

**February
2024**



COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WALDPOR

THE WINDOW

Pencil It In!

Feb 01	12Noon	Bible Study / Guild Room
Feb 03	9:30am	Saturday Breakfast & Food boxes
Feb 04	10:30am	Worship Service / Communion / via Zoom & Live
Feb 08	10:00am 12Noon	Finance Committee Meeting Bible Study
Feb 10	9:30am	Saturday Breakfast & Food Boxes
Feb 11	10:30am	Worship Service / Live & via Zoom
Feb 14	11-1:00	Ash Wednesday Drive-by
Feb 15	10:00am 12Noon	Stated Session Meeting / Guild Room Bible Study
Feb 17	9:30am	Saturday Breakfast & Food Boxes
Feb 18	10:30am	Worship Service Live & via Zoom First Sunday in Lent
Feb 19		Presidents Day
Feb 22	12Noon	Bible Study
Feb 24	9:30am	Saturday Breakfast & Food Boxes
Feb 25	10:30am	Worship Service Live & via Zoom Second Sunday in Lent
Feb 29	12Noon	Bible Study

Special Thanks to_____

.....Elders Charlie Hare and Lyle Seaman who served as Elders
The last six years

.....All who are participating in the Thursday noon bible study
Taught by Wendy Olson

.....All who have brought food items for Coffee Mingle.
It is deeply appreciated!



Love in the time of Lent

Ash Wednesday is on February 14th this year; a smudge of ash and a whisper of mortality (ashes to ashes) on the very same day when boxes of chocolates and whispers of romance are spread around. Very different shades of love that day!

Lent is the season when the church is left alone in its peculiar faithfulness and rituals. There is no special music playing at the Mall for Lent shopping. We don't have to struggle to "Keep Christ in Lent". Christ is the only thing in Lent. Nobody but the church wants that. Everybody loves Mardi Gras and Easter eggs but pondering penance, repentance, almsgiving, atonement, self-denial and mortality; not so much.

The ONLY reason anyone gives Lent a second look is to draw close to Jesus, to lean deeply into God. The casual observer does not understand nor want this rhythm of facing the limits and shadows of human life balanced by the calling out to behold the mysteries of eternal life. WE get these special 40 days to marinate on matters that matter.

Forgiveness will guide our way to the cross this year. We will hold the power and mystery of forgiveness in our studies and worship, like a precious jewel, turning it to see a different facet of this central wonder each week. Do you long to move beyond the casual kind of forgiveness and touch the depths of reflection and renewal?

Each week there will be Bible study, daily readings, worship music, prayers and conversation to take us deep into love's forgiveness.

Printed booklets will be available at church, beginning on Ash Wed.

Digital booklets will be sent on Ash Wed.

Bible study will take up Forgiveness beginning Feb. 21

Worship will delve into Forgiveness from Feb. 18 to March 31

Easter, on March 31, closes out Lent by opening the tomb. But first, enter that tomb and let the power of God teach us eternal truths.

See you on the road to the Resurrection, *Wendy*

Ash Wednesday – Wednesday February 14

Drive-through ashes will be offered in the church parking lot between 11 am and 1 pm with one of the pastors. Pull in near the office doors. You can remain in your car and pastor will come to offer prayer and imposition of ashes.

Treasurer's Report

Lyle Seaman, Treasurer

Lyle Seaman—Treasurer

For the 2023 Year General Fund Income Received \$102,072.08

For the 2023 Year General Fund Actual Expenses \$89,752.59

Income received leaves us in the black by \$12,346.49



Birthday's

Anniversaries



Per Capita

PER CAPITA: What is it and what does it cover?

The Presbytery of the Cascades (the church level just above the congregation) is a visible and functional connection between the 96 congregations scattered across Oregon and southern Washington. It is called to nurture, serve, represent, support, and encourage the congregations as they serve Jesus in their communities. Many resources go into this calling and connection.

Some resources we benefit from directly (administrative help, staff coming to preach, teach, and encourage, loans used to help build the fellowship hall, assistance in finding pastors, collecting and distributing emergency wildfire funds, technical advice and \$ to help with online worship...). ***Some things we will never take advantage of, but other congregations will.***

ADMINISTRATION: per capita funds some administrative functions of the denomination as it engages, equips and encourages congregations and their leaders.

MISSION: Per capita covers operational costs so 100% of mission dollars go directly to recipients.

LEADERSHIP: Presbytery and GA helped you find your past several pastors and pulpit supply, offered training and assistance for things like the active shooter training, Clerk and Session training, financial development.

HELP! During times of conflict, sexual misconduct, property issues, records, financing, liability, insurance, protection, legal advice and so much more.

Congregations share the cost of these greater connections. Through per capita we share equally, responsibly, and interdependently in the costs of being the Presbyterian Church (USA).

Per capita for 2024 is \$45.50. If you can, make a special contribution to cover your per capita. If you can't, don't worry. Someone else in this connectional church will bear that burden for you.

If you write a check to cover per capita, simply make that note on the memo line. Thank you for staying connected.



February 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Bible Study 12Noon	2	3 9:30am Saturday Food Box giveaway
4 10:30am Worship / Communion / live & via Zoom	5	6	7	8 10:00am Finance Mtg Bible Study 12Noon	9	10 9:30am Saturday Food Box giveaway
11 10:30am Worship / Live & via Zoom	12	13	14 Drive-by Ashes 11-1pm	15 10:00am Stated Session Mtg. Bible Study 12Noon	16	17 9:30am Saturday Food Box giveaway
18 10:30am Worship / Live and via Zoom 1st Sunday in Lent	19 President's Day	20	21	22 Bible Study 12Noon	23	24 9:30am Saturday Food Box giveaway
25 10:30am Worship Service live & via Zoom 2nd Sunday in Lent	26	27	28	29 Bible Study 12Noon		

News of the Congregation—



INSTALLATION
OF
ELDERS
JANUARY 28, 2024

Don't flush those old meds down the toilet or dispose of them down the drain!

We have long been told to dispose of excess or expired medication by simply flushing it down the toilet or drain, instead of dumping it in the trashcan. If you flush medication down the toilet it could be harmful to not only yourself but for our environment.

Prescription drugs, along with over-the-counter medications are making their way into our drinking water, polluting lakes and streams and affecting fish and wildlife.

- A recent study shows that 80 percent of US streams contain small amounts of human medications.
- Sewage systems are not equipped to remove the medication from water that is released into lakes, rivers or oceans.
- Fish and other aquatic animals have shown adverse effects from various medications in the water supply.

Small amounts of medication have found their way to our drinking water.

So what should you do with those expired/unused drugs?

Pharmacies and police departments often have secure boxes where you can drop off expired/unused medications. Here are several in our area.

Hi-School Pharmacy, Waldport

Rite-Aid Pharmacy, Newport

Newport Police Dept in City Hall

Safeway Pharmacy, Newport *Currently out of order, to be repaired in the next few months

Please note!

ACCEPTED: Medications in any dosage in their original container or sealed bag, except for those identified as "Not Accepted" at the site.

NOT ACCEPTED: Herbal remedies, vitamins, supplements, other personal care products, medical devices, batteries, mercury-containing thermometers, sharps, illicit drugs, pet pesticide products, animal medicines, and biologics.

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MISSION PARTNERS

**Basha International
Habitat for Humanity
South Lincoln Resources
Waldport Food Share
Food Share of Lincoln County**

**Sunday Worship Service 10: 30am
Facebook & Website**

**Saturday Food Box Giveaway &
Hot breakfast take-out.
9:30 to 10:30am**

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