



# Spirit of Faith

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*Faith Presbyterian Church*  
*Of East Wenatchee*  
*September 2020 News*

....to inspire and challenge believers to seek deeper ways of serving Our Lord, to motivate all people to follow Jesus Christ, and to nurture one another.

## **The Return of the Prodigal Newsletter!**

Well, here it is! The first edition of our monthly newsletter since March! We are delighted to be sending it out to you. Our newsletter has returned after a long absence, kind of like the prodigal son in Jesus' great parable (Luke 15: 11-32).

However, our newsletter was not carousing in a far country. We simply did not produce one because of the pandemic. Our secretary Jan Smith has some breathing issues, and we determined it was wise for her to stay away from church for a few months. She is now back to working a little bit, which is why you are finally receiving this newsletter.

While we are not yet through the pandemic, we do have some exciting news to share: we will be offering an outdoor worship service, on the lawn at our church, on Sunday, September 6<sup>th</sup>. We will worship at 10am. Look for more details elsewhere in the newsletter.

As your pastor, I want to let you know that I am excited for us to be worshipping together in person. While it will be different, with us being outside, wearing masks, it will be good to be together. I know that some of you will not be able to be with us, for various reasons (vacation, and health concerns), and we completely understand. Yet we anticipate that the benefits of meeting together will outweigh the hassles.

The Session is open to considering worshipping outdoors on a regular basis. However, we will evaluate how things go with our initial service on Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. We will keep you posted via email, and our church website. As with many things during this pandemic, we are adapting to an ever changing situation to the best of our ability.

What I do want you to know is that I have missed seeing you on a regular basis! Although I have seen some of you occasionally, I have not seen many of you in months. It will be good to see you, even socially distanced, and wearing a mask.

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To paraphrase Luke 15...

*But the pastor said to his helpers, "Quickly, bring out some chairs—some comfortable ones—and put them on the church lawn; put six feet between them and their friends, and a paper bulletin in their hands. And let us worship together and celebrate; for this congregation of mine was virtual but is in person again; they were remote, and now they are found together!"*

Faithfully yours,

Pastor Jim

## **Outdoor Worship on September 6<sup>th</sup>!**

**Where:** The lawn just outside our fellowship hall

**Time:** 10am

**Bring:** Your own chair, if you wish  
A mask to wear  
Your offering, if you wish to give  
(You may drop it in an offering plate by the bulletins:  
We will not pass the plate, per state guidelines)

**Restrooms:** Available in the church building,  
but limited to 2 individuals per restroom at a time

**Take a seat, or bring your own!:** Although you are welcome to bring your own chair, we will also have some chairs set up on the church lawn, socially distanced, of course.

**Worship in your vehicle:** If you would be more comfortable, you are welcome to worship while staying seated in your vehicle. We will have limited parking available for those worshipping in their cars, but plenty of parking available for everyone else.

**No fellowship Time:** In accordance with state guidelines, we will not offer a fellowship time, or coffee hour after worship, as serving food communally is not encouraged. However, you are welcome to visit with one another, socially distanced, as long as you wish!

# Faith Presbyterian Church

## Church Directory Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone number(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Email address \_\_\_\_\_

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Birthday Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Anniversary Names \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Info \_\_\_\_\_

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## Church Clean Up Day

Please join us on Saturday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 9am, as we clean the church to get ready for outdoor worship. Although we will not be worshipping indoors, we want to make our facility ready for those using our restrooms, and touring our building to see our recent renovations.

## September Birthdays

Erica Stanfield	9/03
Judy Stone	9/03
Josh Weldy	9/16
Sue Anez	9/23
Millie Cordell	9/24
Martin Dial	9/25
Bob Plumb	9/29
Diana McLean	9/30



*Happy Birthday*

## September Anniversaries

Scott and Kris Kruse	9/19
Al and Millie Cordell	9/27

*Happy Anniversary*



## Fall Directory

**It is time to put together a Fall Directory.**

Anyone who has had any changes or additions, to their information can fill out the form provided in the newsletter and then email it back or drop it of at the church office or snail mail still works. Also, anyone that we've missed with birthdays or anniversaries could also inform us on that form. Your attention to these matters are appreciated. We strive to keep accurate information available to all.

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## Unexpected Gifts:

Pastor Larry Williams and a few staff people from Canyon Hills Community Church in Bothell came by our church the other day (by appointment), and dropped off a gift of \$1,000. A group of youth and leaders from this church has routinely come over to our valley each summer to do mission work in our valley. They said they missed coming over and staying in our facility this summer (due to Covid-19), but they still took up an offering for their mission projects in the Wenatchee area, including our church.

Another unexpected gift came from Mary Ballard and Janet LeBeau, daughters of the late Bonnie Janssen. They brought a nice letter stating how much Bonnie loved our church, along with a summary of how she had been involved. The letter will be posted on our church bulletin board (and perhaps printed in our next church newsletter), along with the gift which accompanied it: a check for \$10,000!



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