

A weekly thought from our senior minister, Jason Locke.

Minister's Message

Have you ever gone to a big outdoor concert? Perhaps you've seen U2 or Michael Jackson or the Rolling Stones when they were drawing 100,000 people.

Or what about a major sporting event? Have you been to the Rose Bowl or the LA Coliseum? Or maybe you've been present for a packed house at Bulldog Stadium.

There's nothing quite like being part of a massive crowd cheering together. The energy and seeming camaraderie are infectious. The experience makes you want more of the same. It's hard to describe it except with superlatives.

Just try to imagine what the kingdom of heaven will be like. "After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all

tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white with palm branches in their hands. They cried out with a loud voice, 'Salvation belongs to our God!'" (Rev 7:9-10).

John's vision is a metaphor for the triumph of God. The "details" describing heaven as a place of golden streets and pearly gates are not to be taken literally. The scenes of worship before God's throne, however, describe something you can relate to. All will celebrate the power of God and the victory of good over evil.

Now here's your task: Try to live as if you're at that giant celebration even today! Live right now with that sense of God's impending victory!



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Welcome! If you're **visiting** with us today, please give us your name & basic information on *the card below*. **Tear it off and place it in the offering basket** later in the service. We invite you to experience God's grace among us and to think about joining this fellowship of believers.

Name(s): _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Prayer Request: _____

Comments: _____

People, Times & Places

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September Collection Servants

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Coordinator: Roger Howell

FOR THE RECORD

Attendance

Worship (9/2) 180
Bible Class 147

Contribution Report

Last Week (9/2) \$ 16,398
Weekly Average \$ 8,844
Weekly Budget \$ 7,770

WEEKLY ASSEMBLY

9:00 AM

SUNDAY CLASSES

10:40—11:30

Adults

Teacher: Fausto Hinojosa Rm 405
Living with Distinction: Lessons from the Sermon on the Mount

Teacher: Lee Smith Rm 411
Who Is the Holy Spirit?

Teacher: David Morris Rm 700
In Him All Things Hold Together

Youth Group

Jr. High & High School Rm 600

Kids' Classes — aka *Uptown*

(10:20-11:30)

Nursery Rm 303
Space for Moms Rm 306
Pre-School—Grade 6 500 Wing

Nursery

Our nursery, for children up to 30 months, is available during worship and classes in **Room 303**.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

TUESDAY

Ladies Bible Class

Resumes September 18, 2018

WEDNESDAY

Men's Breakfast

Country Waffles ~ 7141 N Cedar Ave @ 7 a.m.

Wednesday Night Dinner

Fellowship Hall @ 6 p.m.



The College Church of Christ exists to encourage & equip Christ-followers as they live out the mission of God in their homes, schools, work-places, and neighborhoods.

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion for his children, so the LORD has compassion for those who fear him. (Psalm 103:11-13)

After the sermon, we have a Time of Response. Folks are available to visit or pray with you. You can respond by moving to edge of the worship center.

This Morning's Order of Worship Call to Worship ~ Sandra Henderson

*10,000 Reasons
He Will Rejoice over You
A Shield About Me
A Mighty Fortress*

Invitation to the Lord's Table ~ Fausto Hinojosa

*Offering ~ Don Pierce
Great Are You, Lord
A New Anointing
O Praise the Name*

Church News & Prayer for Illumination ~ Blake Sheehan

*Message ~ Jason Locke
"Why We Forgive #6:
Honoring Your Parents"*

Time of Response

What the Lord Has Done

*Closing Blessing ~ Jason Locke
There's a Stirring*

Preschool children can be taken to the foyer during the time of response. Teachers will guide them to their classes. K-6 kids can leave during the final song.

September 9, 2018

Who We're Praying For...

Church Member Updates:

Nick Harrison died last Sunday morning after a long battle with cancer. We give our love and sympathy to his wife **Cheryle**, to **Jon & Dawn Frame**, to **Laveta Vincent** and to all their family.

Deb Leahy learned that there are no remaining treatment options for her pancreatic cancer. She is at home and relatively comfortable--just weak. We pray for comfort for her and for **Kevin & Cara** (their daughter) in the coming days and weeks.

We rejoice in the baptism of **Ashley Hutchison** last Sunday. She is the 30-year-old granddaughter of **Terry & Ruth** (Bill's daughter). Her address is 5209 NE 34th St, Apt B5, Vancouver, WA 98661.

We celebrate with **Stan & Shirley Watson** on the birth of their grandson. Their daughter **Lindsey Neville** gave birth last weekend.

Juana Ramirez was hospitalized briefly last week with progressively worsening infections. She is back at Hy-Lond for now.

Alfred Ramirez is hoping to transfer from the downtown Golden Living center to the Hy-Lond facility where Juana is.

Larry Wiseman is awaiting results from a bone biopsy taken last week.

Jay Farris had an endoscopy that showed that he may be experiencing spasms that are causing some of his swallowing problems.

Sylvia Minjarez requests prayers for **Jazmine's** work shift situation.

Arthur Wint requests prayers for **Carlotta**: her right hand is getting worse.

Ongoing:

Louise Fraley, Stephen Shelley, Judy Jarman, Jack Gross, Al Ramirez, Marge Howie, Arthur & Carlotta Wint, Carolyn Wilson, Alice Farris, Florence Bedoian, John Jacobo, Alicia Rivera, Gloria Chisley & Jim York

Expecting Mothers:

Weezy MacDougall

Extended Family News:

Evelyn Howe: cont. prayers for her daughter **Kim Sani** (Valley fever).

Stephanie Norby wants prayers for her family. Her sister's niece, **Claire Wineland**, suffered a stroke & died following a lung transplant.

Amanda Mason requests prayers for her grandmother as she recovers from back surgery & an infection.

Brenda Standing wants us to pray for **Ruth Geary & Linda Gaudoian**: recovery from serious car accident.

Randy & Della Southall request prayers for their daughter **Kim** to let God work in her life.

Tom Agrava's grandson **Sawyer** has begun speech therapy. Prayers appreciated!

Greg & Mona Ruland ask for prayer for their daughter Chelsea: after effects of a concussion.

Pat & Jennifer Bryan want us to pray for their daughter **Wendy**: strength & peace in being a single parent.

Tami Nuotio asks us to pray for her friend **Amanda**: safety.

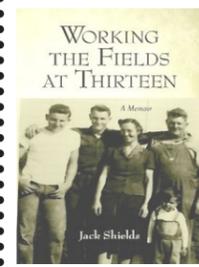
Activities, Events & Church News

Wednesday Night Dinner September 12

On the menu:
Don Pierce will be preparing a roast, cheesy potatoes, salad & Butterfinger cake for dessert. *Bring a friend!*

Dinner is from 6-7 p.m.

Adults ~ \$4 Kids & Students ~ \$2



This morning, we have asked **Jack Shields** to sign copies of his new book, *Working the Fields at Thirteen*. Congratulate Jack on publishing his memoir. His story sheds light on the social history and culture of rural California in the 1940s.



Mark Your Calendar

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 9/12 Men's Breakfast; Wednesday Night Dinner
- 9/18 Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Class
- 10/1 Men's Fellowship Night
- 10/31 Trunk or Treat



IMPACT News!

Today:

IMPACT class time ~ youth room @ 10:40 a.m.

Tonight:

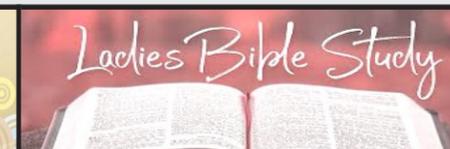
TNT: youth room @ 6 p.m.

9/12 Wednesday Night Dinner

9/16 TNT @ the Mason's

9/23 TNT @ the Pafford's

Be sure to visit the Youth Board near the Nursery!



Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Class

When you read about the early church and consider all the odds against them...how did they launch their movement? They had the best gift ever. This year we will be studying *The Holy Spirit (The Parting Gift)*. Our study will be in John 14-16. What did Jesus say about the Holy Spirit? Hope you can join us this year. Startup date is **Tuesday, September 18 @ 9:45 a.m.** in room 405 at College Church.

IMPACT: Youth Group

A few weeks ago, our team met with the High School Juniors and Seniors for the purpose of planning the new school year's upcoming events. During our time together, we learned a lot about the type of activities that our teens love and what we needed to adjust. They LOVE the all-night Lock-Ins like the one held on August 31st. Church members hosted the teens for a night of fun, devotion, bonding and eating. Nine of our young adults stepped up to chaperone the 36 youth group students who attended. Check out the church's Facebook page for pictures.

In speaking with our teens what became evident, was not only their desire to participate in fun activities together but that they also shared a passion to serve this church body. They suggested ideas for new and on-going service projects like supporting the Wednesday night dinners.

With our first Wednesday night dinner this past week (thank you for cooking, **Jason**) and many more to come, I'd like to encourage you all to come join us for dinner and fellowship on Wednesday nights. We will let you know soon when the Youth Group will be making dinner for you. I'm so proud of our teens who want to make the commitment to attend the mid-week church events while balancing homework, sports and other activities. This is a testament to what this church body means to them and what you mean to them.

Please come out and show your support.

By Youth Ministry Leader,
Tannon Pafford



Eaton Elementary Tutoring Program ~Orientation~Room 405~

For those interested in volunteering to be a tutor at Eaton Elementary, you are invited to one of two orientation sessions:

**Monday, September 17 @ 9 a.m. OR
Wednesday, September 19 @ 7 p.m.**
(after Wednesday Night Dinner)

Please contact **Shirley Watson @ (559) 287-3001** for more details.

Prayer Request:

Date:9/9/2018

Updates (Address, Phone, E-Mail):

Member Requests & Information

