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WOODLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2025 Happenings



RADICAL FORGIVENESS



In the early morning hours of November 13, 2022, Bryan Kohberger brutally stabbed to death four University of Idaho students. The lives of Kaylee Goncalves, Ethan Chapin, Madison Mogen, and Xana Kernodle were cut short in a most horrific way. The story has made national news ever since the brutal murders. On July 23 Kohberger was sentenced to four consecutive life sentences without the possibility of parole.

Losing a child under any circumstances is heartbreaking, but to lose one in such a gruesome manner makes for unspeakable grief and anger. During the sentencing, family members and Dylan Mortensen, one of the surviving roommates, were given the opportunity to speak. Many of them spoke directly to Kohberger. The emotions were raw, and they revealed a wide array of feelings. Emotions ranged from pain, profound grief and sadness, to disgust and anger.

One person who gave testimony stood out from the others. It was Cara Northington who was the mother of Xana Kernodle.

Following are some of the things she said (edited for length):

“Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ now has (Xana) in his loving arms in heaven, where she can never be harmed ever again, for eternity. Because of her, I came to know my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Because of her, many will come to Christ.”

“It is Christ who lives in me that has given me the strength to forgive you. It was of no power of my own. In return, the Lord has filled me with joy, hope, and peace that surpasses all understanding. Jesus has allowed me to forgive you for murdering my daughter without you even being sorry or asking for this. This is only possible because He who lives in me is greater than any evil in this world. . . This forgiveness has released me from any and all evil

you have inflicted on me and my family. It has allowed me to let our Lord deal with you.”

“You have accepted a deal that will prevent you from receiving the death penalty. Nothing man can do to you can ever compare to the wrath of God. Inevitably, you will stand before our Lord, and (you) will have to answer to him over the sins you have committed and murdering our children.”

“I pray you come to the end of yourself before that day. Whether you like it or not, heaven is for real, and so is hell. The innocent life of Xana that you stole from myself and my family and the destruction it has caused – I am washing my hands of you and turning you over to my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, whom vengeance belongs to. . . .”

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The death of Christ on the cross for us is a demonstration of radical forgiveness. The forgiveness that Cara Northington displayed toward Bryan Kohberger is also radical forgiveness. And Jesus has called us to forgive others in the same way for things the world would call unforgivable. God has called us to stand out from those in our culture. Perhaps God will use you to draw someone to Jesus by your radical forgiveness.

Submitted by,
Mike Ferguson



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.

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From...Carolyn Ford, Missionary

From her August 2025 Letter...

"I am the LORD, the God of all people. Nothing is too difficult for me." Jeremiah 32:27

In my last letter, I told you about a country in North Africa where the Church once thrived, but later capitulated to the Islamic invasion, due to lack of Scriptures in their own language, leaders divided and distracted by lesser things, and lack of intentional discipleship.

Then I asked you to pray for the Banna and other peoples of southwest Ethiopia who were being lured to a false religion because of benefits promised to them. Now I am happy to report that while Scripture translation and Scripture engagement in these languages continues, eight evangelical organizations (churches, missions) have banded together to evangelize the entire area and intentionally disciple followers of Jesus. They hope to reach all of these people groups within the next three years. They are in the process of establishing a center in each of the ethnic groups, so that they can collaborate in prayer and effective training. While some have joined the false religion, many are standing firm in their faith and growing in their knowledge of and obedience to God's Word. **Praise God with me, and please continue to pray for the Good News of Jesus to go forth in power among these people groups.**

The recording and typesetting of the Tsara New Testament is completed. Matt typeset the Tsara and is now helping to correct quotation marks and other minor issues in the typesetting of the Inor New Testament. The Mursi New Testament is being typeset by another Wycliffe Ethiopia member. Hopefully, all three New Testaments will go to the publisher soon. **Praise God! Please pray that the printing, importing, and distribution of these New Testaments will be done well and result in the transformation of many lives.**

Let all that I am praise the LORD!

Carolyn Ford



SEPTEMBER 2025



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 OFFICE CLOSED 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class 	2 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class Chair Yoga	3 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class 10:00 a.m. Stewardship Comm. Mtg	4	5 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class	6 9:30 a.m. Worship Mtg 11:00 a.m. Prayer Walk
7 9:00 a.m. S.S 10:00 a.m. Worship Service <i>Communion</i>	8 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class	9 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class Chair Yoga 7:00 p.m. Session & Deacons Mtgs	10 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class 1:30 p.m. Game Day	11 9:30 a.m. Missions Mtg	12 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class	13 10:00 a.m. Hearts & Crafts
14 9:00 a.m. S.S 10:00 a.m. Worship Service	15 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class	16 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class Chair Yoga	17 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class	18	19 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class	20
21 9:00 a.m. S.S 10:00 a.m. Worship Service	22 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class  First Day of Autumn	23 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class Chair Yoga	24 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class	25	26 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class	27 10:00 a.m. Hearts & Crafts
28 9:00 a.m. S.S 10:00 a.m. Worship Service Gratitude Bag Sunday	29 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class	30 10:00 a.m. S.A.I.L. Class Chair Yoga				

Financial Report: Summary

FINANCIAL POSITION	JUNE 2025	DECEMBER 2024
Total Assets	\$125,697.22	\$231,013.89
Total Liabilities	-\$610.00	-\$555.00
Total Net Assets	\$126,307.22	\$231,568.89
Liabilities & Net Assets	\$125,697.22	\$231,013.89

September Prayer Families



Week of...

September 7 Yvonne Barker
Carolynn Woodward
September 14 Jeanne Beesley
Bill & Gail Woodard
September 21 Richard & Janet Benney
Donnie Womelsdorf
September 28 Jim & Elaine Blair
Jason & Sarah Wolk
Jerry & Dolores Wolk

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.



September Sermons

7 – *God's Presence and Humanity's Exile*
Genesis 1-3, Nathan Hager
14 – Mike Kuhn
21 – *The Unity of the Church*
Ephesians 4:1-7, Mark Willems
28 – *The Example of Forgiveness*
Matthew 18:23-35, Mike Ferguson



September Birthdays & Anniversaries

1 Cindy Wallace
7 Dale Hanley
12 Tom & Claralee Brannan
18 Darin & Sally Hager
19 Jessica Ferguson
19 Sandy Wyzanowski

The people listed in the Birthday and Anniversary list are members of WPC

Sunday Morning Live

Adult Sunday School

Begins again 9 a.m.,
on September 7.



Operation Christmas Child

Helpers are needed to help organize the shoeboxes and to prepare for 'packing' for next fall.

Please see Juanita if you can help.

Samaritans Purse

Samaritans Purse provides emergency relief to victims of tornadoes, hurricanes, wildfires, floods, and other natural disasters in the United States and around the world.

Shoeboxes, since 1993, over 232 million children in more than 170 countries and territories have experienced God's love through the power of simple Shoebox gifts.

PASS ON YOUR PRAYER REQUESTS TO PASTOR KEVIN

Note from Pastor Kevin:

"While on sabbatical, I will be limiting my email activity. However, I do want to continue to pray for you. If you have a prayer request, please send your requests to the office (office@woodlandpresbyterian.org) and Charlotte will forward them to me.

Thank you,
Pastor Kevin"

Collecting Shoebox Items

January-Hats, Gloves, Scarves

February-Accessories (sunglasses, watches, hair items, jewelry)

March-Quality Crafts (pillow cases, tote bags...)

April-Stuffed animals

May-Hygiene items (washcloths, soap, toothbrushes, comb, hairbrush, deodorant)

June-Toys

July-Clothing items (socks, shoes, t-shirts, dresses...)

August-School supplies

September-Games

October-Letter & photo

November-\$9 Donation for postage

December-Prayer

Shining Star Bazaar

Lazy days of summer?

Calling all vendors!

Registration forms for the bazaar are now available on Facebook and on the events page on our website

Know a vendor who might like to be a part of our bazaar?

Please help us spread the word!

Now is a great time to start those beautiful, handmade items to sell at this year's Shining Star Bazaar!

Start now, and be ready for the fun at the bazaar here, on **November 22!**



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Save the Date

For These Upcoming Events!

- **Men's Dinner**, October 4, 5:30 p.m., in Fellowship Hall
- **Shining Star Bazaar**, November 22, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall.



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