



Church Clean-Up

The next All Church Cleaning is scheduled for Saturday, April 22nd at 10:30 am. Please come help make our worship space pleasing to the Lord!

For the Schools!

Please save Campbell soup and Box Top labels. The schools get 10 cents for each label. Just give your labels to Carol Moser.



Feeding the Community

Food Bank Needs

- Canned milk
- Canned fruit
- Toothpaste
- Dish Soap

Please place donations in the grocery cart in the foyer. Thank you!



The Renewal of Faith

“Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God...” Romans 12:5

Spring is the season of renewal. Trees leaf out, flowers bloom, grass grows and the “dead” of winter is gone. The Lenten season occurs toward the end of Winter and beginning of Spring. It is a time for renewal of our faith; a time to examine God’s love for us and Christ’s life, mission and message.

One of the ways to do this is to examine our spiritual practices, including prayer, meditation, studying the Bible, reading devotionals and fellowship with other believers. (I know I’ve mentioned this before, but it’s important). These practices can become a life-giving source of strength and guidance for us in our life of faith. According to John Wesley, constant practice of spiritual disciplines helps to keep followers of Christ in touch with His power and presence and helps them to live as faithful servants of Christ.

One of the results of the practice of spiritual disciplines is falling in love with God. Rick Warren, in *The Purpose driven Life* states that this is our greatest privilege. This can be accomplished in two ways: 1) constant conversation with God through prayer, both longer personal prayers and short, one sentence breath prayers, devotionals, and little conversations with God throughout your day; and 2) continual meditation on God’s word; studying the Bible, both reading the Word and meditating on what you’ve read. You then meditate on who God is, what He has done, and what He has said. This is the start of a friendship with God. *(Continued Page 2)*

New Creative Ministry

We are starting a new ministry project on Monday, April 10 and April 24 at 1 p.m. at the church. Come see what we hope to make!!! All are welcome!

Woman's Fellowship

Women's Fellowship will meet on Thursday April 27 at 1 p.m. at the church. Frankye Poole will give a report on the Seventh Day Adventists.

Celebrations

A revised Celebrations list will be distributed with the newsletter.

Prime Timers'

Prime Timers will be Tuesday April 4th at noon at the church. Bring your own lunch. Rosie Farnsworth will be discussing her life's journey from birth to today, including photographs.

Housing Needed

A young woman associated with our church is looking for a new living arrangement as she continues her college education. She would like to find a small, inexpensive studio, apartment, or possibly a room to rent in someone's home. If you know of such a situation, please call Tammy at (360) 779-4217. Thank you!

As you develop your friendship with God, a deeper, more intimate connection with Him forms. According to Rick Warren, there are three things you must do to have this friendship with God: 1) choose to be honest with God and share your thoughts and feelings; 2) choose to obey God in faith and trust Him when He asks you to do something; and 3) desire a friendship with God. You are as close to God as you choose to be. By loving God, you, in truth, love His son Jesus. Meditating on Christ's life, mission, and message helps cement that friendship with God.

So, Spring forward and renew your faith and your relationship with God. You do not have to practice all of the spiritual disciplines. Choose the ones that fit you and your life and your search for love for and from God. May your Lenten renewal of faith be productive, helpful and satisfying for you.

- **God's blessings on all of you, Roberta Hansen, RUMC Lay Leader**

The Nursery is OPEN!

Please note that the Nursery is always open on Sundays. We have many people who have had background checks and have volunteered to staff the nursery whenever needed on Sunday. So, please welcome families with open arms and just point them to an Administrative Council member who will find a volunteer nursery attendant.



Easter Egg Hunts!!!

This year, Redeemer UMC will be teaming with Kingston Cooperative Preschool (KCP) to host the annual Easter egg hunt at Kola Kole Park in Kingston. The egg hunt will be on Saturday, April 15th at 10:00 a.m. Kids age 1 through 11 years old are welcome to participate and everyone gets a prize!

KCP will also be hosting teen and adult Easter egg hunts on Friday, April 14th at Kola Kole Park. The teen Easter egg hunt at 6:00 p.m. is for middle school and high school students and will cost \$10 each. The adult Easter egg hunt will be at 8:30 p.m. and will cost \$15 each. Both will have tons of amazing prizes! REMEMBER to bring a basket or bag to collect eggs, and a flashlight for the adult egg hunt!

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:30 a.m.

Adult and Youth
Classes

10:30 a.m.

Fellowship Time

11 a.m.

Worship Service

PASTOR'S HOURS

Monday

By Appointment

Tuesday

9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Green Light Diner,
Poulsbo

Wednesday

9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

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Thursday

1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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CONTACT THE PASTOR:

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Jamie Findley Returns!

On Saturday, April 8th, Jamie Findley will be giving a Music

Workshop from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., followed by a Concert at 6:00 p.m. Jamie is a legendary guitar player who has written multiple books on guitar techniques, composition, and guitar arrangements for the music instruction publisher Hal Leonard, and taught at the Musicians Institute in Los Angeles for over 30 years. Jamie specializes in Solo Jazz Guitar, Fingerstyle Acoustic, Core Guitar Classes, and Beatles for Solo Guitar. The cost of the workshop is \$20 and the cost of the concert is \$10 for Adults and \$5 for children.

Please consider coming to the concert, and if you play guitar or want some pointers on composition or music theory you might also want to attend the music workshop. Also, please pass the word along to anyone you think might also be interested.

Administrative Council Report

At the March 19th meeting, the Administrative Council agenda included a review of various action items in progress, authorization for piano tuning, and changing the date of the April Administrative Council meeting to April 9th instead of April 16th, so it does not conflict with Easter Sunday. There was also a discussion of various youth ministry issues including making sure that the congregation knows we do have Nursery volunteers available if needed. (See the related article in this newsletter.) The most visible change coming up soon will be the pressure washing of the whole church, followed by the painting of the front of the church. Pastor Andrew has begun working with a few covenant/mission teams including the worship team and the office volunteer team.

➤ **Susan Hougham, Ad Council Chair**



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Financial Report

Our expenses for the month of February were \$15,218.96. This included a \$2,600 deposit for the pressure washing and partial painting of the church building and a \$900 payment for our Fire & Liability Insurance. Our income for the month was \$13,387.26 (which includes the Conference payment for Pastor Compensation). Our restricted income (benevolences, etc.) was \$677.81.

➤ **Paige Lockwood, Treasurer**

HELP WANTED!!!

Work from home! In home or on-site training provided!

SKILLS & EQUIPMENT

REQUIRED: A sewing machine and the ability to sew a ¼-inch seam. All other material and equipment furnished.



Yes, our Prayers and Squares Ministry is asking for your help. We currently have many children's quilts but are down to just two adult quilts. Of the four ladies who are still sewing, three are in their 80s and are getting very tired. We have a lot of great fabric and patterns and will gladly mentor any new quilter. If you cannot make the 2nd Saturday meetings, we will gladly tutor you at home or at the church. If interested, please contact Fran Larrabee, Betty Thunder, Susan Houghman or Phyllis Wahlquist.