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### WOODLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER



## MAY 2025 Happenings





#### A SUBJECT THAT IS WAY OVER YOUR HEADS

3 In the eighteenth year of King Josiah, the king sent Shaphan the son of Azaliah, son of Meshullam, the secretary, to the house of the LORD, saying, 4 "Go up to Hilkiah the high priest, that he may count the money that has been brought into the house of the LORD, which the keepers of the threshold have collected from the people. 5 And let it be given into the hand of the workmen who have the oversight of the house of the LORD, and let them give it to the workmen who are at the house of the LORD, repairing the house. 2 Kings 22:3-5

No, I am not insulting you by calling this a subject that is over your heads. The subject I am referring to is literally "over our heads" - I'm talking about the roof! At our annual meeting a few months ago, it was announced that we would be raising money for needed repairs to our flat roof. The Lord has been so gracious to us over the last few years as the Stewardship Committee has sought a solution to the problem of a flat roof that was beginning to lift up. It is only a matter of time that the result of this lifting will be significant water damage to the church. Yet through all the frustration of searching for a company that could address the issue, God has guarded us from significant damage - God is good! However, now is the time we must act.

What I so appreciate about our church family is the seriousness with which you approach the ministry that Christ has given us. In reality, there is probably no reason for me to write an article like this, because I am certain that this church family will respond to this latest challenge concerning the care of our facility.

The main point I want to make is that when it comes to repairs to the church, we can sometimes adopt the attitude that repairs and maintenance of a church building are of secondary issues and unrelated to the spiritual life and calling of Christ. I would assert that often a church building in disrepair is an outward and visible indication of inward, serious spiritual decline. This was the case in King Josiah's day. If you have been participating in the "year through the Bible" readings, you've been reading in the last few weeks about a succession of kings in both Israel and Judah who were evil - leading the people to neglect their worship of the one True and Living God, causing them to turn their spiritual

affection away from the Lord and towards the false idols of the surrounding foreign nations. The primary sign of this spiritual decline was twofold - first, the neglect of the Word of God (unbelievably, they had LOST the Book of the Law!) and second, the neglect and disrepair of the Holy Temple. When Josiah decided that it was time for the temple to be repaired, he provided the necessary resources to make it happen. It was during the reconstruction that the Book of the Law was rediscovered and read. This led to revival in Judah.

I refer to this story not to suggest that we have neglected the Word of God and our roof issues are a sign of some kind of spiritual decline. Quite the contrary, I am hopeful that as we face this challenge of raising funds for the repair of our roof, we will see this as more than just a challenge to

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raise money to fund a project, but more than that, we will understand that this is an opportunity to grow in our faith and devotion to the Lord and to the ministry that He has so graciously given to us. A roof is not the most glamorous project a church can take on, but it is a project that has important spiritual implications for the future of Woodland Presbyterian Church. As we prayerfully raise the funds, we will once again be reminded of the nature and impact of our ministry. We care for the present physical structure because we care about the ministries that go on here and go out from here. We consider the lives that will be eternally changed by the Gospel of Jesus Christ and that is why we keep both our physical and spiritual houses in good repair. This summer, by God's grace, we will be replacing the flat roof in a way that will ensure that the next generation will be able to carry on the ministry without being burdened with issues of neglect (both physical and spiritual) that were inherited from the previous generation - a ministry in which we have been honored to participate. To God be the glory!

In God's Grace, Pastor Kevin



P.S. Within the next few weeks, you will be receiving a fundraising letter with more details.

# Cannon Beach Women's Conference

#### October 3-5

A fun filled weekend of rich fellowship, inspiring biblical teaching, and relaxing on the beach.

Speaker: Carol Kent

A trainer, international speaker, and author of 25+ books who colorfully, humorously, and effectively weaves together narratives with spiritual truths.

Includes: 2 nights, 2 dinners, 2 breakfasts and registration: \$259.

Deposit of \$100 to the church by June 2.

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## Save the Date

### For These Upcoming Events!

- Ladies Tea, May 17, 1-3 p.m.
- Rummage Sale, August 15-16
- Men's Dinner, October 4, 5:30 p.m.
- Shining Star Bazaar, November (TBA)



### **Missions**

## MEDICAL BENEVOLENCE FOUNDATION

The Medical Benevolence Foundation (MBF) is one of the mission organizations that Woodland Presbyterian has supported for many years. The MBF promotes the good news of Jesus by providing medical care for those in impoverished communities suffering from acute and chronic illness. In providing medical care to the poor, they strive to give those they serve the opportunity to discover and develop a lifelong relationship with God. The good news is modelled and shared in culturally sensitive ways. By providing quality medical care to the poor and disadvantaged, they model the love of Jesus, which opens hearts and minds to hear the good news of Jesus.

#### FRONTIER FELLOWSHIP

Frontier Fellowship is a missions organization dedicated to bringing the gospel to frontier areas, that is, to areas in the world where the Good News of Jesus is largely absent. Their vision is to create an indigenous church for every people and to give every church a missions vision. They are committed to invite, educate, inspire, engage, and equip the followers of Jesus to embrace their God-given role make the name of Jesus known among every nation, tribe, people, and language.



# MAY 2025



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1		1 National Day of Prayer 10:00 a.m. Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Bells 7:00 p.m. Choir	2 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class	3 11:00 a.m. Prayer Walk
<b>4</b> 9:00 a.m.	5	6	7 10:00 a m	8	9	10
9:00 a.m. Adult S.S. 10:00 a.m. Worship Service Communion	10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class 11:00 a.m. CE Mtg		10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class 10:00 a.m. Stewardship Comm. Mtg	10:00 a.m. Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Bells	10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class	10:00 a.m. Hearts & Crafts
			1:30 p.m. Game Day	7:00 p.m. Choir		
11 MOTHER'S DAY 9:00 a.m. Adult S.S. 10:00 a.m. Worship Service	12 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class	7:00 p.m.	14 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class	15 10:00 a.m. Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Bells	16 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Mtg	1-3 p.m. LADIES TEA
		Session & Deacons Mtgs		7:00 p.m. Choir		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
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9:00 a.m. Adult S.S. 10:00 a.m. Worship Service	26 MEMORIAL DAY 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class	27	28 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class	10:00 a.m. Bible Study	30 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class	31
				5:30 p.m. Bells 7:00 p.m. Choir		

# Financial Report: Summary

FINANCIAL POSITION	MARCH 2025	DECEMBER 2024	
Total Assets	\$246,193.13	\$231,013.89	
Total Liabilities	-\$1,705.00	-\$555.00	
Total Net Assets	\$247,898.13	\$231,568.89	
Liabilities & Net Assets	\$246,193.13	\$231,013.89	

## **Deacons Fund**

The Deacons Fund is used to help church members and community members with one time or ongoing expenses that they are having trouble meeting financially. Each month, we give out at least a \$1250 a month to those in need. In order to keep meeting those needs, we are reminding you of our Deacons Fund and asking if you are able to do so, to consider making a donation to the deacons fund on our Communion Sunday.



# May Birthdays & Anniversaries



- 7 Liz Hover
- 10 Carol Brown
- 11 Cindy Leach
- 11 Jennica Jouwsma
- 12 Jason Snider
- 15 Donna Gosney
- 20 Sarah Lail
- 20 Janet Oyer
- 25 Melinda McTaggart
- 29 Thom Mattison

The people listed in the Birthday and Anniversary

## **May Prayer Families**

Week	( of	Remember
May	4	Trudy Haveman Prayer
		Judy Peterson
May	11	Mark & Liz Hover
•		Penny Pennington
May	18	Rita Hudson
•		Dick Pedersen
May	25	Clyde &Sharron Johnson
•		Steven & Kari Paulson



- 4 A Voice to Praise Mark 7:31-37
- 11 Feast or Famine Mark 8:1-21
- 18 Can't See the Forest for the Trees Mark 8:22-30
- 25 Cross Training Mark 8:31-9:1

## **Sunday Morning Live**

### Adult Sunday School

Come join us on Sunday mornings, at 9 a.m., in the Upper Room (next to the Bell Choir room) as we study the book of Ephesians, directly from God's Holy Word, including God's word on important and sometimes controversial topics, such as: Chosen by God, Saved by Grace through Faith, Life in the Church, life in the Spirit, Marriage and Submission, and the Full Armor of God.

## **Roof Raising Fund**

We are excited to announce the launch of a fundraising campaign dedicated to replacing some of the roofing of our church facility. This effort is crucial for ensuring the longevity and safety of our aging buildings. The project will upgrade the flat roof over the Fellowship Hall wing and the roof over the Narthex/Chapel. Both roofs have served us well and are reaching their end of life. The Stewardship Committee has sought and received cost estimates. Initial estimates indicate \$120,000 for both roofs. Competitive bids will be solicited to cover the cost of quality materials, skilled labor, and necessary permits.

### When are these projects going to take place?

The Fellowship Hall flat roof is the highest priority, as the existing roof is showing signs of failure. It is planned to be completed this summer. The roof over the Narthex/Chapel will be addressed in the next two years depending on roof aging conditions and funds availability.

### How are these projects being paid for?

To replace the roofs, we have set a fundraising goal of \$60,000. The Session has approved an additional matching amount of \$60,000 from our reserve funds.

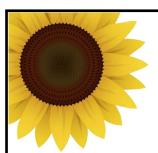
There are several convenient ways to contribute to our fundraising campaign:

Online Donations: Visit our church's website and click on the "Giving" menu selection to make a secure online donation. Use the note section to designate the contribution to the "Church Roof Fund".

Mail-In Donations: Send a check payable to the church noting the contribution to the "Church Roof Fund."

In-Person Donations: Drop off your donation at the church office during regular hours, or place it in the donation box during Sunday services; and again, please note "Church Roof Fund."

Thank you for your consideration!



# Save the Date! Annual Ladies' Spring Tea

"Precious in His Sight" Saturday, May 17 1:00 p.m.



Join us for a delightful afternoon of fellowship, food, and fun!

Tickets are on sale.



Would you like to be a table hostess?
Please contact
Janet Syring
for more information.



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### **Fellowship of Christian Athletes Camp**

Camp season is fast approaching, and we once again would like to help our middle school Fellowship of Christian Athletes attend. The date for camp is July 1-3, and the cost is \$249/camper. We already have a few of our Woodland middle schoolers signed up for camp. If you would like to help sponsor one of our FCA youth (partial or full amount), you can bring your money/check by the church during office hours or place it in one of the boxes in the back of the sanctuary (if giving cash, place it in an offering envelope). Please remember to designate your donation - FCA Camp. Any amount will help, and thank you for your generous support. God will do amazing things in their lives.







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