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## Hood River Valley Christian Church Newsletter

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**June 21, 2023**

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### Sunday Worship Time

10:30am Worship

### Minister

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## Women, Wine, and The Word

Thursday June 22, 4pm at Stave and Stone at the vineyard

Women are invited to join for a time of fellowship to talk about a scripture passage centered around women. Gather at Stave and Stone Winery at the Vineyard (3827 Fletcher Dr, HR). Come grab a beverage (non-alcoholic or alcoholic beverages are available) and a snack while we share how the passage intersects with our lives. Invite friends from outside the church, too

## Women's Outing to Trout Lake Abbey

Wednesday, July 26, leave church parking lot at 10:00am

Church bus and also private cars will be going. No charge for the trip but donations may be made to the Abbey. There is a guided walking tour at the Abbey which takes 1-1.5 hours. The group will stop for dinner at Tabby's at Hood River Golf Club after. Glenna McCargar or Frances Henne can tell you more about the outing.

## SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

9:30am Adult Sunday school classes, nursery available

10:30am Sunday Worship with Children Worship & Wonder

## EVENING PRAYER ON FACEBOOK

5:00pm Monday – Thursday (schedule permitting)

### Links:

Thursday June 15 <https://www.facebook.com/100064940580441/videos/788924052762471>

Sunday June 18 <https://www.facebook.com/100064940580441/videos/1293247671620104>

### About Church Giving

**Online Giving** To donate online to Hood River Valley Christian Church, go to <http://www.hoodrivervalleychristianchurch.com/donate/> and make a donation

### Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement App

on your Smartphone or tablet. A onetime gift can be made or you can set up online giving on a regular basis. **USPS Mail** You can also give to Hood River Valley Christian Church by mailing a check to: HRVCC 975 Indian Creek Road, Hood River, OR 97031

**In the Sanctuary** For offerings and tithes, there is a deposit box at the entrance of the sanctuary, inside the double doors. Offerings may be dropped off at any time.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Layla & Ryder Gaffney  
Bev Thomas  
Bonnie McCollister

Sharon & Gordon Cook  
David Nash

Lauree Winfield  
Katy White

Vicki White  
Stacey Jubitz

\***Gordon Cook** is now at the HR Care Center. Short visits would be appreciated.

\***Suze Nigl's niece Trisha** who has been battling a flesh eating infection since late in May.

**Women's Bible Study Schedule** Women's Bible study will meet for coffee, sharing and prayers on June 27 and July 11 with no formal study. They will not meet on July 4.

**Men's Bible Study** will not meet June 22.



### The Pastor's COLUMN

**And the last day of school has finally arrived**, only over one week longer than originally planned due to snow days. Still, the last day has arrived. Granted the seniors graduated on June 9, however everyone else has had to finish out their classes, finals, presentations and field trips. So the last day has been reached for all of the students. Congrats to everyone who made it. Congrats on getting to school, engaging with your teachers, completing your assignments and being

ready for what's next. Congrats.

Now on to what's next. Maybe it's advancing to the next grade level or moving to a new school or heading on to college or starting a job. Whatever next step is on the horizon, there is a next step. Just as there is a next step for all of us whether we just finished school or not. There is always a next step. Maybe it relates to our health or our finances or a family situation or an appointment that needs to be scheduled. It's embracing those next steps and doing what is needed to see it to fruition.

It's also knowing we need to take those next steps in order to be who we are called to be in the world. So, what next step is waiting for you? What do you have to do to make it happen? How might you need to reach out for help to accomplish it? Because inviting others to join you on the journey is a good thing. It is needed. Support and encouragement are part of the process. Just as the next step is there waiting for each and every one of us, whether it was our last day of school or not.

**Alicia**

### **Notes:**

The next **Women, Wine and the Word** is Thursday, June 22 @ 4pm @ Stave and Stone.

**Kiddie City** (new daycare located at HRVCC has opened its doors! You will notice the sound of young voices around the building during the week.

**Alicia's vacation** is June 25-30.

## *Coming up...*



**Christmas in July!** We will be collecting gifts for the church and for FISH, our local emergency food pantry. Begins July 1--watch for more information and a list of items that are needed. The donations to FISH help our neighbors who struggle with food security; the donations for the church make a difference in our budget.

*The Christmas in July special collection for FISH will be in addition to our usual first-Sunday-of-the-month food/cash/check collection.*

**Doug Wirt and Cathy Myers Wirt**  
**Closing of their Oregon/SW Idaho Regional Ministry**

A service of worship to mark the closure of our 22 year chapter of the regional church ministry in partnership with Doug Wirt and Cathy Myers Wirt as our Regional Ministers is planned for July 15, 2023 hosted by Portland First Christian at 1:00 p.m.

Our Regional Global Mission Partners Blanca Puma and Luis Jara will be with us from FEDICE Ecuador for this event.

Rev. Susan Gonzales Dewey to bring the message

This event is an in person opportunity and will also have an online link. Watch for details closer to the time of the event.

# Church Calendar

## Wednesday June 21

9:00am-Noon Quilters meet

9:00am-12:00pm Thriftshop

## Thursday June 22

4:00pm Women, Wine & the Word  
at Stave & Stone Winery

## Saturday June 24

9:00am-12:00pm Thriftshop

## Sunday June 25

9:30am Gospel of Matthew Study

10:30am Worship

3:30pm Hope and Life church worship

## Sunday–Friday June 25-June 30

Pastor Alicia on vacation

## Tuesday June 27

10:00am Women's Bible Study, coffee & sharing

3:00pm TOPS Group

## Wednesday June 28

9:00am-Noon Quilters meet

9:00am-12:00pm Thriftshop

## Thursday June 29

7:00am Men's Study

4:00pm Women, Wine & the Word, Stave & Stone

## Saturday July 1

9:00am-12:00pm Thriftshop

## Sunday July 2 Collecting for FISH Food Bank

9:30am Gospel of Matthew Study, vista room

10:30am Worship

3:30pm Hope and Life church worship

## Tuesday July 4 church office closed

## Wednesday July 5

9:00am-Noon Quilters meet

9:00am-12:00pm Thriftshop

## Scriptures for Sunday June 25, 2023

Genesis 21:8-21

Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17

Romans 6:1b-11

Matthew 10:24-39

## SERVING Sunday June 25, 2022

**Elder this Week** Rod Parrott/Thelma Warnock

**Communion Preparer** Mary Finley

**Coffee Hour** Carol & friends

**Deacons**

### **Serving Team #3**

Betty Osborne, Linda Meyers

Tatum Wyatt, Jackson Speidel

## Coming Up!

### Mark your calendar

June 22 4pm Women, Wine & the Word

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