

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SPRINGFIELD

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### JUNE 2019 NEWSLETTER

### From Your Pastor -

My Dear FBCS Family,

As I write, my heart is certainly brimming with gratitude for another opportunity to celebrate Life Together with you, my sisters and brothers. At the same time, as is so often the case, mixed in with this gratitude is a very present grief as, in the span of this month, we have lost Jean Parker and Jo Anderson in death and experienced the departure of Alice and the LaDuke family due to relocation.

Such is the nature of love and life together. Which leads me to revisit and refresh an article I wrote some time ago, based upon five regrets a hospice nurse reported hearing patients voice most frequently in their last days. I hope these pieces of wisdom, and my reflections upon them, can nudge all of us to live life together more fully and lovingly, and to do this all the days of our lives. Here, then, are what I offer as five invitations:

- 1. I wish I'd had the courage to live a life true to myself, not the life others expected of me. This was the most common regret of all. Underneath it sits this truth: One way we love the God who formed and wonderfully made us is by coming home to ourselves and our unique giftedness and living our own lives fully. Is this not an essential part of what Jesus teaches when he says: "love your neighbor as yourself?"
- 2. I wish I hadn't worked so hard. Every male patient of this nurse expressed this, and many women, too, revealing a God-given longing for balance: work and play . . . people and projects . . . motion and stillness . . . action and rest. In this Jesus leads us; he who "would withdraw to deserted places and pray," and was so often found at table that some alleged he was too fond of food and wine! We do well to remember that Sabbath is a gift of love for God, neighbor, and self.
- 3. I wish I'd had the courage to express my feelings. And with this comes the corollary: the courage to welcome others to do the same. The invitation here is to embrace the loving, challenging, and ongoing work of engaging in honest and healthy relationships. Such open and reciprocal communication is one of the ways we live into the biblical instruction to, "speak the truth in love."
- 4. I wish I'd stayed in touch with my friends. Underneath and behind this desire is this essential truth: We are created for loving relationship, and life together matters. So it is that we are created in the image and likeness of God, who exists in triune community. And so it is that Jesus taught us the two great commands, "You shall love the Lord your God . . . You shall love your neighbor as yourself."
- 5. I wish I'd let myself be happier. This reflection, which was quite common, nudges us toward seeing that happiness is a by-product of choices we make and actions we take. With this in view, we pray with St. Francis: "Grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love; for it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; it is in dying that we are born to eternal life."

With You - Pastor Jeff





JUNE 23rd will be a
Combined worship, meal
and music event with
Centro Christiano Familiar





Watch for more info and be thinking of ways to welcome our Hispanic brothers and sisters who share our faith and our campus.



Join International
Ministries (IM) global
servants for a shared time of
prayer, worship and
opportunities for one-on-one
discussions about global
Christian mission activities
and world events at the
Mission Summit



JUNE 16th is Graduation Sunday. Please let Mandy or the office know if you have a graduate.

### Preparing for Scripture . . .

**May 27-June 2** 

Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 93; Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53

June 3-9, Pentecost

Genesis 11:1-9; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Romans 8:14-17 or

Acts 2:1-21; John 14:8-17, (25-27)

June 10-16, Father's Day

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31; Psalm 8; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

June 17-23

1 Kings 19:1-4 (5-7), 8-15a; Psalm 22:19-28; Galatians 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39 June 24-30

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14; Psalm 16; Galatians 5:1, 13-25; Luke 9:51-62





### CAMP ARRAH WANNA

24075 E. Arrah Wanna Blvd—Welches, OR 97067 Register at www.camparrahwanna.org Phone: 503-622-3189 - FAX: 503-622-1229

### **SUMMER CAMPS**

**High School** Camp

**July 8 - 12** 

Middle School Camp

July 22 - 26

Elementary School Camp

July 22 - 26

Get your registration in for summer camps ~ let Mandy or Pastor Jeff know you are attending, but remember the only way to register is at www.camparrahwanna.org



### Plan now for the . . . **2019 FBCS** SPIRITUAL LIFE RETREAT

Where?

**Our Lady of Guadalupe Trappist** Monastery in Lafayette, Oregon

When?

Friday, September 27 - Sunday, September 29, 2019

(1:00 p.m. Friday Arrival ; 1 p.m. Sunday Departure)

Why? To practice being quiet and to allow God time to work on our hearts.

Silence will illuminate in God... and deliver you from phantoms vou ignorance. Silence will unite you to God.... In the beginning we have to force ourselves to be silent. But then from our very silence is born something that draws us into deeper silence. May God give you an experience of this 'something' that is born of silence."

Issac of Nenevah, 7th century Syrian Monk



PURPLE IN THE PARK

### EUGENE/SPRINGFIELD RELAY FOR LIFE ~ July 12

6 pm to Midnight

Be part of the FBCS Team ~ One Thing ~ and join us at Relay for Life!!!!!

PK Park - 2760 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, Eugene

### Save these dates:

June 15 - Purple in the Park at PK Park for a 7:05pm Eugene
 baseball game. Let's paint the park purple, enjoy a game and help stop cancer all at the same time!

 July 7- Luminaria Bag Decorating Social after church; bags available for purchase June 16th & 30th

 July 12th ~ Relay for Life Event, 6pm to midnight.

Opening ceremony - 6pm;

Survivors' & Caregivers' Lap - follows Opening ceremony;

Luminaria Ceremony - 9:30pm;

Closing Ceremony ~ 11:30pm



Help us so those with Cancer will celebrate more birthdays!

F - Fighting B - Because C - Cancer S - Sucks

For more information or if you have any questions please see Kelly Roberts
or email her at kellydrob62@gmail.com





9am - 3pm



Start rounding up those gently used but quality items you've been storing forever and can't remember when you used them

last (make sure they're clean). Bring them to the church the 17th; if neces-

sary, temporary storage space is available in the



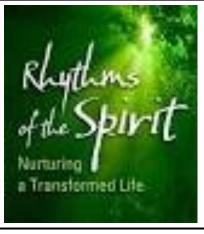
church.

Volunteers are needed to help price items at 2pm on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday the 17th, 18th and 19th and set up at 7am the morning of the 20th, as well as to clean up afterwards.

Please contact Jennifer Patterson or Kelly Roberts to volunteer.







### Rhythms of the Spirit

August 12-16, 2019

Canonicus Camp & Conference Center, Exeter, Rhode Island

"Contemplation is the spring of living water, and action is the stream that flows out from it to others; it is the same water."

- Thomas Merton

# This Year's Recipient of the Barnabas Award



On May 19th,
Jean Parker was
posthumously
recognized as
the 2019
recipient of the
annual FBCS
Barnabas Award.

Jean was a member of FBCS for

45 years. As a long time member, she served on numerous committees, boards and ministry teams, including being a member of the pastoral search team when Jeff came as our pastor in 1988. Jean was soft spoken and worked behind the scenes to share God's love with everyone she encountered over the years. Jean was friendly and had a warm welcoming smile, accompanied by a chuckle and a hug. Jean's ministry extended beyond FBCS, as she volunteered at McKenzie-Willamette for 25 years.

Jean had a heart for children as she set up a camp scholarship fund in memory of her late husband, enabling FBCS children and youth to attend camp. She was also available and willing to help parents with childcare when there was a need. Jean was a lifelong learner in her spiritual life and stayed current with the world's ever-changing technology as well. Jean's love of God was evident as she always trusted in God, especially when she faced health issues. Jean was an encouragement to our life together with her positive outlook on life as she trusted and relied on God throughout her life's journey.

We thank God for Jean and the life she shared with us!

### INA HUBBARD SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

Three completed applications for the Ina Hubbard Scholarship were turned in and were considered by the scholarship committee. We would like to announce Nora Daly, Amanda Gley and Sean Gley as scholarship recipients.



NORA DALY is attending Pacific University, Eugene Campus as she works toward completing her Masters of Arts in Education. Nora has been a former recipient of the Ina Hubbard Scholarship when she attended the University of Oregon and received a B.S. in Educational Foundations. Nora has been part of the FBCS family since her birth. As she grew up, she was always drawn to children and was naturally gifted working in many children's ministry opportunities at FBCS such as, MADE Academy, CATS, Nursery Attendant and Camp Counselor at Camp Arrah Wanna. When Nora completes her Masters Degree, she will start substitute teaching and apply for a fulltime teaching job the following year. From all of Nora's letters of recommendations, she will make a

great contribution to the teaching profession.



AMANDA GLEY is starting a new journey in life with the goal to earn her Associates Degree in the area of Human Services at Lane Community College. Amanda hopes to work with special needs adults and students in transition. Amanda works for the Springfield School District and also is a volunteer reader for SMART (Start Making a Reader Today) reading program at Two Rivers-Dos Rios Elementary School. Amanda has been a member of FBCS for over 22 years and is faithfully involved in the life of the church. She has been a Sunday School teacher, Praise Team member, Choir member, Growing Team Leader, Church Clerk, VBS and Children's Church leader, to name a few. Aman-

da is a committed follower of Christ and as she begins this new educational journey, she looks to God for guidance and is confident the Lord has a plan for her life.



SEAN GLEY is attending the University of Oregon. He has been on the Dean's List with a 3.9 GPA. Sean received an Ina Hubbard Scholarship last year. Sean is studying Spanish with a focus in Language and Society major and minoring in general music studies. He has participated in annual mission trips and is a Worship Band Intern and Middle School Youth Services Intern at University Fellowship Church. Over the years, Sean has blessed our church with his musical talents during worship experiences.

Congratulations Nora, Amanda and Sean. We are proud of you and will keep you in our prayers as you further your education.

Betsy Clewett, Kathy & John Paskey and Debbie Herr Ina Hubbard Scholarship Committee



Karen Gillette

# Reaching Team Who Are We?





**Bradys Savage** 

The Reaching Team's mission is to reach out to others with the living and joy-giving message of Christ. In order to do that, we are continually blessed with a faith community that responds to our requests for help and participation in many activities throughout the year. Thank you to each of you who, out of abundance, invest your time and resources.

The Team is excited and grateful to the agencies who continue to partner with us to bring an incredible program to support families, called "The G Street Oasis." The provides program homeless Springfield families a place of stability, reinforces school attendance and helps families develop their own plan to take positive steps toward self sufficiency, particularly for housing and employment. Sharing our space (the Fireside room has become their "living room") with these families is sharing Christ's love for one another.

The responsibilities and activities the Reaching Team embraces include:

 Provide meals at the Interfaith Homeless Night Shelter for one week:

- worship;
- Outreach to Rainbow Acres refreshments as well as promote international, national and local mission projects;
- showers;
- Support Church Across the Street (CATS) after school Thank you for your service to and summer program;
- Provide snacks during Sunday morning greeting time;
- Elementary School;
- Support and work with G the team to Street Oasis program staff involved. and families.
- Sponsor fundraising events for Relay for Life. This year the team will be selling luminaria bags and hosting a decorating event.

The mission work provided by each of you comes in many ways throughout the year. Maybe you have attended a regional Mission Conference, participated in all or a few of the special offerings in the year (America for Christ, One Great Hour of Sharing, United Ministers/ Missions, Retired Missionaries), volunteered your

Provide welcome mugs to time, talent and resources at new attendees of morning the Interfaith Night Shelter, volunteered at CATS, served on Sunday mornings. The list can go on and on, as we celebrate our life together in Christ and Coordinate wedding and baby journey with one another to serve Him.

others as we work to fulfill our mission as a faith community. Thank you to those who are Outreach to teachers and serving on the team and we staff at Two Rivers/Dos Rios welcome anyone who would like more information about become more

> Karen Gillette and Bradys Savage Co-Leaders



### STEP - Thailand, Chiang Rai

STEP stands for The Student Tuition Expense Program. This is the third international mission project the Reaching Team took to Council for review and approval. The project is managed by International Ministries missionary Ruth Fox and by Miju Yehbiang.

For children living in the remote Akha villages in mountainous northern Thailand, attending school is not an option due to the distance the children must travel. Education is even less of a priority for girls, and in many areas it is not available past the sixth grade.

"Buyeu was born in a traditional Akha home. As the eldest, she cares for her younger siblings, gathers firewood, carries water and helps with laundry and cooking. Thanks to a sponsor, for the last seven years she has



gone to school and is turning her dreams to be a teacher or nurse into reality." STEP is designed to bring this type of reality to many children like Buyeu.

The STEP project seeks to raise annual commitments of \$360 per student to provide education to the Akha children. These funds will provide school uniforms, transportation, school supplies, housing and meals. As of February 2019, 69% of requested support has been raised.

The Council approved \$1,800 (sponsoring five students for a year) of the Helgerson bequest be sent to STEP. If you would like more information to help these children, please contact Bradys Savage or Karen Gillette. (\$30 sponsors a student for a month; \$90 sponsors a child for 90 day's; \$180 sponsors a child for six months; \$360 sponsors a child for one year.)





Your gifts to the America for Christ Offering impact thousands—through ministries with marginalized children, mission trips that transform lives torn asunder by hurricanes, resources that cultivate Christian leaders, chaplains who bring comfort to hospitals and nursing homes, and much more.

Let us not become weary in doing good!

www.abhms.org



### For Your Health

### LONELINESS HARMS YOUR HEALTH

by Gail Engle

Recently I found 3 different magazines that were featuring articles on how loneliness affects our health. That is concerning because an awful lot of people are feeling lonely. We tend to isolate ourselves as we age, but even young people can be lonely.

I want to discuss loneliness for a few minutes because I believe it is one thing we can help others with and improve our life as well. We know that loneliness can be depressing. Now it is said that loneliness is linked to a growing list of health problems. These include insomnia, cardiovascular disease and even Alzheimer's disease. Loneliness raises the risk for premature death among adults 50 and older by 14%.

It is easy to think that some one who is struggling with loneliness would know that they were lonely but that is often not the case. Friends and family might not necessarily recognize that a friend or family member is lonely. Of course most of us need some time by ourselves, solitude is valued. Loneliness is different. Here are some indicators that you may be lonely:

- \* You spend hours alone on the computer
- you may feel envy when others seem happy
- \* you may be with other people but sense a dissatisfaction in your self.

Some of the loneliest people I have known are married but have no place of sharing or intimacy. Overcoming loneliness is possible, but you can't force it. Rather it is like growing a garden, you plant the seeds and water it and await the results. But here are some ideas to help you grow out of loneliness.

- Share a little more about yourself. Ask a friend for coffee and share something you are safe in sharing.
- ♦ Take time to exchange a few words with the person who checks you out of the grocery store
- ♦ Smile as you pass people on the street.
- ♦ Be part of something big ~ the church is a good place to find and to be a friend.
- ♦ Run for school board or take one of the positions on another civic board.
- ♦ Volunteer to listen to a child read, or many other ways to help some one else.
- And last, think about getting a companion animal. If a dog or cat requires more than you can give, get a fish, or a bird or even a turtle. If you don't want to have an animal in your home, volunteer at Greenhill Humane Society and pet the kitties or the puppies. Spend some quality time with the older dogs and cats who are living out their life in a kennel.

There are many ways to make connections outside of ourselves. Finding ones that fit will help alieve loneliness, which will improve our health.

First Baptist Church of Springfield

### CATS

REGISTER JUNE 9-16

## SUMMER

### CAMP

JULY 8-19 | AGES 5-12 | 10AM-3PM | FREE

This jungle themed day camp for kids ages 5-12 will include new Bible stories that will be used to not only learn valuable lessons but will act as a base for a play that will be put on by campers for friends and family on Friday July 19 at 3:00 in the sanctuary at FBCS!

For more info call 541-746-6031

Spots are limited - preregister June 9-16

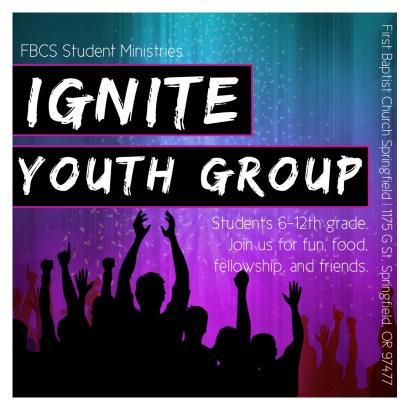


CATS Summer Camp will look a little different this summer, but we will be having just as much fun! Put on your sunscreen and get out your cameras. You're about to go on an animal safari through the Bible! This two week safari themed day camp for kids ages 5-12 will include new bible stories that will be used to not only learn valuable lessons but will act as a base for a play that will be put on by campers for friends and family on Friday, July 19 at 3:00 in the FBCS Sanctuary.

Camp will start at 10:00 am with some play time followed by our bible lesson. We will be eating lunch across the street at Brattain House, provided by Food for Lane County as a part of their free lunch program. After lunch we will come back and get to work on costumes, backdrops, and learning our parts for the play!

This free program runs Monday thru Friday from 10 am - 3 pm, July 8-19. Camp is designed for kids ages 5-12. Pre-registration is required and forms can be picked up in the FBCS office during office hours (Tu-Fri, 9am-12:30pm). Please return registration forms by or before Sunday, June 16, 2019.

Mandy



GROUP

JOIN US SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 9:30 AM IN THE FBSC YOUTH
ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE.

PRINCIPLES
OF WISDOM WHEN
YOU'RE RUNNING
WHEN
YOU'RE RUNNING
FOR YOUR LIFE!

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ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE.

FBC5 IGNITE YOUTH GROUP

Summer is upon us! We will be taking a Wednesday night Youth Group hiatus over the summer, but that doesn't mean no Youth Group fun! Join us every Sunday all summer long in the youth room for our Summer Movie Series. Snacks and drinks will be provided so bring a friend to church and stay for some food and fun.

Ignite will also be going on some week day adventures that will be planned throughout the summer so keep an eye on the FBCS Youth Ministries Facebook page as well as the bulletin board in the classroom hallway. If you would like to get regular text message updates let Mandy know.

Also starting this June is a new bible study series Sunday mornings at 9:30. Join us in the youth room to learn and grow together. Assorted cereals and light breakfast items will be available.

The Zombie Apocalypse Survival Guide for Teenagers isn't a normal book. It's not even a normal Zombie survival guide. It's a story of three teenagers enduring and surviving against the odds, adapting where many adults failed. Not many teenagers survived "The Havoc," probably because most didn't acclimate and learn like these three. So what's the secret to their survival? Good question. The answer lies in these pages, a journal written by a teenager named Chris. Each section includes some discussion questions to help you digest what you just read. These questions will point to the Bible here and there for some wisdom that has stood the test of time: wisdom for surviving your real world.

Mandy

SUNDAYS AFTER CHURCH IN THE FBCS YOUTH ROOM UTH 6-12 GRADE I SNACKS PROVIDED BRING A FRIEND

### INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES





### Do you remember me?

Ingrid, the missionary in Changuinola, Panama, wrote to you about me in May 2017. In the photo she sent I was only one year old, but I turned two on March 12, 2018. I was much bigger! Do you want to know how I have been doing?



Unfortunately, I continue to get sick often. I have

a lot of colds and I get parasites and diarrhea, but I am a warrior and I continue making progress after each illness. I learned to walk and so they could not leave me in the playpen. So I follow around the students and the animals that are in the house. I imitate everything. In the morning, I sit in one of the student's chairs to participate in devotional time and I make gestures with my hands when we sing songs to God.

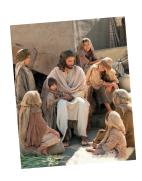
Do you want to know what the missionary, Ingrid, makes me do? I have to stand in line at lunch time and she does not let me go ahead of the others! I have to get in line after all the other students, but sometimes they let me go ahead. Now I can eat by myself and can hold the spoon in my hands and I

learned to go to the bathroom. I have not learned to talk yet. I talk with my hands. Please pray about this. I want to learn to talk like everybody else.

I was like the pet in the house until a new member of our animal family arrived. It is a Pug and his name is Kayuko and I am no longer the center of attention in the house. Well, this is not so bad, because I can get into more mischief when they are taking care of Kayuko.

My mother, Nidia, finishes her high school studies in December and hopes to go to the University. So it seems that I will be with the missionary, Ingrid, for several more years. Please pray for her. I will tell you more about myself in a future story.









### **June 2019**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Worship Leader Michael Nau  1 All Church Retreat Meeting 3 pm CCF Service	3	4 <sub>10:30 Yoga</sub> 6 CS, Growing 8 Training Teams Meet	5	610 Reaching Team Meets Team Meets Deacon Meeting T:00 CCF Practice	7:30 CCF Service	1 8
<b>9</b> Worship Leader Carol Snider 12:30 <i>Ignite</i> 3 pm CCF	10	11 10:30 Yoga 4:00 SSRA	12 Office Closed 10 PRC Mtg 3 Partner Mtg	7:00 CCF Practice	14 Flag Day 7:30 CCF Service	15 News- letter Deadline 7:05 Purple in the Park Relay Fundraiser
16 Father's Day Worship Leader Mike Snider Grad Recognition 12:30 Ignite 3 pm CCF	17	18 10:30 Yoga 6 Executive Committee 7 Church Council	19 11:00 Food Box Delivery	20 7:00 CCF Practice	21 7:30 CCF Service	22
Worship Leader Gail Engle Shared Service & meal w/ CCF 12:30 Ignite 3 pm CCF	24	<b>25</b> 10:30 Yoga	26	27 7:00 CCF Practice	28 7:30 CCF Service	29
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Worship Leader Lou Engle 12:30 *Ignite* 3 pm CCF



### Sunday Lockup ~ Brooklynn Werder

### **JUNE BIRTHDAYS**



Eduardo Davalos-G. 2 Jennifer Patterson. 2 Lili Davalos-G...... 3 Andrew Helms..... 6 Raven Stafford..... 8 Andrew Rosales..10
Ronni Deam ......11
Sammy LaDuke..11
Laura Elkin .......15
Tammy Davis .....16
Saryah Judish....17
Bradys Savage ...22
Auzriah Pitt ......23
Haley Pitt ......23

Judy Davies..... 24
Joshua Nau...... 24
Linda Forbes..... 26
Kelly Roberts..... 27
Jennifer Savage 27
Mike Davis ..... 28
Aaron Gley..... 30

### **JUNE ANNIVERSARIES**



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#### **RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**

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Reaching

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### **Sunday Worship**

9:30 am Christian Education 10:30 am Fellowship 11:00 am Worship Service

#### Youth Group ~ Ignite

12:30 - 2 pm Sunday (June, July & August)

#### AS FRIENDS AND FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST, WE ARE COMMITTED TO:

Growing our friendship with Christ and one another through worship,

prayer, study, partnership and service.

out to others in our community with the living and joy-giving

message of Christ.

Training those in this congregation for ministry and leadership in the

church and the world.

