

SUMC NEWSLETTER

* YOUR PLACE FOR ALL THINGS SUMC *

November 2017

*With praise and thanksgiving they sang to the Lord:
"He is good; his love to Israel endures forever."
And all the people gave a great
shout of praise to the Lord.
Ezra 3:11*



JOINT THANKSGIVING SERVICE



This year SUMC will join with our sister church, FFUMCF, to have a joint Thanksgiving service.

This service will be held on Sunday, November 19th at 10:30 AM. A potluck will begin immediately following the service. Talatala Jale

Tuirotuma will be preaching and we will also be blessed with the performance of a Thanksgiving skit by the Fijian youth group. It is sure to be a special celebration!

PNW CHARGE CONFERENCE

On Sunday the 26th of November our annual Charge Conference will be held. This is like an annual “check-up” for our church. It is an important day for us as a congregation and we ask that everyone plan to be in attendance if you’re able.

Seattle District Superintendent Rich Lang will also be in attendance. The schedule for that day is as follows:

- 9 AM -10 AM SPRC Meeting with District Superintendent
- 10 AM - 10:30 AM Worship Preparation
- 10:30 AM - 12 PM Worship Service
- 12 PM - 12:30 PM Light lunch/Snack
- 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM BRIEF CHARGE CONFERENCE

OREGON-IDAHO
AND
PACIFIC NORTHWEST
CONFERENCES



DO THIS AND
YOU WILL LIVE!

LUKE 10:26-28



2017 Annual Conference
Session

ALL SAINTS DAY

SUMC kicked off the month of November by celebrating All Saints Day together. The morning began with members being invited to write the names of loved ones (living or passed on) on white ribbons and pin them to a purple board. After which a short history “lesson” from Sandre about the significance and meaning of the day was



“OUR BOARD OF NAMES”

received by all. After learning more about All Saints Day, many members stood up and spoke aloud the names that were written on the ribbons. After each name was mentioned, a bell was rung in honor of each name. This was a moving and meaningful moment in the service and we are thankful for everyone that was present, both in person and spiritually.

THANK YOU!

On Saturday November 4th lots of church family and friends came together to give the entire church a good cleaning! Some FFUMCF and SUMC members were outside working on the driveway, roof and yard. While others were busy inside cleaning the oven, refrigerator, windows, floors, baseboards and more! Thank you very much to everyone who gave their Saturday in service of this project!

BLESSED ARE THOSE
THAT CAN GIVE
WITHOUT REMEMBERING
AND RECEIVE
WITHOUT FORGETTING.



Thanksgiving Decorating Party!

Shoreline United Methodist Church will join with First Fijian United Methodist Church Fellowship to ready the church for the Thanksgiving service and pot-luck! Join your fellow members on Saturday November 18th beginning at 10 AM for a decorating party!

MISSIONS NEWS



Thanksgiving Food Drive

Now through November 19th, the Missions Committee will be collecting food items and monetary donations to help create Thanksgiving baskets. These baskets will go directly to the families at Briarcrest Elementary. Last year, our church was able to donate 5 baskets full of traditional Thanksgiving meal items. In addition, each basket included a giftcard for the families to purchase a turkey or anything else they needed to complete their meal.

After November 19th we will continue to accept monetary donations which will

be turned into **Christmas giftcards** for the Briarcrest families. Please find a list of donation ideas below. Thank you!

- *boxed stuffing*
- *boxes of corn bread*
- *canned green beans*
- *packets or jars of gravy*
- *dry potatoes*
- *canned cranberries*
- *canned corn*
- *brownie mix / cake mix / icing*

WORKING TOGETHER

This past Sunday after an evening of heavy wind and weather, an old tree at the parsonage fell down. Thankfully, no one was hurt and no property was damaged since the tree fell across the driveway and not into the roadway. Pastor Kevin needed to remove it quickly and remove the stump as well. As per their usual M.O., Andy Proudfoot and the Stedman family jumped right in to help! Andy, Jordan, Kyle, Paul, and the Pastor worked together all afternoon to cut up and remove the tree and its remnants. What a great example of church family being there for one another. The Pastor and his family are very thankful for all the help! We are all blessed to be part of such a caring fellowship!



(left to right) Pastor Kevin and Kyle Stedman hard at work removing the tree!

(left to right) Brothers in Christ working together; Jordan Stedman, Kyle and Andy Proudfoot.



Welcoming a New Member

Thanks to Rev. Kristin and Gordon, we now have a new member: Jon Hansen. Jon comes to us with a friendly and giving heart. He is also a new edition to our growing Praise Team. Jon's musical gifts not only serve the church, but also outside the church as he currently builds a business to teach music to young children. We welcome Jon and look forward to praising the Lord alongside him.

Upcoming Events

Monday, November 6th & 20th

Ladies Bible Study 7 PM

Saturday, November 11th

Veterans Day

Ladies Fellowship 10 AM

Joint Thanksgiving Planning Meeting 12 PM

Thursday, November 16th

Church Council Meeting 7 PM

Sunday, November 19th

Thanksgiving Service and Potluck 10:30 AM

Sunday, November 26th

SPRC Meeting 9 AM

Charge Conference 12:30 PM

Ongoing

English Service Sundays 10:30

Wednesday, November 8th

Hospitality Committee Meeting 5:30 PM

Sunday, November 12th

Worship & Hospitality Meeting 12 PM



Saturday, November 18th

Church Decorating Party 10 AM

Thursday, November 23rd

Thanksgiving Day

Ongoing

English Bible Study Wednesdays 7 PM

Fijian Bible Study Saturdays 7 PM

Ongoing

Fijian Service Sundays 2 PM

