


The
Messenger

Valley Community Presbyterian Church

April 2011

Worship Schedule



Worship Schedule

Informal Service 8:30 a.m.
Traditional Service 10 a.m.
Nursery care 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Children and Youth
Sunday School 10:20 a.m.

Fellowship and Coffee, 11:15 a.m.

April

3 Fourth Sunday in Lent
Communion Sunday
Lenten Class 8:30 a.m.

10 Fifth Sunday in Lent
Lenten Class 8:30 a.m.

17 Passion/Palm Sunday
Cents-Ability Offering
Lenten Class 8:30 a.m.

21 Maundy Thursday Simple
Supper and Worship,
6:00 p.m. in Davis Hall

22 Good Friday Service 7:00 p.m.

24 Easter Sunday
Sunrise Service 6:30 a.m.
Worship 8:30 and 10:00 a.m.

May

1 Second Sunday of Easter
Communion Sunday
Children's Musical

Holy Week and Easter at Valley

Passion/Palm Sunday, April 17

8:30 a.m. - Informal Worship with Communion, Armitage Hall

8:30 a.m. - **Engaging in Spiritual Practices**
Lenten class for youth and adults - Youth House

10:00 a.m. - Worship with Palm Branch Procession
led by children and youth - Sanctuary
Combined choir - children, youth and adult choirs

Maundy Thursday, April 21

6:00 p.m. - Meal and worship around tables
Davis Hall

Good Friday, April 22

7:00 p.m. - Service of Shadows
Sanctuary Choir and English Handbells
(Tenebrae) - Sanctuary

Easter Sunday, April 24

6:30 a.m. - Sunrise Worship led by
Pastors and Youth

8:30 and 10 a.m. - Worship - Sanctuary
Music of the Resurrection
Sanctuary Choir and Brass Ensemble
*Nursery care available
for the 8:30 and 10:00 services

*Nursery care available for other events upon request.

All events are intergenerational, open to all.



Pastor's column



Pastor René Minshew

I hope by now you have noticed the sanctuary becoming darker Sunday by Sunday. As a way to more fully experience the “Journey to

Jerusalem” by Jesus the last year of his life, the Liturgical Arts committee is darkening the windows a little at a time so that we begin to at least partially feel the experience of the first disciples as they journeyed with him. We have an additional candelabra in the chancel filled with purple candles that we light each Sunday. And as we finish worship, during the benediction and sending, we extinguish another candle.

At the beginning of each service there is a new meditation. At the end of each service, there is a different thought and charge.

Why do we do this? You might remember that on occasion I have said that worship is like theater.

But not theater we are accustomed to. It was Danish philosopher, theologian and religious author Søren Kierkegaard *who first gave the analogy. Usually there are actors, prompters and audience in every theater experience. In worship, the three positions are reassigned. The worshippers are the actors, the clergy, liturgists and choir and the prompters, and G-d is the audience.*

All that we do in worship is to “prompt” you to act out more fully your worship in the presence of the most important audience of life, G-d.

If we are creating thoughts, questions, conversations, feelings, sensations, and experiences then we are fulfilling well our calling as prompters.

I think it is working. I am often asked, *Why are the windows being covered? Why the candelabra in the chancel? Why purple and white candles in the candelabra? Why are we extinguishing only one candle each Sunday? What are we doing in worship? The more questions the better, because you are seeking to understand your part in worship which is a major actors in the ‘theater of worship’ which is in the very presence of G-d.*

We will do similar things during Holy Week. There will be a familiar but new experience for Maundy Thursday, experienced around the tables in Davis Hall. There will also be a different experience for Good Friday evening in the sanctuary as well as a new experience for the children on Holy Saturday. Easter Sunday also promises to hold a few new experiences as well.

Why do we do all this? Because all who are involved in planning and executing worship are ‘prompters’. It is our calling, our task, our passion. I read not too long ago, “*A writer at a loss for words turns to a collection of phrases, pictures, sentences, and other ‘starters’ found in books, online, or from a personal cache collected for such moments. Choosing randomly or by intuition, the writer uses such a ‘prompt’ to initiate the desired flow of thoughts and words... and the ‘prompts’ for worship are for the purpose of helping prepare for the Sunday liturgy by personal meditation and to link the themes of the liturgical season to the mystical path of grace.*”

It is as the prophet Ezekiel wrote, *And the messenger of G-d said to me, “Son of man, eat this scroll that I give you and fill your stomach with it.” Then I ate it; and it was in my mouth as sweet as honey.* (3:3)

Our experience of worship should be quite similar – filling and sweet. I hope you will continue to expose yourself to the many ways of worship and work that are being offered during the rest of Lent and throughout the Season of Easter.

Peace, Shalom, Salaam, Namaste,

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Finance Report

Results for Valley through the end of February were below our budget expectations for 2011, and this unfortunately continues a trend from January. Given our estimates of expenses and giving timing, we expected to have a deficit of \$17,200 for the year to date, but have so far accrued a deficit of over \$34,000. On the expense side, we finished February approximately \$10,000 below our budgeted expense levels for the two months of 2011. As you have read in this note before, we thank those with oversight of the various programs for their attention to the budget.

Income to the church, however, has been much further behind our expectations.

This gap in income has two primary sources. The largest gap comes in adult giving, where we have received \$25,000 less than planned. In addition, income from our rental properties has been interrupted in the first two months, also contributing to the gap.

We prayerfully ask those who may be a bit behind in their giving relative to pledged amounts to remember Valley. As always, please notify the church office if your ability to meet your pledge for 2011 has changed. Finally, we thank the members and friends of Valley who have already responded to the letter from session of last month, and have increased pledges to Valley by more than \$4,000. If you have questions on the above, or other financial matters, please feel free to contact the finance committee or direct your questions to the Session.

~ Lyle Chadwick, Treasurer

~ Eben Jenkins, Finance Committee Elder

It's Spring - and selling season!

The Capital Improvement Committee continues to oversee the sale of two church-owned properties:

- There has been quite a bit of traffic through the home on Cedar Street which is being offered at \$299,900. Based on feedback from people who have toured the home, the committee recently had the wood floors refinished and will be laying new carpet in the family room.
- Similarly, there has been some interest expressed in the property that faces Laurelwood Avenue. The asking price for this land is \$399,000.

If you are interested in either of these real-estate opportunities - or know someone who is - please contact Donna Rueff or a member of the Capital Improvement Committee.

Proceeds from the sale of these properties will fund the upgrade of Valley's heating system as well as the other building improvements that occurred over the past several months. In addition, the funds will be used for future building improvements, as outlined to the congregation last year.

The committee deeply misses and is still mourning the loss of its chairman, Everett Smyth. The fund, which was set up in Everett's memory, continues to grow, as people honor Ev and contribute to Valley's vision.



The Value of Valley

By Andrea Murdoch, Mission Elder



At my request, Luke Dorf has provided us with a list of children (10 and under) who would like to receive Easter Baskets. See me during Coffee Hour April 3 and 10 to sponsor a basket, or shares of a basket. Our small gift can mean so much to a child who has next to nothing.

One Great Hour of Sharing was started just after World War II, by an English Episcopal Bishop, who challenged the British churches to collect 1 million Pounds, *in an hour*, to assist the war's survivors. Since then, this idea has grown to 11 denominations. Over the past 65+ years, thousands upon thousands of people have been helped to put their *lives back together*. In March, our Presbyterian Disaster Assistance sent \$100,000 to Japan to help them start healing; these funds came from our 2010 contributions. Please prayerfully consider your 2011 donation, which will be collected on Palm Sunday, April 17.



Getting to know our family of faith

The Membership Committee will re-introduce members (and friends) to the congregation through an article each month because there are so many new faces, many of whom are long time friends of Valley. Each month, the committee will contact people to see if they'd like to be featured in this article. Feedback is always welcome. If you know you'd like to be re-introduced to the Valley congregation, feel free to send a quick paragraph about yourself and your family to katie@valleycommunity.org.



Ed and Laura Sanders

Ed and Laura moved to Oregon in 2004 to be close to their children and grandchildren. Laura grew up in Louisiana and after teaching for a couple of years, went to the University of Montana in Missoula and met Ed, a Montana native. After living in Montana for about five years, we moved to Arvada, Colorado and lived there for almost 30 years and thought that would be 'home'. After retirement and the arrival of Amber (12) and Justin (8), we couldn't stand being so far away so made the move and have never regretted it.

In addition to staying busy with grandkids, we enjoy traveling and just got back from our first trip to Hawaii. Ed *loves* to fish and enjoys doing handyman jobs at home and at the church. Laura enjoys reading, cooking, and helps with Fellowship at church.



The Wayne and Sarah Boyle family

We (Wayne and Sarah Boyle) came to Valley Church in 2004. We met while working at a spaghetti restaurant, putting our college degrees to good use. In 1991 we were married at St. Andrews Church by none other than Pastor Ben. We have two daughters, 10-year-old Liz and 4-year-old Lily Anne.

Previously, we attended another church, but were looking for something a little smaller and homier. Friends had told us about the cherub choir at Valley, and we thought it would be a perfect fit for Liz. She jumped right in and was comfortable in the Sunday School program as well, which had been a major struggle prior. We felt like we had been led to a church we could call home. Liz has gone on to the King's Kids choir and the Royal Ringers. She also enjoys acting in the yearly musical. Lily Anne can't wait to sing like her sister. She has proudly just joined the Cherub Choir and loves it.

Sarah, Lily Anne, Wayne and Liz Boyle.

Wayne spends his days as a chemist for Oregon OSHA. He loves to cook almost as much as he loves to eat and is an avid cyclist. Sarah spends her days wrangling our little energy ball we call Lily and managing the many activities of Liz. She also volunteers at their schools and likes to dabble in home improvement projects. We both help with the children's programs at church, whether it be in the nursery, Sunday school, or Vacation Bible School. Wayne puts on his mad scientist hat for the Creative Classroom Circuit for some very crazy lessons. We are happy to watch our family grow up in the Valley family.



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**2011 Per Capita
(for Presbytery expenses)
\$22.90**

for each Valley member.



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'Engaging in spiritual practices'

Lenten class for adults and youth

Are you looking for a way to observe the season of Lent? Do you like to use your hands in reflective projects? Are you interested in practicing what it means to follow Jesus?

Pastors Ben Paroulek and Rebecca Chancellor will continue leading a time of reflection, hands-on experiences, and conversation for the next three Sundays in Lent. We will meet on Sundays at 8:30 am in the Youth House. The topics for the next three Sundays are:

April 3– Hospitality Kits for Shelters. We will assemble and artistically embellish supplies to be given to homeless teens in Washington County. Kits will include fun and healing articles in addition to items like soap and shampoo.

April 10– Easter Welcome Cards. Learn the art of creative colorization as we join to prepare Easter cards. These cards will be sent to welcome first-time worshippers and to comfort our homebound members. Ability to color between the lines is desirable.

April 17– Making crosses. The cross is a powerful symbol with many different themes. On Palm Sunday, you will be invited to think about the passion of Christ as you work with a variety of materials to make crosses, including palm leaves and recycled or repurposed materials. We will make lots of palm crosses for all who come to worship on Palm Sunday.

These spiritual practices may help you observe the season of Lent, but you may also find practices that you plan to continue throughout the year. These practices offer a way to literally practice following Christ in everyday life. You are encouraged to join us every week, but you may also come on the Sundays you are available.

March 2011 Session Highlights

This month at Session the following motions were passed:

- Authorizing the Youth to promote the Great Seattle Get-away as a fundraiser for the Youth Summer Mission.
- One member was removed from the roles per their request.
- To rearrange two pews on the right side of the sanctuary to provide a pocket for wheelchair access
- Easter Mailings: Session approved the purchase of 1.5 mile radius address database for the purpose of yearly mailings. It was approved to allocate up to \$1,000 in funding to the Holy Week and Easter Service mailing. From the 1.5 mile radius, the office will choose 500 new residential addresses to target for the Easter mailing.



Pastor Rebecca Chancellor with stole in shades of purple for the season of Lent, made for her by the "senior high quilters" and designed and quilted by Marcia Sanderman (pictured on the left).

Library News

Stop in and see what is new in the church library. We continue to add new titles which are marked with a "NEW" sticker, and many of which are displayed on the round table. One new addition is *More Presbyterian Questions, More Presbyterian Answers*, by Donald McKim, which poses questions that Presbyterians are asking about others, social and ethical issues, what we believe, and about the future. The author provides clear and inspiring answers to each of the questions. Also a big thank you to everyone who donated books, DVDs, and video tapes for the book sale in March. The money raised is used to buy new materials for the church library.

Book Group

The Book Discussion Group will meet on Friday, April 22, at 10 a.m. in the Fireside Room for a lively discussion of book *Cutting for Stone*, by Abraham Verghese. This is a novel about two brothers, born in Ethiopia, conjoined at birth, but separated, who both become surgeons. The group always welcomes new participants. Remember to bring your own coffee.

Youth Ministries

Sunrise Easter Service- 6:30 a.m. in the courtyard

You are cordially invited to join the youth and pastors for a sunrise worship service on Easter Sunday, April 24 at 6:30 a.m. Weather permitting, we will gather in the courtyard for worship with scripture, prayers, and music - all telling the good news of Easter. Youth in 6th-12th grades will lead us in worship, followed by fellowship and goodies in the Youth House. This will be a meaningful way to begin celebrating Christ's resurrection. Join us - and bring a friend.



Responding to global need

Hygiene Kits & School Kits for Church World Service

Middle School youth gathered at the Youth House for fun, fellowship, and mission during their Spring Break vacation. The youth helped purchase, assemble, and package both hygiene kits and school kits to be shipped to the Church World Service distribution center in Arkansas. The hygiene kits, which contain a hand towel, washcloth, comb, nail clipper, bar of soap, toothbrush, and 6 band-aids, can mean the difference between sickness and health for struggling families in the face of natural disasters. With the recent earthquakes and tsunami, the kits we made will replenish those that were shipped out immediately after these disasters to help those in need. While it is often difficult for us to know how to respond to such devastation in the world, making these hygiene kits is one way we can help when disaster or violence occurs. The school kits contain scissors, notebooks, ruler, pencil sharpener, eraser, pencils, crayons, and a canvas bag; these are requested by overseas partners to give children in impoverished schools, refugee camps, or other difficult settings some of the basic tools for learning. For more information on Church World Service and these kits, go to www.churchworldservice.org and click on the "Kits" link.

Update: Confirmation Class of 2011

Our confirmation class is well under way, and all five of our youth have been paired with an elder mentor for the next few months as they work toward Confirmation Sunday on June 12. You are encouraged to keep these young people and their mentors in your prayers as they meet to do Bible study, attend another place of worship, do a mission/service project, explore their faith, and get to know each other better. The youth and mentors are: Emily Collins & Ruthann Marquis, Kaitlin Collins & Renn Sanderman, Kegan Derting & Kerrie Standlee, Hannah Nolen & Silvia Smart, and Kate Rodman & Pat Bryant.

The youth are learning a lot about our church and the Presbyterian Church (USA). They are also working on their personal statements of faith, reflecting on and writing their beliefs about God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, Scripture, and the Church. These statements of faith - in written, artistic, or musical form - will be presented to the Session at its May meeting. Most of the youth will also attend a Confirmation Retreat with the Presbytery of the Cascades to Suttle Lake, April 1-3.

April is Heifer International Month

At the suggestion of one of our middle school youth, the month of April will officially be "Heifer International" month at the Youth House! Both High School and Middle School youth will have opportunities to learn about Heifer International and the work they do around the world to help communities become self-sufficient and sustainable. Heifer's mission is to work with communities to end hunger and poverty and care for the earth. Each time we meet at the Youth House (Sundays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays) during April, we will collect an offering; then, at the end of the month we will consider, as a group, what animal(s) we can purchase and donate to a community in need. It's exciting to work with Heifer International to support our brothers and sisters around the world. We, too, can make a global commitment to help God's children who are poor and hungry. To learn more about the mission and work of Heifer, go to: www.heifer.org. And if you are interested in partnering with the youth to support Heifer International, look for the youth with a collection bucket during coffee fellowship on Sunday mornings this month!



Children's Ministries

VBS set for July 11-15

Dear parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and friends of Valley's children:



We are excited to announce Valley's 2011 Vacation Bible School (VBS) is scheduled for July 11-15 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. This year's theme is Rainforest Adventure! Every day the kids will worship, sing, learn Bible stories, play games, enjoy snacks and alternate crafts with discovery/science. The kids will learn about stewardship of our planet and what we can all do to take care of our environment.

We are expecting about 160 children which means we will need approximately 100 volunteers to pull it off. We've already begun publicizing Rainforest Adventure as we have electronically sent information to our entire Valley congregation and to all families who registered in 2010 for Vacation Bible School. Registration Forms are now available at www.valleycommunity.org and may be printed and turned in with your registration fees. Curriculum and supplies have been ordered based on last year's numbers and have already been received at Valley.

The most difficult thing about Vacation Bible School is getting qualified leadership. We'd like to ask you to prayerfully consider what you can do to help us spread God's word this July to our Nursery through Fifth Grade children. Every leader needs assistants, and we are seeking Sixth Graders through 17 year olds to fill those positions, as well!

Contact the Church Office or visit www.valleycommunity.org for volunteer opportunities still available. Please consider what you can do to help out. If you can't commit to the entire VBS week, consider job sharing an assignment. Help us share the good news of God's love and teach the children to live each day as good stewards.

~ In Christ, Shannon L. Blair, VBS Co-Director and
Kay Hope Gold, Director of Children's Ministries

Don't miss our last Non-Rush Hour of the season

Wednesday, April 6, 5-6 p.m.



Drop by our cozy Fireside Room for a snack prepared by Kay and a chat with Pastor Ben. Free hand and neck massage by our professional massage therapist. Nursery care provided so all adults can *r-e-l-a-x*.

Arts Exploration Camp

This camp, for children entering 1st - 5th grade, takes place at the end of each Vacation Bible School (VBS) day. VBS registration is not required to participate.

Camp begins with lunch in the gym at noon. After lunch, campers will be taken to the first session in their class rotation of music, art and drama. Between classes there will be snacks available as well as some recess breaks.

Please contact Amy Rheingans at amy@valleycommunity.org for more information.



Children's 'Upside Down' Musical May 1

On Sunday, May 1, The King's Kids Choir will present the musical, "Livin' Inside Out in an Upside Down World" at the 10 a.m. worship service. This fun musical teaches us lessons about living out our faith in our daily lives. An exciting new addition to this year's musical - a quartet to accompany the children. The quartet will include Greg Russell on piano, David Derting on bass, Pastor Ben Paroulek on guitar and Bob Rasmussen on synthesizer. Don't miss this energizing musical!



Music & Drama Camp

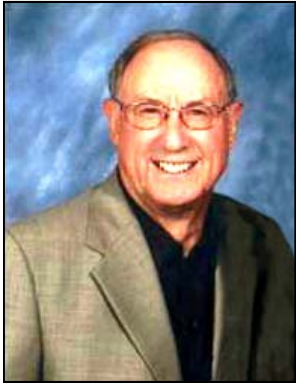
This popular camp will take place the week of June 20-24 from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. each day. Children entering 2nd-7th grades are invited to participate. Campers will put together the musical, "Moses and the Freedom Fanatics," telling the story of Moses with humor and fun music. The play will be performed in worship on Sunday, June 26.

Other features of this camp include drama games, talent show, making new friends, scooter time in the gym, artistic endeavors through scenery and poster making, and a field trip to perform the play at Beaverton Lodge Retirement Home. Please contact Amy Rheingans at amy@valleycommunity.org for more information.



2011 Community Awards Breakfast

Everett Smyth named Valley Man of the Year



Everett Smyth

The Men of Valley hosted the 15th Valley Community Awards Breakfast on March 26. Each of the community organizations nominated a member to receive an award for 2011. Their service and dedication were inspiring to all from Valley who attended the breakfast. The Washington County Sheriff Department award was given to Maureen Frary; the Beaverton Police award to Amanda Pickar, and Dan Livengood received the Tualatin Fire and Rescue award.

Valley's Man of the Year Award for 2011, given in memory of Jack Burns, was given in memory of Everett Smyth, who died in January of this year. Dan Rueff, last year's recipient, presented the award, to Shirley Smyth, Everett's wife.

Everett and Shirley Smyth became members of Valley Church in 1975 with their four children, Steve, Jim, Carol and Mike. Always a willing volunteer, Everett was an usher, drove the church van and worked in the kitchen. He and Shirley were members of the Navigators' Mariners group.

Ordained as an elder, Everett served on the session as chair of the Facilities committee and remained active on that committee after his term ended. His vision and energy were responsible for many accomplishments around Valley's buildings, such as new efficient lighting. He enjoyed helping with Upward Basketball and worked on church lawn care.

Everett was the chairperson of the Capital Improvements Committee. With his leadership, Valley has a new HVAC system and new bathroom in a preschool classroom.

He was a long time member of the Men's Bible Study group and will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Children's Lock-In at the Youth House: May 13-14

Save the date! All 4th-5th graders are invited to an overnight event at the Youth House on Friday night, May 13. This event intends to help build community among the children and allow them to experience what youth group will be like in a year or two. Children will have opportunities to get to know each other and the youth leaders better, to explore the church building and Youth House, and to enjoy fellowship and age-appropriate activities. The schedule will include a pizza dinner, games, Bible study activities on the fruits of the Spirit from Galatians, ice cream sundaes, a movie, and more! Mark your calendars and get ready for a night of FUN with Rebecca, Kate, and other adult volunteers at the Youth House.



Palm Sunday music

Sunday, April 20, the King's Kids, Youth Choir, and Sanctuary Choir will present a joint choir piece, "Sanna Sannanina" in celebration of Palm Sunday.



Graduate Recognition May 15 and Pancake Breakfast for youth mission



Plan for a day of celebration next month. On Sunday, May 15, the youth in 6th-12th grades will host - with the Clippers Mariner Ship - a Pancake Breakfast with all proceeds going to Youth Mission. The pancakes, sausage, applesauce, juice, and coffee will be available in Davis Hall beginning at 8:30 a.m. But, you will want to be sure to attend 10:00 worship in order to help us recognize our incredible group of High School Seniors. All of our graduating seniors will be honored during worship and coffee fellowship, and you will have an opportunity to congratulate these fine young people and learn more about their plans for the coming year.

So don't worry about cooking at home. The food and coffee will be waiting for you at the church! Youth will begin selling tickets to the Pancake Breakfast in late April (\$5 for individuals; \$15 for families), and you can always purchase tickets at the door as well. Come, enjoy fellowship and a hot breakfast, and help us honor our graduating seniors in style.

Valley Scrapbook



Some of our bell ringers who played in worship on Youth Sunday.



Middle School Girls and Kate at the Beaverton Clothes Closet after sorting clothes for an hour in March.



High School Youth in the gym after a night of playing games at the FAMILY meeting!



Sunday School children ranging from four years old to fifth grade display their appreciation in the form of artwork....



Middle School Youth proudly display snowflakes they made as decorations for the Congregational Potluck Dinner this winter.

April 2014

L.I.F.E. - Living in Faith Everyday (Middle School)
Night Strike - mission in downtown Portland

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>3</p> <p>8:30a Worship 10:00a Children's Sunday School 11:15a Coffee Fellowship</p> <p>4:00p Eagle Scout Ceremony 4:30p Youth Bell Choir 5:00p Youth Choir 6:00p New Spirit Ringers</p>	<p>4</p> <p>8:00a Women's Aerobics</p> <p>3:20p Camp Fire Meeting</p>	<p>5</p> <p>10:00a Tai Chi Class 10:30a Women's Bible Study</p> <p>1:00p Prayer Shawl Ministry</p> <p>6:00p Girl Scout Troop 40168 7:00p Prayer Shawl Ministry 7:00p High School FAMILLY</p>	<p>6</p> <p>8:00a Men's Bible Study 8:00a Women's Aerobics 12:00p Wednesday Adult Education</p> <p>1:15p Membership Meeting 4:15p Royal Ringers 5:00p Cherub Choir 5:00p Non-Rush Hour 6:30p Journey through Grief Group 6:30p Middle School L.I.F.E. Liturgical Arts Committee Meeting</p>	<p>7</p> <p>10:00a Alanon 10:00a Peccemakers 10:00a Tai Chi Class</p> <p>6:00p Worship Committee 6:15p English Handbell Choir 7:00p Tai Chi Class 7:15p Sanctuary Choir</p>	<p>1</p> <p>8:00a Women's Aerobics</p> <p>3:00p Camp Fire Meeting</p>	<p>2</p> <p>1-3 Confirmation Retreat at Suttle Lake</p>
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Valley Notes

Opportunities

You are invited to join Anne and Scott Foster as they celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary during coffee hour on April 10, after the 10 a.m. service. Come make this milestone a memorable one!

The highlight of our **Senior Luncheon** Wednesday, April 27 will be a young lady who is an exchange student at Beaverton High and is from the Island of Java in Indonesia. Her name is Ditra Ambarani, and she will give us a little history of her country and perform a "Peacock Dance" to Gamelan music wearing her native costume. So please join us at noon for lunch and to meet Ditra.

On Saturday, May 14, **Presbyterian Women of Cascades Presbytery** will hold their Spring Gathering at First Presbyterian Church, Newport. Register in advance or at the meeting on May 14. See flyers in the Valley church office or contact Connie Brenner.

The next **Valley Habitat Build** is Saturday, May 21 at Emerald Glen, where we worked last fall. We will have sign ups on three Sundays, May 1, 8, and 15. People can sign up for the morning or the afternoon or all day. If they have questions or want to sign up before then, they can contact Chuck Falconer at chuckf@clankeith.com.



Have you included the church in your estate planning?

In Memoriam

Jim T. Miller
March 8, 2011

Eloise Ramsey-Massey
March 15, 2011

Prayers

We pray for those with health concerns: Ginger DeMars' father John Hansen, Jackie Bridges, Arlene Stiles

Our thoughts and prayers are with:
- Family and friends of Jim Miller who died on March 8, 2011

- Family and friends of Eloise Ramsey-Massey who died March 15, 2011.

- Kate and Nathan White, at the death of Nathan's grandmother in Ohio.

Summer dates for Youth Ministry events

Are you curious to know what the youth will be up to this summer? While the calendar is not yet complete, here are some of the exciting events our youth are getting signed up for this summer.

June 18-25 High School Mission Trip to Louisville, KY

June 26-30 Middle School City Mission Camp- Salem, OR

July 10-15 Campapalooza for MS Youth at Camp Magruder

July 17-22 Greatest Camp Ever for HS Youth at Camp Magruder

July 27 Youth Host Senior Luncheon at Valley



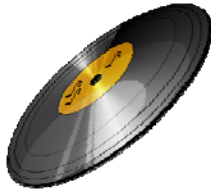
On Youth Sunday, the Valley Youth lead the congregation in the Affirmation of Faith they collectively wrote.

Family Fun Sock Hop

All ages are invited
Saturday, April 9, 6-9 p.m.



A fun, family event to benefit next summer's youth mission trips.



Plan for a good time!

One Great Hour of Sharing

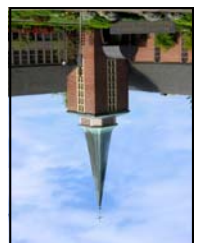
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