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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 pm

Interim Pastor

Brian Brandt

Tues — Thurs

10:00 - 2:00 p

And by appt.

Office phone;

503.645.4994

Sovlutheran.com

Fall Worship Services

8:30 a & 11:00 a

9:45 a Sunday School

Bible Study

10:00 a

Wednesday

Youth Group 2015-2016 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.

If you are a parent of a high schooler and would like to learn more about SOV's youth group please feel free to contact Stacey.

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



Interim Pastor Brian's Message

More on the Transition Process at SOV

by Interim Pastor Brian Brandt

Last month we published a timeline for the work of the Transition Task Force — which now is being revised due to the resignation of SOV's Director of Music, Jameson. Events related to his leave-taking necessitate some postponement, bumping back all the TTF events by about two weeks. That timeline is currently under construction; we'll publish a new one as soon as we get things squared away. I hope to have that new schedule out to the congregation next week, soon after Labor Day.



Meanwhile, the Transition Task Force has begun writing the Ministry Site Profile. They met last Saturday, August 30, to divvy up writing assignments. Different people will draft different sections of the MSP. Then we'll discuss the first draft, re-write it, and share it with you as soon as we've got something good enough to bear public scrutiny. There will be a couple of Town Hall meetings so you can share in the process of revising and honing this important document.

I'm proud to tell you that the TTF has been meeting faithfully every week since their initial meeting on April 16. That's twenty weeks running, which to me is pretty impressive. The group has worked diligently. They've studied a lot of material, gathered a lot of information, engaged thoughtful discussions about how to understand and communicate what they've learned. I trust their work will bear good fruit as they share more of it with you in upcoming Town Hall meetings.

Those meetings will include one about the characteristics SOV has indicated it wants in the new pastor. That discussion will also entail what the congregation has said about its sense of identity and mission. The TTF believes it will be helpful for us to talk about those things publicly as a community before the Ministry Site Profile is fully drafted, and before we have the subsequent Town Hall meetings about the draft MSP.

Even with recent delays, I believe we'll finish the process of writing the MSP, getting the buy-in of the congregation and approval of the Council before Thanksgiving. If so, that would put SOV on a timeline for the Call Committee to begin considering clergy candidates early in the new year. Please don't take that as written in stone — it's just my best (educated) guess today. But barring unforeseen developments, it's a plausible projection.

I assume the Church Council will appoint the Call Committee at some point in the next couple months. I will have little to do with appointment of the Call Committee or its work. Pastor Susan Kintner, the Assistant to the Bishop of the Oregon Synod, will be the Call Committee's primary partner guiding them through the call process. I will learn about their decisions only when they make news reports to Council or to the whole congregation.

Please pray for the Transition Task Force, that God may bless its work and the Holy Spirit may guide those who are writing the Ministry Site Profile. And please pray for the congregation itself. Transition is hard. But with God's help and with a measure of charity toward one another, we will move through this transition steadily and find SOV healthier and stronger than when we began. God grant that it may be so.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT...Submitted by Lynn G

Dear Friends in Christ,

In the waning days of summer SOV leadership and volunteers have been busy? Here are just a few items that need highlighting:

Music Director

o I'm sure everyone is aware of Jameson's fantastic news of his impending move to LA to move forward with his career. We send him off with all the blessings that SOV can offer and prayers for success in his next endeavor. Please join us on September 20 when we will have one service at 10 o'clock and then a fellowship afterword's to send the Tabor's off in SOV style.

o A team consisting of Deann Ashenfelter-worship committee chairperson, Linnea Harmon-vice president and Pastor Brian are in charge of the process to fill the music director's position.

o In the interim we are fortunate to have Jon Quesenberry filling in. Chairperson, Linnea Harmon- vice president and Pastor Brian are in charge of the process to fill the music director's position. Jon is a local music director, composer, orchestrator, and actor in the greater Portland area. Jon received his BA in Music Composition from Warner Pacific College, which lead him to pursue a Master's Degree at New York University's Graduate Musical Theatre Writing Program. Jon has since earned many nominations for his work in the Portland musical theatre scene. Jon also runs a bustling studio in NE Portland in which he provides vocal coaching, piano lessons, and audition preparation.

Transition Task Force (TTF)-

o We had a retreat Saturday, August 28 and started writing segments of the MSP.

o Look for announcements of a Town hall meeting where everyone will have an opportunity to give feedback on the document

Building Fund – The Exec is meeting with members of the building committee to brainstorm and share the input that the third-party provided. Look for an announcement in the future of aware of Jameson a town hall discussion regarding the outcome of this information

Financial- at this time we have two people interested in the position of treasurer and hope to take exec recommendation to council in September. This job requires the highest set of skills of any position on council. Extensive knowledge of computers, Excel, online banking, and accounting practices is a must in order to do the financial business for SOV.

I welcome all questions and concerns.

In Christ Name

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Scrip Order News

Scrip Sundays; September 6th and September 20th

Why buy scrip?

- * It's a DOLLAR for DOLLAR exchange---\$10 gift card for \$10! NO cost to you!
- * You are already spending money on groceries---make it count for your school/group!
- * You do not have to buy anything you don't ordinarily need to buy anyway!
- * Your school/group receives between 3% and 43% profit from a participating store!
- * You get to help your group without having to buy things you don't want or need!
- * EVERYONE can participate and do their part! It is individual based shopping!
- * Complete your scrip order form conveniently at home!
- * Over 200+ local and national stores and restaurants from which to choose!
- * No minimum order! You can order \$5 or \$5,000---or more!
- * Using Scrip helps you budget your money and plan ahead!
- * Gift cards make the perfect gift for the holidays and special events!
- * Shopping at participating stores strengthens local businesses and communities!
- * Use gift cards for everything!----groceries, clothing, home goods, movies, dinners!
- * Use Gift Cards for All Your Weekly Shopping!

Number #1 reason...

- * Support SOV, SOV receives between 3% and 43% profit from a participating store!



and more...

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER ARTICLES ARE DUE SEPTEMBER 24TH

Ladies Dinner

Ladies Dinner Group

Inviting all Ladies to our monthly dinner

Tuesday, September 1st

6:00 pm

Bugatti's at Tanasbourne

2364 NW Amberbrook Dr.

Beaverton, OR 97006

503-352-5252

<http://bugattisrestaurant.com/tanasbourne/>

Please RSVP to Deann or Tammy



Men's Night

Thursday, September 3rd

6:30 PM

Lil' Cooperstown

Hillsboro. 2947 SE 73rd Ave. Hillsboro, OR 97123.

ALL MEN INVITED FOR FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP



REPLACING "OLD" TABLES

Replacing the old 60" round tables. The Fellowship team has set a goal to replace our old heavy 60" round tables with lighter weight vinyl tables. Our goal also includes the purchase of a storage cart for safer and more efficient storage. As this comes together the congregation will be given the first opportunity to purchase the old tables. To date we have enough to purchase 4 tables. The approximate cost for 8 tables and the storage cart

is \$1000. To date we have about \$345 toward our goal. If you have any questions or will be making a donation for one of the old tables or towards the new tables please contact any of the Fellowship committee. Diane, Peggy, Ginny, Dee, Sharon & Amber



Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church Choir presents

GLORIOUS

Songs to glorify your soul



Fall Concert

Featuring contemporary Christian,
Rock and Gospel songs

Saturday, September 12, 2015

7:00 pm

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church

Free will offering

Refreshments following

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church

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SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

3 Julia K	11 Katrina T
5 Linda G	12 Darleen HD
6 Emery G	12 Ben M
7 Les P	16 Randy S
8 Deb MK	17 LeeAnn B
9 Christine E	17 Amy S
9 Taylor M	18 George K
9 Erin T	18 Aaron S
	19 Hannah R



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

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

*Ben & Denise Miles
September 3rd*

*Dan & Amy Silvey
September 12th*

*Rich & Sue Muza
September 3rd*



*Neil & Dolores Austin
September 13th*

*Sam & Kristi Ray
September 5th*

*Kevin & Ming Lee Huggins
September 8th*



September 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>God of harvest wagons and fields of ripened grain, many gifts of growth lie within the season of our surrender. We must wait for harvest in faith and hope. Grant us patience when we do not see the blessings.</i></p> 		<p>1</p> <p>6:00 pm Women's dinner at Bugatti's Tanasbourne</p> 	<p>2</p> <p>7:00 am Coffee Group 10:00 a Bible Study 7:00 - 8:30 pm SOV Choir</p>	<p>3</p> <p>6:30 pm Men's Night at Lil Cooperstown</p> 	<p>4</p> <p>1:00 pm Palmeter Piano Studio</p>	<p>5</p> <p>10:00 - 11:30 am SOV Choir Rehearsal</p> 
<p>6</p> <p>One Service at 10:00 am</p> 	<p>7</p> <p>Labor Day</p>	<p>8</p> 	<p>9</p> <p>7:00 am Coffee Group 10:00 a Bible Study 7:00 - 8:30 pm SOV Choir</p>	<p>10</p> <p>7:00 pm LLL</p>	<p>11</p> <p>1:00 pm Palmeter Piano Studio 6:00 - 8:00 p SOV Choir</p>	<p>12</p> <p>10:00 - 11:30 am SOV Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm Glorious Concert</p> 
<p>13</p> <p>Fall Worship Service begin 8:30 & 11:00 am</p> <p>OEC 1:30 pm</p>	<p>14</p> <p>KOK Preschool 9:00 - 1:00 pm</p>	<p>15</p> <p>KOK Preschool 9:00 - 1:00 pm</p> 	<p>16</p> <p>7:00 am Coffee Group KOK Preschool 9:00 - 1:00 pm 10:00 a Bible Study 7:00 - 8:30 pm SOV Choir</p>	<p>17</p> <p>KOK Preschool 9:00 - 1:00 pm 10:00 am LLL 7:00 pm Council Meeting</p>	<p>18</p> <p>KOK Preschool 9:00 - 12:00 pm 1:00 pm Palmeter Piano Studio</p>	<p>19</p> <p>10:00 - 11:30 am SOV Choir Rehearsal 12:00 - 3:00 p Tabor Studio 7:00 p The Tabor Studio Concert</p>
<p>20</p> <p>One Service at 10:00 am Celebration/ Farewell party for Jameson & Jenna and Welcome Jon Quesenberry</p> <p>OEC 1:30 pm</p>	<p>21</p> <p>KOK Preschool 9:00 - 1:00 pm</p>	<p>22</p> <p>KOK Preschool 9:00 - 1:00 pm</p> 	<p>23</p> <p>7:00 am Coffee Group KOK Preschool 9:00 - 1:00 pm 10:00 a Bible Study 7:00 - 8:30 pm SOV Choir</p>	<p>24</p> <p>KOK Preschool 9:00 - 1:00 pm 12:00 pm All Church Luncheon</p> 	<p>25</p> <p>KOK Preschool 9:00 - 12:00 pm 1:00 pm Palmeter Piano Studio</p>	<p>26</p> <p>10:00 - 11:30 am SOV Choir Rehearsal</p>
<p>27</p> <p>Worship Services 8:30 & 11:00 Sunday for all ages 9:45 am</p> <p>OEC 1:30 pm</p>	<p>28</p> <p>KOK Preschool 9:00 - 1:00 pm</p>	<p>29</p> <p>KOK Preschool 9:00 - 1:00 pm</p> 	<p>30</p> <p>7:00 am Coffee Group KOK Preschool 9:00 - 1:00 pm 10:00 a Bible Study 7:00 - 8:30 pm SOV Choir</p>	<p>COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS. NAME THEM ONE BY ONE. COUNT YOUR MANY BLESSINGS SEE WHAT GOD HAS DONE.</p>		