

Your NFC

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

November 7, 2014



From Me to You

by Elizabeth Sherwood, administrative pastor

Spring clean in October? You bet! The church, cemetery, and wood ministry all received some extra attention during the first-ever NFC Serve Day. On the morning of October 25, more than 35 volunteers came to help tackle a variety of fix-it projects, cleaning tasks, landscaping, and more. Folks of all ages participated, serving both indoors and out. At the end of the morning we consumed four crock pots of chili while we enjoyed a great time of fellowship over lunch.

The conservative estimate of the value of donated time comes in well over one thousand dollars. A grateful “thank you!” to each and every volunteer!

We hope to begin a tradition of “serve days”—one each fall and spring. Maybe you can join us for the next one!



Ginny Birky, a faithful member of the flowerbed committee, cares for the area she “adopted.”



Jim Long is effective with the leaf blower, though not many leaves had fallen...!



Children’s Sunday school classrooms receive a deep cleaning from Carol Thomas.

Photos by
Zach Baker



<—Julie Anderson tackles the coffee station in the kitchen.

Grace Anderson, part of the outdoor crew, finds a decorative use for big yellow leaves. —>



The dreaded task of cleaning the refrigerators is accomplished by Lori Allen (who also made incredible chili!)



Worker bee Susannah Anderson scrubs the ovens!

Sage and Brynn Macy join their parents, Erin and John, to rake the lawn.



May Wallace and Phil Smith take a break from raking to smile for the camera.



Dusty classrooms begin to sparkle when Joyce Owens gets to work.

Kudos to the rest of the helpers not shown in these photos who also shared their time and energy. Many thanks to each one!



Singing Opportunity!

For our Thanksgiving service together in Bauman on November 23, we will have a choir that all are welcome to join! Don't worry if you lack experience in singing with a group; it will be a friendly and inviting bunch. If you want to sing with us, we will rehearse on Wednesday, November 12, and Wednesday, November 19, at 7 p.m. in Room 246. You will also need to be available to meet before the service on the 23rd for rehearsal/sound check (call time TBD).

Please e-mail me, **Nolan Staples**, with any questions.

READ AHEAD FOR SUNDAY

Matthew 6:19-24



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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Denise Lyman

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all publications items
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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

• blood pressure checks | Room 234

• WinterSky concert tickets on sale | social hall

10:15-10:45am | library staffed

10:45am | worship gathering

3pm | high school volleyball open gym | Friends Center

5pm | Bible quiz practice | Youth House

Monday, November 10

Intercessory prayer | 9am | Barclay C

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

Tuesday, November 11

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

Wednesday, November 12

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 13

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

Friday, November 14

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

Saturday, November 15

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

Sunday, November 16

Read ahead: Matthew 6:25-34

"Feed the Need" Food Drive

Equipo meeting | 3pm | North Valley Friends

Plan Ahead

November 23 | annual combined gathering at Bauman Auditorium (George Fox University) | Harvest Community Time (10am) / Combined Thanksgiving Worship Service (10:45am)

December 7 | Taize gathering | 7pm

December 8 | WinterSky concert with Wendy Goodwin, Phil Keaggy, Jeff Johnson, and Brian Dunning | NFC sanctuary | \$20/ticket; available to NFCers for one week, beginning today, then offered to the general public

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

NFC's Calendar on the Web!

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

The Winter Sky Tour

Monday, December 8, 2014 • 7 p.m.

Featuring
Phil Keaggy with Jeff Johnson,
Brian Dunning & Wendy Goodwin

Newberg Friends Church • \$20



Plan Ahead!

Tickets for the upcoming WinterSky concert—featuring Wendy Goodwin, Phil Keaggy, Jeff Johnson, and Brian Dunning—will go on sale this coming Sunday, November 9! They are available *first* to the NFC community, for one week (through Sunday, November 16). We anticipate a sell-out event, so if you plan to attend, we suggest you bring a check

(made out to *NFC* with “concert” in the memo line) or cash with you—\$20/ea. Head down to the social hall between 10 and 10:45 a.m. to buy your tickets, or come to the church office (600 E 3rd St), weekdays 8am to 5pm, to ensure your attendance. The concert will be general admission; doors will open at 6 p.m.

On Monday, November 17, tickets will be offered to the general public.



Join the Sandals class in the social hall at 9 a.m. for the next two Sundays as Phil Smith, clerk of the meeting, leads us in “Seeking God’s Will about Gay Marriage in Northwest Yearly Meeting.”

On the Social Hall Art Wall

**Creative
work by
Nicole
Fawver**



Providence Hospice invites you to a free one-hour presentation:

Get Me Through the Holidays: 10 Strategies for Coping with Loss

This one-hour seminar helps people who are grieving the death of a loved one discover practical and meaningful ways to cope during the holidays. Many of these coping strategies can be used for other personal holidays, such as birthdays and anniversaries. In addition, those who want to offer their support will discover tips for how to help someone who is grieving.

Providence Newberg Medical Center

*1001 Providence Drive, Newberg / Dundee / Sherwood Rooms
Saturday, November 15, 10-11 a.m.*

These presentations are part of the Community Care Program and are offered free of charge. Registration is appreciated but not required. For more information or to register, please contact Anne Kister at 503-215-4636 or anne.kister@providence.org.

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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.

(click a name for more info)

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.**

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.



We express our appreciation to Brandon Buerkle for turning NFC's vision statement into a work of art! If you would like to have the image as "wallpaper" for your cell phone, e-mail Sherry.

Now available in our community:

a faith-based support group

for women who have

or are experiencing

domestic violence

or abuse of any kind.

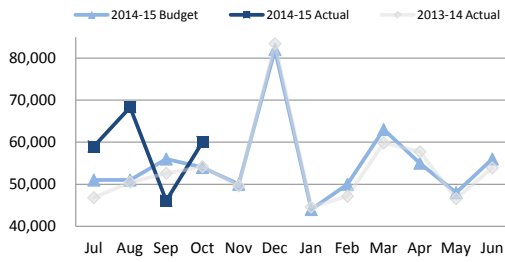
Please call 503-846-9284.



**Abuse Recovery
Ministry & Services**

Financial Recap for October 2014

YTD General Fund Giving



Difference (in thousands) 8 17 (10) 6
 12 18 (6) 6

Actual vs. Budget
 Current vs Prior Yr

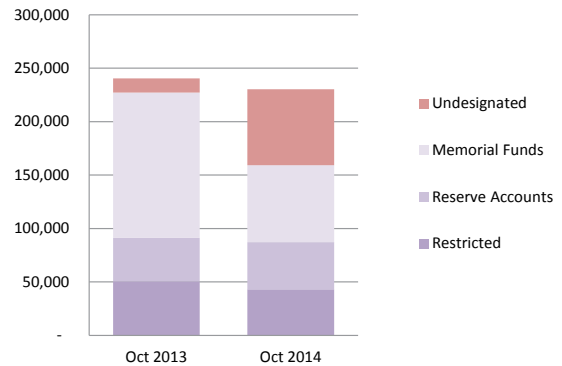
YTD Donor Restricted and Memorial Funds

	Beginning	Income	Expense	Balance
Global Outreach	12,018	12,130	22,575	1,573
Outside Ministries	5,043	3,737	3,812	4,968
Compassionate Care	7,800	2,531	1,199	9,132
NFC Ministries	8,144	2,425	1,169	9,400
Scholarships	5,349	600	736	5,213
Facilities	(66,561)	675	(58,950)	(6,936)
Other Funds	15,208	5,181	571	19,818
Memorial Funds	137,335	24,795	90,086	72,044
Totals	124,336	52,074	61,198	115,212

General Fund Year-to-Date

	Actual	Budget	Ahead/ (Behind)
Income	280,953	257,700	23,253
Expense	(244,007)	(248,100)	4,093
Net	36,946	9,600	27,346

Cash & Investments



A complete financial report can be found on the bulletin board in the library.

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 KISLA'S FUN PHOTOBOOTH

10:45AM—WORSHIP