

Florence United Methodist Church

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August Newsletter

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Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m.

Serving the People of God:

District Superintendent: Rev. John Tucker

Pastor: Reverend Logan McLean Strike

Lay Leader: Patt Rollins

SPRC Chair: Patti Johnson

Finance Chair: Terry Woodward

Ministers: All Members

Newsletter Editor: Diane McCalmont

Pastor Logan:

cell: 406-839-1756

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Logan's Lines

As I write this newsletter, I'm deep in the midst of packing. As I box up my belongings, I have this opportunity to decide what to keep and what to pass along to the next person.

But I alone am not doing this! Many of you have been slowly cleaning up different aspects of our facilities: the sound booth, the library, our sanctuary, and the parsonage (which I will be moving into in August). I don't enjoy letting go of my belongings. I enjoy the memories that are sparked by various possessions and relish the opportunity to remember.

But I take heart in knowing that "one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions," but richness toward God (Luke 12:15; 21). We of course know that life is more than our stuff—and our stuff certainly isn't without meaning—but God uses what we have!

How can we live richly toward God? How do we use our possessions to live well and bless the world? I wrestle with that. We as a community wonder too, as we bless musical instruments, pews, office supplies, bookshelves, and a plethora of other items as they leave our doors for new homes.

Let us thank God for the good gifts of the past, present, and those that are to come. We indeed are richly blessed.

Pastor Logan



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● Pastor Logan's Schedule:

● **Pastor Logan will be on vacation August 6-12. Sue Mulvihill will be our supply preacher.**

● Pastor Logan's office hours: Tuesdays & Fridays, 9-5.
● You may reach her on her cell at: 406-839-1756,
● or by email at: logan.m.strike@gmail.com

● *Pastor Logan will be working Wednesdays and Saturdays at the hospital.

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Keeping in Our Prayers

Annie & Frank Van Horn; Bill Craig; Judy Jones and family; Jean & Bob Hefty; Donna Embree and daughter, Barbara; Carolyn Munson and family; Ray Feay; Sandy Woodward; Laura Merz; Hazel Vacura; Jasmin Crump; Pat Balzell; Jonathan Yoder; Peggy Simington; Kathleen Wenzel; John & Lila Hyder; Georgia Garrett; Betty Cline; Ursula Sears; Jean Parr; Janice Bell; Patrick, Diane, & April McCalmont.

We ask God's blessing on these people and those in need, but not named.

For healing blessings on families across our nation who have lost loved ones to gun violence.

For blessings and mercy on the people of Ukraine.

For our planet in this global pandemic and economic crisis for so many.

Soldiers everywhere in the world and those who wait for them to come home.

Note: To receive the electronic prayer chain, contact rayfeay@hotmail.com.



Office Hours

Regular business office hours are now Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The church also will be open from 1 to 2 p.m. on Saturdays for flower delivery and setup for Sundays.

As of June 1st, Hazel Vacura is receiving her mail at her apartment only:

4480 Hwy. 101, Apt. 2F
Florence, OR 97439





United
Women
in Faith

UMWomen News

It's August already!! On Wednesday August 3, the Florence United Women in Faith/United Methodist Women will meet in the Tedd Powell Hall starting at 1:00 p.m. The decision to meet during the summer months has given extra time to re-connect with each other. Renee' Hansen is our hostess.

High on the activity list is the long awaited Rummage/Yard Sale scheduled for Saturday, August 20, between 9am and 2pm. If you have items of kitchen-ware, bedding, small working appliances, decorator items, games/puzzles or small furniture pieces, please bring them the day before on Friday the 19 between 10am and 1pm. Please, NO clothing items. Pre-price if you wish as everything else will be by donation. The camper kids are invited to have their own table and receive those dollars. Volunteers to HELP set up, work day of sale and/or to HELP clean up are needed and welcomed. Thank you in advance. Contact Renee' Hansen or Judy Jones with comments or questions.

In the meantime, stay well and be a blessing to someone!

Jean Hefty, Secretary

United Methodist Men's Breakfast Fellowship



All men are welcome to join us at Fresh Harvest restaurant on Hwy 101 each Thursday morning at 8:30am. We enjoy fellowship and breakfast together.

Bert Schniepp

PFLAG resumes meetings September 13

Marching behind the Pink Flamingos at the La-di-da Parade in Yachats July 4, PFLAG-Florence was joined by members of Newport's PFLAG and that city's one-and-only "Tooth Fairy."



We met for our annual social at Chen's on July 14, and are taking August off. We'll be meeting again on the second Tuesday of the month, September 13, in the church fellowship hall at 6:30 p.m. PFLAG-Florence, which was launched in 2011 by members of our church, invites you to join us when we meet (refreshments are always served) and to consider becoming a member, which gives you links to the national organization.

Linda Yoder



Sunday School to Reopen!

It's hard to believe our summer is about over and youth will be heading back to school in early September! We know this is a busy time for parents, so we've decided to begin our fall Sunday school classes a bit after school opening. So....

CLASSES FOR ALL AGES WILL BEGIN SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16th.

There's a class for everyone!!

-Peggy Hughes



Fellowship Coffee Hour and Potlucks!

Thank you to all who came out for the first church potluck in two years! It was a great success.

From now on, monthly potlucks will start at 5:30pm.

Fellowship time will continue to be held on the first Sunday of each month, right after the service. Be sure to sign up to host on the sign-up sheet in the back of the church.

Rosie



Nurture Committee News

It is that time of year when our 'Small but Mighty Church' provides gift bags for the teachers of the Siuslaw School District as a small back to school treat. Last year a decision was made to include all staff and the Mapleton School District. This addition meant that we assembled just under 250 bags! Having been a teacher and a retired high school administrator, I was thrilled we included the staff as they have always been the backbone of every school. These last two and half years have been extremely difficult for our educators and staff as they have created a whole new paradigm for instruction during the pandemic.

Last year's community donors were ***Grocery Outlet, Peace Health, River Roasters, Fred Meyer, Bi-Mart, The Shippin' Shack and Lovejoy's!*** Additionally each bag contained a card of encouragement from Florence United Methodist Church and a list of the businesses were included. The above businesses jumped on board and didn't hesitate to contribute to this time honored tradition developed by our church. Furthermore, our church also stepped up with individual donations for this project. We hope to garner more businesses this year.

If you have connections to a business partner you feel would be a donor for this project, please let me know and I will follow up. If you would like to donate monetarily or work with me on this fun and worthy project please email or call me at 661-472-0855/ kathywaterman10@gmail.com.

“And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.” Hebrews 10:24

*With Gratitude,
Kathryn Waterman
Nurture Chair
Florence United Methodist Church*

A Word From Your Lay Leader...



On my way home from this morning's service, I was reflecting on what a wonderful "small but mighty" church we have on Kingwood Street in Florence, OR.

This morning's service was warm, welcoming, and Pastor Logan's sermon was very thought provoking. From being greeted at the door by Ray Feay and Aaron Gallegos, to the beautiful piano music provided by our very own Sharon Bellvill as Aaron lit the alter candles. Sharon Gallagher was our "master PowerPoint clicker" as we viewed the morning's order of worship on the overhead screen, all while Linda Yoder videoed the service so those who were unable to attend could view from home. Then the scripture reading was done by Carol Salisbury.

As we participated in the Passing of the Peace, I watched as our congregation welcomed those who were new to our morning worship service. The offering was taken by Aaron and blessed by Pastor Logan. Made me so very proud of the laity of our church. Laity is the glue that holds the church together.

Whether we are a mega-church or a small, rural church, it is the ordinary people in the congregation that makes us who we are...that is the very meaning of laity, as distinction from clergy...just ordinary folks who love the Lord and have a desire to be the hands and feet of Christ.

I could go on and on about our outreach ministries: Free Lunch, UWF, UMM, Food Share Barrel, and camp scholarships. Of course we also have folks who take care of



the financial assets of our church and parsonage...our Trustees, our Financial Team, and the list goes on and on.....it takes a village. I'm proud to be part of your village. Thank you for allowing me to be your lay leader.

Enjoy your summer. Sending many rich blessings your way.

Patt Rollins



AUGUST

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu
	1	2 9:30am-1:30pn Office Hrs 11:30am Free Lunch	3 1:00pm UMW	4 8:30am UMMen 9:30am-1:30pn Office Hrs 11:30am Free Lunch
7 10:00am Church Svce Fellowship Coffee Time after service	8	9 9:30am-1:30pn Office Hrs 11:30am Free Lunch	10	11 8:30am UMMen 9:30am-1:30pn Office Hrs 11:30am Free Lunch
Pastor Logan on vacation				
14 10:00am Church Svce	15	16 9:30am-1:30pn Office Hrs 11:30am Free Lunch	17 5:30pm All-Church Potluck	18 8:30am UMMen 9:30am-1:30pn Office Hrs 11:30am Free Lunch
21 10:00am Church Svce	22	23 9:30am-1:30pn Office Hrs 11:30am Free Lunch	24	25 8:30am UMMen 9:30am-1:30pn Office Hrs 11:30am Free Lunch
28 10:00am Church Svce	29	30 9:30am-1:30pn Office Hrs 11:30am Free Lunch	31	



Fri	Sat
5	6
12	13
19 10am-1pm Drop off yard sale stuff	20 9am-2pm UMW Yard Sale
26 Newsletter Deadline- By 5pm	27

Pastor on vacation

Birthdays

- 2 Terry Van Balligooijen
- 6 Karen Baylis
- 14 Erin Leonard
- 16 Judith Lowe
- 17 Harold Titus
- 28 Paula Ziegelasch
- 31 Cindy Orr

Anniversaries

- 5 Bert & Linda Schniepp
- 5 George & Rosie Goodwin
- 6 George & Yola Hesser
- 14 Bob & Jean Hefty
- 18 Jeremy & Tessa Ramsey
- 20 Patrick & Diane McCalmont
- 24 Terry & Sandy Woodward

If I've missed your birthday or anniversary, please send an email to Diane at quiltingma5@yahoo.com, to let me know.

FREE LUNCH

EVERY **TUESDAY**

And now **THURSDAY**

11:30-12:30

**AT THE METHODIST
CHURCH**

333 KINGWOOD

EVERYONE WELCOME

DINE-IN OR TAKE OUT



Free Lunch News

Thanks to the many volunteers who have worked hard for the Free Lunch program. If anyone would like to volunteer, please contact me at 530-355-7771 or devil2pay1861@gmail.com.

Thanks, Vicki Philben

UM Staff Parish Relations Committee

SPRC Update:

The SPRC would like to acknowledge all of those folks that have readied the parsonage for Pastor Logan and Pastor Paul. It's amazing how much work has been done!

Special thanks to Scott (Trustee Chair) and Vicki Philben who have worked (and are still working) tirelessly, transforming the yard as well as overall parsonage updates and cleaning. To UMW's Judy Jones, Peggy Wilson, and Rosie Goodwin, who cleaned and made the house sparkle. To Terry Woodard who manned the power washer, prepping for outside painting, and Tim Salisbury and Renee' Hansen who put a fresh coat of paint on selected walls on the inside. And for those who may have quietly helped ready the parsonage, and that may have been missed, thank you also.

As Patt always says, "it takes a village"!

Have a safe and fun summer.

Patti Johnson, SPRC Chair



Trustees Report

A lot of work has been done on the Parsonage in the past few weeks, including landscape rehab, general repairs, painting, plumbing, electrical, and cleaning.

Many thanks to all those who have stepped in to help: Pastor Logan, Renee' Hansen, Peggy Wilson, Rosie Goodwin, Susie Stevens-Briody, Tim Salisbury, Patt Rollins, Patti Johnson, Judy Jones, Vicki Philben, and Nancy Rhodes.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Philben
Chair-Board of Trustees

Florence United Methodist Church FINANCES



June 1-30, 2022:Receipts: \$ 5,913.11
Expenses: \$ 14,341.55

June 2022 income through the 26th : \$ 3,993.47

Provided by Kathy Yelle
Treasurer



The “clipboards of opportunity” have returned and are placed on the back wall of the sanctuary. The dates are left blank so that you may choose your availability. The five opportunities for ministry are:

- * Flowers
- * Cleaning Sound booth
- * Liturgist
- * Usher/Greeter
- * Monthly Fellowship Host

Just list a date you’re available, and you will be called to make arrangements.

Offering Counters

The Finance Committee is looking for volunteers to count and deposit donations following worship on Sundays.

Individuals – working in pairs – who volunteer for this function, are approved by the Church Council and receive training. When properly scheduled, a volunteer’s time commitment can be just once a month.

If you are interested, call the church at 541-997-6025 (and leave a message), or email us at florenceumc@florenceunitedmethodist.org. If you have performed this service in the past, the church will be happy to provide a “refresher” course, since some procedures have been modified.

Linda Yoder

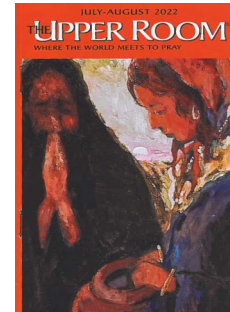


**OFFERING
COUNTERS**

noteworthy

Upper Room and Home Touch

Home Touch devotionals and puzzles for August have been mailed. If you would like to be added to or removed from the mailing list, contact lindayoder@hotmail.com or text 541-590-0944.



Electronic Giving

Giving online continues to be available exclusively through our website, www.florenceunitedmethodist.org, which provides a secure portal to the donation site managed by our ministry partner Vanco.

Amplify Videos

If you haven't tried Amplify Media, the subscription for which the church has paid, and have forgotten the directions to do an initial log-in, you'll need to use the church access code, which is ZRGHYB. Questions? Contact lindayoder@hotmail.com. We don't want anyone to miss out on a fabulous resource, especially one we use extensively for small groups.

Changes in Online Worship

We are working toward live-streaming our worship services. As we experiment with new equipment and recording methods, we invite your comments and suggestions. If you do not have an Internet connection, we continue to make DVDs available. Contact lindayoder@hotmail.com or text 541-590-0944 to be placed on the DVD mailing list.

Help Us Fill the Food Share Bin

Bring your donation to the church and place it in the bucket at the back of the church. Items needed:

- non-perishable foods
- pet food
- toiletries





Suttle Lake Camp is celebrating it's 100th Anniversary, Sept. 2-5, over Labor Day weekend. What an exciting time that will be. And they are offering a camping experience for all ages. You can register for the whole 3-day weekend, or just parts of it. For registration information, please contact the camp registrar at 503-802-9214 or registrar2gocamping.org.



If you're reading this online, click here for more information about this celebration and camping opportunity...

[Suttle Lake Camp 100 Year Anniversary Celebration! \(gocamping.org\)](http://gocamping.org)

Florence UMC's account with the Oregon Beverage Recycling Cooperative (OBRC) "Bottle Drop" has collected more than \$250 as of July 25. The program allows everyone who has one of our tagged bags to contribute the value of their returnable deposit bottles and cans to the church, in support of campships. If you would like a tagged bag mailed to you, contact email Linda Yoder at lindayoder@hotmail.com or text a message to 541-590-0944. The bag will come with instructions for dropping off the filled bag at Fred Meyer.

Pick up a blue bag, sticker, and card at the back of church.

- Attach the sticker on the bag
- Bring the bag to a Bottle Drop station at the north side of Fred Meyer
- Use the paper card to unlock the door at the Bottle Drop
- Scan the card as indicated, open the door and place your tagged bag on the chute inside
- Bottle Drop does the rest – counts the contents of the bag and credits our account



As of July 25, we have raised over \$250.00 through the program

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