

# October 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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			Youth Group 6:30-8:00 pm			
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
9 Bible Study			Youth Group 6:30-8:00 pm		Women's Retrea	t @ Murry Hills
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
9 Bible Study 12 Potluck 6 Oaks Service		2 Martha @ church	Youth Group 6:30-8:00 pm	11:30 Wild Bunch @ Jefferson Station	Oct. 1	ll be gone from 6—22 eaching Oct. 20
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
9 Bible Study 12 Worship Committee meeting			Youth Group 6:30-8:00 pm			Albany district Youth Event Time TBA
27 9 Bible Study 5 Hymns & Hops Conversion Brew	28	29	30 Youth Group 6:30-8:00 pm	800/		

### Hymns and Hops Sunday, October 27 5:00 pm

#### @ Conversion Brewing

Hymns and Hops happens the last Sunday of each month 833 S Main St Lebanon, OR

#### Martha CWF Group

The Martha women's group meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 2:00 pm at a members home or the church.. All women are invited.

Tuesday, 15 2:00 pm Fireside Room

# Birthdays

Cathy Johnson	Oct. 1
Kerri Godinez	Oct. 11
Lauren Christie	Oct. 17
Arlene Breckel	Oct. 18
Ruth Moss	Oct. 19
Barbara Tarrant	Oct. 19
Kaya Godinez	Oct. 29

#### **Reconciliation Special Offering Sundays**

September 29th and October 6th Justice and Outreach Ministries.



# Christian Caller

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## **Happy Fall church!**

I absolutely adore this time of year, relishing every childhood memory from crunching through leaves to bringing an extra pair of socks to school, carving local garden pumpkins, to the church hay ride event and of course bonfires! As we enter into our season of change in the church as well as in the weather around us, we also embrace the ways that God blesses us through the opportunities of budget, nomination, and youth and children's planning. My sermons this month are attempting to show models of faithfulness through Luke's parables: as parables communicate the kingdom of God, they also exemplify our role as workers in the kingdom. We also continue our Bible Study in 1 Kings, learning about the reigns of Solomon and the "Boams." I need about two more children's church volunteers who would be willing to volunteer for one Sunday a month. I know that missing church and the sermon takes away from your own spiritual growth and worship life, however it is a fair trade to invest in the spiritual growth and worship life of 6-year-olds to fifth graders at their level.

Finally, we are always looking for youth supper providers through the end of the year and beyond. I'm grateful to be your pastor and do this challenging but rewarding work together!

Lastly, starting on Thursday, October 24th, I'll be leading a three week Bible Study in Galatians at the federal prison. I invite you to pray with me for a time of healing and growth for all involved.

-Pastor Zane Ridings

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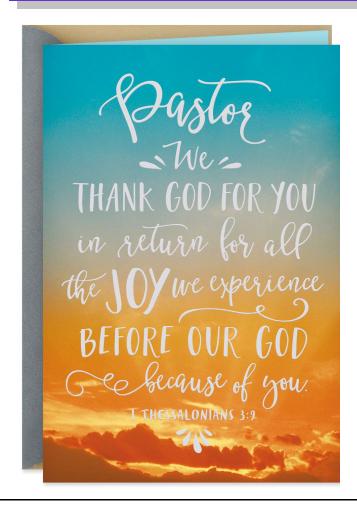
#### **Sermon Topics for October**

October 6th 2 Kings 4:38-41 "Death in the Pot"

October 13th Luke 17:11-19 "The Healed Leper"

October 20th Patty Evans Preaching— Luke 5:1-11 "Into the Deep"

October 27th Luke 18:9-14 "The Repentant Sinner"



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#### First Christian Church of Lebanon

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#### **Bounty and Blessings**

Mike and I returned to the Willamette Valley in 2010, and each autumn we are humbled by tis valley's people and produce. Gardens and farms overflow and generosity abounds from the stewards of those patches of land and crops. Our personal cupboards and freezer are testaments to the blessings of this place and its people. In the depths of winter, your love pours out in jars and freezer containers. God's grace and care is amazing and we are grateful. He asks only that we continue the circle of giving and serving by praising the Lord, our God, giver of all; loving one another, and assisting those in need.



And, as board chairs, we reflect on those same years with Lebanon First Christian Church and offer praise that although this church may still be muddling along, it does so with growth, energy, love and our very own pastor. The church has survived our walk in the wilderness, and now we need to put some focus, energy, and new funds toward our future path. Church committees are currently assessing cupboards and preparing for the year 2020. They are addressing next year's budget and a slate of officers to continue the work of the church. We need to fill positions, do some repairs, create a budget, and consider our needs. Some items on our church agenda include:

- answering the call to spread Christ's message and love. (Let's invite a friend, acquaintance, or new person to church and fill the pews);
- Repairing and maintaining an aging building and the equipment that goes with it (\$10,000 gutters, downspouts, fascia and tower roof);
- Recruiting additional help for the Soup Kitchen, youth, and nursery programs;

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- Matching the funds for pastor's Excellence in Ministry grant (\$2,500ish) and moving towards increasing his appointment to full-time;
- Considering changes and adjustments to make Lebanon First Christian Church more inviting to new
- Asking our Lard to guide us in these requests for your time, energy, assistance, and \$20,000 additional funds.

As our church works towers filling these goals, remember committee members will be reaching out to you. Please prayerfully consider how God has blessed you and how you can respond to the church's requests and the calling of Christ's Church. We hope to bring a new budget and slate of officers to the board's approval at the October meeting.

On Sunday, October 13th we will celebrate our Bounty and Blessings in worship and a meal in which pastor will consecrate our willingness to serve Christ's call and move forward in faith. A congregational meal will follow.

Mike and Shervl



Share your Bounty & Blessings at Potluck Sunday, October 13 After church

## **Worship Committee Meeting**

Sunday, October 20, after worship service. Advent and holiday planning meeting.

Disciple Women's Circle Presents.....

Come Passion...

Grow. Reach, Share

**Spiritual** Renewal Retreat for Women



October 11-12, 2019 Speaker

Cindy Kim-Hengst

Anyone interested in the retreat, let the office know.

## **Youth Group Wednesday Night Dinner**

Youth Group meets each Wednesday evening from 6:30—8:00 pm. Dinner is provided. If anyone would like to furnish a meal for the Wednesday night Youth Group, it would be most appreciated. Contact Pastor Zane at 503-798-7445.

# THANK YOU

Thank you to Anita and Bill Daley, Kerri Godinez, Bobby Berryman, Kris Westfall and Grace Johnson for youth group dinners in September! With sincere gratitude,

Pastor Zane and the Youth Group.

#### **ATTENTION**

#### **Church Board Meetings**

Sunday, October 27 After Church Service All officers, Elders, Deacons and Trustees are members of the board. All members welcome!

#### Wild Bunch for Lunch

Thursday, Oct. 17, 12:00 noon @ Jefferson Station Café 298 N 2nd St, Jeffer-

#### PLANNING MEETING

The Annual Free Community Thanksgiving Dinner planning meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 14, 7:00 pm at the United Methodist Church. Second and Airport Rd. We need people to attend to represent our church. Let the office know if you can do this. THANK YOU!

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

**Ruth Moss** Addy Opel Cathy & Van Johnson Daniel Debuttes Chanda Berryman Gertrude Debuttes Betty Lou Rockwell Sharon Schwab William Davis Diana Johnson Millie Patterson Dale Johnson Jesse LeSeur Patricia Heckman Judy LeSeur James Lenfesty Vila Adkins Doris M's Sister Stevens Family Fraser Coleman Noel & Family Deloris Goodenough

Del & Thelma Olsen Carol Hollingsworth Nancy Prosa Myke & Del Eggert Terry Richardson

#### **Service People:**

Sgt. Scot Noss Cpt. Tory Petersen 1st Lt. Kellen Peterson Marine Capt. Pete Brawn

Pray for our World, our Church, our Ministers, the Soup Kitchen, 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.