



Hood River Valley Christian Church Newsletter

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June 26, 2024

Sunday Worship Time

10:30am Worship

Minister

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Pastor Alicia is out of town June 24-30.

Guest Minister June 30, 2024

Pastor Neil W. Allen – Beaverton Oregon

Retired after serving 40 years in Ministry serving the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in 5 states. His Interim Ministries began in the Oregon SW Idaho Region in 2008. He was awarded Honored Minister status in 2019.

Pastor Allen is Currently one of 3 Regional Elders serving the churches in the Columbia Gorge Area. He is also President of Fedice USA (A Global Mission Partnership with Fedice Ecuador), and attends the View Christian Church.

Pastor Allen also serves on the Board of Directors for Friends of Creche (the only national nativity collectors group) – and serves as Webmaster currently. He shared his 500 set collection with HRVCC a few years ago.

Sunday Worship

9:30am Adult Sunday School

10:30am Worship

Special Music

June 30

Quartet

Evelyn Charity, Betty Osborne,
Rod Parrott, Neil Allen

LINKS:

Sunday Worship June 16 <https://www.facebook.com/100064940580441/videos/812508414178874>

Sunday Worship June 23 <https://www.facebook.com/100064940580441/videos/437635545864051>

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.

Celebrating 60 Years of Faith and Friendship!



A few members of our church family might recall August 16, 1964 when the first worship service at Hood River Valley Christian Church's 975 Indian Creek Road location was held. What a grand day it must have been, and what a joy it will soon be to commemorate 60 years of ministry!

Many of us weren't there when the real work of physically building our church took place. But one thing we DO know: HRVCC did indeed get off the ground and continues to positively impact us, our families, our communities and even the world through the generous giving of time, talents and tithes.

So...let's celebrate each of those 60 years of faith! Since summer is an incredibly busy time, a small committee has begun planning a 60th celebration of 'thanksgiving' to be held Sunday, Nov. 17 following worship. *Please mark your calendars now and share this date with your families!*

The invitation to attend, to revisit our church's 60-year history and look to the future will go out to past and present members and families, retired pastors and others who have walked with us on our faith journey. With a theme of "60 Years of Sowing & Growing in Faith", we will celebrate with music, history, photos, memories and, of course, wonderful food and friendship. More announcements will be forthcoming, and your stories (which we'll be seeking!) will paint a rich church history for all to learn from and enjoy!

We have been richly blessed by the Lord's steadfast presence in the life of our church. Thank you, everyone!

~~ Pastor Alicia



Christmas in July! We will be collecting gifts for the church. Donations for the church make a difference in our budget.

Kleenex
Reams of 8.5 X 11"
white copy paper
Envelopes self sealing
#10 legal size

Dawn dish detergent
Coffee (grounds)
Powdered creamer
Paper dessert plates
Napkins

Bleach
Paper Towels

***Hood River Valley Christian Church will be helping at FISH Food Bank
July 8, 10, 12***



Our church helps at the local food bank about once every 12 weeks. We join other church groups and civic organizations in serving the community at FISH on a rotating schedule. Our volunteers join other community volunteers and help as shopping escorts, doing some carry out, and assisting in whatever else is needed.

We have a dedicated team of volunteers who represent our church community but we would love to have more volunteers. Middle and High Schoolers who would like to help are welcome, too. If you are interested in helping at FISH or learning more about the food bank, send me an email. hrcchurch@gmail.com. Or talk to Judy, Barb, Suze, Mary Anne, Rod, Kathy, Melissa, Leslie, or Margaret when you're at church. Thank you for your support!

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Layla, JJ & Rider Gaffney
Katy White
Suze Nigl's niece Trisha

Sharon & Gordon Cook
Bonnie McCollister
Barbara Frasier's friend Julie

Lauree Winfield
Stacey Jubitz

Vicki White
Doris Lewis
Tedra Turner

++Comfort and peace for those who grieve.

++Pastor Alicia's friend Stacy for healing and perseverance through chemotherapy.

Hood River Valley Christian Church—

Warren, Darcy and I thank the many of you who've been so warm, caring and concerned since Bernie's long decline in health and abilities. It was a long row to hoe.

It's been a slow decline 'til he was totally "used up". It was my honor and privilege to care for him to the last in our home for several months as his strength failed, and his shortness of breath increased.

Your words of warm friendship and care were very appreciated and kept Bernie from being discouraged and morose.

Thank you all for warm memories that kept him going, for visits and calls, they all helped him carry on the final day. I'll be back in church soon. Yours. Emily Krager



More Graduates Virginia and Bill Sheppard celebrate their great grandsons who are graduating from high school. Jack Stehlik will be going to United States Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, NY studying maritime logistics security. Owen Sheppard is attending Embry Riddle Aeronautical University pursuing an aeronautical and science degree. Congratulations!

Thank you to everyone who has helped spread bark around the planting areas. Bruce Holmson

Thank you so much for your very generous continued support of the HRV Adult Center. Thank you for helping us realize the vision that we have for the center. HRV Adult Center & Staff

Sunday Adult Study 9:30am For the next couple of months we're going to be looking at parables of Jesus. A title for the series is "An Unexpected Kingdom." Meet in the Vista Room 9:30-10:15am Sundays.

The Secret Place A daily devotional for June, July, August is available in the lobby. Suggested donation per copy--\$2.



**Protecting
God's World**

Occasional Recycling Hints

1. Our local Hood River Garbage Service curbside recycling pick up takes #1 and #2 plastic bottles: beverages, milk, shampoo, detergent, cleaners. Take the lids off and bring those to the church's Second Sunday Recycling.

These occasional hints will be posted on the bulletin board for reference.

Next Recycling Sunday is July 14

What to bring:

#2, #6 plastic

Plastic caps and lids

Plastic straws and liquid pumps

Foam: trays, containers, blocks and coolers

Miscellaneous: small electronics, laptop computers, cell phones, wires, Christmas lights



Quarters (25 cents) Needed for Laundry Love

Laundry Love is a program that helps folks in need wash their clothes at Eco Laundry. We can help by collecting quarters to use in the washers and dryers. A jar for collecting quarters is outside Alicia's office. Thank you.



June Theme Collection for FISH Food Bank

Each month FISH has a food donation theme. For the month of June, FISH is focusing on collecting items that make for the perfect picnic basket. Summer is the season for picnics, and this is great way to help clients enjoy a wonderful tradition with families and friends.

Here's the type of items they're looking for:

Sandwich supplies (peanut butter, jelly, spreads)

Fresh fruits & Veggies (apples, berries, carrots)

Picnic-friendly snacks (crackers, granola bars, pretzels)

Shelf-stable milk (boxed)

Other items that make up a delicious picnic

This week we are wrapping up our special collection of "summer picnic foods" for the month of June. Drop off food items in the FISH Food Bank shopping cart at church. Thank you!



All-Region Picnic – July 13th

All-region picnic, sponsored by the New Church Team, will be 11a – 2p on July 13th at Champoeg State Park. Come share lunch, worship, and games and get to know people from other churches around the region. Chicken, drinks, and table service provided; please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

(You may have to pay for parking; we are still working out this detail.)

Church Calendar

Monday-Sunday June 24-30

Pastor Alicia is out of town

Rev. Neil Allen is preaching June 30

Wednesday June 26

9:00am-Noon Quilters meet

9:00am-12:00pm Thriftshop open

7:00pm Wednesday prayers for our church

Thursday June 27

7:00am Men's Bible Study

Saturday June 29

9:00am-3:00pm Thriftshop open

Sunday June 30

9:30am Adult Sunday School

10:30am Worship with Rev. Neil Allen

3:30pm Hope and Life church worship

Monday-Tuesday July 1-2

Kathy Holmson is out of town

Tuesday July 2

10:00am Women's Bible Study

4:00pm TOPS group

Wednesday July 3 No Newsletter

9:00am-Noon Quilters meet

9:00am-12:00pm Thriftshop open

7:00pm Wednesday prayers for our church

Thursday July 4 Independence Day

Church office closed

Saturday July 6

9:00am-3:00pm Thriftshop open

Sunday July 7 FISH Food Bank Sunday

9:30am Adult Sunday School

10:30am Worship

3:30pm Hope and Life church worship

Tuesday July 9

10:00am Women's Bible Study

4:00pm TOPS group

Wednesday July 10 Newsletter

9:00am-Noon Quilters meet

9:00am-12:00pm Thriftshop open

7:00pm Wednesday prayers for our church

Scriptures for Sunday June 30, 2024

1 Samuel 17; (1a, 4-11, 19-23), 32-49 & Psalm 9:9-20
or 1 Samuel 17:57-18:5, 10-16 & Psalm 133

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Mark 4:35-41

SERVING Sunday June 30, 2024

Elder this Week Jennifer Stager

Communion prep Joanie Logan

Coffee Hour Betty and friends

Deacons Servers

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

Scriptures for Sunday July 7, 2024

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 & Psalm 48

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Mark 6:1-13

SERVING Sunday July 7, 2024

Elder this Week Carol Sabins

Communion prep Kailey Speidel

Coffee Hour Jennifer & friends

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Church Staff Summer Schedule

The church newsletter will be published every other week (for most of the summer) beginning in mid-June. Schedules for two weeks will be included.

June 24 – 30 Pastor Alicia is out of town.

Neil Allen is preaching June 30.

July 1-2 Kathy Holmson is out of town.

July 7 – 13 Pastor Alicia is out of town.

July 14-20 Sable Duback is out of town.

August 5 – 9 Middle & High School Camp.

Pastor Alicia is director and will be attending.

August 22-26 Sable Duback is out of town.

August 31 – Sept 6 Pastor Alicia will be attending

Pension Fund gathering in Washington, DC