

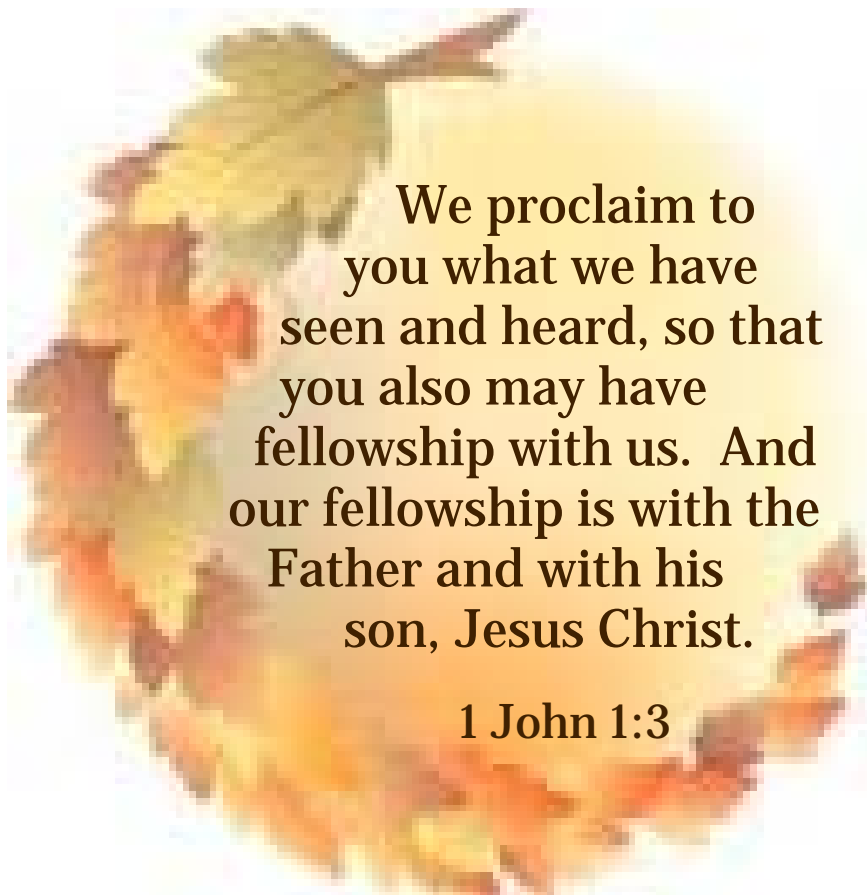


Monthly Milestones

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We proclaim to
you what we have
seen and heard, so that
you also may have
fellowship with us. And
our fellowship is with the
Father and with his
son, Jesus Christ.

1 John 1:3

A TIME FOR COMMUNITY

Vacation Bible School, August 22-26
Service on the Green, August 28th
All Church Picnic, August 28th

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When God says, “I will remember you”

Did you ever stop to think about what God meant when He said He remembered someone or something? Our omniscient (all-knowing) God surely cannot forget about His creation. Yet we find statements like this in Scripture:

"And God remembered Noah..."
"God remembered Abraham..."
"God remembered His covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob..."

We are most fortunate that God does not forget His children, ever! When he makes this statement, it is not that God was about to forget, or that He didn't do something He should have, rather, that it was time for God to act! To step in on behalf of His chosen people, His nation of Israel, or individual believers who have placed their faith in Him. To act on their behalf, move in response to their heartfelt cries and prayers and resolve their dilemma or relieve their distress. Let's take a look at

Genesis 8:1-8:

¹*But God remembered Noah and all the wild animals and the livestock that were with him in the ark, and he sent a wind over the earth, and the waters*

receded. ²Now the springs of the deep and the floodgates of the heavens had been closed, and the rain had stopped falling from the sky. ³The water receded steadily from the earth. At the end of the hundred and fifty days the water had gone down, ⁴and on the seventeenth day of the seventh month the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat. ⁵The waters continued to recede until the tenth month, and on the first day of the tenth month the tops of the mountains became visible.

⁶After forty days Noah opened the window he had made in the ark ⁷and sent out a raven, and it kept flying back and forth until the water had dried up from the earth. ⁸Then he sent out a dove to see if the water had receded from the surface of the ground." (NIV)

Then it was time to remember Abraham's prayers and protect his nephew, Lot:

Genesis 19:29:

²⁹*And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the plain, that God remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when he overthrew the cities in the which Lot dwelt.*

Then it was time to remember certain women, and answer their prayers for children;

Genesis 30:22:

²²*Then God remembered Rachel; he listened to her and opened her womb. (NIV)*

1 Samuel 1:19:

¹⁹*And they rose up in the morning early, and worshiped before the LORD, and returned, and came to their house to Ramah: and Elkanah knew Hannah his wife; and the LORD remembered her."*

Then it was time to remember His covenant, and to deliver His people from their Egyptian bondage, to act on their behalf and fulfill His promises toward them:

Exodus 2:24:

²⁴*God heard their groaning and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob.*

Psalms 106:43-45:

⁴³*Many times did he deliver them; but they provoked him with their counsel, and were brought low for their iniquity. ⁴⁴Nevertheless he regarded their affliction, when he heard their cry: ⁴⁵And he remembered for them his covenant, and repented according to the multitude of his mercies.*

By now you may be asking yourselves, "What is the pastor trying to say?"

It's simple! I am trying to establish that our God, the Creator of the universe, never forgets His creation: you and me! He loves, blesses, protects, provides, establishes and gives to us whatever we need just when we need it!

Why? Because God loves us and never forgets His children. It doesn't matter how busy He is, how much fun He is having, or, if He remembers it's Sunday or not, God never forgets us! He is always a prayer away waiting for us to cry out to Him. Sometimes the answers are not what we want to hear, but He is there never the less.

I am sharing this with you because I have noticed that we don't always give Him the same attention He gives to us. I have noticed that at times I have become so busy, so distracted, so worried, so tired that I simply ignore or even rejected His leading when I know I shouldn't have. Have you ever done that?

As the summer continues and the weather improves, and it

has improved, while the sun is rising in the sky don't forget the Son rises in our hearts every day. Just as you depend upon Him all the time, so He depends on us. He choose to use us to reach the lost, help the hurting, offer support to the down trodden and that means that every day we must remember to spend time with Him so we have the strength



to serve. To give Him our best because He gives us His best and it began with His Son, Jesus!

God doesn't want our leftovers. Our left over time, our left over talents, our left over energy - if there is such a thing, what He wants is our best. When we give to Him, let's give Him our first, our best, our all. When the opportunity arises to get away, go, everyone needs rest, just don't forget Him and all He has done for you and your family. We are not suppose to stop living for

Him because we are on vacation! I am still my mother's son even when I am out of town or too busy to go by her house. God is still our Father in heaven even when we don't get the opportunity to go to His house! Let's not just say we love Him, let's prove it by remembering Him and our commitment to serve Him.

Now is the time to remember our covenant with Him. We asked Him into our hearts to forgive us and heal us, and he has done this for many, so when we take time to leave town "remember Him!" Yes, that includes your tithes unto Him so that while you are vacationing His church can continue to serve the community where He placed us. Yes, that includes the people

you are ministering to, they need your support every day. Yes, that includes our own families who may not live with us, but certainly need our attention. Say to the Lord, "I remember what I promised you. I remember you!" Then act on that remembrance! A vacation is needed, but not a vacation from our walk with Him!

*See you Sunday!
In Christ's love,
Pastor Milt*

Ministry Matters

A quick look into some of our areas of ministry.



Sunday Morning Sermons

7th, *Ephesians, 1:3-14*,
Blessing, Are the real?
14th, *Luke, 21:5-18*,
Is what you see, what you get?
21st, *Micah, 6:1-8*,
Engraved in Stone!
28th, **Service on the Green**,
guest speaker: Rev. Greg
Hicks



Church Finances

From June (a complete month)
General Income 16,701
General Expenses 871
Designated Income 21,478



Women's Ministries

Watch for details of *Summer Lake Sizzler* for **Saturday, August 20th**.



Sunday 9 AM Small Groups

The Pursuit of Holiness with Pastor Ward Rogers, in the administrative building
One Body, One Mind (examining scripture) with Pastor Milt Culver held in the fireside room.



Sunday's 3rd Session

Join us *every Sunday morning* at **11:20am** for the Current Worship segment. A time of inspirational *contemporary Christian music*.



Men's Group

The book of *Romans* is the focus *every Tuesday evening* at **7:00pm** in the administrative building.



MAKING DISCIPLES

A mentoring/discipleship program will be *starting up this Fall*, with Pastor Milt, for all those who are newly baptized or interested.



Journey Student Ministries

Students (5th grade thru High School) meet *Every Wednesday* evening for Bible study and fellowship. Summer study is the *Creation Series*.







Seniors - WOW!

A Note of Thanks. On Thursday, July 14th we hosted the seniors from the Portland area Churches of God. *It was a great day with over 100 seniors in attendance.* But what I want to share with you is about our wonderful volunteers who made this day so successful. Between the set-up and take-down crews, our great BBQ extra-ordinary crew, those who decorated the tables and those who served in the kitchen seeing that the food was served, we had 18-20 wonderful volunteers who made the day a success. Thank you everyone who helped keep my head above water. Then our own Muriel Dresser played the piano and led the group singing after she had shared a solo, thank you Muriel. It was a great day made possible by a lot of willing workers.

What's Next? In the next two months we will go to the *Zoo on August 19th* and then on *September 24th we will ride the train* to Parkdale and have the experience of a train robbery. Dave Dobbins will be our guide for the day to see that we aren't left behind or taken hostage. Watch the bulletins for more information on both of these events. Mary & I so appreciate your fellowship and acceptance, have a great week.

Pastor Rogers

AUGUST 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 10:15 AM Children's Ignite 6:00 PM 30 Below Small Group 6:30 PM Johnson Small Group	1 <i>Mr. & Mrs Steve Peirce Anniversary</i>	2 7:00 PM Men's Group Bible Study	3 10:30 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Journey Student Ministries	4 <i>Aaron Anderson B'Day</i> 6:30 PM Culver Small Group	5 <i>Kimberly Zenzano B'Day</i>	6 10:00 AM GPS Prayer Time
7  <i>Aaron Peck B'Day</i> <i>Pam Muller B'Day</i> 10:15 AM Children's Ignite 6:00 PM 30 Below Small Group 6:30 PM Johnson Small Group	8 YOUTH GROUP RETREAT	9 YOUTH GROUP RETREAT 7:00 PM Men's Group Bible Study	10 <i>Mr & Mrs. Dave Peck Anniversary</i> YOUTH GROUP RETREAT 10:30 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Journey Student Ministries	11 <i>Connie Leloff B'Day</i> <i>Mr. & Mrs. Charlie Osburn Anniversary</i> YOUTH GROUP RETREAT 10:30 AM Loaves & Fishes 6:30 PM Culver Small Group	12 <i>Dick Smith B'Day</i> YOUTH GROUP RETREAT	13 10:00 AM GPS Prayer Time
14  <i>Jan Scrivner B'Day</i> <i>Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Hency Anniversary</i> 10:15 AM Children's Ignite 2:00 PM Volleyball & Potluck Event 6:30 PM Johnson Small Group	15	16 7:00 PM Men's Group Bible Study	17 10:30 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Journey Student Ministries	18 6:30 PM Culver Small Group	19  COG MEN'S ADVANCE 12:00 PM Senior's to Zoo	20  Women's Fellowship COG MEN'S ADVANCE <i>Shirley Culver B'Day</i> 10:00 AM GPS Prayer Time 12:00 PM Ladies, "Summer Lake Sizzler"
21 COG MEN'S ADVANCE 10:15 AM Children's Ignite 6:00 PM 30 Below Small Group 6:30 PM Johnson Small Group	22 <i>Carol Conan B'Day</i> 6:30 PM VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	23 <i>Mr. & Mrs. Mel Walz Anniversary</i> <i>Mr. & Mrs. Milt Culver Anniversary</i> 6:30 PM VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 7:00 PM Men's Group Bible Study	24 10:30 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Journey Student Ministries 6:30 PM VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	25 6:30 PM Culver Small Group 6:30 PM VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	26  Ice Cream Social <i>Mark Walton B'Day</i> <i>Mr. & Mrs. Devin Burton Anniversary</i> 7:00 PM VBS FINAL PROGRAM & ICE CREAM	27 <i>Bruce Plunkett B'Day</i> 10:00 AM GPS Prayer Time
28  Outdoor Worship 10:00 AM SERVICE ON THE GREEN 12:00 PM ALL CHURCH PICNIC	29	30 <i>Afton Ainsworth B'Day</i> <i>Mr. & Mrs. Mark McKee Anniversary</i> 7:00 PM Men's Group Bible Study	31  A Day at the Beach! Youth Beach Trip	1 6:30 PM Culver Small Group	2	3 <i>Carrie Williams B'Day</i> 10:00 AM GPS Prayer Time

Upcoming Events

Youth Alsea Summer Retreat

Journey Student Youth are going to *Alsea, Oregon*, for a retreat during the week of **August 8th thru 12th**. Cost is \$25.00. See Pastor Devin, and watch the Sunday Worship Folders, for details.

All Church Invitation for Volleyball & Potluck

Steve & Lynn Peirce invite all the church family to their home on **Sunday, August 14th**, for some fun games of *volleyball at 2pm*, followed by a *potluck dinner at 5pm*.

Seniors Day at the Zoo

On **Friday, August 19th**, the Church van will leave TCOG parking lot at **Noon**. Cost \$7.20 for Zoo, \$4.00 for train ride around Washington Park, \$2.80 for train ride thru zoo only and \$3.00 for picnic lunch.

Men's Ministry

Check in on Friday, August 19th at 6:30pm for Men of the COG Advance, held at **White Branch**. Event concludes on Sunday at 10:00am. Costs: Group of 10 registered by August 5 = \$75 per person; Single pre-registration = \$85; Door rate = \$100. See **INFORMATION CENTER**, for details.

Children's Ignite! Vacation Bible School



Summer Ignite-VBS (4 years old - 5th Grade) from **August 22nd to 26th** and VBS Ice Cream Sundae Bar on Friday, August 26th. Watch Sunday Worship Folders or see Kim Peck for details.

Service on the Green

A great TCOG community event on **Sunday, August 28th!** Our own children's Ignite! will be presenting. Listen to a message by guest Rev. Greg Hicks, Pastor of Outreach at Oak Park Community Church in Salem, OR, and enjoy a special guest for music worship. A baptism ceremony is planned.



Following Service on the Green will be an all church Tri-Tip and Chicken BBQ picnic including plenty of food, games and activities for all ages.

Youth Beach Trip, 8/31

An all day beach day trip with possible multiple stops between Cannon Beach and Seaside.

A Glance Ahead

Future Dates to Keep in Mind




SEPTEMBER

5th, Labor Day Holiday

11th, Grandparents Day

13th, Children's Ignite Begins

16th-18st, COG Women's White Branch Retreat

23rd, Senior's Hood/Parkdale  Ride

24th, All Church Workday

TBD, TCOG Women's Retreat

OCTOBER

4th, Senior's Prepare/Serve Ignite Dinner

10th, Columbus Day Holiday

21st, Senior's Game & Movie Night, 6pm

31st, Trunk  Treat

NOVEMBER

5th, Women's Dinner for 6

6th, Sunday

11th, Veteran's Day

Senior's Chili Cook-Off, 12pm

13th, Sunday

18th, Senior's Potluck, 1pm

19th, Community Thanksgiving Dinner

20th, Sunday

24th, Thanksgiving Holiday

27th, Sunday

Notes from Council

Council met on Monday, July 11th. Minutes from that meeting will be posted, as usual, on the board at the Information Center. I've highlighted below some items of general interest to our TCOG community.

1) The bulletin board at the Information Center has a section devoted to Church business. There you will find the following information:

- Minutes of each Church Council meeting.
- Monthly Financial Report
- A copy of the TCOG Bylaws

2) Fiscal Year 2010-11 ended June 30, 2011. A year-end report is posted at the Information Center. Highlights from that report are:

- TCOG did not receive the general revenue anticipated
- TCOG modified the budget as the year progressed and did not spend more than was received and did not take funds from savings to cover expenses. We lived within our means! The year ended with a net income of \$4,480.

3) The Nominating Committee elected at the Semi-annual Business Meeting consists of: Tim Hoytink, Doug

Kuns, Jan Scrivner, Jane Whitehead and Mark Walton. The Committee is chaired by TCOG Vice Chair Charlie Osburn. Along with Pastor Milt, they will begin meeting in September of this year to select persons to fill positions to be ratified by the congregation at the January 2012 Annual Business Meeting. Nomination forms for recommending persons to the Committee are available at the Information Center in a packet on the bulletin board. Position to be filled are:

- TCOG Vice Chair,
- TCOG Secretary,
- Fellowship Committee Chair,
- Missions and Outreach Committee Chair.

4) Office staffing. Council talked about proceeding with a temporary filling of the church secretary position. Pastor Milt was instructed to proceed with the process and if successful, would fill the position ASAP. Council will receive a report from Pastor Milt at the September meeting.

5) Designated giving projects. Each year there are needs that cannot be provided through the general operating budget. These needs are often met through individual designated giving. Council has identified the following list of needs that can help our community in a variety of ways. Please consider these and if you wish to contribute to

any one of them above and beyond your tithe, we encourage you to do so and deeply appreciate your commitment. Designated funds are spent only on the project identified and only when the funds necessary to complete the project have been received:

- Individual hearing aid system
- Covered entry over the two south entries into the main building
- Mortgage reduction
- College scholarship fund
- Benevolence fund (assistance for TCOG families in extraordinary circumstances)

TCOG Council appreciates the dedication of this church family. We value the many volunteers who step forward whenever a need arises; those who volunteer consistently and regularly in the church office; those who consistently give their tithe to our ministry; those who give in addition to the tithe to special ministries and projects. This is a remarkable church community. Our ministry is significant in the lives of many people. Pray that we will continue seeking God's will as we move on in serving this community.

*Ed Whitehead, Chair
TCOG Council*

So ... How Did it Go ... ?



The Fireworks Stand (pictured above) was, again, a success.

Thank you

to everyone that spent countless hours volunteering at the stand as well as to those volunteer supporters that purchased food and beverages for the workers.

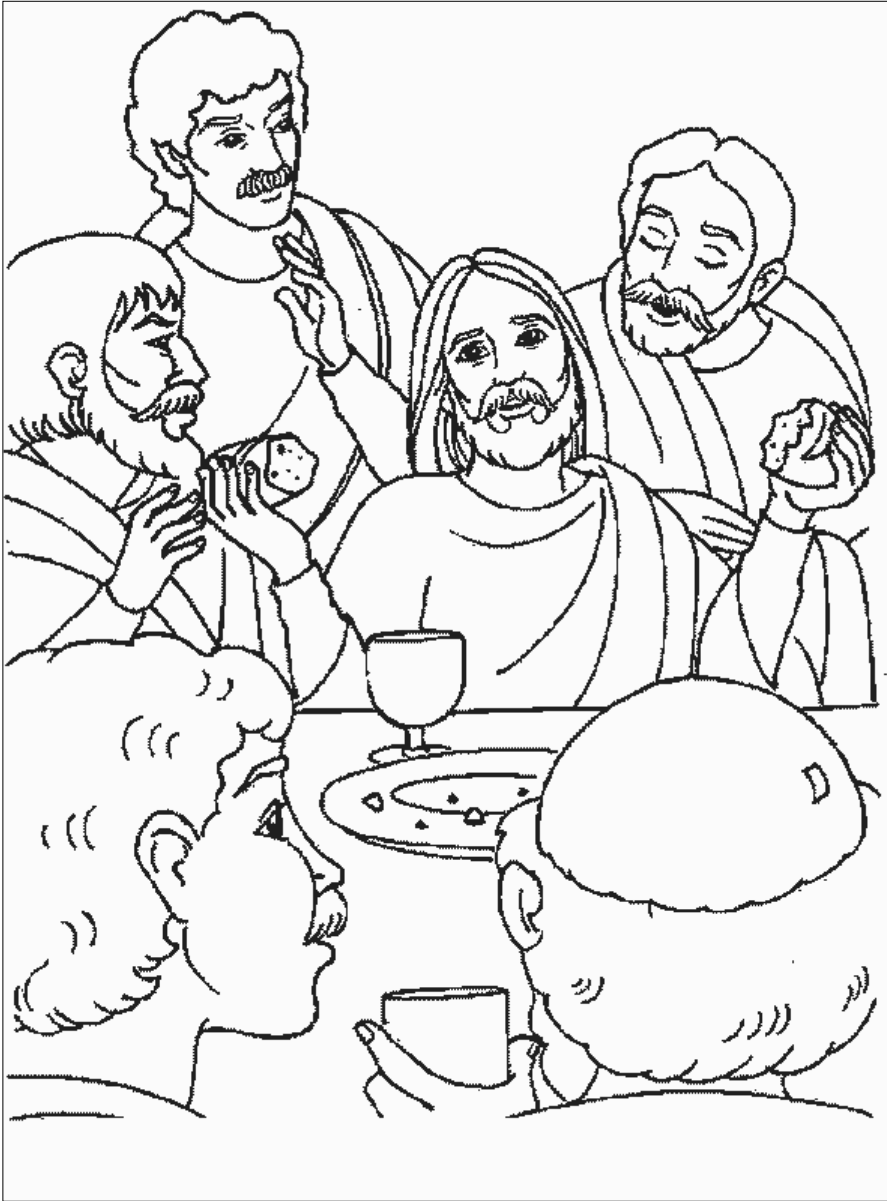
Monies earned will benefit our Youth and Children's ministry programs.

Great Music Extravaganza

Pastor Rogers welcomed everyone and offering prayer. It was a great night! Daniel Birch sang two original song he wrote, one as a solo and a duet with Megan Moore. Jane Whitehead played two beautiful pieces as a gift for Ed to honor their 47th anniversary. Our own Pastor Milt and Shirley sang a duet and sounded great! Chet Rieboldt was amazine on the SAW. Delpha Rieboldt and lifelong friend, Lois Smith, played a moving violin duet. Delpha also sang and taught the congregation an awesome song which she wrote about things we should always do, "handle with care, handle with prayer". Mary Rogers sang with Shirley on the Piano, it was really beautiful and the words had a real message. Our own, Sandy Lewis treated us to a band that he put together and also sang two songs, as always Sandy was Fabulous! Barb Provo sang two songs, and ended the concert.

A very special thank you to Everyone that participated in any way, and a heartfelt thank you to two special people we couldn't have had the night without. Pastor Milt on the Sound and Dee Guthrie handled the kitchen and refreshments. Thank you to everyone who was involved in any way, you made this happen.

Little Challenges



Look It Up



Summer is a wonderful time for appreciating beautiful weather and with the recent news events regarding the amount of damage weather can cause - let's look at Weather in the Bible. Look up the following passages and see what condition is talked about:

- Nahum 1:3 _____
- Job 38:1 _____
- Exodus 10:19 _____
- Exodus 9:28 _____
- Psalm 147:16 _____
- &
- Psalm 105:32 _____
- Isaiah 30:30 _____
- Isiah 28:2 _____
- Isaiah 44:22 _____
- Psalm 148:8 _____
- Genesis 7:4 _____
- Jeremiah 50:38 _____
- Acts 27:14 _____

Answers

Genesis 7:4 - Rain; Jeremiah 50:38 - Drought; Acts 27:14 - Hurricane/force winds
 Isiah 28:2 - Flooding/drowning; Isaiah 44:22 - Mist; Psalm 148:8 - Stormy winds
 Psalm 147:16 - Snow & Frost; Psalm 102:32 - Heat; Isaiah 30:30 - Thunderstorm
 Nahum 1:3 - Whirlwind; Job 38:1 - Storm; Exodus 10:19 - Wind; Exodus 9:28 - Thunder.