

# Sunriver Christian Fellowship



An ecumenical and interdenominational fellowship  
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Remember to  
turn your clocks  
back when you  
go to bed Nov. 5

## November 2022

### Dear Family,

Welcome to fall!!! As nature begins its preparation for the deep sleep of winter, SCF enters a season of incredible excitement. Activities on our calendar include the Visions of Sugarplums sale, preparation for Thanksgiving and Advent, the opening of our long-awaited new sanctuary, and the celebration of Christmas. It will be a very busy time through January of 2023.

The Managing Board also has a set of tasks to be accomplished, the most important of which is to create the 2023 church budget. Guided by the work of Joe Amos and the Finance Committee, the Board will seek to balance the many needs of our new home, determine appropriate personnel compensation, and fund the ministry and missions requests that have been received. As you have experienced in your own lives, inflation is a nasty beast, driving up the cost of nearly all things, which will also impact our expenses next year. You are a vital part of this process by returning your pledge commitment for 2023. Thank you as you share your treasures, as well as your time and talent, in support of the good works of Sunriver Christian Fellowship.

One action of the Managing Board that will begin with this newsletter, is to provide a summary of the most recent Board meeting. This month's update is provided by Roy Green. Please do not hesitate to contact any member of the Board if you have questions or concerns about any action the Managing Board has taken, is considering, or should be investigating at a future meeting.

If you were present or listened to the worship service of October 30<sup>th</sup>, you are aware that Pastor Nancy has announced her retirement date as June 4, 2023. This necessitates the formation of a Pastoral Call Committee to begin the work of seeking a new senior pastor for SCF. It is a detailed process and, in my opinion, must be the work of the congregation and not the Managing Board. Each member has a voice that needs to be heard as we shape the future of SCF. If you have a desire to serve on the Call Committee, please let any member of the Managing Board know of your interest in participating in this important work.

It is vital that I express to each of you my sincere gratitude for your faithfulness in the life of Sunriver Christian Fellowship. Whenever there has been need, our membership has risen to the challenge with time, talent, and treasure, usually in excess of the need. It is particularly evident in the ownership of our new home and the generosity that brought this dream to fruition. As we approach Thanksgiving, let us acknowledge the blessings God has poured out on us, which, in turn, allow us to be a blessing to others.

Be held tightly in God's loving embrace,  
Linda Smith, *Managing Board President*

### **ALL SAINTS SUNDAY REMEMBRANCES**

There is still time to send to the SCF church office the name(s) of loved ones who have died since last year's All Saints Sunday to be included in this year's November 6, All Saints service. Please send names to [sunrivercf@gmail.com](mailto:sunrivercf@gmail.com) by Wednesday, November 2, 3 p.m.

### **BEGINNING OF ADVENT**

Sunday, November 27, is the beginning of the four-week Advent season. Each week, a new Advent presentation will be included in the service along with the lighting of an additional Advent candle.

### **UPCOMING HOLIDAY SERVICES**

November 20: Thanksgiving worship service  
November 27-December 18: Advent services

#### **December 18 :**

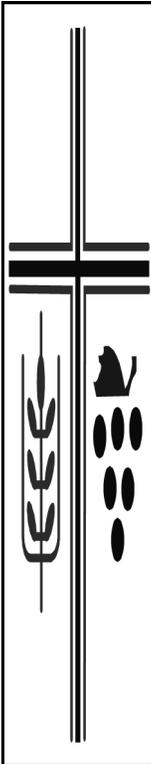
**First worship service  
in newly remodeled SCF sanctuary**  
December 24: Christmas Eve  
Family Christmas Eve Service 3 p.m.  
Traditional Christmas Eve Service 6 p.m.

**UPCOMING SERVICES: all in-person**

- November 6:** The 22nd Sunday after Pentecost  
The Rev. Canon Nancy Green
- November 13:** The 23rd Sunday after Pentecost  
The Rev. Chuck Christopher
- November 20:** The Last Sunday after Pentecost  
The Rev. Canon Nancy Green
- November 27:** The 1st Sunday of Advent  
The Rev. Canon Nancy Green
- December 4:** The 2nd Sunday of Advent  
The Rev. Canon Nancy Green

Each Sunday service is live-streamed. See the SCF website for details. Also, each service is being taped during the worship service itself and then posted on the SCF website by Sunday evening.

Downstairs Worship Space: The service is also streamed to a monitor downstairs for those feeling more comfortable in an open space yet wish to participate in Sunday worship. Communion will be brought downstairs..



**Prayer Needs**

- Aedan
- William L.
- Marianna W.
- Olivia L.
- Bergen B.
- Rich
- Dick & Marianne A.
- Paul M.
- Mike F.
- Joe H.
- Beve K.
- Keith L.
- Amber F.
- Mal M.
- Peter G.
- Betsy M.
- Lynne E.
- Erik E.
- Lynnette B.
- Patty K.
- Bob W..
- Sandy M.



**CAROL WEBB**  
Memorial Service  
Sunday, November 6  
3 p.m. at SCF

**JOHN CAIN**  
Celebration of Life  
A Celebration of Life Gathering will be held for longtime SCF member, John Cain, on Saturday, November 12, from 2-5 p.m. at Marcello's Restaurant in Sunriver. At 3 p.m. specific remembrances of John will be shared.

**CARE AND SHARE**

**September**

Boxes Distributed

- Small: 30
- Medium: 36
- Large: 21
- X-Large: 4

**Total: 91**

People Served

- Adults: 225
  - Children: 87
- Total: 312**

**CARE AND SHARE**

**October**

Boxes Distributed

- Small: 31
- Medium: 46
- Large: 28
- X-Large: 5

**Total: 110**

People Served

- Adults: 276
  - Children: 115
- Total: 391**

**CARE & SHARE**

Green bags for Care & Share food donations are on the counter next to the entrance door. Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, Sunday, November 13 will be the deadline to bring donations to SCF. Members of Care & Share will be in the parking lot before the service to receive your donation. People may also drop food at First Interstate Bank in Sunriver.

**FALL ADULT LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES**

Roy's Class: the last class-forum, "Truth and Reconciliation: Discussion of the Doctrine of Discovery," will be held on Sunday, November 6, following the worship.

Advent Class: beginning Sunday, December 4, Pastor Rob will offer a 3-week class entitled "The Amazing Cousins: Beginnings." It is an overview of the unique pre-birth and birth experiences of both Jesus and John the Baptist. It follows the worship service.

**Updated Directory Information**

Anne Irving: new address  
377 SE 130th Dr. , South Beach, OR 97366  
H: 541-867-2254; C: 541-678-1519

**SCF 2022 FREE WHEELCHAIR MISSION**

SCF sent in the budgeted \$1,000 from the outreach budget early before the Free Wheelchair Mission X2 matching program occurred in October, so those funds purchased 10 wheelchairs. The September SCF Campaign raised \$5,128, purchasing 53 wheelchairs. So, the SCF total is for 63 wheelchairs. The SCF funds were sent to the Free Wheelchair Mission this week and will be matched by their annual X2 Matching Program. The GRAND TOTAL of chairs through the 2022 campaign including the match will enable the mission to get 116 people up off the ground in new wheelchairs. We will be receiving 63 Christmas cards from the Free Wheelchair Mission close to Christmas and with each \$96 you donated, you can get one card. The cards enable you to go online at the Free Wheelchair Mission and choose where your wheelchair will be sent. The Free Wheelchair Mission donated chairs to 94 countries in Latin America, the Caribbean, Africa, and Asia. Thank you so much for your support of this outreach program. Enabling someone to get up off the ground is truly a great cause and may enable people to get out of their house and maybe even become employed. God bless you. Stan Porter: Champion Free Wheelchair Mission

**VISIONS OF SUGARPLUMS**

Save the date: Saturday, November 19.



We will be at SHARC this year due to remodeling of the Great Hall. We are carrying on with this great fund raiser for our neighbors in need, in honor of Andi Northcote. We will again be selling amazing baked goods and handmade holiday gifts. We will have fabulous raffle prizes, including our Wagon of Wine. If you can donate a bottle (or more) of wine to this, please call Liz Haberman to arrange pick up or delivery: 310-415-6102. We also have some very special silent auction items, one of which is a Murder Mystery Dinner for 8 people! So, please consider helping out by making, baking, or donating. If you have any questions, please contact Diana Gustavson, 612-770-7706, or Ronda Floyd, 704-497-1447. Thanks so much for your help!

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

This group meets on Mondays 10-11:30 a.m. at the Sunriver Library except on major holidays. The book selection is *Sacred Earth, Sacred Soul - Celtic Wisdom for Reawakening to What Our Souls Know and Healing the World* by John Philip Newell. All women are welcome to attend. For further information contact:

Chris Hamilton: [chrish39@gmail.com](mailto:chrish39@gmail.com) or Shereda Benfield: [skbenfield@gmail.com](mailto:skbenfield@gmail.com)

*Men of Faith*

This group meets monthly on the second Tuesday of each month, 7:30-8:30 a.m. at the Pozzi Building at the Sunriver Nature Center. There is a discussion leader for each meeting.

**SCF MANAGING BOARD October 25 Meeting Summary: Roy Green**

At its October 25 meeting, your Managing Board heard updates from Wade Watson and Dave Drescher on the renovation of our new Church home. Concrete sidewalks are curing, and the interior painting is complete. We also received from Wade the quarterly report of the Endowment Fund Trustees. The Treasurer's reports on the current budget and the capital campaign were received from Joe Amos and the beginning of the budget process for 2023 announced. Pledges are coming in for the new year, and we hope all will be in soon so the foundation for the 2023 budget is accurate. Barb Purcell updated fundraising for Andi's Kitchen, \$75,000 received to date, with the goal of reaching \$80,000 by year's end.

On-going matters before the Board include a search for a new Secretary to carry on Patty Smith's good work, revising the SCF Bylaws and Endowment Fund Enabling Resolution for adoption at the Annual Meeting to be held January 22, 2023.

Our proposed first worship service in our new sanctuary is December 18, 2022, and Dedication Sunday is January 15, 2023.

Updating our website, as a way of getting the name of SCF out in the public, along with Sunriver Scene articles, proceed under the guidance of Paul Knollman, Mark McConnell and Roger Smith.

Live streaming worship services, thanks to Randy Heise, is now available. The YouTube link can be found on the website: [sunriverchristianfellowship.org](http://sunriverchristianfellowship.org).

The Managing Board meets next on November 22 at 1:30 by Zoom, and you may join us by emailing Linda Smith ([smitmack@pacbell.net](mailto:smitmack@pacbell.net)) to receive the Zoom link.

**2023 PLEDGE AND TIME & TALENT FORMS**

If you haven't turned in or mailed your "2023 Pledge & Time & Talent Forms" to SCF, please do so as quickly as possible. Your information will help our Finance Committee in their budget planning for next year.

**CONSTRUCTION UPDATE**

More construction progress has been made during the past month. Wallboard installation and painting has been completed and installation of electrical and carpentry finishes has begun. The deteriorated sidewalk fronting the building has been replaced and is curing. The contractor's schedule still identifies completion of the project on December 12. The new sanctuary chairs have been completed and are being held at the factory until adequate storage space in our building becomes available. The project is tracking well with the budget and available funds. We are very grateful for the generosity of the congregation and thank the entire congregation for enthusiastic support.



**Financial Report as of September 30, 2022**

	<u>Actual Jan.-Sept.</u>	<u>Budget Jan.-Sept.</u>
<u>Income</u>	\$220,301	\$237,480
<u>Expenses</u>	\$244,519	\$285,521
<u>Net Income</u>	\$ -24,218	\$ -48,041

**December 2022 Newsletter Deadline: November 25**

Please send articles to Jan Tuckerman:  
[jtuckerman.sunriver@outlook.com](mailto:jtuckerman.sunriver@outlook.com)

**Ministry Team Leaders — 2022**

Congregational Care  
*Pastor Nancy Green*

Stephen Ministry  
*Randy Heise*

Senior Ministry  
*Joe Huseonica*

Communications  
*Cindy & Mark McConnell*

Education  
*Rob Pearson*

Evangelism  
*Shereda Benfield*

Membership/Welcome  
*Jan Bull  
 Linda Salzer*

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

Scholarship Program  
*Rob Pearson*

Stewardship  
*Gene Bennington*

Worship  
*Rob Pearson*

**SCF Managing Board — 2022**

Linda Smith  
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*Vice President*

Patty Smith  
*Secretary-ex officio*

Joe Amos  
*Treasurer*

Dave Drescher  
 Roy Green

Sandra Kendle  
 Paul Knollman

Barbara Purcell

**SCF Endowment Fund Trustees—2022**

Wade Watson  
*President*

Vicki Udlock  
*Secretary*

Cliff Erickson  
*Treasurer-ex officio*

Paul Barthelemy  
 Linda Collier

Mike Gocke  
 Liz Haberman

Susan Kenney

**SCF STAFF**

The Rev. Canon  
 Nancy Sargent Green

Senior Pastor  
 Dr. Robert Pearson

Associate Pastor:  
*Worship &*

*Administration*  
 Jan Tuckerman

*Administrative Assistant*

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