



# September 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
6:00 Service at the Oaks						
17	18	19 2:00 Martha	20	21	22	23
9:00 Study	11:00 Garden Club 6 SK Board	6:30 Elders 7:00 Board				
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
9:00 Study				11:30 Wild Bunch @ Izzy's		



Steven Morgan	1
Vila Adkins	5
Nancey West	8
Todd Lewelling	15
Joe Smith	25
Ron Van Vleet	25



Coury & Trista Gagne 8

## CHURCH EVENTS

**Sunday Morning Study 9:00 AM Starting Sept. 17**

**Service at the Oaks Sunday, Sept. 10 @ 6:00 PM**

**Martha CWF Group Tues., Sept. 19 @ 2:00 pm @**

**Janet Lowe's**

**Garden Club: Mon., Sept. 18 @ 11:00 am**

**Soup Kitchen Board Meeting: Mon. Sept. 18, @ 6:00 pm**

**Church Board & Elders Meetings**

**Tues., Sept. 19 @ 6:30 & 7:00**

**Wild Bunch for Lunch Thurs., Sept. 28 @ 11:30 am @ Izzy's**

**Girls Scouts: Mondays 4:30—6:30 pm**

**Boy Scouts: Mondays 6:30—7:30 pm**

**Women's Fall Spiritual Retreat: October 13—14 @**

**Murray Hill Christian Church in Beaverton, OR**



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### From Pastor Zane:

My name is Zane Matthew Ridings, and I have just been called as your new minister. It is a dream come true for me to become the pastor of an Oregon local church, a dream that began when I was growing up at Salem First Christian Church, attending camps as a youth, and on the Oregon Regional Youth Council. After I graduated high school in 2010, I studied first at Eureka College in Illinois, and then at Brite Divinity school in Fort Worth, Texas. While I studied at these two Disciples of Christ institutions, my two main areas of concentration were youth and family ministry, and Christian missions. I've worked at two Disciples churches for three years a piece as an associate pastor and youth pastor. I am excited to see where our ministry will go together as we seek to strengthen this faith community and be a light to the community at large. My official start date is September 1st, and I will be in worship every Sunday after that. David Eggleston will continue to preach and serve this congregation alongside me over the next six months, ensuring that this relationship is a vibrant and fruitful one. Please feel free to call or e-mail me, or drop by the office and say hello! My office hours will begin as Monday and Wednesday 9:30 to 3:30, until I can move down to Lebanon.

Zane Ridings

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### From the Chairman of the Board, Jon West

Thank you, thank you very much. I am stealing a line from Elvis, but I do want you to know how proud I am of our church. I am so excited that we have a new pastor. Zane Ridings is moving in to his office and meeting people as I write this. I have missed so much having a pastor that I could sit down with and talk and plan the future of the church.

Around the first of September we are having a new roof put on the church. I want to say thank you to all the people who gave to help make that happen. We are using money that you gave, money we saved, borrowing money from other funds and are getting a loan to pay for the roof and some other repairs that are needed.

The church is alive and I am excited about it. We are making plans for the future of this church. A new pastor and repairs to the church. Again I say thank you.

We can do these things because of people like you who love this church.

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## News From The Pews

### Doris Modderman's Trip to Spain

I am not sure what triggered my desire to travel the world, probably European History class in High School. I have been truly blessed to be able to see nearly all of the major cities on my bucket list. Some have been traveling with girlfriends, when I was much younger, some cruises, some bus tours and one on a bike.

The latest trip was this last June on a small river cruise with Amawaterways. We began in Madrid, five of us, and soon we met another traveler on her own from Texas. Then we were six. The city is very large but very easy to get around. Our tours took us both by bus and walking tours through the older parts of the city. The food was wonderful...did I mention it was a wine tasting tour?

After we left Madrid we bussed to Vega Terron and boarded the Amavida river boat. We cruised in the day and docked at night. We left the boat every day for land tours, we saw some great wineries, and some ancient cities, Toledo, Spain, and then when on the Douro River we were in Portugal. While traveling the river we had to go through five locks, one of which was the deepest in all of Europe. We dropped 110 feet. Often when approaching the dams and locks we had to go under bridges that were low to the water, the crew had to lower everything possible so we could fit under the bridges. If you were tall enough you could reach up and touch the underside of the bridge.

Porto and Lisbon were my favorite cities. Porto was the destination of the small boats that carried the barrels of Port wine up the river to the ocean for export. Before the dams and locks the river was very wild. The boats would often overturn. It is said that they only filled the barrels of port  $\frac{3}{4}$  full so if they did crash, the barrels would float. The Portuguese were masters at tile and the inside of many of the museums walls were all Porcelain tile. It was very beautiful.



After Porto we took a fast train to Lisbon and the remainder of the trip was on land so we had a much larger room in a very nice Hotel. The picture of the Castle is Sintra high on a hill about an hour outside of Lisbon. What a wonderful old building. Way on top of a small mountain with such wonderful views all around. I didn't realize what great explores the Portuguese were, they discovered a great deal of the world, especially around Africa.

I found Portugal to be very easy and the people so mellow and friendly. This trip was much more quiet than most, relaxing and informative. I would recommend Amawaterways River Cruises to anyone who might be interested in a small boat cruise. Our boat only held 104 passengers.



## Blessings on your Ordination, Pastor Zane!



The Ordination of Pastor Zane was held at his home church, Salem First Christian Church, August 26. Jon West and Donna Lewelling presented him with a Travel Communion set from our congregation.

I Timothy 1:12

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord...because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service...

### Getting to Know Your Elders Featured Elder this month is Donna Beamer

**Donna Beamer** was born and raised in Burbank, California. The hospital not being what it is today, delivered her sister, Diana; 29 minutes later they found Donna. They were told all their lives that they were fraternal twins, until about 12 years ago a DNA test proved they are identical mirror-image twins.



Donna was secretary in many positions at Blue Cross, working her way up as secretary to the Actuary. She worked as legal secretary to two attorneys at Safeco Title before moving to Oregon with her family in 1990. She was secretary at Heritage Mall for 12 years until she took early retirement in 2004.

Donna has two daughters, Debbie who lives in Rochester, Washington and Julie who lives here in Lebanon, and two grandchildren in Washington. Although Jim and Donna built a home in North Albany, before it was finished they decided that it was not right for them. They sold that house and purchased a "fixer upper" in Lebanon which Jim made comfortable by remodeling the kitchen/bath, plus adding one/ living room and dining room.

After a long illness with COPD and circulation problems, the Lord took Jim home in March 2017. They were married just short of 49 years. At that time Jim's niece, Katy was looking for a cooler place to relocate from Las Vegas and Phoenix and moved in with Donna.

Donna loves crafts of all kinds/ especially sewing, making hats, cooking and baking/decorating cakes. She is a member of two red hat groups and a walking group and takes an active part in their events. She likes working in the church office and helping with recording posting financial information. The Soup Kitchen has a special place in her heart and she has enjoyed helping out there and will continue to bake and help when she can.

### IN OUR PRAYERS:

Cathy Johnson  
Millie Patterson  
Jesse LeSeur  
Flightner Family  
August Fliesman  
Diana Johnson  
Mariam Swanson  
Gloria Barnstead  
Rachel Dunn  
Donna Primasing  
Penny Sealy  
Tim Ireland  
Deloris Wirth  
Vila Adkins  
Natalie Ward  
Patricia Heckman

James Lenfesty  
Gerri Myers

#### Service People:

Spc. Coury Gagne,  
Sgt. Scot Noss  
Cpt. Tory Petersen  
1st Lt. Kellen Peterson

**Pray for our  
Church, our Minis-  
ters, the Soup  
Kitchen, our  
Regional Ministers.**