



Orting United Methodist Church

The Messenger



A neighborhood church in the heart of the community

Our Mission is to serve God, the Church, and the Community by raising the Christian awareness of every individual by caring and sharing God's Love.

November 2005

Thanksgiving Eve Service

The Thanksgiving Eve Service will be held at Sumner United Methodist Church this year, supported by our East Pierce County Circuit of United Methodist Churches.



It will be at 7:00 pm.

Pastor Carol will drive the van if there are those who would like to carpool (with a possible pick-up point at Mt. View Estates).

Please let Pastor Carol know if you would like a ride.



It's That Time of Year...

The Nominating Committee is seeking new church officers and team leaders for next year. Please prayerfully consider how God would have you serve and talk to Pastor Carol or a member of the Nominating Committee: Keith Dyson, Janet Downing, Shirley Olson, Roger Downing, Brian Kolar, Stacey Straughn.

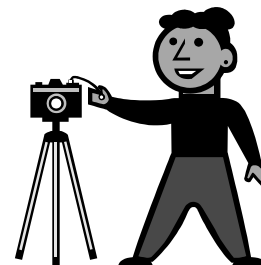
Don't Forget!

November 13th is Pledge Sunday.

Bring your pledge to church with a happy heart and joyful expectations of what great things will be done in the coming year. As a family in Christ, we have great things to achieve and important tasks to complete. We need you! You are the foundation on which we build to bring Christ into our community.

The New Church Directories Are Here!

Each family or individual who had their picture taken is entitled to a new directory. You may pick yours up in the fellowship hall.





In Memoriam

- ◆ MARDELL BAUMAN passed away October 2, 2005
Please keep George and all the Bauman family in your prayers.

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- ◆ LOUISE HAUSE passed away November 3, 2005.
Please keep Liz Larkins (sister) in you prayers.

Mardell Bauman

She was like a sister to me and our church family will miss her a thousand-fold.

She always made sure everything was done and we would have plenty of goodies to eat; lots of times things she had baked. She did more than her share in all activities because she was talented.

She was a “mother” in many families and to many kids. She was in charge of many extra activities at church and with her extended family she had that extra touch. She even shared her home from time to time with other people and she could clean up a storm, a tower of power and perfection with generocity.

With much love is how I'll remember her and I pray she is now at peach.

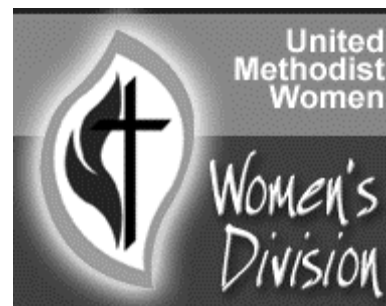
Muriel Doolittle

Sunday School

We have been very blessed again this year to have four Sunday school teachers. We have started a study of the bible in Sunday school with the kids. We are putting together a notebook of the different books of the bible, with bible memory verses, and worksheets for everyone to take home when we are done. The kids are doing a Great job on the memory verses so far! We are planning on buying each of them their very own bible to help them look up verses and learn about the bible.

Nancy will also be working with the kids on music, so we can enjoy their singing for us in December.

Stacy Straughn



The United Methodist Women have started again for the fall season. The same officers agreed to serve again:

President: Muriel Doolittle

Vice President: Janet Bjork

Secretary: Shirley Olsen

Treasurer: Rosalie Gronka

The Talent Table will be opened and sometimes have baked goods for the Holidays. We're a small group but we do a big share.

Muriel Doolittle

Please Prayer for:

- ◆ Dale Sigafoo (Warren's son) who has serious back problems.
- ◆ Billie Jean Steven's daughter and ex-husband.
- ◆ Our shut-ins: Dorothy Bosshart, Lynn Johnson, LeRoy Bush, Rosemary Todd.



Answered Prayers:

- ◆ Brian Kolar has a new job
- ◆ Patty Chouery has gone back to work at Boeing.

A Special Thank You To:

- ◆ To those who preached while Pastor Carol was on vacation in India: Rev. Alta Smith, Rev. Howard Pitts, Leigh Starr.
- ◆ Worship Leaders in October: Denise Mabry, Roger Downing, Cheryl Dyson and Randy Larson.
- ◆ Special Music in October: Cheryl Dyson.
- ◆ Rev. Michael Smith, pastor at Bonney Lake: Foothills UMC, for making the stained glass window in our church kitchen. Isn't it gorgeous!
- ◆ Roger Downing for installation of that window.
- ◆ Roger Downing for finishing the brickwork around our church sign.
- ◆ Church cleaners in October: George Bauman, Roger Downing, Phil Fabel, Arnie Olson, Rosalie Gronka.
- ◆ Newsletter mailing crew: Anne Spangler, Liz Larkins and her friend Joe.
- ◆ Newsletter editor: Sharon Starr
- ◆ Office volunteer: Stacey Straughn



- ◆ Coffee House volunteers: John Down, Roger and Janet Downing, Patty Chouery, George Bauman.

In my opinion

The church has struggled for years with an inefficient sound system; people complain they can't hear the pastor or other things that are happening on the chancel. There are many facets of worship that can be done with music and drama, but we do not have the technology to produce this because of the lack of a good sound system. This unit that I have researched also has assisted hearing units for the persons who have a hearing disability. It is my hope for a system that will allow all people who desire, to participate in any and all worship services and any other programs that may occur in the church. I think that it is the mission of the church to make sure that all people that desire to be involved in worship be able to do so with out hindrance.

This unit will cost approx \$3000.00 with tax, we have already \$1100.00 dollars donated, my correction form worship service Sunday the thirtieth, excuse my mistake. I ask for your cooperation in this endeavor, as I think it is worth while to make sure everyone has the ability to be part of our church family. I thank you for your consideration, and God bless!



Roger Downing

Financial Update

Budget for year	
\$68,165	
Needed monthly (average)	\$5680
Receipts in Sept.	\$5365
Disbursements in Sept.	\$7795

Savings deficit \$8332

Please not that we are falling father and father behind. We need everybody's help to get caught up. Please give a little extra to the church this month if you can.

God Bless you!

Philippians 4:4-9, NRSV

"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is anything worthy of praise think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have . . . seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you."

Five Ingredients of a Life of Christian Stewardship

The Rev. David Bell, director of stewardship at the denomination's General Board of Discipleship suggests these five ingredients of a life of Christian stewardship:

1. Be a wise earner, a person who produces with diligence and purpose and is grateful for what he or she has.
2. Be a generous giver to church and charity, with a joyful attitude.
3. Be a wise saver, investing with discernment.
4. Be a cautious debtor; avoid large debt, be careful and strategic about recurring debt; always pay off debts.
5. Be a prudent consumer, enjoying the fruits of labor but guarding against materialism.



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STANDARD

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October Lectionary

Nov 6

Psalm 78: 1-7
Joshua 24: 1-3a, 14-25
1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18
Matthew 25:1-13

Nov 13

Psalm 123 or 76
Judges 4: 1-7
1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11
Matthew 25: 14-30

Nov 20

Psalm 100
Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24
Ephesians 1: 15-23
Matthew 25: 31-46

Nov 27

First Sunday of Advent

Psalm 80: 1-7, 17-19
Isaiah 64: 1-9
1 Corinthians 1: 3-9
Mark 13: 24-37



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Joe Langowsky 6
Janice Peterson 15
Christopher Underwood 16
Allan Straughn 20
Joyce Mickelsen 21
Jean Wolford 24
Ethel Ford 27

