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SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH 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

No Sunday School

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

YOUTH GROUP NEWS...

Camp Lutherwood middle school recharge retreat

October 12-14.

Cost \$85 per youth.

Transportation provided.



PASTOR'S PAGE



*"Let us journey on our way, and I will go alongside you."
Genesis 33:12*

Picked up Choice at the airport late Sunday night. An interesting time and place to people watch. It was busy, but most people did not have anyone there to greet them. So many folks were walking quite purposefully past the spot I had staked out, heads down and moving quickly. There were only a few joyful reunions (oh so different from the days we could actually go to the gates). It was fun to wonder about the stories of so many late night travelers. Where were their journeys headed?

Of course we are all on one. Where is ours headed? Thinking of this community of faith knows as Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church now. We are soon to begin our "program" year. Rally day and Sunday school, a new and different adult class (Keep Your Mind for Later Use") that will take us through June of 2013, confirmation, and all the church year high lights, challenges and blessings.

There will be new friends walking through our doors, on a journey of their own. We will make plans and preparations, accomplish some, feel relieved, frustrated, hopeful and in it all we will always have each other. And most importantly the presence of the Christ will be at the heart of our adventure. Please guide us well Lord.

In the peace and power of the cross,
Pastor Randy

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT... Submitted by Lee Bonacker

What a wonderful summer – I hope you have all been enjoying it and didn't suffer too much during the hottest times we have had. There are a lot of things to be thankful for during these last weeks of summer – Hermiston melons top my food list right now.

Another excellent thing to be thankful for is that Jameson will be staying as Music Director for this next year. He has brought expertise and a fresh insight into music at Shepherd of the Valley. He has been trying out new music this summer, and refreshing the performance on familiar music. So look for more of that special Shepherd music blend – traditional hymns, contemporary pieces and a bit of gospel. It's all about worship and how nice to be able to worship is so many musical vernaculars.

Again this August, Betty organized the Arts and Crafts Fair and it was well attended with 32 vendors. That's almost twice as many as the first time, which was last year. Thanks to Betty (and everyone who helped) for sharing their passion with us, and pulling this event together by dedicating all that time and effort.

Oh – by the way folks, work on resolving the easement issue is still active. I just wanted to reassure you that the matter is not vanishing into the woodwork.

It's been a fairly quiet summer at Council meetings. We have been able to catch up on some housekeeping issues like polishing up committee descriptions and definitions, etc. The Evangelism Committee has really been active, with all sorts of new ideas percolating. One idea is having an electronic bulletin board in the same place as the existing one on the wall by the front door. A large screen could scroll the newsletter and all sorts of information and notices would be available. It could be a larger and more detailed version of the monitor already in the narthex.

The biggest work product coming from committees this summer is the Strategic Plan. The first draft of the Strategic Plan has been forwarded to Council for their comments by 9/15. After gathering those comments, the Plan will be forwarded to the congregation. The Task Force has discussed several venues for dissemination; so they will keep you all notified when the document is ready and let you know how it will be made available. Remember that your comments matter. The Plan is for all of us and by all of us for Shepherd's future. So please do contribute your thoughts and insights so we can build a guiding document that we can all work together to implement.

Summer Sunday services traditionally are lightly attended, and for some weeks that has been true this year as well. So it's not unusual for summer to be a difficult financial time for the church. In fact, I don't remember a time when the month of July wasn't in the red. But this year is different. We finished July in the black, which is a shock. We were able to catch up on our Synod commitment as well. Wow! Now why do I get surprised when God fills all our needs in Christ Jesus? I hope that this unusual summer situation helps encourage faith in your personal lives. Some people at Shepherd are going through very hard times right now. The idea of relying on an invisible Being when tangible, daily life can be so difficult is just weird sometimes. But we have a secure and generous refuge in what God has done for us. Things are tough, but we've got Help. God is ever working on our behalf.

Please remember to pencil in all committee activities, events and meetings on the church calendar located in the church office. This helps with scheduling conflicts, and aids in correct information being publicized. Thank you



Love INC

Love INC is collecting
GOOD, CLEAN, USABLE CLOTHES Can you help?

Love In the Name of Christ of Beaverton and Bethlehem Lutheran Church will be hosting a FREE CLOTHING GIVE-AWAY on September 22nd, for folks in need, in our community.

Bag up your CLEAN, gently used clothing for all ages,
and drop them off at
Bethlehem Lutheran Church
Sept. 17th - Sept 20th. (this time only as storage is not available prior to these dates)

Drop off site:

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

18865 SW Johnson, Aloha

Office hours: Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 - 4:30 (503) 649-3380

VOLUNTEER: If you would like to volunteer to work at this event, please email or call Joyce at info@loveincbeaverton.org. We are looking for people to help sort on Thursday and Friday (9/20 & 21) and serve on Saturday (9/22).

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ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS SERIES

The adult Sunday school class will begin a monthly series on “Keep Your Mind For Later Use.” This class will be held the 3rd Sunday of each month (with a few exceptions) at 10:00 am in the sanctuary.

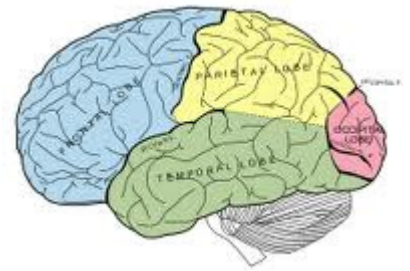
The first class of this 10 class series will be September 16th.

September: Understanding the Healthy Brain:

“We are Fearfully and Wonderfully Made”

“I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.” Psalm 139:14

Our brains are amazing organs that help us breathe and move (even when asleep), process sights, sounds, tastes, and smells, as well as process physical and emotional feelings. They help us process language and communicate through speech, the written word, music, or other arts. They alert us to when we are in danger from sickness or external threats and they process our pain. They remember things for us. They also age, and they die along with us. Truly, we are fearfully and wonderfully made.



Come join SOV's adult class as we go on a journey through the fall, winter, and spring to explore the brain and what we can do together to promote brain health, as well as to strengthen our spiritual lives together. “This is Your Brain On God” will look at how the brain works, and explore the impact of various factors on brain health, including exercise, life-long learning, nutrition, family and friends, living in the moment while leaving a legacy, and the central role of faith in all of the above. Over the months ahead, we will have some speakers from the community, and other resources for you. We encourage you to join us in learning more, and making life-sustaining tweaks here or there to protect your fearful and wonderful brain!

If you would like to get started, here is a “Brain Briefing” from the Society for Neuroscience on “Healthy Aging” (March 2011, http://www.sfn.org/siteobjects/pub-lished/0000BDF20016F63800FD712C30FA42DD/808238BA3CAB3BAE954486DDCBB7738C/file/March%202011%20Brain%20Briefings_Healthy%20Aging.pdf

accessed on-line 3.20.12).

Evangelism/Outreach Committee - 'touching others for Christ'

Next Meeting: Our next meeting is Thursday, September 5th at 11 a.m. at the church. All are invited.

TECHNOLOGY STUFF: Availability to our church directory has now been added to our website. This site is private and is password protected. Please contact Tammy to obtain a password and receive directions to begin your access. Currently only the information in our existing directory is included. Also be in contact with Tammy if you have changes to that information or if you would like to OPT OUT. Our next goal is to add in professional/interest information along with website links. More to come on this over the next few months.

OUTREACH: We appreciate the responses received when an email request comes for food for our families. Please also consider participating in hospital and home visits for our members. Contact Pastor to confirm your interest and availability. And . . . the holidays are soon upon us. Watch for our many upcoming events and consider inviting friends and family to SOV. We can be proud of our missions and our message. Share them.

WHAT'S COMING UP: The Committee will be asking for feedback from members on the use and function of our enhanced hearing devices. If you have used them, let us know what your experience has been. We want them to be working well for folks. We will be reviewing our current SOV pamphlet and doing some updating. We are still working on transportation needs and issues. Cards continue to be sent monthly. Let Mert know if you would like someone to receive a message of support from SOV.

"Touching Others for Christ"



The Social Concerns Committee is collecting donations for our new Gap Essentials Ministry (GEM). This ministry partners with Love INC in order to provide essential items to families in need within the Beaverton community. Essential items include non-food items such as hygiene (e.g., deodorant, toothbrushes, toilet paper, etc.) and cleaning (e.g., laundry detergent, dish soap, etc.) supplies. If you are interested in donating or volunteering for this ministry, please see Christine Edgar, Linnea Harmon, Dan Root, Rachel Root, or Mert Warneking.



Hope for Tomorrow

Love INC
Love In the Name of Christ

Ladies Dinner

Tuesday, September 11th 6:00 p

Golden Valley Brewery

1520 NW Bethany Blvd

Please RSVP to Charleen

(All ladies are invited as well as friends and family)

**MEN'S NIGHT**

September 6th

6:30 p @ Golden Valley Brewery

(New location)

All men are invited for food and
fellowship,

no RSVP needed just show up



We want to thank each of our SOV family for all the support, food, music and cards that provided so much strength for me and for our family during the last years, months and especially the last 2 weeks of my mothers life. The family of Christ within SOV is an amazing gift from God and we are reminded over and over how God gives us His love and strength through the people that he puts into our lives. Love in action....that is what we received from our church family. The trees of the field are clapping their hands and my Mother is right there leading the song. Both my parents loved SOV having our church be part of their extended church family. The Nielsen family was warmed by the power of love for our Mother and for us as a family. Our thanks and love, Diane and Eric Lewis and all the collective Nielsen family.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

3 Julia K.	11 Darleen H.D
4 Rudy W.	11 Ben M.
5 Linda G.	15 James G.
6 Emery G.	16 Randy S.
7 Les P.	17 Lee B.
8 Deb M.K	17 Amy S.
9 Christine E.	18 George K.
9 Taylor M.	18 Aaron S.
9 Erin T.	
11 Katrina T.	



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

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Michael Maynard & Daisy Steele
Ben & Denise Miles
Rich & Sue Muza
Kevin & Ming Lee Huggins
Dan & Amy Silvey
Neil & Dolores Austin
Matt & Kimberly Weishoff

September 1st
September 3rd
September 5th
September 8th
September 12th
September 13th
September 24th



FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

The following are some fellowship events for part of the coming church year.

Mark your calendars!!

2012 –

September 9 – Rally Sunday, Blessing of Backpacks

October 7 – Paper Sunday - The congregation is asked on this Sunday to bring paper goods such as: toilet paper, paper towels, paper plates, napkins, paper cups (9-12 oz. for coffee & 5 oz. for juice) and Kleenex. There will be an area for people to place their donations.

October 27 & 28 – Transport Trio concert @ 6:30 or 7 p.m. The theme is “Love”. The Fellowship Committee will provide cookies, coffee and tea during intermission.

November 4 – “Thanksgiving Dinner” – Fellowship will provide ham & beverages. It will be a potluck with congregation urged to make and bring their favorite recipe and make it special!! There will be a raffle drawing with KOK & youth presenting the program.



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RAIN OR SHINE CRAFT FAIRE UPDATE

I want to THANK everyone who came out to support the Rain or Shine Arts and Crafts Faire and Gap Essentials Ministry donation drive. We collected \$111 in cash/check donations along with 404 items our GEM. The items included 182 toothbrushes, 64 tubes of toothpaste, 42 rolls of Toilet Paper, 34 deodorant, 27 dental floss, 18 bottles of shampoo, 9 combs, 8 Boxes Ziploc bags (various sizes), 4 boxes of tissue, 3 rolls of paper towels, 1 bottle of hair conditioner, 1 bottle of hair mousse, 1 bottle of shower gel, 1 box Efferdent, 1 chap stick, 1 package razors, 1 bath sponge, 1 eye makeup, 1 box cotton swabs, 1 bag cotton balls, 1 Finish Dishwasher detergent (large container), 1 candle stick, 1 spice holder. In addition to these wonderful gifts for GEM we raised \$950 for Shepherd of the Valley.

A special thank you to Cal and Aaron Sugiyama, Arden Tarum, Rodney Stoltenburg, and Elaine Kingston for helping me transform the space before and after the show; to Connie McFall and Ann Saalfeld for working the GEM donation drive table; Tammy McDonald for all her help these past 3 months while this event was being organized; and Ed Proulx from Love INC for joining us on Saturday!

Property Management

Thank you's for recent and ongoing work completed at SOV:

- Landscape grooming is being maintained and a great enhancement to the building (shrubs pruned, ivy cut back, etc.) Donated service by SOV member. Thank you!
- Weed control is ongoing. Time and supplies donated by SOV member. Thank you!
- Both sheds now match the building. Mark V. and SOV youth took on this project. Thank you Mark V. and team!
- Restroom cleaning is ongoing. Thank you for those that donate time and energy to keep them clean!
- Thank you to All that complete other tasks at SOV. (vacuuming, trash removal, window cleaning, dusting, kitchen clean up, etc.)

Many hands makes light work!

Thank you All,
Connie and Jeff
Property management co-chairs

Kids of the Kingdom

Kids of the Kingdom Christian Preschool and Kindergarten begin their classes in September. We are beginning our third year of operating this ministry of SOV. We are so thankful for the support of the congregation to be able to continue to offer this Christian-based school for the community.

Our staff this year are: Linda Rasmussen, Kindergarten teacher and Co-Director; Heather Johnson, 3's and 4's teacher; Wendy Roeder, Aide and Co-Director; and Theresa Kotvis, Volunteer.

We still have openings in our classes and we welcome all. Please give us a call for a tour.

CLASSES

Two's Time Class with Parent

Fridays, 10-11:30 am
\$10/class

3-year old Class

Tuesdays and Thursdays
9-11:30 am
\$125/month

4-year old Class

Mondays, Wednesdays
and Fridays, 9-11:30 am
\$165/month

PreK Class

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays,
& Thursdays, 12:30-3pm
\$195/month

Kindergarten Class

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays,
Thursday & Fridays, 9 am-1 pm
\$325/month

Preschool classes begin mid-September and end late May. Kindergarten classes begin early September and end early June.

A nonrefundable registration fee of \$100 for Preschool, \$150 for Kindergarten and \$50 for Two's Time and first month's tuition is due with completed registration form to ensure spot in class.

CONTACT INFO

Co-Directors

Linda Rasmussen
Wendy Roeder

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kokpreschool@sov Lutheran.com
or kokpreschool@gmail.com

Church phone

503.645.4994

Church/Preschool Website

www.sovlutheran.com

Church/Preschool Address

17625 NW Cornell Road
Beaverton, OR 97006

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with a
Christian
Foundation



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>"Make us worthy, Lord, to serve those people throughout the world who live and die in poverty and hunger. Give them through our hands, this day, their daily bread, and by our understanding love, give them peace and joy." --Mother Teresa</p>						1
						
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One worship @ 10:30 a Guest speaker Marcia Whitehead 1:30 p OEC	Happy Labor Day	KOK 9:00 - 2:00 	7:15 a Coffee group KOK 9:00—2:00 10:00 Bible Study 7:00 p Adult Choir practice	KOK 9:00 - 2:00 8:30 p Men's Night @ Golden Valley Brewery (new location) 7:00 p LLL 7:30 p OEC	KOK 9:00 - 11:30 a	2:00 p David Halverson Memorial Service
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Fall Worship Begins 8:30 & 11:00 a Rally Sunday, Blessing of the back packs 1:30 p OEC Transport 5 practice	KOK 9:00 - 2:00	KOK 9:00 - 2:00 6:00 p Ladies Dinner @ Golden Valley Brewery	7:15 a Coffee KOK 9:00 - 2:00 10:00 Bible Study 7:00 p Adult Choir practice	KOK 9:00 - 2:00 7:30 p OEC	KOK 9:00 - 11:30 a 	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
8:30 & 11:00 a Worship Adult class 10:00 Keep Your Mind Clear Confirmation mtg 12:00 p 1:30 p OEC	KOK 9:00 - 2:00 1:30 p Red Cross Blood drive	KOK 9:00 - 2:00	7:15 a Coffee group KOK 9:00 - 2:00 10:00 Bible Study 7:00 p Adult Choir practice	KOK 9:00 - 2:00 10:00 a LLL 7:00 p Council	KOK 9:00 - 11:30 a 7:30 p OEC	
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