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Silverton First Christian Church



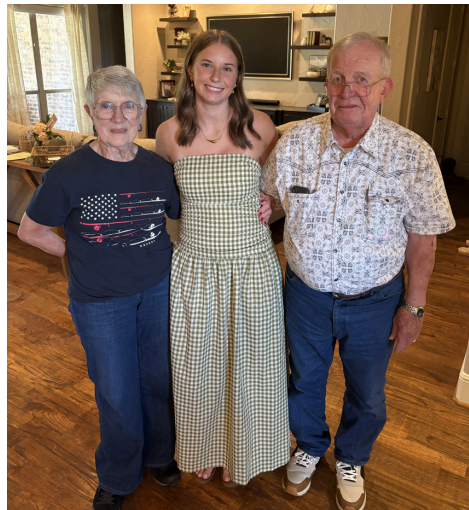
Honoring Our Graduates

This year we are excited to celebrate two graduates from high school and we look forward to promoting one youth into middle school and three into high school. Let's take a moment to hear about each of them and honor these six truly incredible young people who we are so proud.



Libby and Gary Bordewich's grandson, **Lucas Benjamin Eagen** graduated in 2026 from John F Kennedy High School in Southern California. He plans to become a commercial airline pilot.

Mary and Tom Wrolstad's granddaughter, **Callie Gardner** graduated in 2026 from Eaton High School in Fort Worth, Texas. She will be attending Austin Peavy University in Tennessee to study dentistry and play volleyball.



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Sunday Service- 9:10 am
Coffee Time- 10:15 am
2nd Hour Classes- 10:30 am

Promoting Our Youth

We hope you will join us on Sunday, June 7, 2026 at 9:10 am for our Graduate and Promotion Sunday as we honor and recognize these incredible young people and bless them in the next chapters of their journeys.

Sophia Annen, daughter of Chase and Elia Annen graduated 5th grade at Butte Creek and will be beginning Middle School in the fall. Sophia has excelled at academics and sports. She won the school's Pawsitive Student Award for outstanding character and leadership and going above and beyond in all that she does. Sophia played basketball, volleyball and softball. In basketball she was 2nd team All State.



Sophia participated in the stage crew as the props master this past year in the school's production of "Annie". Sophia has been active in OBOB where her team finished 1st in districts and went on to regionals. Sophia is active in our church, often known for her incredible Scripture readings, her kind helpful spirit, and her positive attitude and leadership amongst peers and adults.



Lola Reid, daughter of Steve and Vanessa Reid graduated 8th Grade at Silverton Middle School and will be beginning at Silverton High School in the fall.

Lola brings a joy for life and a deep care of others to all she does. She enjoys spending time with friends and working on art projects. She loves volleyball and swimming.

Lola has a natural gift working with children and had the privilege this year of helping her favorite teacher Ms. Wilken at Mart Twain Elementary. She has been active in our church in our youth group and often serving at the communion table or as a youth deacon on youth Sundays. She has attended church summer camp. She has also been a big help with the children in our church as well.



Ollie Herzig, daughter of Megan Lee-Herzig, graduated 8th Grade at Silverland Middle School in Nevada. It was a new school to them but they made lots of new friends and excelled in their classes. They particularly loved English & Language Arts and Choir. They will be beginning high school in the fall.

We are also thrilled to promote **Elise Barcroft**, daughter of Korinna Barcroft. Elise is graduating 8th grade and will begin high school in the fall. Elise has been active in our youth group, helps run the sound system, and attended regional summer camp. She also loves playing volleyball and spending time with friends.

Scriptures for Worship June 2026:

June 7, 2026
(Graduate and Promotion Sunday)
“Led By The Spirit”
Acts 8:26-38

June 14, 2026
(Annual Church Meeting)
“A Big Big Table”
Acts 10:1-20, 23b-28,34-35

June 21, 2026
(Father’s Day Sunday)
“The Heart of A Father”
Acts 9:1-20

June 28, 2026
“Panting for Living Water”
Acts 9:36-42, Psalm 42

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We are Disciples at Work*

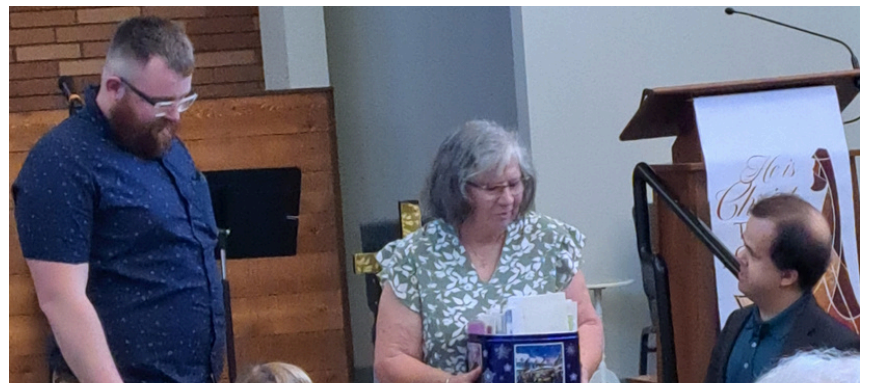


May In Review

Instillation of Karen as Elder and Ginni's Birthday

On May 3rd, 2026 we gathered for worship to celebrate Ginni Stensland's life and her ministry at our church as one of our longest serving elders. We also gathered to install Karen Brock as the newest member of the elder team. We sang some of both these incredible women's favorite hymns and songs, the elders did a beautiful laying on of hands prayer as Karen stepped into her call and Karen lead us in powerful communion meditation with Sophia serving alongside her.

After the service we enjoyed a beautiful reception together where we officially unveiled the plaque and dedicated our Multipurpose room in honor of Ginni. Thanks to Linda, Char, Sonya, Jennifer, Lynn, and others who helped with the reception. Thanks to Chuck for his hard work with the beautiful plaque. This was indeed a special day in the life of Silverton FCC Family!





Regional Assembly

Pastor Eric gathered with those from all over our region for the Oregon SW Idaho Region Assembly of the Christian Church: Disciples of Christ on May 15-16 in Boise Idaho at Red Rock Christian Church. We had 174 people attend in person and 38 online. We had people from all five districts and twenty nine churches in the region had those who attended. We enjoyed worship, meals, workshops, and business sessions together. Rev. Dr. Stephen Sprinkle was our keynote preacher. We recognized five new churches in our region. We worshipped in three languages- English, Spanish, and Chuukese. We took special offerings for FEDICE our ministry partner in Ecuador and for New Church Ministries.

We encourage everyone to consider signing up for the Online General Assembly on July 10-11, 2026!



Marcus Clark Preached



Huge thanks to Marcus Clark for preaching while Pastor Eric was away at Regional Assembly this past month.

Marcus did a wonderful job preaching a powerful message about "Diversity in Unity".

Thanks to all who helped with this special service.



Steve Hensley's Presentation

Steve Hensley led a great workshop this past month entitled "Your church, how it works & how you fit in". The workshop offered during 2nd Hour helped educate people about the different roles in our church and what are things that the board, elders, and Pastor Eric do.

It also addressed our financial challenges and the call for all of us to step up and help with giving.

The workshop can be viewed on our church YouTube Channel. We appreciate Steve, Cara, and all who helped make this possible.



Women's Game Night

On Saturday evening, May 16, eleven ladies and one young lady met at the church to share in a fun time playing games.

We played Mexican Train at one table, and the other table played Farkle and Uno. And as usual our church ladies out did themselves in yummy snacks!

We also had a young man who was watching movies in the Fireside room, but we let him come out and indulge in some snacks to watch his movie with.

We are working on organizing a July Women's Game Night and will let everyone know when we pick the date.

Thanks to everyone who came and helped make it a fun evening!

Sarah & Karen



Our Wonderful Musicians



We want to take a moment to give thanks to all our musicians and singers for their incredible music in worship.

Thank you to both our contemporary team (**Gail, Wayne, Ami, Aaron, George, Chris, and Wendy**) and our traditional team (**Gil, Marilyn, and Megan**).



Thank you for all the ways you draw us into worship. We are grateful for each one of you!

And a special thanks to Cara and Jana and all they do to coordinate with both groups

If you would be interested in joining one of these groups let us know.





The youth had a busy month of learning and working on our upcoming fundraiser. In youth group we celebrated our moms and everyone got to make their mom a bouquet of flowers and a Mother's Day card to take home. We also dove into parts of the Bible where it guides us in respecting and valuing our parents and everything they do for us. This led our discussion on what it means to be obedient, respectful, and good listeners to our parents and other parental figures in our lives.

The youth worked on organizing all the donations we have received so far for our annual yard sale. We were amazed at the youths' ability to work together to get the job done as they successfully categorized all the items that we've brought in for donation. The date for the upcoming event has been set for the weekend of July 31st-August 2nd. We will be open on Friday and Saturday from 8 AM-4 PM and Sunday after church will be a half price day for the congregation to have last chance on items before they are donated to the mission. We hope to see you there!

If you have a large donation and need to schedule a pick-up, please contact Jonathon or Brogan. We ask that donations are ready to go by the date/time of pick-up to save time. Smaller donations can be left in the fireside room or dropped off to the youth on Sundays through the month of July. Thanks to everyone that has donated items, we appreciate your continuous support of the youth program.

Our last youth group before summer break will be June 7th. We hope to see all our youth there. We will have a couple of summer events coming up throughout summer break and details have been sent out regarding these events.

Upcoming:

- 6/7: No Sunday School following service- Promotion Sunday, Youth Group 5-7 PM
- 6/14: No Sunday School following service- All Church Meeting
- 6/14- Family Fun Night, 5 to 7 pm (Honoring Mom's and Dads)
- 6/21: No Sunday School or Youth Group (FATHER'S DAY)
- 6/28- Last Sunday School before summer
- 6/28- Finding God at the Movies, 5 to 7 pm
- 7/31-8/2 : Annual Yard Sale Fundraiser**
- 8/3 to 8/7- Regional Youth Summer Camp**



THE YOUTH GROUP WILL BE DOING A **YARD SALE** *this Summer!*



 **YARD SALE DATES:**
JULY 31ST,
AUGUST 1ST & 2ND

 **WE ARE ACCEPTING DONATIONS!**
You can bring your donations to the back pew in the Fireside room during the week or on Sundays to the youth.

REGIONAL SUMMER CAMP



\$450
PER CAMPER

SUTTLE LAKE CAMP- SISTERS, OREGON

GAMES - SWIMMING - MUSIC - ARTS&CRAFTS - ADVENTURE

AUGUST 3-7

ELEMENTARY CAMP
GRADES 1ST - 5TH

MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMP
GRADES 6TH - 8TH

HIGH SCHOOL CAMP
GRADES 9TH - 12TH

**PLEASE REGISTER USING THE GRADE JUST COMPLETED
THREE PROGRAMS- ONE SITE- ONE WEEK**

IN THE WILDERNESS

REGISTER HERE



<https://oidisciples.org/summer-camp-2026/>

Women's Discussion Group

The Women's Discussion Group meets **Tuesdays at 10am** in the Fireside room.

Women of all ages are invited to a time of devotion, study, and fellowship together.



Women's Discussion Group

**Tuesdays at 10 am
In the Fireside Room**



Prayer Group

**Tuesdays at 7pm on Zoom
with Pastor Eric**

Prayer Group

Join us **each Tuesday evening at 7pm** on Zoom for a time to share the joys and struggles of life, to lift up the things and people on our hearts, and then to pray together.

The zoom link is posted on the church Facebook page and sent out via the church email each Tuesday afternoon.

Looking forward to seeing you at Prayer Group.

June Happenings

Annual Church Meeting June 14, 2026

On Sunday, June 14, 2026 directly after service, we will be having our yearly all church meeting in the sanctuary. This is a time we will be discussing, reviewing and approving the new church budget and new church officers.

Everyone is encouraged to stay after service for this important yearly meeting.



Send Off for Julie Bock and Family

On **Sunday, June 28**, we are going to be having a special time after service to wish Julie Bock a lovely farewell. She will be moving to Montana to live with her daughter Kathleen and son-in-law Curt.

We will wish her all the happiness she deserves as we have a special coffee time for her on that day, with some great and special desserts.

Be sure to mark your calendars to come see Julie and wish her well on this special Sunday.

Family Fun Night: Honoring Our Moms & Dads

Join us **Sunday June 14, 2026** from 5 to 7pm for our last Family Fun Night before summer break. We will be doing all sorts of fun events, activities, and crafts to honor our moms and dads. The derby car design and race and the foot bath station will both be back along with many others.

Come enjoy dinner and a fun evening with the church family. If you could bring a pot of soup or salad or dessert to share please let Pastor Eric know.



Family Fun Night: Honoring Our Moms & Dads

**June 14, 2026
5 to 7pm**

Men's Group

Join us on the 3rd Saturday of each month for our Men's Group at Water Mountain Restaurant at 8am.

Come enjoy delicious food, a great devotion, and a time of fellowship together. Our Men's Group this month will be on **June 20, 2026.**

Hope to see you then!



Men's Fellowship Group

**Saturday, June 20, 2026 at 8am
Water Mountain Restaurant**

Finding God at the Movies- "I Can Only Imagine"

Pastor Eric is truly sorry that we had to cancel Finding God at the Movies for May because he was sick and we have rescheduled the much anticipated "I Can Only Imagine" showing for **June 28, 2026 from 5 to 7pm**. Mark your calendars and bring your family and friends.

Come enjoy dinner, the movie, and a discussion about the themes of faith in the movie. The church will provide pizza, drinks, and popcorn and invites you to bring something to add to the meal. We will also have a drawing after the movie for some great prizes including music cds, a copy of the movie, artwork, a copy of the book by Bart Millard, and more. Hope to see you at Finding God at the movies.

This will be our last Finding God at the Movies before summer break.

Finding God at the Movies



[Rescheduled]
June 28, 2026
5 to 7pm

Movie:
"I Can Only Imagine"

Come enjoy dinner, movie, and discussion about the themes of faith in the movie

Church will provide pizza, popcorn, and drinks.

All are invited to bring something to add to the meal

We will also have a drawing for some great prizes:

I Can Only Imagine: A Memoir
Mercy Me CDS
A Copy of the Movie
I Can Only Imagine
[Children's Storybook]
and more...

Volunteer Opportunities



Helping With Coffee Time

Every Sunday after worship we enjoy coffee time. This is only made possible by the generosity and kindness of the members of this community.

Please look at the upcoming dates and sign up either in the MP room or contacting the church office to let Jana know you can do one of the dates. Thanks to everyone who continues to step up and do such wonderful coffee time.

Special Note:

For Father's Day, June 21, the women of the church are responsible for bringing treats for coffee time that day.



Stone Soup Meal

Each Wednesday from 4 to 6pm people are invited to meet us in the kitchen and help prepare our weekly meal for the Sheltering Silverton shelter. Come help make some soup or make a salad or make a casserole for those in need.

Then stick around as we enjoy a simple meal and time of fellowship with those who helped.

Hope you can come help us make Stone Soup!



**Come Help
Make a Meal
For Our
Local Homeless
Shelter**

**Every Wednesday
4 to 6 pm
FCC Church Kitchen**

Thank You's

I would like to thank everyone who has encouraged me on my step to become an elder. Your loving words mean so much to me. The beautiful Willow Tree figurine the "Vigil" is so lovely.

Thanks again,

Love karen

Erin Stone would like to thank Steve Hensley for all his help with financial computer systems in the office.



We are a Family of Faith.

***We are a community of God's beloved children.
Growing our faith through supportive,
caring, and inclusive outreach.
Where we strive to welcome all,
as Christ welcomes us.***

We are Disciples at work!

Church Officers/Personnel

Elders:

Karen Brock, Marcus Clark,
Ric Dettwyler, Lynn Koenig,
Donna Laney, Beth Negrey,
Cara Zitzelberger

Office Administrator:

Jana O'Connor

Keeper of the House:

Libby Bordewich

Youth Leaders:

Brogan Allen-Olsen
Jonathon Thompson

Worship Music Team:

Gail Frassenei, Wayne Cawfield,
Chris Dyer, Ami Barstad,
Aaron Barstad, George Barstad,
Megan Lee-Herzig, John Meye,
Gil Wittman, Marilyn Woodward

2025-2026 Board of Directors

Slate of Officers

Board Chair - Donna Laney

Vice Chair - Steve Hensley

Treasurer - Erin Stone

Board Secretary - Betty Beard

Financial Secretaries -

Verlene Beard & Erin Stone

Trustee Chair - Allan Graves

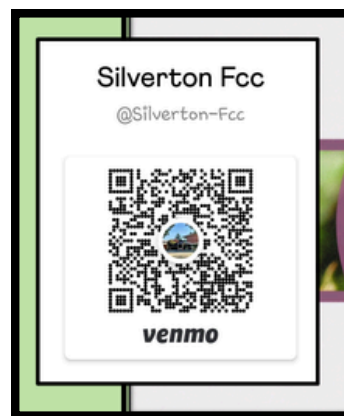
Deacon Chair - Karen Brock

CWF Chairs-

Lynn Koenig/Karen Brock



George Mitchell 2
Wendy King 5
JJ Lamoreaux 5
Rob Zitzelberger 7
Rev. Steve Knox 10
Karen Brock 12
Cora Lamoreaux 13
Lydia Miller 14
Tracy White 18
Judy Kassell 22
Jolene Smoot 24
Jane Stevens 26
Rod Irwin 28



May 2026 Tithing Offering Totals

May 3	\$5,530.00
May 10	\$2,220.00
May 17	\$2,822.00
May 24	\$1,090.00
May 31	Not available yet

Offering Total: \$11,662.00

Every gift helps!



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