

First Christian Church

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Join A Prayer Triad This Summer



Covenant with Two Others To Meet 10 Times from May 25th - September 8th (Dan's 15 week sabbatical)

Covenant to Pray: For each other, FCC, Our World, and for Dan

To Share what God is doing in your life.

To read & reflect "Christianity for the rest of us"

by Diana Butler Bass

Contact the Church office:

Patty@Heartofeugene.org - call 344-1425 – or in Person

The triads will meet 10 ten times over the 15 weeks of summer (Memorial Day to Labor Day). Each triad sets its own location and schedule. Books are available in the church office for \$12.50 or can be found in many bookstores or online at places like www.amazon.com. You may form your own triad but if so, we suggest that you find two people you would like to get to know better rather than two close friends.

Give it on eBay!

Do you sell on eBay? Have you wanted to learn how to sell on eBay?



Did you know that you can donate to the church through eBay? Dan will conduct a seminar on how to buy and sell on eBay and how to give to the church (or other charities) through eBay on May 19 at 7 pm. The seminar will go through all the steps for setting up accounts on eBay and PayPal, tips for how to bid to get the lowest price and how to sell to get the highest price, and how you can donate part or all of your sales to the church. For those who already are experienced eBay'ers, come and share your tips with others in the church. If you already have an eBay account and would like to donate to the church through it, simply indicate that you wish to donate a portion of your sale to charity and then search for First Christian Church, Eugene in the dialogue box. You can designate anywhere between 10% and 100% of your selling price to the church.

Dan is an experienced eBay'er who has bought and sold hundreds of items (including most of our computers in the office) over the past several years and has a feedback rating of 100% on 169 responses. He is looking for something of value to sell as a demo at this seminar so if you have something you'd like to sell and are willing to donate part or all of the proceeds to the church, please contact Dan ahead of time.

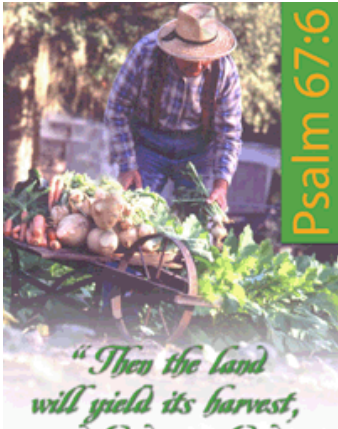


While Dan is on Sabbatical (May 24 - September 10)

We are blessed with a number of ordained clergy in the congregation. Our Personnel Committee decided rather than ask any one of them to fill in for Dan this summer, that this would be a wonderful opportunity to hear from a variety of voices we don't often get to hear. Among those who are being lined up to fill the pulpit are a Jewish rabbi, a Catholic "woman priest", up to three seminarians, a newly retired pastor, and a couple of community leaders. The schedule is still being firmed up so stay tuned for more information. You can always check our website for the latest schedule who will be preaching on any given Sunday:

Guest Preacher May 25th

Our first guest preacher while Dan is on sabbatical will be Trudy Bradley. Trudy is well known among Oregon Disciples. She served on the regional staff and at Portland First Christian Church before deciding to enter seminary in preparation for ordained ministry. She is finishing up her second year in the Masters of Divinity program at Marylhurst University. She served with Dan on the Board of Directors at Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon and currently is working for First Congregational Church of Portland. Trudy will be preaching in both



Our Community Garden Plot: is 20'x30' with good soil from being built up by previous gardener. Water is furnished by the city. Mildred is using 2 small raised beds near the gate to grow flowers for church bouquets. To find the garden go on First Ave like going north on Northwest Expressway (Railroad Ave.) and watch for Polk St. Turn right and go to end of road (bike path and river). The combination locks on all the gates are: 2121 line up the #'s and push IN and yank OUT hard. Thank you John and Jerry Smith for your help. Mildred is in and out, especially now with hotter weather we'll need to water more.

*"Then the land
will yield its harvest,
and God, our God,
will bless us."*

There are 4 beds, two have been cleared and planted. I've eaten a lot of carrots, leeks, over-wintered purple broccoli left over from previous season. There is a low place full of perennial grass (long, persistent roots). Jerry suggested piling it up with the half-composted leaves that are piled nearby for use. Some more serious weeding and grass digging out is needed to get the rest of the space ready to be planted. It is in about the middle of the large garden area, plot # 42 as indicated on the fence posts at the corners of the plots. There are some faded triangular colored flags hanging along one side of our plot. *Phyllis Weare*

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Current Events

Thursday, May 15

6:30 PM WAND Building a Nuclear Free World

Friday, May 16

Newsletter Deadline

9:30 AM Faith Seeking Peace
WAND workshop

Monday, May 19

12:00 PM Executive Committee
5:15 PM Administrative Ministry
7:00 PM eBay class

Friday, May 23

10:00 AM Honored Seniors
Albany High School Retreat
High School Mission Trip

Monday, May 26

Memorial Day

Office is Closed

Building a Nuclear Free World Thursday, May 16 in Grace Chapel. Refreshments at 6:30 pm, and program at 7:00 pm. This free event is sponsored by WAND (Women's Action for New Directions) and features Bobbie Wrenn Banks. The path to a nuclear weapons-free world is before us. This event explores the current U.S. nuclear weapons policy and engages us in thinking about the safest and most effective way forward.

Faith Seeking Peace 9:30 am Friday, May 17 here at First Christian Church in Grace Chapel. This free workshop is also sponsored by WAND and led by Bobbie Wrenn Banks. It is a timely and innovative series of study guides that place biblical texts in conversations with critical issues of our day. Across the country, religious communities are using this resource to introduce and invigorate dialogue on the implications of faith in a time of war.

How Can I Keep From Singing? Soromundi's 19th Annual Concert 7:30 pm, May 17 at the Hult Center. Soromundi means 'sisters of the world.' You won't want to miss our biggest event of the year! Tickets are on sale at the Hult Center box office or call 682-5000 (service fee added for telephone and internet orders). Adults \$15; seniors over age 62, \$8; and under age 17, \$5.

The Great Turning Study Group Our Sojourners group will be studying the book Dan mentioned in last week's sermon, "The Great Turning" by David Korten. Newcomers are most welcome to join! We meet Tuesday mornings, 7:30 - 8:30 at Theo's (corner of 8th & Charnelton). The book can be ordered from the church office, local bookstores or Amazon.com.

Honored Citizens ~ Senior Story Ministry 10 am, Friday May 23 in the chapel. This month we are honoring Bill and Alice Dugan. Watch for interesting program developments. Light refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome!



**ARMS WIDE OPEN Summer
Kickoff Retreat**

**Albany First Christian Church.
May 23 - May 25**

**Meet in the parking lot at 4:30 p.m. on
Friday for a ride to Albany.**

Return to the church Sunday about 2 p.m.

We have a great group going and you can join us!! The information and registration forms were mailed in April. If you need another form, call Elaine at 683-8241. It is \$40. If you need \$\$ help, let Elaine know. Turn your registration form and money into Elaine soon. DO NOT mail the form to Albany!

**MISSION TRIP TO YAKAMA, WA.
Memorial Day Weekend**

We will help build a house in Hara, work on a co-op farm and tear off a roof of an existing building. Participants meet at First Christian Church parking lot on Friday afternoon. You will work all day Saturday. Sunday is worship/reflection and the return to Eugene. You will be working with a population that is Hispanic and Native American - another great opportunity for service. Cost: \$50 includes transportation, lodging, meals and construction materials. If you plan to go, you need to let Elaine know ASAP.

**GOODBYE, ANTHONY!! -- HIGH SCHOOL LOCK-IN
FRIDAY, JUNE 20 at 7:00 PM**



We are having a SPECIAL lock-in on FRIDAY, June 20 to say goodbye to Anthony Eggleston, our Youth Intern, for the past two years. We decided to have it on Friday so we can stay up really late!! We will be doing a fabulous scavenger hunt and then playing WII sports. Bring \$10.

HIGH SCHOOL RIVER RALLY

PLANNING Times and Dates are at 11 a.m. on the following Sundays: May 18, June 1, June 22, July 27 and August 17. Get these dates on your calendars and join us. We will start the planning at 11 a.m., break for pizza at 12:30 p.m. and finish our planning by 2 p.m. This allows those of you who attend another congregation to join us for pizza and planning.

**SUMMER CAMP at WHITE
BRANCH - AUGUST 3-9**

for youth who have completed grades 9-12.

Directors: Erik Free and Cathy Myers Wirt

Registration forms are on the Youth Bulletin Board in the office. The church van will provide transportation to and from the camp. Give your form and check to Elaine. Deadline is July 16! Cost is \$300 if paid by June 30