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Smyrna

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

November 2018

Dear Friends,



As we move into the holiday season, which runs from Thanksgiving through approximately SuperBowl Sunday, or maybe Valentine's Day (which is the day after Ash Wednesday in 2019), we have a tremendous opportunity to....be grateful.

For starters, we can give thanks for this wonderful country we live in. Despite the differences that forces which benefit from viewers/subscribers/political affiliations would foster, this is really mostly a good country filled with good people who care about each other. How do we grow that goodness, and kindness, and compassion?

I believe we do that by *embodying* goodness, and kindness, and compassion ourselves, just as Jesus did. I know that so many of you at Smyrna do that all the time. You are wonderful examples of compassion to others – I see you and I hear of what you do, and I know there is much more that you do that I never see or hear about. But God knows. And the people whose lives you touch and bless and change – they know.

So God bless you as you seek to share extravagant welcome with the foreigner, the stranger, the widow, the lonely, the sick, the one in prison. In Matthew 25 Jesus reminds us, "As you did to the least of these my brothers and sisters, you did to me."

Thanks be to God, for each and every one of you. Blessings of Thanksgiving to you all!

In Christian love,
Pastor Deb

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

- **November 4th:** Ione Jenson – "The Impact of Relationships on Spiritual and Emotional Growth"
- **November 11th:** Continuing the Conversation: Finding Myself in the Story of Race
- **November 18th:** The Sabbath of Thanksgiving
- **November 25th:** Steve Patterson – Bible Study

ministering TO *Seniors*

Memory Café continues on Friday, Nov. 2nd, when we will welcome Lori Jarvis, Director of Rackleff Place, who will discuss their innovative model for assisted living. Please RSVP by Wednesday, October 31st to Pastor Deb at debpatersonhome@gmail.com or call 503-689-4450.

Women's Fellowship Thanksgiving Luncheon

will be on Thursday, November 8th at noon. Save the date for the Women's Fellowship Christmas Lunch on Thursday, December 13th at noon.

We Gather
Together



Intergenerational Mission Projects:

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

Say YES to something new!

Come join the choir, which practices each Sunday morning 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?



Smyrna Women's Fellowship Bazaar

Women's Fellowship will hold their annual Bazaar on November 17, 2018, beginning at 6 PM with a preview of the items to be auctioned.

Dessert will be available starting at 6 PM and include pie, cake and homemade ice cream.

The oral auction will start at 7:00 PM.

We will be auctioning another quilt this year and you will be able to see the quilt every Sunday from now until the auction.

Please plan on coming and supporting our major fund raising event.



Smyrna Carpet Replacement

At a special council meeting held Sunday, October 21, 2018, Smyrna voted to replace most of the carpet in the Sanctuary, Narthex, Friendship Hall and Nursery. In some areas, it has been more than 37 years since the carpet has been removed and replaced. We will be using carpet tiles instead of rolls of carpet. The replacement of the carpet will take place as soon as it can be arranged. If you wish to contribute to this endeavor, please let Irene know. Thank you for your support on the upkeep of our facility.

Sunday services are available on CD which can be borrowed. Contact the Church office if you would like one.

" Yet I said to myself, 'This is my sickness, and I must endure it.'" Jeremiah 10:19NIV

During this time of year we often wonder if the upper respiratory infection we have is a cold or the flu. Here is a chart to help determine which it is.

COLD	SYMPTOM	FLU
Pretty rare	Fever	Usually present
Slight body aches & pains	Aches	Severe body aches & pain
Uncommon	Chills	Fairly common
Fairly mild	Fatigue	Moderate to severe
Develop over a few days	Sudden Symptoms	Rapid onset of 3-6 hours
Hacking & productive	Coughing	Dry and nonproductive
Common	Sneezing	Uncommon
Common	Stuffy Nose	Uncommon
Mild to moderate	Sore Throat	Uncommon
Mild to moderate	Chest Discomfort	Often Severe
Fairly uncommon	Headache	Very common

Unlike colds, flu can lead to complications like pneumonia, especially in the old, the young, and those with serious health issues. Viruses are transmitted by contact with objects that the infected person has touched after coughing or sneezing. Germs can be transmitted 1 day before symptoms appear and up to 5 days after getting sick. **AVOID GETTING THIS SEASONS MOST COMMON FLU BY GETTING A FLU SHOT!**

Stay Healthy by eating well, exercising regularly, getting plenty of rest, and practicing good hand washing. If you have a cold or the flu, cover your nose and mouth with a tissue or elbow when coughing/sneezing, avoid people while ill, wash your hands after coughing/sneezing, and avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.

If you are ill stay home, don't share your germs. Treat your symptoms by hydrating yourself, getting plenty of rest, gargling to moisten a sore throat, drinking hot liquids to relieve nasal congestion, taking a steamy shower to clear nasal passages, applying hot or cold packs to congested sinuses, using an extra pillow when sleeping to relieve congestion, and avoiding travel by air. If you are healthy, share Jesus love by taking the sick one the standard chicken soup or fluids and caring for the children!



Carl Fredrick Cline

March 5, 1955 — October 18, 2018



Carl Fredrick Cline, descendant of Jacob and Sarah Spilman Robbins, Oregon Pioneers of an 1852 wagon train, died on October 18, 2018 at Pheasant Pointe Assisted Living in Molalla. Born at the Silverton Hospital on March 5, 1955, he was 63 years old.



Carl's pioneer roots were deep. He was the son of Orville Kester Cline and Gena Muller Cline of Molalla. His maternal grandparents were Frank Fredrick Muller and Zella Shaver Muller. Zella's parents were William Auther Shaver and Della Gena Robbins Shaver. Great great grandparents were Levi Robbins and Ediff Barger, descendants of Jacob and Sarah Robbins. All are buried in the Adams Cemetery overlooking the farm where Carl lived his entire life. The farm belonged to Frank and Zella Muller, and when Orville and Gena were married, the farm was presented to them as a wedding gift. Today it still remains in the family, and Carl's sister, Christine Cline Foster and brother-in-law, Virgil Randel Foster currently live there.



In the past the farm was a self-sustaining family farm raising sheep, beef, pigs, chickens and various crops. Carl's father farmed until 1978, when he began employment at Molalla Union High School. At that time 68 acres were leased to the Holiday Christmas Trees. The sheep still remained. Carl took over much of their care.

In 1989, Carl started working for Smuckers in Woodburn, a food processing plant. He was a member of the teamsters. He worked with Smuckers until 2003. The Romney sheep were part of the farm until December of last year. Carl had fallen off some bales of hay in the barn and broken a femur. At this time, his health started declining, and it became evident that it would be impossible to take care of the sheep so they were sold. It was sad for the family to watch the last of the sheep operation leave when it was something that had been such a large part of the farm.

Carl was an avid cartoonist. He was extremely gifted, and all he needed was a pencil and paper and it was like magic. He became alive with the process; it was a way of expression. He had cartoons published in the Molalla Pioneer, Capitol Press, and the Shepherd. For several years he had award winning cartoons at the Homer Davenport Festival in Silverton.

Carl exhibited Romney sheep at the Clackamas County and Oregon State Fairs for many years in 4-H. He was part of the Teasel Creek 4-H livestock club led by Orville and neighbor Wanda Daugherty. He was also involved in Molalla High School's FFA. Later he and Christine helped show *The Cline Family Romneys* at the State Fair for many years.



He was a member of the Molalla Historical Society, and when the Apple Festival came around, he was always helping with the apple cider making process. He was a member and Master of the Molalla Grange #310 and attended Smyrna United Church of Christ.

Carl's paternal grandparents were Maria Lydia Wacken Cline and Lester Carl Cline. They operated a farm in the Parker area on Old Fort Road close to Rickreall, Monmouth, and Independence. There were two ponds stocked with rainbow trout and many fishing trips were remembered as well as community picnics at the farm on the Luckiamute River. Rivers ran through both farms, and the farm in Molalla borders the Molalla River.

Carl attended Molalla Elementary and Molalla Union High School graduating in 1973. This was followed by two years at Clackamas Community College.

Carl and his sister Christine were truly blessed to have such a good life growing up on the family farm with *All Creatures Great and Small*, various animals—family dogs and cats touched and enriched their lives.

Contributions may be made to Smyrna United Church of Christ, The Molalla Historical Society, The Oregon 4-H Foundation, Molalla FFA, The Shady Dell Live Steamers or Oregon Public Broadcasting.

Carl will be greatly missed by his family and will be interred at Adams Cemetery.

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Monthly Planner

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Please hold in prayer:

- Catherine Mosiman
- Mickey Hester
- Christine and Virgil Foster on the death of Christine's brother, 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.

Mission Statement

Smyrna United Church of Christ is striving to be:

- ♦ A place of peace where we teach the word of God and the story of God's love.
- ♦ A spiritual haven where we accept and care for all humanity in an outreach of grace.
- ♦ A lighthouse of God's light, 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.