

SHEPHERD'S VOICE

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Shalom!

Our Tuesday Bible Study (9:00—10:30 a.m.) will resume on January 7th. We will be starting a

video series on the wisdom literature. We will watch three videos on Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, & Job; one per study. The videos are from The Bible Project and each is a creative overview of the teachings found in our three texts. As a collection they help us explore what the good life looks like. Check out the video preview of the series via Shepherds Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/shepherdcorvallis/>

After the wisdom series, the Bible Study will turn our attention to a series on the Shema; more on that series to come.

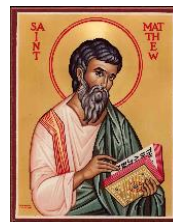
Everyone is invited to attend the Tuesday morning Bible Study. You might be asking, "Why would I attend?" I have three reasons for you: 1) the videos are creative, engaging, and distill down well the various texts, words, and themes found in the Bible. Often we can get lost in the details and it's nice to have an overview; 2) time to slow down and consider one of the upcoming texts for Sunday. Participants are given a chance to slowly copy the reading on one page of a journal. Copying texts help memory & slowing down helps us to

consider what is written. On the other page of the journal participants write down their thoughts, what seems to be the author's point, draw pictures the text brings forth, etc. It is personal and yet done with other people doing the same thing; and 3) hear and share with fellow believers about faith and life. We share and ask questions together based upon our video and journaling. Even if you don't like to talk, that is okay. The benefits of watching and writing and listening are valuable.

If you would like to receive weekly reminders, please contact me and I will add you to the list. The reminder consists of what video we will watch, what text we will copy, and the time the class starts.

Peace,

Pastor Eric



MultiGen+ Bible Study is held in the Fellowship Hall at 10:30 a.m. following worship and fellowship time. This year our focus will be on the Gospel of St. Matthew. However, there are sure to be some detours along the way

© Join us each Sunday as we study, learn and share together.

Quarterly Congregational Meeting

Sunday, January 26th
10:30 a.m



The Fellowship Luncheon Group meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 11:30 a.m. at various restaurants in the Corvallis-Albany area. On January 8th, they will meet at Cascade BBQ in the Timberhill Shopping Center (Winco) at the corner of Kings Blvd. and Walnut. Bring you appetite! Talk to Karen Inman for more information.



Watch the Scripture

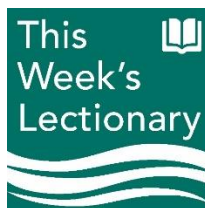


Journal the Scripture

Tuesday Morning Bible Class

There is some fun stuff going on Tuesday mornings, from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. as a group of folks engage in

conversation about the upcoming Lectionary readings. While sipping on tea, they open with the viewing of a video from Portland-based *The Bible Project*, followed by discussion. Bring a journal and be ready to dig a bit deeper and engage in lively conversation. Pr. Eric leads this dynamic and fun discussion (and also makes the tea!). Each week 'stands alone' so you can come whenever you wish. (For more information, see Pastor's message this month.)



Lectionary Bible Readings for Worship

January 5, 2020

Epiphany

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalms 72:1-15

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:1-12

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

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The Baptism of Our Lord

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-9

Psalms 29

Second Reading: Romans 6:1-11

Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

January 19, 2020

Second Sunday after Epiphany

First Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7

Psalms 40:1-11

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Gospel: John 1:29-42a

January 26, 2020

Third Sunday after Epiphany

First Reading: Isaiah 9:1-4

Psalms 27:1-14

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-25



Emmaus Growth Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays in the church kitchen as

they enjoy coffee, fellowship and yes, many times special treats ☺ as they delve into God's Word. All women are welcome to join!



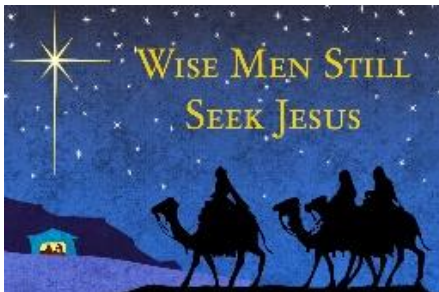
Women on Wednesdays
 1st and 3rd Wednesdays
 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
 All women are welcome!

They will begin a new study by John Stott on November 6th – Ephesians: Building a Community in Christ. "We long to belong. We crave unity. We want to be loved and accepted by others. Paul's letter to the Ephesians is about uniting all things in Christ. Here we learn how to break down what separates us from God, one ethnic group from another, husband from wife, parent from child, employer from employee. These studies provide a vision of the new society God has planned in his church. Talk with Jennifer Klammer or Donna Durbin for more information.



Seventeen hygiene kits were assembled and donated to Community Outreach in December.

Now. . . some crazy numbers: In 2019, we donated 138 hygiene kits and . . . since the beginning of this ministry in October 2013, there have been 846 hygiene kits created and donated!!! WOW!! Thank you so much for saving, collecting and bringing your travel-sized toiletries, toothbrushes, washcloths, etc., and placing them in the bin at the Door of Opportunity these past six years. Many are blessed by you!



Gospel Fund application forms

Due January 13th.

Questions? Ask Pr. Eric, a Council Member or Elder



Together, we can save a life

Mark your calendars!

There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive on Wednesday, January 8th

from 1:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m. To donate, you may sign up by going to redcrossblood.org using sponsor code: Shepherdofthevalley, call 800-733-2767 or just walk-in. Your blood is always needed! Talk with Donna Durbin if you have questions.

Chains of Love



Eight caps were lovingly knitted or crocheted and delivered to the Cancer Center in December. If you are interested in being a

part of this loving ministry, please chat with Donna Durbin. She has copies of the patterns which she will gladly share with you!



Deadline for your newsletter submissions is the 17th of each month.

Suggestions for how we can make this a good resource for you are **always** welcome!!



January baptismal birthdays, birthdays and anniversaries

Baptismal birthdays: Char Bohlmann, Opal Grossnicklaus, Alison Hintzman, Virginia Kutsch, Jay McDougal, Tracy McDougal, Barb Schelp, and Glen Schmidt (1/1), Cynthia Dort (1/3), Mike Kutsch (1/6) and Ellie Hintzman (1/26).

Birthdays: Maggie Bohlmann (1/6), Karne Inman (1/9), Carol Taft and Joyce Robak (1/15), Virginia Kutsch and Charlie Rackley (1/17), Karl Schmidt (1/20), Pauline Holthofer (1/29) and Katy Trautman (1/31).

Anniversaries: Rich & Gail Millimaki (1/29)

Please let the office know if there are omissions or corrections needed to this list ☺ Thank you!

Staff & Lay Leaders

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Lutherfest 2020

Tickets are now available!

Tickets are still available at \$60 each or a table for eight for \$400. But don't wait! This is usually a 'sold out' event. This event features six seated servings of a selected craft beer, artisan cheese, and a tasty appetizer. We are excited to have offerings from five breweries and six creameries.

Tickets can be purchased online from the [Luther House](#) web site – simply click on the Lutherfest 2020 picture. Come enjoy the fun!





January Lay Ministry

	Sunday January 5th	Sunday January 12th	Sunday January 19th	Sunday January 26th
Greeters	Dennis & Debi Anderson	Rob & Donna Durbin	Colleen Fisher Sandy Nash	Fernando Henriques Katy Trautman
Acolyte	Kari Dort	Kari Dort	Norah Bohlmann	Kari Dort
Musician	Ann Capps	Ann Capps	Ann Capps	Ann Capps
Reader	Donna Durbin	Alison Hintzman	Jeff Hintzman	Peter Klammer
Sound & Slide Tech	Peter Klammer	Jay McDougal	Craig Bell	Marla Crane
Ushers	Ray Hart	Ray Hart	Ray Hart	Ray Hart
	Karen Inman	Karen Inman	Karen Inman	Karen Inman
	Bobby Webb	Bobby Webb	Bobby Webb	Bobby Webb
	Sue Probus	Sue Probus	Sue Probus	Sue Probus
Communion Assistants				
Fellowship	Karen Inman	Virginia Kutsch	Gail Millimaki	Dennis & Debi Anderson
	Jennifer Klammer	Tracy McDougal	Donna Pompe	Donna Durbin
Altar Care	Char Reger	Char Reger	Char Reger	Char Reger
Counters	Sandy Nash	Alison Hintzman	Brenda Brumbaugh	Rob Durbin
	Donna Durbin	Jennifer Klammer	Dianne Taft	Karen Inman

I will keep an eye on the bulletin board and reflect changes in the Shepherd's Voice weekly. Thanks for helping!

January Activities

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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9:00 am Eucharistic Worship 10:30 am Multi-Gen+ 6:30 pm Nazareth GG	4:30 pm Girl Scouts 6:15 pm Evening Garden Club	9:00 am Bible Project 11:00 am Deaconess mtg 6:30 pm Elders meeting	10:00 am Women on Wednesdays 11:30 am Fellowship Potluck 1:00 pm Red Cross Blood Drive 1:45 pm Violin lessons 5:00 pm Womens' Discipleship	10:00 am Light of Christ Core team meeting 10:30 am Park Place devotions 3:00 pm Violin lessons 7:00 pm AA Meeting		
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