



Sunriver Christian Fellowship

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September 2018

The SCF Managing Board Wants You to Know!

The SCF Managing Board has scheduled a general meeting of the congregation on Sunday, September 23, immediately following our Sunday celebration. The purpose of this meeting is to review and seek approval from the congregation of several changes to our SCF Bylaws ahead of the upcoming search by the Nominating Committee for candidates for the Managing Board and Endowment Fund Trustees open positions. A synopsis of the Bylaw changes follows with the proposed new wording in red italics:

BOARD MEMBER OFFICER SUCCESSION AND TERM LIMITS

The existing Bylaws contain no provisions for Managing Board members to succeed themselves as members of the board or as officers of the board, nor are overall term limits addressed. The purpose of the below changes is to clarify and codify what has been a standing practice. The proposed changes to the Bylaws are as follows

SECTION 5.04. TERM OF OFFICE OF DIRECTORS

Term of Office. Directors shall be elected for a term of three years, except as necessary for Director terms to be staggered so that approximately 1/3 of the Directors' terms expire each year. *A seated Director may stand for re-election to an additional three year term for a maximum of two terms.*

Officers. *The Directors shall elect a president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer from among their ranks or the Directors may choose to appoint a secretary and/or treasurer as a non-voting member of the Board. A Director may succeed themselves as an officer for as long as they remain a Managing Board member.*

NOMINATING COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

The Managing Board is also proposing that the Nominating Committee now put forth candidates for the Endowment Fund Trustees and those candidates be fully elected by the SCF congregation. Given the growing value of the Endowment Fund, the Managing Board believes it prudent that the congregation have a say in who is managing this fund. The proposed changes to the Bylaws are as follows:

SECTION 6.01. THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee shall nominate candidates to fill openings on the Managing Board *and the Endowment Fund Trustees*, and for election at the annual meeting.

The Nominating Committee will make every effort to keep a balanced Managing Board and Endowment Fund Trustees. This means that of the seven members serving on the Managing Board and the seven members serving as Endowment Fund Trustees, the Nominating Committee will attempt to have at least four members who are either Lutherans or Episcopalians, with the remaining three being General members.

If an appropriate candidate is not available, the Nominating Committee will select the best candidate available to serve and attempt to correct the imbalance the following year.

CHANGES TO THE MANAGING BOARD RESOLUTION CREATING THE ENDOWMENT FUND

The Endowment Fund board resolution is being updated to reflect that, going forward, Trustees will be elected by the SCF congregation.

The Endowment Fund Trustees (EFT) *shall be elected by the majority vote of the quorum of members of the congregation attending the SCF annual meeting.* The EFT shall consist of seven (7) members of SCF. The term of service shall be three (3) years. The initial EFT *was* appointed by the SCF Management Board as follows: two (2) for a term of three (3) years, two (2) for a term of two (2) years, and one (1) for a term of one (1) year. *Hereafter*, effective January 1 of each year, *the congregation shall elect* the necessary number of new members for a term of three (3) years. *The new members will be elected from a slate of candidates presented by the SCF Nominating Committee.* The Endowment Fund Trustees shall make every effort to keep a balanced Board. This means that of the seven members serving on the Board, they shall attempt to have four members who are either Lutherans or Episcopalians, and three General members serving on the Board at any given time. If a Lutheran or Episcopalian is going off the Board, the committee shall attempt to identify a Lutheran or Episcopalian to replace that person. Every attempt shall be made to maintain that balance (When possible, consideration shall be given to annual time and talent volunteers). No member shall serve more than *two* consecutive full terms.

Please take a few moments to review the above changes and be prepared to vote at our general meeting on September 23.

Schedule of Upcoming Services—September

September 2: The 15th Sunday after Pentecost
 Celebrant: The Rev. Mary Anne Gard
 Altar Guild: Gail Drew, Jeana Emerson, Gina Tjaden,
 Lector: Bob Vogel
 Chalice Bearers: Dave Buhaly, Gail Drew, Jeana
 Emerson, Karen Newcomb, Gina & Terry Tjadin
 Greeter: Vicki Udlock
 Ushers: Carol & Terry Thomas, Neoma & Joe Woischke
 Audio: Ryan Lewis—Intros: Terry Thomas
 Eucharistic Visitors:
 Coffee: Diana & Lloyd Swenson

September 9: The 16th Sunday after Pentecost
 Celebrant: The Rev. Nancy Green
 Altar Guild: Karen Carmichael, Brenda Chapin,
 Alice Hanson, Clara Smith, Patty Smith
 Lector: John Salzer
 Chalice Bearers: Karen Carmichael, Brenda Chapin,
 Alice Hanson, John Salzer, Clara Smith,
 Patti Smith
 Greeter: Carol Thomas
 Ushers: Carol & Terry Thomas
 Audio: Ryan Lewis—Intros: Terry Thomas
 Coffee: Cindy & Mark McConnell

September 16: The 17th Sunday after Pentecost
 Celebrant: The Rev. Nancy Green
 Altar Guild: Sue Huseonica, Mary Link, Dorothy Theodorson
 Lector: Dave Buhaly
 Chalice Bearers: Dave Buhaly, Gail Drew, Susan Huseonica,
 Mary Link, Dorothy & Rob Theodorson
 Greeter: Clara Smith
 Ushers: Bob Vogel
 Audio: Ryan Lewis—Intros: Bob Vogel
 Coffee: Jenny & Dave Long

September 23: The 18th Sunday after Pentecost
 Celebrant: The Rev. Nancy Green
 Altar Guild: Jan Bull, Stacy Pyatt, Linda Salzer
 Lector: Joe Huseonica
 Chalice Bearers: Jan Bull, Susan & Joe Huseonica,
 Stacey Pyatt, Linda & John Salzer
 Greeter:
 Ushers: Jenny & Dave Long, Bonnie & Skip Smith
 Audio: Ryan Lewis—Intros: Dave Long
 Coffee: Chris & Mark Baldwin

September 30: The 19th Sunday after Pentecost
 Celebrant: The Rev. Paul Barthelmy
 Altar Guild: Jan Bull, Stacy Pyatt, Kay Sharp
 Lector: Wade Watson
 Chalice Bearers: Jan Bull, Bette Butler, Stacey Pyatt,
 Kay & Bob Sharp
 Greeter: Neoma Woischke
 Ushers:
 Audio: Ryan Lewis—Intros:
 Coffee:



October 7: The 20th Sunday after Pentecost
 Celebrant: Bishop Pat Bell
 Assisting: The Rev. Nancy Green
 Altar Guild: Gail Drew, Jeana Emerson, Harriet Yandt
 Lector: Joe Huseonica
 Chalice Bearers: Dave Buhaly, Gail Drew, Carole &
 Andy Elsbree, Jeana Emerson, Randy Heise
 Greeter:
 Ushers:
 Audio: Ryan Lewis—Intros:
 Eucharistic Visitors:
 Coffee:

WORSHIP SERVICE TIME CHANGE
 One of the weekly challenges regarding our worship service is the limited time SCF worship preparers have to set up for the service. This includes the Altar Guild and musicians who cannot begin their setting up or warming up until after 9:25 am. By this time, many worshippers are beginning to arrive which can make preparation even more difficult. In addition, during the holiday seasons, even more time is need for set-up.
 Consequently, we will be trying out an experiment. **Beginning Sunday, October 7,** we will be moving our worship service starting time up to **10:15 a.m.** We believe that this will give our workers the added time they need. We will do this through December, which gives us a chance to see if this improves our set-up requirements during a variety of worship service structures. After the holidays, this experiment will be evaluated and a decision made whether to change the worship time permanently or go back to the 10:00 a.m. schedule. Your input will be helpful as we try this out.

Prayer Needs

- William Lamberton—grandson of Sandra Rodgers, in long-term recovery; assault
- Aedan—great-grandson of Karen Newcomb, birth defect
- Marlys Lysaker—fighting cancer
- Andrew & Nicholas Barthelemy
- Al & Karen Tweit
- Susan Weber—dealing with Parkinson’s
- Bernadine & Jim Foster—cancer & heart issues
- Maxford—grandson of Harriet & Max Yandt; Acute Transverse 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



DAILY BREADS FOR FALL

Copies of the fall edition of the “Daily Bread” daily devotional are now available in the literature rack in the entry to the sanctuary. They are free.

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)

NEW FALL CLASSES

Revelation Overview: Beginning Wednesday, September 12, Jodie Bischof will be offering an 11-week overview Bible study on the book of Revelation. It will be held in the HTCC dining room from 9:30-11:30 a.m. This is a Beth Moore study and will include weekly DVD presentations and group discussion. A Participant's Guide is available for \$11. There is limited preparation for this class. Contact Jodie (541-593-1159) or Pastor Rob (541-593-1183) if you want a study guide ASAP.

"In My Own Words": In his sermon on July 15, Rev. Roy Green shared beliefs he holds about our Beloved Jesus, beliefs that come from life experience and candid reflection. They are formed in light of the teaching of the church, yet written in his own words for his elder grandson. Here is an invitation for you to join in an experience of writing beliefs in your own words. On Sunday, October 14 after Church, an information session for such a writing project will be held in the Library. Will you join Roy in exploring whether such an enterprise might be worthwhile in your faith journey?

Ancient Near Eastern Thought: Reading both the Old and New Testaments can often bring one to the same bewilderment Dorothy exclaimed in the Wizard of Oz – *"Toto, we're not in Kansas anymore!"* The ancient world is not an outdated forerunner of the modern world. It's a whole different world and, most notably, the context in and from which the Bible came. One writer puts it this way – *"The Bible is written for us, but it is not written to us. The message transcends culture, but it is given in a form that is fully ensconced in the ancient culture, the cultural river of Israel."* To offer, at best, an introductory look at some of the distinctions of how the ancients thought and its impact on the biblical message, Pastor Rob will be offering a 6-week class beginning Sunday, September 23, 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m., in the HTCC dining room. Weekly handouts will be provided.

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 **September 25**.

Lector-Altar Guild Training Workshop

On Wednesday, September 12, 1:30-3:00 p.m., in the HTCC sanctuary, anyone who is currently a Lector or serves on the Altar Guild or wants to enter into this ministry, is invited to a workshop that provides information and training on the various worship setting needs. This is particularly important if you are new to either area of worship responsibility.

Financial Report as of July 31, 2018

	<u>Actual Jan.-July</u>	<u>Budget Jan.-July</u>
Income	\$ 167,245	\$191,643
Expenses	\$ 180,366	\$184,391
Net Income	\$ (13,121)	\$ 7,252

October Newsletter Deadline: September 24

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

Ministry Team Leaders – 2018

- Congregational Care
Pastor Nancy Green
- Stephen Ministry
Randy Heise & Ginny Adams
- Senior Ministry
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

- Joe Huseonica
President
- Vice President
- Katie Hall
Secretary
- Jenny Long
Treasurer
- Gene Bennington
- Dave Buhaly
- Cliff Erikson
- Roy Green
- Sandra Kendle
- Linda Smith

SCF STAFF

- The Rev. Nancy Sargent Green**
Senior Pastor
- Dr. Robert Pearson**
Associate Pastor:
Worship & Administration
- Jan Tuckerman**
Administrative Assistant

SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

We have completed a successful eighth time of providing scholarship funds to 17 local young people who will be either attending college for the first time this fall or returning to continue their education. Many thanks to all of you who have contributed towards their higher education aspirations.

In their planning for the coming year, the Scholarship Committee has been working on new ways to enhance and strengthen the scholarship program. One new way provides an opportunity for the SCF family to be involved in these students' lives beyond financial support. We all know the importance of SCF's Intercession ministry on behalf of those dealing with various physical and family-related needs. We will be expanding this intercessory emphasis to include asking for your prayer support on behalf of our scholarship recipients throughout the school year. Here is how you can participate.

Each month in the newsletter, 3-4 scholarship recipients' names will be listed along with a brief bio on each and specific ways you can pray for them. Pastor Rob will be contacting these individuals in advance for their input. The committee believes that this is an important additional way to demonstrate "God's love in a practical way" to our recipients as they move through the challenging school months, in some cases, away from home for the first time. We will begin this effort in the October newsletter. Thanks for your participation.

Updated Directory Information

Linda Collier - PMB correction - #449.

Pat Sims - email address: psims97707@gmail.com.

David & Alyce Drescher - corrected email address:
dradreschere@gmail.com

Mary Anne Gard - 458-292-4847

Copies of the updated SCF printed "Summer 2018 Directory" are available in the church office.

ENDOWMENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES DINNER

You are all invited to celebrate with the Endowment Board of Trustees at a catered dinner on Friday, Oct. 5 at 5:30 PM at the church. Rev. Roy Green will be the Master of Ceremonies for a program of musical entertainment and information of the Outreach programs supported by the Endowment Fund earnings. Please sign up after the church services during September.

VISIONS OF SUGAR PLUMS 2018

Dear *Herd*,

Your *Holy Cow* has returned from the *meadow*! "VISIONS OF SUGAR PLUMS" will be here in a flick of my *tail* (November 10) and I am here to *prod* you into taking part in this *udderly* wonderful event. In addition to our tasty baked goods (like my fabulous *cow pies*) and frozen delights, we will again be selling dining and entertaining related items. I'm pretty good in the kitchen, but my little *hooves* don't allow me to sew. I'm "crafty", but can't do crafts. So... we can use some extra help with these items. I know all of you, even you *bulls*, will want to contribute to this event that helps so many. Remember, all of the proceeds are distributed to local charities.

As you know, our Raffle Prizes bring in lots of extra "*moolah*". Our "Wagon of Wine" was so popular last year that it is having an encore performance this year. If you happen to have a special bottle of wine you would like to donate, please let Diana Gustavson or Andi Northcote know.

Our committee has been working *Eberhard* coming up with ideas to make "Visions of Sugar Plums" even more successful. We will really be *Challenged* to surpass last year! Our next committee meeting will be on Wednesday, Sept. 12 at 4 p.m. in Northcote's *barn*. (17575 Twin Rivers Court, Crosswater) We encourage you join us.

With *Bovine Blessings*,
Your *Holy Cow*



Children's S.S. Teacher Needs

If you are interested in serving as one of the rotating children's Sunday School teachers this fall, contact
Karen Carmichael: 541-593-4058
carmine37@aol.com.

HIGHWAY CLEANUP SCHEDULE FOR 2018

Meet in the HTCC parking lot to get assignments, vests, garbage bags, etc.

Pickup dates and times:

Thursday Sept. 27 @ 9 a.m.

Thursday Oct. 25 @ 9:30 a.m.

Signup sheets will be available on each of two Sundays prior to the pickup dates.

Stan Porter: 503-910-6915,
sporter@crestviewcable.com

MUSIC GROUP START-UPS

Vocal Choir: This music group will begin their practices on Wednesday, September 19, 4:30 p.m. in the HTCC sanctuary. Newcomers are welcome. Contact Pastor Rob with any questions: [541-593-1183](tel:541-593-1183) or sunrivercf@gmail.com.

Bells of Sunriver: Handbells are SUPER! Ring with the *Bells of Sunriver*! The group plays for worship once a month during the school year and rehearses on Mondays starting September 17 from 2-4.. No handbell experience is necessary but you must be able to read music. Contact Shelley Giaier at 908-328-8818 or michel-egiaier777@gmail.com.



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Historically the Managing Board and Finance Committee have started the budgeting process for the coming fiscal year once our Stewardship process has been completed in October. This has meant the congregation has had no insight into the financial needs of our Church prior to making your annual pledges. This sequence has often meant that your pledges have fallen short of the amounts needed to fully fund our operating expenses and various ministries thus requiring the Managing Board to reduce or eliminate some budget requests.

This fall, prior to Stewardship Sunday, a proposed budget for 2019 will be available to the congregation reflecting the pledge amounts needed to support our operating expenses and ministries. The report will contain an analysis of the 2018 year's budget and pledges as compared to the 2019 budget.

The goal behind this budgeting process change is for you to fully understand the financial needs of your Church as you make your annual pledge decisions.

Another facet of this budgeting process change is that our cherished outreach ministries (UPCAP, National/International and Good News) have often taken the brunt of any budget reductions. The Managing Board's goal going forward is to more fully fund these outreach ministries. In order to do so, we will rely on your pledges, the proceeds from new investment strategies being implemented for our reserve fund and potentially some of the reserve fund principle if needed. We will also look to the Endowment Fund to provide outreach ministry support for needs that occur during the year outside the normal budgeting process.

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH STAFF CHANGES

During the summer, Holy Trinity Catholic Church has experienced a major staff change. After serving HTCC for the past six years (and the 3 other locations in this parish), Fr. Theo was assigned to a parish in Michigan. Beginning the first of July, Fr. Paul has become the new priest serving the 4 churches within this parish.

In addition, Jonila Banao, Office Administrator for HTCC, and her husband moved to Florida to care for his father. Immediately, a new administrator was hired: Donna Pigman whom many of you may have already met. In mid-August, Nick Wavers who oversaw the music ministry of the 4 parish churches resigned. A temporary replacement is currently assisting in this role. The SCF family welcomes the new staff to HTCC and we will continue our cooperative work with them.

If you are in need of reserving a room at HTCC for a meeting or event, contact Donna directly with your date/time information so it can be put on the master calendar. She works at Holy Redeemer Catholic Church in La Pine on Mondays, Tuesdays, & Fridays and can be reached at either – [541-536-3571](tel:541-536-3571) or holyrdmr@msn.com. She is generally in the HTCC office Wednesdays and Thursdays. On those days she can be reached at [541-593-5990](tel:541-593-5990), same email.

SCF ENDOWMENT MOMENT

The SCF Managing Board makes an effort each year to budget support for our National/International Outreach Ministries, in an attempt to fulfill Christ's directive to "feed my sheep". Because of financial constraints, those budgeted funds are limited, and at this time, have amounted to \$500/ministry per year.

The Endowment Fund Trustees, following requests from ministry "Champions", make an effort to supplement these funds using a portion of the annual earnings gained from the Endowment Fund. The larger our Endowment Fund becomes, the greater the possibility will be to supplement our Outreach Ministries and, eventually, will be large enough to support these important ministries entirely. Below are programs the Endowment Fund has helped support in the past three years:

Living Room Ministries International provides quality end of life care at Kimbilio Hospice to the people of Kenya, Africa. The daughter of SCF members Terry and Gina Tjaden is a key founder and staff member of Kimbilio Hospice and lives with her family in Kimbilio. Terry and Gina serve as "Champions" for Living Room Ministries.

Canvasback Medical Mission provides medical and surgical services and health improvement training to the residents of the Marshall Islands, Micronesia. SCF members Bob and Susan Wells are SCF "Champions" for Canvasback and have made many trips to the Marshall Islands to serve the residents. Bob is one of many surgeons who have performed surgeries for the local population.

A Promise of Health is a medical mission to the indigenous people of 22 communities in the Oaxaca, Mexico area. This small mission funds a full time doctor who successfully treats a variety of conditions with homeopathic medications to an average of 75 patients per week. Gary and Shirley Carlson serve as SCF "Champions" for this medical mission.

Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services is a 79-year old mission to assist resettlement of refugees from displaced people from many countries. Services include language training, health, housing, jobs and education. Since 1980 LIRS has helped 279,000 refugees to resettle in the US. SCF member Wade Watson is the "Champion" for LIRS.

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