

Florence United Methodist Church

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November Newsletter

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Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.

Serving the People of God:

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Pastor: Reverend Logan McLean Strike

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Trustees Chair: Scott Philben

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Pastor Logan:

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Logan's Lines

This month, we will be reflecting on the way in which we are prompted to 'remember.' All Saints Sunday is one such day that we gather to remember dear members of our congregation that have passed on.



Our memories evoke so many emotions in us. They can be a source of thankfulness, of smiles and laughter, and of tears. We can remember a job well done with justifiable pride and even our unkind words to someone with shame. Our memories are woven into the fabric of our identity as we are formed and shaped by our experiences. They are also woven into our relationships as we build shared memories with those we love and with the communities of which we are a part.

No matter what emotions our memories bring up, we would do well to remember that through it all, we have come this far by faith. We have never been alone as we shed tears of sadness or even tears of joy. God has been with us, every step of the way. And will be there in every step going forward!

With you on this journey,

Pastor Logan

Pastor Logan's Schedule:

Pastor Logan's office hours: Tuesdays and Fridays
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 most Saturdays at the hospital.



Keeping in Our Prayers

Family and friends of Tom Pfeiffer; Scott Philben; Carolyn Munson; Lee & Trina Smith; Karen Baylis; Bert & Linda Schniepp; Betty Livingston; Judy Jones and family; Donna Embree and daughter, Barbara; Ray Feay; Aaron Gallegos; Sandy Woodward; Laura Merz; Hazel Vacura; John & Lila Hyder; Georgia Garrett; Ursula Sears; Patrick McCalmont; 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 kathywaterman10@gmail.com.



Charge Conference
Sunday, November 5, 2023
6:00pm
With John Tucker



United
Women
in Faith

United Women in Faith News

On Wednesday November 1, the UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH will meet in the Tedd Powell Hall beginning at 1:00 p.m. Hostess for the day is Linda Schniepp with devotions provided by Donna Embree. The World Thank Offering will be turned in at this meeting; money collected throughout the year acknowledging our blessings. Funds received are used in the total program of mission carried on in the United States and around the world. This offering is optional giving. Officers for 2024 will be elected.

Each November for many years, the women have spearheaded a drive to gather non-edible items for Food Share. These are things that the Oregon Trail Card does not cover; for example toiletries, paper products and cleaning supplies. Donations will be taken to Food Share weekly so they can get into the hands of those who need them. It is a privilege to be on the giving end.



Jean Hefty, Secretary

United Women in Faith Bake Sale
Sunday, November 19
After Church
Tedd Powell Hall



Selections include cookies/bars, fruit pies, specialty breads and jam.

Renee' may have some jewelry and holiday items.

Also available, Rada cutlery pieces, at sale prices



PFLAG NEWS

Following its first meeting of the new fiscal year, PFLAG-Florence's new board agreed to poll members on possibly changing the meeting night from the second Tuesday of the month to either the second Monday or second Wednesday, keeping the time at 6:30 p.m. The change would go into effect with the December meeting. If you get an email from pflagflo@gmail.com, you'll receive the ballot. Just hit "reply" with your answer in the body of the email, or call the PFLAG Google number at 541-901-3737 and leave a message indicating your preference for Monday, Wednesday or keeping Tuesday.

At our next regular meeting November 14, Eddie Funkhouser, who became PFLAG's West Coast representative in 2022, will join us via Zoom. He is excited to connect with our chapter, and we're happy the technology allows us to do so. For the November meeting, we'll be gathering in the small meeting room in the sanctuary building and entering by the side door.

October marked our "new year," and we invite you to renew your membership or become a member. Dues are just \$30 annually. You can send a check to PFLAG-Florence at P.O. Box 1074, Florence, OR 97439 or use the PayPal secure link at the bottom of the home page on our website, www.pflagflorenceoregon.org.

Linda Yoder

Join Us For Candle-Making

Saturday, November 18, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
FUMC Fellowship Hall

Christ, be our light! This advent, we celebrate the light of Christ that dwells within us and shines through our unique lives. To signify this, we invite you to come and make a candle to represent YOU! We will use this special candle in worship throughout the month of December. Please bring a small container that can safely contain hot wax. This could be anything from a glass mason jar to special thrift store find. Candle-making supplies (and extra jars) will be provided.



Adult Sunday School for November

The Adult Sunday School class is studying Counterfeit Christianity through November 19, as we take a look at some ancient Christian heresies which continue to find adherents even today in some people.



Then as Advent begins, we will begin "The Journey" as we follow Adam Hamilton through the Holy Land from Nazareth to Bethlehem as Mary did in the time leading to the birth of the Christ Child.

As has been our pattern for the last few months, we will begin each week with a short video presentation followed by discussion as we meet in the Sanctuary at 9:00 am. We finish our discussion in plenty of time for 10:30 am Worship.

Bert Schniepp



NOVEMBER

Date	Liturgist	Usher/ Greeter	Counters	Flowers
5	Patty Evans, Susie Briody (Communion)	Patt & Patti	Sharon Gallagher, Peggy Hughes	Bruce & May
12	Kathy Bones	Peggy Simington	Susie Briody, Nancy Rhodes	Kathy Yelle
19	Karen Baylis	Caroline Mesman	Diane McCalmont, Patty Evans	
26	Susie Briody	Judy Jones	Peggy Simington, Caroline Mesman	
November Coffee Hour: Rosie, Peggy, Judy				

🎵 Choir Notes 🎵



We will plan to practice on Saturdays at 1:30 pm, with the understanding that folks travel, get sick, and life happens. But unless you hear otherwise, plan for practice. If you are interested in joining the choir, then we would still love to have you! We are especially in need of higher voices.

Choir Schedule:

Saturday, Oct 28 - 1:30 -2:30 pm - Choir Practice
Saturday, Nov 4 - no choir practice
Saturday, Nov 11 - Veterans Day, Time TBD around the parade and festivities
Saturday, Nov 18 - 1:30-2:30 pm - Practice
Sunday, Nov 19 - Sing in church. Plan to arrive at 9:50 am for warm-up and run through
Saturday, Nov 25 - no practice, (Thanksgiving weekend)
Saturday, Dec 2 - 1:30 - 2:30 pm - Practice
Sunday, Dec 3 - Sing in church. (1st Sunday of Advent) Plan to arrive at 9:50 am for warm-up and run through
Saturday, Dec 9 - 1:30 - 2:30 pm - Practice
Saturday, Dec 16 - 1:30 - 2:30 pm - Practice
Saturday, Dec 23 - 1:30 - 2:30 pm - Practice (May adjust time to accommodate Christmas plans, etc.)
Sunday, Dec 24 - Sing in evening church service - service will be combined with another congregation!

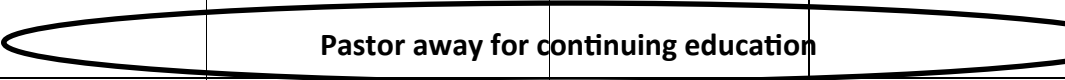
Amanda Sarles
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In September, we delivered 83 lbs of non-perishable food to Food Share! Fill the Barrel!!

Patt R.

NOVEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu
			1 1:00pm UWF mtg	2 8:30am UMMen 10:30am-12:30pm Offi 11:30am Free Lunch
5 All Saints Sunday 9:00am Adult Sunday School 10:30am Church Svce with Communion 6:00pm Charge Conference	6	7 10:30am-12:30pm Office Hrs 11:30am Free Lunch	8 10:00am-Noon Prayer Shawl Ministry	9 8:30am UMMen 10:30am-12:30pm Offi 11:30am Free Lunch
12 9:00am Adult Sunday School 10:30am Church Svce	13	14 10:30am-12:30pm Office Hrs 11:30am Free Lunch 6:30pm PFLAG	15 5:30 All Church Potluck	16 8:30am UMMen 10:30am-12:30pm Offi 11:30am Free Lunch
	 Pastor away for continuing education			
19 9:00am Adult Sunday School 10:30am Church Svce Choir sings UWF Bake Sale after church	20	21 10:30am-12:30pm Office Hrs 11:30am Free Lunch	22	23 THANKSGIVING
26 9:00am Adult Sunday School 10:30am Church Svce	27 5:00pm Newsletter Deadline	28 10:30am-12:30pm Office Hrs 11:30am Free Lunch	29	30 8:30am UMMen 10:30am-12:30pm Offi 11:30am Free Lunch



	Fri	Sat
ce Hrs	3 10:30am-12:30pm Office Hrs 1pm PALS meet	4
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ce Hrs	17 10:30am-12:30pm Office Hrs 1pm PALS meet	18 1:00pm Candle Making in Fellowship Hall 1:30pm Choir Practice
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Birthdays

- 2 Colleen Fulmer
- 3 Alex Goss
- 4 Sandy Woodward
- 14 Eleanor Hand
- 20 Susie Stevens-Briody
- 24 Fritz Keller
- 26 Carol Salisbury
- 30 Peggy Wilson

Anniversaries

- 11 Rick & Bonnie Kelley
- 26 Tom & Stephanie Gonser

If I've missed your birthday or anniversary, please send an email to Diane at quiltinggma5@yahoo.com, to let me know.

UMM Breakfast ...



... meets on Thursdays, 8:30am, Fresh Harvest Café on Hwy 101.

All men welcome and encouraged to come enjoy the time of breakfast and fellowship.

Bert Schniepp

PALS



PALS

1:00-3:00 p.m. Fridays

Tedd Powell Fellowship Hall

All women are welcome!

P... Prayer

A... Action

L... Love

S... Sharing

... and tea!

Florence Master Recycler's Update



2-4-5 COLLECTIONS in 2024:

We are partnering with the City of Florence and will offer 2-4-5 collections in conjunction with Arbor Day in April and the Black & White Event in August. Times to be announced.

Arbor Day: April 27 – Senior Center
B&W: August 17 – Siuslaw Middle School

- All plastics must be LABEL FREE, CLEAN, and DRY
- All plastics must be sorted by Resin number – Check lids independently of containers
- We accept resin types: all 5's, all 4's, and some 2's*
- Since we can put #2 bottles, jugs, and jars (things w/ screw tops) in Comingle, we will not take them at this event. We will take #2 lids, and #2 tubs (TUBS generally have a dimple on the bottom, not a seam.)

DON'T MISS OUR COMMUNITY RECYCLING UPDATE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

@ the Siuslaw Public Library, Bromley Room 4:00 to 6:00

Free Public Event

Hear updates from Florence Master Recyclers, Lane County Waste Management, the City of Florence, and the Environmental Management Advisory Committee (EMAC) This is an opportunity to become informed and to bring your questions!



Has your child gone to summer camp and is asking when they can go again? Do you have a younger child who is now old enough to experience the joys of over-night camp? **We are happy to announce that registration is now open for the 2024 Camp Magruder and Suttle Lake Children and Youth Camps!**

Register now and save your spot by paying the \$50 deposit. You will also qualify for the \$25 Early Bird discount for registering before May 5th. You can set up a payment plan to pay over time or come back and make payments as desired. The deposit is non-refundable but may be transferred to another session if you need to cancel.

Several Adult and Family Camps are also open for registration, and more events will open soon. See the full list of camps and retreats that are available at <https://www.gocamping.org/campsessions>. For registration information, please contact our camp registrar at 503-802-9214 or registrar@gocamping.org.

-Message from Holly Dolan (Sept. 29, 2023), Registrar and Donor Relations Specialist, Camp and Retreat Ministries

Bottledrop NEWS!

A special thanks for each of you who have filled up blue bags with cans/bottles and recycled them to aid our camper fund. We have run into a snag with the Bottledrop program. As a non-profit fundraising group, all our supplies must be picked up at a full service center and the closest seems to be in Coos Bay.

So we are making a change. Instead of providing blue bags, we are encouraging each of you to set up your own individual green bag account at bottledrop.com. That way you can get supplies whenever you need them from the kiosk at Fred Meyer (inside the store on the right side of the door closest to the gas station). As funds accumulate, you can donate what you want in the offering on Sunday.

If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Hughes at lucindagh@gmail.com.

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Online Contributions

Don't forget that you may make contributions to the church online via trusted ministry partner Vanco. A link on our website takes you to Vanco's secure giving portal, providing transactional integrity. Email, write to, or call the church for instructions.

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Amplify Videos

If you haven't tried Amplify Media, the subscription for which the church has paid, you'll need to use the church access code, which is ZRGHYB. Questions? Contact Peggy Hughes at auntpeg0929@gmail.com. We don't want anyone to miss out on a fabulous resource, especially one we use extensively for small groups.

THANKSGIVING OBSERVANCE

by Author Unknown

Count your blessings instead
of your crosses;

Count your gains instead of
your losses.

Count your joys instead of your woes;
Count your friends instead of
your foes.

Count your smiles instead
of your tears;

Count your courage instead
of your fears.

Count your full years instead
of your lean;

Count your kind deeds instead
of your mean.

Count your health instead
of your wealth;

Count on God instead of yourself.



TLC (Thanksgiving Leftover Casserole)

Ingredients:

- 4 cups seasoned stuffing cubes
- 4 cups cubed cooked turkey
- 2 celery ribs, finely chopped
- 1 cup frozen peas
- 1 cup fresh or frozen cranberries
- 1/2 cup chopped sweet onion
- 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 4 large eggs
- 3 cups 2% milk
- 1 can (8-1/4 ounces) cream-style corn
- 1.2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/3 cup coarsely chopped pecans

Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Layer the first 6 ingredients in a greased 13x9 inch baking dish. In a large bowl, whisk flour, eggs and milk until smooth. Add corn, salt and pepper; mix well. Pour over top; let stand 15 minutes. Dot with butter and sprinkle with pecans.
2. Cover and bake 35 minutes. Uncover and bake 30-35 minutes or until a knife inserted in the center comes out clean.

Serves 8.

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