



Sunriver Christian Fellowship

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



Remember to
turn your clocks
back when you go
to bed Nov. 3

November 2018

Greetings!

As the warm sunny days of summer retreat and the aspen trees of Central Oregon don their brilliant colors of fall, we are reminded that another season of change is upon us. So, too, Sunriver Christian Fellowship has begun the transition of our church calendar to the season of stewardship.

Stewardship is so much more than our financial responsibility to SCF. Homeless at birth, Jesus told us in Matthew 25, "I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me". Through the loving generosity of the SCF family, we profoundly and positively impact the lives of those in need. Your financial gifts and acts of love serve as the hands and feet of Jesus in a world desperate for His saving light.

Joe Huseonica recently shared with us that our Managing Board has prepared SCF's 2019 budget. While the 2019 budget generally holds staff and operations costs static, the budget provides for an overall 5% increase. The additional revenues will provide for much needed enhancements of our senior services, evangelism, and our international and UPCAP ministries.

Are you 70 1/2 years or older? In an effort to meet both the needs of SCF and our ministry programs, while minimizing the financial impact on SCF families, the Managing Board encourages the use of the Required Minimum Distribution (RMDs). Federal law requires individuals, who are 70 1/2 years of age or older, to take annual RMDs from their traditional, SEP, or simple IRAs. If you are not dependent on RMD income, you can gift your RMD to SCF, or other qualified charities, to minimize your tax liability. To learn more about gifting RMD income, the Managing Board encourages you to consult with a qualified tax advisor or attorney.

During my 2018 stewardship sermon, I shared three lessons I learned from our three year old grandson:

- * Act with compassion;
- * Generously use your talents and resources;
- * Be brave and be bold

It is my sincere hope that you will consider applying these principles during this stewardship season.

Our pastoral staff, Managing Board, and I are so very deeply grateful for your generosity and support. We want you to know your many, many gifts are deeply appreciated. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration, your generosity, and helping to build the Kingdom of God.

Faithfully Yours,
Jim Adams
Stewardship Chair

VISIONS OF SUGAR PLUMS

Saturday, November 10 from 10 to 3 at SHARC
Please bring donated baked goods on Friday, Nov. 9 to SHARC between 9 and 2 for wrapping and pricing.

NOTE: Bring **frozen foods** on Saturday, November 10, between 8 and 9.

With **Bovine** Blessings from
Your **Holy Cow**



THANKSGIVING SERVICE

The worship service on Sunday, November 18, 10:15 a.m., is our annual Thanksgiving worship celebration in music, reflection, and Eucharist. This service includes extra music and sharing from members of our church family. The coffee time following the service will offer pumpkin pie. Plan on being a part of this celebration of gratitude.

2019 PLEDGES & TIME AND TALENT FORMS

A reminder to mail in or drop off your "2019 Pledge and Time & Talent Forms" on Sunday into the "Love Box" at the front of the sanctuary.

Schedule of Upcoming Services November

November 4: The 24th Sunday after Pentecost

Celebrant: Rev. Roy Green
 Altar Guild: Susan Huseonica, Linda Smith,
 Gina Tjaden, Harriet Yandt
 Lector: Gary Carlson
 Chalice Bearers: Shirley & Gary Carlson, Joe Huseonica,
 Karen Newcomb, Gina & Terry Tjaden
 Greeter: Barbie Sessler
 Ushers: Dave Long, Nancy & Richard Farnham,
 Joan Lewis
 Audio: Ryan Lewis—Intros: Dave Long
 Eucharistic Visitors: Bette Butler & Mary Link
 Coffee: Linda & Mike Gocke

November 11: The 25th Sunday after Pentecost

Celebrant: The Rev. Nancy Green
 Altar Guild: Karen Carmichael, Brenda Chapin,
 Clara Smith, Patty Smith
 Lector: Margaret Beard
 Chalice Bearers: Margaret Beard, Karen Carmichael,
 Brenda Chapin, Barbara Purcell, Clara Smith,
 Patti Smith
 Greeter: Doris Brannan
 Ushers: Stan Porter, Dave Buhaly, Bob Sharp,
 Diana Swenson
 Audio: Ryan Lewis—Intros: Stan Porter
 Coffee: Sally Heise & Jackie Medill

November 18: The 26th Sunday after Pentecost

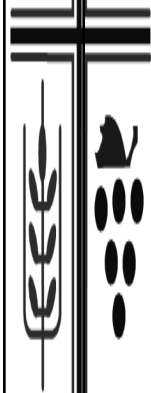
Celebrant: The Rev. Nancy Green
 Altar Guild: Sue Huseonica, Anne Irving, Mary Link,
 Dorothy Theodorson
 Lector: Diana Gustavson
 Chalice Bearers: Susan & Joe Huseonica, Anne Irving,
 Mary Link, Dorothy & Rob Theodorson
 Greeter: Doris Brannan
 Ushers: Jenny Long, Chris Baldwin, Gene Bennington,
 Sandra Kendle
 Audio: Ryan Lewis—Intros: Jenny Long
 Coffee: Sallie & Dave Hennessy

November 25: Christ the King Sunday

Celebrant: The Rev. Nancy Green
 Altar Guild: Stacy Pyatt, Linda Salzer, Kay Sharp
 Lector: Joan Lewis
 Chalice Bearers: Joan Lewis, Stacy Pyatt, Linda & John Salzer,
 Kay & Bob Sharp
 Greeter: Barbie Sessler
 Ushers: Terry & Carol Thomas, Donna & Jack Mills,
 Audio: Ryan Lewis—Intros: Terry Thomas
 Coffee: Sally & Randy Heise

December 2: The 1st Sunday of Advent

Celebrant: The Rev. Shereda Benfield
 Altar Guild: Gail Drew, Linda Smith, Gina Tjadin, Harriet Yandt
 Lector: Karen Newcomb
 Chalice Bearers: Dave Buhaly, Gail Drew, Karen Newcomb,
 Barbara Purcell, Gina & Terry Tjadin
 Greeter: Elizabeth Stearns
 Ushers: Nancy & Richard Farnham
 Audio: Ryan Lewis—Intros: Nancy Farnham
 Eucharistic Visitors: Bette Butler & Karen Carmichael
 Coffee:



Scholarship Support

Need a special gift idea this holiday season? Rather than giving gifts to family members or friends, several individuals at SCF have made a special "In Honor Donation" to the *Partnership in Education* Scholarship Program in recognition of their loved ones.

If you would like to participate in this kind of "holiday acknowledgement," you can make a donation in any amount you choose to the Scholarship Program. Simply write a check to SCF, putting the words "*Scholarship Program Holiday Recognition*" on the memo line. Also, please provide the church office with the name(s) and mailing addresses of the person(s) you would like to honor. A "Holiday Recognition Card" will be mailed to them on your behalf.



Updated Directories Information

Diana Norem – new email address:
 Dnorem80@gmail.com
David & Alyce Drescher – email correction:
 dnadrescher@gmail.com

Prayer Needs

- Al & Karen 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 Lamberton—grandson of Sandra Rodgers, in long-term recovery; assault
- Maxford—grandson of Harriet & Max Yandt; Acute Flaccid Myelitis
- Charlene—sister of Chuck Carey; fighting cancer
- Ellen Rau—fighting cancer
- Richard Hansen—fighting cancer
- Rich Charles—struggling with dementia
- Audrey Charles—undergoing cancer treatment
- Kate Mendenhall—dealing with grief
- Marianna Wiper—fighting cancer
- Judy Johnson—knee replacement
- Tom Sandefur—dealing with cancer
- Binny Kinyon—knee replacement
- Susan Wells—recovery from cancer surgery
- Barbara Vogel—hip replacement



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, 10:00 a.m.-noon, HTCC Dining Room.

Reading the Bible Again for the First Time by Marcus Borg
 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)

Prayers on Sunday after the tragedy at Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh

Blessed God,

We grieve for the families of loved ones - our brothers and sisters -
 massacred in an act of terror in Pittsburgh's Tree of Life Synagogue.

May your healing hand rest upon the injured.

May our tears reflect the weeping of God.

May we not accept such violence as inevitable or we will have lost our way.

May we look long and hard at the root causes of violence in our land
 and have civil discourse over our use of weapons.

May we stand on the common ground that preserves the dignity
 of all human beings regardless of race, creed or gender.

May we rise above hatred and division by standing on
 the foundation of religious freedom without fear.

We give thanks for all who were witnesses of the love of God by putting
 themselves in harm's way for the sake of others.

We pray for mutual respect between immigrants and insiders,
 that we may welcome your image in all who come to us.

May the spirit of love, compassion, and decency pervade our land,
 casting out both hatred and bigotry.

We pray for America.

God of compassion, teach us to embody your love; help us to be constant
 in service and give us compassion for all your children.

God of blessings, hear our prayer.

AMEN.

"In Your Own Words"

Led by Roy Green and Doug Vakoc, this study and reflection group will begin on November 4 following the worship service in the Dining Room. This is an exploration for participants to consider the beliefs of their own hearts and to compose those beliefs in their own words. If you were unable to attend the information session October 14, please let Doug (doug@vakoc.com) or Roy (Spiritdancer118@gmail.com) know of your interest and a handout describing the venture will be emailed to you. There is still time to join us. The welcome mat is out for you.

Financial Report as of September 30, 2018

	<u>Actual Jan.-Sept.</u>	<u>Budget Jan.-Sept.</u>
<u>Income</u>	\$206,403	\$246,398
<u>Expenses</u>	\$227,686	\$237,074
<u>Net Income</u>	\$(21,283)	\$ 9,324

SCF MANAGING BOARD MEETING

The SCF Managing Board meets once a month on the 4th Tuesday in the HTCC dining room from 2:30-4:00 p.m. These meetings are open to all. The next board meeting is **November 27**.

December Newsletter Deadline:
November 26

Please send articles to
 Jan Tuckerman:
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Ministry Team Leaders – 2018

Congregational Care
Pastor Nancy Green
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Joe Huseonica
 Communications
Cindy & Mark McConnell
 Education
Rob Pearson
 Evangelism
Shirley Smith
 Membership/Welcome
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 – 2018

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 Jenny Long
Treasurer
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 Dave Buhaly
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 Sandra Kendle
 Linda Smith

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

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