



The Gift

July 2022

Klamath Falls First United Methodist Church
230 North 10th Street
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*Making disciples for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world
through Knowing God, Transforming Lives, Serving Others*

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Sunday Worship

10:30 a.m. in person
Online on Facebook and/or
our YouTube Channel
Elementary Sunday School
10:45 a.m.

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Monday - Thursday
9:00 a.m. - Noon

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Worship in the Park

@ Wiard Park

Sunday, July 24 @ 10:30 am

Pastor James will preach

Barbecue to follow.

Bring a dish to share.
Hot dogs and hamburgers
will be provided.

See page 4 for more information



"Livin' on a Prayer"

Sermon Series on
The Lord's Prayer

June 26 - July 24

Pastor's Note



My grandparents lived on a farm in northern Alberta where I would spend many summer days when I was a kid. My nuclear family lived in the city, or the suburbs and it was in these summers where I got to experience more fully life on the land. My grandparents were hay farmers and there were things for this city kid to explore on the farm and trouble to get into. I spent much of my time jumping between the roofs of the granaries and eating crab apples, chokecherries, saskatoons, and gooseberries from trees and shrubs I found around the homestead. But my favorite place was my grandmother's garden.

I remember it being as big as a football field. I don't know if that is a little kid size inflation, maybe if I saw it today, I wouldn't think it was quite that big, but the garden was big. My uncles and aunt assured it me that it used to be much bigger than that and what I was seeing was the pared down version. At one end of the garden was an unruly and sprawling raspberry patch, followed by strawberries. There were rows of corn, zucchini, cucumbers, beans, cabbage, peas, carrots, squash, pumpkins, watermelon, onions, potatoes, garlic, dill, tomatoes, and poppies and more I am forgetting. Each day my grandmother would be in this garden or in her flower beds weeding and watering and tending her plants. She would pick veggies for dinner or harvest a cabbage when its leaves were still tender enough to be rolled into Ukrainian cabbage rolls or unearth enough potatoes to make a pierogies.

I would wander into the garden whenever I was hungry, and I would graze! My fingers were stained red from eating raspberries and strawberries, and I would stand in the middle of the garden sucking young peas from their pods, or eating the ripe red tomatoes, or rattling the dry head of poppy plants and pouring the seeds encased inside into my mouth and crunching on them. Occasionally I would go and uproot a carrot and wash it off with the hose, or snack on the cucumbers and beans or zucchini.

I was welcome to go into that garden and pick and eat whatever I wanted. But no matter how much I filled my mouth with berries or peas, or poppies there was always more to have. My grandmother's basement was full of canning, and every freezer was full of freezer jams and frozen vegetables.

If someone dropped by for lunch, she could send me to get something and there was always something on hand to offer them. I wouldn't have called this sacred when I was younger, it was the ordinary joy I experienced during those summers on the farm, but as I think about it now, my grandmother's garden was an icon of God's abundance—a nourishing bounty that was always more than enough.

Ephesians 3:20 tells us that “God is able to do immeasurably more than we ask or imagine, according to the power that is at work within us.” Too often the threat of scarcity keeps us from seeing the ways that God is at work in us. We worry about money and resources, and bills and the demands that are on our attention and our time. It is so easy to feel like we are not enough. And we are not. But God invites us into a garden where we can take and eat what we find there and find that we never diminish the bounty of good things God has in store for us. We operate out of scarcity, but God operates from abundance. Can we trust that what God has for us is always more than enough?

Pastor James

BASIN TRANSIT SERVICE SUNDAY ON-DEMAND SERVICE Starting July 10

JULY BIRTHDAYS

02 - Pepper Matichuk
06 - Kirsten Harper
Victor Izzo
22 - Sarah Matichuk
24 - Khrystina Dawes
25 - Judy Armstrong
27 - Afton Herndon

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

04 - Fred & Jean Freeman 2017
13 - James & Sarah Matichuk 2002
26 - Ken & Carol Usher 1997
27 - Al & Rae Trachsel 1979
30 - Joe & Marie Maestas 1966

A door-to-door service for Seniors and Individuals with disabilities and the general public when seating space is available.

- 1) Call Friday - Schedule your pick-up times with their dispatcher at 541-883-2877 by calling between 8 am and 5 pm.
- 2) They pick you up at the place and time within BTS District Boundaries.
- 3) They drop you off at your destination. Cost is \$1.50 per ride and *FREE* with Klamath County Veterans Appreciation Card.
- 4) They take you back from the place and time you schedule.

Service begins Sunday, July 10 and runs from 8 am to 3 pm.

“Basin Transit Sunday Service is a pilot program to develop and understand Sunday’s public transportation service need with emphasis on Seniors and Individuals with ADA qualifying disabilities and the general public on space available basis. The program will operate two paratransit vehicles 8 am to 4 pm on Sundays. Rides must call Friday between 8 am and 5 pm to schedule their Sunday rides. Pick up times need to be specific, “will call” cannot be accommodated for this service.”

www.basintransit.com
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Directory Updates:

(For this information,
please contact the church office)

A few printed copies of the directory will be available soon. If you want an emailed copy, please contact the church office at klamathfumc@gmail.com

Please inform the office when you have a change of address, phone number, or e-mail.

July Worship

Date	Preacher	Lectionary Scriptures and Lord's Prayer Series Scriptures
July 3	Pastor James	Lord's Prayer Scriptures: Matthew 6:1; Luke 11:2b; Supplementary Text: Matthew 25:31-46 Lectionary: 2 Kings 5:1-14; Psalm 30; Galatians 6:(1-6) 7-16; Luke 10:1-11, 16-20
July 10	Jean Freeman	Lord's Prayer Scriptures: Matthew 6:11; Luke 11:3; Supplementary Text: Luke 12:22-34 Lectionary: Amos 7:7-17; Psalm 82; Colossians 1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37
July 17	Pastor James	Lord's Prayer Scriptures: Matthew 6:12; 14-15; Luke 11:4a; Supplementary Text: Matthew 18:21-35 Lectionary: Amos 8:1-12; Psalm 52 or Psalm 82; Colossians 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42
July 24 Wiard Park	Pastor James	Lord's Prayer Scriptures: Matthew 6:13; Luke 11:4b; Supplementary Text: James 1:13-18 Lectionary: Hosea 1:2-10; Psalm 85; Colossians 2:6-15, (16-19); Luke 11:1-13
July 31	David Glidden	Lectionary: Hosea 11:1-11; Psalm 107:1-9, 43; Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21

Worship at Wiard Park And Potluck Barbecue Picnic

July 24 @ 10:30 am

We have reserved the pavilion from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Pastor James will conclude the sermon series on The Lord's Prayer.

Hot dogs, hamburgers, buns, condiments, plates, flatware, and beverages will be provided. Please bring a dish to share. You are welcome to bring a chair if you want. Children may want to bring extra clothes and towels for the splash pad.



Reaching Out and Helping Others

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

What is this fund?

- It is a fund used by the pastor to assist people in our community and our congregation with emergency needs not provided by other sources. We often partner with community services such as Klamath Basin Behavioral Health and Lutheran Community Services.
- Checks are made out to the business rather than the person requesting funds; i.e., Avista Utilities.

How is it funded?

- It is funded through our birthday offerings and special donations, outside of our operating budget.
- If you wish to make a donation to this fund, please mark your check with "Discretionary" or "Outreach."

Thank you for helping us to be ready to assist people in need!

Between May 25 and June 27, we have given:
15 households 17 bags of food

Food Pantry Needs:

- Peanut butter
- Cold cereal
- Granola bars
- Can openers

Please - no opened or unsealed food items



PALM Dinners Served

From May 29 to June 28: 971
Year to Date: 4,103
Average Meals Served: 80

PALM (Provide A Loving Meal) is a free dinner every Tuesday and Sunday from 5:00 to 6:30. It is located in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church, which is the lower level door closest to 9th and High Streets.

PALM is a volunteer program. It is funded by your donations. The Klamath Falls First United Methodist Church provides the Fellowship Hall, some maintenance, and utilities.

PALM provides from 85 to 257 plates of food each meal. Families, neighborhood residents, and even people who simply want the social interaction of a meal come in. Most people walk.

Volunteers from the Methodist Church, colleges, other churches, and many others come together to help.

Please come and visit, eat, help in the kitchen, or donate.



Financial Report

MEMBERS and FRIENDS

JUNE 2022 has closed. All bills and taxes have been paid. The monthly payroll was made. Operating income for the month totaled \$4,706.42. Operating expenses totaled \$9,619.02. Income lagged expenses by \$4,912.60. In addition to payroll expenses (\$3,159.39), operating expenses included a budgeted payment of \$1,036.00 for Conference Apportionments. This represents the sixth of 12 payments toward the 2022 goal of \$12,422.00. The 6 payments total \$6,216.00 (50.0% of goal). We also made a 6 month property insurance premium (\$3,433.50) covering the church and parsonage buildings. The month-to-month Operating balance dropped a whopping 9.57%.

As we enter July 2022 we have an Operating Fund balance of \$120,789.09. However, a portion of these monies are contained in outside, or side pocket, funds which have nothing to do with budgeted operating monies. As of the first of July, six (6) such funds existed. The funds and their respective balances:

Youth Group: \$576.86

Organ: \$4,348.51

PALM dinners: \$9,658.80

Camperships: \$150.00

Memorial Fund: \$14,005.47

Special Needs Fund: \$45,645.20*

*Please note the new "SPECIAL NEEDS" FUND. Recently, a long-time member generously contributed over \$45,000.00 to be used for Council approved expenditures. While there are "no strings attached," the fund is intended to be directed toward "special needs" of the church building as well as the community at large.

After subtracting out the total of the 6 funds (\$74,384.84) there is a carryover to July 2022 of actual OPERATING monies totaling \$46,404.25. Financially, for the near term outlook (2-5 years), we are in a weak position treading water at best. We entered 2022, with a carryover from 2021, totaling \$63,058.60. As of July 1st, the carryover has eroded 26.41%. Ongoing monthly income is anticipated to lag monthly expenses, and monthly carryover will continue to erode. Sometime late next year (2023), without a major cash infusion, I anticipate the carryover will disappear completely as we move into a negative balance.

As of July 2022 the Capital (Trustee) Fund Balance is: \$4,041.84. During the month, \$2,570.00 was expended to Outlaw Roofing to cover the balance of the Council approved newly roofed breezeway entrance from the parking lot to the downstairs Fellowship Hall.

Peace & Grace for us all,

Byron Beach, Treasurer

2022 OPERATING SNAPSHOT vs YEAR AGO

June income:	\$4,706.42	(-) \$5,409.53
2022 YTD income:	\$28,952.62	(-) \$8,335.05
2021 carryover:	\$63,058.60	(-) \$17,584.80
Operating Total:	\$92,011.22	(-) \$25,919.85
2022 YTD Expenses:	\$45,606.97	+ \$5,845.35
Carryover to July:	\$46,404.25	(-) \$31,765.20

Thanks and Prayers

Thank you to...

Marie Maestas and Jean Freeman for taking charge of Fellowship Time during the month of June and all those who helped provide goodies, serve, and clean-up.
Jean Freeman for taking charge of our Worship Team for the last two years.
Jean Knight and Terri Horn for being our accompanists once or twice each month.

In Our Prayers...

Al Bolettio
Kyle and Lillian Neiswender
Wren Shockey

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT POSITION OPEN

Jeannie Boese will be retiring as of August 31. The Administrative Assistant position is open beginning now. If you are interested, please contact Church Council Chair Chrys Dawes or Staff-Parish Relations Chair Byron Beach, 541-884-2951, bylee2951@aol.com. Please note: The position is part time with no benefits other than vacation and sick leave.



FIRST UMC STAFF & INFORMATION

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open minds,
open doors.

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Judy Neiswender

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<http://www.facebook.com/KlamathFallsFirstUMC>

United Women in Faith News

We will hold our annual All Women's Birthday Party in August. Date and time to be determined.



**This month's
suggested item for**

We still have some Tropical Blend and Heart Healthy Nut Mix bags in our upstairs refrigerator. They are \$1 off the marked price.

UWFaith Nut Sales

Need nuts for your Wiard Park picnic baked goods or fellowship time cookies, be sure to order them from our webstore!

Link to our Terri Lynn Webstore:

<https://klamath-falls-umw.terrilynn.com>.

Oregon-Idaho Conference Mission u 2022

July 14-16 or July 29-31

Evening worship one hour - day one

Morning and afternoon classes - days two and three

Online via Zoom

Theme: Who Can We Be Together?

A Biblical exploration of Luke 13

(It is not necessary to buy the study book, just read Luke 13)

For more information on the deans, study leaders, etc., visit the website at

<https://www.umi.org/umwmissionu>

NO CHARGE

Click [HERE](#) to register.



United
Women
in Faith

Our Purpose:

United Women in Faith shall be a community of women whose PURPOSE is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the Global Ministries of the church.

JULY 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT.
3 Holy Communion 9:15 Elementary Sunday School 10:15 Singing Favorite Hymns 10:30 Worship Fellowship Time 11:45 Church Council 5:00-6:30 PALM Dinner - KFUMC	4 Independence Day Church Office Closed	5 5:00 - 6:30 PALM Dinner - KFUMC	6 9:30 - 2:30 Pastor's Office Hours (call ahead) Noon Book Study & Lunch	7	1	2
10 9:15 Elementary Sunday School 10:15 Singing Favorite Hymns 10:30 Worship Fellowship Time 5:00-6:30 PALM Dinner - Sacred Heart Catholic Church	11	12 5:00-6:30 PALM Dinner - KFUMC	13 9:30 - 2:30 Pastor's Office Hours (call ahead) Noon Book Study & Lunch	14	15	16
17 9:15 Elementary Sunday School 10:15 Singing Favorite Hymns 10:30 Worship Fellowship Time 5:00-6:30 PALM Dinner - KFUMC	18	19 5:00 - 6:30 PALM Dinner - KFUMC	20 9:30 - 2:30 Pastor's Office Hours (call ahead) 10 am Worship Team Noon Health Group	21	22	23
24 9:15 Elementary Sunday School 10:15 Singing Favorite Hymns 10:30 Worship at Wiard Park Fellowship Time 5:00-6:30 PALM Dinner - KFUMC	25	26 5:00 - 6:30 PALM Dinner - KFUMC	27 9:30 - 2:30 Pastor's Office Hours (call ahead) Noon Health Group	28 NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE	29	30
31 9:15 Elementary Sunday School 10:15 Singing Favorite Hymns 10:30 Worship Fellowship Time 5:00-6:30 PALM Dinner - KFUMC	1 August	2 5:00 - 6:30 PALM Dinner - KFUMC	3 9:30 - 2:30 Pastor's Office Hours (call ahead) Noon Health Group	4 NEWSLETTER PUBLISHED	5 For an up-to-date weekly Calendar, check our web page at: www.klamathfallsumc.org	6 updated 6/27/2022



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Upcoming Events:

July 16 @ Veteran's Park
2nd Annual **Pride** Event

July 24
Worship at Wiard Park
Barbecue and Potluck

The Champoege Declaration

We, the Klamath Falls First United Methodist Church, together with other congregations of the Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, declare that persons of all ages, races, ethnicities, sexual orientations, gender identities, economic conditions, marital status, mental or physical abilities are welcome to attend, join, and participate fully in the life of our congregation.