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From The Pastor's Desk

So, what have you got planned for this summer? Vacation, time with family, work projects? All good things, but I want to suggest something spiritually transformative along with all those other things. This summer we as a church family are going to travel through a book of the Bible that has changed the world by changing people. Martin Luther the German monk who started the protestant reformation said that because of this book:

I grasped that the righteousness of God is righteousness by which through grace and sheer mercy God justifies us by faith. Thereupon I felt myself to be reborn and to have gone through open doors into paradise... I broke through. And as I had formerly hated the expression 'the righteousness of God,' I now began to regard it as my dearest and most comforting word.

John Calvin who was one of the founders of the Reformed tradition said that this book was his:

entrance... to all the most hidden treasures of Scripture... The subject then of these chapters may be stated thus – man's only righteousness is through the mercy of God in Christ, which being offered by the gospel is apprehended by faith.

This book has had a transformative effect on Christians throughout the ages. It has been referred to as the 5th gospel. If you haven't guessed already, it is the book of Romans. Why not make the book of Romans your prayerful focus for the summer? You could use each of the Sunday passages as part of devotional reading for that week. There may be verses that the Spirit of God draws to your attention that are worth memorizing. Each passage each week can become a jumping off point for your prayer life. For example, Romans 1:8 says, "First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is being reported all over the world." This could lead you to daily pray for those you are thankful for. This kind of spiritual focus could make this a summer like no other. Why not?

Blessings,
Pastor Paul



Thank you for serving coffee hour this month!

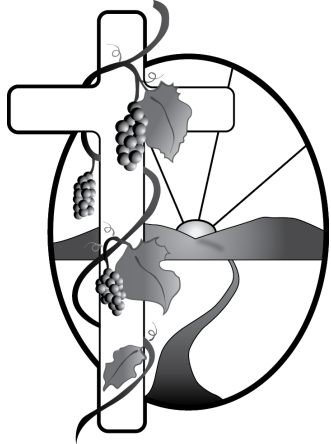
June 4: Senior/Youth Sunday

June 11: OPEN

June 18: Father's Day-Fellowship Team

June 25: Jeremy & Wendy Poteet

Covenant Presbyterian Church



hello
SUMMER

June 4
Pastor Paul Fredericks

June 11
Pastor Jacki McNair

June 18
Pastor Paul Fredericks

June 25
Pastor Paul Fredericks

Home-bound Communion

The first Sunday of every month is an opportunity for our church family to celebrate the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ through partaking in the Lord's Supper. We want everyone who has placed their faith in Jesus Christ to have the opportunity to participate, but we are aware that some in our family are not able to get out due to bad weather or physical problems. However, our Deacons will be available to bring Communion to those who want to receive it on that Sunday. Please call the church office (786-1594) and let us know if you aren't going to be able to be in church and would like to have Communion in your home.



The Building & Stewardship Team would like to summarize what was covered at our congregational meeting in March to be transparent and communicate the best we can with our church family.

The 2023 budget was approved by Session with the following steps in place due to a shortfall:

- * Session to re-evaluate our income and expenses in July and make adjustments if needed. This is common practice to look at budget half way through the year.
- * Session will ask the Prosser Market Street LLC (rental house income) board to increase their monthly contribution to the church to \$1250/month. This has been approved.
- * Each team was asked to look at their budget and trim where they could. This has been completed. Keep in mind most teams do not spend their full budget.
- * There were a few hourly positions that had extra hours built in and those have been adjusted in effort to help the overall budget.

At the end of the congregational meeting we asked the church family to prayerfully consider an increase in their giving. We appreciate your commitment and generosity!

Thank you,
Building & Stewardship Team



January -May 2023

Actual Income: \$156,836.00*
Actual Expenses: -\$126,796.55**
Excess \$ 30,039.45

*denotes that 4 pledges are paid in full for 2023
**expenses are estimated; incorrect billing from medical benefits insurance is still getting straightened out.

RENOVATE

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

RENOVATE EXTENSION (1/2021-6/2023):
Total Received: \$139,872.00

LOAN BALANCE 5/31/23: \$108,487.19



Giving options:

- bring to worship on Sunday's
- mail your check (we have a secure, locked mailbox)
- drop your check off at the office
- set up bill pay through your bank
- go to our website and look for the giving tab



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.



Our church has a long standing history and relationship with Camp Ghormley. We have had many of our youth go as campers over many, many years and have even had some of our youth go as counselors. **Ghormley is very close to our hearts!** Ghormley offers Christian summer camp programs for youth and teens throughout central Washington. Christ-centered camp programming is the heart of who we are, with exciting camp activities, caring counselors, and engaging camp speakers throughout each session. Summer camp is a life changing adventure that will stay with your kids forever.

Summer is here and that means it's time to start thinking about Summer Camp!

Check out Camp Ghormley and register online at ghormleymeadow.org.

We have scholarships available! Forms are available in the office, in the narthex, or talk to Jacki.

Primary Camp (2-4 grade) – July 5-8
Junior I (4-6 grade) – June 26-30 or Jr. II July 24-28
Middle School Camp (6-8 grade) – July 17-22
Teen Camp (8-13 grade) – July 30-August 5

There are Adventure Camps & Waterski Camp too!

Vacation Bible School

August 14-18

Stay tuned.....



CHILDREN'S
CHURCH

Children's Church will begin
Sunday, June 11. For kids
preschool through 5th grade.
They will be dismissed after the
Children's Sermon.

The church received a letter from Joel Whitehead, Executive Director of Camp Ghormley. Here is an abbreviated version of his letter. There is always an opportunity to donate to Camp Ghormley but he is specifically asking for camp scholarship donations. There are many families that are in need of scholarships to help get their kids to camp. This gift will help a camper experience the summer of a lifetime and true transformation in Jesus. When a young person comes to Camp Ghormley they are joined by over a hundred other young people and camp staff who all want the same thing-to see Jesus transform their life for the better. As one group they get to spend a week together in the mountains worshipping Jesus with singing, laughing, crying, and praying. Your gift will help a family send their camper.

We, CPC, want to share this information with you in the event that you are able to send a gift directly to them. Thank you!

In January we received an email from Heather Askew, Jojo's Sanctuary, with an update on Isaac. The entire situation has been and is complicated but is summarized below.

Recently a new law passed that stateless children can access free or discounted health care. This is huge for Isaac as he doesn't have any documentation and is stateless. They received his card and was transferred, a few times, to different hospitals but landed at the Suandok hospital for the care he needs (this is a great hospital according to Heather).

In a single day at the Suandok hospital they were able to meet with three doctors and got six appointments scheduled over six weeks. He had an MRI, met with a cardiologist, blood work, CT Scan, met with a pediatrician, and met with the orthopedic surgeons to go over all the results and discuss next steps all in the month of January. All of the scans of his internal organs are normal.

Isaac's pediatrician said with this severe case of scoliosis, it can influence so many other things in the body. So, with no medical history at all (he had so many caretakers in his early life and nobody ever took him to the doctor for any sort of checkups) she wants to get all the information she can so the surgeons can put together the best plan for how to do the surgery. If he has issues with other internal organs, they will need those specialists to assist with the surgery.

Due to the severity of this case the surgeon has been able to schedule Isaac's surgery for **August 4!** Between now and then he has a lot of appointments to prepare for the surgery but initially we thought he would have to wait another four years. Praise the Lord!

God is amazing and his timing is wonderful-we give God all the glory. Thank you for your continued support and prayers. Isaac and his adoptive mom are so grateful and wish they could thank you in person.

Blessings, Heather Askew

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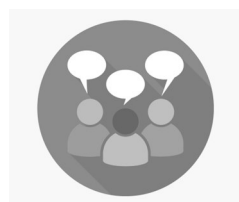
Promiseland

What a season we had! Exciting, wondrous and sometimes surprising Bible stories, informative Bible Buddies, oh so many ways to make paper airplanes and precious moments of discipleship building. Thank you to our outstanding Promiseland Leaders:

Jessie Schmick,
Joann Schnellbach,
Michelle Hall, Jacki McNair



Cheri Eisen, is a licensed physical therapist that offers 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. You can text at 816-510-5025 or call 509-497-1154.



Social media platforms to keep connected:

Instagram: [prossercovenantpres](#)
Twitter: [@PCovenantPres](#)
Church website: www.prosserpres.org
Find us on Facebook too!

Summer Word Search

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N	J	C	P	P	L	D	P	B	D	H	J	D	O	T	N	Q	E	V	N	U	F	U	G
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Swimming
Hamburgers
Sun Lotion
Warm
Sun

Sand
Sunshine
No School
Fun
Water

Flip Flops
Outside
Icecream
Vacation
Sandles

Hot Dog
Pool
Sunny
Sunglasses
Beach

JUNE BIRTHDAYS:

6/1 Scott Roehl
6/2 Kathy Taylor
6/3 Austin Candanoza
6/4 Ginger Quaresma
6/6 Susie Christopher
6/9 Lori Alsbury
6/11 Elizabeth Humberstad
6/12 Sean Tudor
6/13 Warren Barmore
6/17 Sue Poteet
6/19 Jesse McNair
6/23 Marjorie Moore
6/27 Carol Travis
6/30 Michael Don
6/30 Cori Love



JULY BIRTHDAYS

7/1 Morgan Rainer
7/2 Jenna Schnellbach
7/4 Bob Elder



JUNE ANNIVERSARIES:

6/03 Dan & Bonnie Anaya
6/11 Ross & Linda Thomas
6/22 Alan & Donna Steen
6/29 Larry & Jean Wolters

JUNE 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 11a Wellness Class	2	3
4 Senior/Youth Sunday 10a WORSHIP Nursery Available Pastor's small group	5 11a Wellness Class	6 10a Sun Terrace Bible Study	7 6p PHS Baccalaureate	8 11a Wellness Class	9	10 10a PHS Graduation
11 10a WORSHIP Nursery Available Children's Church Pastor's small group	12 11a Wellness Class 530p Team Mtg 6p Session Mtg	13 10a Sun Terrace Bible Study	14	15 11a Wellness Class	16	17
18 Father's Day 10a WORSHIP Nursery Available Children's Church Pastor's small group	19 11a Wellness Class	20 10a Sun Terrace Bible Study	21	22 11a Wellness Class	23	24
25 10a WORSHIP Nursery Available Children's Church Pastor's small group	26 11a Wellness Class	27 10a Sun Terrace Bible Study	28	29 11a Wellness Class	30	