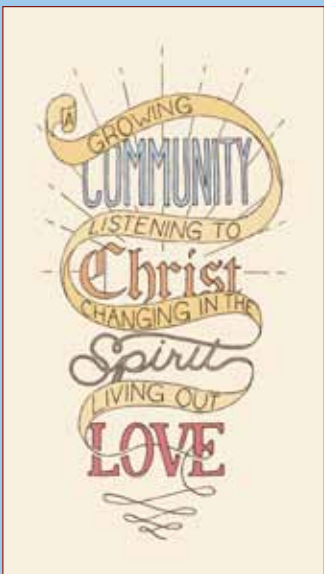


Your NFC

a weekly newsletter for the
people of the
Newberg Friends Church
community

November 14, 2014



From Me to You

by Tamara Brand



Well, it's hard to believe, but the leaves have turned color once again, it gets darker earlier, and Thanksgiving is right around the corner. A big part of our family's Thanksgiving memories is NFC's annual Bauman service, complete with cider and donuts and photo ops (Oh, my!) Additionally, we love the collection of Shoebox gifts! It has been our privilege and joy to secure each one that is brought to the service with a couple of rubber bands, stack them all in our van, and transport them to the nearest drop-off location.

We've been packing these boxes as a family for 14 years now, and as our family has grown and changed, so have our methods. Early on, when the kids were small, I would collect the items, and then Todd and I would pack all of them, with minimal "help" from the kids (I think you know what I mean). As they grew, they would pack along with us and help us wrap the boxes and lids and stick the labels on. The last couple of years, we've all gone shopping together—each with a set dollar amount to spend. It's been really fun to watch the kids be so thoughtful and purposeful about what they choose for their individual boxes and to trust that God has the exact recipient in mind for each one. We bring home all the bounty, and then begins the packing/repacking process, each shoebox filled to the brim! Memories have been made, inside jokes have been born—it's the beginning of the Christmas season for us, and we love it.

Similarly, we as a church have been packing and sending Shoebox gifts for 13 years. Wow! Just as our family has had its seasons, so have we as a church. We've seen years when individuals have been invited to bring gifts and years when various Sunday school classes filled boxes together; more recently our congregation joined George Fox University for their packing parties. This year we are once again returning to donations of individual boxes and will be collecting them at the Bauman service next weekend. I love the idea of a personalized and unique gift for each child, some simple hygiene items, school supplies, toys, candy, and whatever else you feel moved to include. I'd also like to stress that every effort is made to preserve the integrity of these gifts at the processing centers; they are checked to ensure there are no liquids or other "do not send" items ([click here for the list](#)). A copy of "The Greatest Gift" in the child's language is added, and then they are sent along just as you have packed them—off to bring a smile to a child's face.

I hope you will consider packing a box (or boxes) this year, and continue (or begin!) your own Thanksgiving tradition. I am confident you will be glad you did.

*(Remember to include a \$7 per box donation for shipping costs.
If packing multiple boxes, you can combine costs in one check.)*

READ AHEAD FOR SUNDAY

Matthew 6:25-34



Pastoral Team

Michelle Akins

children and family ministries

Steve Fawver

spiritual health and care

Cindy Johnson

seniors ministries

Gregg Koskela

lead pastor

Eric Muhr

youth ministries

Elizabeth Sherwood

administration

Nolan Staples

worship ministries

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bookkeeper/receptionist

Sherry Macy

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What's Ahead

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

• small group to explore Nathan Foster's book | Barclay C

10-10:45am • Community Time | in the social hall and library

• WinterSky concert tickets on sale | social hall

10:15-10:45am | library staffed

10:45am | worship gathering

3pm | Equipo meeting | North Valley Friends

5pm | Bible quiz practice | Youth House

7pm | high school volleyball open gym | Friends Center

Monday, November 17

Intercessory prayer | 9am | Barclay C

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

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

Tuesday, November 18

High school youth group | 6:30pm | Youth House

Wednesday, November 19

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

Middle school youth group | 6:30pm | Friends Center gym

Small group to explore Nathan Foster's book | 6:45pm | Barclay A/B

WBFpm | 7pm | Barclay C

Thursday, November 20

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

Friday, November 21

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

Saturday, November 22

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

Sunday, November 23

Annual combined gathering at Bauman Auditorium (George Fox University)
| Harvest Community Time (10am) / Combined Thanksgiving Worship
Service (10:45am)

Plan Ahead

November 24 | Margaret Fell WMF | 7pm | Spaulding Oaks Community
Center | featuring Nancy Thomas, Bolivian Friends History Project


December 7 | Taize gathering | 7pm

December 8 | WinterSky concert with Wendy Goodwin, Phil Keaggy, Jeff
Johnson, and Brian Dunning | NFC sanctuary | \$20/ticket

December 14 | Story Slam Night! | 6pm | NFC sanctuary | a night of
enjoying some great story tellers and community with each other

December 24 | annual candlelight Christmas Eve services | NFC sanctuary |
5pm/6:30pm/8pm

NFC's Calendar on the Web!



ANNUAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE AT BAUMAN AUDITORIUM NOVEMBER 23

10 AM—COMMUNITY TIME

COFFEE, DONUTS - FRESH-PRESSED APPLE CIDER

BAKE SALE BENEFITING THE CAMP SCHOLARSHIP FUND

PHILLIP KISIA'S FUN PHOTOBOOTH

10:45AM—WORSHIP

Operation Christmas Child Details



Clicking the image will take you to the website for further details.

- Empty shoeboxes can be found on Sunday mornings in the Resource Room or weekdays in the NFC office.
- The following items can be found at the Welcome Center, on the info tower by the nursery, and in the NFC office: a brochure that includes an envelope for your shipping donation and age/gender labels, an "All About Me" coloring sheet, and a list of 101 shoebox packing ideas.
- You must include \$7 for shipping in your shoebox. Checks are made out to *Samaritan's Purse* with "OCC" in the memo line.
- Make sure the lid is wrapped separately and that the shoebox will open/close. Put marked label on box top. Secure lid with rubber band.
- Do not include liquids (shampoo/body wash) or things that could melt (chocolates) in the shoeboxes. Hard candies double bagged are OK.
- Drop off is **November 23** at the Bauman Thanksgiving service or up until **November 21** in the NFC office.
- Duduza dolls to include in your box will be available at the welcome center on Sundays, **November 9 and 16**—while supply lasts.



Bake Sale

FUNDRAISER

Help support the
CAMP SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Bake your favorite pies, cookies, breads, or brownies. Bring them to Bauman on November 23 by 9:45am. Please wrap your items in disposable containers and price your baked goods at \$10 or below. All sales will help NFC children, youth, and adults attend camps and retreats.

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Exploring Friends

Two Sundays—

November 16 and 23

6-7:30p • Barclay C

Come explore what Friends believe. Led by **Phil Smith** and

Steve Fawver.

Open to all.

Exploring NFC

Sunday, December 7

4-6 p.m. • Barclay C

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! We'll explore some of NFC's history, ways to find connections, and how to get involved.

Led by **Gregg Koskela**
and **Steve Fawver**.

(click a name for more info)



Tickets for the upcoming WinterSky concert will be made available to the general public beginning next Monday, November 17. Since we anticipate a sell-out event, we suggest you make an effort to visit the tickets table in the social hall during Community Time (10-10:45 a.m.) on Sunday! Bring a check (made out to NFC with "concert" in the memo line) or cash with you—\$20/ea.

Tickets are also available at the church office (600 E 3rd St), weekdays 8am to 5pm. The concert will be general admission; doors will open at 6 p.m.



GEORGE FOX
EVANGELICAL
SEMINARY

Thanksgiving Offering

Friends Center scholarships

Every year at our combined worship service at Bauman Auditorium, we join with other churches in our yearly meeting to take an offering for a special project. This is our way to allow our thankfulness to overflow to those in need. Please consider giving generously to the scholarship fund for our seminary students. It is an investment in the future of these leaders and also the health of our local churches.

REMEMBRANCE DAY 2014



A Ceremony Honoring the
151st Anniversary of the immortal
GETTYSBURG ADDRESS
Delivered November 19, 1863 by
PRESIDENT ABRAHAM LINCOLN
Saturday ~ November 15th ~ 11:00 AM
Recitation by Hon. Stephen Holgate

Keynote Remarks
Mr. Shardon Lewis - Grant High School

KILPATRICK GAR CEMETERY ♦ NEWBERG

Free Admission

Sponsored by
Colonel Edward D. Baker Camp
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
www.covv.org

at Newberg Friends Cemetery

On the Social Hall Art Wall

**Creative
work by
Nicole
Fawver**



Equipo* Fundraiser Coming Soon!

***2015 spring
serve trip to
Mexico**



**Sunday mornings—
November 30
December 7
December 14
—at NFC
— donation basis**

Firewood—Cut, split, and seasoned

Mixture of maple and alder.

\$180/cord—you haul

\$220/cord—delivered

If you need the wood stacked, you can
negotiate with the deliverer!

Please contact **Andy Baker**.

All money goes toward the Equipo 2015
trip. Thanks for your support!

Sabbath ^{by} the Sea

I want to personally invite each of you to consider taking some time to come away and be with Christ this coming January. I have the opportunity to work with an exceptional group of people (including many NFCers) as we lead week-long and half-week retreats at Twin Rocks Harbor Villa on the beach in Rockaway, Oregon. Sabbath by the Sea is spacious, restful, and open for you to be with God. Bracketed by simple morning and evening prayers, the schedule leaves you free to explore, walk on the beach, nap by a fire, read, eat scrumptious food, and spend time with Jesus. Groups are limited to 12 participants.

Not everyone can get away for a whole week, so we offer opportunities to come from Monday to Thursday or from Thursday to Sunday. Those who work during the week can take one day off on Friday and still have a good chunk of time to pray and listen to God. I invite those who have attended a January retreat in the past to consider going again and taking someone with you who might need time and space in life right now.

Visit the web site or give us a call! We will send you a brochure. The table is always set and Christ invites us to come away to listen, rest, and abide with him.

—**Steve Fawver**, pastor of spiritual health and care
503-538-8381



Daily schedule:

- 7:45- Pre-breakfast scripture & prayer
- 8:30- Breakfast
- 9:30- Morning gathering
- 10:15- Personal time
- 12:30- Lunch
- 1:30- Personal time
- 4:00- Optional spiritual direction
- 5:30- Dinner
- 6:45- Worship, highlights, and prayer
- 8:00- Sleep, play, relax, read...

Leaders:

- December 29-January 4 – Steve Fawver, Martha Wood
- January 5-11 – Susan and Gary Fawver
- January 12-18 – Hank and Jo Helsabeck
- January 19-25 – Bethany Lee, Craig Davis
- January 26-29 – Marta Sears, Bethany Lee

Worship singing will be led each week by Mauri Macy

Need Sheet

Needed:

- Needed: single room or small apartment to rent for young mother and 7-year old daughter. Call Donna 503-538-4318.
- Mature 58-year-old female Christian who attends Northside Community Church needs to find a room to rent in the Newberg area. I am open to a roommate situation or a room in a house with a family. Just looking for a quiet peaceful environment to call "home." Please call Sharon Chernekoff at 503-926-2527.

Available:

- Upright piano; tread mill. You haul. Contact Elizabeth at elizabeth@newbergfriends.org or 503-538-8381.
- Free—come and get it: complete shower door, includes track. Call Donna at 503-538-4318.

For Sale:

- Small recliner/rocker, nice brown and beige, \$20. Very nice maple hutc, \$100. Shopsmith with attachments, \$600. 42" Vizio TV, works great, \$45. Call Roy or Karen 503-487-6380, Roy 503-899-7190, Karen 503-899-9229.
- Christmas trees! Barb and Arnie Mitchell of Feller House B&B have natural Turkish Fir (similar to Nobel Fir) available either you cut or we cut. Your choice \$20 each, weekends beginning Friday, Nov. 28, between 10 and 5, or call 503-678-0268 or 503-537-4535 for appointment.
- 1950s vintage chrome table with grey formica top, includes "leaf" extension, \$75; white ceiling fan, 18" blades, \$50; deep fryer, \$12; queen-size duvet cover, dusty green with scroll pattern, \$25; new over-the-window fire escape ladder, \$25; solid wood end table/night stand with drawer, \$25. Call 503-554-0382.

To place a one-time free ad— • e-mail: sherry@newbergfriends.org

• mail: NFC, P.O. Box 487, attn. Sherry

• bring a written ad to the NFC office at 600 E. 3rd Street

deadline: December 10 • no phone-in ads; please resubmit repeated ads

Remember and honor your loved ones. Order a Christmas plant today!



Yes, I would like to help decorate our sanctuary for the Christmas season by providing _____ plant(s) (\$7.50/ea) in honor or memory of a loved one. I give it...

...in honor of _____

...in memory of _____

Given by _____

Signed _____

Please clearly mark your check "Christmas plant." Put this slip and your payment in an offering envelope and place it in the offering plate or take it to the church office by Monday, December 1.

You may pick up your plant(s) following the 8 o'clock Christmas Eve service.