



# Sunriver Christian Fellowship

An ecumenical and interdenominational fellowship  
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## January 2020

### SCF & HTTC LEASE DETAILS

Since early September of 2019, when we received a proposed lease extension from Holy Redeemer Parish, the SCF Managing Board has worked diligently to research and evaluate a number of site options which would provide adequate space and amenities for our congregation. Unfortunately, the research did not reveal a site that would appropriately serve our needs as a congregation. That effort culminated on December 8 with a presentation from the Managing Board to the congregation recommending that we sign and proceed with being a lessee of the HTCC building.

The terms of the lease extension are shown below:

TERM: The existing lease is extended one year beginning January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2020.

EXTENSION PERIODS: If the lease is not terminated in 2020, then the lease shall be extended for an additional year ending December 31, 2021.

NOTICE OF TERMINATION: Landlord and Tenant each has the right to terminate the lease by providing six (6) months notice in writing specifying a termination date. Termination notice may be given anytime during 2020 or the extension period.

RENT: The fixed portion of the rent shall be \$2,000/month.

VARIABLE COSTS: Tenant shall pay Landlord, as additional rent, Tenant's share of variable costs as set forth in the Lease and its Supplements.

CARPET: Tenant shall pay Landlord \$4,000 for the new carpet installed in 2017. If the lease is not terminated in 2020 and extended to 2021, the Tenant shall pay Landlord an additional \$1,000 for 2021.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS: SCF has no obligation to participate in any future capital improvements.

Given that SCF will now have a window of opportunity to further explore our long-term options for a home; a comprehensive planning process will be launched in early January to look at all possible directions. The Managing Board will begin the process by convening an evening "think" meeting to foster discussion and feedback from the congregation as to your vision for our future. The Managing Board will then use that input to set a focus for our planning efforts.

Joe Huseonica  
SCF Managing Board President

### STEWARDSHIP GENEROSITY

As your Stewardship Chair, I am continuously inspired and humbled by the generosity of the Sunriver Christian Fellowship family with their time, talent, and treasure. It is so very clear that the SCF family supports the mission and leadership of our church.

Before I give a status report about SCF's 2020 stewardship pledge number, a bit of background might be helpful in interrupting the numbers. I have had the privilege of chairing SCF's stewardship program for the last five years. During that time the number of SCF families and those who pledged consistently dropped by approximately 3% per year for a variety of reasons including declining health, loss of a loved one, relocation, etc. Despite our declining numbers, members of our church have consistently increased their pledge amounts annually. The annual amounts pledged since 2016, are as follows:

| <u>Year</u> | <u>Total Amount</u> | <u>% Increase</u> |
|-------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| 2016        | \$210,070           |                   |
| 2017        | \$231,960           | 10.4%             |
| 2018        | \$242,680           | 4.62%             |
| 2019        | \$262,372           | 8.4%              |
| 2020        | \$270,220           | 2.99%             |

As I received your pledges and entered the data, two clear trends were apparent. First, the number of SCF families decreased more than 3% in 2019. Secondly, ***the total amount pledged for calendar year 2020 vs. 2019 increased by 2.99%, while the average amount pledged per family increased by 10%.***

So what are the takeaways from our 2020 Stewardship Season?

SCF families understand the true meaning of stewardship. SCF families know that stewardship is an

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## Schedule of Upcoming Services: January

**January 5: The 2nd Sunday after Christmas Day**

Celebrant: The Rev. Mary Anne Gard  
 Altar Guild: Gail Drew, Linda Salzer, Kay Sharp  
 Lector: Bob Vogel  
 Chalice Bearers: Dave Buhaly, Gail Drew,  
 Linda & John Salzer, Kay & Bob Sharp  
 Greeter: Monica Mack  
 Ushers: Vicki Udlock, Nancy & Richard Farnham,  
 Monica Mack  
 Audio: Ryan Lewis—Intros: Vicki Udlock  
 Coffee: Barbara & Bob Vogel

**January 12: The 1st Sunday after the Epiphany**

Celebrant: The Rev. Canon Nancy Green  
 Altar Guild: Karen Carmichael, Brenda Chapin,  
 Patty Smith  
 Lector: Linda Collier  
 Chalice Bearers: Karen Carmichael, Brenda Chapin,  
 Linda Collier, Patty Smith, Carol & Terry  
 Thomas  
 Greeter: Sandra Kendle  
 Ushers: Don Udlock, Sandra Kendle, Sandra Rodgers,  
 Dorothy Theodorson  
 Audio: Ryan Lewis—Intros: Don Udlock  
 Coffee: Linda & Stan Porter

**January 19: The 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany**

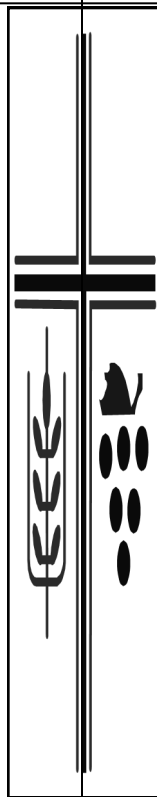
Celebrant: The Rev. Canon Nancy Green  
 Altar Guild: Coleen Horn, Susan Huseonica, Anne Irving  
 Lector: Joe Huseonica  
 Chalice Bearers: Coleen Horn, Susan & Joe Huseonica,  
 Anne Irving, Joan Lewis, Carol Thomas  
 Greeter: Chris Baldwin  
 Ushers: Terry Thomas, Carole & Andy Elsbree, Mike Gocke  
 Audio: Ryan Lewis—Intros: Terry Thomas  
 Coffee: Lynette Bristow & Nancy Ferrell

**January 26: The 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany**

Celebrant: The Rev. Canon Nancy Green  
 Altar Guild: Jan Bull, Linda Salzer, Kay Sharp  
 Lector: Harry Hamilton  
 Chalice Bearers: Jan Bull, Harry Hamilton, Linda & John  
 Salzer, Bob & Kay Sharp  
 Greeter: Bob Sessler  
 Ushers: Dave Friedley, Jenny & Dave Long, Elizabeth Stearns  
 Audio: Ryan Lewis—Intros: Dave Friedley  
 Coffee:

**February 2: The 4th Sunday after the Epiphany**

Celebrant: The Rev. Canon Nancy Green  
 Altar Guild: Linda Salzer, Linda Smith  
 Lector: Don Udlock  
 Chalice Bearers: Bette Butler, Linda & John Salzer, Linda  
 Smith, Don & Vicki Udlock  
 Greeter: Monica Mack  
 Ushers: Richard Farnham, Monica Mack  
 Audio: Ryan Lewis—Intros:  
 Coffee:

**ANNUAL MEETING INFORMATION**

SCF's Annual Church Business Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup> following the worship service. Approval of the 2020 Budget, confirmation of Management Board and Nominating Committee candidates are included on the agenda. Copies of the "Proposed 2020 Budget" will be available a week prior to this meeting.

If you have a ministry team report you would like included in the "2019 Annual Report," the submission deadline is January 17. Please send it as an email attachment if at all possible to: [sunrivercf@gmail.com](mailto:sunrivercf@gmail.com).

**Prayer Needs**

- *Al Tweit*
- *Andrew & Nicholas Barthelemy*
- *Susan Weber*—dealing with Parkinson's
- *Aedan*—great-grandson of Karen Newcomb, birth defect
- *Bernadine & Jim Foster*—cancer & heart issues
- *William Lambertson*—grandson of Sandra Rodgers, in long-term recovery; assault
- *Maxford*—grandson of Harriet & Max Yandt; Acute Flaccid Myelitis
- *Ellen Rau*—dealing with cancer
- *Audrey Charles*—undergoing cancer treatment
- *Marianna Wiper*—recovery from another fall
- *Tom Sandefur*—dealing with cancer
- *Bonnie Gregory*—stroke recovery; sister of Barbie Sessler
- *Diana Swenson*—dealing with cancer
- *Warren Parks*—returning to Afghanistan through January

**Transformed to Love & Serve – the Goal of the Education Ministry of SCF**  
**Ongoing Groups:** These groups continue to meet throughout the year

**Feminine Spirituality Group**

Mondays, 10-11:30 a.m., HTCC Dining Room.

October 7: *The Friendship of Women* by Joan Chittister

November: *Rising Strong* by Brené Brown

Contact Jane Boubel or Shereda Benfield for more details

All women are invited even if you have not previously attended

**Men of Faith Group** — topics evolve related to interest.

Sunriver Nature Center, Pozzi Building; Coffee available, \$3.00 ·

Tuesdays; 7:30-8:30 a.m. Contact: Frank Brocker (541-593-7396)

**Centering Prayer Group**

Wednesdays, 3 p.m., Children’s Room

Contact: Bette Butler 541-647-7982 (cell/text), butlerbdewitt@gmail.com

**UPDATING PRINTED DIRECTORY**

An updated version of SCF’s printed directory will be available in mid-February. To assist revision efforts, please email to the church office if you have not already any changes regarding your personal information in the current SCF 2019 Directory.

If you are not currently in the church’s printed directory and would like to be included, please send the following information to the church – [sunrivercf@gmail.com](mailto:sunrivercf@gmail.com).

- Name(s)
- Phone number(s) (land & cell)
- Physical and mailing addresses (if different)
- Email address(es)

**The deadline is Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup>.**

**STEPHEN MINISTRY**

The winter weather we’ve had recently can be symbolic of what may sometimes happen in life. A crisis hits, and we feel like we’re buried beneath a drift of snow. Relationships can become icy, or we can feel frozen by life circumstances. Little difficulties build up like slush, making us slip and slide, causing every decision to seem treacherous. Life seems dreary, and we begin to doubt that spring will ever come. We can wonder, “Is God even there?”

Stephen Ministers are trained to provide confidential Christian care, giving you the emotional and spiritual support you need to make it through a winter in your life. To learn more about how a Stephen Minister can help you or someone you know, contact one of our Stephen Ministry Leaders: *Ginny Adams, Shereda Benfield, Randy Heise or Sue Rhodes*. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for you!

|                  |              |
|------------------|--------------|
| Ginny Adams      | 541-301-244  |
| Shereda Benfield | 503-998-4308 |
| Randy Heise      | 541-410-0170 |
| Sue Rhodes       | 541-425-0374 |

Our Stephen Ministers are there to care!



**Ministry Team Leaders – 2019**

Congregational Care  
*Pastor Nancy Green*

Stephen Ministry  
*Randy Heise & Ginny Adams*

Senior Ministry  
*Joe Huseonica*

Communications  
*Cindy & Mark McConnell*

Education  
*Rob Pearson*

Evangelism  
*Bob Sharp*

Membership/Welcoming  
*Jan Bull Gail Drew Linda Salzer*

Outreach  
*Jane Boubel—UPCAP Gary Carlson—National & International*

Scholarship Program  
*Rob Pearson*

Stewardship  
*Jim Adams*

Worship  
*Rob Pearson*

**SCF Managing Board – 2019**

Joe Huseonica  
*President*

Linda Smith  
*Vice President*

Katie Hall/Patty Smith  
*Secretary*

Jenny Long  
*Treasurer*

Steve Austin  
*Dave Buhaly*

Roy Green  
*Dana Gregg*

Sandra Kendle

**SCF Endowment Board—2019**

Cliff Erikson, *President*

Linda Collier  
*Treasurer*

Liz Haberman  
*Secretary*

Andy Elsbree  
*Mike Gocke*

Bill Taylor  
*Wade Watson*

**SCF STAFF**

The Rev. Canon  
 Nancy Sargent Green  
*Senior Pastor*

Dr. Robert  
 Pearson  
*Associate Pastor:*

*Worship & Administration*

Jan Tuckerman  
*Administrative Assistant*

**Financial Report as of November 30, 2019**

|            | Actual Jan.-Nov. | Budget 2019 Jan.-Nov. |
|------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Income     | \$289,484        | \$292,321             |
| Expenses   | \$289,431        | \$289,475             |
| Net Income | \$ 53            | \$ 2,846              |

**SCF MANAGING BOARD MEETING**

Next board meeting:  
 January 28, 2:30 p.m.

### **CARE & SHARE FOOD BOX MINISTRY**

On the last Friday of each month Care and Share provides critical nutrition for the most frail and vulnerable of South Deschutes County families. On the **second Sunday of the month**, January 12, bags for Care and Share will be handed out at the conclusion of the worship service for you to take home and fill with needed non-perishable foods.

Bring your bag(s) back on **Sunday, January 19** (3rd Sunday of the month), and drop off when you arrive at the truck or SUV parked at the church entrance. You will see a "Care and Share" sign and folks will be there to take your bags. Thank you for helping stock the C&S pantry with food for frail and vulnerable South County residents.

The following are always needed but your donation is not limited to just these items:

- Boxed cereal
- Pasta and sauce
- Canned meats/tuna fish
- Hearty soups, chili, canned beans
- Peanut butter
- Toilet paper, hand soap
- Canned fruits and veggies  
(green beans, peas, corn preferred)
- Boxed meals  
(e.g. mac & cheese, hamburger or  
tuna helper, rice-a-roni, etc.)
- Laundry detergent, dish soap

Expired foods cannot be distributed, so please check expiration dates before donating. Much appreciated!

Of course, financial support is vital and always welcomed as the funds are used for buying perishable items such as milk, bread, cheese, margarine, etc., which are included in the monthly distribution, as well as storage rental, printing and postage expenses. Please make checks payable to SCF (note Care and Share on your check) and your tax deductible donation will be directed into the right hands.

ALL folks involved with C&S are volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering for distribution on the last Friday of the month or for using your vehicle to pick up and then unload food bags on the 3rd Sunday, contact Sandy Young, [541-848-9920](tel:541-848-9920) or [slsjyoung@hotmail.com](mailto:slsjyoung@hotmail.com) for details.

### **CARE & SHARE: November Food Distribution**

Food boxes distributed:

|              |            |
|--------------|------------|
| Small        | 60         |
| Medium       | 67         |
| Large        | 36         |
| XLarge       | <u>14</u>  |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>177</b> |

Number of people served:

|              |            |
|--------------|------------|
| Adults       | 416        |
| Children     | <u>211</u> |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>627</b> |

If you have any questions regarding "Care & Share," please address inquiries to:

**Care & Share**  
**18160 Cottonwood Rd., #501**  
**Sunriver, OR 97707-9317**

### **DIRECTORY UPDATES**

Steve & Ellen Rau: New address  
 1125 NE Watt Way, #421  
 Bend, OR 97701.

Phone and email address remains the same.

Dave Buhaly – New email address:  
[svrbvrdave@icloud.com](mailto:svrbvrdave@icloud.com).

### **RESERVING HTCC ROOMS**

If your group wishes to use one of the HTCC rooms for a meeting, whether one time or regularly, it is important that you contact Donna Pigman, Holy Redeemer's Secretary, and request room usage. She is responsible for the church calendar. She can be reached as follows:

- [541-536-3571](tel:541-536-3571) – Holy Redeemer, La Pine  
(Monday & Friday)
- [541-593-5990](tel:541-593-5990) – Holly Trinity, Sunriver  
(Wednesday & Thursday)
- Email – [holyrdmr@msn.com](mailto:holyrdmr@msn.com) (which is preferred)

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indicator of our soul, our generosity, our gratitude, and our faith in God.

SCF families deeply support the mission of our church, our pastors, and our Managing Board. When asked to increase their giving by 5-6%, they increased their giving by an average of 10% per family to ensure our pastoral care and outreach ministries continue.

And, as Pastor Roy Green’s recent sermon predicted, despite the significant rent increase in our church facility lease agreement, we can trust that the spirit of SCF will prevail. Citing Meister Eckhart’s pattern of spiritual life, Pastor Roy reminded us that our spiritual journey is going to constantly present challenges beyond what we bargained for, yet through faith and the Holy Spirit we will grow collectively in creativity, and transform ourselves closer and closer to the image Christ wants for us.

So what’s in a number? I submit a community of love, trying our best to walk in the path of Jesus despite our human frailties. I could not be more humbled and thankful to share in this faith journey with such holy people of God. On behalf of our pastoral team, and the Managing Board, thank you.

Jim Adams,  
SCF Stewardship Chair

**A BANNER YEAR FOR SCF GIFTS TO COMMUNITY PARTNER AGENCIES**

One of the ministries of the SCF Outreach and UP-CAP Committee is providing monetary support to Community Partner Agencies which provide a wide variety of services to our neighbors in South Deschutes County. The 2019 SCF Outreach budget projected \$6500 for the agencies. The budgeted funds were ENHANCED by \$17,860, raised with the hugely successful Visions of Sugar Plums. The Outreach Ministry met and directed the funds to the following organizations:

- CASA, Habitat of Sunriver and La Pine, Neighbor Impact, Care for Kids, Bethlehem Inn, Volunteers in Medicine, Care & Share, Saving Grace, Nancy’s House, Grandma’s House, Healthy Beginnings, Mountain Star, Oregon Adaptive Sports and Friends of the Children.

The Thank You letters express deep gratitude and amazement. Each organization has a story that will warm your heart.

As a church, we continue to do the works of Jesus in our community, helping our neighbors. Thank you all for your pledges, your baking, and your making of raffle baskets and non-food items that resulted in this Banner Year of Gifts.

**CAN & BOTTLE RECYCLING**

We have restarted our deposit can and bottle recycling program to benefit Care & Share food program. The new collection point is a garden storage-type structure located at the North Store. As you face the North Store, the storage unit is on the right side of the building near the rear of the store. It helps if your bottles are deposited in a plastic trash bag. If you wish to help with this program, please contact Steve Austin: lizandsteven@q.com; 541-593-1216

**February Newsletter Deadline: January 27**

Please send articles to  
Jan Tuckerman: jtuckeman@chamberscable.com

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**Sunriver Christian Fellowship**

Ecumenical Services in the Episcopal and Lutheran Traditions

Sunday Service & Sunday School – 10:15 a.m.

Services held at the

**Holy Trinity Church**

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