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Your NFC

A WEEKLY
NEWSLETTER FOR
THE PEOPLE OF THE
NEWBERG
FRIENDS CHURCH
COMMUNITY

ALL IN A DAY'S...LIFE

by Frank Engle



I have deep appreciation for the many kindnesses shown by my NFC family when my wife, Patsy, was diagnosed with cancer. We truly felt carried by prayer. The heartfelt cards, hospital visits, support of our parish nurse, and many wonderful meals greatly encouraged us. The care we received after Patsy died was also sustaining—the boys and I felt uplifted and lovingly surrounded by our church. We continue to feel this support and are deeply grateful.

What we hadn't anticipated was the care we received from another church—our neighbor from across the street. The morning after Patsy died, the church secretary from St. Peter Catholic Church stopped by and tearfully gave me a card: "We're your neighbor, and we're praying for you." Over the months they dropped by with meals and came for visits. When they started a Friday night community dinner, several urged me to attend. They laughed when I told them that if the meals were anything like those they brought to us, I was in! Not sure who I'd meet, I went to one of their first dinners and was delighted to find several neighbors as well as friends and strangers from all walks of life from around the community.

The Friday night dinners became high priority; I began looking forward to them. It was a great way to visit with neighbors as well as form new friendships and deepen others with people I'd only casually known. Then last fall I signed up as a volunteer and joined Team Two, which serves the dinner on the second Friday of the month. The team is led by Pat, a retired woman, who has an amazing gift of hospitality, all the way from overseeing the preparation of a home-cooked meal that's served by about ten helpers to visiting with the guests during the dinner and staying until the last plate is washed. Pat and crew call me their "adopted Quaker," and a highlight for all of us is joining hands for prayer before the doors open. On a good night, more than 100 meals are served.

I later learned that St. Peter is one of several churches offering weekday community meals. Zion Lutheran hosts Monday Meals from 5:30 to 7 p.m.; Wednesdays are a Simple Supper from 6 to 7 p.m. at River Street Church of God. Newberg Christian started the first weekday dinner, the Community Kitchen, on Thursdays from 5:30 to 7 p.m. and has the largest turnouts, sometimes 200-300 people. On Fridays, St. Peter Catholic Church serves their meal from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Also, every second Tuesday of the month, Dundee United Methodist Church provides

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while we enjoy
Community Time on
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Community Dinners

Free meals are available on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays for individuals and families who would benefit from a shared meal.



Community Dinner Nights

Monday Meals—Zion Lutheran

301 South River Mondays 5:30—7:00pm

Simple Suppers—River Street Church of God

715 South River Wednesdays 6:00—7:00pm

Community Kitchen—Newberg Christian Church

2315 Villa Road Thursdays 5:30—7:00pm

Friday Suppers—St. Peter Parish

2315 North Main St. Fridays 5:30– 6:30



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a meal from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. These churches work closely with Love INC, which promotes this ministry within the community.

How encouraging it is to see churches working together to be the body of Christ in our community! While it's a blessing to know that those who are financially strapped can enjoy a no-cost meal at least four nights a week, it's equally heartwarming to know that these churches open their doors for their neighbors and those in the community who desire fellowship and hospitality.

A few months ago, as I was helping Pat make spaghetti, I told her about how my heart went out to them when their priest and two parishioners drowned in a boating accident. I prayed for them, helped with parking during the memorial service and tried to reach out to some of my neighbors who were grieving. "Now your church has been a neighbor and support to me," I said. She was quiet for a moment and replied, "I think that's what being a part of the body of Christ is all about."

Frank Engle had served as NFC's pastor of equipping ministries for 11 years when in 1999 he changed roles and became Friendsview Retirement Community's director of marketing. He recently enjoyed traveling to Southern California for his son Tim's graduation from Biola University. In September Tim will begin an internship at Twin Rocks Friends Camp. Frank's other son, Aaron, works at Bonaventura Italian Deli and will be a GFU freshman in the fall.

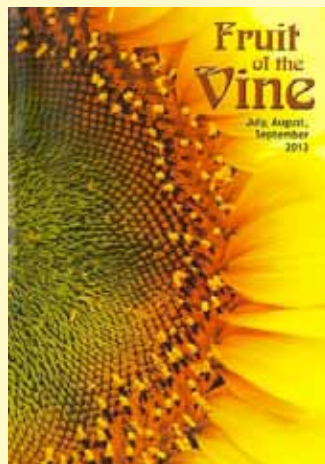


June 24-28 • 9-11:30 a.m.

Register TODAY!
Find registration forms at the
welcome center, the info centers,
and in the church office.

Fruit of the Vine

The July, August, September issue of *Fruit of the Vine* is now available at the welcome center and the church office. This issue includes NFC writers Bethany Lee, Ron Woodward, and Aj Schwanz. Please note: The issue rate has increased to **\$4.75**.



50-Day Prayer Journal

The Northwest Yearly Meeting Administrative Council has provided for us a 50-Day Prayer Journal—a tool to help us prepare as we draw closer to our annual sessions in July. The focus of this journal is not solely on our Yearly Meeting Sessions, but to draw us into a space of prayer across all the Northwest, therefore preparing us for our time together.

Click here to catch up on the journal entries, which began on June 2.

Plan to attend the 2013 Annual Sessions for Northwest Yearly Meeting, held July 21-25 at George Fox University.

Your **NFC** THIS WEEK

READING ASSIGNMENT FOR JUNE 23

Galatians 2:19-3:7

SUNDAY

Sunday school for children* and adults — for times and classroom information, find "Educational Opportunities" at each entrance, each "Info Center," at the welcome center, or ask a greeter to help you.

9am | worship gathering

10-10:45am | Community Time | on the lawn (or in the social hall and library if it's cold or rainy)

10:15-10:45am | library open

10:45am | worship gathering

7pm | VBS orientation | social hall | required for all VBS volunteers

*children's ministries note: On July 7 there will be *no* Sunday school for 3s through 5th grade. We will have only nursery care that week. July 21 is the first day of summer Sunday school for 3s through 5th grade during the 9am service only (always nursery and 2s every week, both services)

Monday, June 24

Intercessory prayer | 9am | Barclay C

VBS | 9-11:30am

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Room 121

Tuesday, June 25

VBS | 9-11:30am

High school volleyball open gym | 7-8pm | pick-up game

Wednesday, June 26

VBS | 9-11:30am

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Room 121

Thursday, June 27

VBS | 9-11:30am

Friday, June 28

VBS | 9-11:30am

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Room 121

Saturday, June 29

Men's prayer meeting | 8am | Friendsview Creekside, 2nd floor, TV room

Plan Ahead

July 1 | JOY breakfast | 8am | J's Restaurant | for seniors 55 and older

July 4 | NFC office closed for the holiday

July 13 | Wood ministry work session | 9-11:30am | Friends Cemetery on Everest Rd | contact Larry Hampton, 503-538-6508

July 14 | Outdoor worship and breakfast on the lawn

July 21-25 | Northwest Yearly Meeting Annual Sessions | GFU campus

July 22-26 | Tilikum Day Camp | registration deadline July 12

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NFC's Calendar on the Web (will be available again soon)!