# **HARMONY** JNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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### **April** 2025

#### Greetings!

Next week (April 13-April 20) is Holy Week. It begins with Palm/Passion Sunday and ends with Easter or better known as Resurrection Day. Before Covid and the closing of churches to public worship, we had services during the week. Thursday, Maundy Thursday, was the celebration of the Last Supper. Friday, was Good Friday with a service. Note: why is Good Friday called Good Friday when that is the day that we remember was the death of Jesus? Just asking. Then on Easter (Resurrection Day) a great celebration beginning with "Christ the Lord Has Risen Today," a great hymn written by Charles Wesley and sung on Easter Sunday morning for almost 300 years.

For two years, the church was closed for public worship. It was during that time that many people decided in church worship was not necessarily convenient for them. Why get up, get dressed and drive to church when you can turn on your commuter or phone and witness the worship service? Many have chosen that "new way" to do church. We are glad that we offer that "new way." For example, the last year 2019, before the closing, we had 95 on Easter Sunday worship. Three years later after two years of no inhouse Easter Sunday worship (2022), in house worship attendance on Easter Sunday was 49.

Following Covid closer, we relied more on several churches coming together to offer Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunrise Service. This year, the churches cooperatively will offer a Good Friday Service at Faith Lutheran Church at noon. Then on Easter Sunday morning, we will offer as has been done for years, a Sunrise at Sunset. That is, a Sunrise service (6:30 am) at Sunset Bay.

We will begin Holy Week with a more traditional worship service of waving palm branches as the Choir processes into the sanctuary. Also included in Palm Sunday worship service, will be the observance of Passion Sunday.

We hope you will have a wonderful and meaningful Holy Week and perhaps experience the same emotions the people of 2000 years ago had at the first Palm Sunday and the first Easter (Resurrection) Sunday.

Peace and Blessings Pastor Don

### **Easter Cross Decorating**

The tradition of the flowered Easter Cross standing at the top of Central Ave. continues. April 19th (Saturday) at 10:00am we will gather to decorate the large cross on the font lawn of the church.

As always, we are dependent upon the weather for available garden flowers so ask flower offerings be dropped off at the church front lawn by 10:00am Saturday morning.

We also need bodies to help decorate then raise the cross.

Questions? Judy Lovell 541-297-2593 & Ron Lovell 541-297-2547

#### **Memorial Easter Gifts**

This year you have the option of personally purchasing an Easter Lily to bring to church to share; or donation to the Snack Pack Program, Saturday lunches or the Wesley fund. Bulletin inserts will provide the opportunity to dedicate your gift as a memorial or celebration. The dedication will appear in the Easter Bulletin.

If your gift is an Easter Lily please get it to the church by noon on Saturday, April 19. If it is more convenient to bring it with you Sunday, please be a early as possible. You are welcome to take your Lily home after service.

Questions? Judy Lovell– 541-297-2593

# **Harmony UMC Updates**



"SHARE " CONNECT " SERVE " GROW"
Sunday Worship: 11:00 a.m.

THREE WAYS TO CONNECT ON SUNDAY MORNINGS

1. COME TO CHURCH IN PERSON @ 11:00 AM SUNDAY MORNING

2. BIBLE STUDY @ 9:30 AM

3. STREAMING LIVE ON HARMONY UMC FACEBOOK page

If you are attending in person, please remember:

- Childcare is available
- Fellowship time after church

#### Church Directory Updates

Jim Eckart & Loretta Rice: 541-808-5567 dustnthewind2030@gmail.com

Linda Rubin: 2256 Inland Dr., NB OR 97459

#### 2025 CHURCH WIDE RUMMAGE SALE

May 16th & 17th

It's spring cleaning time!! Do you have cool stuff that you no longer use or need?? Bring your BEST rummage to the Harmony Fellowship Hall, starting Sunday May 4th, and the ladies of Harmony's United Women in Faith will sort and present all our wares at our annual church wide rummage sale!! Proceeds fund our many missions that we support, benefiting women and children, locally and around the world. Tell your family, friends and neighbors! We welcome all usable household items, large and small. Furniture... TVs... Small kitchen appliances! Let's make this the best Rummage Sale yet! Our group of hard working members will set up on Thursday, May 15th and open for business Friday, May 16th, 9am until 3pm and Saturday, May 17th, 9am til 2pm. Feel free to contact any of our members, if you need information regarding delivery of items. Members will be on site Wednesday mornings, May 7th and 14th, 10 am till noon, to accept donations. If you have a church key, you may deliver items to the Fellowship Hall stage area, anytime, after Sunday, May 4th. Thanks everyone!!

# April 2025

| Sun   | Mon   | Tue  | Wed   | Thu                              | Fri   | Sat  |
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|   |   | 1 11-1 Devereux 2 HIV Alliance 3 Snack Pack 6:30 Sea Breeze              | 2 10 Mat Min 12 Garden Club 6:30 Choir 7 Alanon | 3<br>11-1 Devereux               | 4<br>11-1 Devereux<br>10 UMW                  | <b>5</b> 11– Lunch (1st Presbyteri- an)                                    |
| 6 11 Worship 3:30-Sq Dancers                                    | <b>7</b><br>1 Celebration of<br>Life for Sharon<br>King | 8<br>11-1 Devereux<br>2 HIV Alliance<br>3 Snack Pack<br>6:30 Sea Breeze  | 9<br>10 Mat Min<br>6:30 Choir<br>7 Alanon       | 10<br>11-1 Devereux              | 11<br>11-1 Devereux                           | 12<br>11– Lunch<br>(Gloria Dei)  |
| 13 11 Worship 3:30-Sq Dancers                                   | 14  | 15 11-1 Devereux 2 HIV Alliance 3 Snack Pack 6:30 Sea Breeze             | 16 10 Mat Min 6:30 Choir 7 Alanon               | 17<br>11-1 Devereux              | 18 11-1 Devereux 12 service at Faith Lutheran | 19 11- Lunch (Harmony UMC) 3:30-Sq Danc-                                   |
| 20 Easter 6:30 Sunrise at Sunset Bay 11 Worship 3:30 Sq Dancers | 21  | 22<br>11-1 Devereux<br>2 HIV Alliance<br>3 Snack Pack<br>6:30 Sea Breeze | 23<br>10 Mat Min<br>6:30 Choir<br>7 Alanon      | 24 11-1 Devereux 10-2 DKD Clinic | 25<br>11-1 Devereux                           | 26 11- Lunch (Faith Lutheran) 1pm service for Paul Quarino at the Egyptian |
| 27 11 Worship 3:30-Sq Dancers                                   | 28  | 29 11-1 Devereux 2 HIV Alliance 3 Snack Pack 6:30 Sea Breeze             | 30<br>10 Mat Min<br>6:30 Choir<br>7 Alanon      | ***                              | ***   | **   |
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### Harmony General Fund & Ministries

# Harmony UMC Outreach/Ministries

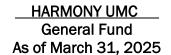
- Saturday Community Fellowship Meal
  - Clothes Closet
    - \* Mat Ministry
  - Eastside Snack Pack Program
    - Harmony House
      - Wesley Fund
    - Coos Food Cupboard
  - Camping Scholarships (United Methodist Camps)

Remember, giving with a cheerful heart and a spirit of generosity is a beautiful way to honor God and bless others.

Coos Food Cupboard

Harmony UMC is a faithful supporter of Coos Food Cupboard. Please give nonperishable goods. There is a basket in the narthex for Coos Food Cupboard.

Thank you!



March Monthly Expenses

Income: \$ 11,486.96

Expenses \$ 10,586.78

Inc. less Exp \$900.18



# HARMONY UMC Dedicated Fund Balance As of March 31, 2025

Wesley Fund \$ 316.45

Eastside Snack Pack \$ -431.52

Sat. Fellowship Meal \$ -1,471.62

Share...Connect...Serve...Grow

### WE ARE STEWARDS THROUGH

### ...OUR PRAYERS

### ...OUR PRESENCE

- Fonda Keller
- Joan Glasgow
- Adam (Jan Crew)
- Laural (Jan Crew)



Please come and join us on
Sunday 11:00 am. Worship Service
If you do not feel comfortable with in-person
worship, we are still streaming our services on
Harmony UMC Facebook Page.
Please join us in worship!

If you would like to add someone to the prayer chain, please contact Debra in the church office (541)267-4410 or email Harmonyumcoregon@gmail.com

### ...OUR GIFTS

- Coos Food Cupboard
- Harmony House
- Juniper House
- Eastside Snack Pack Program
- Saturday Community Fellowship Meal
- The Wesley Fund : Helping those in need
- Mat Ministry
- Harmony Singers, Musicians & Sound Booth
- Harmony UMC Staff

# ...OUR SERVICE

- \* Providing hot meals to the community on Saturdays : 5 churches participate.
  - \* Realizing that we do not own this building—God owns it and we need to allow other groups to use it.
  - ⇒ Big Thank You to all our volunteers

### Volunteering when needed

- Those who work for Harmony UMC
- Our groups that cook, help, and feed those individuals who come to the Saturday Community Fellowship Meal.
- All the other volunteers who help to make our church the place to be.

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 1 Vicki Morgan April 4 Ed Agricola April 29 Norah Lovell April 28 Doris Olson



# **ANNIVERSARIES**

