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May 27, 2007 ~ Pentecost Sunday

On Pentecost Sunday, many altars and pulpits will have red cloths on them, many pastors will wear red stoles around their necks, and many members will wear red clothing. The second chapter of Acts 2 hints at the reason for using the color red. That verse tells of a meeting at which something was resting on each person present. What was it?

- A. red birds
- B. something like fire
- C. red pieces of cloth

The answer may be found in Acts 2:3.

Answer: B



Combined Worship Service
May 27 at 10:30 AM



Pentecost Special Offering

Purpose: Gifts made through the Pentecost Offering directly support new Disciples faith communities, providing for assessments, training, coaching, project funding, congregational materials and extensive assistance that help new congregations at the beginning of their life cycle. The Pentecost Offering directly supports the development of new churches all across North American and in every region. Half of the offering remains in the region from which it originates. The remaining half supports the work of this movement across the life of the church.



2007-8 Church Officers Elected

President: Donna Reitz

Vice President: Chuck Burrows

Board of Elders

1. Dick Busic
2. Ginny Busic
3. Robin Cushman (NC)
4. Eliza Drummond
5. Liz Dowdy
6. Wanda Henson
7. John Hazen (NC)
8. Michael Kennedy
9. Dennis Lindsay
10. Chuck Sturms (NC)
11. Phyllis Weare

Board of Directors At-Large

(Three-year term)

1. Alan Brandenfels
2. Jo-Anne Flanders

Board of Trustees

1. Michael Kennedy

Board of Deacons

1. Monte Campbell
2. Faye Cole
3. Karen Duncan (NC)
4. Connie Kennedy
5. Ida Lomprey
6. Adrian Mestaz
7. Mildred Webb
8. Jerry Linville

Note: (NC) = New Celebration



Scholarships Awarded

2007 – 2008 Scholarships Awarded

At the recent Scholarship Fundraising Dinner, over \$3000 was donated to support our Scholarship Fund at First Christian. Thanks go out to all who participated in making the dinner a successful annual event. Scholarship recipients for the 2007-08 school year were introduced at the dinner. They are as follows: Madeline Bailey (University of Oregon), Peter Lauer (school choice pending), Paulina Bryant

(Chapman University), Sonia Lauer (Lewis and Clark College), Anthony Eggleston (Northwest Christian College), Christine McAtee (Oregon State University), Liv Gibbons (Grinnell College), and Bethany Neuhoff (University of Portland). These high school seniors and college students submitted excellent scholastic records and we are proud to be able to support their continuing education.

This year \$15,000 was divided among these eight outstanding applicants. This represents a thirty percent increase over awards made in 2006-07, thanks to church members who continue to support our Scholarship Fund.



In the Mailbag!

Note from Liv Gibbons

It was an absolute joy to hear that the Scholarship Committee had decided to support another year of my Grinnell College education. Thank you for the beautiful gift!

The scholarship is especially welcome in these last few months of my junior year. This summer I'll be interning at the World Council of Churches' New York office, working on the Decade to Overcome Violence project. More importantly, I'm going before the Disciples Commission on

Ministry in May to ask to be put Under Care. As such, knowing that my church family is supporting me is immensely important. Thank you.

Love, Liv

Congratulations!

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**June 1,
Newsletter
Deadline
May 18**

Summer Help Needed in our Nursery



We are in need of a nursery attendant during our worship services on Sunday morning. This is a paid position but volunteers are more than welcome. Applications are being accepted in the church office. If you are interested please see Patty Weller.

Disciple World Magazine

Disciples World is a journal of news, opinion, and mission for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

The name is drawn from that body of people — the Disciples of Christ — for and by whom it is published. It also recalls both strains of Disciples' historic journalism—news and opinion, as epitomized in *The Disciple* (1974–2002) and predecessors *The Christian* and *Christian Evangelist*, and mission interpretation, as delivered in *World Call* (1920–1973) and its forerunners.

The journal is an avenue for the expression of a wide variety of opinions, whether or not those opinions reflect some establishment or preferred viewpoint. It is the people's journal, written and read by laity and clergy alike and featuring articles on a wide spectrum of topics, along with Bible lessons, columns, media reviews, meditations, poetry, and short fiction.

Disciples World Inc. is a recognized

organization of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), and reports to the denomination's General Assembly. But the magazine maintains organizational and editorial freedom in a journalistic tradition that has shaped Disciples' theology, character, and identity from the church's very beginnings.

Welcome to *Disciples World*. You are a part of it.

It's time for you to renew your subscription, or to order the magazine if you haven't ordered before. As a church have ordered 20 bulk rate to keep the cost down. The magazine will be delivered to you here at the church for just \$22.00 a year. Private subscription is \$31.00 per year. Order through the church and save \$9.00.

Call the church office to order your magazine today! New Subscriptions start with the June 1 issue.

Looking ahead to June/July

June 10th is Graduation Sunday & the last Sunday there will be Christian Education Classes.

Registrations for Youth camps are due by June 30th. Forms available on line from www.oregondisciples.org or from the church office.

July 8 is Church in The Park at Sladden Park.