

HARMONY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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August 2020

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Greetings!

We live in difficult times. We live in changing times. We live in times where everything seems to be different than what we are use to. We live in a divided world. It is during these times we look for something that is stable, solid, concrete and a foundation on which we can build a hope for the future.

Some things have not changed, however. Most generation have lived during a time when all the above items were happening. Think of what your parent's thoughts during the World Wars. Or your grandparents during the great depression. Or your great grandparents during the Civil War. Or your great-great-great parents during the Revolutionary War. I do not exactly know just how many greats in front of your relatives, but you get the idea.

And before that, the chosen people of God living in slavery for hundreds of years. The country into which Jesus was born living under the rule of Rome. The world of Paul living in a time when people were attracted to and distancing from a new religion called Christianity. It would seem to me that during all these times, the people who lived then were thinking and talking the same things that we talk and think about today.

We know from past history, that God had not deserted the people then. God was with them from the beginning up to and including today. There is one big difference today from all those times in the past. We know how it turned out then and we do not know how these days will turn out. And that is where FAITH and HOPE come in.

If God was with them then, why would God NOT be with us now?

If God is with us, who can be against us? I read that somewhere sometime. And it is true. I believe that God created us and God did not create us to fail as a species. God gave us a brain, a developed brain, that is able to think and decide for ourselves of the choices we have. One can choose to be pessimistic about the future on one can chose to know that we will get through these times.

Oh yes, one more thought. We will get through these days together. God did not make just one of us. God made a whole bunch of different types of us. Different heights, weights, abilities, colors, races, and choices of creeds and religions. Yet, we are all creators made by the Creator.

We are not alone in this world. We have each other and we have God. We know this because of our belief in God's son, Jesus Christ. We can and will go forward because of the strength and courage giving to each one of through the Holy Spirit.

May God continue to bless each one of you and this nation as a whole and this world that was created by the Creator.

Peace and Blessings
Pastor Don



Harmony UMC Updates



~SHARE ~ CONNECT ~ SERVE ~ GROW ~

Sunday Worship: 11:00 a.m.

****STREAMING LIVE ON HARMONY UMC FACEBOOK page****

****IF YOU HAVE A THANKSGIVING OR PRAYER REQUEST,
PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE @ 541-267-4410
OR SEND AN EMAIL TO
harmonyumcoregon@gmail.com****

Music is essential to people given the gift of singing. Our Harmony choir has been hard hit and many of our members haven't exercised their gift since COVID began. Apparently in our exuberance to enunciate and project, we can spit out more than words and therein lies the rub!

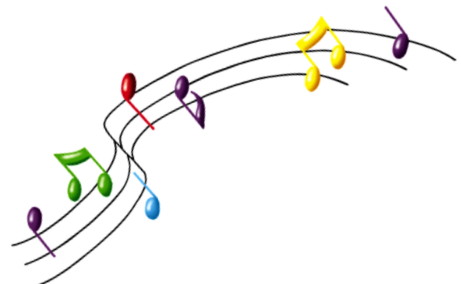
As a result of the need for singing, Pastor Don asked me to put together a small group of singers to record the hymns ahead of time so they could be plugged into the Sunday "Live feed" and I complied, gratefully! I asked 1 person of each voice type to assemble at the church and with the assistance of Paul, who prepared the music packets each week, and Nick who sterilizes the mics and equipment we were set to record!

Debbie Shupe accompanies our group on the piano and sets the tempo, and Paul, bless his heart, joins in on the hymns Live on Sundays!

If you would like to be a part of the rotation of singers, please contact me at josiekr47@yahoo.com and I will try to put you in our two week rotation. I need Sopranos, Altos, Tenors and Basses for a balanced blend.

Sincerely, with a song in my heart,

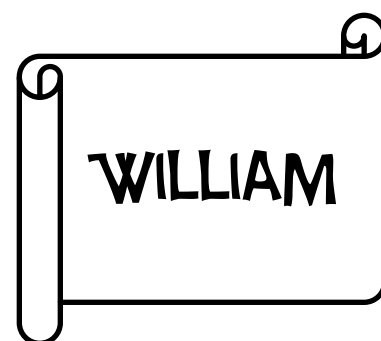
Josie Reid



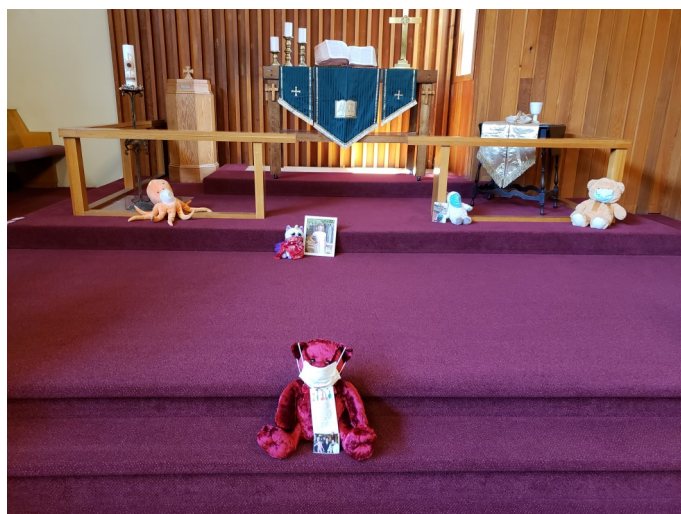
HARMONY PICTURE WALL



Even though Harmony UMC's Children have been sidelined during COVID-19. We do send out a huge Welcome to William Agricola.



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forward to meeting you—in person!

AUGUST 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		HARMONY UMC IS CLOSED TO ALL ACTIVITIES EXCEPT FOR THOSE MENTIONED ON THIS PAGE				1 11 am-1 pm Community Fellowship Meal hosted by Holy Redeemer
2 11 am Worship **STREAMING ON HARMONY FACEBOOK PAGE**	3	4	5	6	7	8 11 am-1 pm Community Fellowship Meal hosted by Gloria Dei Lutheran
9 11 am Worship **STREAMING ON HARMONY FACEBOOK PAGE**	10	11	12	13	14	15 11 am-1 pm Community Fellowship Meal hosted by Harmony UMC
16 11 am Worship **STREAMING ON HARMONY FACEBOOK PAGE	17	18	19	20	21	22 11 am-1 pm Community Fellowship Meal hosted by Faith Lutheran
23 11 am Worship **STREAMING ON HARMONY FACEBOOK PAGE**	24	25	26	27	28	29 11 am-1 pm Community Fellowship Meal hosted by :
30 11 am Worship **STREAMING ON HARMONY FACEBOOK PAGE**						

HARMONY TIDBITS

Updated Dedicated Account Balances

As of July 31, 2020

- * Blossom Gulch Snack Pack Program:
\$ <116.92 >
- * Community Fellowship Meal: \$1,144.37
- * Wesley Fund: \$11,110.26

Harmony UMC Ministry Teams

- * Saturday Community Fellowship Meal
 - * Clothes Closet
 - * Mat Ministry
- * Blossom Gulch Snack Pack Program
 - * Harmony House
 - * Wesley Fund
- * Parking Lot - safe haven
- * Coos Food Cupboard

Coos Food Cupboard

June 1: 65 lbs
June 22: 86 lbs
July 13: 35 lbs

Harmony UMW update

From Barb Smith's desk:

UMW is still working on making Masks for Harmony UMC—when church starts up. If you are interested in helping, please contact Barb Smith.

HARMONY UMC

As of June 30, 2020

Monthly Expenses

Income:	\$	10,496
Expenses	\$	<u>10,584</u>
Inc less Exp	\$	<u><u>(88)</u></u>

YTD January – June 2020

Income:	\$	64,072
Expenses:	\$	<u>66,411</u>
Inc less Exp	\$	<u><u>(2,339)</u></u>

HARMONY UMC

As of July 30, 2020

FINAL

Monthly Expenses

Income:	\$	10,434
Expenses	\$	<u>9,752</u>
Inc less Exp	\$	<u><u>682</u></u>

YTD January – July 2020

Income:	\$	74,506
Expenses:	\$	<u>76,163</u>
Inc less Exp	\$	<u><u>(1,657)</u></u>

****Please note: if at anytime you would like a hard copy of the Income/Expense Report, please send me an email or call and I will send one to you.**



Harmony House Update

Families Forming Independence, Resilience,
and Support through Transitions

Good Morning,

I am reaching out with a monthly update on the house. Tabatha found housing and moved with her kids. David is still currently with us while he figures out his next steps into getting housing of his own. I have two new families in the space and they have settled in well. The house is in good shape, Red's been doing great at keeping up on the maintenance needs for the house.

We really appreciate Red too!!

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns!

Thank you,

Audrey Kelly

Family Engagement Specialist
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More information about South Coast Families FIRST

ORCCA's newest department, South Coast Families First, has provided 288 adults with employment and skills workshops through our STEP program. Our youth life skills program provides social/emotional lessons to 1,401 middle school and high school students. Our FAST housing program has been catalyzing an innovate strategy that supports family stability and success. FAST has reunited 13 families, prevented 14 from entering foster care, and supported 18 families in securing affordable, permanent housing. The Emergency Support program has helped over 35 families with a variety of needs including rent assistance, utility assistance, debt relief, car repairs, gas Cards and more.

WE ARE STEWARDS THROUGH...

...OUR PRAYERS

- Ruth Anderson
- Larry Nipgen
- Marie Stewart
- Joanne Verger
- Janelle McClellan
- Suzanne Allison
- Donna Stoneburg
- Jim Verger
- Cindy Ward

As we go through Covid-19, let's remember to lift each other up in prayer. Remember to reach out to others during this time. A simple hello and how are you doing may be all someone needs to hear!

If you would like to add someone to the prayer chain, please contact Sharon King (541)751-7888; skiing0821@outlook.com or Jane Henrickson, 541-267-3487

...OUR GIFTS

- Coos Food Cupboard
- Harmony House
- Blossom Gulch Snack Pack Program
- Saturday Community Fellowship Meal
- The Wesley Fund
- Harmony UMC Choir, Musicians & Sound Booth
- Harmony UMC Staff
- Pastor Don Ford

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

8/9: Jim Farr
8/11: Teri Dirk
8/11: Diane Verger
8/12: Fonda Keller
8/13: Jeff Fields
8/14: Jim Molitor
8/16: Gordon Reid

8/18: Marie Martin
8/25: Winnie Lortie
8/26: Alfreda Batdorff
8/27: Greg Crew
8/29: Josie Reid
8/30: Barbara Cornell



...OUR PRESENCE

We are streaming our Sunday Worship on Harmony UMC Facebook page.

Please join us each Sunday at 11:00 am
Please let us know that you watching by "liking us" and leaving a note.

If you know of someone who is looking for a church, let them know that we are streaming our worship service.

...OUR SERVICE

- ♦ *Providing a Safe Haven in our parking lot for those who have no housing*
- ♦ *Supporting Harmony UMC and the ministries that are part of this church.*
- ♦ *Taking time to talk to someone who needs someone to talk to!*
 - ♦ *Being a friend!*

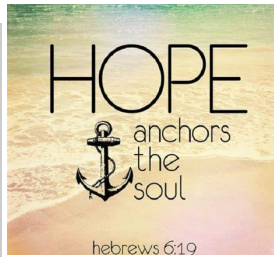
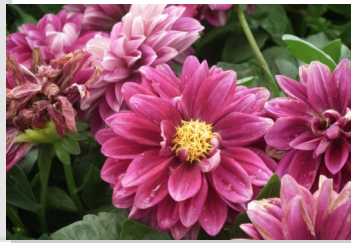
...OUR WITNESS

- ⇒ *Giving back to the church*
- ⇒ *Giving back to our neighborhood*
- ⇒ *Being a witness to others that we meet*
- ⇒ *Making Oatmeal every Sunday for the campers*
- ⇒ *Helping with the Saturday Fellowship Meal*
- ⇒ *Reaching out and letting someone know that you are praying for them and care about them.*

ANNIVERSARIES

August 8: Nova & Fairy Lovell
August 16: Ron & Judy Lovell
August 21: Doug & Sharon King





share: unconditionally
connect: with God &
others
serve: compassionately
grow: on your journey

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Church Office Hours
 Office Administrator/Bookkeeper/Newsletter:
 Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri: 9 am to 12 noon
 541-267-4410
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 Monday and Tuesday
 9:00 am – Noon
 For Pastoral Concerns:
 please call: 970-946-7821

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