



The Tidings

FBC's monthly newsletter

JULY 2024

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FBC comes Alive at Five!

On June 8, FBC & friends gathered at the McMinnville Grange for a festive evening raising money for the Fellowship Fund, close to home, and AMOS Health & Hope in Nicaragua. We observed, learned, and then practiced Irish dancing, ballroom dancing, and line dancing; we feasted; we bid on and won a great array of silent auction items; and all went home with tired feet and happy hearts. Thanks to Kathleen Verigin for the vision and execution, to Vicki Cartwright for coordinating the auction, to Mary Baker donating the space and dance lessons, to Jennifer Scott and Shelly Sanderlin for organizing the food, to the Singles Group for the decor, and to all who donated items, helped, and came! We raised more than \$4000 - woohoo! See pages 8 and 9 for more info on who these funds will benefit.




SUMMER FUN!

Saturday, July 6
Perryhill Farms Fruit-Picking Outing


Sunday, July 7
Family Picnic & Whiffle Ball Game
at Discovery Meadows 


Saturday, July 13
Singles Group Summer BBQ


 **Sunday, July 14**
"Cultivate Resilience"
Field Trip to Red Ridge Farms

Monday-Friday, July 15-19
FBC Children & Youth to
Camp Arrah Wanna

Sunday, July 21
Makers Meeting:
Collaborative Creation Centerpieces

Sunday, July 28 
Ice Cream Social
in the courtyard following worship

 **Sunday-Friday, July 28-August 2**
McMinnville Youth Collective
Service Learning Trip to
the Yakama Reservation

Saturday, August 10
"Cherish the Holy Pause"
Field Trip to Neskowin 

Sunday, August 25
Worship in the Park & Potluck
at Discovery Meadows

(More details on all July events
inside these pages.)



July Cultivate Resilience



The seventh invitation in Bonnie Smith Whitehouse's *Seasons of Wonder* is Cultivate Resilience. This month is an opportunity to consider our love for our own country with our conviction that all places and all people are God's beloved; a time to consider the gifts of our own faith tradition alongside the richness we gain from learning about other traditions. She reminds us that friendship, beauty, and strength arise from travel and interfaith experiences, and that this season is a good one for putting ourselves in dialogue with people from other places and other faiths.

A few ways the author suggests exploring the weekly themes of this month:

- ✦ Listen to - *Lift Every Voice and Sing*; *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*; John Prine's *Boundless Love*
- ✦ Practice - the Loving-kindness Meditation (pages 167-168); Tonglen breathing (page 172); an activity of release (page 178); the Examen prayer (page 181)
- ✦ Make - homemade lemonade (page 169), comfrey salve (page 179-180)
- ✦ Watch - David Attenborough's *A Life on the Planet*

July Seasons of Wonder Gatherings

Small Group Meetings

Small groups will continue to meet monthly throughout 2024. If you're connected to a group but unsure of its next meeting time, or if you'd like to get connected to a group, contact erika@fbcmac.org.

Field Trip: *Durant at Red Ridge Farms, July 14, after worship*

We'll head to the beautiful lavender fields at Red Ridge Farms to see, sniff, and learn about this resilient herb, wander the paths where it grows, and enjoy expansive views and delicious lavender snacks. RSVP to Erika.

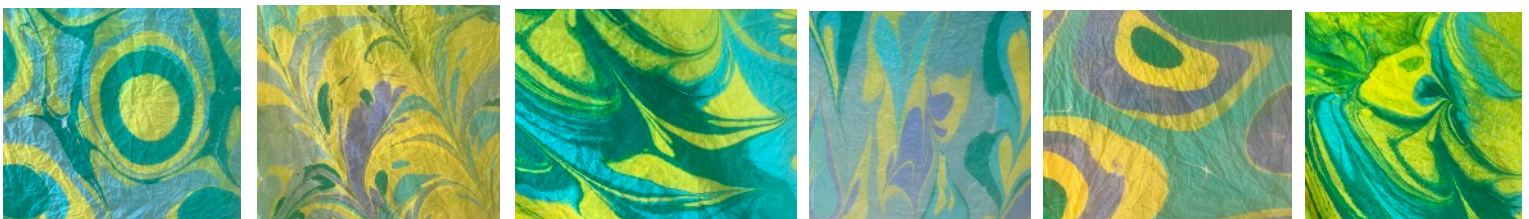
Makers Meeting: *Collaborative Centerpieces - July 21, after worship*

We'll have some supplies on hand, but feel free to bring your own favorite natural elements (sticks, leaves, shells, stones) to shape a centerpiece for your home, and another for FBC's altar table, that reminds you/us of the goodness, beauty, and bounty of creation. Anne Engen will lead us. RSVP to Erika.

July's Creation Care Challenge: *Eat Plant-Based*

Animal agriculture places an immense burden on the environment. A plant-based diet is good for our health and for Earth's, too. Find a local farmer's market or vegetable stand. How many plant-based meals from local farms can you eat during the bountiful month of July? -*Seasons, page 164*

Some of the altar cloths we created at June's *Seasons of Wonder* Makers Meeting



FBC received a grant from the Calvin Institute for Christian Worship to do work with *Seasons of Wonder* throughout 2024. The grant funding will pay for books; supplies for the "makers meeting" crafts/projects; field trips; food for sharing feasts; special worship elements; and this fall's All-Church Retreat at Camp Arrah Wanna. We are grateful to have been awarded this funding and hope it makes it possible for everyone to be able to participate in these activities by removing the barrier of expense.



Sunday Worship Highlights

JULY 2024

*FBC is inspired by the words of Jesus in Matthew 25,
"Whatever you do unto the least of my sisters & brothers, you do unto me."*

Adult Sunday Classes: (details on page 11)

✦ 8:30 am - **CONNECTIONS Class** -
Contact - barbaracoleburr@gmail.com

✦ **BEREAN - CHAPEL - FAITH & JAVA Classes**
on summer break, will return in September.

10:00 am - WORSHIP in person in the sanctuary, or streaming live: www.facebook.com/firstbaptistmac/

July 7, Communion Sunday

"Radiate," Rev. Erika Marksbury preaching
Music led by Tegan Johnson & the Worship Team

FBC member Malachi Nelson has been serving as co-director of the peacemaking organization World Friendship Center in Hiroshima, Japan for the past year+, and on this Sunday, he'll be back for a visit! He'd love to see as many old friends as possible. You're invited to bring a pot-luck dish and stay after church this day to feast and chat with Malachi in Walker Hall.

July 14

"Resonate," Rev. Erika Marksbury preaching
Music led by Tegan Johnson & the Worship Team
Reflection from Nadya King

If your class or small group would like to host the After-Church Fellowship Time on July 14, please let Sean know at sean@fbcmac.org.

July 21

"Revel," Rev. Erika Marksbury preaching
Music led by Robin Pederson

Stick around after church to make a collaborative creation centerpiece for home, and to contribute to one for FBC - see details on facing page.

July 28

"Release," Rev. Erika Marksbury preaching
Reflection from Jenny Haubenreiser
Commissioning of travelers on the MYC Service Learning Trip

After worship, the Missions Ministry Team invites you to the courtyard for an ice cream social! This gathering is in appreciation for all of the ways the FBC community supports missions both within and beyond the walls of the church, through giving of time, energy, and funds. Everybody's welcome to come, enjoy, and learn more about missions at FBC!

More on *Cultivating Resilience...*

In her introduction to July's theme, Bonnie Smith Whitehouse suggests this month is "an opportunity to dive deeper into mystery by learning about Buddhist teachings of the Four Immeasurables, which are practices that cultivate resilience by showing specific ways to make room for other beings in our consciousnesses ~


Loving-kindness
Compassion
Sympathetic Joy
Equanimity

There is 'no measure' to the wonders of these ideas and how they invite us to see others inside of ourselves."

These ideas are connected to prayer/meditation practices, so we'll be trying some of those in our worship time together, seeing how learning from our neighbors might deepen our own faith practice and experience.



YTD	Actual for Period	% of Amount Budgeted
Contributions Income:	145,141	99.94
Total Income:	\$173,108	97.8%
Total Expenses:	\$177,095	100.1%
Net Income:	- \$ 3,987	(deficit)

FUNDRAISER  **Update:**

The Alive @ Five Fundraiser was a great success, raising over \$4,000!! These funds will be split between our much needed Fellowship Fund and Nicaragua's AMOS Health & Hope mission. **Thanks to you all!** (see Mission pages 8-9)

Financial Update - The Finance Committee is carefully watching our financial status. During May we met our income goals. Expenditures were at 102.6 % and we look forward to lower utility costs for several months. We appreciate each gift. FBC does have need for additional funding.

You may check on your financial contributions to First Baptist Church through our secure church software database, Realm. If you need assistance or have questions, please contact Treasurer, Don Watson (donjw@comcast.net) or Realm administrator, Barbara Burr (barbaracoleburr@gmail.com).

Finance Committee: Don Watson, Barbara Burr, Judee Kunze, Roger Dell, Jane Apel

Church Board Notes, June 12th

The Church Board met as scheduled on June 12th in person. We had a visit from Charlie Walker, on behalf of the Endowment Committee. Now that the principal value has increased, we are generating enough interest income to consider using some of that money on essential building needs. Before that can happen, we need to settle on a procedure for Building & Grounds to request to use funds, and an approval process for the Board to authorize this spending. The Board voted to accept the proposal as submitted by the Endowment Committee.

Cynthia shared a devotion from her mom's meditation book "The Love Book". One section stated that love is the magician that changes things to joy, and removes the edge of terror from new things. The reading also said in times of doubt, reach out.

Kathleen offered to make binders for each member of the Board. The binders would have key information about each position, an organizational chart, Church Bylaws, and other important documents. The binders would then be passed off to the next person to hold that seat on the Board.

The Board also discussed plans for the Semi-Annual Meeting, to be held on June 30th directly after the service. We plan to include a Ministry Fair so folks can learn more about these opportunities. The Semi-Annual meeting will also include a recommended change to the Bylaws to address Sean's sabbatical request and some suggestions from the Membership Ministry Team, and an update on the gender-neutral

bathrooms discussion. We will also take a moment to recognize the outgoing Board members (including me!). We will also nominate and elect new Board members for several positions.

After hearing the Team Reports and Financial update, Kathleen shared that the Dance fundraiser was a big success, with about \$4,000 raised for Amos and the Fellowship Fund. Speaking of the Fellowship Fund, we will bring back a lapsed tradition of asking folks to contribute to the fellowship fund once a month during the offering time. The fund is a key way that FBC can provide assistance to our neighbors in need.

The Board also authorized Erika to sign a contract with a security company to provide nightly supervision of our campus. We will use YCAP funds for this work, with County grant money covering the shelter expenses.

We have not heard differently from YCAP, so we are still planning on a September 1st transition to the community shelter moving over to the YCAP location on South Adams Street. We are planning a recognition brunch for our volunteers on September 29th.

Finally, our next Board meeting will be held at 6:30pm on Wednesday, July 10th. The meeting will be in hybrid format; in person in the FBC second floor conference room AND also on Zoom. Guests are always welcome at Church Board meetings, so please email Erika if you would like to be added to the agenda, or if you would like a meeting invite to attend via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,
Dave Larmouth, FBC Moderator



Native Voices Book Group Excursion . . . Thursday, July 25

We will be going to **Chachalu Museum & Cultural Center** in Grand Ronde. Let's carpool - meet at the McMinnville Public LIBRARY parking lot at 10:30 am. (FBC's parking lot will be busy with the Thursday Farmer's Market)

We will have a guided Tour - then go to lunch at the Chinese restaurant in the Spirit Mountain Casino after our tour.

Return by 3 pm. Please come if you can; it will be a great opportunity to learn more about our Grand Ronde tribal neighbors.

Thanks to all for coming along on this journey!

RSVP / Contact Lynn: herbalynn@comcast.net



Light a Fire:
FBC's 3rd Annual
All-Church Retreat
Camp Arrah Wanna
October 11-13
FREE

save the date · save the date · save the date · save the date · save the date

Plan to get away with FBC friends to Camp Arrah Wanna in beautiful Welches, Oregon!

We'll gather at dinnertime on Friday, October 11, and stay through lunchtime on Sunday, May 13. We'll spend the weekend relaxing, reflecting, hiking, singing, creating, feasting, and connecting around the campfire.

Our *Seasons of Wonder* grant will pay for up to 40 people to attend at no cost. Send questions or RSVPs to erika@fbcmac.org.

Getting To Know the Classes & Small Groups at FBC

FBC Singles Group

by Lynn Crowell

The Singles group was started in November 2022 as a way for single adults to have more social opportunities. You can be a member if you self identify as single and anyone in the group can invite someone they know to join. The group has grown to 21 people.

We have met for potlucks, BBQs, game nights, Gallery plays, and holidays. Currently we are meeting one Saturday a month for an activity and one Tuesday for lunch. There are typically 6 - 10 people at any one meeting.

If you want to know more, or be on the email list, contact Lynn Crowell, herbalynn@comcast.net
(503) 472-8196



FBC SINGLES GROUP JULY Event:

July 13 - 3rd Annual BBQ at Lynn's home, from 5-8 pm. It'll be a potluck. Bring something to put on the grill and a side dish or dessert. Lynn will have ice tea.

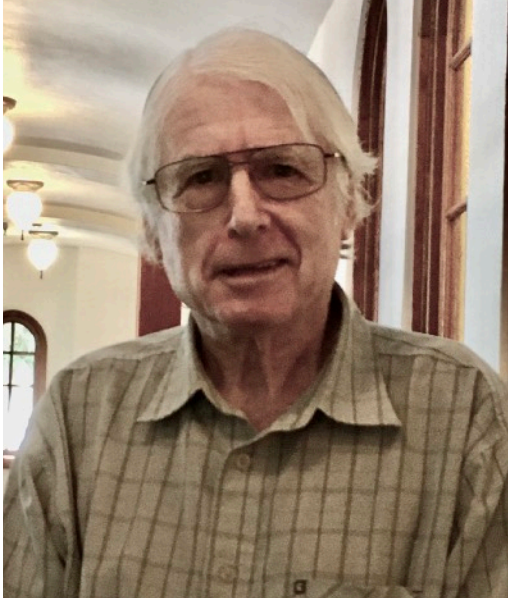
July 16 - Tuesday Lunch, 1pm at Conservatory Bar on 1st Street.

Seekers in Sneakers explore, learn, & play at VBS

Together with First Presbyterian Church, FBC hosted a "Seekers in Sneakers"-themed Vacation Bible School for kids in our community. The kids were invited to solve mysteries and search out hidden meanings to discover more about the life and teachings of Jesus, as well as craft, sing, play, snack, and make friends. Thanks to everyone who participated, volunteered, and made it a great week!



Getting to Know Your First Baptist Church Family



Roger Krug was born in Salem, Oregon but moved with his family when still a young boy to Orange County in Southern California. His family included a younger sister and an older brother and sister. Working at Safeway during high school, he became interested in food science and after high school he attended Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, choosing food science as his major.

After college because of relatives in this area, Roger moved back to Oregon. He took a job with the Oregon Department of Agriculture Food Safety Division. He was responsible for inspecting retail markets and any kind of food processing, including pasteurization equipment, mainly in Yamhill and Polk counties, but all over the state. He kept this position for 31 years.

After Roger moved to Oregon, Mary Jane also moved up from Southern California so that they could marry. Mary Jane taught elementary school in Dundee. Sadly Mary Jane passed away nine years ago after a lengthy battle with cancer. Their two children are now adults, married and living in Hillsboro and Portland. But, as yet, Roger says he has no grandchildren.

Roger attended the Mennonite church while a young boy in Oregon. In California, the family was involved with the Church of the Brethren. In fact, Roger knew FBC member Paul Studebaker because they attended the same Brethren church in California.

After moving to Mac, Roger and Mary Jane attended the Presbyterian Church. Following a change of leadership there, Roger was looking for something different and first got involved with the Faith and Java Sunday class at FBC. He started attending this church when Kent Harrop was pastor and became a member in 2019. Roger has participated in Erika's weekly Bible Study.

Roger loves to dance. Along with several other FBC faithfuls, including your correspondent, he could be found at the Horse Radish Restaurant in Carlton when the McCanns were playing there. His favorite type of dancing is Western Swing, which he said he learned at Cal Poly, it being somewhat of an agricultural school!

Before the pandemic, after losing Mary Jane, Roger did a fair amount of traveling, visiting relatives, just to get out of the house and relieve the loneliness. Now he is spending his time trying to sort through all the accumulation from having lived in the same house for forty years, working on downsizing and perhaps moving to a retirement community.

If you don't already know him, take the time to reach out to Roger when you see him. You will be rewarded by meeting an interesting fellow.



Life happens, hitting people hard, especially as they get further behind in monthly expenses; it can be overwhelming. It only takes one thing to start a downward spiral (medical bills, a car expense, the loss of a job, just life).

FBC's Fellowship Fund provides much needed help in time of crisis with immediate assistance for: (to name a few)

- Rental assistance - to avoid eviction/ first & last deposit to be able to finally get into a new place.
- Utilities (gas, electric, water, sewer)
- Medication, prescriptions
- Providing one or a few night stays in a hotel to refresh.
- Phone payments and/or securing free phones (being connected is important)
- Car/RV repair (Living in one's car requires heat & comfort)
- Help in securing an Oregon ID or DL or SS card (all are required to get a job, apply for SNAP, apply for local/state/federal, or other services)

FBC's Office Manager Donna administers the available Fellowship Funds, with guidance from the Pastor. To meet a larger need, First Baptist Church has created a partnership with First Presbyterian Church, the Cooperative Ministries, and the Give-a-Little Foundation (which includes referrals from Oregon & Federal agencies such as the Service Integration Team (SIT), part of Yamhill County Community Care). So, when one of us can't - all of us can!

Beyond these needs, FBC also has a food pantry, clothing closet, and showers available. People are given access to these during STARS breakfast Mondays & Fridays and during church office hours.

Two FBC Success Stories . . .

"We all fall on hard times in life, it's nice to know someone is out there who can put us back on our feet." -- a Fellowship Fund Recipient

FBC has helped this couple for the past 10 years - living on the street, overcoming addiction - securing a car to sleep in - eventually working when jobs were available - but managing income was difficult. FBC helped provide food, warm clothing, blankets, car repairs, storage unit expenses, government IDs and Insurance expenses. They were finally able to take a YCAP Housing workshop, allowing them to apply for Federal Housing assistance. Two years later - they have an apartment and making ends meet. They're now on a well-earned and deserved path towards independence - FBC is proud to see them succeed.

Another recent case, helping a elderly woman whose only income is Social Security and a small alimony check (\$1,400/month - are you able to survive on that?). Our partnering group along with NorthWest Senior Disability Services has been able to pay and reconnect Recology service, and pay her water/sewer and PGE payments. HUD stepped in to reorganize her mortgage (non-payment for a year). And by continued counseling by a NWSDS case manager, she'll learn to live within her means, knowing people are there for her.

Above are just two of many success stories.

Requests for assistance like these come in every day, There is so much need that, even with support from our partners, we are unable to help everyone. When we do assist, FBC alone expends between \$600-800/ month on average. As you can see, this is not sustainable. We need ongoing funding to continue this necessary work!

THANK YOU for your willingness to GIVE . . .

- > Write & Mail a check to: FBC, 125 SE Cows St., McMinnville / Note on check: Fellowship Fund donation
- > Make a Donation on our website - www.fbcmac.org / Go to Give - Give online (takes you to Realm database)
Note amount and scroll Menu to 'Fellowship Fund' - it's that simple!
- > Another thought - Make a Donation as a Gift or to honor a special person.
To celebrate a birthday, anniversary, retirement, graduation, or to honor someone, ask friends & family to Donate to FBC's Fellowship Fund, in lieu of a gift.



It had already been a full week in the small Nicaraguan village of El Calderon, but our hosts decided we couldn't leave without paying a visit to a



special plot of land. The nine of us who made up FBC's delegation, together with our guides and hosts, journeyed to the open space that sits just off the road, next to a family home, and overlooking the hilly countryside. When we arrived, more friends from the village came to join us, welcoming us with song, presenting us with paper banners on which they'd hand-drawn their thanks for our visit, inviting us to pray with them for their village and the community-empowered health care work facilitated by AMOS Health & Hope there.

It was important to them that this ceremony be held on that particular plot of land, because that's a space they have dreams for. Years ago, a family in El Calderon donated that land, and designated it for a purpose: to be the future home of Calderon's own *casa base*.

A *casa base* is a health clinic. Folks in Calderon hope for a stand-alone clinic from which Silvina, their health promoter, and other trained health care workers might provide treatment, offer classes and trainings, and store needed supplies and equipment. As of now, all of that happens from Silvina's home, which is complicated for her, her family, and her patients.

Since that visit this winter, FBC folks have continued in conversation with AMOS staff about the possibilities of a *casa base* in El Calderon. The community has already taken a very significant first step by donating the land. AMOS staff has created a plan to move forward, including meeting with the health committee of El Calderon and then taking following steps:

- Engaging an architect to create a plan, with the hopes of including basic exam rooms, a waiting area, and a space for teaching and modeling early childhood development.
- Engaging a contractor to use the architect's plan to create a building plan and budget.
- Researching government regulations, required permitting, inspections, and the like.
- Planning for electricity for lights and fans, and checking into possibilities for solar energy.

They know that these steps are just a beginning, and that more practical matters will arise the further they pursue this project. AMOS is hopeful that this work on the *casa base* for El Calderon might serve as a model for other Nicaraguan communities as well.

The AMOS staff suggested that FBC might be part of inaugurating the *casa base* in January 2026! Be thinking ahead now if you might like to be part of that delegation.

In other good news, FBC was able to facilitate a gift of \$10,000 to AMOS from the Service Family Foundation, a foundation with ties to an FBC family. And we sent a check for more than \$2,000 from our Alive at Five fundraiser! We give thanks for this long-time partnership, and for all that we learn from, and are able to do together with, AMOS.



Youth Dinners

Wednesday, July 24 from 6-7pm
at Alf's Ice Cream & Burgers
drop off & pick up there
just bring money for dinner & friends

Wednesday, August 28 from 6-7pm
at Nancy Jo's Burgers & Fries
drop off & pick up there
just bring money for dinner & friends

Pool Parties

Sunday, July 7 from 5-7pm
at the Andersons
(15200 NW Willis Rd. McMinnville)
swimming & dinner - friends welcome
drop off & pick up there

August - date/time & location TBD

Summer Camp at Camp Arrah Wanna is back in July 2024!

**There will be ONE WEEK of camp for
ALL children and youth,
1st through 12th grade**

Monday, July 15
through Friday, July 19
for ALL campers

cost for ALL campers = \$300

Registration now open!
www.camparrahwanna.org/programs

And adult volunteers are needed,
contact Corey Hughes
(program@camparrahwanna.org)
if interested.

Family Fun!

Join us Sunday, July 7
for a Family Picnic
and Whiffleball Game!

We'll meet at Discovery Meadows Park
around 11:30am (following worship).

Here's what you need to bring!

- your family
- lunch for your family
- whatever you need for whiffleball
(we'll have bats & balls & bases).

Anyone and everyone is welcome!

MYC Service Learning Trip 2024

This summer we are excited to be partnering AGAIN with S.L.A.M. (Students Learning About Missions) Trips for a cross-cultural service & learning trip in an indigenous paradigm. S.L.A.M. is a part of Mending Wings, a Native American organization located on the Yakama Reservation which offers youth service and learning trips on their reservation. Our team will spend equal parts of the week serving the community members and learning about their history, traditions, and culture. Our time with Mending Wings will focus on building relationships we hope to continue to grow in the coming years.

The trip is July 28-August 2 and we have a full team of 16 youth and 4 adults!

And you can support us with the Wall of Money! Here's how it works...

1. Find the Wall of Money any Sunday morning at FBC in Walker Hall
2. Pick one (or more) envelope(s) and donate that number/amount to our trip!
3. Inside the envelope you will find info on the trip the name of a participant to pray for, and a photo of our team, plus a return envelope to send in your payment.
4. All done!

**And everyone is invited to attend our celebration gathering after the trip!
On Sunday, August 4 at 2pm, we will share pictures & stories from our week,
and enjoy a dessert buffet all together, in the Social Hall at First Baptist Church.**

Thank you for the support - we couldn't do it without you!

A Month Full of Opportunities!

Gather with a small group or class of FBC friends to make the ordinary sacred.

FBC Adult Classes

Bible Study - Tuesdays, 12 noon

This group meets with Pastor Erika. All are welcome!

In-person in the Fireplace Room OR via Zoom.

A discussion-based Bible study with opportunity to delve deeper into highlighted scripture for the week. It's a great forum for asking difficult faith-based questions and/or sharing life's ups and downs, and requesting prayer, too.

Sunday Connections - Sunday, 8:30 am, via Zoom

Each week this class watches a short video by an interesting speaker, on various topics, with lively discussions that follow by all participants. The format provides the ability to connect with one another and with others beyond our local area. Join us!

Contact: Barbara Burr, barbaracoleburr@gmail.com

Sunday Rainbow Class - for adults with special needs

We gather for Sunday Worship and other activities.

Contact: Cynthia Parker, cynp007@gmail.com

- Bereans, Chapel, and F&J Classes are on Summer Break, back in September -

Sunday Bereans Class - Sunday, 8:45 am, in person

This class explores the evolving church in modern times, using contemporary videos and theological texts and articles. They examine how religion and spirit.

Contact: Doug Verigin, (503) 913-3401

Sunday Chapel Class - Sunday, 8:45 am, in person

In September class members will decide their next read and will be able to volunteer to lead a class discussion. The open discussions are insightful and fun!

Contact: Gary Langenwalter, (971) 221-8155 or gary@portlandconsultinggroup.com.

Sunday Faith & Java Class - Sunday, 8:45 am

1st Sunday ONLY - in-person in the FBC Fireplace Room

This class is dedicated to exploring questions, issues, and experiences in finding spirituality and bliss in everyday living. The class is led by Rob Schulman who presents a new topic each time, followed by interesting discussion.

Contact: Rob Schulman, schulmanrob@yahoo.com

Climate Action Group - Meeting times/locations vary

Contact: Lara O'Brady, lara_obrady@yahoo.com

Senior Breakfast - Wednesday, July 3 at 8 am

1st Wednesday each month at American Legion Post 21
126 NE Atlantic, McMinnville (near Highway 18)

RSVP: Gina Foster, 971-237-2789

Together Works - July 8 & 22, at 7 pm, in-person

Fireplace Room at FBC - 2nd & 4th Mondays

Contact: Dee Moore, 971-241-8256, togetherworksinfo@gmail.com

Dad's Group - July 8 at 8 pm, in-person (please RSVP)

2nd Mondays each month, location varies

Contact: John Linder, john.linder93@gmail.com

Sew & So's - in-person

Weekly opportunities for individuals and/or small groups to sew together at FBC (2nd floor sewing room).

Currently making multiple quilts each month, and

sewing bags for board members of local mission organizations!

Contact: Susan Chambers, susanlanechambers@gmail.com

Knit Wits - Knitting scarves, hats, and everything else!

PM Group - 7 pm, in-person (meets 1st & 3rd Tuesdays)

July 2 & 16, at Gina's

Contact: Gina Foster, 971-237-2789

AM Group - 9:45 am, in-person (meets 2nd & 4th Thursdays)

ONLY July 25 this month, at Linda's

Contact: Linda Watson, 971-237-2793

FBC Singles - Saturday, July 13, 5-8 pm

3rd Annual BBQ at Lynn's home.

3rd Tuesday Lunch - July 16, 1pm, Food & Conversation

Contact: Lynn Crowell, herbalynn@comcast.net

Sister Circle - Every Friday at 11 am, Fireplace Room

Reading "Somehow" by Anne Lamott

Interested in joining? Contact: Sherill Roberts,

shrobert@linfield.edu or 971-237-3630

Hiking Group - Saturday, July 20

Headed to Lincoln city for a beach hike and visit to the Connie Hanson Garden.

Meet at FBC at 8:30am to carpool up.

Contact: Gloria LaFata, glowml1@gmail.com

Tuesday, July 23 - **American Red Cross Blood Drive**
at FBC - Sign-up online - redcrossblood.org/give

JULY at FBC

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 9:a - STARS Breakfast 11a - Matthew 25 12n - Personnel 4p - Mission Team 7p - Worship Planning	2 12n - Bible Study in person & via Zoom 7p - KnitWits at Gina's	3 8a - Senior Breakfast at VFW Post, Atlantic Ave	4 <i>Happy 4th of July!</i> FBC Office Closed & Pastor's Day Off 12-5p - McMinnville Farmer's Market	5 FBC Office Closed & Pastor's Day Off 9:15a - STARS Breakfast 7:30p - Friday Shelter	6 9 am - Perryhill Farm (see page 5)
7 Adult Classes on hiatus. 10 am - WORSHIP in person & Live Stream 11:30a - Family Fun at Discovery Meadows 5-7p - Youth Pool Party	8 9:a - STARS Breakfast 7p - Together Works 8p - Dad's Group	9 9a - Building & Grounds 12n - Bible Study in person & via Zoom	10 6:30p - Church Board	11 12-5p - McMinnville Farmer's Market	12 FBC Office Closed & Pastor's Day Off 9:15a - STARS Breakfast 11a - Sister Circle 7:30p - Friday Shelter	13 5-8p Singles BBQ
14 Adult Classes on hiatus. 10 am - WORSHIP in person & Live Stream Season's of Wonder Trip Lavender Fields at Durant's Red Ridge Farms	15 9:a - STARS Breakfast 6:30p - Care & Concern	16 12n - Bible Study in person & via Zoom 1 pm - Singles lunch 7p - KnitWits at Gina's	17 1p - Membership Team	18 12-5p - McMinnville Farmer's Market	19 FBC Office Closed & Pastor's Day Off 9:15a - STARS Breakfast 11a - Sister Circle 7:30p - Friday Shelter	20 8:30a - Hiking Group
Summer Camp at Arrah Wanna - July 15-19 / for 1st through 12th graders						
21 Adult Classes on hiatus. 10 am - WORSHIP in person & Live Stream Maker's Meeting 'Collaborative Centerpieces'	22 9:a - STARS Breakfast 7p - Together Works	23 10a-3p - American Red Cross Blood Drive at FBC 12n - Bible Study in person & via Zoom 7p - KnitWits at Gina's	24 6p - Youth Dinner @ Alf's Burger & Fries	25 9:45a - KnitWits at Linda's 10:30a - Book group excursion to Chachalu 12-5p - McMinnville Farmer's Market	26 FBC Office Closed & Pastor's Day Off 9:15a - STARS Breakfast 11a - Sister Circle 7:30p - Friday Shelter	27
28 Adult Classes on hiatus. 10 am - WORSHIP in person & Live Stream	29 9:a - STARS Breakfast	30 12n - Bible Study in person & via Zoom	31	1	2	
SLAM (Students Learning About Missions) - MYC Service Learning Trip - July 28-August 2						

JULY Birthday

Jane Apel 1
Julie Tycer 1
Ames Bierly 1
Kathy Beckwith 5
John Olson 5
Walter Wilkins 6
David Hallett 9
Emily Kerrigan 11
Beth Starner 11
Ed Boggie 13

Gina Foster 14
Pat Fasana-Lynn 14
Margie Saylor 14
Michael Vincent 14
Barbara Nelson 18
Global Servant Birthday
Katrina Williams 18
Matt Reinker 19
Tegan Johnson 19
Susan Chambers 20



Lloyd Galer 20
David King 22
Wendell Martin 24
Griffin Diesburg 24
Linette Studebaker 25
Nancy Carlson 29
Ron Richter 30
Larry Sims 31



JULY Anniversary

Joe & Liz Wilkins 3
Brian & Dayna Gilbert 6
Carson & Georgine Benner 9
Don & Linda Watson 11
Jim & Tai James 20
John & Myra Huff 20
Robert & Nancy McCann 27
Adam & Emily Diesburg 30