

KCC Chronicle

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

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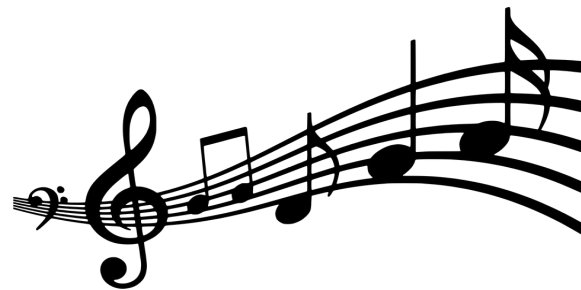
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WORSHIP SERVICES

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:

<https://youtube.com/live/psSqW4d8DHk>



MUSICAL TALENTS

If you have a musical talent, or a talent such as poem creation, poem reading, storytelling, that you would like to share, please reach out to Elizabeth (our Music Minister). Between Praise Band, Choir, Chimes, and Special Sharing during the summer, there are plenty of opportunities to raise your talents in worship to God.

NEWSLETTER

Previous editions are available on the website at:

[<NEWSLETTER>](#)

Look for the next newsletter on **July 24TH**



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PASTOR'S MOMENT

Summer is a beautiful time in Oregon. It is also a busy time for many of us; a time full of work and vacations and BBQs. The Summer time can often become so full that we forget to notice God's presence all around us. I share these poems with you this month to encourage you to hear and see the voice of God surrounding you and inviting you into God's serenity amongst the busy-ness of life.



GOD IS NOT FAR

God is not far from any one of us:
The wild flower by the wayside speaks of His love;
Each blithesome bird bears tidings from above;
Sunshine and shower His tender mercies prove,
And men know not His voice!

God is not far from any one of us:
He speaks to us in every glad sunrise;
His glory floods us from the noonday skies;
The stars declare His love when daylight dies,
And men know not His voice!

God is not far from any one of us:
He watches o'er His children day and night;
On every darkened soul He sheds His light;
Each burdened heart He cheers, and lends His might
To all who know his voice.

~ Thomas Curtis Clark

(Check out page 7 of the newsletter for another poem!)

Pastor Erik

"The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork."

~ Psalm 19:1

A LETTER FROM YOUR STEWARDSHIP CHAIRPERSON

Hello, KCC members and friends.

As you may have noticed from the Sunday bulletins, our tithes and contributions have not been consistently meeting our budget numbers. You'll notice we are a bit above our budget this month because of a large spike in offerings the second week of June. While this is wonderful, it has not been the norm. The two previous months we received roughly half our budgetary needs in offering and have been consistently under budget with offering support for some time. This has reached a serious point and we need to do what we can to help.

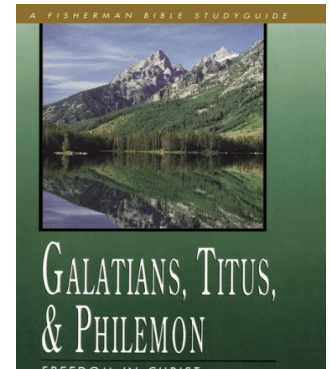
The Council has been looking at ways to address this situation. We are contacting the Regional Office for possible solutions. We have contacted the Disciples Church Extension Fund about withdrawing some of our money that the church has invested with them. The Council has temporarily suspended the acquisition of a new Administrative Assistant and we need some volunteers to help cover the office during our business hours (mornings). Pete Vrontakis and Ed Query are looking into the possibility of selling all or part of our field. The Council welcomes any suggestions from our members and friends.

As a faith-based non-profit entity, we share many concerns with a regular business; policies, insurance, maintenance, budgets, etc. We must remember, though, that we are first and foremost a spiritual community that believes in God and follows the teachings of Jesus and that it is our faith that must guide us in challenging times. Our faith in God and our trust in him can help us to gain some comfort and find guidance when things become difficult. Jesus is our Lord and Savior, and his example of trust in the Father should strengthen us in this moment. We invite you all to join us in prayerful discernment about how God may be calling us to action as we continue to navigate these challenges and to consider how they may be an opportunity for transformation and growth.

Yours in Christ,
Ed Query
Stewardship Chair

BIBLE STUDY

We are meeting on Thursdays at 11 am, in the church library for our weekly Bible study. Everyone is welcome! All curriculum is provided. Join us for a lively discussion as we dig deeper into God's word. **June 25th is the last class for the summer. We will start with a new study in September!**



RECYCLING—BOTTLES, CANS, INK, TONER

Thank you to everyone for bringing in your bottles and cans. This is a year-round fundraiser and all funds go towards Children's Summer Camp scholarships. If you have any questions, please see Laurie Costales.

NOTE: Please make sure that all items have OR 10¢ on them and that they are rinsed out. We don't get credit for crushed items or those missing their bar codes.

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

We are in need of Coffee Hour Treat Providers. 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.

**COFFEE
FELLOWSHIP**

Join us!



MEN'S
BREAKFAST



MEN'S GROUP

Men's Group will be meeting at Route 99 on **July 4th and 18th this month**. Men's Group continues to meet every other Saturday for a no-host breakfast. All men are welcome!



GIVING TOTALS

The current June total giving is \$16,123.18 of our \$12,115 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



Owen Porter	7-7
Carol Reynolds	7-18
Shirley Igou	7-20
RubyMae Brown	7-20
Daniel Brown	7-27



happy anniversary

Erik & Kim Free	7-21
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THOSE SERVING NEXT MONTH

The following people will be serving next month.
If you would like to serve, please let the office know,
there are many possibilities!



	PRAYER PRESIDER	USHER	DEACONS	
7/5	Ed Query	Laurie C.	Vicki Z.	Troy C.
7/12	Troy Costales	Don Kaehler	Peggy Y.	Laurie C.
7/19	Nancy Dalrymple	Vicki Zielinski	Don K.	Vicki Z.
7/26	Dena Query	Peggy Young	Troy C.	Laurie C.

REGIONAL SUMMER CAMP



\$450
PER CAMPER

SUTTLE LAKE CAMP- SISTERS, OREGON

GAMES - SWIMMING - MUSIC - ARTS&CRAFTS - ADVENTURE

AUGUST 3-7

ELEMENTARY CAMP
GRADES 1ST - 5TH

MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMP
GRADES 6TH - 8TH

HIGH SCHOOL CAMP
GRADES 9TH - 12TH

**PLEASE REGISTER USING THE GRADE JUST COMPLETED
THREE PROGRAMS- ONE SITE- ONE WEEK**

IN THE WILDERNESS

REGISTER HERE



<https://oidisciples.org/summer-camp-2026/>

SERMON SERIES

Broken—Good News for tough Times

“Paul’s letter to the Romans is addressed to people he had never met. In the hopes of encouraging and building up this community to which he dreamed of travelling. He knew the Christian life was a perilous one, and the world in which the church was growing and spreading was unpredictable and increasingly diverse. In this series covering some of the letter’s most intriguing and inspiring passages, we learn how God sustains us in the midst of brokenness, both within and without, helping us find wholeness and unity, no matter what crises we are facing.”

- July 12 — Sermon: “Broken Spirits, Broken Bodies”** Rom 8:1-11
Our sin and pain damage our human bodies as well.
- July 19 — Sermon: “Labor Pains”** Rom 8:12-25
God will bring restoration in spite of our pain and brokenness.
- July 26 — Sermon: “Inseparable”** Rom 8:26-39
No amount of brokenness can separate us from the love of God in Christ.
- August 2 — Sermon: “All-Inclusive Grace”** Rom 9:1-5
God chooses us all, despite human differences.
- August 9 — Sermon: “The End of the Law”** Rom 10:5-15
Grace restores what is broken—not anything we can do.
- August 16 — Sermon: “God Is in Control”** Rom 11:1-2a, 29-32
Though brokenness remains, we can trust in God’s mission of restoration.

I HEARD GOD SPEAK

I heard God speak this day
Along an Alpine way.
‘Twas where a mountain shower
Had washed a crimson flower
Nodding in the blue heights
When the rain was through.
It bent as if in prayer
Beneath the rain-washed air.
‘Twas when the sun came out
I thought I heard God shout
With laughter down the seams
And crevices and streams.

I thought I saw His face
In one high, holy place
Up close against the sky
Where stars and planets fly;
Up where the clouds lie low
And wind tides ebb and flow;
From which I heard Him speak
In whispers of the wind
Some words supremely kind.
‘Twas this I heard God speak
Through a flower and a peak.

~ William L. Stidger



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