

**First  
Presbyterian  
Church**

# Faith Notes

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**Worship**

- Sunday, 9:00 am  
Contemporary Worship
- Sunday, 10:45 am  
Traditional Worship
- Sunday, The 5:01  
Music.Message.Meal
- Wednesday, 6:00 pm  
Contemplative Worship

Child care provided at all worship  
times

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSURE**

- February 20

**Next Faith Notes Deadline**

- January 30 at Noon

**Next Publication Date**

- February 8, 2012

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## Save the Date

- Sunday, January 22, at 6:30 p.m., the next Viewpoints will discuss “Why Occupy?” We will have panelists from Occupy Bend, who will explain their motives. There will be a time to question the panelists followed by a time for small group discussions.
- Saturday, March 17, 9:00 am to Noon, Heritage Hall. TASTE OF SILENCE, a mini retreat to learn about and practice Centering Prayer. More information coming soon.

## First Friday Fellowship

February 3--California Mission Trail – Lynda Paznokas will present a program on the California Mission Trail. She visited and photographed the Spanish missions along El Camino Real from San Diego to Sonoma.

We meet in Heritage Hall at 11:30. Come with an appetite to enjoy chili and cornbread. Please sign up on the easel in the Commons. Don't forget-- all welcome. Questions: Jean Hull, 541-385-6557

## Bethlehem Inn Volunteers

First Presbyterian has signed up to take the responsibility for serving meals at the Bethlehem Inn January 22 through February 4. Innkeepers will be Dan Klingler and Brad Kent. Look for sign-up posters in the Commons.

## Enneagram Journey Workshop

Enter into the spirit of Lent by taking a transformative journey through the Enneagram. This ancient tool is a proven way to deeply understand oneself and to help relate with compassion to others. Begin with a one-day workshop on **January 21** and then continue for **10 weeks on Sunday afternoons**. Come to the workshop as a stand-alone learning experience or decide then if you want to pursue deeper understanding in group work. Attendance at the workshop and commitment to the ten weeks is mandatory for participation in the group work. **Limited to 35 participants.**

January 21, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. in Heritage Hall. (\$20 for materials and lunch)

January 29-April 1, 2:30-4:30 in Heritage Hall.

Register by calling the church office at 541-382-4401.

## Support Group Schedule

### Depression Recovery Support Group

1:30-3:00 p.m. in the Prayer Room

January 25, February and 22, March 7 and 21, April 4 and 18

Led by Laurie Koski

### Care Givers Support Group

2:00-4:00 p.m. in the Prayer Room

January 31, February 13 and 27, March 12 and 26, April 9 and 23

Led by Elizabeth Stephan

### Grief Support Group

Have you lost a love one and think it might be helpful to spend some time with others who are on this journey of grief? If you would like to be a part of a sharing group, please come join Elizabeth Stephan and Lorraine Stuart on **Thursday, January 19, from 2:00 until 3:30 p.m.** in the Youth Lounge on the lower level of the church. The group will meet each Thursday for six weeks. Feel free to contact Elizabeth at 541-382-4401 or Lorraine Stuart at 541-318-0384 if you want to find out more about the group.



## @your Church Library—New Year—New Books!

***365 Ways To Save The Earth*** by Philippe Bourseiller – Thank you, Green Team, for gifting this book to our library. Following the calendar year, each day presents a bit of advice for ordinary living: Turn down your heating by 5 degrees F; rediscover your grandmother’s remedies; pick up one piece of garbage every day. Paired with each proposal are Bourseiller’s spectacular photos. He writes, “I do not change or transform reality. I am content with just seizing an instant of it. I hope my photographs help people become aware and fully conscious of the fact that the extraordinary landscapes that surround us are extremely fragile and they must be protected constantly.” A table of contents lists categories and directs to a particular topic that is addressed, such as: Home, Shopping, Leisure, Transportation, Health/Family, Office, and Gardening. A worthy read to start out the new year and give these suggestions some thought and action.

***Blue Nights***, by Joan Didion, Pulitzer Prize winning author of *The Year of Magical Thinking*, who this time writes a work of stunning frankness about losing her daughter. Didion examines her thoughts, fears, and doubts regarding having children, illness, and growing old. *Blue Nights* – the long, light evening hours that signal the summer solstice, “the opposite of the dying of the brightness, but also its warning” – like *The Year of Magical Thinking* before it, is an iconic book of incisive and electric honesty, haunting and profoundly moving (taken from the book jacket, published by Alfred A. Knopf). Both books are catalogued under Dewey number 813.54.

***Speaking Christian: Why Christian Words Have Lost Their Meaning and Power – And How They Can Be Restored***, by Marcus J. Borg, internationally renowned Bible scholar and prolific writer of many books which also grace our library shelves. *Speaking Christian* asserts that a failure to understand Christian words and phrases has led to the religion losing much of its meaning, and offers a path back to a true understanding of Christianity. Borg delivers a language for twenty-first-century Christians that grounds the faith in its deep and rich original roots and allows it once again to transform our lives. Includes bibliographical references. Published by HarperCollins. Cataloged under Dewey number 230 Bor (Religion –Christian theology).

***All Families Are Different***, by Sol Gordon, Ph.D, illustrated by Vivien Cohen, published by Prometheus Books. Summary: Discusses differences in families in today’s society and what makes each family special. Cataloged in Juvenile Non-Fiction with Dewey number J 306.85 Gor (Social Sciences –Culture). Thank you, Jean Hull, for buying this book for our library!

***The Peace Book***, by Todd Parr, a beautifully illustrated book for our Easy Readers! Summary: Describes peace as making new friends, sharing a meal, feeling good about yourself, and more. The author inscription reads, “This book is dedicated to the world. Love, Todd.”

Check out these and other new additions on display with the NEW red sticker. Items are on loan for 3 weeks and may be renewed. Hold requests are also honored. See additional check-out help at the desk with our flying Tweedy Bird. Good Reading in 2012!!



## Children's Ministry

*The purpose of our ministry with children at First Presbyterian is to love them and to nurture their love of God. If you feel called to this ministry and would like to volunteer or to get more information, contact Janet Pearson, Director of Children and Family Ministry (541-382-4401 or [jpearson@bendfp.org](mailto:jpearson@bendfp.org)).*

Here are some things to put on your new 2012 calendar:

- January 22 – Children's Choir rehearsals start between services in Fellowship Hall. The choir is preparing to share their gift of music in worship under the direction of Julie Cash.
- July 23-26 – Vacation Bible School
- Six weeks that you can volunteer in Sunday School either first or second service.

Our children need volunteers to help them not only know about Jesus but know the love of Jesus. If you have a love of children, contact Janet Pearson to explore how you can be a part of our Children's Ministry Team.

## Youth Ministry

**Mondays** – High School Meetings at Common Table 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

**Wednesdays** – Middle School Meetings at FPC, 5:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m.

**Washington, D.C. trip – July 5-13, 2012!** Permission and medical forms are in the kiosk by the Welcome Center. **Deposit of \$150 due by February 6** to Greg. Scholarships available, but you must talk to Greg before February.

## Peace & Justice Team Annual Report: 2011

### Nonviolence:

Nonviolence series of classes, "Embracing Nonviolent Living," were led by Betsy Lamb over the winter and spring months at First Presbyterian. Co-facilitators included members of the Peace & Justice Team. Our goal was to learn, practice and experiment with the power of creative nonviolence in an interactive, lively and educational atmosphere.

On International Day of Peace, September 21, all were invited to stand on the Bridge to Peace (Portland Ave. bridge) to greet motorists with peace signs.

Peace Corner is alive with signs each Friday, and all are invited to stand for peace at Brandis Square in downtown Bend from 4:30-5:30. This has been a 9-year peace stand, since before the Iraq War began.

### Peace & Justice Education:

Rural Organizing Project held a Caucus at First Presbyterian Church with 130 attending to educate people how best to advocate, the importance of collaboration, and how and what we can demand from our congressional representatives.

E-News included a weekly article submitted by Peace & Justice with an event or action that is promoted by PC (USA) or by our Peace & Justice Team. This is a great opportunity to be active from home and to have an impact on legislation or on issues that are of concern.

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Faith Notes has longer articles from Peace & Justice Team about issues that concern us. Again, they may educate or they may also ask the congregation to act on an issue.

Treasure Quest and the Peace & Justice Team had an opportunity to share their thoughts on peace through crafts and puppetry. A peace pole with "May Peace Prevail on Earth" is in one child's garden, and her mom reports that the child says the prayer daily.

Documentaries can have great impact on issues. For World Refugee Day, we had a showing of *Welcome to Shelbyville*, a film about immigrants who found refuge in Tennessee and the complications that arose in their community.

At the CPR Circle's meeting, we showed *Crossing Midnight*, a documentary about the resilience, courage and hope of refugees in the jungles of Eastern Burma who are fleeing and those refugees who filled a need for medical and educational help for those living in strife.

The PBS series, "Women, War & Peace," as well as the Mission Peace Network's "Steadfast Hope, A Palestinian Quest for Just Peace" are two series that are proposed for the future.

### **Human Trafficking Events**

The Justice Conference in Bend was attended by four members of Peace & Justice Team and Pastor Steven; topics included immigration and human trafficking as well as the cost of war.

On February 13 Mike Hogan, from International Justice Mission, spoke at both Sunday services about Human Trafficking and how we can respond.

Freedom Sunday, March 13, brought churches around the world together to raise awareness about Human Trafficking and encouraged them to take action against this modern-day slavery.

In April the Presbyterian Women Spring Event featured a presentation by Shannon Keith, founder of the International Princess Project that works with women/girls rescued from human trafficking in India, and a style show of "punjammies" made by those rescued.

The film showing of "Sex + Money: A Search for Human Worth," a film about child sex trafficking in America and the modern-day abolitionist movement fighting to stop it, was held on October 6.

Maggie Hanson of the Peace and Justice Team led us to support the education and awareness of Human Trafficking.

### **Immigration**

"Immigration as a Moral Issue," a 6-week education program by the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, was attended by many Peace & Justice Team members.

Immigrant Family Advocates coordinated an event called "Mother's Day Call to Unity and Compassion for Immigrant Families." The gathering included many activists from our Peace & Justice Team, as well as those in other faith communities. This collaboration and the research done prior to meeting with local law enforcement may have significant implications on the lives of immigrants in our community.



### February Birthdays

- 1 Beth Ibenthal  
Pamela Lyle
- 2 Rianna Aylward  
Marilyn Knutson
- 3 Craig Holtzclaw
- 4 Sara Bishop  
Alexander Hummel  
Nancy McCormick  
Barbara Munster
- 5 Greg Bolt  
Audrey Boos
- 6 Emma Shaver
- 7 Lyle Potter  
Janice Schock
- 9 Judy Allstott  
Sharon Lovinger  
Ivy Williams  
Don Wyatt
- 11 Serene Cruz  
Paul Fox  
Alice Holtzclaw  
Reilly Noble  
Kathryn Simpson
- 12 Don Krug  
Kevin Kyger  
Judy Osgood  
Heidi Weaver
- 13 Pamela Armstrong  
Ray Campbell  
Cassie Fish  
Emily Gardner  
Joyce Purcell
- 14 Polly Jacobson  
Claire Mastrangelo  
Carrie Ramoz
- 15 Fred Sias
- 16 Julia Erickson

- 16 Julie Geveshausen  
Jerry Hartman  
Lynda Hathorn  
Mary Jarvis  
Mary Ostrander
- 18 Sherie Browning  
Joie Cook  
Arden Gage
- 19 Tim Crawford  
Fred Karstedt  
Ann Kelly  
Lynda Paznokas
- 20 Colton Burch
- 21 Dale Svendsen
- 22 Jean Nagel  
Mike Shay  
Kurt Svendsen  
Corinne Wilkinson
- 23 Tom Achterman  
Marlene Alexander
- 24 Becky Knight  
Ben Knight  
Joyce Ownby
- 25 Maryanne Freedman
- 26 Ann Aines  
Janet Cruz  
Davis Dudley  
Cole Paltzer  
Dick Swinnerton  
Eldon Wilson
- 28 Todd Williver
- 29 Eric Ramoz

### February Anniversaries

- 3 Lyle & Cheryl Lutton
- 1 Ida Burton
- 5 Will & Jean Nagel
- 11 Jim & Linda Norton
- 12 Fred & Joy Holdren
- 14 Dick & Polly Jacobson
- 15 Chad Davis & Darcy Williver Davis
- 17 Richard & Pamela Armstrong  
Frank & Corle Hull  
Bill & Barbara Pack  
Jim & Jan Rodgers  
Steven & Hilary Rothert
- 18 Paul & Jane Hannabach
- 19 Harold & Marilyn Knutson
- 20 Doug & Shelly Gillespie
- 22 Bruce & Nancy McDonald
- 24 Jill Anderson



## Study and Fellowship

**Circle 23** will meet February 14 at 1:00 p.m. in the Adult Center.

**CPR CIRCLE** will meet on Tuesday, January 24, at 6 p.m. at the home of Ann Kelly (95 SE Cessna – 541-382-6871) for a baked potato dinner followed by an evening of fellowship and prayer. Co-hostess is Gretchen Williver. Please bring a baked potato topping to share. This is an open circle; all women of the church are invited. Please RSVP to Ann at 541-382-6871 or eekmr@bendnet.com if you plan to attend. The program will be on the author Milo Thornberry.

**MEN'S BOOK STUDY GROUP** meets in the Library every Monday from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. We'll begin studying Falling Forward, by Richard Rohr, on January 30. This book is about the different challenges that face people in the second half of life. Come join us.

**MEN'S DISCOVERY BIBLE STUDY GROUP** meets Tuesdays at 9:45 a.m. at Chuck Piersee's house in Touchmark. Phone: 541-312-1628. This year's study is on the book of Hebrews.

**THURSDAY CENTERING PRAYER GROUP** meets on Thursdays, 12:00-1:00 p.m., in the Prayer Room. For more information, please call Elizabeth (541-382-4401).

**RELATIONAL BIBLE STUDY AT TOUCHMARK** meets Tuesday afternoons, 3:00 - 4:00, in the private dining room at Touchmark. Dr. Brad Kent is leading a relational Bible study. For the next few weeks, the study focuses on Kings Saul, David and Solomon. The group is ecumenical, so "all are welcome, always." For more information, please contact Brad at 385-9996.

**LISTENING HEARTS** is a contemplative prayer group practicing centering prayer together and reflecting on the spiritual journey. We meet Tuesday evenings, 7:00 - 8:15 p.m., in the Prayer Room. (We don't meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month.) For more information, please call Lorraine (318-0384).

**EARLY BIRD BIBLE STUDY** is led by Dan Klingler. The subject of the study is Gospel Parallels by Burton Throckmorton. It is a study of the three Synoptic gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke in parallel columns (NRSV translation). Anyone desiring to join the group please call Dan Klingler (541-318-8163) to order the book. The study should take the entire school year.

**TILTERS** is a group of women who discuss books related to faith. We invite you to join us in reading Richard Rohr's book, *The Naked Now*. We meet Thursday mornings, 8:00-9:30 a.m., in the library. Welcome!! Contact Carole Nuckton at 541-382-2407 or cnuckton@bendcable.com with questions.

**CIRCLE OF FRIENDS** meets from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. in the Youth Center on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. We invite you to join us as we explore Romans and grow as friends in Christ.

**TRAVELER'S WOMEN'S AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY**  
After our holiday recess, we will resume Thursday, January 12, in the Youth Center at 1:30 p.m. For more information, contact Carol Piersee: [carolpier@aol.com](mailto:carolpier@aol.com) or 541-312-1628

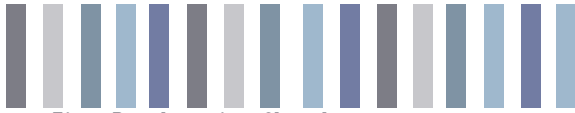
**PEACE & JUSTICE TEAM** meets the first Monday of each month at 10 a.m. in the Library.

**Try Transformative Yoga Thursdays at 9:45 a.m. in Youth Center**

### Green Team Movies

Tuesday, February 7, 2012, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. in the church library. "Haiti & Dominican Republic: An Island Divided," from Harvard scholar Henry Louis Gates, Jr.'s PBS series "Black in Latin America," explores the history and culture of a region which imported more than ten times as many slaves as the United States.





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### Community Bulletin Board

*Faith Notes* will include a community bulletin board section for the listing of events not related to church activities. The bulletin board will contain a disclaimer that these activities do not necessarily represent the theology of the church and that they are not necessarily endorsed by the church. The listings will be brief and will be informational only; they will not contain position statements of the party submitting them.

**While U R Away** Marilyn Feis will do a weekly house check to make sure your house is secure while you are away. Also water plants and any extra care you would like. Please call for quotes; references available. Marilyn Feis, 541-419-9769 or [mvfeis@q.com](mailto:mvfeis@q.com)

**Volunteers Wanted** - to drive veterans to the VA hospital in Portland for medical appointments. The VA furnishes the vehicle and fuel. No special driver's license is needed. The VA furnishes annual physicals, training and flu shots if needed. Can you spare a day or two a month to help a vet? If you can, please email [lesteralford@gmail.com](mailto:lesteralford@gmail.com) for more information.

