



# Congregational News

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## *Easter Sunday, April 24*

- 8:30 a.m.—Celebration service with communion and participation by our youth.  
Contemporary music featuring a quartet from the OSU Chamber Choir—piano,  
bass, and drums. Elizabeth Oettinger preaching
- 9:30-10:30 a.m.—Easter Breakfast will be served between the two services in Gatton  
Hall (\$2.50/person)
- 10:15a.m.—Easter egg hunts for Pre-kindergarten through Kindergarten, and First  
through Fifth grades in the Christian Education wing.
- 11:00—Worship with music by the Sanctuary choir, brass, and timpani. The children  
will decorate the Flower Cross during the opening hymn. Ryan Lambert preaching



**YOUTH AND  
YOUNG  
ADULTS WILL  
VIGIL AND  
EAT!**

All middle and high school youth are reminded that we will be vigil-ing on Good Friday, from midnight to 1:00 a.m. Saturday. Following the vigil, we will go to breakfast at Shari's.

Young Adults will be vigil-ing on Saturday, from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m., followed by breakfast.

**ANNUAL MEETING**

***Sunday, May 1***

6:30 p.m. – dessert; 7:00 p.m. – meeting

Agenda items: 1) election of lay leaders, 2) adoption of Search Committee members, 3) reports from the West Side Committee and the Visioning Committee. **Annual Reports will be available for pickup on Easter Sunday.**

**WHITE ELEPHANTS NEEDED FOR THE YOUTH'S RUMMAGE SALE!**

Do you have items you would like to donate for a good cause? Our youth are raising money to participate in our church's intergenerational mission trip to Guatemala this summer. What are we looking for? Tools, housewares, antiques, furniture, gardening items, art, quality children's clothes, toys, linens, and art supplies.

On *Easter Sunday*, donated items may be taken to **Room 6** at the top of the stairs in the Christian Education wing. Monday-Saturday, contact **Ginie Esary** (541-754-8077 [ginsbiz@comcast.net](mailto:ginsbiz@comcast.net)) or **Rich Kaestner** (541-929-4589 [richk@alyrica.net](mailto:richk@alyrica.net)) to schedule delivery of your items.

**NEW CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP TO START**

A free monthly Caregiver Support group will be held on the last Tuesday on each month from 1:30-3:30 p.m. in the Benton Hospice Service Meeting Room, 2350 NW Professional Drive. The group is for anyone who is providing care for a family member or friend to connect with other caregivers to discuss related issues. The BHS staff will introduce caregiver topics and discussion. No preregistration is necessary; drop-ins are welcome.

For more information, contact Dana Evans, BHS Social Services Manager (541-757-9616).

**CALLING ALL VETERANS!**

The fifth Sunday this month is *May 29*, a Laity Sunday at which time the worship service will honor veterans. If you are a veteran, please call **Mike Huntington** (541-745-5635 or e-mail him at [mchuntington@comcast.net](mailto:mchuntington@comcast.net)) so that we can have a complete list of congregational veterans. We hope you will want to take part in worship on *Sunday, May 29* and also the Adult Forum session on the preceding *Sunday, May 22*.



### DO YOU HAVE FLOWERS TO SHARE?

Fresh flowers are always a treat to have for our Easter flower baskets, which add so much beauty to our sanctuary. If you have flowers, please bring them to the church on Saturday, April 23, at 9:30 a.m. And, if you would enjoy helping to create those baskets, please plan to stay and work under the able direction of **Monine Stebbins**.



### CYS MAKES BEAUTIFUL MUSIC

Corvallis Youth  
Symphony Spring  
Concert with

Willamette Valley Junior Honors Symphony and Guest Artist, Jason Duckles, will be on May 1, Sunday, 7:30 p.m., at La Sells Stewart Center. Tickets are available from CYS musicians, or at Gracewinds Music. Corvallis Youth Symphony musicians from our church are **Justin Yun** and **Brooks McCann**.

### WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MAY MEETING

Ever wonder what happens downstairs in the church during the week? On Wednesday, May 4, Women's Fellowship will take a tour of the Kidco Headstart site in our building, hear Parent Advocate **Sue Tangeman** talk about who the program serves, what their goals are,

and how they do it. Lunch will be served at noon (\$5.00), and the program will begin at 1 p.m. This is a way to continue to learn about how our church provides support for our local community. If you need child care, please contact **Ryan** at 541-757-8122. Need a ride? Contact **Alice Mills Morrow** at 541-752-3541. Sign up this Easter Sunday or call the church office 541-757-8122.

### HOLY JOE'S CAFÉ SAYS THANKS!



"Thank you so much for your support of Holy Joe's Café! Coffee is in very high demand these days. The chaplains either offer coffee at the chapel, or, if s/he is ministering to outlying fob's, they will bring it with them. Your generosity is making a huge impact on the chaplains' ministry of presence. Easter Blessings!" This note is posted on the Mission bulletin board in the church foyer.

### MEN'S GROUP STRETCHES THEIR LEGS

Men of all ages are invited to come to Fitton Green on Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m. for a hike. Come out, stretch your legs and enjoy some of Corvallis's trails. For more information, contact Ted McCann at 541-738-8811, or by e-mail at [elprofemac@comcast.net](mailto:elprofemac@comcast.net). Specific directions to Fitton Green will be given in next week's newsletter.



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**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

*Good Friday, April 22*

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir  
 8:00 p.m. Worship

*Saturday, April 23*

10:00 a.m. Flower arranging,  
 breakfast set-up

*Easter Sunday, April 24*

8:30 a.m. Worship  
 9:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast  
 10:15 a.m. East Egg Hunt,  
 C E wing  
 11:00 a.m. Worship

*Monday, April 25*

**OFFICE CLOSED**

6:00 p.m. Guatemala trip group,  
 Fireplace Room  
**NO Confirmation**

*Tuesday, April 26*

10:15 a.m. Staff  
 Noon Lectionary class  
 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 1  
 7:15 p.m. Church Council

*Wednesday, April 27*

7:30 a.m. Women's Breakfast  
 Group

7:15 p.m. **NO** Sanctuary Choir

*Thursday, April 28*

1:30 p.m. Spirit Group  
 7:00 p.m. EMF Board  
 7:30 p.m. Young Adult Bells

*Friday, April 29*

7:30 p.m. Badminton

**NOTE:**

**No Holy Sox** practice this week. A survey of team members will be taken to determine dates of future practices.

**LISTEN, TALK AND GET ALONG**

On Friday, April 30, at our church, Selen Aitken will present a workshop on Nonviolent Communication skills for everyone. Aitken is a certified trainer with the Center for Nonviolent Communication, as well as a mediator, educator and adventurer. Call 1-860-202-2677 or 541-752-0643 for info.