found on the church website, www.sovlutheran.com/kok. At Kids of the Kingdom, we believe all children are precious gifts of God, created in His image and loved unconditionally by Him. Our teachers' lesson plans focus on "play" offering stimulating learning environments that will engage your child. We feature small class sizes and also have a large playground surrounded by wetlands for the children to enjoy nature.

Submitted by Wendy Roeder

Social Concerns...Submitted by Linnea

SOV continues to support families by providing essential cleaning and personal items through our GEM (Gap Essentials Ministry). Families are screened by Love INC and referred to SOV for the supplies. We are currently serving two families a month, and would love to serve more. The next time you are shopping, please pick up some items to supply the program. Especially needed at this time are:

- All-purpose cleaner
- Window cleaner
- Dish soap
- Facial tissue
- Laundry detergent

Donations can be brought to the church and placed in the Love INC barrel in the narthex.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

1 Lloyd H	16 Tammy M
2 Ginny A	18 Amie K
4 Chanel H	18 Mark V
4 Paul R	19 Jenny M
5 Ada B	21 Brenda P
8 Anabera H	21 Jonathon RB
8 Diane L	25 Summer M
10 Mark B	26 Sandra C
12 Sharon G	26 Amber K
13 Daphne K	27 Debbie Z
14 Caitlin S	30 Da'rel S
15 Susan V	



God's Blessing
For a
Joyful New Year
In
Life!

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

<i>Rudy & Agnes Wagenmann</i>	<i>August 16th</i>
<i>Craig & Julie Zetterberg</i>	<i>August 21st</i>
<i>Samuel & Adrian Garcia</i>	<i>August 22nd</i>
<i>Chris & Carla Reger</i>	<i>August 24th</i>



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY



Meeting Monday, August 18th at 7:00 pm

Thursday, August 28th 1:00 pm (following the All Church Luncheon)

Bring your knitting needles. Have lunch with the group followed by fellowship with the prayer shawl knitters/crocheters.

MEN'S NIGHT

Thursday, August 7th

6:30 PM @ Lil' Cooperstown

2947 SE 73rd Ave
Hillsboro, OR 97123

ALL MEN INVITED FOR FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP



Scrip Order Sunday

August 3rd

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Scrip is Fundraising
While You Shop!™



Just a reminder

All are invited to SOV's All Church Luncheon

Held on the last Thursday of each month @ 12:00 p

No need to RSVP or bring anything. Just come, visit and enjoy!

Next one; August 28, 2014

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER ARTICLES ARE DUE AUGUST 26th

Greetings from the ladies dinner group.

We are changing the August dinner to August 12 because August 5 is the date of the "National Night Out". Events are held in neighborhoods to increase awareness of police programs and communities such as block watch and other anticrime efforts. It is an opportunity to meet your neighbors.

On August 12th we will be going to Reedville Cafe. The address is 7575 SE. TV Hwy in Hillsboro. It is located on the corner Cornelius Pass Road and TV Hwy. Their website is www.reedvillecafe.com

On September 2 we will visit a Mexican restaurant suggested by Enith called Allan's Mexican Restaurant. It is located at 18305 NW. West Union Rd. The restaurant is located in the Albertson's shopping center on the corner of 185th and West Union

Thank you Lynn and Vesper for hosting the Ladies Dinner Group.

Deann and Tammy will be your new hostesses, as always we encourage your input about places to eat or activities to do.

All dinners start at 6:00 pm. Whenever the restaurant has a website we will include it so you can check out the menu and prices if it's a restaurant you are unfamiliar with. All of the restaurants are suggestions by SOV members.

Ladies Dinner Group



THANK YOU




Thank you to all of you who donated rulers for LoveINCs Packed with Love Back pack project.

Once again we meet our goal of collecting rulers to donate to LoveINC in serving Washington County School age children in need of school supplies for the 2014/2015 school year.



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August 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Isaiah 41:10</p> <p><i>So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.</i></p>					<p>1</p> <p>9:00 - 5:00 p Rummage Sale 1:00 - 9:00 p Palmeto Piano Studio</p>	<p>2</p> <p>9:00 - 5:00 p Rummage Sale</p>
<p>3</p> <p>8:30 & 10:30 a Worship Birthday, Blood Pressure, Scrip Sunday Installation of Officers 1:30 p OEC</p>	<p>4</p> <p>GOD'S LOVE IS PERMANENT and unchanging</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>7:15 a Coffee Group @ Starbucks Bethany 10:00 a Bible Study 7:00 p Choir</p>	<p>7</p> 	<p>8</p> <p>1:00 - 9:00 p Palmeto Piano Studio</p>	<p>9</p> <p>10:00 - 11:30 a SOV Choir</p>
<p>10</p> <p>8:30 & 10:30 a Worship 1:30 p OEC</p>	<p>11</p> <p>GEM Distribution</p>	<p>12</p> <p>6:00 p Ladies Dinner @ Reedville Cafe</p>	<p>13</p> <p>7:15 a Coffee Group @ Starbucks Bethany 10:00 a Bible Study 7:00 p Choir</p>	<p>14</p> <p>7:00 p LLL</p>	<p>15</p> <p>1:00 - 9:00 p Palmeto Piano Studio</p>	<p>16</p> <p>10:00 - 11:30 a SOV Choir</p>
<p>17</p> <p>8:30 & 10:30 a Worship 1:30 p OEC</p>	<p>18</p> <p>1:30 - 7:00 p Red Cross Blood Drive</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>7:15 a Coffee Group @ Starbucks Bethany 10:00 a Bible Study 7:00 p Choir</p>	<p>21</p> <p>10:00 a LLL</p>	<p>22</p> <p>1:00 - 9:00 p Palmeto Piano Studio</p>	<p>23</p> <p>10:00 - 11:30 a SOV Choir</p>
<p>24</p> <p>8:30 & 10:30 a Worship 1:30 p OEC</p>	<p>25</p> <p>GEM Distribution</p>	<p>26</p> 	<p>27</p> <p>7:15 a Coffee Group @ Starbucks Bethany 10:00 a Bible Study 7:00 p Choir</p>	<p>28</p> <p>12:00 p All Church Luncheon</p>	<p>29</p> <p>1:00 - 9:00 p Palmeto Piano Studio Labor Day</p>	<p>30</p> <p>10:00 - 11:30 a SOV Choir Weekend</p>
<p>31</p> <p>One Worship Service @ 10:30 a 1:30 p OEC</p>	<p><i>Happiness cannot be traveled to, owned, earned, worn or consumed. Happiness is the spiritual experience of living every minute with love, grace, and gratitude.</i></p> 