



Sunriver Christian Fellowship

An ecumenical and interdenominational fellowship
Sponsored by the Episcopal and Lutheran Churches

July-August 2021

Dear Family,

As we go forward into summer, big decisions lie ahead of us. Barring a change of heart by Holy Trinity to reduce the monthly rent and a willingness to offer us a long-term lease, we face either a new home in the Academy building of SFAC or a new home at SHARC. These two options have brought forward different strong opinions. Simultaneously, as SCF has reopened, we are aware of those who are no longer with us. Our family conversations on June 30, July 8, and July 15 are to help us come back together and share what presses in our hearts: hope, dreams, fears, as well as owning the strengths of our past.

Too often strong opinions can divide a community. That division is what disturbs me. Listen to the words of Dr. Fred Craddock who always seems to have the healing words for me when I need to hear them. This comes from his book *A Taste of Milk and Honey*.

"Have you noticed how many good people there are? I mean really good people? I don't have a better word to describe them: they are fundamentally good. Theirs is character you can trust. They do not take what is not theirs; they share what is. When they say Yes, they mean Yes, and you don't have to keep reminding them that they said Yes. They will postpone or even abandon their own plans because your need is urgent. They are generous, whether they have much or little. They tell the truth, but are not judgmental. They are not intrusive, but they are at your door when you thought no one knew you were at the end of your rope. You can depend on them. They never intend to harm. They do not need an audience before doing what is right. They mind their own business, which includes standing up for the unjustly treated. They are compassionate, but they do not use your misfortunes to display their compassion. They don't even know how to be cruel.

To be sure, not all have the most becoming personalities and, if left to you, a few changes would be made: take the cap off in the house; use a fork instead of a spoon; don't talk so loud; lose the profanity; clean up the jokes; help a bit more with the kids and the grandkids; don't go to work so early the rest of us feel guilty; vote for the right candidate for a change.

But in the long run, I can tolerate the bad habit or the prickly personality because these are good people; I mean really good people.

I add to my list of good people every day.

You're on it, by the way."

You are good people, each and every one of you, so how can we honor our differences of opinion while staying together as one family? I think we can lean into the Wisdom tradition that teaches creative life does not just ascend to a better place, but also deepens to a more solid ground. The Wisdom tradition, the language of the Mystics, teaches that within every human breast are two mystic hearts, one folded neatly inside the other.

The outer heart loves and desires the beauties of our world. This outer heart rejoices with new discoveries that will, indeed, lessen pain and make life easier. As the outer heart experiences these beauties, it rejoices and seems to take flight. When it loses these beauties, it descends heavily into grief and lamentation.

The inner heart, folded inside the outer heart, looks inward and not outward. Instead of upward, it travels downward into the mystery of the soul. Its gaze fastens on the ground floor, on the bedrock of the soul where there is no gaining and there is no losing. There is simply be-ing...a foundational be-ing where the pronouns we, they, you and I are exchanged for the noun One. This place of be-ing in One is a vast, open, mysterious, deathless land in which the veil between the seen and the unseen is whisper thin.

Some people seem to be in quicker touch with their inner heart and, because of that, are given second sight. They see clearly this "blade of singularity" that cuts through dark bias and dull confusion to let the Light of Christ shine through. Light calls to Light.

As we move through summer, my prayer is that we may be centered on be-ing in One. Yes, we will hold different opinions, but not so rigid as to break the family.

May we be face-to-face, and seek the immeasurable Light, who is Jesus Christ, our Lord, who claims us all as One, his own.

Faithfully,
Nancy

Schedule of Upcoming Services: July-August 2021

UPCOMING SERVICES: all in-person

- July 4:** The 6th Sunday after Pentecost
The Rev. Canon Nancy Green
- July 11:** The 7th Sunday after Pentecost
The Rev. Canon Nancy Green
- July 18:** The 8th Sunday after Pentecost
The Rev. Canon Nancy Green
- July 25:** The 9th Sunday after Pentecost
Pastor Robert Pearson
- August 1:** The 10th Sunday after Pentecost
The Rev. Canon Nancy Green
- August 8:** The 11th Sunday after Pentecost
The Rev. Canon Nancy Green
- August 15:** The 12th Sunday after Pentecost
The Rev. Canon Nancy Green
- August 22:** The 13th Sunday after Pentecost
Pastor Robert Pearson
- August 29:** The 14th Sunday after Pentecost
Pastor Frank Brocker
- September 5:** The 15th Sunday after Pentecost
The Rev. Roy Green

NOTE: Each Sunday service is being taped during the worship service itself and then posted on the SCF website by Sunday evening each week.

NOTE: Pastor Nancy will be on vacation August 17-September 6.

SCF FAMILY CONVERSATIONS

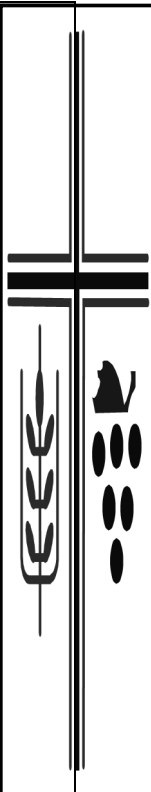
At the congregational meeting on June 5 over 114 people attended. While that was a robust turnout for emerging from COVID restrictions, it was obvious that many members were absent and that time constraints limited questions and conversation. To create opportunities for greater participation, Pastors Nancy and Roy Green invite each member of the congregation to attend a scheduled Family Meeting. The conversation will be moderated by Pastor Roy and focus on the health, home, and life of Sunriver Christian Fellowship. Each meeting will start at 4 p.m. in the sanctuary of HTTC on the following dates:

Thursdays, July 8 and 15., 4 p.m.

Please come to engage in active listening and conversation with those who share the same concern: the future and well-being of SCF.

Financial Report as of May 31, 2021

	<u>Actual Jan-May</u>	<u>Budget Jan-May</u>
Income	\$118,052	\$125,835
Expenses	\$126,546	\$129,882
Net Income	\$ -8,494	\$ -4,047



Prayer Needs

- *Al Tweit*—leg strength
- *Susan Weber*—dealing with Parkinson's
- *Aedan*—great-grandson of Karen Newcomb, birth defect
- *Bernadine Foster*—lung issues
- *William Lambertson*—grandson of Sandra Rodgers, in long-term recovery; assault
- *Marianna Wiper*—under chronic pain
- *Olivia Long*—living with complications from epilepsy; granddaughter of Jenny & Dave Long
- *Cathy Blinn*—sister of Roy Green; battling metastatic cancer
- *Parker*—grandniece of Allison Weatherhead; fighting acute lymphoblastic leukemia
- *Bergen Bull*—recovery from slight tear in the esophagus
- *Jean Rice*—fighting cancer
- *Mike Brannan*—extreme back pain
- *Laura Webb*—emotional issues
- *Ellen Rau*—walking with cancer
- *Steve Rau*—recovery from surgery
- *Rich*—brother of Sandra Rodgers; eye issues
- *Nicholas & Michelle Barthelemy*—emotional Issues
- *Mary Link*—recovery from surgery
- *Cliff Erikson*—recovery from nerve stimulator implant
- *Lynne Ekstrom*—recovery from cancer treatment
- *Paul Barthelemy*—aortic valve replacement
- *Hal Husby*—chronic pain
- *Edith Parrish*—chronic back pain
- *Claire Ped*—facing a lumpectomy



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

- 1) Looking for a volunteer to coordinate our **can and bottle recycling program**. Last year we raised \$8,000 for the Care & Share food program.
- 2) Looking for a volunteer to **transfer food** donated from the North store to St. Vincent's in La Pine. The store donates dairy and eggs that are reaching their pull date.

Please contact Steve Austin if you are able to help: lizandsteve@bendbroadband.com; 541-593-1216

September Newsletter Deadline: August 24

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

ARE WE THERE YET?

Those of us who have ever driven a long distance with a child in the back seat of the car have heard the question, "Are we there yet?" It is a question we might now be asking ourselves in light of the sixteen long months of the COVID pandemic we have endured. Certainly, we would all like this to be "over" and to return to a pre-pandemic way of life.

Vaccines have certainly had a positive impact. Many in our church family are grateful to be fully vaccinated. Science tells us that the "typical" response to two doses of the mRNA vaccines (Moderna or Pfizer) yields more than 90% protection. You'll notice I included the word "typical". Persons who are elderly, or who have experienced cancer and had chemotherapy treatments, or those who take drugs like prednisone or other immunosuppressants, may not have that same level of protection. That is because their immune systems are not "typical". They are at increased risk for so called "break through" COVID infections. If you are in one of those groups, you can talk with your care provider about what is best for you.

In the meantime, our church continues to offer options for people as we once again come together for worship. The main sanctuary is available to people who have been fully vaccinated. Mask wearing is not required. Anyone, however, may choose to wear a mask, including those who are concerned that their vaccine immune response might be less than typical for the reasons listed above.

Additionally, the overflow rooms are available as follows:

- Vaccinated persons who prefer not to be in the sanctuary where masks are not being worn may participate in the service from the library.
- Unvaccinated people may participate from the child care room.
- NOTE: Masks will be worn in both of these spaces throughout the service and the rooms can be accessed directly from the back parking lot.

So the answer to the question, "Are we there yet?" is no, not quite. In the meantime, we strive to display Christ's love for all our church family by respecting the different health concerns of each and every member and offering ways for everyone to participate in a way that is safe and comfortable for them.

*Ginny Adams
Retired RN
Retired Assistant Professor OHSU School of Nursing
Epidemiology Faculty*

HIGHWAY 97 CLEANUP: Thursday, July 15, & September 16

The HWY 97 cleanup crew is pleased to announce the Thursday, July 15, 2021 cleanup is on!. Meet at SCF parking lot no later than 8:30 a.m. Bring a hat, gloves and water. Please let Dave Drescher know if you can help.: dnadrescher@gmail.com or 503=475-5500

BOTTLES & CANS FOR MAY

Thanks to everyone for another great month. We had \$499.70 in cash and a check from the Bottle drop for a total of \$824.70. Thanks to everyone for all your work and donations. *Steve Austin*

CARE AND SHARE for JUNE

Boxes Distributed

Small: 30
Medium: 32
Large: 23
X-Large: 4
Total: 89

People Served

Adults: 207
Kids: 110
Total: 317

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:

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

Zoom session on Fourth Monday.

For information contact Bette Butler (butlerbdewitt@gmail.com, 541-647-7982)

or Jane Boubel (jboubel@chamberscable.com/541-815-9853)

To be added to the Zoom email list contact Bette Butler.

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; Tuesdays: 8 a.m.

Contact Frank Brocker – 541-593-7396, bfbfbrocker@gmail.com,

or Dave Buhaly – 435-770-9220, svrvbvrddave@icloud.com.

Centering Prayer Group

Wednesdays, 3-4 p.m., Children’s Room

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

VISIONS OF SUGAR PLUMS: Saturday, November 20

More *moos* from the *meadow*. Our 2021 Visions of Sugar Plums committee is working *Eberhard* to make our event an *udder* success. As you know, we will be in the Great *Barn* at the resort again this year. We want to fill it to the *hay loft!* This is my personal invitation to all of our *herd* to get involved. Many *hooves* make light work! As it is still too early to be making *chow* for our event, I am *prodding* you to set up those sewing machines and *churn* out aprons, placemats, napkins, table runners, etc. I tried, but I sewed my *tail* to my right *calf*...ouch! So I am *cownting* on the rest of you! Get off your *haunches* and start producing or *Elsie!* I may be a little *Bossy* but it is all for a good cause.

With *Bovine* Blessings,
 Your Hopeful *Holy Cow*



Ministry Team Leaders – 2021

Congregational Care
Pastor Nancy Green

Stephen Ministry
Randy Heise & Ginny Adams

Senior Ministry
Joe Huseonica

Communications
Cindy & Mark McConnell

Education
Rob Pearson

Evangelism
Sheba Sheffield

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 – 2021

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 Nancy Sargent Green

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 Dr. Robert Pearson

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 Worship &

Administration
 Jan Tuckerman

Administrative Assistant

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS 2021

In the June 2021 SCF Newsletter, it was announced that the SCF Scholarship Committee awarded 17 scholarships totaling \$36,200 through its *Partnership in Education* program to young people, all who attended our local Three Rivers School. The following is a bit of information on each of these deserving recipients. If you wish to contribute to this program, please make out your check to SCF and put “Scholarship Program” on the memo line.




Name: Lillianna Abanto
 Scholarship: First Time Recipient
 College Attending: Portland State Univ.
 Current Year in School: Senior, Bend Senior High
 College Major: Nursing
 Career Direction: Nurse

Name: Bailey Baer
 Scholarship: Third Time Recipient
 College Attending: Oregon State Univ.- Cascades
 Current Year in School: Junior
 College Major: American Studies





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Name: **Tayler Baer**
 Scholarship: **Second Time Recipient**
 College Attending: **Univ. of Oregon**
 Current Year in School: **Freshman**
 College Major: **Animal Biology**
 Career Direction: **Veterinarian**

Name: **Rosie Cedergreen**
 Scholarship: **First Time Recipient**
 College Attending: **George Fox Univ.**
 Current Year in School: **Senior, Bend Senior High**
 College Major: **Nursing**
 Career Direction: **Nurse**

Name: **Taylor Goheen**
 Scholarship: **First Time Recipient**
 College Attending: **COCC**
 Current Year in School: **Senior, Realms High School**
 College Major: **Business**
 Career Direction: **Business Owner; Agricultural Needs & Gardening**

Name: **Jakob Kappus**
 Scholarship: **Fourth Time Recipient**
 College Attending: **Oregon State Univ.-Corvallis**
 Current Year in School: **Junior**
 College Major: **Construction Engineering Mgmt.**
 Career Direction: **Commercial Construction;**

Name: **Breonna Lucas**
 Scholarship: **First Time Recipient**
 College Attending: **Montana State Univ.**
 Current Year in School: **Senior, Bend Senior High**
 College Major: **Biological Engineering**
 Career Direction: **Biomedical Engineering/
 Tissue/Stem Cell
 Engineering**

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Name: **Jenavieve Lustyik**
 Scholarship: **Fourth Time Recipient**
 College Attending: **Univ. of Oregon**
 Current Year in School: **Junior**
 College Major: **Biology**
 Career Direction: **Veterinarian**



Name: **Olivia O'Shaughnessy**
 Scholarship: **Second Time Recipient**
 College Attending: **Benedictine College**
 Current Year in School: **Freshman**
 College Major: **Psychology**
 Career Direction: **Clinical Psychologist**

Name: **Chris Phillips**
 Scholarship: **Fourth Time Recipient**
 College Attending: **Colorado State Univ. Global**
 Current Year in School: **Junior**
 College Major: **Social Work**
 Career Direction: **Social Worker; Counselor**



Name: **Adam Plant**
 Scholarship: **Second Time Recipient**
 College Attending: **Eastern Oregon Univ.**
 Current Year in School: **Freshman**
 College Major: **Psychology**
 Career Direction: **Law Enforcement**

Name: **Ben Plant**
 Scholarship: **Fourth Time Recipient**
 College Attending: **Oregon State Univ.- Corvallis**
 Current Year in School: **Junior**
 College Major: **Mathematics**
 Career Direction: **Statistician**





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Name: **Hunter Seamons**
Scholarship: **Second Time Recipient**
College Attending: **Oregon State Univ.-Cascades**
Current Year in School: **Freshman**
College Major: **Fish & Wildlife Biology**
Career Direction: **Fish Biologist**

Name: **Austen Turbyne**
Scholarship: **First Time Recipient**
College Attending: **COCC**
Current Year in School: **Senior, Bend Senior High**
College Major: **Game Design**
Career Direction: **3-D Modeling/Engineering**



Name: **Katie Voyles**
Scholarship: **First Time Recipient**
College Attending: **Univ. of Oregon**
Current Year in School: **Senior, Bend Senior High**
College Major: **Biology**
Career Direction: **Astrobiology**

Name: **Zoey Voyles**
Scholarship: **Third Time Recipient**
College Attending: **Univ. of Oregon**
Current Year in School: **Junior**
College Major: **Spanish**
Career Direction: **Medical Interpreter**



Name: **Ella Wydra**
Scholarship: **First Time Recipient**
College Attending: **Lewis & Clark College**
Current Year in School: **Senior, Bend Senior High**
College Major: **Environmental Studies**
Career Direction: **Environmental**

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Ecumenical Services in the Episcopal and Lutheran Traditions

Sunday Service & Sunday School – 10:00 a.m.

Services held at the

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