

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God. 1 John 3:1

For Your Calendar

Feb. 4 Pre-K Fun Night, Friends Center Gym, 6-7pm

Feb. 11 K-2 Fun Night, Friends Center Gym, 6-7:30pm

Feb. 17 New study at WBFpm begins, Barclay C, 7-9pm

Feb. 18 New study at WBF begins Social Hall, 8:45-11am

Feb. 21 Women's Retreat Steering Team Meeting, Barclay C, 3:30pm

Feb. 25 3:4-5 Fun Night, Friends Center Gym, 6-8pm

Mar. 4-6 NFC Women's Retreat at Twin Rocks Friends Camp

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For weekly updates check out the Children's Ministry @ NFC Facebook group. Contact Michelle Akins to join.

FUN NIGHTS!

Evenings for preschoolers through 5th graders focused on living out love together.



Simply named "Fun Nights," these three evenings held every couple of months bring children from NFC and the larger Newberg area community together to play, learn, eat, and live out love together. Details for times and dates for each age group are found in the "For Your Calendar" section. This month we will focus on what it means to live out love in our families. Dinner consists of pizza, veggies, fruits, and a small dessert. Cost for Fun Nights is just \$2 per child with a \$4 family max. All first-time visitors are free. RSVPs to Michelle Akins are helpful as we plan for food, dietary restrictions, games, and supplies.



NFC Women's Retreat

Come and be loved lavishly!

Mark your calendars for March 4-6 at Twin Rocks Friends Camp. This weekend will provide time for women of all ages to relax at the Oregon coast and space to connect with God, friends, and nature. Create space in your schedule to relax, play, learn, listen, wonder, breathe deeply, and savor a weekend made for you. Cost is \$123 or \$128 if you'd like dinner at the camp on Friday evening. Retreat speakers will be Heidi Hopkins from 2nd St. Community Church and NFC Storyteller Irene Dunlop. Registration and scholarship forms are available in the NFC office, Welcome Center, or online at newbergfriends.org. Contact Michelle Akins for details.

Making Space for Sabbath

This past week I was able to spend a half-week session out at Sabbath by the Sea, an amazing retreat directed by Steve Fawver at Twin Rocks Friends Camp. The time at Sabbath by the Sea allows for space to experience God in a beautiful and intentional setting. This year my fantastic retreat facilitators were Bruce and Di Murphy with musical worship leadership provided by Nate Macy. What a gift it is to know our community values and encourages Sabbath rest for one another. I'm returning ready for a very full February, refreshed by my time at the beach. – Michelle Akins



Sunday Mornings at NFC

Sunday school for children age 2 through 5th grade provided during 1st service at 9am.

Nursery care for children up to age 2 during 1st service 9-10:15am. Nursery care for infants and children through 2 years is available during the 2nd service from 10:30 to noon in Room 243.

Godly Play is for children in kindergarten through 5th grade during the 10:45am worship service. Children are invited to attend during the service to Room 134.

Children's Care is for children ages 3 through 5 during the 10:45am service. Children are invited to attend during the service to Room 133.

Community Time is open for you to gather with your church family from 10 to 10:45am in the Social Hall.

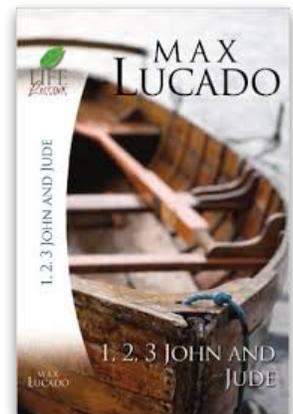
Marriage Encouragement Groups

We are encouraging all married NFC attenders to commit to a group of 4-5 couples during the school year. You may meet in your own homes, reserve a space at the church, or even decide to gather at a local coffee shop. Simply find the place you feel comfortable to read, share, and pray together. We'll help you connect with a group, provide study materials to guide your conversations, and offer ideas for facilitation.

Contact us with questions and/or to find a group:
michelle@newbergfriends.org or steve@newbergfriends.org

Women's Bible Fellowship

Starting February 17, our spring session will be a focus on 1st, 2nd, 3rd John, and Jude by Max Lucado. Study materials may be purchased in the NFC office or during WBFpm (7-9pm, Wednesdays in Barclay C) and WBF (8:45-11am, Thursdays in the NFC Social Hall). All women are invited and encouraged to join at any time. Register for WBFpm or WBF:
<http://bit.ly/WBFRegistration>



Sunday Morning Ministries

Each Sunday approximately 24 volunteers are necessary for our nursery, Sunday school, Godly Play and Children's Care programs to function safely and thoughtfully. We have babies to hold, toddlers who love stories and music, preschoolers content to play or pray, and grade schoolers who want to share with you what they know about God. Curriculum is provided for our classes. **We are looking for about five more people** to add to our Sunday morning ministries. Training for volunteers/teachers is always available. Adults and youth helpers age 11 and older interested in joining children's ministry can let Michelle Akins know their February availability by filling out the "Doodle" poll: <http://doodle.com/poll/xeszrdyy8m9mpbwz>