

The Chimes

First Presbyterian Church of Puyallup

JULY/AUGUST 2024

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Rev. Sue Watkins, Pastor

FROM YOUR PASTOR

My husband Dave loves his memories of the Puyallup of the 1950's and 60's. He grew up here and had a wonderful, safe, adventurous childhood, and teenage years filled with accomplishments on the athletic fields at West Junior High (he still calls it that) and Puyallup High School. He likes *that* Puyallup better than the Puyallup of today. I suspect that some of that has to do with missing his parents, but it also has to do with how everything is different now.

When we first began dating, he mentioned that there were too many new houses with too many new people in this town. I reminded him that I was one of those new people in one of those new houses. He decided that it was fine with him that I live here. Since our marriage in 2006, he has lived in that house with me!

Even changes which seem uncomfortable at first have hidden blessings in them. I grieved leaving my church in Oregon to come and serve as pastor here. It was so hard to leave those people whom I loved. But what I discovered here was a new life, a church family whose people I also love, and my husband Dave. My life is fuller, richer and more joyous than it has ever been!

None of us knows what God has in store for us. Every day I come into my office at church I see these words from Jeremiah 29:11.

"For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD,
plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope."

I know that you have heard this from me very recently (June 2), but you will be hearing it again. God has great plans for First Presbyterian Church! Pray with me that we will discover what God has for us.

Blessings,
Pastor Sue

PASTORAL COVERAGE

Pastor Sue Watkins 253 376 9641
Sunday 9-3
Monday Off / On-Call
Tues 9-5 +Commission Deacons Session
Wednesday 9-6
Thursday 9-6

Preston Woodall 253 441 1762
on-call Friday and Saturday

Scripture Lessons for the Coming Weeks

You are welcome to read the lessons in preparation for Sunday Worship and you are also invited to a Wednesday Zoom Bible Study at 9:30am

Scriptures for July

July 7

7th Sunday After Pentecost

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10

Psalm 48

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Mark 6:1-13

July 14

8th Sunday After Pentecost

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19

Psalm 24

Ephesians 1:3-14

Mark 6:14-29

July 21

9th Sunday After Pentecost

2 Samuel 7:1-14a

Psalm 89:20-37

Ephesians 2:11-22

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

July 28

10th Sunday After Pentecost

2 Samuel 11:1-15

Psalm 14

Ephesians 3:14-21

John 6:1-21

Scriptures for August

August 4

11th Sunday After Pentecost

2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a

Psalm 51:1-12

Ephesians 4:1-16

John 6:24-35

August 11

12th Sunday After Pentecost

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

Psalm 130

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

John 6:35, 41-51

August 18

13th Sunday After Pentecost

1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14

Psalm 111

Ephesians 5:15-20

John 6:51-58

August 25

14th Sunday After Pentecost

1 Kings 8:(1,6,10-11), 22-30, 41-43

Psalm 84

Ephesians 6:10-20

John 6:56-69

WEDNESDAY 9:30am ZOOM LINK INFO

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87346847660?pwd=UUNhR0svdUF3b2lPR2VJRHFzT0Z6QT09>

Meeting ID: 873 4684 7660 Passcode: 178643



Check in with Katie Wolfe Youth and Young Adult Coordinator

This summer, our church is empowering youth and young adults with opportunities to lead and serve through a variety of engaging events and service opportunities. From mission trips to community outreach projects, youth and young adults are stepping up to make a difference both within their congregations and beyond. These initiatives not only cultivate leadership skills but also foster a deeper connection to their faith and community, inspiring a new generation of passionate and dedicated church members.

In addition to service opportunities, our church is also catering to families with exciting and wholesome activities such as family movie nights, tie dye water fights, and barbeques. These evenings under the stars feature family-friendly films such as Toy Story, The Goonies, and Moana, providing a fun and meaningful way for families to bond. With popcorn in, these movie nights create memorable experiences while reinforcing the importance of family in the hearts of all who attend. This summer, our church is not just places of worship but a vibrant center of community engagement and family togetherness.

July

Mission Trip July 6-11

July 14 @ 4 pm - All Ages Girls Night

July 19 @ 6 pm - Tie Dye Water Fight
at Shepherd of the Hill



July 23 @ 10 am - Youth Service
Opportunity: New Hope Meal Prep
and Serve

July 26 @ 6 pm - Free Family Movie
Night Double Feature: The Goonies
and Sandlot

July 28 @ 8 pm - Young Adult Smores
Social

July 29 @ 9 am - Youth Service
Opportunity: Food Bank Service



August

August 2-3 @ 3 pm - Youth Summer
Lock-in

August 11 @ 5 pm - Young Adult
Pasta and Paint Night

August 12 @ 9 am - Youth Service
opportunity: Food Bank Service

August 15 @ 9 am - Youth Field Trip
Tacoma's Free Museum Day

August 23 @ 6 pm - Free Family
Movie Night Double Feature: Moana
and Wizard of Oz

August 27 @ 10 am - Youth Service
Opportunity: New Hope Meal Prep
and Serve

August 29 @ 6 pm - All Ages Puyallup
Rocks Painting Night



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PERSONNEL, STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCE UPDATE

The PSF COMMISSION update ending May 14, 2024.

As of May 14, 37.5% of the year has passed by. Received pledges are 34.75%. We would like to thank you for your current pledging and encourage you to continue staying up to date during the summer months.

Thank you to Heather Toomey for her childcare during Sunday Worship. Heather will be spending much of her time at Soundview Camp this summer. We are excited to announce childcare during Sunday worship will be covered by Lacey Boots and Darice Hermann for the summer.

Beginning July 1, 2024, Cherie, from Good Faith Bookkeeping Services will be contracted to help with our accounting and financial records. We are happy to welcome her to FPC.