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WORSHIP IN SEPTEMBER

submitted by Pastor David

As school and activities get started in September, we are following Jesus and his disciples on the road from Galilee to Jerusalem, on Jesus' journey to the cross. Along the way, Jesus is teaching about the nature and cost of discipleship.

It is not an easy thing Jesus asks of those who would follow him. Discipleship demands everything. Our first devotion must be to God and God alone. Therefore, Jesus warns, before you make the commitment, you should estimate the cost. There are other forces out there that want to put themselves in the place of God in our lives, forces like wealth.

In order to follow God, these forces must be resisted. Know, though, that even before you start searching for God, God is already searching for you, like a woman searching for a lost coin.

September 4, the Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Communion Sunday
Luke 14:25-33
"Estimate the Cost"

September 11, the Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Kick-off Sunday
Luke 15:1-10
"Finding God"

September 18, the Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Luke 16:1-13
"God and Mammon"

September 25, the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Luke 16:19-31
"If Someone Rises from the Dead"

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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

submitted by Pastor David

Dear friends,

Over the next several months, we're going to be going through a process of congregational visioning. We will be finding ways to tell the story of this congregation and engage in deep discernment of what God is doing and how we are being called to participate in God's work. We're still in the planning stages of this process, so expect to hear more details next month.

For now though, you can help by praying. Pray in thanksgiving for the life of this congregation and all the ways it has moved in faith in the past. Pray from the community around us and for all its gifts and needs. Pray for the movement of God's spirit in our midst, and we can hear the call of that spirit. And pray for us to have faithfulness and the courage to respond to the spirit's call for us.



May God bless you as we enjoy the end of summer. And may God lead us forward in faith.

Your servant in Christ,

+ Pastor David

YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS STARTING UP

Youth Group, for middle and high school youth, will be on Sunday evenings, 6:30-8:00 pm, beginning September 11th.

Come to have fun and learn about your faith. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall. Snacks are provided.





Church Photo

for Directory / Board

COMING IN SEPTEMBER....

We are planning to update our church directory with pictures of current and future members.

Please stay after the worship service for a chance to have your picture taken.

For more information, please contact Janet Hummel (janet.hummel@frontier.com)

RUMMAGE SALE UPDATE

submitted by Janet Hummel

We want to thank everyone for helping to make the rummage sale a success!

- Those who contributed items to sell (especially the Brenner family)
- To the groups that purchased tables
- To the many volunteers!!

Sales totaled \$565 which will be applied to the general fund!



**American
Red Cross**

Together, we can save a life

Blood Drive in Fellowship Hall

October 28th 12:00p.m.—5:00 pm.

We will need 1-2 volunteers to help.
If interested or if you have any questions
please contact Janet Hummel 503-341-
2182 janet.hummel@frontier.com

PLAN ON GIVING THAT DAY IF YOU CAN!!!!

**MESSENGER SHOUT OUT
TO ED AND PATTI DAVIE**

*We wish to thank Ed and Patti Davie
for creating the church newsletter
for over 16 years !*

*Thanks to you both for so much
creative and important work!
God bless you!!*

Thank you!

LAY LEADER REPORT

submitted by Chuck Pritchard

Boy, the pandemic has messed up a lot of people and things, but I never thought it would mess up time. It has made a lot of couples and individuals stop and think about what to do. Do you agree to do this or that and what are the repercussions to you or to those around you and these can result in dramatic results. What happens if I go to.....? Everyday important decisions can result with dramatic consequences or not, who can tell?

The time spent on deciding what to do will be gone. I am not advising you to do it quickly or to take a long time to determine what is right. You have to take the time you need to do what is best for you but the time you take is spent, gone and will no longer be available, so use it wisely and to the betterment of all.

For September 4th, the theme for donations to the Solid Life Food Bank is seasonings and spices as well as sugar and flour. Sugar and spice make everything nice!

The theme for the next month, October 2nd, is cake mixes (my favorite!!!).

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:

**BRING THESE ITEMS AND ANY OTHER
NONPERISHABLE FOOD**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH:
SEASONINGS
(I.E. PEPPER, SALT, CHILI POWDER, ETC.)
SUGAR AND FLOUR**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2ND:
CAKE MIXES**

AGAIN, YOUR HELP TAKING IT OVER ON
WEDNESDAY AT 10:00 A.M. IS ALWAYS APPRECIATED!

submitted by Betty Pritchard

SERVING IN SEPTEMBER

Lay Leader	Chuck Pritchard
Altar Guild	Valerie Hawkins
Coffee Coordinator	Amy Scott

BIRTHDAYS

Calvin Gunther	September 5
Anne Hall	September 8
Mary Jane Nordgren	September 10
Marilynn Carr	September 15
Mary Ann Mellbye	September 15
Linda Randle	September 25

ANNIVERSARIES

Ken & Nancy Bond	September 11
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