

# BEHOLD!!

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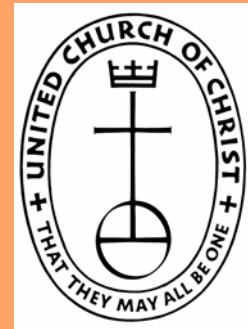
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No matter who you are,  
or where you are on life's journey,  
you are welcome here.

## October 2018

**Dear Friends,**

In these days filled with so many things that cause us to wonder what in the world is going on, it's easy to say "no." To say, "No, I'm not going to get involved. No, I'm going to stay home and read a good book. No, I'm going to just do my own thing, and let the chips fall where they may."

But when we practice saying, "yes," to God, to the things that God is calling us to do, we find ourselves saying "yes" to the good things: yes to hope, yes to newness of life, yes to embrace the possibilities in the season that lies ahead, yes to the amazing adventures of what we are able to do, together.

Of course there are things we should say "no" to – like hate, and fear. But the possibilities – and the sustaining vision – of saying "yes" to life opens us up to live in ways that we never even dreamed possible.

Thanks be to God for this new season, and the opportunity to say "YES" to that which truly satisfies.

In Christian love,  
Pastor Deb



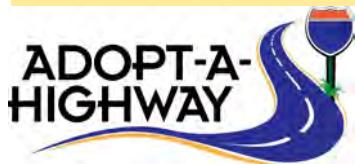
**Adult Education** meets on Sundays at 9:45 am in Pastor Deb's office. Here are the topics for October:

- ⇒ October 7<sup>th</sup>: Continuing the Conversation: Finding Myself in the Story of Race
- ⇒ October 15<sup>th</sup>: Terry Hershey and the Sabbath Pause – Part 2
- ⇒ October 22<sup>nd</sup>: Mystery
- ⇒ October 29<sup>th</sup>: Steve Patterson – Bible Study

**NEVER  
STOP  
LEARNING**

Smyrna's Memory Café continues on Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, when we will discuss the importance of lifelong learning. Please RSVP by Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> to Pastor Deb at [debpatersonhome@gmail.com](mailto:debpatersonhome@gmail.com).

**Say YES to something new!** Come join the choir, which practices each Sunday morning starting at 9:45 am. Talk to Kristin Wishon, Joel Daniels, or a member of the choir for more information. Did you know that the choir loft has a chair JUST FOR YOU?



**The road clean up  
from Heinz Road to  
Hiway 211 on the  
Canby-Marquam**

**Hiway will be on October 6. Please plan on meeting Rod in the Smyrna parking lot at 9:00 am on that date.**



Starting in October, Kristin Wishon will be planning monthly "Intergenerational Mission Projects" which will be open to folks of all ages. Stay tuned for more details, coming soon.

### Thank you to . . .

. . . the many people who donated school supplies during August and September.

We collected 46 spiral notebooks, 12 composition notebooks, 7 folders, and 4 binders.

Also collected were:



5 boxes of crayons, 1 box of markers, 4 boxes of colored pencils, 4 sets of water colors, and 8 highlighter pens. Two backpacks, two pencil boxes, 2 erasers, 2 pairs of scissors, 2 bottles of school glue, 4 hand sanitizers, and 3 packs of notecards were donated as well. In addition, there were 28 glue sticks, 50 pencils, 4 packs of notebook paper and 2 packs of quad lined paper. These items will be given to the Canby Center.

Thanks for your generosity.

**Women's Fellowship Luncheons** will be held at noon on:

- ⇒ Thursday, October 11<sup>th</sup>
- ⇒ Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup>

**Christian Nurture** will meet after worship on October 7th.

**Sharing our Stories** is taking a break for a couple of months. Stay tuned for more information coming soon.



### Tree Planting Plans for Smyrna

The Earth Care committee is moving along on the tree planting in the Northland Project. We will be planting the trees in late fall or winter and will need volunteers to help.

Using our helpers will count toward the money it would cost to hire someone and help match the grant we are receiving from the Soil & Water Conservation District. Let Joel know if you can help.

### Stitch Club plans

October 2 —  
Lunch on Mt  
Hood, check w/  
Barbara Daniels  
or Jane Dahl for  
details



Please join us for  
**Smyrna's annual Halloween Party**  
**Oct. 28th, 2018**  
**Beginning with a lite lunch**  
**following worship.**  
**Activities and crafts after lunch.**  
**Hope you can all come and**  
**celebrate. Costumes optional.**

### Treasurer's Report

Balance 7/31/2018	\$4,038.46
Receipts	8,727.69
Expenditures	(5,877.44)
Balance 8/31/2018	\$6,888.71



## A Heartfelt Thank You

Words cannot express our thanks to Paul Burkert and Deborah Lewis for their wonderful work in the cemetery.

It has been a bright spot of green this long, dry summer. It is greatly appreciated by all our members, friends, and the wider community that considers our cemetery to be "their cemetery" as well.

## 24 Months to

When disaster strikes, what should you do? You could build an apocalypse vault and fill it with dried elk meat, but who has the time? You could curl up into a ball, close your eyes and plug your ears, but you're smarter than that.

There's a sensible, cost-effective way to prepare. It involves taking things one step at a time over the course of a year. Breaking down tasks and shopping lists will make the work manageable and help you avoid overwhelming your schedule and your bank account.

With the help of disaster preparation experts, we've crafted a month-by-month guide to get you fully prepped with the basics by this time next year.



## Carol J. Loe July 18, 1945 – June 13, 2018

Carol J. Loe passed away June 13, 2018, at her foster home in Southeast Portland, after several months of declining health. Carol was born in Silverton, July 18, 1945, to Caroline and Einer Loe who predeceased her. She was a long time resident of the Yoder and Canby area, and was a graduate of Molalla High School. After her parents' deaths, she moved to the Portland area in the early 1990s.

She enjoyed knitting and sewing. She worked all year making hand knitted and sewn items, and became a regular vendor at church Christmas bazaars in Northeast Portland. She also enjoyed collecting Cabbage Patch dolls,

## CORRECTION ON THE SALAD SERIES:

Mary Ashton was inadvertently left off the list of Health Committee members who made the Salad Suppers such a success. Thank you to Ione Jenson for leading the series, and to the facilitators: Mary Ashton, Jane Dahl, Tina Marshall, along with myself, Pastor Deb.

### Month 16 — The Basics

- Water — at least one gallon water per person per day
- Can Opener — a manual can opener for stored foods
- Wrench — pip or crescent wrench for turning off utilities
- Headlamp — unburden your hands with a strap on headlamp
- Duct Tape — durable duct tape is invaluable for quick repairs
- Poncho — it rains here. Be ready with a few inexpensive packable ponchos
- Canned Food — three days worth of canned or dried food is the bare minimum
- Medications — have extra meds for when the pharmacy's out of commission
- Sleeping bag — pack extra blankets or sleeping bags for when the heater is out
- File folder with papers — insurance policies, bank info, wills, and other documents
- Hand cranked radio — stay posted on emergency info with a hand-crank radio

stuffed animals, pens and pencils friends would bring back from their travels, and other "collectibles". She loved recollecting about her life as a young girl on the farm in Yoder and told vivid stories of her experiences there.

Carol valued her friendships and tried her best to keep in touch by sending birthday cards, Christmas cards, and an occasional (and for some, more than occasional!) phone call. She loved to return to the Canby and Yoder area to visit friends, and enjoyed many visits to the Smyrna Church Strawberry Festival.

Carol attended St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal church in Northeast Portland, where she developed friends who helped her in many ways during her final years.

A memorial service was held Saturday, September 22, 2018, at St. Michaels, in Portland, OR. Interment was in June at Zion Cemetery in Canby, Oregon



## 2018 O'fest Booth Report



The Booth committee would like to thank everyone for their support and hard work at Ofest in our Booth. The weather cooperated and we sold out of most every product we ordered and had on hand. On Saturday, for most of the day, the booth was overrun with people ordering Poutine, cheese curds, chili cheese fries and fried dill pickles.

We sold the following orders:

poutine-597  
fried dill pickles-103



This year we added two new items, deep fried breaded dill pickles and on Friday we offered Chili nacho cheese fries as a one day menu item. We only sold six nacho cheese fries so we are re-thinking if it will be on the menu for next year.

Speaking of next year, we want to let everyone know the dates for Ofest in 2019 are September 12th, 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. We are also changing the times for each shift and working on how we can improve our set up in and around our booth.



The tip jar designed by Mary & Paul Ashton brought in over \$180 at the Oktoberfest!



# **Thank you to the Oktoberfest Committee**

And thanks to all the other volunteers for pulling off the best year yet with the Poutine Booth to raise funds for mission projects to be designated by Smyrna. The committee included Derek Crispin, Barb Daniels, Joel Daniels, Jeff Marshall, Adam Maurer and Carl Menkel. Nearly 50 hours with 6-person teams were covered. Stay tuned for the final total on what we raised!

# October 2018

## Monthly Planner

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> 7 pm AA/AO Wedding ann: Jeff & Tina Marshall	<b>2</b> 10 am OA Stitch Club Lunch on Mt Hood	<b>3</b> Deadline to RSVP for Memory Cafe	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 12 noon Memory Cafe @ Smyrna  b.d. Susan Buffington	<b>6</b> 9 am Highway Clean-up, meet at Smyrna
<b>7</b>  9:45 am Adult Education 11 am Worship and Sunday School  Christian Nurture after Worship  Coffee Hour: Volunteer needed Flowers: Terri Millerin	<b>8</b> 7 pm AA/AO	<b>9</b> 10 am OA 7 pm Church Council  b.d. Levonne Gano	<b>10</b>  b.d. Allen Holt Virginia Yoder	<b>11</b>  12 Noon Women's Fellowship  b.d. Arlene Peterson	<b>12</b>  b.d. Mariann Hagland	<b>13</b>  b.d. Paul E. Yoder
<b>14</b>  9:45 am Adult Education 11 am Worship and Sunday School  Coffee Hour: Volunteer needed Flowers: Virginia Yoder	<b>15</b> 7 pm AA/AO	<b>16</b> 10 am OA 3:30 pm Diaconate	<b>17</b>  b.d. Caitlynne Schuebel	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>  BEHOLD!! Deadline
<b>21</b>  9:45 am Adult Education 11 am Worship and Sunday School  b.d. Casey Hampton, Pat Peterson, lone Jenson  <i>COSTCO DINNER</i>  Flowers: Arlene Peterson	<b>22</b> 7 pm AA/AO	<b>23</b> 10 am OA 3:30 Health Com  b.d. Patricia Bullard, Dan Fisher, Benjamin Liechty	<b>24</b>  b.d. Jimmy Bickers, Steve Dahl	<b>25</b>  12 Noon Women's Fellowship	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>  9:45 am Adult Education 11 am Worship and Sunday School  b.d. Daniel Liechty  Coffee Hour: Diaconate Flowers: Jane Dahl  Halloween Party after worship	<b>29</b> 7 pm AA/AO	<b>30</b> 10 am OA b.d. Sarah Odell	<b>31</b>	Sep 2018 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	Nov 2018 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	

## Please hold in prayer:

Catherine Mosiman  
Mickey Hester  
Robert Schuebel  
Carl Cline  
Vonda Stoneking  
Blanche Kober  
Asa and Ione Jenson  
Chuck and Pam Jenson and family  
Maddie Harmon  
and all who have been mentioned at church.

If you know anyone who should be on the prayer list in the Behold, please let Jeannie or Elaine know. If they would enjoy receiving cards notify someone in the Diaconate.



*Our prayers of sympathy  
and support for the family  
and friends of Galen  
Itami, Nick Itami's father,  
who passed away unex-*

## Mission Statement

Smyrna United Church of Christ is striving to be:

- A place of peace, where we offer to all an extravagant welcome wherever you are in your life journey regardless of your ethnicity, marital status, religion, gender, race, age, disability, national origin, or sexual orientation, and where we teach the stories of God's love and call on our lives.
- A spiritual haven, where we accept and care for all people and God's creation in an outreach of grace.
- A lighthouse of God's compassion, where worship, teaching, learning and spiritual growth take place in community, powered by thought and action.
- A Christian people, working for God's realm in ecumenical harmony with other people of faith and conviction.