

Harbinger



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A community committed to love, acceptance & spiritual growth



Easter candy donation may be dropped off in the church office or given to Pamela on Sunday. Candy should be small enough to fit inside plastic Easter eggs.

**Easter Special Offering will be received
Sundays, March 25th and April 1st.**



LENT

- Good Friday, March 30
- Easter Sunday, April 1, brunch 9:00AM, worship 10:30AM, egg hunt at noon. Invite family and friends to church Easter morning, all are welcome!

THANKS

Silverware Wrappers

- Mar. 29: Ron B. (5th Thursday)
- Apr. 5: Ron B.
- Apr. 12: Claudette M.
- Apr. 19: Ted & Kay K.
- Apr. 26: Nan & Larry M.



A Prayer Vigil is planned for noon, Friday, March 30 - midnight, Saturday, March 31.

One hour time slots are available. See Pastor Stacy on Sunday to sign-up for a slot or two.

**Men's Lunch, Saturday, April 14, 11:45AM.
Speak with Brian for the location. All men are invited.**

Remember to bring fresh flowers to church Easter morning. The flowers will be used to decorate the cross during worship. Flowers may be store bought or from your garden.



Prayer Corner



Ongoing Prayers

Harrison Meyer
Kathleen Low
Dan & Elizabeth Chapman
Betty Vales
Greg Hansson
Kathy Peel
Sally Williamson

**Mark Your Calendars!
Camp Scholarship Fundraiser
Talent Show and Dinner, Sunday, April 15.**



From the Pastor

Last week the church Board met to for its regular meeting and also to do some visioning for the future of our congregation. Lee Fergusen, board chair, did a fabulous job in leading us through a wonderfully painless process. I'd like to share with you some of the things that came to the top during our process.

She gave us six areas to focus on. They were Education, Stewardship, Property, Outreach, Fellowship and Worship. The board came up with over sixty ideas and then we went through a process to narrow down which ones were the highest priorities. The top six ideas we identified to explore were:

1. Increase the number of adult education opportunities we have each week.
2. Create ways to raise additional funds that come from outside of the congregation.
3. Have a 'listening session' with the North Medford High School Principal to find out needs.
4. Form a group to visit other church worship services to get ideas.
5. Discuss hiring a ministry intern who would be in charge of youth, among other things.
6. Paint the exterior of the building.

This is just 10% of the ideas that people came up with. We will be exploring these items and many others over the next year and will continue to review them each year following. Your prayers are invited, as are your ideas, as we journey through this process.

I really enjoyed this process, and enjoyed finding out how people would like to spend our time and money in the coming years. I feel blessed to be on this journey with people so committed to fulfilling God's call to reach out, to be good stewards and to live faithfully.

Peace and Blessings,

Stacy

A Fundraiser for Small Steps Preschool and Child Care Center

Murder Mystery



DINNER!

Help solve a crime in 3 courses!

Saturday, April 28th, 2018

At the Medford First Christian Church

1900 Crater Lake Avenue

Dinner from 6pm-9pm

Full three course dinner!
Awesome Raffle Baskets!
Prizes for solving the crime!

\$30 per person
OR
\$225 for a Table of 8

Tickets available at the MFCC

Office or call 541-772-8030

OR message us at the Small Steps
Child Care and preschool
Facebook page

Bring your friends and solve
the crime together!

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Invite family, friends, neighbors and
co-workers to church this
Lenten Season.

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WORSHIP SERVICE: Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Minister.....All the People
Pastor.....Reverend Stacy Shelton
Minister of Music & Accompanist.....Janet O'Donovan
Song Leader.....Kathy Williams
Business Administrator.....Katherine Goin
Bookkeeper.....Chris Peters
Small Steps Director.....Teresa Fiuren
ACCESS Pantry Co-Managers.....Denise Frelin & Buttons Cummings