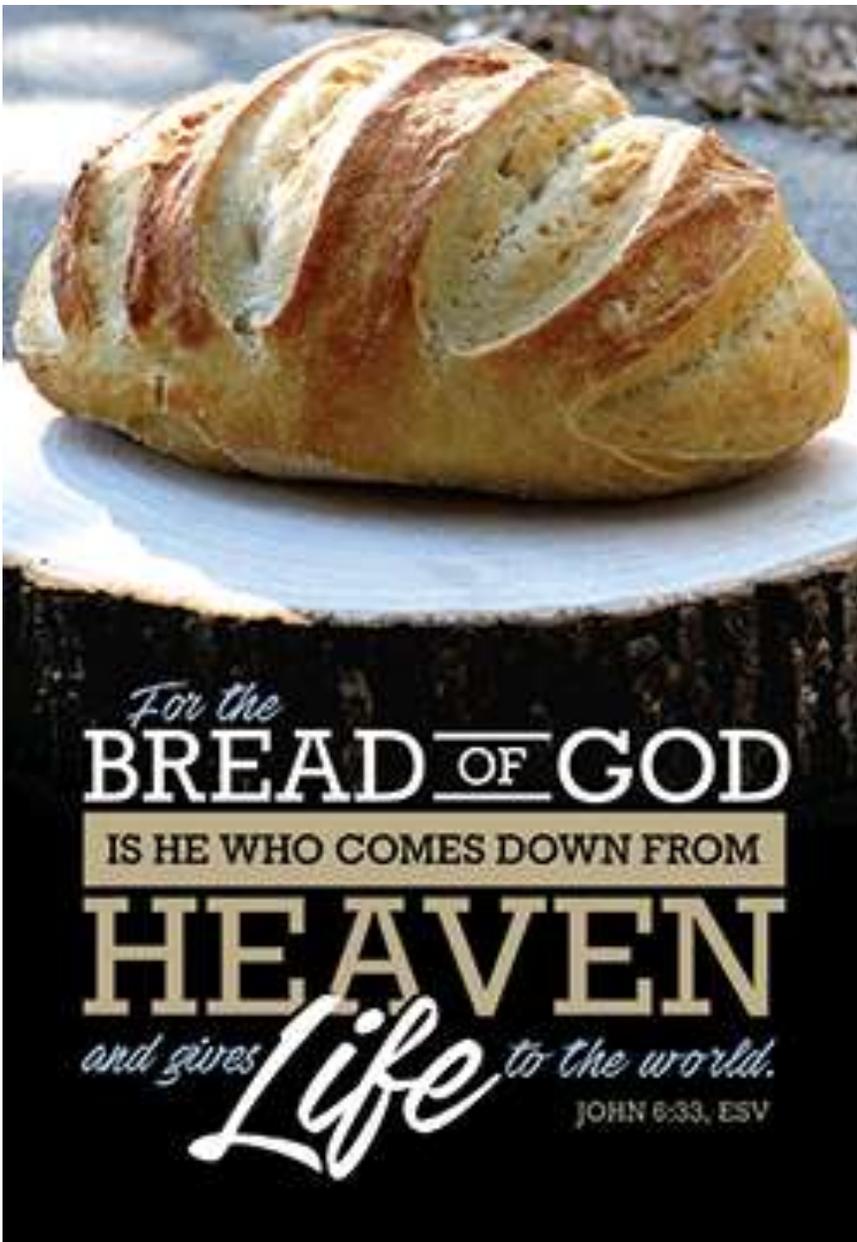


# THE Carillon

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**The Carillon  
August 2018**

**Sunday Worship Schedule:**

10:00 am - 11:00 am - Worship

11:00 am - 11:30 am - Fellowship

11:30 am - 12:30 pm - Adult Sunday School

During Worship - W.A.T.C.H.

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## S.P.A.M PICNIC

The annual SPAM potluck picnic will be held Friday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> beginning at 3pm at the Hermosa Beach home of Jackie and Hugh Minor. This is a great opportunity to get to know one another, sample some tasty dishes, and enjoy a spectacular view from Minor's beautiful waterfront home.

Stop by the SPAM table in Westminster Hall to sign up or call Jan Weakley at 360-691-7085.

R.S.V.P. by August 1st



## Facility Use Update

We know here at FPCE our building is a blessing. We have worked with our Facilities Committee, our office, and with our session to make sure we have a clear Facility Room Use process. We evaluate this policy and process once a year and currently have updated our registration through an on-line portal. We use our building every day of the year for outreach, mission, and ministry.

The Hoff Foundation began a relationship with our congregation in September 2014 with a signed room use form to use space in our basement for the Queen's Closet. In January 2015, the Hoff Foundation began using a larger footprint in the basement and session began a process that has resulted in a month to month tenancy agreement. In 2016, we signed an agreement with the Hoff Foundation for \$500/month.

In 2017, Facilities and session began our annual comprehensive review of our facility use. This has resulted in an updated process for reserving rooms here and an updated month to month tenancy agreement with the Hoff Foundation. In February 2018, both parties agreed to this new agreement. Currently the Hoff Foundation pays \$760/month with a provision for the rent to raise to \$800/month in 2019. During this time of review and evaluation, new information came to session regarding the Hoff Foundation.

Session has taken this new information seriously and has worked on getting answers to those questions. The Hoff Foundation is a certified 501(c3) non-profit in the State of Washington. They have met our requirement that we are named as an additional insured on their policy and they have not encumbered our property. Their Access to Recovery program has been defunded by the Federal government ceasing that ministry at the end of April 2018. They are paying their rent on time and while there has been healthy debate in session, we have not changed our current month to month tenancy agreement with the Hoff Foundation.

In June 2018, the session approved a communications plan appointing a single contact point where our elders and their organization can share, gather, and request information. Elder Bill Grosse has volunteered and been approved as that liaison. He is authorized to bring approved concerns to the Hoff Foundation, gather information, listen to their concerns and requests, and then give a report to session monthly. Outside of session, Bill Grosse has stepped into a precarious place where he can speak having been given authority on behalf of session. We ask that questions be funneled to him and if he cannot answer, he will bring those questions to session, and then report back.

Our session meetings take place on the second Tuesday of the month and we begin our meeting at 6pm with a 30-minute public hearing time before our formal session meeting begins at 6:30. We ask that you please contact Pastor Alan if you desire to talk or present as we want to make sure time is honored for all involved, but at 6:30pm our public meeting will be closed for the elders to continue the business of the church.

We know that member care, programs for families, combined with engaged worship and mission are core principles here at the First Presbyterian Church of Everett. Here at FPCE we value the diversity of opinions and one of our strengths is sticking together as the body of Christ even when we disagree. We are sisters and brothers on a life-long journey following Christ where faithful people can read, pray, and seek alongside each other, come to different conclusions and not give up on each other. We practice and struggle on the journey together. We are not perfect. But we know, hope, have faith, and believe the body of Christ is better when we are together.

Peace,

Pastor Alan – Teaching Elder

The Ruling Elders of 2018

## Fourth Monday Book Group

If you love to read and enjoy sharing your love of reading, Fourth Monday Book Group is for you! Come to Calvin Lounge at 10:00 a.m. on, you guessed it, fourth Mondays. This year's adventure is leading us to new experiences as we follow the categories set forth by Everett Public Library's "Reading Challenge 2018." For more information or to vie for prizes see their web site.

Upcoming categories are as follows:

August 27	science or science fiction
September 24	a book that was banned at some point
October 22	a book with a one-word title
November 26	a book that won a national award

Our small but mighty church library has several science books that would qualify for August. For September, as you have opportunity, do internet search for "banned books" and prepare to be amazed! For October, one-word titles may be tricky but not impossible to find. When November comes, national awards can be fun to survey.

Questions? Come to Book Group (ALL WELCOME) or contact Shirley Solberg (425-252-2706 or [srsolberg@frontier.com](mailto:srsolberg@frontier.com)).

### 'Here I Am Lord'

Are you feeling called to get involved? Here's your opportunity...

...Dinner at the Bell is seeking a person or persons who may be interested serving as coordinator for this weekly feeding mission. The job would be to coordinate and organize how Dinner at the Bell serves our economically challenged community.

To explore this opportunity, please call or see either Dottie Villevik at 425-330-6095 or

David Baer-Peckham at 256-479-0227



## Library Update - **Reorganization of Children's Library**

If you have been in the Children's Library on the third floor of our historic building recently, you may have noticed a few changes.

First, the room is sporting a pleasingly pastel fresh coat of paint thanks to the intrepid team of Laura Little and Linda Bloom. Please do thank them when you see them!

This welcome enhancement entailed movement of all the books. One thing led to another. The book migration encouraged us to reconsider their arrangement in the room.

The need for signage became clear. Additionally, this area was as yet untouched by the weeding still in progress on the first floor. Reshelving has led to reconsideration of the continuing value of each item as well as the best placement of each category.



In short, if you are using the online catalog <https://15781.rmwebopac.com>, as we hope you are, books with the following call numbers are still available in the freshly painted room across from the nursery, but possibly not in the order you remember or on their former shelves. Nor are all the shelf labels in place to assist as of this writing.

The affected sections are "CE" (books for parents, grandparents, and teachers to share with young readers), "YA" (for teens), "J" (middle grades), and "E" (picture books and reading for preschool and primary grades). Within each of these categories are nonfiction in order by traditional Dewey numbers and fiction arranged alphabetically by author. Once new signs are in place the order will make more sense.

Too much information? Here's all you need to know. There are many truly engaging and enlightening books in the children's library. Especially during our ongoing reorganization process, let us help you find them!

Your library staff,  
Shirley Solberg & Fern Tully

### **Special dates:**

- S.P.A.M. Picnic, August 3, 2018
- CFD Conversation, August 5, 2018
- Art Walk at FPCE, August 16, 2018
- Parking Lot Picnic, August 19, 2018



*I am ... the holy one in your midst (Hos. 11:9)*

We've been concerned over these past two Carillons with the question, "What makes the Holy Land holy?" This question continues to reverberate in my heart and mind since we made our pilgrimage to Israel and the West Bank in late April, early May, and saw and heard so much that was "unholy" in the Holy Land. Last month I addressed the question through what I perceive to be a Zionist implementation of a form of *priestly* holiness that separates the state of Israel from, and condemns, everything not considered clean, pure, or worthy of a humane treatment, by Israel—i.e., Palestinians. Comprehensive mistreatment of Palestinians by "non-stop Zionism" through policies of apartheid that dehumanize Palestinians and de-legitimate their right to the land, appear to me to be the outworking of priestly holiness in modern guise.

But there is another understanding of holiness in Scripture that moves in the opposite direction from Zionism. We can call it *prophetic* holiness. Prophetic holiness also upholds the "separateness" of God. But God's "separateness" (God's holiness) takes the form of an embrace of what is unholy. God is holy, "separate," precisely because God embraces all that is unholy in order to transform it. We find this embrace voiced by the prophet Hosea. In chapter 11, Hosea takes us inside the very heart of God as God struggles with Israel's persistent ingratitude and sinfulness. Hosea portrays Yahweh as wrestling within himself as to a course of action. First God recalls his parental concern for Israel and Israel's adolescent indifference to, and rebellion against, this love and concern.

*When Israel was a child, I love him / and out of Egypt I called my son /*

*The more I called them/the more they went from me ...*

*Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk / I took [Israel] in my arms*

*but they did not know I healed them.*

*I led them with cords of human kindness ... I bent down to them and fed them ...*

*My people are bent on turning away from me (11:1–4, 7)*

As God's deliberations continue, he contemplates giving up on Israel. "They are bent on leaving me," God seems to say. "Well, then, good riddance. Let them go. They have offended my holiness. Let them rebel. Let them suffer the consequences. I'm done!" But then we find God repenting, awakened to the contradiction of his own nature against what he is contemplating.

*How can I give you up, Ephraim? / How can I hand you over, O Israel? ...*

*My heart recoils within me, my compassion grows warm and tender /*

*I will not execute my fierce anger / I will not again destroy Ephraim;*

*for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst,*

*and I will not come to wrath (11:8–9)*

God realizes, in the midst of his anger, that he can't abandon Israel. It's against his very nature to do so. In the midst of God's rising frustration, God finds himself startled by his all-to-human temptation to reject those who disappoint him. It's almost as if God is shocked to find himself considering the temptation to act this way. "*My heart recoils within me ... for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst.*" God here identifies holiness as the very opposite of our human propensity to exclude and separate from those whom we disapprove.

## Session News & Notes – June 2018

Prepared by Bill Grosse

Presbyterian Session meetings are conducted in private, so we have included a 30 minute “Public Time”, which is set aside for anyone to come and present anything they think session ought to be aware of – or act on.

Four members visited this month, to emphasize several matters thought to need session attention or emphasis. Cindy Rowland reviewed some concerns over Hoff Foundation’s possible non-conformance with our rental agreement’s provision that they meet and stay in good standing with Federal and State requirements for non-profits. (This item will be reviewed with Judy Hoff and her board president followed by a report back to session.) Dorothy Nerison added assent to Cindy’s report, suggested that session report to the congregation about its activities (hence this restoration of Session News & Notes), voiced some concern over Dinner at the Bell ownership and participation, emphasized the need for K-6 Sunday school, and recommended a member for future session membership. Jackie and Hugh Minor emphasized the need for a “real” Sunday school – potentially a draw for new people. The Public Time having elapsed, the visitors departed with thanks from session.

Pastor Alan opened the formal meeting with scripture and prayer, after which the session voted to welcome new member **Marilee Richards** who comes to us from Central Lutheran.

Significant items from the meeting other than routine committee reports:

1. Second reading of the revised Facilities Use Policy – vote set for next meeting.
2. Approval of a Bake Sale/Silent Auction to support the Alzheimer’s will be held on September 16<sup>th</sup> during coffee hour.
3. Discussion of importance of a vision statement upon which to base program and ministry as we go forward. Session will meet on Saturday Aug 18, to develop an updated version to present to the congregation.
4. Discussion of several items presented during Public Time.

Items underway: parking – optimizing use of capacity, office management, facilities use, Dana’s retirement, plan for CFD’s future. Stocker kitchen rehab has been signed off by the Fire Dept. Bargreens will complete the project soon, after which the kitchen will be thoroughly cleaned and floor sealed. Nursery is near completion of upgrade.

## **CFD Conversation Update**

On Sunday July 1st, 25 people joined in on a conversation regarding discipleship here at FPCE. Please reflect and review the leading questions as those continue to guide us. On August 5<sup>th</sup>, we will be having a second conversation regarding discipleship at 11:20am in Calvin Lounge. Pastor Alan, Dana, the CFD Committee, and our session are working through these times of vision and reflections from our congregation as we plan for our future discipleship here at First Everett.

If you'd like to join us on August 5<sup>th</sup>, please RSVP to Pastor Alan ([dorway@firstpreschurch.com](mailto:dorway@firstpreschurch.com)) or Dana Wright ([danarwright@msn.com](mailto:danarwright@msn.com)) by Thursday August 2<sup>nd</sup>, as we will be serving lunch. Thank you

## **NOTES FROM THE CFD CONVERSATION ON JULY 1, 2018**

25 people were in attendance and the conversation began around 11:30am and ended with lunch served at 12:25pm

### **Welcome – Pastor Alan**

Opening Reminders for the group

Accounting of where we are

Mission study

We want to articulate a vision for our discipleship that takes where we are and moves us into the next year or five

Process continues beyond any hiring – commitment to our staff's and our congregation's success

This is a safe place, as such, minutes will be posted, upcoming meetings will be announced, prayers encouraged, discussion to happen, but attacks are not necessary, we all have wanted and continue to want what's best for our congregation

### **Questions for Group Discussion**

#### **Give an accounting**

Where are we?

#### **Discipleship**

What is it for us?

How do we imagine ourselves as disciples here?

What keeps us from having this conversation?

How do we want to be known as disciples here at FPCE?

What do we expect of our disciples here?

What does it mean to be a member involved in our church?

#### **Outreach**

How do we impact our community?

How do we love our neighbor as FPCE in the downtown?

In the elevator, what do you share?

Personal stories?

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Four groups formed to talk for 25 minutes and then report back to the whole. Not all questions were needed to get to or fulfill. The goal of the questions was to allow a conversation on what does it mean to be a disciple here? Each group had a chance to report with no judgement, just sharing. These are the notes of what was shared:

### **Group 1**

Mission is going well, especially local

Dinner at the Bell at one time served 75 on average, now up to 150-200/week

We do mission trips and are still going, active

Welcome well

Pastor is good

Information in bulletin shows that we pray for each other

We are doing a lot, but still can learn more and learn from/use other groups as a resource

Communication – needs help; not all participate in electronic information

K-6 – Sunday School

### **Group 2**

Aged/aging population

Needs not being met, a concern

Youth need a variety of services, need to draw in

If we are a beacon, then it's the duller we've ever been

Weekly communication for everything

Can be seen as a vehicle for inviting

Getting people in, use the bulletin

Complete information with ease of accessibility

Outreach – art community, Naval station, others

Traditional music a draw

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### **Group 3**

Discipleship

Learning, growing, living faithfully as a Christian

Difference between Christian and norm

Living in and outside of local community

Alternative to current/mainline culture

Provide opportunities for dynamic learning that converses together; live that out in our community as the principle goal of all activities

Culture is our default mode – a problem

We default and forget uniqueness of Christianity and all relationships

Note that we are distinct as Christians and have a unique witness

### **Group 4**

Ditto to other groups

Available so others can build upon it

Discipling outreach

Teaching gospel as Christianity and all connected

Christ visioning

Connecting – small groups

Do we do a good job?

Do well with seniors, others?

Lunches are a place we can learn a lot from each other

Young people – families, Sunday school

### **Additional Notes**

Godly Play

Family Game Nights

Family Movie Nights

Disney, popcorn, pop

Nature clubs

2 events

Apple snapels, bubble talk, twister

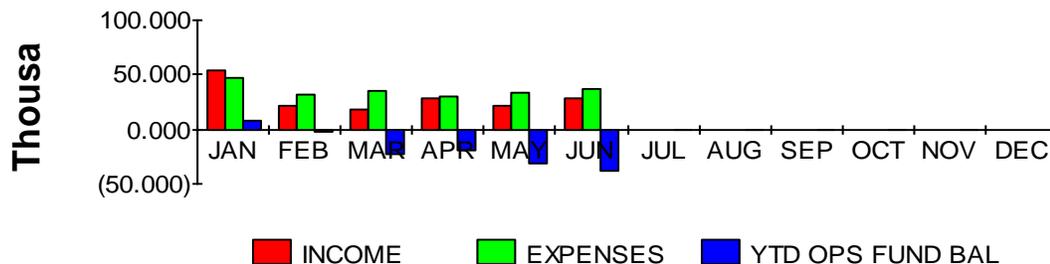


## **Parking Lot Picnic featuring Jake's Hot Dogs and a Snow Cone Truck**

We're having a fun picnic in our own parking lot on Sunday August 19<sup>th</sup> immediately after worship, all are invited! We'll have food, games, scavenger hunt, egg toss, prizes, and much, much more. To help round out our menu, those with a last name from A-L please bring a salad or fruit and M-Z a dessert, CFD will provide the punch. You don't have to bring a lot, a little goes a long way! See you on the 19<sup>th</sup>!

Treasurer's Report for June 2018

## COMPARING INCOME, EXPENSES and OPS BAL Monthly for 2018



Here's our status as of the end of June. The Ops balance sank to -38,665, still reflecting the effect of the three low giving months Feb, Mar and May. (Expenses have stayed close to budgeted levels and giving recovered a little in June however.) July looks to be much better so far. Copies of the monthly reports are available in the office.

Recently I've been re-reading a paper I downloaded from one of the Church Administrator's Newsletters we get each week. It purports to provide a five point guide to help churches avoid the "summer slump" in giving – making for challenges later in the year. Sound familiar? You bet! Here are their five points – with a short response to each.

- 1. Cast a vision.** We've had a vision, and have reviewed it periodically. Session will be meeting in August to review and update our vision and ways to better communicate it. Note that this vision is different in context from our "Steeple on the Hill..." imagery, which has become our "brand".
- 2. Create compelling summer fellowship and outreach opportunities.** We try to do this too, and are always willing to receive new ideas!
- 3. Articulate financial goals without overdoing it.** We have a budget – which represents our ministry plan for the year. Other goals have been articulated in the past – recall the capital campaign materials widely circulated in 2009.
- 4. Utilize an online "eGiving platform realm."** We've got one! The donate button on our web-site makes e-giving simple and convenient for anyone who wishes to use it.
- 5. Identify the unique financial challenges facing your church.** Treasurer tries to do this monthly to session and in the Carillon.

These five points are interesting, and are said to have been developed based on extensive research and experimentation. While intended to serve as a guide for churches, they may not be the whole story. Notice the orientation on people aspects – sales #2, convenience #4 and motivation #1 and #3. Also, reality #5. While these points may be helpful, omitted are the spiritual aspects. Hopefully we can be influenced by all aspects, and thereby assure a healthy, sustainable and vibrant community of faith well into the future.

## Tour FPCE's Historic Stained Glass Windows on the Everett Art Walk

Our beautiful stained glass windows will be a part of the Everett Art Walk on Thursday, August 16th from 6:00pm — 9:00pm in the sanctuary.

The great granddaughter of the Povey Bros. in Portland, Or., Laurie Povey Crawford will be leading the tour. Our own Dottie Villevik will serve as hostess.



During the tour, Laurie will have her easel of pastel studies of light through glass, inside and out, for pondering the processes of the many stages of creating stained glass with a purpose of inspiration and story telling. You'll also have an opportunity to preview our new book devoted to the stained glass windows. Books will be available to order for \$35 each.



Entrance to the tour will be through the Wall Street Sanctuary doors which are on the corner of Rockefeller and Wall Streets.

For additional information, you can contact Laurie Povey Crawford, at 425-319-3876. Get an online map at [Everrettartwalk.org](http://Everrettartwalk.org).

## A Heartfelt Note of Thanks:

A big thank you to Laura Little, Linda Bloom, Jim Kutz, and the Facilities Committee for all of the amazing work they have been doing around our church. They recently touched up the paint in the children's restroom, and washed the two hallways by Westminster and on the second floor. They also washed around the stairs in the areas they could reach. They cleaned out a store-room by the pastor's office, did paint inventory and cleaned the upholstery in Calvin. A special thanks to Laura, who took some time to clean carpets in Westminster and Calvin. If you are interested in helping out with the carpet cleaning, please let someone on the Facilities Committee know. There will be a training scheduled on the use of our machine.

Everything Laura, Linda, Jim and the facilities committee do is so greatly appreciated. All of us here at FPCE thank you for all of your hard work and your dedication to our church.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL  
**A Biblical  
Theology of Land  
and Covenant**

FPCE  
JULY 22 TO  
SEPTEMBER 9  
11:20AM  
CALVIN LOUNGE

# AUGUST CELEBRATIONS!

## Anniversaries:

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|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 4- Monica & Robby A.M. Remmen        | 11- Clyde & Judith Pitcher  | 23- Janet & John DeWater   |
| 6- Eliza & W. John Elwood            | 12- Betty & Edwin Coon      | 28- Jean & William Messner |
| 8- Joshua & Teresa Miniken           | 14- James & Kathy Hunter    | 31- Adam & Tia Flournoy    |
| 9- Destia & Rodney Hermes            | 17- Grant & Vicki Hopper    |                            |
| 10- Carol & Gary Hopper              | 17- Kathleen & Kurt Shubert |                            |
| 10- Janice & Richard Weakley         | 18- C. David & Joan Blacker |                            |
| 11- Howard Garner & Rosemary Cassady | 21- John & Judith Campbell  |                            |
|                                      | 22- Mark & Mary Simpson     |                            |



## Birthdays:

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|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 2-Abigail Norris      | 21-June Wennick            |
| 2-Jonathan Norris     | 21-Mary Ann Knaebel Chavis |
| 3-Alexis McGuire      | 21-Seth Powell             |
| 3-Chloe Draper        | 22-Sandi Newton            |
| 6-Joanna Barr         | 23-Christopher Mattix      |
| 9-Ainslee Mattix      | 23-Eunice Allan            |
| 9-Katherine Muller    | 23-Marcia Burnham          |
| 10-Gabriel Ortiz      | 23-Patricia Erickson       |
| 10-Jena Saltz         | 24-George Tonn             |
| 10-Parker Leland      | 24-Jack Cooper             |
| 11-Dwight Good        | 25-Barbara Johnson         |
| 13-Lisa Mockler       | 26-Howard Garner           |
| 14-Annette King       | 26-Robert Peterson         |
| 14-John Oerter        | 26-Sylvia Martin           |
| 15-Katherine Campbell | 29-Madeline Gervasi        |
| 16-Jean Cole - Rankin | 29-Stephanie Hoffman       |
| 19-Eliza Elwood       | 30-Ashley McGuire          |
| 19-Eric Tonn          | 30-Randal Roberts          |
| 19-Rebecca Messner    | 31-Jacob Ryiter            |
| 21-Donald Oberg       | 31-Mary Titus              |
| 21-Elizabeth Lee      |                            |



### **E-Newsletter Submission Deadlines**

If you have information you would like included in the e-newsletter, please send that information to [sondra@firstpreschurch.com](mailto:sondra@firstpreschurch.com) by the Thursdays prior to the second and fourth Mondays.

Upcoming Deadlines:

**August 9, 2018**

**July 23, 2018**

### **The Carillon Submission Deadline**

If you have information you would like included in upcoming editions of The Carillon, please e-mail your submission to [sondra@firstpreschurch.com](mailto:sondra@firstpreschurch.com) two weeks prior to the last Sunday of the month. The Carillon is distributed on the last Sunday.

Upcoming Deadline:

**AUGUST 12, 2018**

**ALL SUBMISSIONS DUE BY 5:00PM ON DUE DATE.**

### **Prayer List Update**

Prayer List Update:

First, we want to pray for you. Please use a prayer request card found in the pew and drop it in the offering plate. These requests are given to our pastor and if you indicate, then we add them to our weekly prayer list in the bulletin. If requests change or there is an update, then please also fill out a request form to let us know.



Second, we desire to be a congregation of prayer. We respect privacy and understand the power of a community praying for one another. We are working on an email prayer chain that will allow immediate prayer requests to be given to the congregation for prayer and support. This will add another level of lifting our prayers on behalf of each other in between times of the prayer list in our bulletins. We are working on setting this up and making sure we have a good system in place. More information to come.

### **The Pilgrims are coming....**

#### **The Pilgrims are coming....**

Yes, The Pilgrims are returning to FPCE this fall and will be singing music that "celebrates God's love" in so many ways.



Photo Credit: [facebook.com/pilgrimsinging](https://www.facebook.com/pilgrimsinging)

Please plan ahead and invite your friends and family members for Sunday, October 14th, 2018, for the 10:00 am service.

The Pilgrims represent New Horizons, a comprehensive street youth program in the Seattle-area. Mark your calendars for morning worship on 10/14/18!

# CARING FOR OUR EARTH (It's easy being green!)



## Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

From the Estuary Angels

### **Things with Hidden Plastic in Them** (Source: Mother Nature Network)

**Tea Bags.** The bags themselves may contain a small amount of plastic that's added to help them keep their shape in boiling water. The wrappers from tea bags may also contain a plastic lining. You can buy tea bags that aren't made with plastic, like Numi, Organic Traditional Medicinals, or Tetley Black and Green Tea. Or, buy loose-leaf tea and use a reusable tea infuser.

**Glitter.** It's made from plastic sheets. It will live in the landfill for a very long time. In the water, it is consumed by plankton, fish, shellfish, seabirds, and other creatures. Birds that have plastic litter buildup in their stomachs can die of starvation. It's best to avoid all glitter.

**Fleece Clothing.** Fleece clothing is made with plastic microfibers. Each time it's washed, it releases thousands of microfibers. When they make their way into drinking water or the ocean, it's likely we or marine creatures end up ingesting them. You can choose not to buy fleece or buy a filter for your washing machine that will remove many of the microfibers.

**Disposable Wipes.** Wipes contain plastics that are not generally biodegradable and usually end up flushed or in the trash. Those that get flushed clog up the sewers. Wipes that end up in the ocean can be mistaken by turtles as food. It's recommended they be used only when absolutely necessary and never flushed down the toilet. Use rags, washcloths, etc., instead of wipes.

### **Special Days**

Aug. 2 is **Earth Over-Shoot Day** or **Ecological Debt Day**, the date when we (all of humanity) have used more from nature than our planet can renew in the entire year. We are using 1.7 earths. We use more ecological resources than nature can regenerate, through overfishing, overharvesting forests, and emitting more carbon dioxide into the atmosphere than ecosystems can absorb. Aug 7 is **Particularly Preposterous Packaging Day**, a day for wrap rage from hard-to-open packaging. Excessive packaging wastes precious resources and leaves us with extra rubbish to dispose of. Aug. 10 is **World Lion Day**, reminding us that the lion population has dramatically declined. Aug. 11 is **National Garage Sale Day**, the coming together of those with belongings they no longer want and those with a want for belongings they don't have. Aug. 12 is **World Elephant Day**, supporting elephant conservation and protection of their habitat. Aug. 17 is **National Thrift Shop Day**. With an increasing awareness of the importance of reducing pointless waste, we are progressing from a disposable society to a recycling society. Resale is the ultimate in recycling. Aug. 18 is **National Honey Bee Day**, honoring the insect responsible for more than 1/3 of the food we eat. Aug. 19 is **International Orangutan Day**, to recognize the most iconic victim of the palm-oil industry. Sumatran and Bornean orangutan populations have declined about 50% in recent decades, and deforestation rates have continued to climb. Aug. 25 is **National Second-Hand Wardrobe Day**, celebrating the thriftiness and practicality of second-hand clothing.

### **Enjoy the Beauty Around Us**

Visit Washington State Parks without an entrance fee on Aug. 25 on the National Park Service's 102<sup>nd</sup> birthday. Other free days are Sept. 22 (National Public Lands Day), Nov. 11 (Veterans Day), and Nov. 23 (Autumn Day). See [www.discoverpass.wa.gov](http://www.discoverpass.wa.gov).

*"A sunset is the opening music of the night." - Unknown*

## MUSIC AT FPCE:

### Save the Date: Summer Aire Concert Sunday, September 9, 2018 3:00pm

Senior Bells, Chancel Bells and Chancel Choir have wrapped for the season. Summer Choir and Summer Aire rehearsals are now underway. Summer Choir meets at 8:30am in the Sanctuary. Summer Aire rehearsals begin at 7pm on Thursdays in Westminster Hall. The Summer Aire Concert is Sunday September 9th at 3pm.



## Game Nights at FPCE

One result of the CFD gathering on July 1<sup>st</sup> was to offer a chance to connect with other FPCE folks through board game activities.

We have great hopes of expanding this to some family-friendly games based on your feedback. But to begin, we will start with Scrabble and dominoes. To get this activity off of the ground, let's choose a compatible time...daytime and/or evening...to start playing this fall.

So, it's up to YOU to respond to this with your ideas and support. Please RSVP to Linda Senter or Lois Tysseling by Sunday, August 19, 2018.

Thank you,

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