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LITTLE RED SCHOOLHOUSE

Barbara McLean

The Little Red Schoolhouse Project provided 2,150 school children with backpacks, school supplies and used clothing last year. Due to the economy we are planning on 2,500 students this year.

DONATIONS APPRECIATED

A drive for school supplies and gently used clothing (especially sizes 4-10) will be held August 1 to August 14 at all Heritage Bank locations. There will be a fund raiser at MIXX 96 on August 14 from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. at State and Washington, in downtown Olympia.

We would appreciate donations of school supplies and children's clothing. They can be left in the children's library.

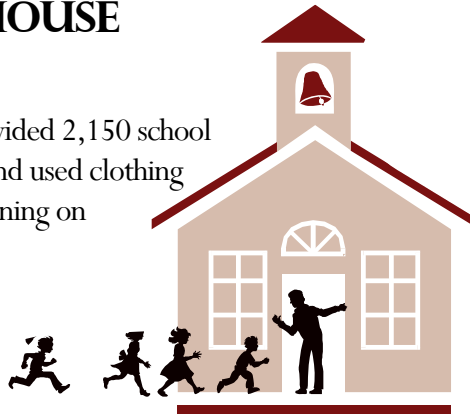
HELPERS NEEDED AUGUST 18,19, 20

We will need help hanging clothes on Tuesday, August 18 and Wednesday, August 19, at Jefferson Middle School, 220 Conger Ave NW from 9 a.m. to 2:20 p.m. On Distribution Day, Thursday, August 20, we will need help from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. to rehang clothes and help the clients. We could also use some extra help taking down the racks and packing the truck at 5 p.m. on Thursday.

If you can help or have any questions, call **Barbara McLean** at 352-8695.

THE OTHER BANK

On Sunday, August 2 the TUCO Express Wagon will collect donations for the Food Bank, and The Other Bank, a program of the YWCA of Olympia which has provided personal and household hygiene and cleaning supplies since 1986. Items needed include **shampoo, deodorant, toilet paper, shaving cream, razors, bar soap, dental floss, children's and adult toothbrushes, toothpaste. Powdered laundry soap, dish soap,** and other cleaning supplies are also appreciated. None of these items can be purchased with food stamps, and over 35% of those served are children age 13 and under. Thank you!



Summer Worship Services

July 26

9:00 - 9:40 A.M. - Chapel
*Reflection, Contemplation
and Prayer*

10:00 A.M. - Sanctuary
**“God’s Abundant
Presence”**

TEXTS:

- II Samuel 11:1-15 • Psalm 14
- Ephesians 3:14-21
- Matthew 11:16-19, 18-23

✦ Family Style Worship

6:00 P.M.

Spirit Service
~ Prayer

August 2

9:00 - 9:40 A.M. - Chapel
*Reflection, Contemplation
and Prayer*

10:00 A.M. - Sanctuary
“Bread of Life”

TEXTS:

- II Samuel 11:26-12:13 a
- Psalm 51:1-13 • Ephesians 4:1-16
- Matthew 13:1-9

✦ Communion/Food Bank

6:00 P.M.

Spirit Service
~ Labyrinth

CAMP QUIXOTE—A CALL FOR HOSTING HELP *Lee Johnson, PANZA Board*

Lacey Community Church, a small but very committed congregation, is hosting the Camp during July and August. Our sisters and brothers there need our help in taking a three-hour shift at the host table. Please give this plea every prayerful consideration. The process for signing up for a shift, below, is also posted on the Mission, Peace & Justice Bulletin Board and available on hard copies found in the Narthex.

HOW TO SIGN UP FOR A SHIFT AT CAMP QUIXOTE'S HOST TABLE

On-Line

1. Type in: <http://closethegap.wikispaces.com/Camp+Quixote+Volunteers>
2. Sign-up instructions will appear. Please note the instruction dealing with training.
3. Consult "Host Tent Calendar" to view open shifts and make selection.
4. As noted in the instructions, send an e-mail message with your selection to tucocamp@gmail.com.

However if you choose to call with this information, **do not** call the individual (Ashley) and number listed in the instructions. Instead, call Jennifer (Shaw) at (360) 485-8569.

Telephone

1. Call Jennifer Shaw at (360) 485-8569.
2. Be prepared with options for your hosting date and time. Jennifer will advise you from her calendar about which shifts are available.

QUESTIONS? Please call or e-mail **Lee Johnson** at 866-2972 or ltjohnson@sprintmail.com.



TRAVELING MERCIES

Blessings to **Mark Dowdy**, who is away on vacation with his family from July 20—August 10.

DIRECTIONS: LACEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

4501 19th Ave SE Tel. 491-1741

- Proceed South on College Street, crossing Pacific Avenue and Lacey Boulevard.
- Turn right onto 19th Avenue. (There is a large open field on the right immediately before the turn. The turn is one block before the stoplight).
- Proceed approximately three blocks on 19th Avenue and turn left into the church parking lot.
- Camp Quixote is housed in the large field immediately adjacent to the parking lot.

SUMMER FAITH FORMATION FOR ALL AGES

Sundays, July 19-August 16, 11 a.m., Social Hall

Come join us in a study that demonstrates the momentum of God's spirit in the places and events of the civil rights era. **"On the Move: God's Grace from Place to Place"** is an intergenerational offering; all ages from 3 to 103 are welcome. Adults will engage in a Bible-based study based on African American spirituals, singing, listening and studying spirituals from a Biblical, historical and social perspective.

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Children will be learning about civil rights and justice while studying Biblical messages through activities, crafts, movement, music and food.

We will meet in the Social Hall after the service at 11:00 a.m. starting July 19 and continue weekly at the same time on July 26, August 2, August 9 and August 16, with a wrap-up at the All Church Retreat August 21-23.

We will meet for two hours each Sunday, starting with a community meal of soul food. So get a move on, and join the fun! Contact **Brooke Johnson** by e-mail Pascalwills@aol.com or by phone (360) 561-7169.

DENOMINATIONAL SUPPORT

Karen Eitheim, Stewardship Ministry

Per Capita contributions are now called Denominational Support in order to better reflect the use of these funds. This is the money we contribute to our Presbyterian and United Church of Christ denominations to support their work on our behalf. This amount is approximately \$30 per member.

About a year ago it was decided to include Denominational Support in your regular pledge to TUCO. Many members of both denominations and of TUCO, however, wish to make a separate donation to cover this. These additional contributions help our overall TUCO budget and will be accepted with deep gratitude. If you wish to make a separate donation by check, please note that it is for Denominational Support or Per Capita. If you contribute through on-line banking, just let Sid Olson, Bookkeeper, know the intent of your gift via e-mail, phone, a note in his box or a note in the offering plate addressed to Sid.

Thank you for your generosity.

CELEBRATING CALVIN'S BIRTHDAY

Sid Olson, Clerk of Presbytery

(from the July 6 Presbyterian Outlook) Calvin Service Broadcast (ENI) – More than two million television viewers in Europe and beyond joined a congregation of 1,200 people on May 31 at Geneva's St. Pierre Cathedral to honor the 500th anniversary of the birth of the Protestant Reformer John Calvin.

"We give thanks to God for the incredible ways that his legacy is giving life and hope to communities all around our world," said Clifton Kirkpatrick, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches and former General Assembly stated clerk of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), at the opening of the service.

Eurovision transmitted the service live to a number of European countries and it was also picked up in the U.S.A. by Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

The Calvin 09 Web site presents in four languages a calendar of jubilee events worldwide and information

NEW SMALL GROUP: "PEACE CRAFTERS"

Peace Crafters is a new group that meets on Monday afternoons from 1:00 to 3:00 and Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00. Our purpose is to get together for fellowship, to learn craft skills from one another and to make items that might be sold at the alternative gift fair in December. Any profit made from sale of the crafts will be donated to one or more local organizations yet to be determined.

All are welcome to join us. It is not mandatory that items be donated. If you wish to bring materials and work on something for yourself or a friend, please feel free to join us.

We meet at the home of **Jacky Crow**. For more information, contact Jacky, jgcrow@comcast.net or 786-1711, or **Karen Watts**, klwatts@comcast.net or 456-2526.

JULY SPIRITUAL CINEMA FILM

Saturday, July 25, Fireside Room

6:30 p.m. Dessert potluck

This group gather folks together to view and then discuss a film which have a spiritual story or theme. We meet at 6:30 p.m., share a dessert pot-luck, and community, and then view and discuss our films.

One, the Movie: A coming-together of people seeking to increase awareness of the connections we all share, remind us of our similarities, celebrate our differences and allow the positive energy of Oneness to emerge in a seemingly disconnected world.

Created by first time filmmakers, the film asks life's ultimate questions to a broad cross-section of humanity (including regular people, great spiritual masters, authors and icons such as: Deepak Chopra, Ram Dass, Thich Nhat Hahn, Father Thomas Keating, Barbara Marx-Hubbard) and let the dialogue begin!

To sign up for the e-mail reminder, contact **Pat Sonnenstuhl** at cnmpat@comcast.net. The Cinema moves to 3rd Saturdays beginning in August.

TUCO Summer Events Calendar

- July 26** Picnic at the Symphony Concert at the Capitol grounds – 4 p.m. Look for TUCO sign.
- August 9** Dinners for Seven potluck and new groups sign-up. See article below.
- August 21-23** TUCO Annual All-Church Retreat at Pilgrim Firs.
- August 28-30** Saturday Family Bike Ride on John Wayne Pioneer Trail, with optional camping. Contact **Brian Hovis**.

IT'S DINNERS FOR SEVEN TIME

Sue Breidenbach, Dinners for Seven Coordinator

Dinners for Seven is a wonderful small group opportunity to meet and become better acquainted with those you see at worship. We have two all-group gatherings and two rotations of small groups during the year so you will broaden your church acquaintances. The yearly schedule is: August- all-groups picnic; September-organize new groups that will meet October through January; February-all groups get together and reorganize for March through June.

On **Sunday, August 9** all the Dinners for 7 groups will meet for a picnic at 2:00 p.m. The hosts will provide the food and we will reimburse them for the cost (amount to be determined at the picnic).

If you are interested in joining a group, contact **Sue Breidenbach** at breidenbach@msn.com or 360-352-5870. I will give you the details of the summer picnic.

ALL-CHURCH RETREAT

Come Worship in the Woods

August 21-23 at Pilgrim Firs

It promises to be a great time for all. Joining us in exploring our theme "Breakthrough" is storyteller and musician **Dayton Edmonds**, an enchanting speaker and weaver of tales. Our very own **Brooke Johnson** will be wrapping up the wonderful Summer Faith formation class.

The cost for two wonderful nights and six scrumptious meals relaxing on the shore of Lake Flora is:

Families	Couples	Singles
\$270	\$180	\$90

These prices reflect the discount the church is offering you, because we want you to "Come to Camp". However, if you want to assist others who may need a scholarship, simply add 10% to the above prices when writing your check. Registration forms are in the Narthex.

FAMILY BIKE RIDE WITH CAMPING OPTION

Join other TUCO families for a **bike ride** on the John Wayne Pioneer Trail between Hyak and Cle Elum on **Saturday, August 28**. Contact **Brian Hovis** at brianhovis@msn.com.

Join us on a **camping** outing on Friday and Saturday nights at **Lake Easton State Park**, a forested, 516-acre year-round camping park on the shores of Lake Easton in the Cascade Mountain foothills. Camping reservations should be made asap at:

www.parks.wa.gov/parks/?selectedpark=Lake%20Easton, or by calling 888-CAMPOUT. The Hovis Family has reserved Site 47. RV sites are also available. **Prefer to not camp?** Check out South Cle Elum's The Iron Horse Inn (www.ironhorseinnbb.com).



YOUTH SUMMER SCHEDULE

August 5 - Wild Waves (*Kirsten & Tim York*) for both Senior High & Middlers

August 11 - Middlers at soup kitchen (*Brian Hovis*) 5:00-7:30

August 16 - Middlers & Senior Highs at Dowdy's, BBQ, swim, hot-tub

EVENTS AT CHURCH

Thursday, July 23 - Saturday, August 8

<p>Thursday July 23</p> <p>Friday July 24</p> <p>7:00 pm Summer Overflow Shelter begins, downstairs</p> <p>Saturday July 25</p> <p>6:30 pm Spiritual Cinema, Fireside Room</p> <p>7 pm Overflow Shelter (thru Aug 6), downstairs</p>	<p>Sunday July 26</p> <p>SUMMER SCHEDULE</p> <p>9:00 - 9:40 am Contemplation & Prayer, Chapel</p> <p>9:00 am Summer Choir, Sanctuary</p> <p>10:00 am Worship, Sanctuary</p> <p>11:15 am Summer Faith Formation, Social Hall</p> <p>4 pm Picnic at the Symphony, Capitol campus</p> <p>6:00 pm Spirit Service, Chapel ~Prayer</p>	<p>Monday July 27</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>7 pm Overflow Shelter (thru Aug 6), downstairs</p>	<p>Tuesday July 28</p> <p>1:00 pm Panorama Communion, Quinault Chapel</p> <p>1:00 pm Worship Planning, Rm. 106</p> <p>3:00 Staff Meeting, Rm.106</p> <p>6:30 pm Stephen Ministry meeting, Fireside Room</p> <p>7 pm Overflow Shelter (thru Aug 6), downstairs</p>	<p>Wednesday July 29</p> <p>6:00 pm VOICE Articles Due</p> <p>7:00 Drum Fun, Social Hall</p> <p>7 pm Overflow Shelter (thru Aug 6), downstairs</p> <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 5px;"> <p>THREE SUMMER WORSHIPS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9-9:40 a.m., Chapel <i>Reflection, Contemplation, and Prayer, led by Mark Dowdy</i> • 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary Worship with a variety of styles and music • 6:00 p.m., Chapel <i>Spirit Service of Labyrinth, Music, Taizé, and Prayer</i> </div>	<p>Thursday July 30</p> <p>6 pm Amy Roon-speaks on trip to UCC National Synod in MI. All are welcome. Fireside Room</p> <p>7 pm Overflow Shelter (thru Aug 6), downstairs</p>	<p>Friday July 31</p> <p>7 pm Overflow Shelter (thru Aug 6), downstairs</p>
<p>Saturday August 1</p> <p>7 pm Overflow Shelter (thru Aug 6), downstairs</p> <p>Saturday August 8</p>	<p>Sunday August 2</p> <p>SUMMER SCHEDULE</p> <p>9:00 - 9:40 am Contemplation, Chapel</p> <p>10:00 am Worship, Sanctuary</p> <p>11 am Coffee Fellowship</p> <p>11:15 am-1 pm Summer Faith Formation, Social Hall</p> <p>6:00 pm Spirit Service, Chapel ~Labyrinth</p> <p>7 pm Overflow Shelter (thru Aug 6), downstairs</p>	<p>Monday August 3</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>7 pm Overflow Shelter (thru Aug 6), downstairs</p>	<p>Tuesday August 4</p> <p>1:00 pm Worship Planning, Rm. 106</p> <p>3:30 Staff Mtg, Rm.106</p> <p>5:30pm Congregational Life Ministry, Fireside Room</p> <p>7 pm Overflow Shelter (thru Aug 6), downstairs</p>	<p>Wednesday August 5</p> <p>Wild Waves, Youth</p> <p>6:00 pm Christian Education Ministry, Room #106</p> <p>6:30 pm Administration Ministry, Library</p> <p>7:00 Drum Fun, Rm. 106</p> <p>7 pm Overflow Shelter (thru Aug 6), downstairs</p>	<p>Thursday August 6</p> <p>7:00 pm Mission, Peace & Justice Ministry, Library</p> <p>7:00 pm TNSCC Ministry, Room #106</p> <p>7:00 pm Worship Ministry, Fireside Room</p>	<p>Friday August 7</p> <p>5:30 pm Labyrinth Walk, Social Hall</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>SUMMER CHOIR NEEDS YOU</p> <p>9:00 a.m. rehearsal 10:00 a.m. Service</p> <p><i>August 9 & 16,</i> <i>September 6</i></p> <p>MEET IN THE SANCTUARY</p> </div>

SUMMER OVERFLOW SHELTER AT TUCO NEEDS HELP

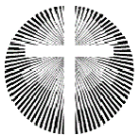
We need your help! The Church will be hosting the Emergency Overflow Shelter for homeless women and children from **Friday, July 24, 2009 through Thursday, August 6, 2009.**

We need volunteers to be **hosts** and sleep overnight at the church with our guests. We need at least two hosts each night and one must be a woman. Further, we need volunteers to do **laundry**, bring in **snacks**, and to help **unload the truck** with the beds on Friday, July 24 and to reload the beds on Friday, August 7.

We have a sign-up board in the Narthex. You can also call **Mark Bohe** to volunteer at (cell) 360-485-6674 or (home) 360-705-1405.

Prayers For

- ✦ **Walt Sonnenstuhl and family**, on the July 12 death of his mother, Norma Sonnenstuhl, in Dayton, Washington.
- ✦ **Jo Edwards and family**, on the July 18 death of her dad, Fred Malz.
- ✦ **Andy Scott**, recent deployment, and Amanda, Mathew and Jo, who will miss him a lot.
- ✦ **Bonnie Offrink and Virginia Challen**, now living at Merrill Gardens.
- ✦ **Jenny Ganey**, experiencing complications in pregnancy.
- ✦ **L.D. McNall**, Panorama C&R hospice care. Visitors welcome.
- ✦ **Nora DeMaster**, leukemia.
- ✦ **Clara Mitchell, Mary Webster**, Panorama C&R.
- ✦ **Karen Herr, Sandee Sennes, Al Walter and Deb Morton**—
Welcome, New Members!



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