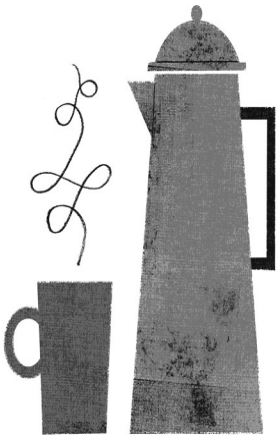


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*From the Pastor’s Desk*

**“Deep Roots”**



We are in need of coffee hour hosts after church. What does this involve? We are simply asking hosts to serve a treat and coffee.

Unfortunately, we are not able to serve homemade treats at this time. We are asking you to purchase treats but we do not want this to be a financial burden so with notice, Bonnie will make sure treats are available. Coffee will be made for you and ready to serve. It works best if you can serve with another person.

Call Bonnie if you are interested at 786-1594 or sign up in the narthex.

This is the time of year when people are getting busy in their yards and gardens. A time for enjoying all the Lord’s gift of creation. For plants to grow to their full potential there must have an extensive root system. We too need deep roots. We need this individually and as a church family. Each one of us is like a plant and together we are like a garden. Roots search for the sources of life. We draw our life from the One who created and designed us – the Lord Jesus Christ. I see this year as a time for all of us to strengthen our roots. This will happen in a couple of ways.

First, we are starting a sermon series on the book of 1 Peter. The Apostle Peter’s letter is a hard-hitting book. It calls us to live a radical discipleship in challenging times. The people Peter writes to are hard-living people who are experiencing trials. Peter encourages them, but also pushes them not to compromise. Creating deep roots often requires that we push ourselves. Breaking up hard soil, removing old roots and big rocks is hard work. Why not make it a goal over the next 2 months to spend time daily in 1 Peter as we journey through it as a church family? The book also provides the opportunity to grow deeper intellectually. How about picking up a commentary on 1 Peter to supplement your reading? Wayne Grudem’s and Scot McKnight’s commentaries are good options. Another interesting read could be Adam Hamilton’s Simon Peter: Flawed but Faithful Disciple.

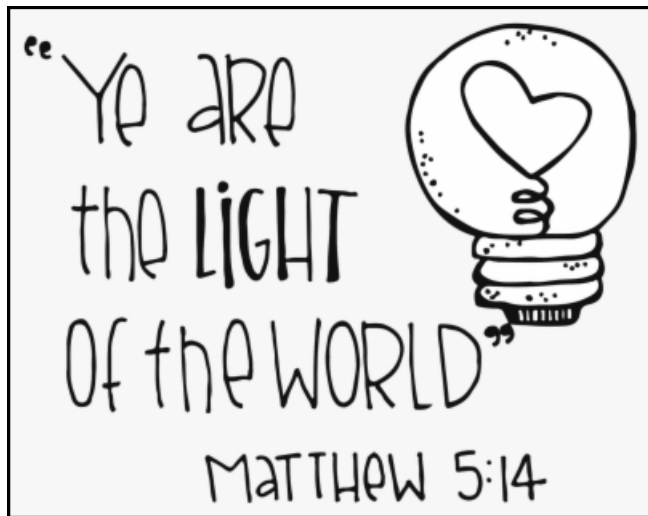
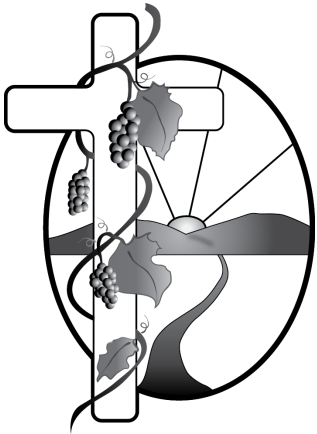
As I mentioned above creating deep roots require clearing the ground of obstacles. Our leaders will be going through a process of prayerfully considering what we learned in this past year. What are things that we will set aside? I suggest that each of us needs to do this on personal level as well. Have there been habits or routines that you have fallen into this past year that are not helpful for deep roots? Additionally, we will be asking what are new things that we gained. Like the importance of relationships and unity together. How about you?

On a similar note, one of the things we do not want to continue from last year is the lack of in person worship. We are in person and that will continue. The concerns about Benton county going back to Phase 2 will not change anything that we are currently doing in our worship services. The phases have to do with capacity and we still have room to expand capacity especially since so many of our church family is vaccinated.

Blessings,

Pastor Paul

# COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



## Covenant Presbyterian Church 2021 Graduates!



Grace Bestebreur  
Isaac Bestebreur  
Rebekah Bestebreur  
Cameron Buckles  
A.J. Ferris  
Elizabeth Humberstad  
Jake Jensen  
Emalyn Smith

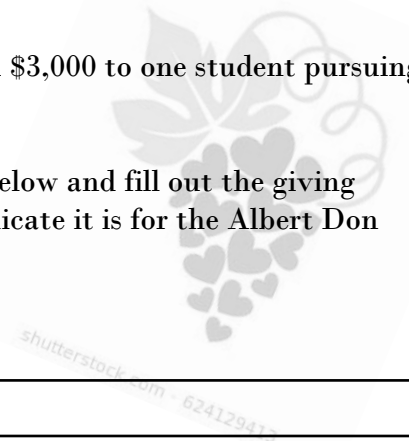
## ALBERT DON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Albert Don Memorial Scholarships was established in 2021 in honor of Albert Don, a respected innovator in the ag and grape community. Albert was a lifelong resident of Prosser where he started his career with Wyckoff Farms and stayed for over 30 years. He played the role of not only farmer, but also of innovator with mechanical pruning, hedging, and mechanical thinning practices that led the industry. In 2003, he earned the Washington Winegrowers Association's 'Grower of the Year' award to recognize his demonstrated viticultural skills that provide impact in the vineyard and in the bottle—creating the atmosphere of a perfect grape in the vineyard.

The Albert Don Memorial Scholarship will annually award \$3,000 to one student pursuing an education in viticulture or wine business management.

If you are interested in donating please go to the website below and fill out the giving information but make sure in the comment section you indicate it is for the Albert Don Scholarship Fund.

<https://washingtonwinefoundation.org/online-giving/>



Church Family,

I have wanted to start a small group, but if I am being completely honest I am scared. After a women's retreat I recently attended I shared my fears and received a lot of encouragement. I have also received support from my friends. I don't have to know all the answers. I don't have to know the Bible inside and out in fact it will help my knowledge of scripture. It is my responsibility to say YES to the Holy Spirits' nudge and let God do the rest.

In a similar way I want to encourage our church family to consider small groups once again. Maybe your small group has been meeting or maybe your small group has taken a break. This is a great time to consider starting or restarting a small group!

I feel that people are looking for community, support, and hope. Maybe you are not comfortable leading a group but it does take someone saying yes to starting the process; inviting, setting up the time, and simply being the facilitator. You do not have to be the one to lead the small group every time as that could be something shared.

If you have that same nudge but need a little help or direction please call the church office. You are always welcome to use the church building if that works better for your group—we just need to plan for that.

I am starting a women's small group Tuesday's from 4-5pm here at the church beginning June 1st (I do not know the study yet). If you are interested call me at 786-1594 or text me at 832-0682.

Blessings, Bonnie

# General Fund Giving



January-April 2021

Actual Budgeted Income: \$111,163.00\*

Actual Budgeted Expenses: \$-95,919.09

\$ 15,243.91

\*includes one pledge fulfilled for the year & partial funding from the PPP (\$30,000)-see below.

The church applied and was approved for the second draw of the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP). This is a federally funded program through the Small Business Association (SBA). The PPP was established with the intent to keep employees on payroll during COVID and covers a few other expenses. We received \$46,619; these funds have to be used according to the SBA and then will be eligible for forgiveness. If you have any questions please contact Bonnie.

## RENOVATE

RENOVATE 3 YEAR GIVING TOTAL (2018-2020):  
\$432,041.40 (96% of pledges were fulfilled)

RENOVATE EXTENSION (1/2021-6/2023):  
Total Renovate Extension Pledge Cards Recv'd:  
\$104,450

LOAN BALANCE: \$196,210.95

### Giving options:

- mail your check (we have a secure, locked mailbox)
- set up bill pay through your bank
- bring to church (offering plate is at back of the sanctuary)
- our website [www.prosserpres.org](http://www.prosserpres.org) & go to giving tab



## SENIOR SUNDAY, JUNE 6<sup>TH</sup>

A day to celebrate our 2021 graduates and praise God for the work He has done and will continue to do in each of their lives.

## GRADUATION BRUNCH

Following the worship service, our Fellowship Team is hosting a brunch in honor of our seniors!

For your convenience, a basket will be set out for each grad for cards/gifts or feel free to send a card.

Bestebreuer-930 Parkside Dr. Prosser  
Buckles-PO BOX 550 Prosser  
Ferris-12602 S Missimer Rd Prosser  
Humberstad-370 S. Nunn Rd Prosser  
Jensen-165502 W 276 PR SW Prosser  
Smith-1102 Colena St Prosser





## Camp Ghormley

Summer on the meadow is back!  
Primary, Junior, and Teen Camp  
are being offered in July.

For info and registration go to  
[campghormley.com](http://campghormley.com)

**Camp Scholarships are available!**  
Contact Jacki for info and forms.



## PROMISELAND

THE BEST HOUR  
OF EVERY KID'S WEEK!  
For children preschool -5<sup>th</sup> grade

**Promiseland is meeting in-person !**

All children preschool - 5<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome to follow the  
Promiseland Leaders downstairs right after the Children's  
Moment. Children will be released when the worship service  
has ended.

The PL Leaders and students will be following our Church's  
Covid Protocols

**Masks - social distancing - hand sanitizer**

Our Team is committed to being Covid aware for Large  
Group and Small Group storytelling, teaching, props, games,  
writing materials, and shared spaces/surfaces.



Your journey from mourning to JOY  
Help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child,  
family member, or friend.

**This Bible based, 13 week ministry will meet**  
**Tuesdays 6:30 - 8:30pm**  
**June 8 ~ Aug. 31**



You are welcome to begin attending at any point. Each session is  
"self-contained", so you do not have to attend in sequence.

If you would like information for yourself, family member or  
friend, please call Jacki @ 786-1594

Learn more about GriefShare at [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org)

**509-786-1594      WWW.PROSSERPRES.ORG**

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We will have a congregational meeting on Sunday, May 16 after worship for the purpose of electing Deacons. Please stay after church if you can. Thanks!



Reminder:  
Our Daily Bread and Upper Room devotional books are available outside of the Yakima Ave entrance. They are stored in a clear plastic tote on top of the mailbox- please stop by anytime.



Cheri Eisen, is a licensed physical therapist that is offering Wellness classes here at the church. She focuses on Geriatric wellness, fitness, strength, and general well-being. Classes are Monday & Thursday at 11am; \$5 each class. You may attend twice at no charge to see if this is something you would benefit from. Please call Cheri if you are interested at 816-510-5025



Do we have your email address? We have a great email program that we use for prayer requests, upcoming church events, volunteer needs, and weekly updates. If you want to be added please call Bonnie.



Social media platforms to keep connected:

Instagram: [prossercovenantpres](#)

Twitter: [@PCovenantPres](#)

Church website: [www.prosserpres.org](http://www.prosserpres.org)

Find us on Facebook too!



## WANTED!

Jesus loving leaders with a heart for youth to join our Youth Ministry Team. We need Sunday School and Youth Group Leaders. Don't miss out on this opportunity to serve our Lord and the most amazing middle school and high school students ever! Give Jacki a call to get started.

Youth Group  
Prayer ~Talk ~ Text  
Email ~ Zoom

We are here for you!

Times are strange and staying connected can be tough. Please feel free to contact Jacki for – well – for anything and everything! (really!)  
509-378-9679 or [jackim@prosserpres.org](mailto:jackim@prosserpres.org)

*We understand that this school year looks different and it's certainly not what you were hoping for. Please know, that EACH of you are in our prayers!*

## May Birthdays:

5/01 Donna Greenough  
 5/02 Jacob Rainer  
 5/04 Tim Alsbury  
 5/05 Jon Don  
 5/05 Nicole Fredericks  
 5/06 Jim Milne  
 5/07 Carolyn Montague  
 5/07 Jude Schnellbach  
 5/10 Dany Taylor  
 5/12 Ellie Fredericks  
 5/14 Brittany Keller  
 5/14 Ross Thomas  
 5/16 Kendra Candanoza  
 5/16 Dennelle McKinney  
 5/17 Drew Renollet  
 5/17 Janeel Hemming  
 5/20 Virginia Bradbury  
 5/21 Natalie Schmick  
 5/21 Jan Don  
 5/22 Barb McMullen  
 5/25 Kora Sabin  
 5/29 Judy Harwood



## June Birthdays:

6/1 Scott Roehl  
 6/2 Kathy Taylor  
 6/3 Austin Candanoza  
 6/4 Ginger Quaresma



## May Anniversaries:

5/22 Guy & Anne Auld

# MAY 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 10a WORSHIP Nursery Available Promiseland	3 11a Wellness Class	4 9a Bonnie's Prayer Group Zoom	5	6 11a Wellness Class	7	8
9 10a WORSHIP Nursery Available Promiseland	10 11a Wellness Class 6p Session Mtg at Church	11 9a Bonnie's Prayer Group Zoom	12	13 11a Wellness Class	14	15
16 10a WORSHIP Nursery Available Promiseland Congregational Mtg	17 11a Wellness Class	18 9a Bonnie's Prayer Group Zoom	19	20 11a Wellness Class	21	22
23/30 10a WORSHIP Nursery Available Promiseland	24/31 11a Wellness Class 31st- Office Closed	25 9a Bonnie's Prayer Group Zoom	26	27 11a Wellness Class	28	29