



Mexican Potluck this Sunday at 12:30PM!!

Plan to bring your favorite Mexican dish and join our High School Youth as they share their adventures on their Mission to Mexico trip.



Sunday April 3 we wished Frances Hyland a loving good-bye as she moved to Washington to be near her daughter. She has been a member of our church since 1937 and we will not be the same without her. Frances received the *Lifetime Chalice Award for a life of service to God at First Christian Church, Eugene, Oregon. We are forever grateful to her.*



Frances' new address is:
4989 Edens Road
Anacortes, WA 98221
E-mail zhyland1@aol.com

In honor of Frances a fund has been established call the Hyland Children's music fund. Donations of this date equal \$2200.00

Passover begins April 23 through April 30



April 28, 2005

7:30 PM

Led by Rabbi Jonathan Seidel

At this traditional Jewish Passover meal the story of the Exodus (haggadah) is read and ritual actions are performed. The seder today consists of fourteen elements: 1) Kiddush, the blessing of wine and the day, 2) Urehatz, washing of hands, 3) Karpas, eating green herbs, 4) Yachatz, breaking the middle matzo, 5) Maggid, the Passover story, 6) Rahatz, washing of hands, 7) Motzee-Matzo, blessing the unleavened bread, 8) Maror, eating bitter herb, 9) Korekh, eating bitter herb and matzo together, 10) Shulhan Orekh, the Passover meal, 11) Tzafun, the afikomen (finding a piece of matzo hidden for the children), 12) Berakah, grace after the meal, 13) Hallel, recital of the Hallelujah psalms, and 14) Neertza, the conclusion of the seder. It is unclear how much of this order was in place in the first century, but it was at a meal similar to this that Jesus celebrated the Passover. Because of its apparent connection with the institution of the eucharist, Christians have sometimes celebrated Christian Seders. These have sometimes been offensive to Jews. The celebration of a Christian Seder during Holy Week is considered inappropriate because it is a festal celebration.



Memorial Service
Jessie Bork died on April 10, 2005, Jessie placed her membership with us January 19, 1940 and continued to be a very active member until her recent illness. We will be celebrating her life on April 21 at 3:00 PM in our sanctuary.



Tuesday Lunch bunch all are welcome. Join us on the 4th Tuesday of the month for good food and conversation. Don't be left out of the fun. We will be

meeting at Ax Billy Grill (3rd floor of the DAC) on Tuesday, April 26th at 12:00. Ax Billy Grill is a quick, easy place to have lunch so those of you on a tight work schedule should join us too. Any questions, call (746-7122 or e-mail (sandi@hearingassociates.net) Sandi Ybarra.



Miles Lee DiMarco was born at 9:25AM, Friday, April 1 to Tim and Cassandra DiMarco. He weighed in at 5 lbs 8 oz. and is 18" long. Congratulations to Mom & Dad.

Our bell choir has outgrown the capacity of the old flimsy portable tables in the balcony and have been permanently removed! We are very grateful to George Weller who is continuing with the second stage of the balcony project by installing longer and more stable wooden bell tables that conform to the platform he built for us last summer. With the addition of the Frances Hyland C8 commemorative bell, we are now just 2 bells shy of an F3 - C8 (4 1/2 octaves) range and have expanded to 12 excellent musicians who are eager to play again once they have some elbow room!



We want to thank all of those who helped to make the Tea Party for Frances such a success. To the wonderful "waiters", food preparers, tea makers, program participants and all of you who came to show your love for a lovely lady, we thank you. Faye & Mildred

Dear Friends, I want to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, and visits. I have appreciated each and every one of you. I feel so blessed to be making a good recovery and will hope to join all of you again soon. With Love-- Elva Smith



Remember in Prayer: Frances Holmes; Bonnie Roth; Mayreta Whisler; Ruth Bascue; Linda Peterson; Carl & Vivian Templar; Rowena Morgan; Lisa Watters; LaVelle Capriotti; Tony R. Alexander; Ron Wilson, Elois Icanberry's son; Beth Berge; Louise Hastings; families in financial crisis and families dealing with addictions.



Event Attendant Needed for June, July and some of August

Experience: Multi-tasking, working with people in stressful situations.

Physical: Requires the ability to be on your feet for up to five hours, climbing stairs, lifting heavy furniture.

General: Self motivated and punctual, ability to solve problems quickly and calmly, clear communication skills, the ability to work with people who are in a stressful situation, friendly and cooperative, patient, knowledge of the sound system and the broader ministry of First Christian Church. Please call Patty Weller at 344-1425 if you can help out for two months this summer.



Vacation Bible School

June 27 through July 1
9:00 AM to Noon



July 3
Church in the Park
One Service
Sladden Park



August 26 - 28
Union Rogue Baptist Camp
near Diamond Lake

WOW I got money back from the government. IRS I take back all (well most) of the nasty things I said. Now what to-do with this "windfall". Get the tailgate on the truck fixed OR Spend a weekend at the coast (okay a day) OR Buy that , what was that thing I really needed?. Guide me in this decision. Wait, why would I put a tailgate on a truck that already has 300,000 miles on it? No, you do not need more room for bumper stickers. Okay, then the coast it is. In April - be real - all that wind and rain and you know how fearful you are of "sneaker waves". The dog smells so bad after a day at the coast you make him take the bus home. All-right then, its that other thing ABSOLUTELY needed. What else?? The emergency fund at church-THAT'S IT. Think of all the other folks that could benefit.

Thank you Lord for a truck that runs and a job to go to every day, and a warm house to come home to every night and the luxury of having a pet. Thank you, Lord for the pleasure of dreaming about having "something else" and not just praying for my next meal or a warm place to spend the night. And Lord please have this little article inspire others to share their IRS return with those not fortunate enough to even have a paycheck to have taxes taken out of every month.

The sharing of the income tax return into "loaves and fishes" is it. Thank you Lord for the opportunity to share. *Judy Sieber*



Registrations forms available on line, from the church office, or from Michael & Connie Kennedy.

"Jesus Calls Us"

is the theme of the five-day Assembly. The theme is based on the understanding that followers of Christ need a deeper understanding of Jesus

and his work to become the faithful, growing church of the 21st century that our Vision calls us to be.

HELP THE HOMELESS



Interfaith Shelter May 8.

For two weeks we house several families in our dining room. Help is needed with preparing meals, helping with the children, and staying the night. There will be a sign up sheet in the back of the sanctuary on April 10. Or call Leitha Menegat for details.

Church Staff

The Rev. Dr. Daniel E. H. Bryant, Senior Minister
Rev. Elaine Andres, Director of Christian Education
Patty Weller, Director of Administration
Nancy Anderson, Director of Music
Dr. John Jantzi, Organist and Bell Choir Director
Danette Lamson-Hall, Administrative Assistant
Roger Evers, Custodial Manager
Bill Wise, Maintenance Manager
Erik Free, Youth Intern
Judith Ivy, Children's Choir Director
DeeDee Wagner, Nursery Assistant
Rochelle Andres, Nursery Supervisor
Jennifer Jost, Wedding Hostess
LeeAnn Gutierrez, Event Attendant

Gilbert Kistler, Elder Emeritus
Frances Hyland, Elder Emerita
Dorothy Blood, Historian Emerita
Howard Berge, Treasurer Emeritus

We reserve the right to edit or rewrite submitted articles. Newsletter deadline is the 10th and 25th of each month.
Church office hours are Monday through Friday, 9 AM to 4 PM

First Notes:

FISH Sunday, 1st Sunday of the Month
Elders' Meeting - 2nd Monday, 7 PM
Executive Meeting - 3rd Monday, 12 PM
Calling Ministry - 2nd Monday, 11:30 AM
Administrative Ministry - 4th Monday, 5 PM

Looking Ahead

May 8 - 22 Interfaith Shelter
May 11, Interfaith Prayer Service
May 15, Pentecost - Combined Service
May 15, Oregon Festival Choir Concert



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