# November 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
9 Study		7 Martha				
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
9 Study 6 Service at the Oaks		Elders: 6:30 pm Board: 7:00 pm		11:30 Wild Bunch		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
9 Study	12: noon Garden Club		Soup Kitchen Thanksgiving Dinner	Gwu		
27	28	29	30		ianks	
9 Study				*		



# Birthdays

Marciel Gilmore Van Johnson Tom Thompson 21 Nancy Van Vleet

# Anniversaries

Tom & Sharon Campbell 26

## **CHURCH EVENTS**

### **Sunday Morning Study** 9:00 AM

Led by Noel Phillips All are welcome!

Martha CWF Group Tuesday, November 8 7:00 PM Janet Lowe's

Service at the Oaks Sunday, November 13 6:00 PM Come Join In!

**Church Board & Elders Meetings** 

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

Wild Bunch for Lunch Watch Bulletin for place Thursday, November 17 11:30 AM

Happy **Thanksgiving November 24** 

# Christian Caller

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#### FROM THE PASTOR

This year has flown by and here we are at November already. All around us we see signs of the approaching holidays. This is the time to take a deep breath, become quiet, and reflect on our many blessings.

Focusing on this helps us be clear about giving thanks to God. We need to also be considering the people we know as well as the people in our past whose lives have impacted us. So, I suggest this challenge. Commit in the month of November to writing thank you notes to a minimum of 5 people who have positively impacted you both past and present.

Try getting back in touch with the old skill of handwriting thank you notes and putting them in the mail. Or if personal notes are not what interests you, send an email or pick up the phone. Be real, be authentic, be sincere. Let others know your deep appreciation. Let us thank God for the many blessings that surround us. Myrna

# Give Thanks!

God meets your needs in the most unusual ways. We received funds for Curt's eve surgery anonymously this week. We were wondering how to have the funds available when the word came that Curt would be scheduled to have cataract surgery God answered that through some incredible members of our church family. Thank you church and our precious Lord.

Curt & Nancy



A friendly reminder to set your clocks back 1 hour at 2 am Sunday, November 6th.

## **Greetings, Song Birds!**

We will begin our rehearsals for the Christmas season on Sunday, November 6th.

(After the morning service) We will plan on rehearsing on Sundays, and then probably a couple of Saturdays right before our performances.

We are hoping to perform on Sunday, December 18th and on Saturday, December 24th at the Christmas Eve service.

## We are counting on you!!!!

We have some new music and we are looking forward to you singing with us. We hope to see you at our first rehearsal on

> November 6th! Blessings,

Judy

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Arlene Breckel and her twin sister Darlene celebrated their birthdays October 18 in Salem at the Sizzler. Helping them celebrate was their younger sister and all of the spouses. Just imagine all of the giggling that went on from those three sisters.

Marciel Gilmore and her daughter, Lisa Just, recently spent ten days on the East Coast visiting churches, cemeteries, and genealogical research facilities. Their hobby is genealogy and this was a long-time dream to visit the places where their Irish immigrant ancestors settled in Hartford and New Haven, Connecticut and several towns in Delaware. They enjoyed finding the places where their ancestors worshipped, were married, lived, died, and were buried. They found and visited with the current resident of a house that had been in the family for several decades. Before heading north to Connecticut and Delaware, they did some sightseeing in Washington DC. A childhood friend of Marciel's drove from her home in Pennsylvania and spent time with them in DC. They met and enjoyed dinner with a 3rd cousin and his mother in Dover, Delaware. The weather was beautiful and except for the driving through Washington DC, New York City, Philadelphia, and all the toll plazas, it was a wonderful motherdaughter time.



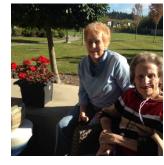


Lauren

Makenna

Lauren and Nicole Christie, Colene and Bob Macklin's granddaughters, and Makenna Slavenski, granddaughter of Kenny and Marcy Gilmore, play on the Lebanon High School volleyball team. It is an exceptional team, having lost only one game in three seasons. They will play for the state championship in Hillsboro on November 4 and 5. They were also presented with the league sportsmanship award by the referee's association! Attending the games has been the highlight of every week for these proud grandparents. Nicole and Lauren will be with the team next year, but Makenna graduates this year.

Gloria Bernhard recently spent some time in Arlington, WA, with Lita Van Kopp and had the opportunity to visit Natalie Ward at her new home in Milton, WA.



Gloria and Natalie

Joyce and Ed Dart brought 3 guests to church with them on Soup Kitchen Sunday. Emmie and Betty Jean were roommates of Joyce's at Oregon State during their college

days. Scott is Betty Jean's husband. They were very impressed with the church service, Pastor Myrna's message, the delicious food that was served and the fact that the dinner was so well-attended. They were not the only ones who commented on the service and the dinner. Great job to all of you who made it all happen.





Arlene Breckel and Donna Beamer have agreed to chair coffee hour . . . AND Myra Ullfers has agreed to head up the Wild Bunch while Joyce Dart is in Arizona for the winter. Thank you, gals

#### THANK YOU!

With a heart full of gratitude we wish to thank the 8 people that came to help us move, once again, our stored items. Now in Lebanon near us, we can slowly go through the boxes and continue to discard until we no longer need a storage, which our children will be thankful for. We are so grateful for you. You can never know. It was completed in 2 and ½ hours and the rain held off so we were dry. Your blessings will be waiting for you.

Curt & Nancy Prosa

# Wild Bunch for Lunch

This month's lunch will be on November 17 a week before Thanksgiving. Keep watch in bulletin for place.

What a treat it was for us to have Erik and Kim Free, missionaries from Mozambique and our own past youth ministers, come early for Sunday School and then present the message during church on October 9, 2016. They also presented a workshop at the Women's Retreat in Portland on October 15 which a few of us were able to attend. They told of their work in Mozambique and of their having to evacuate rather suddenly because of the civil war and unrest in the area where they were living. It has been quite an emotional transition for them and we are so glad that they are safely home.

#### **IN OUR PRAYERS:**

Lois Puig Blanche Glaub Jill Starbuck Mary Lee Howell Donna Kriner Marilyn Manfesty John Morgan Myke Eggert Natalie Ward Dorothy Love Jesse LeSeur Vila Adkins August Fleshman Robert Maxwell Jordan Martine Ann Otto **Dennis Stover** Cal Landon Jacob Marmer Patti Smith Sherrie Maxine Meyer Diana Johnson John Morgan

Sandy Vince Tarrant Colton Kendrick **Ullfers Family** David Buyer Tom Chenail **Busic Family** 

Pray for our Church, the Soup Kitchen, Kim and Erik Free and their ministry, our service people 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.



## Mark your Calendars!

CWF Breakfast and Greening of the Church

## December 3, 2016 at 9:00 AM

Traditionally we start the Christmas season with breakfast (furnished by CWF), fellowship and singing Carols and then each table is assigned a small task to help decorate the church. Everyone looks forward to being part of the transformation.

### December 4, 2016 at 4:30 PM

Myrna and Noel will be hosting a Christmas Train Party SUNDAY DECEMBER 4th at 4:30 pm. The party will include the Tennessee Thunder train ride on the beautifully decorated property followed by a light supper and Christmas carols in the train station. Please save the date. More information is coming soon.