Newsletter

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Serving the congregation and friends of
Northwest United Protestant Church
Disciples of Christ

A "GENTLE" REMINDER

Dear NWUP members and friends;

I recently attended a virtual meeting offered by the Disciples Refugee and Immigration Ministries. In this meeting I learned what the word sacred stands for.

Seek God's voice.

Ask what is most needed.

Connect with partners.

Raise your voice through advocacy efforts.

Explore and explain culture, beliefs, values.

Donate to local resettlement efforts.

The Disciples "SACRED Response Toolkit," for congregations considering resettlement assistance is a helpful way for us to consider the sacred work of helping others. This can be found on our website under "Refugee Response".

Northwest has a wonderful history of resettling refugees in our community. Offering hospitality and welcoming others is NWUP's greatest gift. In the next few weeks, we will share details on how we can aid incoming Afghan refugees.

We will be partnering with other organizations, World Relief, the Islamic Center of Tri Cities and Shalom United Church of Christ, to make our resettlement efforts even greater. Caring for others and offering God's welcome to those in need is a sacred task.

I'm grateful for this loving congregation and the many ways that we are all faithful to our call to "love and serve Christ in our community and our world."

Blessings, Pastor Miriam

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Oct 02 — Sue Lincoln

Oct 10 — Cassandra Humphrys

Oct 14 — Kristen Valdez

Oct 14 — Donna Eckard

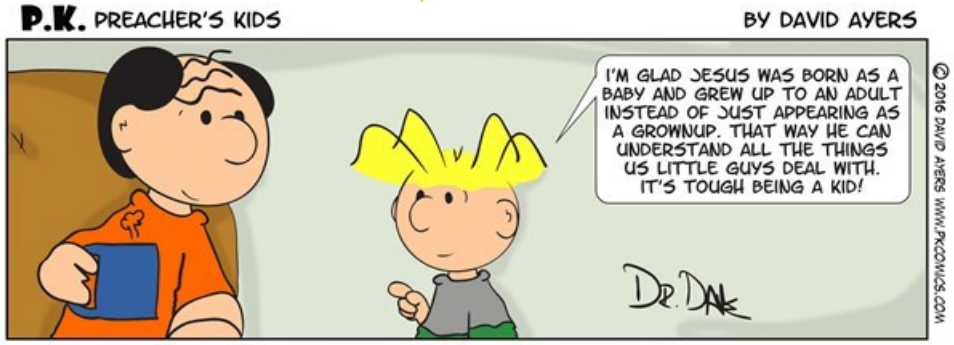
Oct 15 — John Lawson

Oct 20 — Deb Galpin

Oct 25 — Joanna Flatten

Oct 20 — Melvin Adams

Oct 31 — Miriam Gentle



SPECIAL OFFERING



The prophet Isaiah admonishes God's beloved in Isaiah 56:1 to, "Maintain justice and do what is right, for soon my salvation will comes, and my deliverance be revealed. Frequently, Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. reminds us that "The time is always ripe to do what is right".

The Ministry of Reconciliation offers each of us the opportunity to "do what is right". Your giving supports diversity & inclusion efforts through leadership development in our colleges and provides grants to ministry partners to further the work of anti-racism.

Yes! The time is always ripe to reveal God's justice. Thank you in advance for your generosity to Reconciliation Ministry!

GREEN CHALICE

Disciples of Christ is a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. Out of our call to "do justice" (Micah 6:8), we strive to demonstrate the fullness of God's shalom through living out our faith by caring for God's creation. The Green Chalice program aims to empower congregations with ideas and resources to enable them to walk gently on the earth.

SOCIAL CONCERNS



Starting this month, our congregation will be blessing the students of Jefferson Elementary School and working to fulfill their needs. Due to the COVID-19 measures in place, water fountains have been shut off in the school. NWUP will be donating fifty water bottles (pictured) from Dollar Tree. If you would like to serve in this way, please make sure the water bottles you donate are new and do not have straws installed.



Also beginning this month, we will be helping families who may not be able to provide shoes or snacks for their children. New shoes, children's size 6 to adult size 8, are needed especially. Individually packaged snacks will be collected in the blue bins in the Narthex!

STEWARDSHIP 2021

During worship in October, we will hear from several members about what stewardship and giving means to them. Soon you will receive a letter and an estimate of giving card. Your estimate helps us set a church budget for the continued ministry of the church. Your continued gifts through weekly offerings and tithes, help support NWUP's presence and ministry in the community. How important is the continuation of this community of faith to you? Reflect on that question as you estimate what you can give. Be generous, as God has been generous with you.

WITNESS OF THE SAINTS

Sunday,	**Sept 5**
In Finance:	
Loose Offering	$15.00
NA Rent (Rush Hour)	$62.50
Rent (TOPS)	$62.50
General Fund	$715.00
Total	$855.00

Sunday,	**Sept 12**
In Finance:	
Loose Offering	$5.00
Compassion (Cash)	$60.00
Compassion (Ck)	$170.00
General Fund	$5,475.00
Total	$5,720.00

Sunday,	**Sept 19**
In Finance:	
Loose Offering	$10.00
School Snacks	$20.00
Earthquake Relief	$100.00
General Fund	$2,025.00
Total	$2,155.00

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, Sept 5:	**87**
Worship	22
Facebook Live	65
Sunday, Sept 12:	**100**
Worship	24
Facebook Live	76
Sunday, Sept 19:	**172**
Worship	86
Facebook Live	86
Sunday, Sept 26:	**86**
Worship	22
Facebook Live	64

Sunday,	**Sept 19**
In Finance:	
Building Fund	$50.00
General Fund	$1,040.00
Total	$1,090.00

Thank you to all our friends and members who continue to support NWUP with prayers, fellowship and finances. God Bless You

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☐ = Fellowship Hall Reserved

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					01 Pastor Day Off	02 Joyce Jakes Memorial 1:00pm
03 Worship 9:45am	04	05	06	07 Breakfast Bunch 8:00am	08 Pastor Day Off	09
10 Worship 9:45am *Elders Meeting 6:00pm*	11	12	13 Stewardship & Finance 3:00pm	14	15 Pastor Day Off	16
17 Worship 9:45am	18	19 Board Meeting 5:00pm	20	21 Breakfast Bunch 8:00am	22 Pastor Day Off	23
24 Worship 9:45am	25 Food 4 Friends 1:00pm	26 *Pastor Away*	27 *Pastor Away*	28 *Pastor Away*	29 *Pastor Away*	30 *Pastor Away*
						31 *Pastor Away*

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

Thank you to Eva for the cover photo from the Fall Fling!

Lovely home grown garden gourds and donated hay bales from friends of NWUP!

Hello from Baby Levi at the Fall Fling!

We had a great turnout! Expecting 50 but welcomed 86 friends!

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