

NOV. 24TH, 2013

UNIVERSITY CHRISTIAN CENTER 541-753-4310

FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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"THE MAIN THING"

OPPORTUNITIES

- 1. To love the Lord our God with all our heart and with all our soul and with all our mind and with all our strength.
- 2. To love our neighbors as ourselves.
- 3. To go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything Christ has commanded us.



32 Thanksgiving food boxes were packed Wednesday

Today's delivery will begin at 1 PM in the basement. Get a ticket from Becky Miller at the top of the foyer stairs and then go to the basement and see Charlene Franklund or Laurie Corliss to pick up your food box. Boxes will be loaded out the East end of the basement.

Building Repairs Fund Donations

As the Elders reported at the congregational meeting, there is some major repairs and renovations needed on our building. If you find it convenient at this end of the year tax time, to make a special donation, please mark it as "Building Repairs Fund" and put it into the collections plate or Becky's box.

PLEASE FILL OUT A FELLOWSHIP CARD

Everyone is asked to fill out a Fellowship Card, which you will find in the song book rack. If you have questions or comments, feel free to write them on the back of the Fellowship Card, or talk to any member. The cards are picked up at the start of our service or can be placed in an offering plate.

For visitors, more general information is available on bookmarks in the Bibles located in the song book rack.



Gregg's Good News

The gospel of John closes off with these words at John 21:25— "Jesus did many other things as well. If every one of them were written down, I suppose that even the whole world would not have room for the books that would be written."

There is so much more that could be told of Jesus' actions. Yet even what we know of Him is sufficient. Without question, the contemplation of Jesus' life is sufficient to occupy any believer for a lifetime. The character of Jesus is winning enough to attract a child and challenging

enough to prompt change throughout my lifetime. The content of Jesus' teaching is both accessible enough to intrigue one hearing him for the first time and complex enough to warrant consideration as long as I live.

At this moment, I'm wrestling with Jesus' ministry methods. He confronts people who are already religious and claiming to know God with sharp condemnation when they miss the point of God's heart. And, He sits at dinner with prostitutes and tax collectors in a culture where eating together communicates fellowship while calling them "the sick" and "sinners."

I too want to be able to navigate those waters of being God's voice with the right tone for everyone who hears. I too want my presence at the table to have the powerful effect of inviting everyone to turn from self/sin driven life to God.

Somehow Jesus was able to walk in utter purity wherever he went and regardless of who he was with. Somehow Jesus' light and salt was always stronger than the darkness of anyone he encountered. Somehow Jesus was able to stand firmly for the word, will and ways of God regardless of who he was with at the moment.

"Almighty God, please give me discernment to be able to know where I should be, what I should be doing, how I should speak—so that I can help as many people as possible become your disciples. I want to be an imitator of Lord Jesus Christ. Hear this prayer I offer in His name, Amen."

Women's Winter Weekend Retreat in Lincoln City

January 3—5, 2014—Begin the new year with an amazing time as we learn from Karol Ladd: A Woman's Secret for Confident Living.

<u>TODAY</u> all payments for retreat are due....see Jasmine Womack

SCHEDULE OF FAMILY EVENTS

Nov. 24th - Food box delivery day

Nov. 24th - 5 PM Sing - A - Long Singing Practice

Nov. 26th - Tuesday Night Dinner and Discussion at University Christian Center, 1655 NW Monroe 7 PM

Dec. 4th - Decorating the church for the Sing -A - Long from 6 - 8 PM

Dec. 7th - Sing-A-Long for community here at 7 PM

Dec. 22nd - Food box delivery day

Jan. 3-5 - Women's Retreat weekend in Lincoln City

PM Preview TONIGHT 5:00 pm—Sing-A-Long Rehearsal

Bring your voice and music. Less than 2 weeks between now and the event.



The Strawns give thanks to the secret servants who raked their leaves.

Praise God that the teens had a great, safe trip to Portland to the Christian concert on Friday.

The Calkins are thankful for the farm sale and a new farm completion! They're feeling doubly blessed - "our God is good!

Contact Numbers:

541-753-4310 UCC 541-207-2777 cell

Would you like to study through the entire New Testament and see how it all connects together? What about learning the history of Christianity and the church from Acts until Martin Luther in 1517? Or maybe learning how to have a Christian family? These are the topics for our CITE classes this Winter Term. The term goes from January 6 - March 20. Registration are available and you can fill one out today! Here are the classes and costs:

- ~Story of the New Testament (2 credits), Gregg Strawn, M&W 4-5:15pm University Christian Center, \$20.
- ~Church History to 1517 (3 credits), Dr. Darren Williamson, T&TH, 5:15-7:00pm University Christian Center, \$30.
- ~Marriage and Family (2 Credits), Dr. Shawn Jones, T, 6:30-9pm Keizer Church of Christ (5405 Ridge Drive NE, Keizer, OR), \$20.



Campus Minister and Family Jason, Amanda Josiah and Jaron Swick

Please pray for God's healing hand to be upon those with cancer:

- Rob Hartley, Renee Gunselman's brother
- Roy Gaffney, friend of the Millers
- Greg, Jensens' neighbor
- Karen Bose, Betty Carter's daughter
- John McPartlin, eye cancer
- Kevin Roth (Eric Jensen's relative)
- Lorena Childress' uncle. Pray that he will hear the gospel and turn to Jesus.

Please continue to pray for the health of

- Katy Pyron
- Phil and Linda Weimer
- Patsy Linder
- Donna and Paul Johnson. Donna recovering from shoulder surgery.
- JoAnne and Debra Million
- Irene Strawn Bless her with maximum peace and comfort. Sustain the strength of her family.
- Goldie Campbell
- Zane Rogers (Brooks' grandson)
- LaVera Crownover
- Cathy Bussard
- Ezra Parker. Continue to pray for Ezra Parker's healing. Thanks for answered prayers for him.
- Alex Bracht

- Elizabeth Emmerich and family
- Mark Masters and family

Pray for Jean Woods' brother, Virgil Knox, having complications after a total knee replacement.

Please pray for Candy Singleton on hospice in N. Carolina.

Pray for the Cloutiers' brother-in-law, Kenneth, recovering from surgery and in pain (Aleta's husband in VA).

Pray for Cathy Brooks' Uncle John Reed in KY at home.

Pray for world leaders, our President, and all Americans.

Sam Taylor is suffering from vertigo and able to work only half days. Pray for her and the doctors attempting to heal her.

Sandi Sue Hendrix had colon surgery Friday. She will be in the hospital for 4 to 5 days and then recuperating at home for two weeks. Pray for her surgery, her doctors and her son, Braucke.

PLEASE PRAY

Pray for our Mom-to-be

Hannah and Jeremy Verzosa, baby girl due January 2, 2014.

Holly and Ryan McPartlin, baby McRib due 05/20/2014

Pray for engaged:

Ashley Parsons and Ryan King are engaged to be married on July 26th, 2014, in Corvallis.



Pray for Our Military

- Laci Hill, Navy in the Mediterranean Fleet
- Pray for the military families and all those serving.
- Pray for our leaders to make the best decisions that so dramatically affect our military.

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MONTHLY SERVANTS

Eldership Leader: Casey Long

Deacon/Minister Leader: E Gunselman

Emergency Needs: Tami Brown

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Communion Prep: Alanna McPartlin

PA Attendant: Jesse Bracht Kids' Time: Chris Jensen

Service Monitor: Ed Gunselman

541-401-7054

WEEKLY SERVANTS

Nov. 24th, 2013 Dec. 1st, 2013

MORNING SCHEDULE

Greeters: M Womack D Brown

M Woods T Brown J Woods J Leslie Ushers: Allen Rugh J Wise

B Leslie R Parsons

Attendance: N Franklund N Franklund Communion: R Bracht L Sorah

Counting Aides: K McPartlin R Bracht

J Emmerich B Leslie Nursery: S Smith **Kelsev Rennels**

Esther G O Childress

Notes / Cards; O Childress Emily Jensen

Esther G

L House Song Leader: J Reyes Zak Reed

Speaker: G Strawn

G Strawn J Swick

Lord's Table: J Parker Servers: M Johnson **R Parsons**

B Taylor

Cory Murray

M Sorah D Seidel

Opening Prayer: P McPartlin N Acidera Pastoral Prayer Casey Long M Johnson

Closing Prayer: Casey Long M Johnson

5:00 PM EVENING SCHEDULE

Song Leader: B McCaughan E Bracht

Opening Prayer: Z Reed Joe Hammar Closing Prayer: M Johnson R House

Lord's Table: J Parker J Swick SECOND SUNDAY EVENING of the MONTH

Singing at Park Place Assisted Living,* 2595 NE Jack London, at 5:45 PM

Sunday Morning Attendance 153 Nov. 17th Contribution \$5,274 Year to Date Weekly Average \$3,985 Weekly Budget \$4,517 Strawn Adoption Fund \$8,570

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Want to get

Assembly Ministry Deacons' Ministry Group Building/Grounds (Church & UCC) .

.Greg Brown and

Josh Wise
Campus Ministry Jason Swick
Education Ministry Eric and Chris Jensen
Evangelism Ministry José Reyes
Fellowship Ministry Ed and Renee' Gunselman
Involvement Ministry See Elders
Life Group Ministry Mark and Nancy Johnson
Media Ministry Frank Cloutier and Webmaster
Tim Emmerich
Men of Iron Rolland House
People Needs: Financial and Food Becky Miller,
and Ryan McPartlin
Publicity Ministry Becky Miller
Van Ministry Bob and Cody Parsons
Visitor Experience Ministry See Elders
Vision Ministry Elders, Deacons, Ministers and
their wives
Widows Ministry Peter and Pam McPartlin
Women's Ministry Laurie Eastridge
Youth Ministry Mike and Shannon Sorah

Aid kids at Christmas time

Sophya Childress has created a fundraising webpage through World Vision in which she is trying to raise money to help children in need She really wanted to find a way to help out those less fortunate and it seemed like this was the best way to do it. She also said she'd be available for odd jobs, baking requests, etc. to try to earn money for this cause. The webpage iswww.mygiftcatalog.org.



For the Sing-A-Long this year we will be depicting scenes from the story of Jesus' birth in Luke 2. We would like to show original works of art by our church (all ages). Artistic talent is not required! If you or your child would like to participate, please talk to Jordan Strawn for details.

Circle Leaders **Elders**

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Deacons

Ed Gunselman, Rolland House, Eric Jensen, Peter McPartlin, Jose' Reyes

Ministers

All the members of the Congregation (I Peter 2:9)

W. Gregg Strawn Minister of the Word

Jason Swick Campus Minister

> 2020 Circle **Family Times**

Sunday

9:30 AM Bible Classes for all ages 10:30 AM Worship 5:00 PM Assembly

Tuesday

Ladies Bible Class 10:30 am

Wednesday

7:00 PM Bible Study At Circle

Assorted Life Groups Call **541-758-4456** for details