



Hood River Valley Christian Church Newsletter

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April 3, 2024

Sunday Worship Time

10:30am Worship

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Sunday April 7

9:30am Adult Sunday School in Vista Room

10:30am Worship

11:30am Coffee and visiting

Special Music
Kristen Warnock

LINKS:

Easter Sunday Worship March 31

<https://www.facebook.com/100064940580441/videos/426077499963896>

April 7 Collecting for FISH Food Bank



Our local emergency food bank needs our donations—non perishable food, hygiene supplies, pet food, and monetary donations. HRVCC collects for FISH the first Sunday of each month. Thank you to the

children of the church who collect our offerings during worship—or items may be dropped off in the shopping cart in the lobby at any time.

Currently, FISH needs the following items:

Cooking oil (olive or vegetable)	Brown Rice	Ready to eat meals
Coffee Jelly or jam	Sugar	Salt Condiments
Oatmeal (low sugar)	Cereal	Granola Bars
Canned Fruit	Canned Peppers	Soup/Stew/Chili
Gluten free items		

Clients at FISH also appreciate any personal care items (soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, etc.) Also pet food. *Thank you.*

Simplicity Sale* is Coming Soon! Save your stuff for donation. Watch the news for more information.

(*rummage sale fundraiser for youth)

Easter Sunday!



THANK YOU!

Thank you to Betty, Jodi, Tatum, Brian, Melissa, Aubi, Austin, Kailey, Jackson and Kathy for making the Easter youth breakfast happen. Thank you to everyone who enjoyed the breakfast and made a donation to the youth. \$345 was raised to help the youth attend summer camp.

Thank you to all of the musicians, flower cross decorators, clean up crews, communion preparers, tech folk and all of the key people who made Easter Sunday a true celebration. You are all appreciated and needed.





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. Thanks to Geoff Speidel for installing the locking deposit box last month.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Layla, JJ & Rider Gaffney

Sharon & Gordon Cook

Lauree Winfield

Vicki White

Katy White

Bonnie McCollister

Stacey Jubitz

David Nash

Suze Nigl's niece Trisha

Barbara Frazier's friend Julie The Wirt Family

Doris Lewis

Joan Lage asks for prayers for her daughter-in-law Trisha and her family as her dad Charles Tuttle has died.

Pray for peace where there is war.

Special Coffee Hour April 14

A travelogue by the Sawyers

Enjoy a recent trip report about visiting Antarctica.

This special coffee hour program is sponsored by the "Nifty Nineties Armchair Travel Group". New members (only if you are 90 years +) will be inducted!

Get your coffee and set a spell with us. All are welcome (no matter what age you are) so please join us and enjoy. Thelma Warnock



*From the
Pastor's
Desk*

Easter Sunday has come and gone. It is now time to move onto something else. It's time to take down the white banners and make a change. But wait, Easter is not over because now we are in the season of Eastertide. For six weeks it is still Easter. So, no, it is not time to move onto something else. It is not time to take down the white banners. It is not time for Easter to come and go. It continues to be Easter.

For the season of Eastertide, which goes until Pentecost on May 19, we are going to intentionally engage in various forms of prayer during worship. These forms of prayer are going to be centered around what God is calling this congregation to be and do next. We will focus on listening, being open and discerning what those next steps are.

Please know this does not mean creating a list of what to do right away. No, it means being in prayer. Praying as a community on Sundays. Praying in small groups. Praying as individuals. Lots and lots of praying as we seek God's guidance and wait for the Spirit to lead. So, come join this path of prayer during the season of Eastertide. And know you are all invited to pray in these ways, whether you are in church on Sunday or not. Cause we all need to accept the invitation to pray in this way. The future is wide open, so let's pray our way into it. **Alicia**

You are invited to a dress rehearsal. The chimes choir will play a short concert at the new community where Shar and Ron Wilkins live in Lake Oswego on April 18, so a dress rehearsal is in order—including an audience to toughen the choir up jitters-wise!

The dress rehearsal will be **Tuesday, April 16, from 11:15am to noon in the sanctuary.** Come if you can.

Notes from Women's Ministries

Coordinator Needed: a volunteer to be coordinator for the coming year (or a co-leader with the current coordinator) and volunteers for organizing activities similar to those listed above. See coordinator Mary Anne Parrott.



Protecting God's World

Articles on Earth Care Needed by April 7 A resource is needed for Earth Sunday, April 21, and your help is solicited to prepare. Pastor Alicia is collecting short clippings from newspapers and magazines on the topic of Earth care—problems needing to be solved, ideas and resources for doing the solving, etc. These clippings need to be short—approximately 2-4 inches (newspaper-sized column) and likely will be just

a key part of a larger article; photocopies are acceptable. Place them in the basket by Alicia's office door **no later than April 7.**

Second Sunday Recycling April 14



Protecting God's World

What to bring:

Clear clamshells

Plastics with recycling triangles marked #1, #3, #4, #5, #7

Medicine bottles and caps; unused medications for safe disposal

Plastic film such as bags, bubble wrap, mailers

A small donation to help cover the recycling depot fee

Church Calendar

Wednesday April 3

9:00am-Noon Quilters meet
9:00am-12:00pm Thriftshop open
5:00-9:00pm Master Gardeners

Thursday April 4

7:00am Men's Bible Study
1:30pm Chime Choir practice

Friday April 5

Kathy Holmson out of town

Saturday April 6

9:00am-12:00pm Thriftshop

Sunday April 7 FISH Food Bank Sunday

9:30am Adult Sunday School
10:30am Worship
3:30pm Hope and Life church worship

Tuesday April 9

10:00am Women's Bible Study
4:00pm TOPS group

Wednesday April 10

9:00am-Noon Quilters meet
9:00am-12:00pm Thriftshop open
5:00-9:00pm Master Gardeners

5:30pm Church Board meets

Thursday April 11

7:00am Men's Bible Study
1:30pm Chime Choir practice

Saturday April 13

9:00am-12:00pm Thriftshop

Sunday April 14 Second Sunday recycling

9:30am Adult Sunday School
10:30am Worship
3:30pm Hope and Life church worship

Tuesday April 16

10:00am Women's Bible Study
4:00pm TOPS group

Wednesday April 17

9:00am-Noon Quilters meet
9:00am-12:00pm Thriftshop open

Scriptures for Sunday April 7, 2024

Acts 4:32-35
Psalm 133
1 John 1:1-2:2
John 20:19-31

SERVING Sunday April 7, 2024

Elder this Week Suze Nigl
Communion prep Barb Ritoch
Coffee Hour Jennifer Stager
Deacons Servers

Thank you to our deacons for serving communion as needed each week

Scriptures for Sunday April 14, 2024

Acts 3:12-19
Psalm 4
1John 3:1-7
Luke 24:36b-48

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Elder this Week Carol Sabins
Communion prep Kailey Speidel
Coffee Hour Barbara & friends
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VOCI Concert "Our Shared Humanity"

Friday, April 26 7:00pm

Sunday, April 28 2:00pm

at Hood River Valley Christian Church

Mark your calendar!