

August 2019 Bridge

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A Note from Pastor Toni

It's hard to believe that July is over and school begins again very soon. Before we know it, fall will be upon us. Time passes so quickly; it seems that as one gets older it happens even more quickly; or at least that's how it feels.

We had one of the best VBS weeks we have had in many years! So many of you volunteered your time to support the kids in our community. 46 kids benefited from the VBS we offered this year and the parents seemed to really enjoy the fellowship at the end-of-the-week potluck.

It goes without saying that our church lacks young families. I realize that there are many other churches in our community; some of which who do have many families participating. I would say that Siskiyou Fellowship and the Berean church in Grenada have the largest numbers of young families participating in their congregations.

That doesn't mean, however, that we don't have something great to offer those families who don't feel comfortable in a more theologically conservative setting. YUMC understands Grace and extends GRACE! And, YUMC is filled with the Holy Spirit working among us and growing in us as Jesus followers not just Christians! The Spirit is moving in a powerful way in our house and when people come to visit they often comment that they 'feel something here' that they don't feel elsewhere. God is at work in us and through us throughout the community, and we have so much more to do as Kingdom people in Yreka.

That is why I believe, along with many others in the congregation, that <u>we must</u> do everything in our power to reach children, youth and families! Our time, money, prayer and energy ought to be going into building ministries that reach families, church! While the two churches I mentioned have many families attending, there are many other families in our community who are not yet connected to a church community where they can develop healthy, holy relationships and learn about the love of Jesus without feeling judged.

A ministry for kids is necessary and we need to do everything we can to promote a midweek ministry for children this fall. But just as necessary is a ministry to their parents during the time the kids are here. John Wesley said, "Do all the good you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, by all the means you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can!"

It's time for us to take whatever risk necessary to grow into a church that is family-friendly so that YUMC can flourish and thrive, not just survive into the decades ahead of us.

This is not an easy challenge. I wish I could say I know exactly what we need to do to make this happen. I can't. But what I can say is that we need everyone on board to acknowledge this reality and be willing to make the <u>necessary sacrifices</u> for what <u>we</u> <u>want</u>, for whatever will create a fellowship inviting to young families.

We have made many changes for the better in the past 12 years. Some do not agree, and for others they haven't always been welcomed or easy for us. But God has blessed our obedience as we continue to seek His will for *HIS CHURCH*. *The church belongs to God, not us!!* Sometimes we forget that and get very possessive of what is not ours to own. It is only ours to give away so that others might find their connection to a God who loves them most and loves them best, just as He does each one of us!!

What I do know is that as a congregation it's time to get really serious about praying families into the Kingdom! That kind of collective, focused prayer is powerful!

Can we make this year "<u>the year of the family</u>," and do everything we can to be invitational; to plan events, activities, worship services, classes and ministries with the family as our main focus? The answer to this question must be a resounding "<u>YES!!</u>" Because its' the only way we can guarantee that YUMC will thrive into future!

Pastor Toni

August 2019 Birthdays

Christal Duncan	1
Lauren Aceves	2
Doris Callison	4
Michael Burleson-Raney	14
Kelly Atchley	15
Susan Crow	17
Ray Watson	18
Liz Hockaday	26

Anniversaries

Duane & Sandy Johnson	1
Kelly Atchley & Susan Erhardt	12
Jim & Sarah Frey	24

What's Happening with Saints Alive in June!

August 6

Saint's Alive! Dream team meeting 5:00 pm Room 8

August 13

Lunch-a-Bunch 11:30 am Natalee Thai

August 22

Book Club 4:30 pm Strings Italian Restaurant

Saints Alive events are open to anyone 55 or older, or anyone who knows someone 55 or older!

If you have questions or comments please contact

Michael in the office.

August 7-11,2019

The Prayer Tent at Siskiyou Golden Fair



UMM BREAKFAST

August 11, 2019 8:00 am Downstairs in the Social Hall. All Men are welcome!

It's time for choir!!!

Choir starts Tuesday, August 27th at 6:30 pm in the ed. building. No experience necessary! Join us for great fellowship, lots of laughter and time spent with our Heavenly Father through music.

Questions? Call Karen @ 340-2044

The YUMC Choir Clothing sale is back!

On October 12, 2019 the YUMC Choir will host a clothing sale to raise funds for music! And we want your donations! Bring us your gently used, clean clothing, shoes and purses!



The Book Club August 22, 2019

An exuberant subsidiary of YUMC's Saints Alive! Meeting in August on a special day - Thursday Aug 22nd!

From Sandie Jones, the author of the Reese Witherspoon x Hello Sunshine Book Club Pick and New York Times bestseller The Other Woman, comes an addictively readable new domestic suspense about a wife, her husband, and the woman who

is supposedly her best friend.



THE WIFE: For Alice, life has never been better. With her second husband, she has a successful business, two children, and a beautiful house.

HER HUSBAND: Alice knows that life could have been different if her first husband had lived, but Nathan's arrival into her life gave her back the happiness she craved. HER BEST FRIEND: Through the ups and downs of life, from celebratory nights out to comforting each other through loss, Alice knows that with her best friend Beth by her side, they can survive anything together. So when Nathan starts acting strangely, Alice turns to Beth for help. But soon, Alice begins to wonder whether her trust has been misplaced.

The first mistake could be her last.

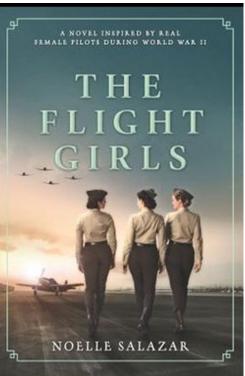
The Book Club will meet at 4:30 pm, hosted by Kelly Atchley, at Strings in Yreka.

If you have any questions, or would like a book ordered for your reading pleasure get in touch with Kelly soon (530-412-1684)

The Book Club – September 12, 2019 (An exuberant subsidiary of YUMC's Saints Alive!)

Meeting on the second Thursday of each month

A stunning story about the Women Airforce Service Pilots whose courage during World War II turned ordinary women into extraordinary heroes 1941. Audrey Coltrane has always wanted to



fly. It's why she implored her father to teach her at the little airfield back home in Texas. It's why she signed up to train military pilots in Hawaii when the war in Europe began. And it's why she insists she is not interested in any dream-derailing romantic involvements, even with the disarming Lieutenant James Hart, who fast becomes a friend as treasured as the women she flies with. Then one fateful day, she gets caught in the air over Pearl Harbor just as the bombs begin to fall, and suddenly, nowhere feels safe. To make everything she's lost count for something, Audrey joins the Women Airforce Service Pilots program. The bonds she forms with her fellow pilots reignite a spark of hope in the face war, and--when James goes missing in action--give Audrey the strength to cross the front lines and fight not only for her country, but for the love she holds so dear. Shining a light on a little-known piece of

history. The Flight Girls is a sweeping portrayal of women's fearlessness, love, and the power of friendship to make us soar.

The Book Club will meet at 4:30 p.m., hosted by Karen Clark at her home, 405 Summit Court, Yreka PS Bring your favorite beverage. Water and snacks provided. Theme: Flight

If you have any questions, or would like to have a copy of the book ordered for your reading pleasure, please get in touch with Anita Lantz at 530-468-2119 before August 15th.

SAINTS ALIVE Minutes Meeting of June 4, 2019

Saints Alive! 2019 Minutes 7-9-19

The meeting was opened at 5 pm by Mary. Those present were co-Chairs Michael Raney and Mary Baker, Kelly Atchley, Mike Fallon, Nancy Krueger, Kathryn Matthews, Katherine Prudhomme and Marilyn Stepanovich.

DEVOTION - Nancy's subject was "What God Looks Like."

FINANCIAL REPORT - none

OLD BUSINESS

Kitchen remodel, MP Room - We will be going before the Leadership Board to sign the estimate for \$1043.82.

Prayer Tent (OUTREACH/EVANGELISM) — We are good to go. We need someone to establish a sign-up list and someone to become the contact person. The work shifts will be 2 hours long for the five days of the Fair. Set-up is Monday/Tuesday, August 5 and 6. Take-down is Monday, August 12. A press release will be in the local paper the week before and the week of the Fair.

SPIRITUALITY

Shawn Cortright's class, "God put the Super in your Natural," will start Thursday, August 1, at 6:30 pm.

ENRICHMENT

Book Club - The August selection is "The First Mistake" by Sandie Jones. Meet Thurs., Aug. 22 at Strings at 4:30 pm. Please note the change in date this month due to the Fair.

NUTRITION/FITNESS/HEALTH - The Daniel Plan is still on hold.

INTER-GENERATIONAL - We voted to support the feeding of the volunteers for VBS up to a total of \$400.00 (Kathryn/Marilyn). Motion carried, one abstention.

OUTREACH/EVANGELISM

Prayer Tent – please see Old Business above.

Tailgaters - Michael Raney would like to see Seniors at our church attend the Tailgaters to see what goes on. We could ask Deb Bein to write an article for the Bridge newsletter about what happens every Saturday and Sunday. It was discussed that Saints Alive! write the article with Deb's approval. The Bridge will be available for people to pick up starting in September.

RECREATION/OUTINGS

Lunch Bunch – Thursday, July 11 @ The Dutchman at 11:30 am.

Cabaret – Michael reported that "Mama Mia" on June 22 was great!

SERVICE

SAINTS Sunshine – Mary made phone calls to a few and sent out cards. She needs more stamps.

AM Call – Continues OK.

NEW BUSINESS

The Planning meeting for 2020 will be on December 3. It will be open to all and pizza will be for dinner.

The passing of sign-up clipboards during the church service is distracting. We discussed having the Sunday morning greeters tell church members as they arrive that the sign-up clipboards are centrally located elsewhere – perhaps in the Wesley room.

Starting in September, the Bridge newsletter will be available for people to pick up outside the Office and in the Wesley Room.

NEXT MEETING – August 6 at 5 pm. Refreshments by Kathryn Matthews.

We adjourned the meeting at 5:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Matthews for Pat Wernicke

June and early July were packed with IMPACT fundraisers. The kids worked really hard and are beginning to see some of the fruits of their labors in our FUN summer activities.

The Hellgate Jetboat Excursion was a trip to remember! (We had two new kids accompany us, so that was a blessing.) On August 4th, we will be going river rafting with seasoned guides, Shawn & Frank Cortright. Then, August 18th will find us at the Lake Siskiyou Camp Resort, where we will enjoy water activities, picnic food and lots of sun! Amidst a prevailing spirit of entitlement in many societal circles, we youth leaders are doing our best to instill a work ethic in these young people. We are teaching them to work hard, so we can play hard, applying Godly principles in both our physical world and spiritual lives.

Many thanks to our YUMC church family for supporting us, prayerfully and financially. YOU are making a difference in the lives of our kids and the Kingdom of God!

Leah and Sadie

Ready to have fun!!





IMPACT





Leah and Her boys!





Leah with our newest member Neveah.

Supernatural Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Beginning August 8, 2019

From 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Class will be held in the YUMC Education Building

Class will be facilitated by Shawn Cortright.

Follow the way of love and eagerly desire gifts of the Spirit,

especially the gift of prophecy.

1 Corinthians 14:1

EMMAUS Information

Emmaus walks are coming up! If you know someone that you'd like to sponsor or if you want to work, now is the time to get those applications in. Questions? See Lisa Raffelli or Kevin Stott.

Men's walk Oct 3rd thru 6th Women's walk Oct 17th thru 20th Walks will be held in Medford, OR.

Early registration deadline for sponsoring a pilgrim for the fall upcoming walks is August 23, 2019 and the cost is \$85 and late registration date is Sept. 6, 2019 at \$95.

Please get your pilgrims applications in now to make sure they get to go on these walks.

TAILGATERS

The Tailgate ministry reaches out to people of different needs throughout our community. Some arrive by foot, others by car or bike, and others by vans driven by like-minded volunteers from other churches.

By working together we can reach the most vulnerable, the most isolated, and those who are often overlooked.



Steve Leal greeting Tailgater's guests as they arrive!

Roar VBS 2019





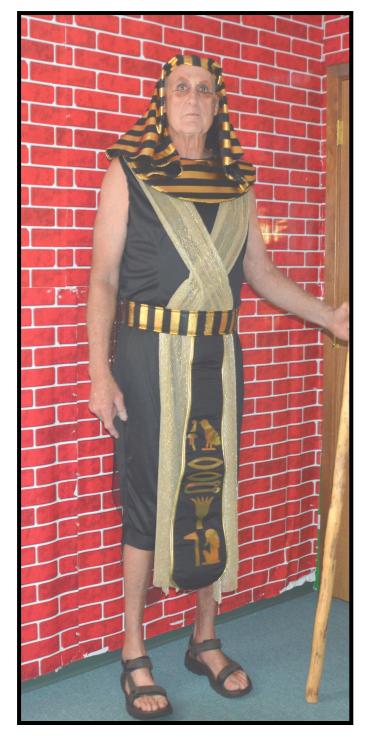


















Roar VBS 2019





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