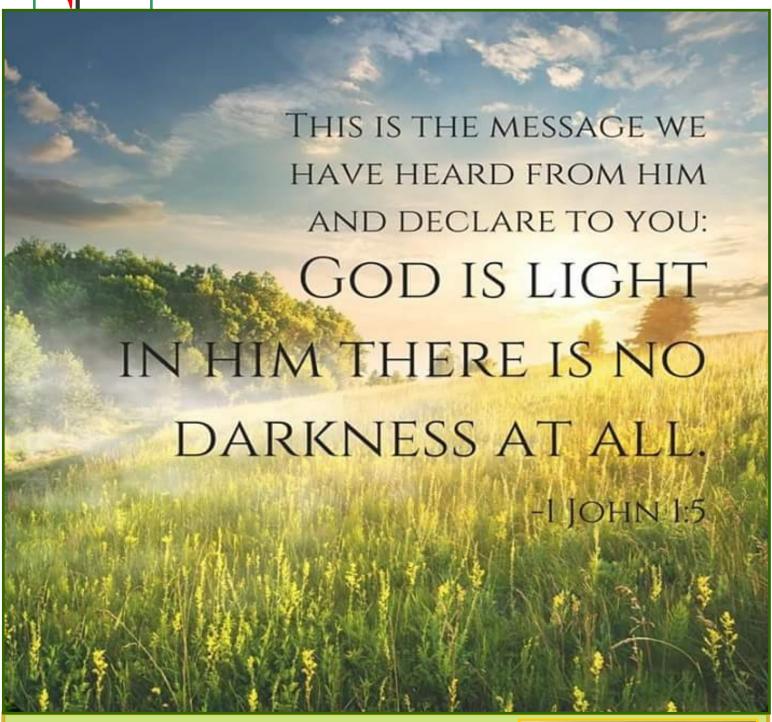


The Circuit Rider



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a note from Pastor John

When the Israelites returned to Jerusalem after the Babylonian Exile, the first thing they did was reestablish worship services, even though the Temple itself had not yet been rebuilt.

When the seventh month came, and the Israelites were in the towns, the people gathered together in Jerusalem. Then Jeshua son of Jozadak, with his fellow priests, and Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel with his kin set out to build the altar of the God of Israel, to offer burnt offerings on it, as prescribed in the law of Moses the man of God. (Ezra 3:1-2)

Even as they gathered, they were determined to rebuild the temple that has been destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar eighty years earlier. And when it was ready, they rejoiced and worshipped, though some who had remembered the old temple wept.

When the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the Lord, the priests in their vestments were stationed to praise the Lord with trumpets, and the Levites, the sons of Asaph, with cymbals, according to the directions of King David of Israel;

and they sang responsively, praising and giving thanks to the Lord, "For He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever toward Israel." And all the people responded with a great shout when they praised the Lord, because the foundation of the house of the Lord was laid.

But many of the priests and Levites and heads of families, old people who had seen the first house on its foundations, wept with a loud voice when they saw this house, though many shouted aloud for joy, so that the people could not distinguish the sound of the joyful shout from the sound of the people's weeping, for the people shouted so loudly that the sound was heard far away. (Ezra 3:10-13)

As we prepare to return to worship in our sanctuary on June 6, it is important for us to remember how blessed we have been. We have survived a year of hardship, and although worshipping in the FMC was no one's first choice, we were fortunate to have a safe place to gather in person. Like the Israelites, we worshipped where we could until our temple was ready. And unlike the Israelites, our temple is virtually unchanged. Let there be no weeping! Let us give thanks to God and respond with a great shout! God has been extraordinarily good to us and asks in return only that we give our whole lives to Him. It sounds fair to me!

Blessings, Pastor John



Volunteer Needed for Event Management

As the church opens up more and more, there has been a pent up demand for use of our facilities (weddings, funerals, special events etc.)

I could really use some help from a volunteer to help families and groups plan and schedule these events. You would be the primary contact for scheduling and logistics, in consultation with me and Sue.

If you are interested, just send me an e-mail at:

pastorjohn@salmoncreek.church

Media Team Volunteers needed:

A fascinating opportunity exists for just the right person (or persons) to assist our church in it's ongoing **media ministry** on Sunday mornings and at selected other times. As many are aware, we have been livestreaming our Sunday services and this will continue after we move back into our Sanctuary. We currently have a minimal number of folks on the **MEDIA TEAM** who perform the necessary computer, sound, and camera work; a few more are desperately needed! The position does require some computer work but orientation/training is provided. Should you be interested or wish to discuss, please contact Jim Roberts at: impamrobert@gmail.com or by phone at 360-573-0446.



Family Promise is returning to Salmon Creek Church in the FMC from June 13-20th. If you have not signed up to volunteer go to:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080c4eabad2ea3fb6-salmon

If you cannot volunteer, please pray for our guests and volunteers. Our current guests have been vaccinated.

Did you know that, in April, Family Promise of Clark County Served: 4 Families, 9 children, 5 adults, 330 bed nights and 330 meals AND we had our first high school graduate!

As always if you have any questions, please contact Karen at kbeilsmith@yahoo.com.

The 2nd Annual "Serving Promise Raising Hope" event was a great success.

Over \$42,000 was raised, thanks to everyone who contributed!





Weston Beilsmith graduated from University of Portland with a Bachelors of Science in Mechanical Engineering. He commissioned into the Air Force as a Second Lieutenant. He has a pilot training slot for the Euro NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training.

L-R: Ken Wilson (graduated from US Army Ranger School in May), Weston Beilsmith and Austin Silvernagel (commissioned in the US Marines).

Reed Hunter graduated from the University of Utah with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Strategic Communication, with minors in Linguistics and Spanish. He has accepted a position with the digital marketing firm he interned with in Salt Lake City.







Karen Beilsmith, 2nd Lieutenant Ellen Bonner, Weston Beilsmith, Richard Beilsmith.



Kevin Hunter, Reed Hunter,
Tina Hunter

Ken Wilson, who grew up in Salmon Creek.



For All Kids Ages 18 & Under

Grab-n-go meals will be available at multiple sites from June 22 to August 14.

Children must be present to receive a meal.

Summer is coming!

Many students (and teachers) are already counting down the days until summer vacation! However, there are a number of students who do not look forward to summer vacation because their only regular meals came at school. This year in particular, Vancouver Public Schools has provided free lunch to any student who asked - this was a result of Covid protocols. This means that when school is out, there will be children and teens who may not be getting breakfast and lunch each day. This is where Share Vancouver steps in with their summer lunch program! Last year Salmon Creek Church supervised the lunch distribution at Sarah J. Anderson Elementary handing out over 30 lunches a day! We have the opportunity again this year! From June 21st to August 13, Monday - Friday from 12 - 1pm we will be handing out lunches and craft projects to families at Sarah J. Anderson Elementary. We need at least 2 volunteers each day. If you would be interested in volunteering one day, or ongoing, please contact Tina Hunter (801) 557-7445 or Kathy Hardy (360) 910-2315. Share will also be looking for volunteers to deliver lunches to the various sites and to pick up the coolers and return them afterwards. To be a volunteer driver go to https://sharevancouver.org/volunteer/

Thank you for helping out the children and youth in our community!



Veterans Memorial Eagle Scout Project Finished

Eagle Scout Liam Oates and fellow scouts completed the Eagle Scout project. The project consists of four flag poles with the US flag and 6 flags representing each branch of the military. The poles have solar powered lights on top to illuminate at night and 2 benches for folks to sit and contemplate the sacrifices made by our troops. Liam's mother told the story of how he got the idea after seeing a plaque honoring the veterans and felt that it was insufficient. Please stop by and take a look. Congrats to Liam, the scouts and the parents who helped to make this project a success.

Steve Enyeart





Flames Basketball in FMC, 3v3 Tournament

For those who did not know, for the last 3 years, we have had a youth group composed of kids from grade school to high school who practice in our gym 3 nights a week now. *The Flames* are a club with several teams and coaches (6-9, maybe more before Covid). They teach the kids the basics of basketball, fellowship, and respect. With the Covid shutdown, they have gone from no one allowed to meet, to limited small groups last year to finally back to 10 kids in each of 3 groups each night, 3 nights per week. The Flames were operating in a couple of other grade schools until shut down last year. They compete in matches around the area (that may just be starting up again) and in the summer they have matches / tournaments from Seattle to Tri-city to Parkrose and other locations. The Flames are part of a larger organization with similar clubs. They are to be commended for the year around effort they put into this program.

We have been invited to host a 3 on 3 Tournament in our parking lot this summer with 6-8 hoops/courts set-up. They may have 50-60 teams competing from around the NW for a 2 day tournament July 30 to August 1st. They have helped organize tournaments at Skyview, Big Al's and White Salmon in the near past; I assume along with others in the larger organization.

It is an opportunity for Salmon Creek Church, as well. Will keep you posted as it progresses. A preliminary flyer follows on the next page.

Thanks
Steve Enyeart







- 4. Linda Garrison
- 4. Phyllis Stajgr
 - 6. Zachary Nieda
 - 6. Marla M. Rapp
 - 7. Ilianna Aguirre
 - 8. Nancy Vlcek
- 11. Dolly Forrester
- 11. Martha Retzlaff
- 13. Marilyn Forman
- 13. Barbara Harmon
- 13. Larry Kennedy
 - 16. Jim Beyer
- 18. Billie Brummel
- 19. Melissa (Brandon) Lara
 - 19. Nancy Schmahl
 - 20. Kristie Brown
 - 20. Jerry Davis
 - 20. E-Lois Gebhart
 - 20. Lynne Kingsley
 - 21. Angela Beyer
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Morning Men's Group

During Covid, the Morning Men continued to meet on Thursdays at 7:30 a.m. for one hour via Zoom. Now we gather in the St. Paul Room at 7:30 but you can also participate on Zoom. That arrangement is working out great! If interested in trying out the group please contact Jim Roberts, 360-573-0446 or Jim Selby 828-508-5094.



Gardening

There are still two garden spots remaining, both with excellent soil, \$10 per plot. Also, we have an herb garden and a rhubarb garden that anyone can use, so take a look and pull rhubarb or clip oregano, rosemary, chives, or thyme. Later this summer we will have cucumbers for all in the garden plot next to the garden shed, great for eating or pickling.

Contact Jim Selby if interested in a garden plot 828-508-5094.

Thank you for reading the Circuit Rider! If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us.

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