Tualatin United Methodist Church

Hilltop Highlights

March 2020

Tualatin United Methodist Church

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Sunday Worship
10:00 am.

Sunday School
Sunday School available during the worship hour

Nursery
available during worship
Infants to 5 years old

Church Office Hours
Monday to Thursday
9:00 am. - 3:00 pm.

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FROM THE PASTOR

by Rev. Amy Overton-Harris

We are now in the season of Lent. I always chuckle when folks ask about what the heck a season of “lint” means. Lent is an unfamiliar word to many. *“Lent*” comes from the Anglo-Saxon word *lencten* which means “spring.” It is a time when the days ‘lengthen’, often to our delight.

The season is a span of forty days, not counting Sundays, beginning on ASH WEDNESDAY (this year February 26) and it ends on the day before Easter Sunday. It is often a time of preparation, of introspection. The season calls us to look for the path to new life, a new season of life.

If you are so inclined, I have a suggestion for you to inspire your season of Lent. “Saving Grace” is a wonderful movie to bring some insight to these days of Spring. Tom Conti stars as a youthful Pope in this movie. It is a combination of finding new life, building community with a flair for comedic moments.

During an audience he meets a young impoverished girl from Montepetra whose village has no priest. Sometime later, the Pope dons his gardening clothes and goes into the yard of the Vatican residence, tending his beloved plants. His list for planting is caught by the wind and carried up over the brick wall and outside the Vatican garden. The Pope pushes open the wall door and steps outside to retrieve his wayward list. The door closes behind him and he realizes that he is locked out. He tries to get back in and cannot. He then sees a chance to be out in the world and off he goes. He decides on a journey to Montepetra.

The Pope gains a whole new sense of identity, community and love. It is a saving grace indeed.

May the saving grace of this season of new life fill your heart with restoration and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Rev. Amy

For Your Prayers

- Prayers for the Stansfield family.
- Prayers for Myron Carpenter.
- Prayers for Jim and Dianne Serrills' daughter Calli.
- Prayers for Richard Brown - he is recovering well!
- Prayers for Emilie Kroen as she continues treatment.
- Prayers for Sam Richardson's family.
- Prayers for Selinda Smith's grandmother entering hospice.
- Sherris and Darby Harrell as they enjoy the winter in Arizona.
- Penny Christiansen's daughter Liz, healing from concussion.
- George and Patt's 58 year old son David, stage 4 cancer.
- Ofilia Boyd's family on the death of her mother.
- Rachel Elliot and her family after her sister's hip replacement.
- Kay Gooding, shoulder surgery recovery.
- Merry McAdoo's daughter on her move to Houston.
- Leona's hip surgery healing is going well!

Did we miss a prayer joy or concern for you??? Let us know and we can send out an email on your behalf!

As we get closer to April, please be aware of the following dates:

PALM PROCESSIONAL
Sunday, April 5
10:00 a.m.

All kids (and kids at heart) are invited to join in the Palm Processional at the start of worship on April 5.

EASTER EGG HUNT
Sunday, April 5
following worship

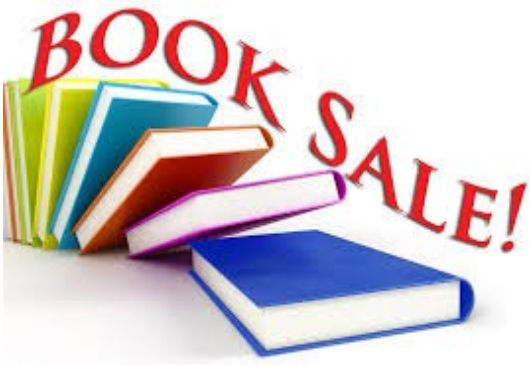
Younger children will participate in a fun Easter Egg Hunt following worship on Palm Sunday, April 5. If you would like to donate small items (small wrapped candy, stickers, toys, etc., that fit into the eggs), please bring them to church. We will fill the eggs after worship on Sunday, March 29.

TUMC Book Sale
Sunday, April 5, after worship until 12:30 p.m.
Koch (Fellowship) Hall

Spring may be around the corner but we still have lots of gray days ahead - which means we all need a good book to curl up with!

Come to the TUMC Book Sale on April 5 to pick up a new book to read, and bring in your old (but still in good shape) books for others to take home. Suggested donation is $1 per book that you buy with all proceeds going to our church.

If you are bringing books, the Fellowship Hall will be open from 9- 10 a.m. for drop off. You must also retrieve your unsold books after the sale ends at 12:30 p.m. We will stay open long enough for those with little ones enjoying the Egg Hunt after service that day to also stop by and shop.



Backpack BUDDIES

Because hunger doesn't end on Friday.

We provide 15 lunch and 15 breakfast packs to children in need at Byrom Elementary.
We provide fruit cups, granola bars, cans of soup or stew, mac 'n cheese. If you wish to donate any of these food items, bring them to the Back Pack Buddy box in the narthex.

FELLOWSHIP AND GROUP DISCUSSIONS

United Methodist Women - UMW News

All women are invited to our next Craft Bee, Saturday, March 14, 3:00 - 6:00 p.m. in Koch Fellowship Hall. Bring your own project, join a group project (no sew fleece quilts for Annual Conference), or teach a craft. Refreshments will be provided.

United Methodist Women
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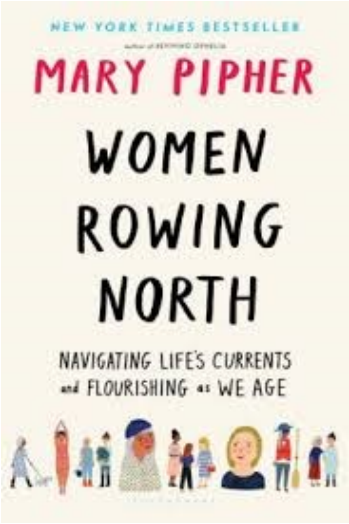
Women's Fellowship

Come join us mid-week for a time of recharging and regrouping.

We meet on Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m. in the church library.

Our current book is "Women Rowing North" by Mary Pipher.



Men's Fellowship

The Men's Group meets each Wednesday, 10 a.m. in the nursery. Come for study, prayer, fellowship and service. Help us pack food bags for those in need.

We are currently reading *The Righteous Mind* by Jonathon Haidt.

SUNDAY, March 1
8:30 a.m. Music Rehearsals
10:00 a.m. Worship, Sunday School
12:25 p.m. Melinda Voice Lessons
7:00-9:00 pm New Me Al-Anon and Who Me AA
MONDAY, March 2
No Activities
TUESDAY, March 3
6:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting
WEDNESDAY, March 4
10:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship
10:00 a.m. Women's Fellowship
4:20 p.m. Weight Watchers (WW)
THURSDAY, March 5
11:00 a.m. Weight Watchers (WW)
6:00 p.m. Music Rehearsals
8:15 p.m. Tualatin NA Meeting
FRIDAY, March 6
11:30 am–1:30 pm AA Steppers
SATURDAY, March 7
No Activities
SUNDAY, March 8
8:30 a.m. Music Rehearsals
10:00 a.m. Worship, Sunday School
1:30 p.m. Nancy Brown Piano Studio
7:00-9:00 pm New Me Al-Anon and Who Me AA
MONDAY, March 9
No Activities
TUESDAY, March 10
No Activities
WEDNESDAY, March 11
10:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship
10:00 a.m. Women's Fellowship
11:15 a.m. Emmaus Reunion
4:20 p.m. Weight Watchers (WW)
THURSDAY, March 12
11:00 a.m. Weight Watchers (WW)
6:00 p.m. Music Rehearsals
8:15 p.m. Tualatin NA Meeting
FRIDAY, March 13
11:30 am–1:30 pm AA Steppers
SATURDAY, March 14
3:00 p.m. UMW Craft Bee
SUNDAY, March 15
8:30 a.m. Music Rehearsals
10:00 a.m. Worship
12:25 p.m. Melinda Voice Lesson
7:00-9:00 pm New Me Al-Anon and Who Me AA

MONDAY, March 16
No Activities
TUESDAY, March 17
No Activities
WEDNESDAY, March 18
10:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship
10:00 a.m. Women's Fellowship
4:20 p.m. Weight Watchers (WW)
THURSDAY, March 19
11:00 a.m. Weight Watchers (WW)
6:00 p.m. Music Rehearsals
8:15 p.m. Tualatin NA
FRIDAY, March 20
11:30 am–1:30 pm AA Steppers
SATURDAY, March 21
No Activities
SUNDAY, March 22
8:30 a.m. Music Rehearsals
10:00 a.m. Worship
1:25 p.m. Melinda Voice Lesson
7:00-9:00 pm New Me Al-Anon and Who Me AA
MONDAY, March 23
No Activities
TUESDAY, March 24
6:00 p.m. Boy Scout Meeting
WEDNESDAY, March 25
10:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship
10:00 a.m. Women's Fellowship
11:15 a.m. Emmaus Reunion
4:20 p.m. Weight Watchers (WW)
THURSDAY, March 26
9:00 a.m. Newsletter Team
11:00 a.m. Weight Watchers (WW)
6:00 p.m. Music Rehearsals
8:15 p.m. Tualatin NA Meeting
FRIDAY, March 27
11:30 am–1:30 pm AA Steppers
SATURDAY, March 28
No Activities
SUNDAY, March 29
8:30 a.m. Music Rehearsals
10:00 a.m. Worship, Sunday School
12:25 p.m. Melinda Voice Lesson
7:00-9:00 pm New Me Al-Anon and Who Me AA
MONDAY, March 30
No Activities
TUESDAY, March 31
No Activities

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