

# Solid Rock Review

August 2010

## FPCW Ministry Staff

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Director of  
Musical Praise

## Serve Wenatchee Valley



### Children's Clothing Giveaway

Saturday, August 14, 2010—8:00 am to noon



Join Serve Wenatchee Valley and support the Back-to-School Clothing Giveaway.  
Bring your items to the church any time between now and August 9.

### **DONATE**

- Gently used boys and girls clothing
- NEW Socks
- Tax-deductible money for the purchase of new socks, shoes and clothes.

Make checks payable to Serve Wenatchee Valley...  
note Clothing Giveaway on the MEMO line

### **SORT**

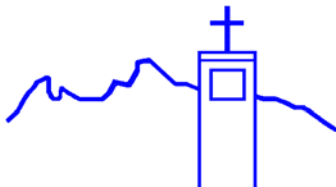
Sort and Fold Clothes  
August 9 - 13, 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

### **SERVE**

- Make cookies for Distribution Day (Bring the cookies to church August 13 please no nuts or peanut butter).
- Help on event date  
Set-up (6:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.)  
Distribute clothes (7:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon)  
Clean-up (12:00 noon - 2:30 p.m.)

### **Contact**

**Serve Wenatchee Valley (509) 663-4673 (ONE-HOPE)**



# From Pastor Pat's Pen



Dear Saints of First Presbyterian Church of Wenatchee, I was reading John chapter 1 today. It is always amazing to me that I can read a text a number of different times and each time something different stands out. This time my attention was drawn to verses 45 and 46. Phillip, Andrew and Peter, three boys from Bethsaida, personally have been called to follow Jesus. Phillip then goes off and finds Nathanael. He tells Nathanael that he, Andrew and Peter have found “the One whom Moses and the prophets wrote about”. It is clear from the language that these three believe they have found the Messiah, the Davidic heir and rightful King of

Israel. Phillip even gives the name of this Messiah: Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph. Nathanael’s immediate response is a sarcastically barbed question:

“Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?” It is a dig against a little backwater town in the middle of nowhere, with a reputation for half-breed Jews and simpletons. Phillip’s answer is direct: come and see. It prompted a question in me: come and see what or who? Phillip does not invite Nathanael to a visit with a Rabbi for the purposes of having the Rabbi tell him about the way to Jesus. Phillip does not invite Nathanael to a worship service. Phillip does not invite Nathanael to the temple, despite its beauty. Phillip does not invite Nathanael to watch his own life and respond accordingly. Phillip invites Nathanael to come and see a person: the Lord Jesus Christ. Now it may sound like I am making a little much of this but if we look at these verses in context we can see very clearly that the invitation is to come and see Jesus and not something or someone else. This is made even more apparent when one looks back a few verses and reads that people are *coming to see* John the Baptist. John directs them to Jesus Christ. Jesus is the main attraction.

I then thought that simple distinction could change many things in the lives of modern day

North American Christians if we all took it seriously. Here is one example: it would have an impact on our definition of evangelism. Evangelism is inviting people to come and see Jesus, by introducing Him to them. That will involve more than an invitation to a worship service, or a Pastor’s office, or observation of one’s life, or a building, or even to a great program. Our role as His disciples is to introduce people to *Him*. Jesus is the main attraction. Here is a second example: it would have an impact on our definition of worship. Worship is coming to see *Jesus*. When I come into a worship space, first and foremost, I am there to see Jesus. Everything else is just the setting in which I come and see. The setting is secondary to the main thing. Jesus is the main attraction.

So I am inviting us all to come and see Jesus and urging you to do the same wherever you may find yourself. Introduce Him to others and look for Him yourself. Jesus is the main attraction.

In Christ

*Pastor Pat*

## New Members



Henrietta Logstrom



Clinton & Sharon Kyhl

# The View from the Bell Tower

The view from here is a bit hot. That is to be expected as August is upon us. Summer is more than half over.

Unfortunately, that heat contributes to the occasional wild fire that we experience in this region. We all know that is one natural phenomenon that we face here in this beautiful valley. We should certainly pray for all those who risk their very lives for us while battling those blazes that do occur.

Our future here in our church is starting to heat up, too. As we look forward to beginning another church year in September, we can expect some changes but much will remain the same. Pastor Pat will be teaching a class during the Wednesday Recharge times. After the trial with the unified services, the Session has directed the pastors and the Worship Ministry Team to determine appropriate changes to worship. It is recognized that everyone does not favor the same kind of music, so there will continue to be different styles. Of most importance, however, is that our focus must be the worship

of our Holy and Almighty God. I realize we all view worship in slightly different ways.

Because of that we need to recognize and accept the preferences of others around us. We, the staff, work very hard to please the entire church family as we guide you in worship every week.

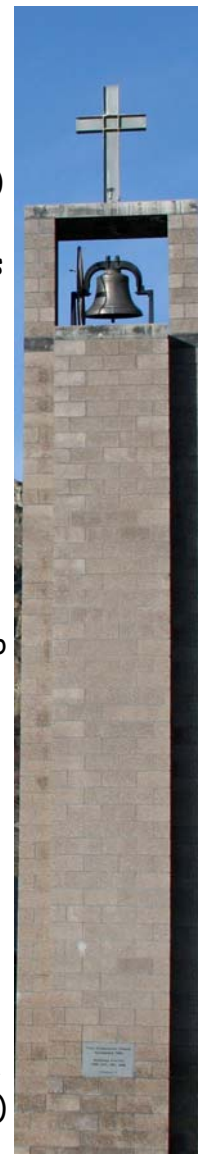
This month will see the end of an era - so to speak.

**Gail Foreman**, who has been a huge part of our music program for many years, will be stepping back from her paid position on the staff. She will continue to be a large part of the music program, but now as a volunteer. And, it is taking two people to replace her. We welcome to the music team two extraordinarily talented people. **Matt Lodge**, who grew up in this church and is currently the choir director at Wenatchee High School, will be the choir director. And, **Michelle Loudon** will take on the leadership and coordination of our music program. We all know that Gail is essentially irreplaceable, but God has provided two people who have been preparing for these two positions for years, even

though they didn't know it.

Our future as a church body within the PC(USA) is also a hot topic as the Presbytery's Administrative Commission continues to study our situation. We anticipate some discussion with the commission in the near future. Until then we continue to trust what God promises us in Scripture, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jer 29:11) And, "There is surely a future hope for you, and your hope will not be cut off." (Pr 23:18)

*Blessings to everyone,  
Pastor Paul*



## FISCAL FAITHFULNESS FPCW FINANCIAL SUMMARY STATEMENT

### JUNE

### YEAR-TO-DATE

Budgeted Income	Receipts	Expenses	Variance	Budgeted Income	Receipts	Expenses	Variance
\$67,403	\$74,474	\$78,828	(\$4,354)	\$880,000	\$465,986	\$470,063	(\$4,078)

# FPCW Happenings

## Join a Small Group

Here are five great reasons why you should join a small group:

1. A wonderful way to grow closer in your relationship with God as you discuss God's Word with others.
2. Some small groups discuss the pastor's sermons, with great questions provided by our pastors.
3. When we have difficult times in our lives, we have people who will pray with us and support us.
4. You will feel more connected to the church.



And finally.....

5. Now is the time to join a small group! Most small groups gear up in the fall. There are small groups looking for new members and new small groups may be started. Currently, we have about 18 small groups.

So if you are new to our church body or not in a small group.....give it a try! If you are interested, fill out the sign-up form that will be an insert in the Sunday morning bulletins the last four Sundays of August and place the insert in the offering plate. Once we receive your information we will contact you and ask a few questions to find out what group will do the best to meet your needs. Of course, you will be under no obligation to stay with that group.

If you have any questions, please contact a member of the small group ministry team below:

The Small Group Ministry Team

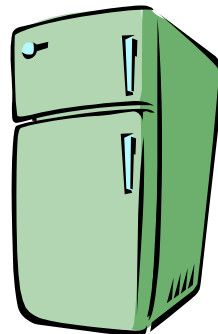
Dana & Jo Ann Detjen, Mal Greene, Janice and Ole Hedahl (393-4201), Karen Krehbiel, Pastor Pat, and Bill Picketts

### POOL PARTY!!!

Be looking for more information about the upcoming **youth group pool party** for 6-12th graders. Come and enjoy an afternoon of volleyball, pool time & other fun activities! From 2-4:30pm. Bring a snack to share & we'll provide the beverages.

Guys remember no Speedos or jammers & girls only one-piece or tankini that covers your tummy are allowed or a bikini with a tank top (not white) over it. Can't wait for the fun to begin!

The Knit-Wits would like to welcome more helping hands to our FPCW Ministry. We meet each Wednesday from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Church Library. We make Prayer Shawls and Lap Robes for those in need of prayer and comfort, Baby Blankets for newborn's into our church family, and hats for the Back to School Give Away. All skill levels are welcome as we help each other with all our projects. Yarn donations of non wool 4 ply for hats useful also! If you knit or crochet and would like to help, join us Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. in the FPCW library.



## Wanted

Additional Refrigerator for the youth room. If you have a clean, used refrigerator to donate, contact Abbey Reynolds, 663-1187 or [abbey@fpcw.org](mailto:abbey@fpcw.org).

Thank you!

# FPCW Happenings

## ALL CHURCH BUNCO PARTY

**AUGUST 19th**  
**6:30pm**  
**Church gym**

FOR THE CHURCH FAMILY AND FRIENDS

WHAT: BUNCO (DICE) GAME

BRING SNACKS TO SHARE

KIDS CORNER AVAILABLE FOR  
YOUNGSTERS NOT ABLE TO  
KEEP SCORE.



## Kid's Corner

Michelle Klock, Director of  
Children's Ministries  
michelle@fpcw.org,  
663-1187



## Beat the Heat will be a Movie Matinee August 11th, 9-11

2 hours of movies, snacks and air conditioning! Parents can drop off kids or stay for the movie! The gym is busy so we will be in the Youth Room! Bring your friends and family!

**Beat the Heat with a Craft  
day! August 25th, 9-12** Crafts,  
snacks and fun! Sign up so we can have  
enough supplies! Email [michelle@fpcw.org](mailto:michelle@fpcw.org)  
or sign up at the front desk!

## Pray for

### Sunday School Teachers!

—Sunday School Begins September  
**13th!** We need adults who are willing to  
teach or assist once each month. Every-  
one works in pairs and the curriculum is  
“Hands on Bible”, which is easy to use and  
fun to teach! The preparation is done for  
you so it is very easy and requires little  
time commitment. Please pray about this  
ministry opportunity! You will be blessed  
beyond understanding!

## Pray for

### Midweek Recharge Teachers!

—Midweek Recharge Begins September  
**15th!** We need adults who are willing to  
teach or assist in 3 different age groups.  
Contact [michelle@fpcw.org](mailto:michelle@fpcw.org) if you are inter-  
ested!

Life Choices of Wenatchee Valley  
Join Us For -- LIFE IN THE PARK  
Fundraising Walk-A-Thon  
& Day of Fun

When: Saturday, August 21

Time: 9am to 5pm

Where: Walla Walla Point Park

### Free Fun For Entire Family

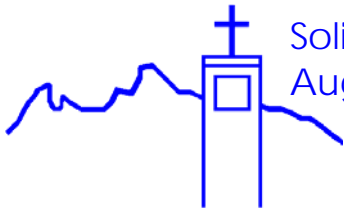
Large inflatable toys for kids to enjoy  
Food vendors

Live performances by local musicians & dancers

For more information contact  
Life Choices of Wenatchee Valley  
Phone: 509.662.0652  
[www.lifechoiceswenatchee.org](http://www.lifechoiceswenatchee.org)

**THANK YOU**

Our heartfelt thanks to Ed Hewitt, Brad Bozett, Bob Michelson, and the Deacons, for the awesome wheelchair ramp they built for Elmer. Thanks to Pat Lynn for bringing cookies for the workers, and for us, too! Thanks to our church family for your love and prayers. And special thanks to Pastor Paul for bringing communion for us. ~ Blessings, Elmer and Pat Oberg.



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# August Birthdays

Kelsee Berschauer	8/1	Renee Jaeger	8/9	Mary Thomsen	8/17
Charles Hammond	8/1	Gage Mathison	8/9	Sheryl Roberge	8/18
Aletha Cusick	8/2	Aaron Smith	8/9	Burmah Danielson	8/20
Wayne Hawks	8/2	Bret Hammond	8/11	Stacia Loudon	8/20
Carmen Ryan	8/2	Todd Strahm	8/11	Karen Heminger	8/21
Mandy Sundet	8/2	Craig Vidano	8/11	Kathleen Karney	8/21
Matthew Asplund	8/3	Don Burnham	8/12	Roy McLaren	8/21
Peggy Wolfe	8/3	Ruth Olson	8/12	Shayla Schmidt	8/21
Lynda Carlisle	8/4	Jody Schmidt	8/13	Bob Mathison	8/22
Tom Clifton	8/4	Mark Huson	8/14	Kevin Lenssen	8/24
Darrell Long	8/5	Colton Dyal	8/15	Ken Krebs	8/25
Susan Schell	8/5	Doug McDougall	8/15	Clint Vidano	8/25
Kim Cornell	8/6	Laura Clifton	8/16	Larry Barclay	8/26
Thomas McGinness	8/6	Daniel Cusick	8/17	Robert Culp	8/26
Jake Strahm	8/7	Pat Lynn	8/17	Charlie Jones	8/26
Lita Green	8/8	Bernie Schell	8/17	Bob Blankenship	8/31