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submitted by M.J. Nordgren

Edward W. Davie, most recently from Concord, New Hampshire, passed away on December 3, 2024. He was 96.

Ed, known to his Forest Grove United Methodist Church friends as the "Gentle" Bass", was born to Harold and Christine (Lamphere) Davie on April 11, 1928, in Hornell, New York. After graduating from Alfred State University in Alfred, NY, with a degree in Ceramic Engineering, he married his first wife, Rosalie (Lee) Ruth (Morgan) Davie, settling shortly thereafter on a "gentleman's farm" in Bainbridge, NY. He was employed by Bendix, Corp. (Amphenol) in the small town of Sidney, NY. His focus there was in Metrology (measurements, calibration and QC) and there he remained until his retirement around 1990. During their marriage, Ed and Lee were very active in church, first in the Guilford United Methodist Church, where Ed and his children sang in the choir, then active in the Friends Meetings of Oneonta, Rogers Hollow, and Norwich, NY. Upon retirement, Ed and his second wife, Roberta (Berta) (Black) Davie, packed up their household and moved across country to Forest Grove, Oregon. While Berta continued her music career, Ed ran his own "Typewrite" business and aided the Oregon Music Teachers Association (OMTA) with printed works. His love of Oregon held Ed there for the next 33 years. After Berta passed, Ed met and married Patricia (Pat/Patty) (Flaming) Davie. They built a home together in Forest Grove and remained married for over 25 years, until Patty's passing in 2023. During their marriage, Ed and Patty were very active in the Forest Grove United Methodist Church where Ed did everything from singing in the choir. to plumbing, to printing the monthly newsletter. With Patty's passing, and with his own health declining. Ed decided it was time to move back East where he could be closer to his children and grandchildren. It was in Concord, New Hampshire, near his daughter, Elaine, and son-in-law Steve that he settled in 2023 and remained until his death one year later.

Ed was a man of many talents and interests. At an early age, he became fascinated

with photography, and spent many years photographing and developing his own pictures. He was an avid Amateur Astronomer and built his own telescope which he loved to share with his five children. During his early adult years, he spent many long hours on his ham radio, keeping in communication with both family and friends. From his father, he learned the skill of carpentry which came in very handy renovating portions of the farm where he and Lee raised their 5 children. With his calligraphy abilities, many documents were created by his hand. And once settled in Oregon, his passion for gardening, particularly roses, was evident by the foliage that surrounded his home. *(continued on page 8)* 

### YOUTH & FAMILY GROUP

Submitted by Emily Tabb, Youth and Family Director

We finished the year off strong with 15 youth participating in the Christmas/paint party!



T he New Year will bring more consistent meeting times. Starting in January, we

will meet the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. The 2nd Sunday will focus on group building, faith development, and leadership opportunities. The 4th Sunday will be focused on serving others, starting at Sunday worship with youth volunteers reading scripture, acolyting, and holding the microphone for Joys/Concerns and Announcements. Next, we will have lunch together from 11:30-12 and then do a service project either on-site or off-site. We will also have Spill the Tea with Emily in Hillsboro once a month as well as a District-wide youth event.

How you can be involved:

- Pray for our youth
- Join us for lunch on the 4th Sunday of the Month after church
- Help provide and/or prepare lunch on the 4th Sunday of the month
- : Be a second adult
- Contact me with service project ideas around the church or in our community

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### Christmas Baskets

# THANK YOU!!!

We had an outpouring of donations for our

Christmas Basket Family! A shout out to everyone who donated muc and a special thanks to Leah Henrickson for coordinating and Lucinda Hites Claubaugh for wrapping and donat- ing clothing and books.

### Trustees' Corner

Submitted by Brian Hawkins, Trustee Chair

Here is the list of tasks that the Trustees took on during the month of December.

- The Trustees are working with Robbie to replace some of the sound system in the sanctuary.
- The offer for the large riding mower fell through. If anyone knows someone who might be inter-ested in purchasing a large riding mower, please have them contact the Trustees.
- The heavy moss buildup on the parsonage was removed.
- The lease agreement with Cuidado de Refugio was renewed through December 31, 2025. The lease agreement with Growing Baby USA was renewed through June 30, 2025. An agreement was reached with Iglesia de restauracion mission cristiana elim to use the parking slots along the garden and along the park side of the west parking lots Sunday mornings between 9 am and 11 am.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- January 8 Staff Parish Relation Committee meeting, 7 pm
- January 9 Food delivery to Food Bank
- January 17–Adelante Mujeres 8 am–12 pm Fellowship Hall/Kitchen (set-up on Thursday, February 16)
- January 25 PEO Founder's Day –8 am–1 pm–Fellowship Hall/Kitchen **ON-GOING EVENTS**
- Youth Group -2nd and 4th Sundays
- Music Bridge Mondays, 1-2 pm.– Garden Room
- Cuidado de Refugio Thursday, 7:30 pm—Library, Friday, 7:30 pm—Sanctuary
- Growing Baby Monday–Friday, Room 7A
- SA Group Thursdays, 7:00 pm–Room 8B
- Choir Practice Thursdays, 7:00 pm–Sanctuary
- Chair Yoga Saturday, 10:00 am–Room 8A

# Lay Leader Report

Submitted by Chuck Pritchard, lay leader

A recent sermon gave me pause. The sermon was the one about Mary, the mother of Jesus. We have had sermons like this before but this one had me thinking about the trials she had to suffer through and the mental anguish she would have had.

Could you imagine the rejection from friends and family she went through when she started to show. We think about how wonderful it was, but how do you explain an immaculate conception to the people around you when they know how pregnancy happens (and they had known it for centuries). Even Joseph was ready to reject her until he was informed during a dream what was going on.

The rejection and the tittering she must have been subjected to, she must have been beside herself; hopeless, alone, rejected, and spurned by everyone until she visits a cousin. Then, not only to be accepted, but to be praised, it must have put her into orbit with relief. Even though the cousin knows, there is everyone else who doesn't and continues to give her a rough time.

Think about a pregnancy in your family with the morning sickness, the trying to get around, the constant going to the bathroom, it is hard with a normal pregnancy, and then to deliver in a stable with untrained help; it makes delivering in the back of a taxi cab look easy.

Throughout this to be not only proud but grateful about what was happening to her, Mary must have been a very strong, devoted and loving woman.

#### SERVING IN JANUARY

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	Lay Leader	Chuck Pritchard		
	Altar Guild	Valerie		
		Hawkins		
	Choir Director	Robbie		
		Boles		
	Organist	Alisa		
		Hampton		
	Coffee	Sharon		
	Coordinators and Bulletin Boards	Adame Amy Scott Cricket O'Neill		
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Forest Grove United Methodist Church is rooted in loving God, loving our neighbors, and sharing God's abundance. We welcome everyone on the Christian way of learning to live generously.

#### MISSION STATEMENT:

Know God. Build Community. Impact the World.

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Ed leaves a large family legacy. Although his parents and three wives have passed, his children, Linda (Davie) Garner/ spouse, David Garner (Jefferson, NY), Morgan Davie/ spouse, Ginny (Strally) Davie (Hudson, FL), Stephen Davie/ spouse, Kate (Pollender) Davie (Ryegate, VT), Elaine (Davie) Rust/spouse, Stephen Rust (Hopkinton, NH), and Keith Davie/spouse, Nicki Dunbar (Rockland, ME), remain behind. Ed's brother, Richard Davie (Palmyra, WI) and foster sister, Donna (Hawley) Woolever/spouse, David Woolever (Canisteo, NY), also remain behind as well as 17 grandchildren, 22 great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial is planned for spring, 2025. Time and location are yet to be determined. Donations may be made to the Forest Grove United Methodist Church, 1726 Cedar St, Forest Grove, Oregon 97116. Ed will be interned with his first wife, Rosalie Ruth (Morgan) Davie at a yet undisclosed resting place.

Open Hearts. Open Minds.

Open Doors.

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