

# June 2019 Bridge

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### A Note from Pastor Toni

By the time you receive this Bridge Newsletter, we will have celebrated Pentecost Sunday and be well into our series on the Holy Spirit. By now, if you have participated in worship, engaged in prayer, alone or with others in your small groups, and thoughtfully considered the messages God has spoken through me each Sunday, there ought to be little doubt that the Spirit of God is creating a new energy and boldness among the people of God in this church!

While the Spirit of God is a mysterious force in our lives, many of us have experienced His presence and the peace and assurance He brings, as we welcome Him to direct our lives and our purpose for the glory of God. Jesus said to His disciples, "It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you." (John 16:7) The empowering fuel of the Holy Spirit was and is one of the most tangible expressions of God's goodness to His people. The empowering fuel of the Spirit is also the tangible expression of Jesus Christ in us and through us to reach others for Christ

The way we choose to respond to God's Spirit can set us in a whole new direction in our lives as we become part of God's mighty, redemptive work on planet earth. God calls us into partnership with Him to complete His work through us!

How do you know whether or not the Holy Spirit is thriving in you and through you? How do you know the Holy Spirit is active in Your Life?

These are questions we all must be willing to struggle with in prayer if we are going to continue seeking God's Will for this church and our purpose. I take these indicators, from *The New Rebellion Handbook*, as to how we know for certain that the Spirit is active in our Christian Witness. Take them to heart. Study them and reflect on your own walk with God's Spirit.

- 10. You find it unexpectedly easier to be patient and kind (Gal. 5:22)
- **9.** You sense a sudden urgency to pray for a friend or family member.
- 8. You long to spend time with God and be in His presence.

- **7.** The Bible makes sense to you as never before.
- **6.** Scriptures to encourage others pop into your mind.
- **5.** Your appetite for God's Word gets stronger and stronger
- **4.** You may develop a unique prayer language just between you and God
- **3.** You may have dreams that illuminate God's heart.
- **2.** You sense God's nearness and comfort when you are grieving.
- **1.** You feel and unexplainable peace in the midst of stressful circumstances.

The Spirit is empowering, indwelling, and encouraging all of us to move forward with Him. Don't hesitate!! We have work to do *TOGETHER*!

### **Pastor Toni**

# June 2019

# **Birthdays**

Tracy Lima	2
Vivian Marsh	10
<b>Duncan Chitwood</b>	11
Rob Bicego	12
<b>Alexys Gorseth</b>	14
<b>Becklyn Stott</b>	16
Mary Holmes	20
<b>Beverly Everett</b>	21
<b>Blake Chitwood</b>	23
Susan Erhardt	24
John Burleson-Raney	26
John Gorseth	28

## **Anniversaries**

Anita and Cliff Lantz		
<b>Deborah Dickens &amp; Tracy Lima</b>	27	



# What's Happening with Saints Alive in June!

June 4
Saint's Alive! Dream team meeting
5:00 pm Room 8

June 11 Lunch-a-Bunch 11:30 am At Round Table

June 13 Book Club 4:30 pm Strings Italian Restaurant

June 22 "Mama Mia" 10:00 Oregon Cabaret Theatre

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.

Coming in August!:

The Prayer Tent at Siskiyou Golden Fair



### UMM BREAKFAST

June 9, 2019 8:00 am
Downstairs in the
Social Hall.
All Men are welcome!

# SHASTA CAMP IS COMING! June 25-28

Shasta Camp is only 3 weeks away! Now is the time to block your calendars. We need campers from 4<sup>th</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup> grade. \$160 for 3 days of fun, food, and fellowship. After June 15 the cost goes up \$10. *Scholarships are available*! Applications are at the church.

Now is the time to join the team! We need adults to be camp moms and dads! We need help in the kitchen to prepare food for these campers and helpers. Help at any meal is very much appreciated. Perhaps you'd just like to come up to camp to join the hike to Heart Lake or play on the beach on boating day!

Please call or text Jan Sinnott for details or any questions at 905-3646. My email is: <a href="mailto:janckids@yahoo.com">janckids@yahoo.com</a>. Let me know ASAP if you can join the team!

Let's make sure YUMC is represented in this awesome children's ministry

# The Book Club – June 13, 2019

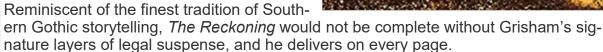
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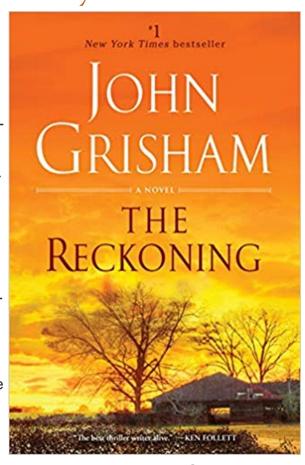
October 1946, Clanton, Mississippi

Pete Banning was Clanton, Mississippi's favorite son—a decorated World War II hero, the patriarch of a prominent family, a farmer, father, neighbor, and a faithful member of the Methodist church. Then one cool October morning he rose early, drove into town, and committed a shocking crime. Pete's only statement about it—to the sheriff, to his lawyers, to the judge, to the jury, and to his family—was: "I have nothing to say." He was not afraid of death and was willing to take his motive to the grave.

In a major novel unlike anything he has written before, John Grisham takes us on an incredible journey, from the Jim Crow South to the jungles of the Philippines during World War II; from an insane asylum filled with secrets to the Clanton courtroom where Pete's defense attorney tries desperately to save him.



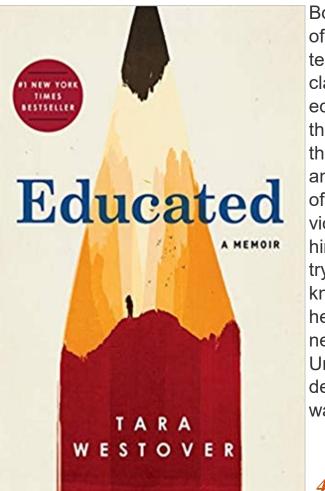
The Book Club will meet at 4:30 p.m., hosted by Sandy Hynd at Strings in Yreka



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Born to survivalists in the mountains of Idaho, Tara Westover was seventeen the first time she set foot in a classroom. Her family was so Isolated from mainstream society that there was no one to ensure the children received an education. and no one to intervene when one of Tara's older brothers became violent. When another brother got himself into college, Tara decided to try a new kind of life. Her quest for knowledge transformed her, taking her over oceans and across continents, to Harvard and to Cambridge University. Only then would she wonder if she'd traveled too far, if there was still a way home.

The Book Club will meet at 4:30 p.m., hosted by Sue Ashe

#### at Casa Ramos in Yreka

If you have any questions, or would like to have a copy of the book ordered for your reading pleasure, please get in touch **soon** with Anita Lantz at 530-468-2119 or anitalantz@att.net.

#### SAINTS ALIVE Minutes Meeting of May 7, 2019

The meeting was opened at 5:10 pm. Those present were: Co- Chairs Mary Baker and Michael Raney, Kelly Atchley, Mike Fallon, Nancy Krueger, Kathryn Matthews, Kathy Prudhomme, Marilyn Stepanovich and Pat Wernicke. Nancy's devotion was "No Expiration Date." God's love never expires! It is with us

through good and bad times. It shines brightly through the dark times. It will never fade away. It is always there for us. God's love is steadfast. His love endures forever. Ps. 117:2.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- 1. Prayer Tent (OUTREACH/EVANGELISM)— Kelly distributed a list of the 54 churches contacted asking for help with a Prayer Tent at the County Fair Aug. 7-11. Michael stated that the letter was mailed on May 6. A participation reply form with a self-addressed stamped envelope was included.
- 2. Saints Alive! Calendar We reviewed and updated our 2019 Saints Alive! calendar of events as follows:
- Wildlife Images, June 1 postponed due to lack of time to advertise. We will try to re-schedule this outing for a less busy time later this summer. Lavender Farm July 13 or July 20 – must confirm that they are open for tours this year.
- Jet Boats, July 13 –depends on air quality and water quantity. Lithia Park,
- Ashland, Aug. 1 -- free concert at the Bandshell.
- Winery Tour, Sept. 7 or Sept. 14 We are concerned about driving safely on the return trip! Michael will look into the cost for bus transportation.
- Talent Show, Oct.12 Susan and Karen will co-emcee. Get ready! Cabaret, Nov. 23 – confirmed for "Miracle on 34<sup>th</sup> Street."
- Possible outings to Jacksonville and/or McCloud Pat mentioned that there are many events in these cities throughout the year. She will get more information on

earmarked \$1020.00 to pay for these improvements. We will also purchase a tall faucet to be installed by our church.

#### **SPIRITUALITY**

Bible Study – A new Bible study will be announced in the near future.

#### **ENRICHMENT**

Book Club -- The May selection is "Where the Crawdads Sing" and June's selection is "Reckoning," by John Grisham. Flyers are on the Saints table. Meetings are the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays at 4:30 pm, location changes each month. ..

#### **NUTRITION/FITNESS/HEALTH** – no report.

#### INTERGENERATIONAL

Mother's Day Brunch -- A good time was had by all, including the Youth who served the meal so joyfully! Thank You, IM-PACT! Kelly made a motion that Saints Alive! donate up to \$150.00 to IMPACT above and beyond ticket sale receipts and all other donations received. Mike Fallon seconded and the motion passed.

#### OUTREACH/EVANGELISM

Quilting – On summer break and will resume on Sept. 24. Prayer Tent – see Old Business above.

#### RECREATION/OUTINGS

Lunch Bunch – May 14 at Poor George's, 11:30 am. Lunch on June 11 will be at Round Table.

Cabaret – 'Mamma Mia" on June 22. We have 26 seats reserved; 21 have signed up so far. We will probably have a waiting list. Payment is due May 19.

**SERVICE** Sunshine – Mary reported 7 cards were sent. Next Sunday, she will have two cards at the Saints table for signatures: a Get Well card for John Krueger's hip surgery and a Thinking of You card for Neil Owen.

AM Call - continues. Thank you Kathy!

NEXT MEETING is Tuesday, June 4, at 5 pm. Kathy P. will bring cookies.

Nancy closed in prayer and we adjourned at 6:16 pm.





For most IMPACT youth, it's the last week of school! Spring has sprung, and summer is just around the corner. Here are some FUN, meaningful events (including FUNdraisers!) we have planned in the coming weeks:

**Sunday, June 9th** – Prayer walk around Yreka High School; we will be learning about strategic prayer and spiritual mapping; our young people will be claiming this turf for JESUS!

Saturday, June 29th – High School youth will be participating in a fundraiser event with the Elks Lodge to raise money for youth events next month.

Sunday, June 30th – IMPACT youth will be providing yard work for donations; sign-up sheet will be circulated 2 weeks prior; kids have designed signs to be placed in yards to advertise IMPACT & YUMC. Stay tuned for details!

**Saturday, July 20th** – *Hell Gate* (or, HEAVEN'S GATE, as we are choosing to rename it!) speed boat trip and picnic in Grants Pass, OR. Just like youth ministry, it's going to be a wild ride!

**AUGUST 2019 (date TBD)** – White water rafting trip and BBQ; beginning at Collier Rest Area and ending at Trees of Heaven Campground.

AUGUST 2019 (date TBD) - Fundraiser, drivethru dinner at YUMC; this was a very successful event last year; we look forward to serving you again!

It is an honor and a privilege to work with these amazingly talented future leaders. Please partner with us in prayer for their spiritual growth, and THANK **YOU** for all your love and support!-

Leah & Sadie



You've Been

# **Tailgaters June 2019**

# 40, 177 Sandwiches Served Since March 2014

### What does that mean?

Google says the size of an average piece of sandwich bread is 4 ½ inches. So, hypothetically, if we were to stack all 40, 177 sandwiches that have been given out by YUMC in the past 5 years end to end they will measure 180,796 inches. If you convert that to feet it's 15,066 feet. How tall is that? The Eiffel Tower is only 1063 feet; the Empire State Building is a mere 1454 feet; and the tallest building in the world in Dubai can only claim 2717 feet. Even our own Mt. Shasta rises to only 14,180 feet...886 feet short of the sandwiches served here in our community to those who have fallen on hard times. But we're not done. Our next goal is Mount Everest at 29,029 feet and we're half way there. So please keep your food donations coming. You are making such a difference in so many lives!

I wonder...How many sandwiches to get to the moon??









My profound thanks to all who made the Outreach Rummage Sale on May 18th such a success. I can't begin to name all of the helpers (I am sure I would forget someone), but many hands made light work!

After some small expenses we made close to \$1000.00 which will support outreach projects going forward this year.

**Kelly** 

## **Diaper Race for Choices.**

And the race is on! YUMC is collecting Diapers for Choices. Sizes needed most are 4, 5, and 6, although any size can be donated. At the end of the race, the Pastor from the church that has collected the most diapers will be putting a pie in the face of the losing Pastor. We are racing against both the Seventh Day Adventist Church and the Yreka Church of the Nazarene!

# Congratulations Mr. & Mrs. Leonard and Beverly Everett



#### This was contributed by Shawn Cortright from her Sunday sermon:

It is my morning routine to sit with pen in hand waiting on God. The morning sky prompted this journal entry: As you listen to the sounds of the world waking up, pay close attention. Rise early and listen for it is nature that is awakened at my command, animals stir, birds sing and the buzzing of insects begins with the first light of the sun. Where is man when I shine my light on the world? Where is man? Does he rise to meet me in the morning? Does he look to the east to see the sky I have painted on the morning canvass? Does he stop to feel the freshness of the morning breeze? Does he get out of bed to meet me in the garden of our time together? I long for that, I search throughout the earth for my children who seek me, who make first things first, who desire to see the world as I see the world and will allow me to walk beside them. Don't miss another sunrise without waking to be with me. Don't enter another day through the revolving door of drudgery and work. Look for the door of thankfulness. It is a door between you and I that I have placed on the hinges of choice, a swinging door that opens easily to welcome me in when your heart is full of thanksgiving. Don't look at your earthly calendar and your schedule of events to determine your day. Look to me each morning with thanksgiving in your heart and I will paint your day more magnificent than any morning sky you have ever seen. I invite you to know me as the painter. Come let us paint this day together.

Have fun painting, use lots of colors.

Love, Shawn

# Just to keep the congregation informed:

Celebrate Recovery is on hiatus for a while since the attendance dropped dramatically and since Sadie has become the co-youth leader. Sadie and John no longer had the time to commit to Celebrate Recovery. The board discussed the existing account for Celebrate Recovery and thought it would be best used if the funds that so many of you generously donated to the Celebrate Recovery ministry were transferred into children and vouth ministries. Michael has been instructed to move it into the VBS account. If anyone who gave a donation to Celebrate Recovery would rather that their donation not go to youth and children's ministry, please feel free to come by the office and let Michael know. He will be more than happy to move your donation to another area. Thanks always for your amazing support and generosity, YUMC!

Pastor Toni

### The Fair Prayer Tent is back!!!

Yreka United Methodist Church, in conjunction with other area Churches, will have a Fair Prayer Tent again. The details are being handles by Saints Alive! If you are interested in taking a shift, please contact Michael in the church office. We'd like to have enough people sign up that we could have two hour shifts. Watch for the signup!

This time of prayer for other people is so rewarding. The only skills you need are the ability to pray and the capacity to love one another! See you at the Fair!

#### Great Northern District United Methodist Church Men's Retreat

"Seeing Jesus through Jewish Eyes"

August 16-18, 2019

Key note speaker: Mishi Neubach of Israel

Held at Shasta Camp

Brochures are on the desk outside of Michael's office.

Free time activities:

Sailing, Canoeing, Fishing, Hiking, Horse shoes and Golf. (must make reservations for Golf).

Horizontal Hour will also be available!

## May 2019 General Fund Figures (as of 5/31)

May 2019		Year to Date
Revenue	\$ 12360.07	\$ 76312.56
Savings	\$ 400.00	\$ 6880.49
Expenses	<u>\$ 17574.51</u>	\$ 90266.70

Total \$ -4814.44 \$ -7073.65

### "Wilma's Garden"



#### **Our 2019 Board Members**

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Jennifer Villani—Board Co-Chair Personnel

Charles Cook Facilities

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Kelly Atchley Finance

Debby Whipple Congregational Care

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Michael Burleson-Raney Secretary to the Board



Compliments from the Board on the care and beauty of the Gardens and Facility. Thank you to Charles & Paula Cook, Susan Erhard, Jan Sinnott and Richard Ashe.

New Shelves in the craft closet courtesy of Ed Matthews

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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