

# Your NFC

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



Currently featured  
on the art wall  
in the social hall:  
Needled Creations  
by Sue Hutchinson

## FROM ME TO YOU

by Cindy Johnson  
coordinator of senior ministries



I was urged by a coworker to think about going to Sabbath by the Sea at Twin Rocks the end of January. I dragged my feet, so to speak, as I thought of the things I needed to or should do. But that line of thinking might be what led me to decide I should go just to get away.

You might have guessed by now that it turned out to be the best thing I had done for myself in a long time. I was able to worship with others in songs and in prayers—first thing in the morning and last thing in the evening. Yet the schedule offered a lot of time to spend with myself and my Lord, with no responsibilities for anybody else, just me! Time to sit and listen to him and converse with him.

I was awake before daylight one morning, so I decided to go out on the deck and listen to the ocean and pray. I began singing “Great Is Thy Faithfulness,” then “When Morning Gilds the Sky.” While I sang, the dark night slowly became a very soft daylight, and the ocean gradually appeared. I stood in awe of God and his creation.

On my final day of retreat, I was enjoying my last of many walks on the beach, talking and listening to the Lord. As I headed back toward Harbor Villa, I said “Oh, Lord, it would be cool if I could find a really pretty seashell to remind me of this

wonderful week with you.”

I did find some good ones, but as I was almost to the end of my walk I looked over toward the ocean and spotted a perfect shell, intact and beautiful. It made me think of God’s wings enfolding me in his love, reminding me to rest in him.

The Lord calls us to rest in him. He takes great delight in us when we do.



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# Your **NFC** THIS WEEK

## 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.

*Please note: there will be no Godly Play this week!*

**9am** | worship gathering

**10–10:45am** | Community Time | in the social hall and library

**10:15–10:45am** | library open

**10:45am** | worship gathering

**5pm** | 5 o'clock gathering | simple contemplative worship known as “Taize”

**6:45pm** | Faith and Practice Listening Groups | 6:45-8pm | NFC sanctuary | 4th and final

## Monday, March 10

Intercessory prayer | 9am | Barclay C

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

3M (Monthly Marriage Maintenance) | 6:30pm | social hall

## Wednesday, March 12

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

High school volleyball open gym | 4:15pm | FC gym

Middle school youth group | 6:30pm

WBfpm | 7pm | Barclay C

## Thursday, March 13

Women's Bible Fellowship | 8:45am | social hall

## Friday, March 14

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

## Saturday, March 15

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

## Sunday, March 16

5 o'clock gathering | sanctuary

## Plan Ahead

March 24 | Margaret Fell WMF | 7pm

April 6 | all-church lunch for Rwanda 2014 | 12:15-1:45pm | FC gym | Come for lunch, hear from the Rwanda team, and see displays of what the team is planning to do in Rwanda this summer. Donations welcome!

April 7 | JOY breakfast | 8am | J's Restaurant | for seniors 55 and older

April 7 | Pre-K Fun Night | 6-7pm | Friends Center gym | dinner, games, and stories for preschoolers

April 7 | VBS planning/prep meeting | 7:30pm | Barclay C | for all interested in volunteering for VBS June 23-27, 2014

April 11 | Intergenerational Game Night | 7-10pm | Barclay A | an evening of intergenerational fun! Bring your favorite card or board game, a snack to share, and a car full of people you'd like to hang out with for the evening. Get ready to play!

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LISTENING to Christ  
CHANGING in the Spirit  
LIVING OUT love

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**NFC's Calendar on the Web!**




**GEORGE FOX UNIVERSITY**  
**AUXILIARY**  
 Reflections on Pacific College / GFC / GFU's History

Friday, March 14  
 Lunch in Cap & Gown Room at Noon  
**David LeShana**  
 Reflections on the 1969-1982 Presidency

Lunches \$8.50 • Pay at the door.  
 Reservations required  
 Call Sharon Hubbell 503-537-2314  
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# EXP LOR ING

**Exploring NFC**  
*Sunday, March 16*  
**10:45 (during 2nd service)**  
**Room 246**  
*Exploring NFC is for anyone interested in finding out more about the NFC community or considering membership. Whether you are new or have been here for years, come and join us!*  
 Led by **Gregg Koskela** and **Steve Fawver**.  
*(click a name for more info)*



As a FUNdraiser for the **NFC Rwanda 2014 trip**, the Akins family is planning a garage sale (every item 50¢) March 21-22, 8am-4pm, 1218 Sunset Dr., Newberg. All sales go directly into the NFC Rwanda 2014 team fund. They hope to break their record from successful 50¢ sales in the past! Donated items can be dropped off at the address above beginning March 1. All unsold items will be donated to a local thrift store.  
 For more info or to schedule a donation drop off, please contact **Michelle Akins** (click name to e-mail or 503-539-5041).



## Volunteer Openings— Please Consider...

Our regular volunteer availability is low in March and we have many open “opportunities.” Please contact **Michelle Akins** (click name to e-mail or 503-539-5041) to learn of the openings most in need of your help.

**Nolan Staples invites you to his senior recital** on Monday, March 17, at 7:30 p.m. in the NFC sanctuary. He will play the upright bass, and the program will include both classical works and some jazz with a combo that will include Jon Roberts, Nathanael Ankeny, and Leif Nordstrom. Visit with Nolan after the recital over refreshments in the social hall.

