

Florence United Methodist Church

***Tide-ings* 2019**



October Newsletter

Florence United Methodist Church

333 Kingwood, Florence, OR 97439

Office: (541) 997-6025

Sunday Worship

Sunday Services: 10:00 a.m.

Children's Sunday School 10:00 am

Adult Sunday School: 8:30 a.m.

florenceumc@florenceunitedmethodist.org

Visit us at www.florenceunitedmethodist.org

Serving the People of God:

Bishop: Elaine Stanovsky

800-593-7539

DS: Rev. John Tucker

Pastor: Reverend Dr. Karen Love Baisinger

Finance Chair: Terry Woodward

Lay Leader: Hazel Vacura 541-999-6609

Interim Music Director: Laura Merz

Newsletter Editor: Diane McCalmont

Ministers: All Members



FROM OUR SHARED HEART...

Greetings, brothers and sisters in Christ! I am writing this newsletter from the Leadership Institute 2019 at Church of the Resurrection, Leawood, Kansas, just outside Kansas City. Along with 2,500 clergy and laity from more than 1,300 United Methodist churches across the United States, my husband Alan and I just listened to a panel of five bishops (Cynthia Fierro Harvey, Sue Hauptert-Johnson, Mike McKee, and Sally Dyck) talking about possible impacts of the major proposals for resolving our denominational crisis that will be considered at General Conference in May, 2020. We had just heard proponents of the Indianapolis Plan and the Next Generation UMC plan. We heard that no matter our stance in United Methodism, (Traditionalist, Centrist, or Progressive) the shared sense that we are all feeling is this: "it is time for something new," in this difficult but defining moment in the life of our Church. "We must either walk together loosely or part with a blessing."

Earlier this morning, after an address by Bishop Kenneth Carder, President of the Council of Bishops, we heard about our denominational struggles toward inclusivity and away from racism and sexism from clergywomen, Yvette Moore, the Communications Director of the UMW, and Junius Dotson, the General Secretary of the Board of Discipleship. There is still much to be done, much to repent in the areas of our racism and sexism. The current cutting edge is the harm being done to



LGBTQIA+ persons by our stance on human sexuality. Tomorrow we will be hearing from more bishops, including our own Bishop Elaine

Stanovsky. We will be meeting with our Annual Conferences to organize and strategize.

As we have listened, my overwhelming feeling is gratitude for you, for this amazing "little but mighty" United Methodist Church in Florence. There are so many churches across our country that are not even discussing yet our denominational crisis, so great is the fear of conflict, of loss. There are numerous churches with a 50-50% or 60-40% split. There is much angst, anxiety, pain and conflict. I am so blessed to be your pastor in times such as these. Not only have we had three well-attended All-Church meetings for prayerful spiritual discernment, discussion, and sharing of information, but we are nearly unanimous in our opposition and resistance to the outcomes of General Conference 2019. You have no idea how rare a bird we are!

Thank you for being willing to share in Christian conversation, "holy conferencing." Thank you for taking seriously the call of Jesus Christ on our lives and especially to seek out, include and be a stand for those on the margins. Thank you for sharing this journey of faith with me.

Love and blessings,

Reverend Karen

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Keeping in Our Prayers

Tom Pfeiffer; Charles Walker;
John & Lila Hyder; Roger Johnson;
Kathy Yelle; Reverend Carol's family;
Kim Holden & family; Carolyn Boyce;
Jude Craddock; Ray Feay; Georgia
Garrett; Laureli; Betty Cline; Ursula
Sears; Jean Parr; Janice Bell; Elinor
Roth; Gerry & Nancy Cedarleaf-Grey;
and Bonnie Kelly.

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

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

Note: On the last page of the UMW
yearbook, as well as the inside back
cover of the Church Directory, the
Prayer Chain is listed. To receive
the electronic prayer chain, contact
rayfeay@hotmail.com.

Pastor Karen:
revdrkarenlove@gmail.com
(541) 915-0335 cell (ok to text)



**Any and all men
are invited each
Thursday morning
at 8:00 a.m.
to a no-host breakfast at
Kathleen & Nina's**

Outreach Committee Update

Kathleen Wenzel is working to
re-form the Outreach Committee.
Plans are to have once-a-month
meetings, either at an early
evening time or after church on a
Sunday. If you are interested in
serving on this team,
contact Kathleen.

If you have questions or con-
cerns, talk with Reverend
Karen; Hazel Vacura, our Lay
Leader; or any member of the
Staff Parish Relations Com-
mittee: Karen Baylis, Tom
Oshel, Judy Jones, or
Kathleen Wenzel.

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UMWomen News

“Singing at the tables on a Thursday afternoon, we meet and greet and sometimes eat and then we sing our tune”. When those words are given a melody, you’ll find the United Methodist Women

gathered in the Tedd Powell Hall for their October 3rd meeting. All women of the church family are invited to come at 1:30 p.m. when refreshments will be served by Peggy Wilson and Rosie Goodwin.

Our program topic, led by Yola Hesser, is “The affect on our society of incarcerated mothers”. Devotions will be given by Georgia Garrett and a book review is expected from Donna Embree. The nominations committee will present their report for 2020 leadership. Repeating, all women are cordially invited!

The annual meeting of the OR/ID Conference United Methodist Women takes place on October 19 at Newberg UMChurch.

Jean Hefty



On the first Saturday in November, the 2nd, the annual pre-holiday Country Store and Luncheon takes place in the Tedd Powell Fellowship Hall. There will be freshly made baked goods for sale along with jams and jellies, homemade candy, gift baskets, crafty items and holiday décor. A limited supply of Rada cutlery will be on hand with the catalog available to order.

Come and shop, aware that proceeds from the day benefit mission projects for women, children and youth.

Hours for the Country Store are 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. with lunch served between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Homemade soup, bread and pie will be available for tasty eating. Meet your family and friends here to share lunch around the tables.

Jean Hefty



Be Part of FUMC Devotional

Although it may seem still quite a while away, the season of Advent will soon be upon us. It is a season of introspection and preparation in anticipation of

the Christmas season, when we celebrate the birth of the Christ Child, God with us. This year, we would like to give to each household a daily devotional booklet with a brief meditation for each day.

This is an opportunity for you to have an opportunity to be part of the booklet. We would like each person in our congregation to write a brief (one page or less) devotion, poem, or drawing for one of the days in Advent. We will collect and assemble these devotionals into a booklet for all to use.

To be part of this project, write a short devotional or poem or draw an inspirational picture and leave it, with your name, at the church office or with Bert Schniepp or Linda Yoder by November 4. We would also be glad to offer thoughts or scripture suggestions you could use as a basis for your devotional if you need some “starter ideas.”

Bert Schniepp

PFLAG Fall Meetings

Join us for our October 8 regular meeting in at Lane Community College-Florence. We will honor “Coming Out Day” with short films and discussion. We’ll also encourage support of PFLAG as our membership drive kicks off.



For our November 12 meeting at LCC, we are hoping our great friend, presenter, and trans-activist from California, Zoyer Zyndel, will join us, especially since November 20 is International Trans Remembrance Day.

Our December 10 meeting is the annual “White Elephant” exchange, which is always fun, and also will be held at LCC-Florence.

Bring a friend. Win a prize if you bring the most guests. It’s always free and there are always refreshments. All our meetings begin at 6:30 p.m. and end at 8 p.m.

Our membership drive begins in October and ends in December. Dues have held steady and are \$30 per year. Membership is not required to be active in the group. It’s simply PFLAG’s way of continuing to provide support and education in the community. We are not a lobbying group, but a 501(c)3 charitable organization. All donations, including dues, are tax-deductible.

Linda Yoder



Crossing Boundaries: Partnerships in Mission

Keynote speaker: Dr. Benjamin Hartley, Professor of Christian Mission at George Fox University <https://missionandmethodism.net/blog>

Roseburg UMC Oct. 5th
Tigard UMC Oct 12th
Boise UMC Oct. 26th

9:00AM to 3:00PM, child care and lunch provided
Cost: \$20.00

This is a call to active engagement in mission, individually and as a church community. Join us to connect with others that are passionate about mission, take home resources and learn about opportunities to serve.



**Thank
You!!!**

Dear FUMC Church Family,

I often tell folks that I have the best job in the school. I get to sing, dance, and make music with children all day long. Being the music teacher at Siuslaw Elementary School brings my life complete joy.

By playing, singing, and creating music together, our students learn how to work together, listen to each other, respect each other, and care for each other. Your generosity to help fund the needs of the music classroom overwhelmed my heart. Your thoughtful response to my classroom's need has been astonishing. Thank you so much for caring about our community and giving so generously.

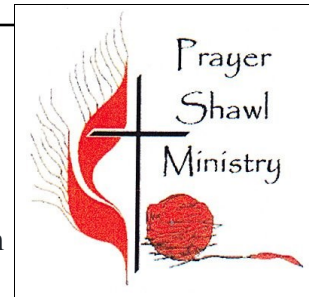
Sincerely,
Amanda Sarles

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry group would like to invite any one who would like to share a couple of hours with us on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. We have ladies who can teach new people on doing either knitting or crochet, or help those of you that just need a refresher.

After finishing a shawl, we get them blessed, place them in a container in the Sunday School room, along with cards for you to give with a shawl when you need one to go out to someone. We all have friends or family members that may be going through a bad time in their life. A cozy shawl is nice for them to hold on to or wrap around themselves, and feel the hands of God through those that have knitted or crocheted them. You'll feel so good to know that you took 2 hours out of your time to join us.

Please consider coming and joining our group. You can contact Rosie Goodwin with any questions; phone: 541-997-2394.



Food for Thought bags prepared by and gratefully given to teachers of the Siuslaw and Mapleton schools



OCTOBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu
		1 Office Hours 10 am-1 pm Free Lunch 11:30-12:30 A.A. Meeting 5:00-6:00	2 Worship Comm mtg 1-2:30	3 UMMen 8 am Women's Covenant 9:00 Pastor's Office Hrs 10-11 Free Lunch 11:30-12:30 UMW 1:30-3 Meditation Group 5:30-7
6 Adult Sunday School 8:30 Worship/Communion 10:00am Children's Sunday School during service	7 Free Lunch Coordina- tor's mtg 11:00am S.B.I.P. mtg 6:30-8:3	8 Office Hours 10 am-1 pm Free Lunch 11:30-12:30 A.A. Meeting 5:00-6:00 PFLAG 6:30	9 Prayer Shawl Ministry 10- Church Potluck 5:30 <div style="text-align: right;">Noon</div>	10 UMMen 8 am Women's Covenant 9:00 Pastor's Office Hrs 10-11 Free Lunch 11:30-12:30 Finance Comm mtg 3:30 Meditation Group 5:30-7
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0-11 00 0 7	25 Home School Science Class 1:00-2:00	26 A.A. Meeting 11:30-12:30
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Birthdays

- 6 Jordan Williams
- 6 Stephanie Gonser
- 15 Sylvia Hand
- 16 Pat Balzell
- 18 Kay Craig
- 24 Diane McCalmont
- 26 Jean Hefty
- 28 John Skarda
- 31 Rosie Goodwin

Anniversaries

- 22 Bill & Kay Craig
- 22 Wim & Caroline Mesman






*Serving in
October*

Date	Time	Liturgist	Usher/Greeter	Kids' Time	Coffee Host
Oct 6	10 am		Patt Rollins & Patti Johnson		
Oct 13	10 am		Pat Balzell		Kathy Yelle
Oct 20	10 am				Scott & Vicki Philben
Oct 27	10 am				

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FINANCES



August 1-30, 2019:
 Receipts: \$ 5,474.25
 Expenses: \$ 6,845.19

September income through the 25th: \$ 5,988.00

Provided by Paula Ziegelasch

Free Lunch News



John Evanow, Free Lunch's buyer extraordinaire for many years, is retiring. John has faithfully kept our pantry supplied with all the basics. He has been a much-relied-on core member of the Free Lunch Program, who will be much missed. Vicki Philben has graciously stepped up to fill his position. Thank you, Vicki! The Free Lunch Quarterly Coordinators' Meeting will be held Monday, October 7 at 11:00 A.M. in the Fellowship Hall.

If you have any questions, or would like to become involved with the Free Lunch Program, please contact me (cynorr@gmail.com, 541-991-3398).

Cindy Orr

The schedule for October:

Week	Date	Tues		Thurs
1 st	10/1/19	St. Mary's Jean	10/3/19	Two Sisters Cindy O., Butch
2 nd	10/8/19	St. Andrews Bert and Linda	10/10/19	Peggy & Cindy H Sue, Brooke, Butch
3 rd	10/15/19	Unitarians Paula	10/17/19	Paula & Karen Joanna, Butch
4 th	10/22/19	Florence Christian, Sharon	10/24/19	Bahai and Friends
5 th	10/29/19	St. Mary's Jean	8/31/19	Brenda, Cindy O Renee, Butch



New members received during the month of September:

- ◆ **Betty Livingston**
- ◆ **Carolyn Boyce (no picture available yet)**
- ◆ **Jim Waterman**
- ◆ **Kathy Waterman**
- ◆ **Patt Rollins**
- ◆ **Patti Johnson**
- ◆ **Alan Baisinger**
- ◆ **Bruce Hadley**
- ◆ **May Hadley**



*Thank
you*

Dear FUMC Church Family,

We wish to express our sincerest thanks for the wedding reception you gave us. We are so grateful that you have so warmly welcomed us into your community and made us feel surrounded by friends. We appreciate all the caring hands and loving hearts that made it such a special celebration.

Thank you so much for your thoughtful kindness.

Gratefully,
Gary & Amanda Sarles

Go Camping

Camp & Retreat Ministries Of Oregon and Idaho

Camps continue on into the Fall and even over the Winter. You may be interested in forming a group of friends to attend one of the following camps...

Camps for you ...

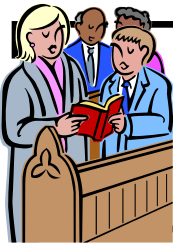
- **Great Hymns of Faith 3** (adult) - Oct. 17 - Alton Collins Retreat Center
- Looking ahead to February 2020: **Magruder Choir Camp** - Feb. 14-17, 2020 - Camp Magruder

*“Over the course of two full days, our talented music leaders will guide singers to make beautiful music together. The camp includes an assortment of workshops on Saturday and Sunday, plenty of time to enjoy the beach, and various fun activities, including the highly anticipated **Saturday Variety Show**, a camp favorite that provides great opportunities to share your talents!!”*

For more information about this camp, please contact Sally Robertson at srobertsongm@gmail.com

If you need assistance in registering or have any questions, please contact Holly Dolan, camp registrar, at (503) 802-9214 or e-mail her at registrar@gocamping.org. You can also register online at gocamping.org.

Diane McCalmont



Church Attendance in September

1st: 56

8th: 77

15th: 58

22nd: 57




29th: na






PLASTICS Community Collection

FLORENCE UNITED
METHODIST CHURH
333 KINGWOOD ST
October 27th
1- 3pm



ONLY    tubs, jugs, & bottles will be accepted.

- Items **must** be stamped    & presorted by BOTH shape & number (up to 4 bags).
- Items must be clean and dry.
- Remove decals & adhesive labels. Labels not printed on must be removed.



www.lanecounty.org/plasticscollection or email plasticscollection@co.lane.or.us

If you are interested in helping on Oct. 27, contact Patt Rollins or Vicki Philben

What and how to save for the plastic collection:

Containers must be clean and free of debris. Remove all adhesive labels. Acceptable containers have a resin code. Some resin codes are difficult to read.

- ⇒ #2 Bottles and jugs (HDPE)
- ⇒ #2 Tubs and lids (HDPE)
- ⇒ #4 Lids, tubs bottles and jugs (LDPE)
- ⇒ #5 Tubs, jugs, bottles, lids (PP)

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Beware of the Look a-likes! Some #1s look JUST like #2s, #4s or #5s! Several product bottles that have typically been #2 or #5 in the past, are now showing up in a #1 resin-- *not recyclable in this collection*; #2 tubs and #5 tubs are virtually indistinguishable; and packaging materials of your favorite products change without warning. **Always check the #number!**

Pay attention to preparation instructions. All materials will be screened by your community collector. If materials are not #2s, #4s or #5s, if they are dirty, incorrectly sorted or prepared, *they will be returned to you for disposal.*

Q. What about adhesive labels? A. Some paper and plastic labels require soaking. The best method is to apply a generous coating of cooking oil to the label and let it sit overnight. By morning it is easier to remove the label. Wipe away the oil and remaining adhesive. Any tubs or jugs that have 'heat stamped' labels (e.g. laundry detergent) cannot be and do not need to be removed. Clear labels like those found on shampoo bottles need to be removed. Some yogurt cups have shrink wrapped labels. Check carefully.

Q. What about Trays? A. Trays are not on our acceptable list because most are #1 or #6. However there are a few #2, #4, or #5 trays showing up lately. If you encounter these, we can accept them in the appropriate numbered tub collection.

Q. How do I identify whether it's a bottle or a tub? A. Bottles have a threaded neck and threaded cap. Bottles have a center seam across the bottom. Tub have a center dimple or indentation on the bottom. **Separate #2 tubs from #2 bottles.**

*Thank
You*

Thank you to Bert & Linda Schniepp
for providing refreshments, and to all
who contributed to the reception for Gary
& Amanda Sarles.

-Rosie

MUSIC CLASSES

*If you would like to continue
Music class, please contact,
Rhianna
for day, time, and venue.*

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Directory Update

**Do we have your current address,
phone number, and e-mail address?**

Please forward them to:

florenceumc@florenceunitedmethodist.org

**If you do not wish to receive this
Newsletter please notify the church office.**