

KCC Chronicle

KEIZER CHRISTIAN CHURCH

“Proclaiming Christ’s Love, Building Community,
Meeting Human Need”

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WORSHIP SERVICES

Worship Services are held in-person and live on YouTube at 10 AM each Sunday. The YouTube link for each service will be sent out in the bulletin and also posted on Facebook and the KCC Website. You can always watch our services on our YouTube channel here:  **YouTube**



FUN IN THE FIELD 2024



Thank you to the many helpers for Fun in the Field. The children all had fun and the fellowship was wonderful.

We gave away 3 grand prizes, had 3 stories with crafts, bubbles, water play, several carnival-type games, washable tattoos, and food.

If anyone took photos, could you please send them to the office? We were so busy having fun we forgot to take some!

NEWSLETTER

Previous editions are available on the website at:

[<NEWSLETTER>](#)

Look for the next newsletter on **August 22nd**.

Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:11



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Tuesday – Friday

9 am to 1 pm

Afternoons by appointment

PASTOR’S MOMENT

That’s right folks! Summer camp time is here again. All of your can and bottle recycling is being put to very good use in providing funds to send our youth to camp again this year. Hopefully for you all the mention of summer church camp evokes happy memories of fun activities and time with friends and caring adults. Oftentimes it is a place where lifelong friendships are forged. Beyond all this goodness is the foundation of the experience, our faith in Christ and the desire to model that faith for young people and encourage them to build (and continue building) their own relationship with Jesus.



We have youth from across our region and across many cultures coming to the middle and high school camps this year. They all have varying familiarity with the church and Christianity. Some are Sunday School veterans. Some are community kids, just beginning to be curious about a relationship with Christ. Some are in between. All are wondering, questioning, watching. Camp is a place for them to experience Christian community in a concentrated manner; a place to worship and play and discover the joy of faith. Camp is fun, but it’s not all fun and games. It is the most concentrated time of Christian education and mentoring these youth will experience all year. They need adults, mature in faith, to help show them the way.

They also need your prayers. For all of you that support this ministry from home, pray for us. Pray for safe travels, for supportive families and churches, for positive attitudes and openness to what God will show and teach them. Pray for the counselors, the people who have volunteered to shepherd the youth through this time. Pray for the staff who provide a beautiful setting, safe accommodation, activities, and nourishing food. Pray for parents, trusting us with their children. Pray for spiritual awakening amongst the youth and adults alike. Thank you for praying.

Many of our region’s current pastors and leaders were themselves deeply affected and inspired by a Christian camping program in this region or another. It is no stretch to imagine that some of the youth coming this year are our future pastors and leaders of the church. Some are leading already. Thank you for supporting this foundational ministry.

Oregon and SW Idaho regional middle and high school camps are August 5-9. Pray for us every day!

Pastor Erik

“Train children in the right way, and when old, they will not stray.” ~ Proverbs 22:6

BLESSINGS AND CONCERNS

To include Blessings and Concerns on the weekly email sent out on Tuesday, please send us an email at 1963kcc@gmail.com or call in your information to the office by Sunday evening. If you would like a printed copy of Blessings and Concerns, please contact the office.



- ♥ Betty Bartlett is back at Rehab in Dallas, she is still in much pain from her shingles, please pray for relief from her pain and healing. Also she needs to regain strength so she can move to her new home in Washington and be with family.
- ♥ Please be in prayer for our cousin, Bobby Ottis. He has had 3 prior back surgeries and was experiencing numbness in his legs. After a lengthy MRI he could not move them at all. He had a procedure done Friday, July 12 to fix a bulging disc and another surgery on Tuesday, July 16 to fuse some more of the discs in his back. Both operations were successful however he is experiencing a blood clot in his leg. Please pray for the whole family as this is a lengthy recuperation (again). Troy and Laurie Costales
- ♥ Thank you for all your prayers for my husband Michael . He is having neurosurgery soon to address 3 degenerative discs in his neck, pinching a nerve causing the neuropathy as well. He continues in good spirits although frequently in pain. God bless, Traci Pearl

GIVING TOTALS

July to date General Fund Offering	
1 st week	\$ 1,963.49
2 nd week	3,688.59
3 rd week	1,491.89
4 th week	
Total for Month	\$ 7,143.97
Mo Budget	\$ 12,136.00

The June total giving was \$8,894.89 of our \$12,136.00 budget. Just a reminder. Our monthly offering is covering our payroll and utility bills. With good financial stewardship over the past few years, KCC does have a savings account that we are using to make all of our obligations at this time. Without additional giving, the savings account will continue to dwindle. If you are unable to attend service, you can give online through the secure giving portal [<HERE>](#) or mail a check to the office "Attention: Financial Secretary."

"Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not regretfully or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7

UNsung HEROES



A great big thank you to all of those who helped at Fun in the Field.

MEN'S GROUP

Men's Group will be meeting at Route 99 for our next meeting on **August 3rd**. Men's Group continues to meet every other Saturday for a no-host breakfast. All men are welcome!

MEN'S
BREAKFAST



BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study



Bible Study will be taking a hiatus (brief break) for the summer and will begin again in September meeting each Thursday at 11 am.

RECYCLING—BOTTLES, CANS, INK AND TONER



Thank you to everyone for bringing in your bottles and cans. Just a reminder that this is a year-round fundraiser and all funds go towards Children's Summer Camp scholarships.

PLEASE NOTE: Make sure your containers say **OR 10¢** on them. Also, do **NOT** crush the bottles. They are not returnable if crushed. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the office.

We are still turning in used ink cartridges and toners. The funds for those are used to buy craft and office supplies for special children's events like Fun in the Field.



COFFEE FELLOWSHIP TIME

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Thank you to those who have signed up to bring treats for Coffee Fellowship Time. We have tried to make it easier for setup and have the Secretary prepare the coffee, drink table items, silverware, plates, and napkins.

The treat provider is responsible for bringing treats, setting them out on the tables, starting the coffee pot and hot water, and cleanup of the Fellowship Hall and Kitchen when done. Please sign up on the sheet on the Fellowship Hall door. If you have any questions, feel free to call the office.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Addison Hughes	8-5
Margy McCurry	8-5
Traci Pearl	8-15
Kathryn Dodge	8-20
Jane Slack	8-23
Odin Peterson	8-28
Paul Costales	8-28



Don & Jane
Slack 8-2

Dave & JoAnn
Barker 8-11

Troy & Laurie
Costales 8-17

KEIZER COMMUNITY DINNER



The next Keizer Community Dinner will be held on **Wednesday, August 28th** from 4:30-6:30 pm at St. Edward's Catholic Church

Core Foods

Canned · Frozen Fresh · Repack

- ◆ Canned Protein
- ◆ Cold Cereal
- ◆ Mac & Cheese
- ◆ Vegetables
- ◆ Shelf Stable Beans
- ◆ Rice
- ◆ Peanut Butter-16-18 ounce
- ◆ Tomato Products—can/jar
- ◆ Shelf Stable Dairy
- ◆ Eggs
- ◆ Pasta
- ◆ Flour
- ◆ Fruit
- ◆ Soup
- ◆ Tuna

*Be sure to check expiration dates!
Fresh Produce is always welcome!*

Editor's Note: Monetary donations to KCC for support of the Food Bank have allowed us supplement our pantry boxes with tuna for the last FOUR months. Thank you for your generosity!



Here are the core foods that we are always in need of at the **Food Bank**. Feel free to bring them in and put them in the box in the Narthex or make a monetary donation and we will purchase them for you.

The ones printed in **BOLD** are the ones most needed.

KEIZER COMMUNITY FOOD BANK



On Monday we served 135 clients on a hot, hot day. Those of us that were there all day were very tired at the end of it! There are five Mondays in July so next **Monday, July 29th**, all churches are to send helpers. Anyone that can help at any time during the day or evening please do.

All core food is needed, especially peanut butter, cereal, canned meat, soup. Not a core food but always in demand is Mac & Cheese.

Our serving day is on **Monday, August 19th**.

Pam Elliot

You are invited to a Regional Assembly

A gathering of the Christian Church in Oregon and SW Idaho (Disciples of Christ) Congregations and Friends



WATER-BORN



SPIRIT-FILLED



TABLE-SENT

September
27 & 28, 2024

Portland First Christian Church
1314 SW Park Ave
Portland, OR 97201

Worship = Workshops = Music = Community



Keynote Speaker:
Our General Minister and President
Terri Hord Owens

Find more information and register here: [Regional Assembly](#)

IMAGINE

A WORLD OF LOVE AND KINDNESS

CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN OREGON & SW IDAHO
SUMMER CAMPS
MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL
AUGUST 5-9, 2024
SUTTLE LAKE UNITED METHODIST CAMP



Middle and High Schoolers are invited to attend Summer Camp this year where we will Imagine A World of Love and Kindness. Youth who have graduated from 6th-12th grades are

invited to attend a five day outdoor experience at Suttle Lake from **August 5th-9th**. We will worship, sing, play games, swim, make new friends, spend time with old friends and most importantly, create a culture of love, kindness and trust.

Cost is \$400, and scholarship help is available for everyone who wants to come so ask your youth leader! Follow the QR code to register.



ELEMENTARY SUMMER CAMP

JULY 22-26, 2024

@SUTTLE LAKE

DISCIPLES & METHODIST KIDS
WHO HAVE COMPLETED GRADES 1-5

Questions?

Email Sara at

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TO REGISTER VISIT:

www.gocamping.org

Select: Summer Youth Camps,

Suttle Lake, Ecumenical Elementary Week 2

And now these
three remain: faith,
hope and love.
But the greatest
of these is love.

— 1 Cor. 13:13



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SERMON SERIES

Summer Series 2: No Longer Strangers, cont.

This walk through the letter to the Ephesians teaches the church how to be a community worthy of the gospel. In the midst of familiar interpersonal conflicts, the writer of Ephesians reminds them they are “now in Christ Jesus,” no longer strangers to God and, importantly, no longer alienated from each other. Because of this new life in Christ, they are experiencing a radical transformation of their identity—as individuals and as a community. These six weeks explore, what it looks like to live rooted in reconciliation, vertical and horizontal—with God and with neighbors.

July 28—Sermon: “God’s Powerful Love”

Ephesians 3:14-21

God can do things through us we cannot imagine.

August 4—Sermon: “Bound Together”

Ephesians 4:1-16

God calls us to unity, requiring humility and acceptance of one another.

August 11—Sermon: “Making Peace”

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

God calls us to make peace, dealing with anger in a righteous, loving way.

August 18—Sermon: “Overflow”

Ephesians 5:15-20

God fills us with the Spirit, bringing joy and thankfulness to ordinary days.