Community Presbyterian Church

1100 College Avenue

June 2023

Pastors' Corner



Words Matter. Churches are often described as 'Houses of Worship'. No matter the size or location, the building contains

a 'sanctuary' - a place for worship and provides 'sanctuary' - a safe place for body, mind, soul & spirit.

The House by the Side of the Road by <u>Sam Walter Foss</u>

There are hermit souls that live withdrawn In the place of their self-content;
There are souls like stars, that dwell apart, in a fellowship firmament;
There are pioneer souls that blaze their paths Where highways never ran---But let me live by the side of the road And be a friend to man.

Let me live in a house by the side of the road,

Where the race of men go by-The men who are good and the men who are bad,
As good and as bad as I,
I would not sit in the scorner's seat,
Or hurl the cynic's ban---Let me live in a house by the side of the road
And be a friend to man.

Thus begins this beloved poem by Sam Walter Foss (1858-1911), a poet and librarian at the Sommerville Public Library in Massachusetts. This poem is not about a church

building. But ultimately isn't that the spiritual location of every church, of Community Presbyterian?

She has and continues to touch the lives of the Children of God (locally, regionally, nationally, and globally); seeking to exhibit the 'Good News' of the Gospel as she searches for a full-time pastor. In the interim - we, the Revs. Bullock (Beverly and Sylvester) have been called by Community for such a time as this - What a Blessing!

The poem concludes:

I see from my house by the side of the road,

By the side of the highway of life,
The men who press with the ardor of hope,
The men who are faint with the strife.
But I turn not away from their smiles nor their tears,
Both part of an infinite plan--Let me live in a house by the side of the road
And be a friend to man.

I know there are brook-gladdened meadows ahead

And mountains of wearisome height;
That the road passes on through the long afternoon
And stretches away to the night.
But still I rejoice when the travelers rejoice,
And weep with the strangers that moan,
Nor live in my house by the side of the road
Like a man who dwells alone.

Let me live in my house by the side of the road---

It's here the race of men go by.
They are good, they are bad, they are weak,

they are strong,
Wise, foolish---so am I;
Then why should I sit in the scorners seat,
Or hurl the cynic's ban?
Let me live in my house by the side of the road
And be a friend to man.

In Christ's Love - Rev. Bev and Pastor Sly



Mick Weinmann	6/02
Mark Harpole	6/03
Jenny Preston	6/14
Leon Esmay	6/15
Jim Martin	6/15
Boni Schueller	6/16
Ryan Barbour	6/18
Leola DeBoer	6/23

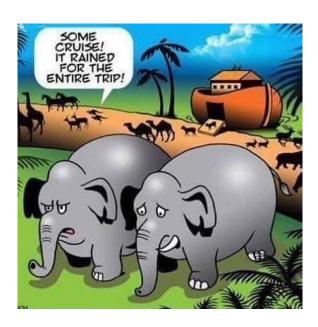
BUILDING & GROUNDS

January through mid March, had to deal with Old Man Winter numerous times. Some other issues dealt with included replacing the condensate pump for the furnaces, replacing the evaporator unit in the refrigerator, and repairing the Little Free Pantry cabinet. Many other miscellaneous repairs and projects were completed. A reminder to all is to check that all doors are locked upon leaving.

Leon Armstrong, Chair



JUNE 18



FLAG DAY

When the American Revolution broke out in 1775, the colonists weren't fighting united under a single flag. Instead, most regiments participating in the war for independence against the British fought under their own flags. In June of 1775, the Second Continental Congress met in Philadelphia to create the Continental Army—a unified colonial fighting force—with the hopes of a more organized battle against its colonial oppressors. This led to the creation of what was, essentially, the first "American" flag, the Continental Colors.

For some, this flag, which was comprised of 13 red and white alternating stripes and a Union Jack in the corner, was too similar to that of the British. George Washington soon realized that flying a flag that was even remotely close to the British flag was not a great confidence-builder for the revolutionary effort, so he turned his efforts towards creating a new symbol of freedom for the soon-to-be fledgling nation.

On June 14, 1777, the Second Continental Congress took a break from writing the Articles of Confederation and passed a resolution stating that "the flag of the United States be 13 stripes, alternate red and white," and that "the union be 13 stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation."

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June 26 - 29

In cooperation with St. Mary's Catholic and 7th Day Adventist churches

VBS is coming soon to Community Presbyterian Church. Joining us this year will be St. Mary's Catholic and 7th Day Adventist Churches. "Stellar" will be held June 26 - 29. Hours will be 9:00 - 11:30 a.m. VBS begins on Monday and continues through Thursday.

Children, in small groups, will be led through Bible lessons and challenges, games, science experiments and a snack time. There will be opening and closing assemblies for the entire group each day. Parents are invited to attend the closing assembly each day.

VBS is open to all children entering kindergarten through grade 6 in the fall. Children will be learning Bible verses and stories, discussing God sightings and how Jesus shines in our lives.

Registration will be available online or in person soon. More details to follow shortly.

For more information, contact Jane Thornes at (208) 245-2758.

You are not too dirty for God to cleanse.
You are not too broken for God to fix.
You are not too far for God to reach.
You are not too guilty for God to forgive.
And you are not too worthless for God to love.

JUNE SIGN-UPS

Flowers

6/4 For Michael & Pam's anniversary6/11 In memory of Stan Cook's birthday

6/18

6/25 The Treloars

Coffee Hour

6/4 Penny Carpenter (Bev M farewell)

6/11

6/18 Potluck

6/25

Scripture

6/4 MaryAnne Wheeler

6/11 Sue Page

6/18 MaryAnne Wheeler

6/25 Sandy Treloar

IDAHO TOP SCHOLARS



Footenai students Liam Gentry, left, and Emma DeBoer, right, are pictured with Principal Nolan Kerby. The two juniors from Kootenai Junior-Senior High School were recognized as Idaho Top Scholars. Idaho Top Scholar recognizes the top ten percent of junior classes at high schools around the state.

Before Worship Sunday, May 21st



After Worship Sunday, May 21st



The Stewardship Committee has organized the Adopt an Expense fund raiser again this year. Roughly 56 envelopes with either suggested donations for church expenses or with varying donation amounts, such as 'your age', have been posted on the bulletin board. This fund raiser has been a successful and fun way to boost our church's income in the past and by the looks of the nearly empty bulletin board, should be another success again this year. The Stewardship Committee would like to thank everyone for their participation and generosity!

Congratulations, Emma! Good work!

ORDINARY TIME

The breather in the church calendar after the mountaintop highs

By Kathleen Long Bostrom | Presbyterians Today 6/3/2020

A recent cartoon in our Sunday newspaper depicted an exhausted mother, sprawled in a chair surrounded by typical birthday party chaos: torn wrapping paper, balloons, toys spread everywhere. Standing next to her, a little boy with a party hat tilted on his head asks, "When's the next birthday?"

I can relate to that as both the exhausted mom ready for a break from the party planning, implementation and aftermath — and as a pastor — physically, spiritually and emotionally drained from the liturgical seasons of Advent or Lent/Holy Week/Easter. We eagerly anticipate the high holy days that frame so much of our lives, even though the preparation, expectation and effort they take leave us worn out and yes, even ready to pack up the decorations and get back in our routines. Those periods in between holidays give us time to catch our breath and return to regular life. That time in the church is known as "Ordinary Time."

Ordinary Time comprises all the days not marked by a specific season. It stretches on for 27 to 29 Sundays (not counting the Sundays of the Transfiguration, All Saints and the Trinity), or 33 to 34 partial weeks depending on how early or late Easter falls on the calendar and whether the year has 52 or 53 weeks.

The name "Ordinary Time" does not mean ordinary as we use the word. It comes from the word ordinal, an adjective denoting a numerical position of an object. It's "first, second, third," instead of "one, two, three." Originally, all the Sundays that weren't contained in the Advent/Christmas or Lent/Easter seasons were indicated by ordinal numbers, hence the designation. Ordinary Time is basically "counted time."

Yet there is something about the word "ordinary" that fits. Not in the sense of boring or dull but as an "in-between" season, a time to breathe after the culmination of the celebratory days. Just as most of our days are lived between the big events, so the church year is filled with more ordinary days than holidays. The holy days are the mountaintops, whereas Ordinary Time is the slopes, valleys and flatlands. All are beautiful — and necessary.

The Scripture passages assigned to Ordinary Time set the tone. They focus on the day-to-day life of Jesus. We read what it means from a practical standpoint to follow Jesus and the social and practical implications of doing so. Scripture and sermons focus on building a community of believers, people who would be Jesus' wounded hands, aching feet, awkward elbows and soothing voice. Jesus told stories and broke bread with a few folks at a time, not always the boisterous crowds. He listened carefully and hung out with the no-names. He fell asleep in a boat during a storm. The ordinary abides in the extra ordinary, and vice versa.

Ordinary Time is a time for us to discover that in Christ, our lives are filled with grace, forgiveness and hope. We live as people of faith, "new creations in Christ," not just on Christmas and Easter, but also during the times in between where most of life takes place.

Kathleen Long Bostrom is a retired PC(USA) minister and the author of over 50 books, most of them picture books for children.

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Looking for crocheters who would like to help continue Marjorie Martin's ministry. If you are willing to crochet a lap afghan (lapghan), please let Sandy Treloar know at treloar99@gmail.com or call (208) 626-3088 or leave a note in her folder at church. Yarn is available for this use and if you need a simple pattern, one will also be made available.

If you are able to participate in this loving ministry, please let Sandy know.



Fishing people! I need your help. I would like very much to host a fresh fish fish fry to kick off the fall season, perhaps late September.

BUT..... In order to do that, I need fish to fry the way my mama taught me....you'll love it!

If any of you would be so kind as to help me out, I will be so appreciative. I would like the following type of fish filets:

> bluegills, bass, perch, walleye or any other white-flesh game fish.

The filets should be frozen, preferably in water. Nothing like being picky, eh?

Thank you in advance. You'll be happy you did. Sandy treloar99@gmail.com

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### **WORD SEARCH**

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| N | ATHANAEL    | NICODEMUS  | ONESIPHORUS      | PAUL        | PRISCILLA           |
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