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SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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Shepherd's Office Hours;
Mon-Thurs 7:30 - 12:30pm

Interim Pastor
Brian Brandt

Tues. 10:00 - 12:15 p

Wed & Thurs

10:00 - 2:00 p

And by appt.

Office phone;

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Summer Worship Services

8:30 a & 10:30 a

Wednesday Bible Study

10:00 a

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

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

SOV Youth Group is for 9th-12th graders interested in working with others, doing fun activities, service work, going on retreats and helping out our congregation. If you are a high schooler interested in participating please contact Stacey Roeder at roedersi5@gmail.com.

Looking ahead; ELCA Youth Convention

The youth group is looking for spirited people to help in fundraising for the upcoming 2018 youth convention.

Looking for fundraising ideas to support 12+ youths and leaders to Houston, TX



Interim Pastor Brian's Message

Gardening and the Call Process
by Interim Pastor Brian Brandt



Gardens sometimes need soil amendments. Willamette Valley clay benefits from adding compost, certain minerals, wriggly earthworms, and all the microscopic critters that breathe life into the soil. Part of good gardening is finding ways to renew the soil as it becomes depleted over time. Garden life turns soil, water, and sunlight into plants — a miracle! But the vigor of the plants eventually makes the soil tired. The trick of great gardening is finding a way to renew the soil constantly even as the garden grows year after year.

A church is like a garden. The more vigorous the life of God's people in a place like SOV, the more the soil of faith needs renewal. The care and feeding of the soil of faith is a key part of growing our church, growing in Christ, growing in the rich, complex diversity of God's love.

Soon a new pastor will, almost certainly, be called. Meanwhile, this transition time is a perfect opportunity to amend the soil in SOV's garden of faith. The easiest and best way to do this is prayer. I've asked you to pray for the Call Committee, pray for the call process, pray for the new pastor. It's easy to misunderstand why I ask you to pray for these things. Much of the time, we see prayer as a sort of instrumental magic. The thinking goes: we pray, so God does what we ask; we pray, so God blesses the Call Committee; we pray, so God slips a notion in the head of a good pastor that s/he should come and serve Shepherd.

The better way to hear this call to prayer is to see that prayer prepares you to receive the pastor God has already chosen for you. Prayer changes you — not God. Prayer is the best way to amend the soil of your own life. Prayer is how God turns the garbage you find in your own life into the compost of divine love. Prayer is how God's Word worms its way into your mind, aerates the soil of your heart, prepares you to receive the breath of the Spirit. Prayer turns over the hard, dry, surface of your routine habits and gets you ready to receive the seeds of the future that God is sending the new pastor to plant.

So, yes pray. Pray a lot for the Call Committee, the call process, the new pastor. But pray most of all for yourselves, that in all these prayers God will make you ready to see, understand, and accept the great things that God will be doing among you when your new pastor shows up.

Men's Night

Thursday, June 2nd

6:00 PM

Cruise In Country Diner

9785 SW River Rd, Hillsboro, OR 97123

ALL MEN INVITED FOR FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP



Ladies Dinner

Inviting all Ladies to our monthly Dinner

Tuesday, June 7th

6:00 pm

Reedville Café

2947 SE 73rd Ave Hillsboro, OR 97123

Please RSVP to Tammy



SCRIP SUNDAYS June 5th and 19th

Scrip Card ideas as gifts for Graduation, Birthdays, or just because...

Father's Day is coming up fast. Sunday June 19th! Time to start thinking about a gift. How about..... See's Peanut Brittle. Only \$4 and your group makes \$1
Dick's Sporting Goods, Nike, Cabela's, Columbia, Home Depot, Lowe's.....
McMenamins, Red Robin, Standfords, Oswego Grill, McGrath's, Claim Jumper, Starbucks, See's, Elmers, Famous Dave's and so much more. The list is endless.

****Oil Can Henry's – No longer available on Scrip Program****



FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

Graduation recognition

June 19 we will be honoring our SOV graduates. Cake and punch will be served between our 8:30 and 10:30 services. Cards for each graduate will be available to sign. Come and join in our celebration for these wonderful Shepherd of the Valley graduates. We have included some of our members grandchildren as they have grown up being part of SOV.

Anita Irakoze

Graduating from Portland Public Schools. Anita will be working after graduation and eventually pursuing attending community college. Her interest is law enforcement and police work.

Katrina Tabor

Graduate of West View High School

She has been active in performing arts concert choir, specialty choirs and mentored younger students. She received the Pathway Oregon scholarship for 4 years to U of O. She plans to major in theater and education. Her plans include participating in music and theater with future goals of being a theatrical arts teacher. She received a \$1,000 scholarship award from Portland Teachers Association.

Laura White

Graduate of West View High School. Laura is the granddaughter of Corrine Gilbertson and daughter of Mary Beth and David White. She plans to attend Oregon State University.

Corrine Gilbertson

Graduated from New York University with her masters degree in economic development. She is the daughter of Michael and Adela Gilbertson and granddaughter of Corrine Gilbertson.

Austin McDonald

" Air Force Basic Military Training, February 5, 2016.

Certificate of Excellence in Physical Training. Lackland AFB

" Certificate of Completion in Aerospace Propulsion Apprentice, Jet Engine (TF34)

April 28, 2016. Sheppard AFB

" First duty assignment; Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma

Aaron Sugiyama

" Oregon State University - Honors College, BS in Biochemistry

" Accepted into the School of Pharmacy at OSU for Doctorate in Pharmacy or PhD in Pharmaceutical Research

" Deferred enrollment for one year to pursue acceptance into Medical School.

Currently on a Research Team at the Linus Pauling Institute to "slow down the aging process" and working as a Scribe at the Salem Regional Hospital.

Kelsey Wright

" Graduate of Corban University

Her major is interdisciplinary, Criminal Justice / Psychology / Bible.

She's been a two sport athlete for Corban, Volleyball and Track and Field.

She set the school record for the Hammer throw.

Kayla Alsworth (Grandchild of Mert Warneking)

Steve Alsworth (Grandchild of Mert Warneking)

Kids of the Kingdom Christian Preschool

Graduation: What a great end to our school year! We celebrated our students and all of their learning in May with a special ceremony for each class. The students sang some of their favorite songs from the year, were given a certificate of graduation, and each received a personalized memory book filled with pictures of the many special things they did. Then we welcomed summer in with ice cream and one last special playtime together outside. It was an absolute joy to watch the children playing one last time together and to hear the positive feedback from the parents as they shared how their children had grown and learned so much during the year.



“Intentional Parenting Workshop” We have 10 families joining us for an “Intentional Parenting Workshop” with a fun “Summer Camp” for the kids the first two weeks of June. Parents will grow their parenting toolbox by learning a variety of parenting tools and mindsets for the specific challenges of raising toddlers and preschoolers. While the parents are learning, the children will be taking a trip to the beach during our “Summer Fun Camp.” It will be a great way to start summer.



Summer Play Days: Through out the summer, we will invite families to come for a play day. These days will be open to graduates of Kids of the Kingdom, currently enrolled families as well as families interested in enrolling their children in Kids of the Kingdom. Not only will we have lots of fun playing together, but we will enjoy staying connected with all the KOK families!

Like Us on Facebook: Want to keep up-to- date with what’s going on at Kids of the Kingdom? Like our page on Facebook where we post pictures of some of the fun things we do at school as well as keep you up to date with current school events.



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JUNE BIRTHDAYS

4 Ellen R	12 Matt K
8 Carla R	12 Valsala G
10 Adrian G	12 Wesley P
10 Edward N	14 Emily V
10 Anita	23 Stacie S
10 Wendy R	27 Sara R
11 Judy F	



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

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

<i>Dick & Charleen Kuykendall</i>	<i>June 20th</i>
<i>Eric & Diane Lewis</i>	<i>June 22nd</i>
<i>Bob & Lisa McIntyre</i>	<i>June 23rd</i>
<i>Rod & Betty Stoltenburg</i>	<i>June 24th</i>
<i>Marv & Sheila Voss</i>	<i>June 25th</i>
<i>Ken & Brenda Plinke</i>	<i>June 28th</i>



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June 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Holy Spirit, we ask You to fill us with the knowledge of Your will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding. Help us to walk worthy and fully pleasing before You. As a Church Family, help us to be fruitful in every good work and to increase in Your knowledge. Teach us how to live together in unity. Walk us through the steps to restore balance to our Church Family. Please strengthen us and help us to represent Your Kingdom in the earth.</i></p>			<p>1</p> <p>10:00 a Bible Study</p> 	<p>2</p> <p>6:00 p Men's Night Country Cruise In Diner</p>	<p>3</p> <p>1:00 - 9:00 p Palmeto Piano Studio</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:30 - 11:30 a SOV Choir rehearsal</p> 
<p>5</p> <p>One Worship service 10:00 Annual Congregational Meeting 1:30 p OEC 6:00 - 7:30 p Confirmation</p>	<p>6</p> <p>7:00 p Call Committee Mtg</p>	<p>7</p> <p>9:00 - 11:00 a KOK Preschool Workshop 6:00 p Ladies Dinner Reedville Café</p>	<p>8</p> <p>10:00 a Bible Study 6:30 - 8:30 p Leadership Mtg</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9:00 - 11:00 a KOK Preschool Workshop 7:00 p LLL</p>	<p>10</p> <p>1:00 - 9:00 p Palmeto Piano Studio</p>	<p>11</p> <p>9:30 - 11:30 a SOV Choir rehearsal</p>
<p>12</p> <p>Summer Worship begins 8:30 & 10:30 a 1:30 p OEC 6:00 - 7:30 p Confirmation</p>	<p>13</p> <p>7:00 p Call Committee Mtg</p>	<p>14</p> 	<p>15</p> <p>10:00 a Bible Study</p>	<p>16</p> <p>10:00 a LLL</p>	<p>17</p> <p>1:00 - 9:00 p Palmeto Piano Studio</p>	<p>18</p> <p>9:30 - 11:30 a SOV Choir rehearsal</p>
<p>19</p> <p>Worship 8:30 & 10:30 a Graduation Celebration Father's Day 1:30 p OEC OEC</p>  <p>HAPPY FATHER'S DAY</p>	<p>20</p> <p>7:00 p Call Committee Mtg</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>10:00 a Bible Study</p>	<p>23</p> 	<p>24</p> <p>1:00 - 9:00 p Palmeto Piano Studio</p>	<p>25</p> <p>11:00 a Memorial Service for Les Peterson</p>
<p>26</p> <p>Worship 8:30 & 10:30 a 1:30 p OEC</p>	<p>27</p> <p>7:00 p Call Committee Mtg</p>	<p>28</p>  <p>It's SUMMER!</p>	<p>29</p> <p>10:00 a Bible Study</p>	<p>30</p> <p>12:00 p All Church Luncheon</p>	<p><i>In</i> EVERYTHING <i>give thanks.</i></p>	