

October 07, 2026



Hood River Valley Christian Church Newsletter

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Sunday Worship Time
10:30am

Church Administrative Assistant
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Minister
Rev. Alicia Speidel
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Office hours 9am-12pm or as needed

Sunday Worship

9:30 Adult Lectionary Preview

10:30 Worship

**Link to Worship on October 04-
[Facebook](#)**



Sharon & Gordon Cook
Tyler Luna
Crosswhite Family

John Olson
Sims Family
Leslie Melby

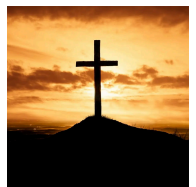
Bill & Lauree Winfield
Judy & Nick Kenyon
Fred Duckwall

Bev Carpenter

*Please keep Dick Clark in your prayers for healing and comfort. After being in and out of the hospital over the past month, he was moved to Brookside Manor and is in better spirits.

*Please keep Fred Duckwall in your prayers as he recently had a stroke. He is at Skyline Rehab in room #9.

Please email any prayer requests to hrvcchurch@gmail.com or call our office at 541-386-2608.



Mimi Williford- 02

Vicki White- 05

Carolyn Lien- 05

Noel Lien-07

Ron Wilkins-07

Thelma Warnock-10

Austin Crosswhite-12

Judy Hiatt-15

Hailey Olson-18

Celelia Chapin-21

Tatum Wyatt-24

Jodi Wyatt-26

Jami Waits-26

Velma Budworth-30



Thriving Congregations

Mission statement:

Sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ through service, stewardship & generosity

Values statements:

Welcoming with warmth and respect

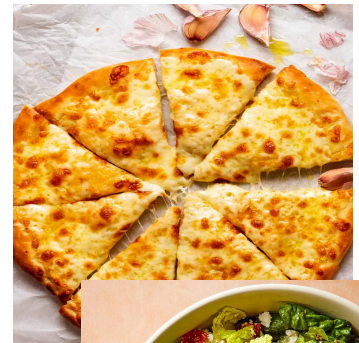
Community partnerships

Worshipping God with thanksgiving

Outreach without borders

Caring relationships

On Sunday, October 18 you are invited for pizza and salad after church. Together we will enjoy yummy food and hear about the next proposal from the Thriving Team. All are welcome as we continue to journey together as a faith community.





ANNOUNCEMENT:

Due to the Thrift Shop getting new paint and flooring; it will be closed until later October or November. Sorry for any inconveniences this may bring!

From the church board:

Thanks to your faithful stewardship, we've recently completed major upgrades, including ADA-compliant restrooms, new front doors, a roof replacement, and a new sanctuary A/C unit.

To keep our facilities welcoming and functional, the Church Board has approved a new set of necessary improvements estimated at \$33,000. These include replacing the street sign, upgrading the walkway post, trimming junipers, fresh paint and new flooring for the thrift shop, plus repairing/replacing a fellowship hall A/C unit that recently failed.

We invite you to participate in a mini capital campaign by giving above and beyond your regular tithe to support these projects. Please designate any extra contributions for the *Mini Capital Campaign*. Thank you for your continued generosity as we share the Good News through service and stewardship.

In September our Mini Capital Campaign raised \$17,650 in funds to help with major upgrades!





Mid-Columbia
Community
Action Council

HELP SECURE A PERMANENT HOME FOR THE **HOOD RIVER SHELTER**



SECURING A PERMANENT HOME

Started as a grassroots effort in 2010, the Hood River Shelter is initiating a capital campaign to secure a long-term location with supportive services located on site

GROUNDING IN PARTNERSHIP

The Hood River Shelter has strong partnerships with local government, law enforcement, faith groups, social and health care providers, local businesses, and community volunteers

YEAR-ROUND SAFETY & STABILITY

Everyone in our community is safer when the Hood River Shelter is open - year round operations will provide the support needed to bridge gaps and build true long-term housing stability

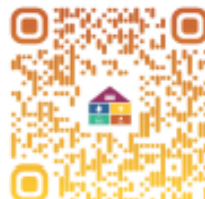
DONATE

You can make a difference and be part of securing a **true long-term home** for the Hood River Shelter

Every gift brings us one step closer to a community where everyone has a safe & stable place to call home

We invite you to join us!

Learn more & donate:
[MCCAC.com/HRShelter4all](https://mccac.com/HRShelter4all)



HOOD RIVER SHELTER CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2026-2029

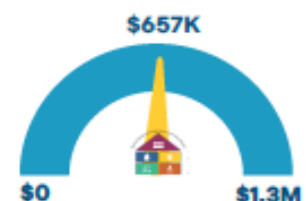
Phase 1 - site purchase and establishing shelter operations at the new location

Phase 2 - site redevelopment to create a mini-Navigation Center with on site offices for MCCAC staff and community partners

LEARN MORE & DONATE [MCCAC.com/HRShelter4all](https://mccac.com/HRShelter4all)

**Help us reach
our Phase 1
Fundraising goal!**

Updated
Sept. 2026



Next Sunday, October 11, is Second Sunday recycling. After this collection, there are going to be changes due to state/local recycling changes and the financial viability of the Gorge Sustainability Project.

Details will be shared with you as soon as they are available.

Please continue recycling as much as you can and similarly limit your use of plastics.



Why do pastors carry really large pencils?
Because they want to draw people closer to God. . .

October 11 is Pastor Appreciation Sunday. It is part of a larger focus on the importance of healthy pastoral leadership in the Christian church (Disciples of Christ) in the Week of Ministry.

One way we can support our pastor is by expressing gratitude.

There will be a presentation to Alicia in worship, and you are encouraged to bring a card or to sign the group card available in the narthex.

Can you find yourself in this quote from theologian Soren Kierkegaard? “People have an idea that the preacher is an actor on a stage, and they are the critics, blaming or praising him/her. What they don’t know is that they are the actors on the stage; the preacher is really the prompter standing in the wings, reminding them of their lines.”

We are indeed called to live with glad and generous hearts. 🙏❤️

Church Calendar

Wednesday October 07

Thrift Shop CLOSED

Thursday October 08

1:30pm Chimes practice

Saturday October 10

Thrift Shop CLOSED

Sunday October 11-Recycling

9:30am Lectionary Preview

10:30am Worship

Elder's meeting today following Worship!

4:00pm Hope and Life Church worship

Tuesday October 13

10:00am Women's Bible Study

Wednesday October 14

Thrift Shop CLOSED

Thursday October 15

1:30pm Chimes practice

5:30pm Board Meeting

Saturday October 17

Thrift shop CLOSED

Sunday October 18

Pastor Alicia gone (after church)18-21

9:30am Lectionary Preview

10:30am Worship

Thriving Lunch and conversation following worship!

4:00pm Hope and Life Church worship

Tuesday October 20

10:00am Women's Bible Study

Wednesday October 21

9:00am piano tuning- Fellowship Hall

Thrift shop CLOSED

Thursday October 22

9am piano tuning-Sanctuary

1:30pm Chimes practice

Saturday October 24

Thrift shop CLOSED

Sunday October 25

9:30am Lectionary Preview

10:30am Worship

4:00pm Hope and Life Church worship

Scriptures for October 11, 2026

Exodus 32:1-14

Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23

Isaiah 25:1-9, Psalm 23

Philippians 4:1-9

Matthew 22:1-14

Serving Sunday October 11, 2026

Elder this week

Jerry Sawyer

Communion prep

Maggie Strasser

Coffee hour

Betty Osborne

Deacon

Scott + Laurie

Scriptures for October 18, 2026

Exodus 33:12-23

Psalm 99; Isaiah 45:1-7

Psalm 96:1-9, (10-13)

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Matthew 25:15-22

Serving Sunday October 18, 2026

Elder this week

Jennifer Stager

Communion prep

Barb Ritoch

Coffee hour

Judy Hiatt

Deacon

Jackson

