October 2019

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS:

Robert Burger 10/04 Peter Bergersen 10/06 John York 10/06 Bob Hladky 10/06 Kathie Hledik 10/07 Gary Schwieger 10/08 Elly Muiderman 10/08 Arlen Salthouse 10/09 Jimmy Stanton 10/10 Dick Stewart 10/10 Riley Strode 10/11 Ken McCarley 10/11 Ady Valtinson 10/12 Grant Dwyer 10/13 Bill Valtinson 10/14 Lin Hirst 10/14 Joan Schaaf 10/18 Lily McCain 10/19 Elizabeth Dhungana10/19 Oliver Snyder 10/20 Steven Rosales 10/21 Paige Ford 10/21 Bev Fernandes 10/23 Pat Miller 10/25 Georgia Benson 10/26 Sher Castro 10/27 John Pierce 10/27 John Gundry 10/28 Diana Meakins 10/28 MarthadeBroekert 10/29 Dawn Champoux 10/31 Kate Johnson 10/31

From the Pastor:

Dear WPC Family,

On September 15th, 16 young people began their journey through confirmation by receiving a study Bible in worship. For the next 8 months, these youth will be on a journey—a journey in which they will learn more about what it means to be a disciple of Christ as they grow closer to each other and to God. It is a time of questioning and discovery for them as they begin to articulate what it is they personally believe about God. Confirmation is an important part of their faith development and it truly takes a village to support them through this time of discovery and growth. As their church family, we all make promises to support and teach one another in the faith.

Many of you have answered the call to serve as a mentor for one of these students. Mentors meet with their confirmand and pray with and for them as they help guide and cheer them on their journey. Mentors are there to form relationships that last way beyond their years in confirmation. One of the most important factors on a young person's faith development are faith relationships with other adults outside their family. This includes Sunday School Teachers, Youth Leaders, VBS volunteers and Mentors. But whether you serve in one of these roles or not, we all have an important role to play in confirmation and faith development in our young people:

1. Get to know the confirmation students. Greet them by name on Sunday and welcome them to church. Ask them what they are enjoying about the class. In the coming weeks, their pictures and "all about me forms" will be posted on the youth bulletin board. Take time to read them all.

2. Pray for them. And let them know it!

3. Leave them notes of encouragement. Their mentors are encouraged to do this, but as their church family, you all are invited to take part. They each have a small tin bucket with their name on it in the youth room. This is a place to leave them little treats and notes as they go through the confirmation journey. One idea: leave them inspirational Bible verses and notes.

4. Do you love to bake and cook? We would love to have you sponsor a youth group by bringing a home cooked meal for them. Contact Brooke or Marta if you would like to support the group in this way.

God has blessed us with an amazing church family and a growing youth and children's ministry. Let us all do what we can to support each other along our journeys of faith. Grace and Peace, Marta

Members of the 2019-2020 Confirmation Class:

Jordan Andreasen Amberley Trent Laura Stanton EJ Peterson Eloise Kirsch William Valtinson Mikayla Irvin Collin Dwyer Eric Ukropina Riley Strode Quincy Peterson Reid Schukart Annabelle Marwitz Jackson Gundry Ady Valtinson Serena Strode Page 2





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TRUNK-OR-TREAT October 27th from 3pm-5pm join us for a spooktacular fun time at our Trunk-OR-Treat! Costume contest. trunk contest. face-painting, games, candy and cider will put you in the Halloween spirit. We would love for as many people to decorate their trunks so let Brooke know if you will join in.



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN IN THE PRESBYTERY OF THE CASCADES **2019 FALL GATHERING** BUILDING BRIDGES OF UNDERSTANDING Saturday, October 19, 2019 Fírst Presbyterían Church of Woodburn 950 N. Boones Ferry Rd. Woodburn, OR 97071 Program: 10am to 3pm Keynote Speaker: Rev. Cynthia O'Brien "The Better Angels of Our Nature" Forms available in the office and are due by October 14th Cost: \$10 includes lunch



They have transferred to Westminster from BowMills United Methodist Church in New Hampshire. They have two adult sons and two grandchildren. They both enjoy reading and Ann enjoys knitting.



Sunday School resumed Sept. 8, 19 after the Blessing of the Backpacks. This year, we have enough children that we are able to offer three different Sunday school classes divided up by age.



TREASURE SHOPPE NEWS Guess what! It's time to start looking around the house to find your slightly used, but oh-so-valuable items which you could donate to the Treasure Shoppe. The Bazaar will be here before you can blink your eyes. It's too soon to bring your items to the church, of course, but start a bag in the garage and keep the Treasure Shoppe in mind.

CHI RHO

Attention all Christians: Save a block of time for the Chi Rho lecture series this year. The speaker is Beverly Roberts Gaventa, a first rate speaker and thinker. Gaventa is the Distinguished Professor of New Testament at Baylor University.

Chi Rho: 7:30 pm Friday & Saturday, November 1&2 at Central Lutheran Church and

9:30 am Saturday at Northwest Christian University

Gaventa specializes in the letters of Paul, with a particular love for and focus on Paul's letter to the Romans. Her 2016 book, *When In Romans: An Invitation to Linger with the Gospel According to Paul* provides a brief (130 pages), readily accessible, thoughtful overview of Paul's letter to the Romans and is well worth reading. Dan McKaughan took a course on Romans from Gaventa when he was at Princeton Seminary and highly recommended her instruction.

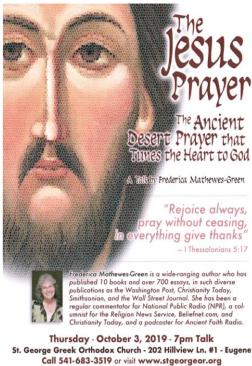
YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE:

October 6: Youth Group at 5:30 pm Mission: Start planning trunk-OR-treat October 27: Trunk-OR-Treat at 3:00pm Youth are encouraged to help with games, contests and decorating!



CONFIRMATION CLASS SCHEDULE:

October 13: Confirmation Class 2 starts right after Worship in the Youth Room until I:00pm.



Space is Limited, Please RSVP



We are asking for candy donations to be used for the TRUNK-OR-TREAT... Please bring wrapped candy to the office. We want to make sure we have plenty for each child attending. Thank you!



Shirley Carey has a Kimball Artist Console (piano) with bench, in great condition for sale. She is asking \$500.00. If interested, please call: (541)344-4842 or email: Shirleycarey@comcast.net



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REMINDER:

The 3rd SUNDAY of each month is our SHOPPING CART SUNDAY for: FOOD FOR LANE COUNTY

Please remember to bring in your canned and boxed food items. Every donation is very much appreciated !



BIBLE PRESENTATION FOR OUR CONFIRMATION STUDENTS Westminster has truly grown in Youth Ministry over the past few years and we are excited and overjoyed that we will offer a Confirmation Class to our Youth. Please keep our Youth in your prayers as they embark on their own faith journeys and learn the teachings of God. On Sept. 15,19 Bibles were presented during Worship to our Youth and the first Confirmation class began Sept. 29,19.

