



THE EVANGEL

North Bend United Methodist Church

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Over 100 Years!

STEELE CABLES

January 2012



"Making Disciples of Jesus

Christ for the

Transformation of the World"

There is no time in which people become more acutely aware of their past and hopeful of their future than at the beginning of a new year. We tend to reflect on our past, regret our mistakes, contemplate our future, and make resolutions. People want to do and be better. Church congregations are really no different. We look back and reflect on our past activities and ministries; evaluate our weaknesses and strengths, and then envision what the new year can be in serving Jesus Christ.

Our Bible is filled with the idea of beginning life over again. It runs like a thread throughout the whole Bible. Jesus came into the world to personify and actualize the whole transaction of moving from the old life to new life abundant. The marvelous thing about what Jesus taught was not so much that we *must* be born again, but that we *can* be born again.

God has set before us an open door and so we begin 2012 individually, and as a church, with new beginnings; letting go of some of the things that may have held us back from living God's purpose fully.

For our congregation this will mean a new direction with our leadership structure. We will be moving from having numerous committees, which we've not been able to fill all positions these past few seasons, to what is known as a "single governance board" – or a church council. This council will consist of 15 church members helping to oversee the working of our

church and also helping to set our vision and focus for our future. Throughout the year, "town hall" meetings will be held to keep everyone updated on the state-of-the-church and its activities.

This is going to be a learning period as we are transitioning from one form of leadership structure to what is hopefully a more efficient structure for our setting. Your prayers and patience are requested not only for this change but also for those leaders involved.

The new leadership team serving on the Church Council will be:

Kim Davis, Council chair

Sharon King, Co-Lay Leader

Bob Burns, Co-Lay Leader

John Brown, Trustees

Jim Batdorff, Trustees and Certified Lay Speaker

Tim Salisbury, Finance

Mildred Spring, Treasurer

Pauline Brown, SPPRC

Francine Kelsay, SPPRC

Vicki Morgan, REF

Eva Shimotakahara, Lay Member to Annual Conference

Kelley Rowe, Lay Member to Annual Conference

Ken Lawrence, Voting Member At-Large

Jenny Bream, Voting Member At-Large

Pastor Jerry Steele

Continuing its fine work will be the REF Committee as it plans and organizes ministries for the spiritual nurture and care of our members and within our community.

This is going to be an exciting time. God has wonderful plans for North Bend United Methodist Church. God is providing us new opportunities to fulfill our mission of: "Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world." Let all us pray, study and worship together as we discern how we can lift up Jesus Christ in our lives and in the life of our

community. See you at church! **Pastor**

Jerry

FINANCE MINISTRY REPORT



Income through December
\$ 88,800.43)

Need to Date:
\$ 117,524.16

Gracious God,
You free us from the bonds of
scarcity and welcome us again

and again, into Your household of abundance.
Please help us to live every moment of our lives --
even this moment of offering -- at home in Your
abundance. In Your name we pray, Amen.

*(from Radical Gratitude & United Methodist
Communications)*



5: Darren Dirk
16: Jenny Bream
23: Zach Martin

11: Zach Woolley
18: Sharon Kloster

Care and Share Families - January

Week of Jan. 1: Bill and Lois Harvey
93930 Bridgeview Lane
North Bend, OR 97459
541.267.3932

Week of Jan. 8 Willard Hayne
451 O'Connell #108
North Bend, OR 97459
541.756.0540

Week of Jan. 15: Charleen Haythorne
1710 Village Pines Terr.
Coos Bay, OR 97420
541.290.1963

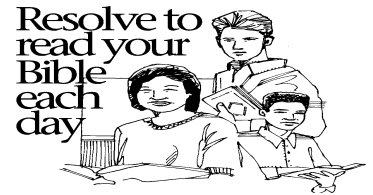
Week of Jan. 22: John & Diane Howland, Sr
3200 Sandpiper Dr.
Coos Bay, OR 97420
541.267.2316

Week of Jan. 29: Harold & Jan Johnson
2607 315th St.
Hopkinson, IA 52237



5: Nancy & Bob Dehart
21: Judy & Jim Cunningham

Daily Devotions



Continues the series of reading the books
of the Bible as they were written
historically, according to the estimated
date of their writing.

- January 1 1 Peter
- January 2 Hebrews 1-6
- January 3 Hebrews 7-10
- January 4 Hebrews 11-13
- January 5 2 Timothy
- January 6 2 Peter, Jude
- January 7 John 1-2
- January 8 John 3-4
- January 9 John 5-6
- January 10 John 7-8
- January 11 John 9-10

January 12 John 11-12
 January 13 John 13-15
 January 14 John 16-18
 January 15 John 19-21
 January 16 1 John
 January 17 2 John, 3 John
 January 18 Revelation 1-5
 January 19 Revelation 6-11
 January 20 Revelation 12-18
 January 21 Revelation 19-21

Begins a new series: Weekly Lectionary
 Week of January 22:

Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Psalm 62:1-5
 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Mark 1:14-20

Week of January 29

Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Psalm 111
 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 Mark 1:21-28



COMMUNITY NEEDS

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Note book paper, pencils, pink erasers, note books, crayons/colored pencils, glue sticks, rulers, scissors (blunt or pointed) pencil cases.

These donations will be shared with Hillcrest Elementary School.

MASLOW YOUTH PROJECT

Socks, gently used sleeping bags, jackets and coats, toiletries

Ecumenical Community Food Cup Board -- T.H.E. House --

Women's Resource Shelter --

Donations are always needed for these three worthy organizations. Please bring your nonperishable food items to worship the first Sunday of the month or anytime during the week.

MEAL KIT PACK NEEDS

Supplies needed to hop restock our kits:

Gallon sized zip-lock bags

Individual servings of meat in easy open containers:

Vienna Sausages
 Tuna or Spam packets (not cans)
 Tuna lunch kits (found at Dollar Store)
 Cheese or peanut butter crackers
 Single servings of applesauce or fruit cups
 Juice packets or boxes
 Napkins

FAMILY & COMMUNITY EDUCATION (FCE)

FCE meets the third Thursday of the month at 10am, programs are at 10:45am or 11am. All men and women are invited to attend the programs:

>January 19, 2012--Pantry Pests and Bed Bugs--what are they and how do they affect us?

LETTERS OF THANKS

Thank you all who helped make our Advent-Christmas season and worship so wonderful.

Alfreda & Jim Batdorff and Darren Dirk Dirk for special music.

Sharon King and Morgan Bream for assistance at Christmas Eve Service.

All our liturgists for Sunday Services:

Sharon King, Joe Morgan, Jim Batdorff and John Brown

Those who contributed poinsettias (see list elsewhere)

Everyone who contributed toys and other Items to the Salvation Army.

Salvation Army bell ringers:

Doug & Sharon King

Alfreda & Jim Batdorff

Pauline & John Brown

Judy Cunningham

Kim Davis

Vicki Morgan

Jenny Bream

Pauline Zoey & Zania Woolley

OTHER THANKS

Thank you from the Pastor

A deep appreciation and thanks to everyone for your remembrances, support and encouragement this season I look forward to a new year of ministry together as we serve Jesus Christ by serving one another and our community

Many thanks to the congregation for

your support for Zach for Mr. Bulldog.
Pauline Wooley



iGive website

Help raise funds for North Bend UMC by shopping online at www.iGive.com. Hundreds of stores to choose from. A percentage of your purchase is remitted back to our church.

Fight Hunger – 2 Websites

www.thehungersite.com

One click and you can help fight hunger. Just follow the directions once you google the website.

www.freerice.com

Increase your vocabulary and help feed the poor at the same time.

POINTSETTIAS

Marie Martin

In Memory of John Martin
And Fern & Lyle Chappell

Jenny Bream

In Memory of Brian Bream

Ruth Anderson

In Memory of my parents:
Aden & Katherine Riggs

M. Lewellyn

In Honor of Lois & Bill
Harvey

John & Pauline
Brown

In Memory of our parents
In Honor of our Children
And Grandchildren

Anonymous

In Memory of those who
have gone before
In Honor of those to come

Elaine & Jerry
Steele

In Honor of our parents
and our Congregations

In Memory of Frank Martell
Ellen Plesha and Lorna
Martell Schweinfurt.

CHANGES FOR THE EVANGEL

In an effort to reduce the cost of postage and with the price of postage going up the first of the year this will be the last mailing of the Evangel unless it is by special request. We will continue to send it out e-mail and to put out copies for you to pickup the first Sunday of each month. We will leave these on the table in the sanctuary entry as in the past. After the first Sunday they will be on the shelf outside of the church office.

Pastor Jerry and Pat



JOIN IN CHEERING ON YOUR CHURCH AND ITS MISSION IN

2012