

Montesano Presbyterian Church Newsletter

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To know to love and
serve Jesus Christ

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Did you know.....

Monte Pres has Game Day every third Thursday at 1 pm in the Fellowship Hall?

Jeannie Grenon has some openings on her Gospel Mission hot meal roster? If interested in being a part of this ministry talk to Jeannie or Linda Anderson.

The Cristobal family is responsible for the beautiful flowers in the flower box in front of the church?

Jay Chambers has accepted the position of Music Teacher for the Montesano School District?



The Pastor's Perspective

A new school year is upon us! Students are preparing to hit the books, football season has “kicked off” and Monte Pres is moving into a busy fall season. I have been grateful for some rest and reflection this summer, but it is always exciting to enter into the busier times just now upon us. The pages of this newsletter will reflect much of the activity and ministries taking place in the church. Awana, Choir, Bell Choir, Bible studies, Sunday school, Life Groups....We are once again “on the more!”

There is always a lot of excitement as a new school year begins. Everything seems to be “on the move.” I remember the first time I read *The Lion, Witch and Wardrobe* by C.S. Lewis. Early in the book the Pevensie children hear Mr. Beaver talk about Asian, being “on the move.” Asian is the lion who is the Christ-figure in the story. He comes to remedy the terrible situation in Narnia, where because of the White Witch’s control, it is “always winter and never Christmas.” Asian is “on the move” and Narnia begins to be transformed. What a great image of the ministry we share.

In my reading of the Gospel of Mark Jesus is often portrayed as being on the move. He comes into the world and world begins to be transformed by His life, death, and resurrection. I have discovered that this characterization of “Jesus on the move” in the gospel also relates to our call to be involved in the mission of the church. The newly coined term for this is that we are “missional people.” Missional – I see that term used a lot in presentations at ECO gatherings and ECO literature, but I’m not sure we know what we mean. One definition I found is “inwardly strong and outwardly focused.” I like that definition because it seems to describe Jesus’ ministry. Jesus ministry was inwardly strong in all the gospel presentations, and it

Coming Events.....

Family Promise Week

September 1 - September 8

Fall Schedule Resumes

September 8

Adult Sunday school 9:30 am

Worship & Children's S.S.

10:30 am

Awana Resumes

September 10

PW Soup & Bread

September 29



was also outwardly focused. Jesus came to “seek and save” the lost. Jesus came to love and to serve those outside, but as he ministered he was empowered by the Spirit of God-Jesus was on the move and he knew where he was going. Followers of Christ are also called to be inwardly strong and outwardly focused. Jesus is on the move – and we are called to move with him! My prayer and desire for Monte Pres is that we will find ourselves more and more – “on the move” with Jesus!

Pastor Steve

FAMILY PROMISE

Our third hosting of Family Promise guests begins Sept.1. Edie has been contacting meal preparers, hosts, and overnights. The LDS team will do dinner and hosting Thursdays, from 5-8:30 pm. Presently, there are 3 families - a family of 5, a dad and son, and a mom and baby girl. The mom of 3 will soon be mom of 4. A shower was held for her at United Christian Church, Aberdeen. The FP staff purchased a car seat; the rest of us pitched in with food, cake, and baby gifts. One of our FP graduates is working in Social Services. Her son is serving at the food bank. Both are giving back to the community that helped their family.

Financing is a number one concern. The in-kind value of churches providing room and board is \$393,000! It allows Family Promise of Grays Harbor to keep their working budget at \$137,000. There is 100% financial participation from the Board. Grants have averaged \$35,000, and congregation pledges equal \$10,000. It is hoped the quilt raffle will bring in over \$3,000. The Funding Committee is working on an auction and a Ted Vigil (John Denver tribute) concert. If you are interested in the annual budget, copies are available in the fellowship hall.

Thanks again for your support.
Linda Anderson



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Who's Doing What & When

Welcome Team

September 1	D. Chambers & R. Toyra
September 8	J. Grenon & P. Willis
September 15	P. Hildreth & J Howell
September 22	G. & M. Broughton
September 29	L. Taylor & B. Taylor
October 6	L. & T Bullington
October 13	K. Jarvis & S. McCombs
October 20	McCullough Family
October 27	S. & J. Dameron

Worship Leader

September 1	L. Taylor
September 8	
September 15	G. Dalan
September 22	J. Howell
September 29	J. Gillespie
October 6	P. Gillespie
October 13	P. Woodruff
October 20	L. Taylor
October 27	A. Oestreich

Coffee Hour

September 1	Coffee & Juice
September 8	J. Fisher & L. Taylor
September 15	Cristobal Family
September 22	P. & J Gillespie
September 29	PW Soup & Bread
October 6	L. Anderson
October 13	P. Winkler
October 20	E. & B. Meier
October 27	S. & J. Dameron

Mowing Schedule

September 4-7	Moser*
September 18-21	Moser*

* Indicates Jack Sip will mow for you. Please have your check to the church the week prior to your scheduled mowing date.

Pastor Search Committee

The Pastor Opportunity Profile is now live on the ECO Job Board a copy of the profile is hanging in the back hallway for all to review. Please keep praying for a good response to our profile and for the Pastor Nominating Committee to recognize who God is calling to lead our church family.

Congregation Life

Congregation Life is updating the interim church directory. Several copies of the current directory will be in the back of the sanctuary. Please review and update your information to ensure it is correct. Many people have new email addresses or phone numbers. If you are a new Covenant Partner or member of our church family, please add your information to the back of the directory. If you have a PO Box, we also need a physical address because it is hard to visit a PO Box. If members of your family have different contact numbers (i.e. cell phone numbers or email addresses), please indicate who the numbers or email addresses belong to.

Choir and Bell Choir



I hope everyone had a run and relaxing summer but it is time to get back to work preparing for the Advent season. That being said, our start up time is as follows.

Bell Choir and Sanctuary Choir will resume Sunday evening September 8th at 6 and 7 pm respectively.

If you like to sing (and can carry a tune) and if you enjoy good fellowship come and join us. We would love to have you.

Christian Education

"Fall Kick-Off for Sunday School"

September 8th there will be games & snacks
Join us for fun time!

Sunday school resumes on Sunday, September 8th for all ages. Carol would like to have someone to be able to sub or co-teach with her for the Jr-Sr High. If you are interested contact Carol Fischback.

PW Annual Picnic

The PW annual picnic was held on August 12 and the following mission projects were approved for 2019-2020:

- Start of school personal items
- \$100 teacher scholarship for each school
- Fifth Sunday Soup and Bread
(Funds from which will be donated to Family Promise, Chaplains on the Harbor and other community needs.)

All women of the church are invited to attend the various gatherings of this group throughout the year. Watch your Newsletter and Bulletin for dates of future activities.

Game Day

Diana Hill will be hosting the September Game Day and will be picking the game. Game Days are every third Thursday at 1 pm in the church fellowship hall. We encourage people to come, bring a goodie and join in the fun.



Don't forget to sign up for Coffee Hour for the fall and winter months. Coffee fellowship has been missed but can only continue with everyone's participation.

Missions and Outreach

We are pleased to report that we have been able to fund a water system for New Hope School in Uganda with monies from Bill Hill's Memorial and a couple in the church who help support the school. We now have an opportunity to partner with a Christian charity in Uganda to construct water systems at three more school/churches. The partnering requires approximately \$400 for each system. If you feel led to contribute, please let Jim or Sammie know.

Life Group

Life Groups are suspended until further notice.

Birthday Lunch

The September Birthday lunch will be on the 9th at 11:30 AM. We will Honor Peggy Gillespie and Naomi Poyhonen at Geppetos..



Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study

The Tuesday Women's Bible Study will begin on September 10th at 10 am at the church. We'll be using Max Lucado's book, "Just Like Jesus." If you would like to be part of this study, contact Peggy Gillespie, 360-249-5601.



Mission Meals

September 17

Monte 2 Life Group Conduct Service

P. Gillespie	249-5601	Hot Dish
R. Dalan	249-8327	Hot Dish
M. Leggett	249-2003	Hot Dish
S. Jobst	538-1128	Salad & Dressing for 20
S. Royce	249-4262	Salad & Dressing for 20
J. Morrill	581-2551	Salad & Dressing for 20
S. Gurney furnishing dessert for 60		

October 15

Session Conduct Services

B. Campbell	249-3705	Hot Dish
K. Case	249-6392	Hot Dish
S. Thomas	249-8198	Hot Dish
C. Fischback	589-1755	Salad & Dressing for 20
V. Tweet	580-6660	Salad & Dressing for 20
L. Taylor	249-5548	Salad & Dressing for 20
Linda Anderson furnishing dessert for 60		

Monte Pres always furnishes the meal on the **third Tuesday of each month.**

Other Scheduled Activities

Family Promise Week	Sept 1-8	
Deacons	Sept 7	7 pm
Fall schedule begins	Sept 8	Adult SS 9:30 am 10:30 am
Worship/Sunday Sch		
Bell Choir*	Sept 8	6 pm
Choir*	Sept 8	7 pm
Birthday lunch	Sept 9	11:30 am
Awana*	Sept 10	6 pm
Game Day	Sept 19	1 pm
Soup & Bread	Sept 29	After Service

*Indicates group meets weekly

Office Hours

Monday (closed)

Tuesday & Thursday 10 am - 4 pm

Wednesday & Friday 10 am - 5 pm

(Susan is in the office Wednesday & Friday)



"Well look at Mr. Grumpy Pants!
Somebody doesn't have their worship face on today!"

If you have an item for the Newsletter you can email me earlenec422@gmail.com or call 508-2798

