

The Lamplighter

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To Believe, To Belong, To Serve



MAY 2018

Acts: The Next Adventure!



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By the time you are reading this, we will have preached in the book of Acts at least three times. It has been fun for me to share the pulpit a bit more this month and I pray it has been good for you to hear interpretations and words of encouragement from voices other than my own. Hosting guest preachers is one way we honor and remember that the church includes lots of voices and callings – male and female, young and old and so much more!

A few weeks in, I hope you are as enthusiastic about our study in the book of Acts as I am. Acts is full of exciting stories with more than enough drama and conflict. As we read Acts, we read about the first generation of the church as they were discovering how to live into previously unexplored and uncharted territory. The apostles are constantly surprised by how and when and where the Holy Spirit appears and where it leads them next.

In a matter of pages, the Holy Spirit fills and empowers the apostles, thousands profess faith and are baptized, miraculous healings begin, and then the gospel begins to go out to Gentile peoples and cities around the known world where it has never gone before. As you read along in coming months, allow yourself to get caught up in this adventure story! At the same time, let your theological imagination carry you into reflection about what all this means for us as Christians in 2018, as Community Presbyterian Church in this new season of life and ministry. To whom and to where and how is God leading us on our next adventure as a congregation.

When I preached on the Pentecost event in Acts 2, I highlighted five ways we can reflect on and learn from the birth of the first generation church 2000 years ago:

- 1-The Holy Spirit empowers us for the work in front of us.
- 2-Obstacles are overcome. May we put our trust in the God who overcomes.
- 3-Change is embraced. The disciples never saw this coming but they ran with it.
- 4-Everyone is included: sons and daughters, young and old, slaves and free.
- 5-From the wisdom of the past, a new future is imagined.

As I continue through my first year of being your pastor, I look at those five statements and see each one of them true for us today at CPC. May we pray and live into the truth of these statements.

With you on the adventure,

Rev. Andrew Hoeksema

Men's Monthly Breakfast



By popular demand we will hear "the rest of the story" by Jack Nelson, who has saved his best

flying story for this event.

Men's Breakfast is in Teddy's Hall, **May 2** at 8 am. Cost is \$5, sign-up sheet is in the narthex.

The Men's Monthly Breakfast will take a break during the summer months and resume again in the Fall. Be watching the Lamplighter for updates to our fall schedule.

Photos for a Mother's Day Tribute

Please email your photos of mothers with their children (you with your mother and/or you with your children). A special photo tribute is being organized to be shown during worship on Mother's Day and we'd like everyone to be included. If you turned one in last year, we still have a copy. Photos need to be received in the church office by Wednesday, **May 9**.

COFFEE-TEA-IF-YOU-PLEASE



Donations of coffee and large tea bags, for ice tea is needed for Fellowship.

Thank You



Parking Lot Sale (Needs your help)



The first organizational meeting will be on **Thursday, May 10**, in the church library. If you are able to help with the organizational aspects of this event, or would like to learn more about the event, please call Margo Menown 541-350-5711 or Rocky Johnson 541-548-6798.



This year's Parking Lot Sale schedule is:

Thursday, September 14 (receive and display items),

Friday **September 14** and Saturday **September 15** as sale days.

Proceeds from the sales benefit our partnership with Kisauni Kenya, the Children's Feeding program and the Girls Hygiene programs.

Women's Brunch



Stewardship Corner
Update on Giving and Expenses
Year to Date

January-March	2017	2018
Pledge offering	85,614	83,376
Non pledge offering	10,160	17,518
Loose offering	1,301	1,778
Other income	9,496	10,820
Total income	106,571	127,953
Total expense	110,016	124,425
Net income	-3,445	+3,528

Trash Talk



Our Food and Fellowship team has to deal with a lot of trash: packaging, tin cans, bottles, etc. Recently, we decided to update the trash and recycling system with new signs and methods of sorting. We are sharing this information because a variety of groups use the kitchen, plus many in the congregation help with clean-up. High Country Disposal (HCD) has provided laminated signs which remind us of how to recycle. For instance, we thought plastic cookie, cake and produce containers could go into the blue recycling bin. Unfortunately, they cannot. In the kitchen we are now placing these into the large white trash can next to the blue bin. Read our signs or go to highcountrydisposal.com for details.

Behind the church, there are separate bins for cardboard, glass, commingled recycling and garbage. In the office and meeting rooms, there are receptacles for recyclables. There is a basket below the coat area in the narthex for used bulletins, and miscellaneous slips of paper. We can keep all recyclable paper out of trash baskets.

As our team leader, Sharon Lynch, says, "You know, we just like to help each other out around here." We are already trying to do our part for the environment, and improving our system will help our local community.

Food and Fellowship Team

April 17 Session Highlights:



- ⌘ Approved the Financial Audit Report for the year 2017.
- ⌘ Approved hiring a professional to develop a new church website.
- ⌘ Approved having only one 10:00 am worship service on Sundays from July 22 through September 2.

Hospital Equipment Program

The Wellness Team sponsors a Hospital Equipment Program that loans out equipment that you might need on your return home from the hospital. If you have a need for this type of equipment, please contact Lynda Talbot at 541-279-0576. We also accept donations of unused medical equipment if it is in good condition. Thank you for your thoughtfulness.



Children & Youth Ministries

Interim Youth Coordinator: Kelsey Stealey

Cell: 541-604-1119 Email: kelsey@redmondpc.org

Mexico is Almost Here!



The Mexico Mission Trip is coming up fast and there are a few items that we need for our trip. Our congregation is great at helping us bring in these items, so look for a list in the narthex for items that we will need for our trip. We also have our final meeting on **May 6 at 10:30** in the youth room for all of our participants and parents. Please contact Kelsey Stealey with any questions.

Mother's Day Service and Brunch



On **May 13**, there will be a few changes in both our contemporary and traditional services. In honor of the mothers who do so much for us, the youth and children will be participating in both services.

We would also like to invite everyone to a pancake brunch between services, served by the dads and children in the church. We are looking for volunteers to help make pancakes during the first service, so if you are interested, please let Kelsey Stealey know.

Combined Youth Group



On **May 14**, the combined youth group is going to Vector Volcano Arcade in Bend. Please RSVP to Kelsey before **May 13** so she can get transportation settled.

Children and Family End of the School Year Barbeque



School is almost over! Please join us for some food and fun and games on **June 3 at 12:15**. We will be having a barbeque at Taylor Field after the second service to celebrate the end of the school year and kick off the summer break. All families are welcome!

Blankets for Babies



Our CPC Impact event for June is coming very soon. Come join us **June 3 from 10-12** in the youth room to help make blankets for babies!

We will be taking these blankets with us when we go to Mexico to help bless the people we are serving down there. We would love to have multi-generational help with this project, so look for more information in the coming weeks or contact Kelsey Stealey or Carole Kardy for more information.

Easter Egg Hunt!



2018 Graduates

If you have someone in your family graduating this year from high school, college or trade school the info will be published in the June Lamplighter. Please send the info: name, relationship, school & degree to the church at tammy@redmondpc.org or drop it by the church office before May 17.



Quilters Quips

As summer approaches we need to remind you to mark your calendar for Summer Quilt Camp! This year Summer Quilt Camp will be held **August 6-9**. Please join us for a fun time of quilting, visiting, learning new techniques, eating, and sharing. More information will be available in the next couple of months.

Presently we are working on filling up the cupboards again. After our main distribution in December the closet was nearly bare, but thanks to many hard working quilters it is once again filling up. If you are interested in helping with this mission, we meet every Thursday from 10:00-3:00 in Teddy's Hall. We break at noon for lunch and 'Sew and Tell'. We also have a business meeting after lunch on the first Thursday of the month.

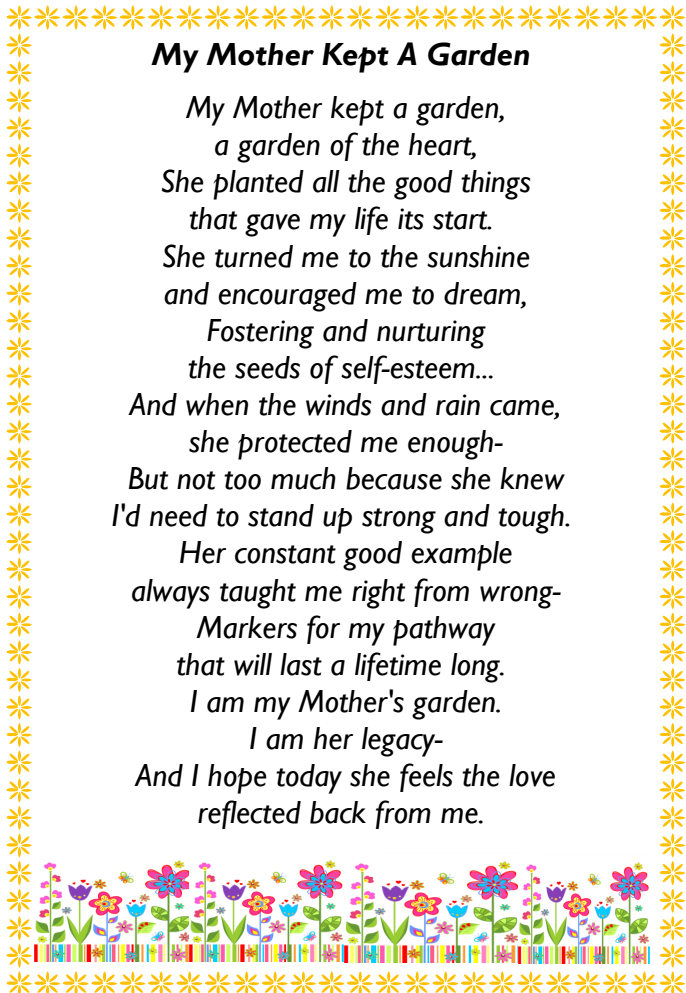
We will be having our **Fiesta de Mayo lunch the first Thursday of May (May 3)** please make sure you have signed up to bring an ingredient for the taco salad.

On **May 31** we will be having a special workday. We will be making quilts for those undergoing chemotherapy at the Redmond cancer center. We will need cutters, pinner, sewers, and binders.

Join us for fun and fellowship while constructing quilts for those in need of warmth and comfort.

My Mother Kept A Garden

*My Mother kept a garden,
a garden of the heart,
She planted all the good things
that gave my life its start.
She turned me to the sunshine
and encouraged me to dream,
Fostering and nurturing
the seeds of self-esteem...
And when the winds and rain came,
she protected me enough-
But not too much because she knew
I'd need to stand up strong and tough.
Her constant good example
always taught me right from wrong-
Markers for my pathway
that will last a lifetime long.
I am my Mother's garden.
I am her legacy-
And I hope today she feels the love
reflected back from me.*



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY



Wednesday Night Supper



Everyone is invited to come to Teddy's Hall on, **May 9**, at **6 pm** for a meal and good fellowship.

The cost is: Adults-\$5.00, with a max. per family of \$10.00.

Please use the sign-up sheet in the narthex to reserve your seat. Also, please sign up to help with the clean up afterwards.

Wellness Ministries Update

Coordinator: Lois Millspaugh

Mission Statement: To help the congregation attain, maintain, and/or regain the best possible health... Wellness of mind, body and spirit that can be experienced. This is realized through education, guidelines, screening and providing ongoing support.



Redmond Alzheimer's Support Group

The Alzheimer's Support Group is a special program developed for those caring for loved ones with Alzheimer's. The group meets at the church on the **third Wednesday** of each month at **2:00** in the Mountain Room. The workshop is open to everyone in the community so invite your friends and neighbors who are seeking information on this disabling disease.

Redmond Parkinson's Support Group

The Parkinson's Support Group will be holding its monthly meeting on Wednesday, **May 2**, at **1:00** in Teddy's Hall at CPC. On the agenda for this month is Announcements, followed by Share Your Story... Lots of new people, let's get to know each other. (If you are not comfortable sharing, just introduce yourself) and finishing the class with a Share and Care Challenges and Blessings this month. See you all at the next meeting.

Grief Support

The Redmond Hospice is currently offering the following grief support for those who have lost a loved one.

Soup & Support – the fourth Tuesday of each month from 12:00 – 1:30 pm. This complimentary luncheon is open to anyone grieving the loss of a loved one. Here you will meet new friends and receive the support of others also navigating their way through this difficult process.

Location - The Hospice Of Redmond Community Room. For additional information please call 541-548-7483.



"Giving Up Your Keys Class"

This class is scheduled for **June 20** at 6:30 pm in the church fellowship hall. The class leader will be John Peterson from the AARP Safe Driving Class. Join us for an important class on safe driving.

Self Defense Class

The Wellness Ministries Team is gathering information on the possibility of sponsoring a Self Defense Class for men and women interested in learning how to defend themselves in an emergency situation. If you would be interested in participating in this type of class a sign-up sheet will be available in the narthex of the church. A date has not been determined at this time. The first class will be demonstrated by the instructor with an assistant. If there is more interest in a full contact class information will be presented at that time.

Advance Directive

Advance Directive information is still available for those individuals who were not able to attend the class held by Dr. Steve Cross. Emergency Information sheets that are used by Redmond Paramedics for current and updated information on your health status are available through the Wellness Ministries Team. For additional information please contact Barbara French at 541-923-1187.


Blood Pressure Screenings



Are you concerned that your Blood Pressure may be too elevated? **Free** Blood Pressure Screenings are available to all members and friends of our church on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month in the Wellness Office. For the month of May CPC nurses will be available to take your blood pressure from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Remember, high blood pressure is a silent killer. Be proactive and see your health care provider if you have any concerns.



May 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 9:30 M.O.P.S. 10:30 Food/Fellowship 4:30 Jericho Rd Executive Board 5:00 Healthy Cooking Class with Holly 6:00 CYMT 7:00 Boy Scouts	2 8:00 Men's Breakfast 10:30 Women's Bible Study 1:00 Parkinson's Support Group 5:30 Prayer Service 5:30 Praise Team 7:00 Chancel Choir	3 10:00 Quiltmakers 4:15 Outreach Team	4 7:15 Men's Breakfast Study @ Madeline's Grill 7:00 Young Adult Crew	5
6 <i>Communion Sunday</i> 9:00 Worship 9:00 Nursery Care 9:15 Church School 9:30 Adult Ed Class 10:15 Adult Ed Class 10:30 Youth & Parents Mexico Mission Planning Meeting 11:00 Worship 11:00 Nursery Care 11:15 Church School 12:15 Worship Team	7 12:00 Knitters at Jan's 1:00 Art Group 1:00 Staff Meeting 3:00 Deacons 4:30 Mission 5:30 M.S. Youth Group 6:30 H.S. Youth Group 6:30 Centering Prayer	8 9:00 MOPS Brunch 12:00 Jericho Road 7:00 Boy Scouts	9 10:30 Women's Bible Study 1:00 Wellness 3:00 Finance 5:30 Prayer Service 5:30 Praise Team 6:00 WNS 7:00 Chancel Choir	10 10:00 Quiltmakers 3:00 Parking Lot Sale Meeting	11 7:15 Men's Breakfast Study @ Madeline's Grill 7:00 Young Adult Crew	12
13 <i>Mothers Day</i> 9:00 Worship 9:00 Nursery Care 9:15 Church School 9:30 Adult Ed Class 10:00 Mothers Day Pancake Breakfast 10:15 Adult Ed Class 11:00 Worship 11:00 Nursery Care 11:15 Church School	14 10:00 Membership 1:00 Art Group 1:00 Staff Meeting 5:30 Combined Youth Group to Vector Volcano Arcade 6:00 Session 6:30 Centering Prayer	15 9:30 M.O.P.S. 7:00 Boy Scouts	16 10:30 Women's Bible Study 2:00 Alzheimer's Caregivers support Group 5:30 Praise Team 5:30 Prayer Service 7:00 Chancel Choir	17 10:00 Quiltmakers 10:00 Newsletter Deadline	18 7:15 Men's Breakfast Study @ Madeline's Grill 7:00 Young Adult Crew	19 4:00 Bible & Brew 7th St. Brew Pub
20 9:00 Car Wash 9:00 Worship 9:00 Nursery Care 9:15 Church School 9:15 Teen Talk 9:30 Adult Ed Class 10:15 Adult Ed Class 11:00 Worship 11:00 Nursery Care 11:15 Church School 12:15 Nominating Team	21 1:00 Art Group 1:00 Staff Meeting 4:00 Life Long Learners 5:30 M.S. Youth Group 6:30 H.S. Youth Group 6:30 Centering Prayer	22 1:30 Seekers 7:00 Boy Scouts	23 10:30 Women's Bible Study 5:30 Praise Team 5:30 Prayer Service 7:00 Chancel Choir	24 10:00 Quiltmakers 1:30 Afternoon Circle	25 7:15 Men's Breakfast Study @ Madeline's Grill 7:00 Young Adult Crew	26
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Welcome New Members.....



Teri Jansen

What drew you to C.P.C.?

I came with Eric Sande 4 years ago before I moved here and really enjoyed it.

Where are you from?

I moved here from Oregon City in July of 2017.

What are your Hobbies and Interests?

My hobbies are baking, knitting, my dogs and chickens.

What is your vocation?

Before I was disabled I was an Accountant. I'm a Certified Pastry Chef that bakes for fun and family and friends.



Diana Barker

What drew you to C.P.C.?

I raised my 2 boys (Gerry and Joel) at C.P.C. Life got in the way and my years were taken with work and meetings. Andrew and Holly were the catalyst that got me back in the door. The welcome back from old friends and new is letting me know it's the right place for me.

Where are you from?

I was born in Portland and moved to Redmond at an early age. I've also lived in Salem, Salt lake City and Bend.

What are your Hobbies and Interests?

Golf, Art and Community. I serve on Housing and Community Development committee, Redmond Committee for Arts in Public Places, Redmond Community Concert Association, Redmond Proficiency Academy Board. Oh yes, I take care of two elderly cats!

What is your vocation?

I have been a real estate broker in Central Oregon for 37 years. It is the best job I can imagine!



Sunday Morning Adult Education

9:30 Class: "Waiting on God in difficult times"

A study of the book of Job.

May 6- The court (Job 22-24)

May 13- A whisper (Job 25-31)

May 20- Elihu's defense (Job 32-37)

May 27- The final examination (Job 28-42)

10:15 Class: Studying the book of Mark.

Happy Birthday to the Church!



Everyone is encouraged to wear red, (symbolic of the special presence of the Holy Spirit) to church on **May 20**, for **Pentecost** which is considered to be the birthday of the Christian Church.

CPC Singles Night Out

CPC singles are invited on **May 17** at **5:00 pm** to meet at Moose Sisters restaurant in Bend for a no-host meal. This is a great time to get to know others from CPC better. Please use the sign-up sheet in the church narthex



Bible and Brew

A once a month group will start meeting at 7th Street Brew Pub. The first meeting will be on Saturday, **May 19** at **4:00 pm**. The discussion this month will be "The Parable of the Talents". Come prepared, thirsty and hungry for knowledge and fellowship!

Music Ministries

Karen Sipes, Director

A special welcome back to our snowbirds! Marching toward summer...May marks the month that choir begins winding down. The last Wednesday before Memorial Day, the choir will begin their hiatus from Wednesday night rehearsals, and the start of Summer Choir. In June and most of July, the choir will continue to sing at the 11:00 service on Sundays, but will sing easier, more familiar anthems which will be rehearsed on Sunday mornings. Anyone who wants to sing is welcome to join us during summer choir. It's particularly nice when some of our snowbirds come back and sing with us. We also stop wearing choir robes during the summer. Our praise team will continue as always.

We are so blessed to have such devoted musicians who play every Sunday. There is great hope that we can find more musicians to join us! We would love to build up our ranks again, and will welcome any skilled musicians who would like to be a part of praise team ministry. Please contact me with any leads or interest. Youth are encouraged as well.

Coming in August will be our annual hymn sing! I look forward to leading that every year and enjoy gathering requests for your favorite hymns. It is a joyful time and a wonderful outreach opportunity, to invite the community to join us.

Some vocal health tips especially for allergy season...stay hydrated. Water is the vocal cords best friend. Drink plenty of it, and avoid dairy, caffeine and spicy foods, which can contribute to hoarseness. If experiencing sore throat or vocal fatigue, resting the voice is best when possible. If you have to speak with a sore throat, use a gentle tone, rather than a whisper. Whispering actually irritates the vocal cords. Stay well!

Karen Sipes, Director of Music Ministries



Connie Stoaks

What drew you to C.P.C.?

I wanted to get involved with a church in Redmond so that I could participate in more church-related activities and local mission work without having to drive the distance to First Presbyterian Church in Bend. I live in Eagle Crest and know several people who attend the church. After visiting and hearing Andrew preach, I decided to join.



Where are you from?

I grew up in Monterey, California, and graduated from college, got married, and moved to Oregon in 1974. We lived in the Beaverton-Hillsboro area for 40 long, wet winters and decided to move to Central Oregon as soon as we retired in 2014. Since we had already bought our house in Eagle Crest in 2005 and had been commuting on weekends, we had an easy transition to Central Oregon!

What are your Hobbies and Interests?

I love to hike, kayak, snowshoe, play pickleball, travel, sing, read, and practice Spanish. I'm starting my third year as a volunteer interpretive ranger at Lava Lands Visitor Center in the summer and interpretive snowshoe ranger at Mt. Bachelor in the winter. My husband and I deliver for Meals on Wheels every week. I have been enjoying singing in the choir, both for the music and the fun of getting to know the choir members!

What is your vocation?

I taught elementary school students, at first as a classroom teacher, and then as an English Language Learners teacher for the last 17 years of my career. I use my teaching skills in my volunteer ranger job, and I am interested in learning about opportunities for tutoring Hispanic students either in schools or with the Latino Community Association's citizenship program. This could possibly be an opportunity for other members of our congregation to be involved in as well.



- 5/01 Danny Duff
Nabiel Saleem
- 5/02 Hank Hahn
- 5/03 Alyce Jantzen
- 5/06 Ron Terry
Bethany Kardy
- 5/07 Diana Barker
- 5/09 Linda Hill
Karen Rooney
- 5/10 Jean Hoffman
- 5/11 Larry Courtright
Brianna Rost
- 5/12 Mike Myers
Bob Weeber
- 5/14 Gary Patterson
Conor McCreary
- 5/17 Luann Johnson
- 5/18 Becky Lundgren
- 5/19 Thom Myers
- 5/21 Jen McKague
- 5/22 Joan Sheets
- 5/24 Monica Graham
- 5/25 Jo Anne Sutherland
- 5/28 Mary Cork
Debi Galvez
Joe Griffin
- 5/29 Ken Kerfoot
- 5/30 Kathryn Outwater
Ken Schimming

MAY ANNIVERSARIES 

- 5/06 Joe & June Griffin
- 5/08 Rick & Jean Hoffman
- 5/09 Steve & Becky Lundgren
- 5/12 Walter & Norrie Taylor
- 5/19 Roland & Gail White
- 5/28 Bob & Lois Ahern
- 5/29 Paul & Barbara Whitaker
- 5/30 Dick & Linda Hill

MAY Deacon of the Month

Candace Williamson

The Deacon of the Month is on call to handle requests of those who need assistance with special needs.



CPC Gives Thanks to...

... The youth of CPC want to thank **everyone** who helped donate shoes to the Family Access Network through our April Shoe Drive. With the help of the congregation, we were able to send out shoes to kids in the community who are in need.

... The youth also want to thank **all of the amazing adults** that help with youth group, both with being an extra adult, and feeding all of these hungry kids! Monday nights would not be possible without the help of the congregation.

Taize Choir

The Taize Choir of Central Oregon invites you to participate in an hour of prayerful non-denominational Taize music and silence at their monthly ecumenical service, 7 pm, Thursday, **May 3**, at Trinity Episcopal Church (St. Helens Hall), 231 NW Idaho, Bend.

The theme for this service is "Praying for the Planet". For more information call 541-815-5574 or email taizebend@gmail.com.

This will be our last Taize service until October.

June Newsletter Deadline

The next *Lamplighter* news deadline is Thursday, **May 17**. Articles turned in after the deadline may not be published and all articles are subject to editing. Whenever possible, announcements and articles for publication should be sent via email tammy@redmondpc.org



In Memoriam
Hal Edwards



In Memoriam
Fred Blue



In Memoriam
Ron Gunderson