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SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY NEWSLETTER

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Shepherd's Office Hours;
Mon-Thurs 9:00—2:00

Pastor Randy's Office
Hours;

Tues-Fri 9:00 -12:00
(by appt after 12:00)

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Summer Worship Services
8:30 a & 10:30 a

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



SOV YOUTH GROUP

Wishes to Thank everyone who
supported the Chevy's
fundraiser night on May 18th.

LOOKING AHEAD;

June 5th

Youth Group will be leading both worship
services; 8:30 & 10:30 a

What can we learn from God's creation?

YOU'D BE SURPRISED!

Come to worship on June 5th to learn and to
enjoy the music of our own SOV Youth Choir as
they present a wonderful musical

(youth group will be meeting between worship services at 9:30 a)

Celebrating Dad's and Grad's

Sunday June 19th

@ 9:30 a





PASTOR'S PAGE

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28

Summer is coming! Can't tell by the chilly, rainy weather, but by the calendar. Sitting here and writing this as the Memorial Day weekend is upon us. The time that ushers in thoughts of summer and barbeques and time off, of vacations and relaxing. That is the time when we can give up the heavy burdens and know some rest right? Does it really work out that way? Maybe, but not quite yet. We are not there yet.

There is still some school to go to. There are "statements of faith" for our confirmands to write. And then the Rite of Confirmation itself of June 12th, which is also the Day of Pentecost, the birthday of the church. Then there will be Vacation Bible School June 20th thru the 22nd. Then there will be rest right? Can we count on it? It doesn't always work out that way because sometimes we are not very good at it. Meaning that we fill up our time of rest with lots of stuff and never get around to the resting part, never get to laying the burdens down. Sometimes we might even turn the trying to get rested part into another burden. (How God must shake his head in wonderment at us some times.)

What if we do not get to it? What if we do not have the time to take a vacation from life and find that much hoped for rest? Maybe we can heed that invitation from Jesus. That is what that verse above is about at least in part. It is not about getting away necessarily, but having the Lord present in the midst of our lives. That provides moments of rest. Seems simple enough, but it sure is easy to forget. Or it becomes something that I must force myself to do, and then it might become another burden rather than a gift of rest.

But the Creator might surprise us if we let our guards down. It was just last evening, standing out back, no one around, thinking of the fullness of the day, and what had yet to be done in the night and the morrow. And then, without my thinking my way into it I noticed the sun shining for a moment, and the beauty of the green, and all the birds flitting around, and the songs they were singing. And all the stuff faded away for a bit, and there was a big sigh, and rest. Thanks Lord.

Before the night was over the rest was gone again, but there was that moment, and sometimes that is enough. The Christ invites us to have more, to come to Him time and again, to know rest, to dump our weariness and have our joy restored. It need not be a designated time (although it is good if we can choose times to give ourselves a chance to rest, to get away).

May we rest well, at the invitation of the Christ.

In the peace and power of the cross,
Pastor Randy

Please keep in your prayers the youth who are writing their statements of faith, and their time of presenting them as part of Confirmation, and for all the folks who are preparing for VBS, as well as though who will attend, that the power of God's story in our lives will lift us.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Submitted by Lee Ann Bonacker

The **congregational meeting** on 5/22 was well attended, and the new Executive Council and committee members were elected with a unanimous vote. Thanks to everyone who brought food for the potluck and helped organize the event. The committees are growing both in members and in functions.

The **Memorial and Endowment Committee** provides an example of that, as well as **Evangelism**. As Peggy said at the meeting, SOV doesn't have a problem with people wanting involvement. What an unusual situation for a "volunteer organization." I look forward so much to working with everyone this coming Council year.

KOK will have its graduation ceremonies on 5/25/11. KOK continues to improve financially in spite of the issues with flooding and all the inconveniences that brings. Hopefully, the KOK area will stay dry, as the Eagle Scout project and others have addressed the unexpected slope drainage issues and kitchen plumbing has been improved. Although the situation has been difficult, water problems were discovered that could have remained a mystery and flooded again in the future. Thanks to everyone at KOK for their perseverance and patience.



Parish Ed is busy planning VBS and the youth group is also planning an outing to Great Wolf Lodge. During the call process for Pastor Randy, one of the frequent needs expressed was the development of SOV youth programs. We can see all the programs growing and answering those needs in brand new ways in the past couple years.

Building renewal continues, with Dave just awaiting a week of dry weather to install the new membrane roof. Let's hope that the roof doesn't have unseen problems such as dry rot, and the installation comes in close to the \$21,770.00 estimate.

The Council retreat this past April focused on missions. One of the first things Council will examine are the results of that retreat and how best to continue to serve our community.

The **Social Concerns** Committee continues to have excellent turn out for the Food Bank activities, and will no doubt play an important role as we think about more ways to give back from the blessings God gives to us. We are all looking forward to the kitchen being finished. The new floor looks great. The cabinets should be in shortly.

Thanks to everyone who is making **prayer shawls** – did you know that ten young girls recently attended to make baby caps? What a nice way to include youth in an act of generosity. Also, thank you to the **Prayer Team** and the loving way that they contribute. Both of those activities are also new. It's great to see how SOV is living up to its motto, "A caring community touched by Christ, touching others for Christ. Work on the **easement issue** continues. Matters sit with the City of Beaverton, as they check some final details that need answering prior to filing the complaint.

Please continue to check the bulletins and newsletter for activities and information. If you would like to post something on the website calendar that is not a normally scheduled event, please let me know.

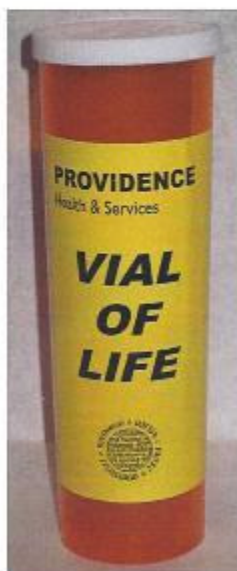
PARISH NURSE... Submitted by Corrine Gilbertson



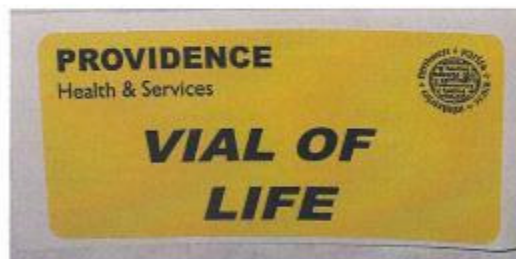
February, 2011

Providence Health and Services and Northwest Parish Nurse Ministries are collaborating on a **VIAL OF LIFE** project for the greater Portland Metropolitan area. The program is intended to provide first responders with important medical information at the time of an emergency call. The program is targeted to individuals who live alone, senior citizens and persons with chronic illnesses. Through parish nurses serving in local churches, individuals are given vials with a medical form to complete and place within it. They are asked to place it on the top right hand shelf of their refrigerator. Stickers alerting emergency personnel to its presence are placed on the individual's front door and refrigerator. Some individuals may also carry a vial in the glove compartment of their car.

VIAL OF LIFE



STICKER



Information about this program is available by calling Northwest Parish Nurse Ministries at 503-413-4137.

Do you have your Vial Of Life program in place yet?

If not see Corrine for details.

Habitat for Humanity...submitted by Rod Stoltenburg

Thrivent Builds Habitat for Humanity reminder:

Our first Habitat for Humanity volunteer build date is coming quickly: Saturday, Jun 18. For those who have already volunteered, Rod needs to get a firm commitment if you plan to participate on this date. It is a full day event, from 8:15am until about 4:00pm. If you have not signed up but would like to, let Rod know. There will also be another opportunity on July 9th.



We currently have 15 volunteers from SOV to work on the build site. We have 2 Saturdays reserved, June 18 and July 9. Contact Rod Stoltenburg with any questions.

Prayer Partners Ministry will be meeting Tuesday June 20th at 6:30 pm~

Prayer Box & Prayer Partners;

If you have prayer requests you may fill out a prayer request form and leave it in the prayer box located in the Narthex during the week or usher station on Sunday's. Also if you would like prayer time on Sunday's, Sandra is available after both worship services at the kneeler by the candles to lead you in prayer.



Shepherd of the Valley is proudly sponsoring an American Red Cross blood drive June 2nd 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

Congratulations 2011 Graduates

Trevor McDonald

Graduating from Aloha High School

Currently enrolled in ECHS program finishing his associate degree in business @ PCC

Working as a checker/front lobby clerk at Albertson's

Jenny Munezero

Graduating from Aloha High School

Will attend PCC

Plans to become a Doctor



Hayden Plinke

Graduating from Glencoe High School

Will attend Boise State University on a full ride football scholarship

Plans to major in Business or Communications

Gunnar Rasmussen

Graduating from Westview High School

Will attend University of Oregon

Plans to major in Business/Japanese

Jacob Tabor

Graduating from Westview High School

Will attend Oregon State University

Plans to major in Environmental Engineering



Stacey Roeder

Graduating from Portland State University

Receiving her Masters in Education along with her Teaching Certificate

Hoping to teach middle school or high school math

Aaron Saalfeld

Graduating from Linfield College

Receiving his degree in Business

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THRIVENT NEWS

Economic and Investment Outlook Update

Economic and Investment Outlook Update is a free educational event that can help you make more informed investment decisions.

During the event, you'll gain a better understanding of the factors that affect financial markets and trends. You'll also receive an overview of how the changing economy can impact investment markets, how emotions can affect your decisions, and when to get professional financial guidance. The free one-hour event will be presented by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans representatives Dan Chouanard, CIMA, and Jason Drews, FC, on Tuesday, July 26, from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the Hillsboro Library, 2850 NE Brookwood Pkwy, Hillsboro, or Wednesday, July 27, from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the Thrivent Financial Lake Oswego Office, 4000 Kruse Way Place, Lake Oswego. For more information, contact Susan Rothe at 503-635-2003 ext. 245 or email susan.rothe@thrivent.com.

The Economic and Investment Outlook workshop is intended only to educate you about financial decisions. It is broad in scope and does not consider your individual personal financial situation, which is unique. The information and advice may not be appropriate in all cases. No products will be offered for sale.

Securities and investment advisory services are offered through Thrivent Investment Management Inc., 625 Fourth Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN 55415, 800-847-4836, a FINRA and SIPC member and a wholly owned subsidiary of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. Thrivent Financial representatives are registered representatives of Thrivent Investment Management Inc. They are also licensed insurance agents of Thrivent Financial.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY...

Open to men, women and youth~

Will meet; June 20th 7:00 pm

@ New Seasons Market/Orenco Station

No experience required...



MAZATLAN
Mexican Restaurant

LADIES DINNER

TUESDAY JUNE 7TH

6:00 PM

MAZATLAN RESTAURANT

1435 Northwest 185th Avenue, Beaverton, OR 97006-1946

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Begins Sunday June 5th

Sunday worship 8:30 a & 10:30 a

(Childcare provided at 10:30 a service)

Sunday School resumes in September



Jesus Loves Me

Anna & Susan Warner lived in a lovely townhouse in New York City with their father a lawyer. The “Panic” of 1837 lost finances and moved into a ramshackle Revolutionary War-era home on Constitution Island on the Hudson across from the Military Academy at West Point.



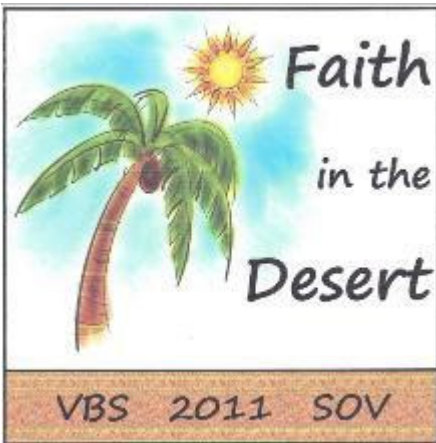
To make ends meet Anna & Susan began writing poems and stories. Anna wrote “Robinson Crusoe’s Farmyard” and Susan wrote “The Wide Wide World”. They had 106 publications, some together.

One of the best joint novels was “Say & Seal” about a boy named Johnny Fox who was dying. His Sunday School teacher comforts him by hugging and rocking him in his arms and making up a little song, “Jesus Loves Me”. It became a best seller 2nd to “Uncle Tom’s Cabin”. Hymn writer Wm. B. Bradbury read the words of the song written by Anna and composed the music.

Susan and Anna conducted Bible Classes at West Point and both were buried with full military honors. They are the only civilians buried at West Point. Their home on Constitution Island is maintained at West Point as a museum to their memory.

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL... Submitted by Theresa Kotvis



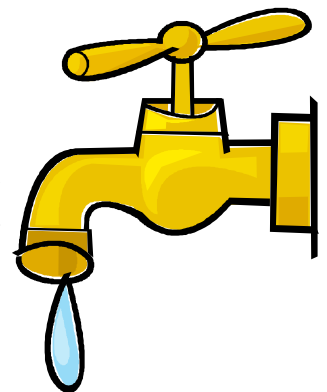
Faith in the Desert VBS 2011 will be Monday June 20th thru Wednesday June 22nd. Doors open and registration begins 5:45 pm, and the program will run from 6 - 8 pm. Skits, music, projects, games, fellowship and snacks will fill the evenings!

There will be a one time \$10 fee per child collected the first night. Children are encouraged to invite friends! Registration forms will be available ahead of time in the narthex. Join in the FUN!!!

THANK YOU

Property Committee would like to thank Reynold, Dave R. and Staff for their recent efforts to stop water leakage into the building. Thank you to those whom assisted in clean up and moving of furniture; Wendy, Linda, Michael J. and Skylar. Thank you to Marty M. for the use of his wet/dry vac, once again. Thank you to Austin M. for carpet shampoo work of the affected area. You All have made a difference with your time and effort.

Thank you,
Jeff Wagemann



SOCIAL CONCERNS...Submitted by Larina Hoffbeck

Oregon Food Bank - West

A big thanks to the 28 kids and adults from SOV who volunteered at the Oregon Food Bank on Saturday, May 21! We had a great time together and met some new friends while helping to bag over 9000 pounds of potatoes. We plan on making this a recurring opportunity to reach out to our local community, so if you'd like to volunteer for the next time, please contact Larina. (It will probably be in August or September.)

Lutheran World Relief - Personal Care Kits

Thank you to everyone who donated personal care kits to Lutheran World Relief. We had 19 kits this year plus funds to help pay for their shipping. If you'd like more information on this great program, please see their site at: <http://www.lwr.org/beinvolved/healthkit.asp>



Bare Necessities - A Love INC Gap ministry

We are collecting the following items to be donated to the Gap ministry at Oak Hills Church. This ministry serves to provide cleaning and hygiene supplies to people in need in the Beaverton area who are referred by Love In the Name of Christ. (This will be an ongoing collection, so there is no deadline. Donations may be placed in the Shepherd's Storehouse collection barrel.)

soap	toothbrushes
shampoo	toothpaste
conditioner	mouthwash
deodorant	toilet paper
paper towels	toilet cleaner
brushes/combs	sponges
napkins	facial tissue
kitchen cleaner	window cleaner
feminine hygiene products	dishwasher and laundry detergent

For more information on LoveINC and their Gap ministries, please see: www.loveincbeaverton.org



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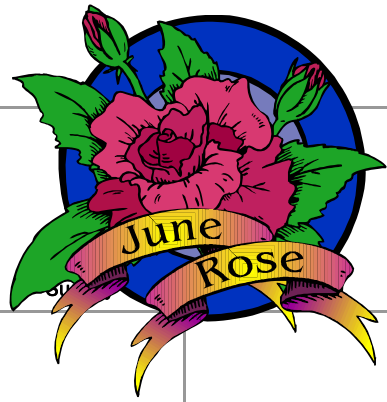
Westside Pastoral Counseling

"Where hope, healing and faith come together"

(503) 477-2627

Westside Pastoral Counseling provides confidential and affordable care to individuals, couples and parents seeking help and guidance. Rev. Bob McIntyre, D.Min., has served in full-time pastoral ministry for 26 years. As a pastoral counselor he offers seasoned and experienced support to the ministry of local pastors and congregations and the people they serve.

June 2011



Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday



1
10:00 a Bible
Study
11:15 a Rebecca
Circle

2
1:30 - 7:00 p
Red Cross Blood
Drive
6:30 p Men's
Night @ Old
Chicago

3

4



5
**Summer
Worship
Begins**
8:30 & 10:30 a
Youth Sunday
Birthday Sunday
Blood Pressures

6
6:00 p Social
Concerns

7
6:00 p Ladies
Dinner
(New earlier
time)

8
10:00 a Bible
Study

9

10

11
3:00 p Memorial
Service for Grant
Mueller

12
Summer Worship
8:30 & 10:30 a

Rite
of
Confirmation
Scrip Orders
Day of Pentecost

13

14

15
10:00 a Bible
Study

16
10:00 LLL

17



18

19
Summer Worship
8:30 & 10:30 a

Dad's & Grad's
Celebration
9:30 a
Happy
Father's
Day

20
7:00 prayer shawl



Vacation Bible
School 6-8 p

21

Vacation Bible
School 6-8 p

22
10:00 a Bible
Study



Vacation Bible
School 6-8 p

23

24

25

26
Summer Worship
8:30 & 10:30 a

27

28

29
10:00 a Bible
Study

30
12:00 p
All Church
Luncheon

