

WALDPORT FBC

I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust." For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence.

Psalm 91:2-3

STAYING STRONG

Pray

...the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words... Romans 8:26

Read God's Holy Word

Your testimonies are my delight; they are my counselors. Psalm 119:24

Sing & Praise

I will sing of lovingkindness and justice, To You, O LORD, I will sing praises. Psalm 101:1

Encourage

For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and selfcontrol. 2 Timothy 1:7



Drive up Worship Service? Is this really happening?

A year ago, if someone said Women's Tea, Fishing Derby and VBA will all be canceled, and we'll all be staying in our homes for months watching our economy get shaky, would you have believed it? If someone said we'll miss our church gatherings so much that we'll find a way to gather in our vehicles, on a Sunday morning, and tune into a certain frequency in order to be together and hear our pastor after weeks of separation, would we have been able to believe it?

It is our hope that next week, May 3, we'll begin "drive-up worship!" A transmitter has been purchased, and this coming week leaders and skilled members will work together to learn how to do this. Pray it works, and we have God's blessing. It may be months before it is legal for Oregon churches to gather, so this is a good step.

Good News from the Shepherds

Jim and Deanna are so glad to let everyone know that their daughter, Jackie was married last Sunday evening in their back yard. Jackie and Tacoma had planned a June wedding, but it seems likely that those types of gatherings won't be possible by then, so they called it an elopement, though parents and siblings were present, socially distancing, along with a pastor and videographer. Those of us who were fortunate to watch on Facebook live, testify that it was very sweet. Pray for the Newlyweds, married in interesting times! What stories they will tell their grandchildren!

Church Family Life NOT Shut Down

Our wonderful Deacons and Care Team are trying to keep their ears & eyes open, for needs of folks, bringing this newsletter and copies of bible studies to those without computer access. Please inform Pastor Mike or a deacon if you are aware of needs in our lovely Church family. That is why God put us together.

For even though I am absent in body, nevertheless I am with you in spirit, rejoicing to see your good discipline and the stability of your faith in Christ. Colossians 2:5

Continue to be fed as a flock with Pastor Mike's beartfelt messages on Sundays and Wednesdays. This week be returns to our study in 1 Thessalonians after weeks suspended because of topical studies and Easter messages. Wednesdays our studies will continue to follow the post-resurrection appearances.

Weekly Bulletin

STAYING CONNECTED:

But we, brethren, having been taken away from you for a short while-- in person, not in spirit-were all the more eager with great desire to see your face. 1Thessalonians 2:17

MAKE A PHONE CALL, A TEXT, AN EMAIL:

Think of one person per day, or every other day with whom you can call to stay connected.

ARE YOU OKAY?

The FBC Care team is checking in with many of our people every week, especially those who are elderly, widowed, single and health compromised.

Don't let Covid-19 or isolation get you down. Let us know if you want to talk or would like to pray over the phone.

Please reach out to Pastor Mike, Nancy, Wini, or Doug with any needs you may have.

LOVE ONE ANOTHER:

"By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." John 13:35

Pastor Mike sent out a link to watch the Bible Project's Overview of Genesis 1-11. Did you watch it yet?

Work of our Hands

Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us; And confirm for us the work of our hands; Yes, confirm the work of our hands. Psalm 90:17



(Vivian Irwin)

This is the work of Vivian Irwin's hands. What has God given you to do, especially while sheltered in place? Please share what you're working on!

Gratefully Giving

Last week's offering was: \$3,005.25Month: April's offering so far: \$10,476.25 Thank you for still giving; during this time of social distancing, <u>Norm</u>, our financial director reminds us that we can send a check in the mail (Paid to: FBC Waldport, PO Box 787, Waldport, OR 97394), and if it is to be designated for anything except the General Fund, that designation should be noted in the MEMO area at the bottom left corner of the check. Also, if you use Bill Pay through your bank, you can do it all online and save the cost of an envelope, a stamp, and the time involved with putting it in the mail. If neither of the above suggested ways for you to be able to get your offering to the church is convenient, and you would like for someone to pick it up at your house, please contact our Deacons by calling or messaging <u>Doug</u> at (541) 990-1303

"On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income." 1Corinthians 16:2

Contact us: Have questions? A story from your isolation? Need help during these unpredictable times? Please call or text Pastor Mike- 541-270-6734

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