



December 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6 9 Adult Study	7	8 7:00 Martha Marciel Gilmores Christmas Party	9	10	11	12
13 9 Adult Study 9 Mens' Study 7 Service at Oaks	14	15 6:30 Elders 7:00 Church Board	16	17 Wild Bunch 11:30 New Hotel 1847	18	19
20 9 Adult Study Congregational Meeting	21 6:00 Soup Kitchen Board	22	23	24 6:00 Candlelight Service	25 	26
27 9 Adult Study 9 Mens' Study	28	29	30 9:30 DeGreening of the church	31		



Nancy Prosa	Dec. 5
Janet Lowe	Dec. 6
Kenneth Gagne	Dec. 13
Kim Free	Dec. 15
Colene Macklin	Dec. 15
Doris Smith	Dec. 15
Jon West	Dec. 19
Morgan Slavenski	Dec. 24
Richard Slavenski	Dec. 27
Matthew West	Dec. 31

Happy Wedding Anniversary

Red Rose for Love
Ring for Love
Best Gifts for Love
Means
Love Forever



Del and Myke Eggert	Dec. 2, 1955
Jon and Nancey West	Dec. 9, 1978
Ron and Nancy Van Vleet	Dec. 23, 1956

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Introducing our New Interim Pastor, Myrna Phillips:

I live in Salem with my husband, Noel Phillips who is a chaplain at Salem Hospital. We have a daughter Kimberly who lives in St. Louis and a son Scott (and his wife Marci) who live in Washington DC.

The majority of my 35 years of ministerial career has been as a counselor at the Salem Pastoral Counseling Center which I helped create. I am also an Oregon licensed Marriage and Family Therapist. I have been blessed to be able to do counseling in a Center that integrates excellent therapy with spirituality and faith issues.

I was ordained in 1980 by the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Oregon. I also have dual standing with the United Church of Christ. Last year I was interim pastor of Hood River Valley Christian Church for 9 months. I also volunteer in Salem by teaching classes on addiction and spirituality as well as life skills classes for Project Able. OK! That's the basic resume. But who am I really?

I am genuinely excited to be here at Lebanon Christian Church and look forward to getting to know you all. Engaging with people enhances my life and draws me closer to my Creator. Music is in my soul and I need music every day to feel alive and connected. Leading

worship is enjoyable for me because the energy and spirit of people worshipping together lifts me up and teaches us all about God's will for our lives.

Animals in all shapes and sizes warm my heart. I believe that God calls us to be honest and open in our lives. People who are willing to grow and learn inspire and encourage me to experience a healthier life. I am comfortable being with people in pain because I too have been at the bottom of the well and I have learned the way out. I am looking forward to being with you and sharing with you through your transition as we continue to search and grow together.

Pastor wants you to know that the office "angels" will have her weekly schedule, but that you are welcome to call her directly at home or on her cell:

Home: 503-363-2571

Cell: 503-798-7242



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Website: www.fcclebanon.org

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Our Church Board meetings are open to anyone in the congregation who is interested in the business of the church. Only board members can vote. To hold an office you must be a member of the church. If you wish to become a member please talk to Pastor Myrna.

**Annual Congregational Meeting
After church December 20**

Once more we will be voting on new officers and our proposed budget for 2016. Thank you for your service and thoughtful support of our church finances. This is your church home and it only runs because of you and your giving.

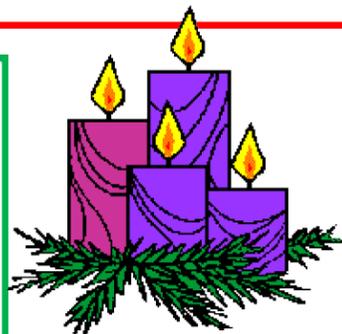


CHRISTMAS BOXES

Marciel Gilmore and Sharon Campbell have taken responsibility for the Christmas boxes which our congregation provides for those who need help. They have placed a barrel in the main hallway where you may place non-perishable food items. The sooner these items are collected, the sooner they know what needs to be purchased with cash donations, which they are also accepting. Let's all do what we can to assist Marcy and Sharon with this project.



A Christmas Offering will be taken in December, and that fund goes to the Christian Church in Oregon and SW Idaho for the many programs they sponsor including Church camps, new Church Ministry, Pastoral Placement, Women's Retreats, Leadership Training and Future Planning.



**Christmas Eve
Candle Light Service**

**December 24th at
6:00**

**Wednesday, December 30, 9:30 AM
DeGreening of the Church**

Guess Who?

These two members were married in a Presbyterian Church in Mt. Vernon, OR in 1978. Both are excellent photographers. Several pictures taken by one are hanging around the church. The other is the author of several books and devotionals.

Answer hidden in red

**Office Closed
Christmas Eve and
New Years Eve**

CHURCH EVENTS

Attention ALL Men

Every other Sunday sanctuary table. New Study. 9:00 AM

Meetings for December: 13 & 27

Sunday Morning Bible Study

9:00 AM Fireside Room
Study—Journey to the Heart of God
Led by Nancey West

Service at the Oaks

**Sunday, December 13 at 7:00 PM
Come Join In!**

Martha CWF Group

Tuesday, December 8 at 7:00 PM
Christmas Party—bring a white elephant gift for the gift exchange
Marciel Gilmore's

Wild Bunch for Lunch

Thursday, December 17 at 11:30 PM
New Hotel Restaurant 1847

Church Board & Elders Meetings

Tuesday, December 15
6:30 PM Elders
7:00 PM Church Board

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To vote on Budget and Slate of Officers

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IN OUR PRAYERS:

- Millie Patterson & family
- Jim & Donna Beamer
- Myke Eggert
- Kathryn & Claude Robertson
- Nancy & Curt Prosa
- Natalie Ward
- Mary Lee Howell
- Cathy Johnson
- Doris Smith
- Dorothy Love
- Jesse LeSeur
- Vila Adkins
- Virginia Bolton
- Penny Sealy
- Ann Mallett
- Margaret Begley
- Jacob Marner
- Delbert Gilbert
- Lisa Bass
- Shawn Gourley
- August Fleshman
- David Brokaw
- Melissa Appelo

ALSO IN OUR PRAYERS:

Service People: Spc. Coury Gagne, Marine Capt. Pete Brawn, Capt. Gabriel Manning, Sgt. Scot Noss, Cpt. Tory Petersen, Lt. Kellen Peterson, CSM David Puig, Sgt. Ethan Spurr and Sgt. Daniel Campbell

Pray for our Church, the Soup Kitchen, Kim and Erik Free and their ministry and our Regional Ministers.

If you know of any updates or corrections to this list, please let the office know in writing or by email.