



# Presbyterian Portfolio

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## Upon Further Reflection

### McMinnville Refugee Coalition update:

Last month I shared a family that we thought would be coming to McMinnville as refugees. Unfortunately that fell apart almost immediately after the Portfolio went out. Eek! We were surprised and sad about this but at the same time we recognized that these journeys rarely go in a straight line.

Over the past few weeks the MRC has been hard at work connecting with a new family and we think this one will stick. We have turned in the I-134 forms for each family member and are awaiting confirmation from the US government. Please pray for this family as they prepare for this incredible transition to a new country and a new culture. They have many different last names, so I am just sharing first names and relationships. They also may end up spelling their first names differently for English speakers, but this is what I have:

- Olha (71 years old, grandmother)
- Oleksandr & Irina (34 & 40 years old, married parents)
- Kristina (18 years old, daughter)
- Artur (2 1/2 years old, son)
- Ivan (26 years old, brother)

The family shared with us that they worked for many years and invested all their savings in an apartment building in Bucha which was never completed due to the Russian invasion. Ivan and Oleksandr both specialize in the field of information technology. They are currently in Germany and look forward to connecting with our community here in McMinnville. We are not sure when they will arrive but we will have access to the home rented on 7th St and Cedar Ave in McMinnville in August. However, Ivan is going to need a separate place to stay.

### Most urgent needs:

- Washer/Dryer
- Big Dining Room table for 6 with chairs
- Free standing air conditioner unit
- 1 Queen bed- frame and mattress
- 1 Full size bed- frame and mattress
- Linens for all beds
- Drivers / vehicles to pick up and deliver donated items
- Adult bicycle for Ivan
- Place for Ivan to live (mother-in-law space, RV that is hooked up to water, electricity, and sewer, extra room in a house, etc.)
- Financial contributions to support family while they look for jobs

Please email me (Pastor Matt) or the church office if you are able to help with any of the above items. We have so much to be grateful for and it is a privilege to be able to help this family of new neighbors in the name of Jesus.

## Sundays



Join us outside for worship on **Sunday, July 30th at 10:30 am** on the labyrinth and lawn!  
(Chairs will be set up on the labyrinth, bring your own chair to sit on the lawn,)

Fellowship Time following worship, also outside.

Note; there will be no livestreaming or recording of the service.

# WORSHIP *with us*

Join us on Sunday mornings at 10:30 am for worship, in person or to watch the livestream. The service will be recorded and available on our website, [fpc-mac.org](http://fpc-mac.org), to view later.

Our Connectional Worship is on the 4th Sunday of the month.



**Communion Sundays  
August 6th & 20th**

## Upcoming

# YOU'RE INVITED

TO A CELEBRATION GATHERING  
FOR OUR 2023

# SERVICE LEARNING TRIP

JOIN US ON  
SUNDAY, JULY 30 AT 2PM  
@ FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

# EVERYONE IS WELCOME

SEE PICTURES & HEAR STORIES FROM  
OUR WEEK ON THE YAKAMA RESERVATION,  
PLUS DESSERTS FOR ALL TO ENJOY!



## Legacy Giving and Ethical Wills Seminar

When: August 27, 2023 after worship  
Where: Calvin Hall West

Rob Hagan of the Presbyterian Foundation is coming to FPC to give a seminar on the theology of legacy giving and the value of ethical wills. This is a great learning opportunity and lunch will be provided. Please contact Star Thomson or Dave Widen for additional information.

## Music Ministry

### Looking ahead at musical activities for the fall

If you are thinking of singing in the Chancel Choir or playing in the Hand Bell Choir put Thursday evening, September 14, on your calendar.

Hand Bells meet in the choir room at 6-7 pm. We rehearse each Thursday and prepare to play for worship generally on the 4th Sunday of each month. If you read music and count to 4, you are most welcome to join the choir. Please let me know if you are interested. We have a 3 octave set of very fine hand bells and need about 11 people to be able to play our selections. We also need people who feel comfortable subbing for absent members. We are actively looking for new members and subs.

Our Chancel Choir meets in the choir room from 7-8 p.m. each Thursday. They generally sing in worship on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month. This choir is comprised of sopranos, altos, tenors, and basses. If you read music, great. But if you don't, we do have a website that will have recordings of the parts of the pieces we will be doing. If you'd like to try singing in the choir, you are most welcome. We are looking for new members for choir, too.

The Praise Team could use a drummer or percussionist. More singers are welcome as well as instrumentalists. They generally play for worship on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month. They rehearse for about 1.5 hours the Saturdays before they play. If you are interested in learning more contemporary Christian music, please consider joining this group. If you know of a youth who might be interested in gaining playing experience in a band, send them our way.

We continue to schedule musicians for various parts of our worship services. This volunteer opportunity is great for pianists, instrumentalists, and people interested in presenting solos, duets, quartets, etc. (We can provide accompaniment.) Currently, some Sundays in October have openings for people to play or sing. Also, all of November is open. If you are interested, please contact Director of Music Marcia Stratman to discuss dates and what you would like to present for worship.

## Mission



The Mission Committee is excited to support the project Beyond Backpacks again, for the 2023-24 school year. The mission of Beyond Backpacks is to provide children of families in need, in Yamhill County, with a backpack and school supplies. This year, the event will be August 19<sup>th</sup> at Sue Buel Elementary School. Children are able to pick out their backpack and "shop" for grade-specific, NEW, supplies in a fair-like setting. Eligible

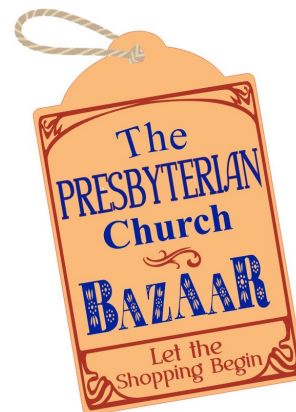
students must meet the program's criteria of need. FPC McMinnville will be **accepting financial donations through July 30th**. This allows our church to help BB fill in any gaps of supplies they may have. Please include "Beyond Backpacks" in the memo line or on your envelope, or you can go online to [fpc-mac.org](http://fpc-mac.org) to give and we will take care of the rest! If you have any questions, please reach out to Michelle Fletcher (928-446-6595) for more information. Thank you for helping to prepare and excite our school-aged students as they welcome in the new year!

## Ongoing Activities

### What is the Presbyterian Bazaar?

Each Fall we have a fundraising event at the Church. It started in 1983 so this is our 40th year! Several of the ladies that helped start it back then still attend our Church!

This year the Bazaar will be November 10th and 11th. We will set up in Calvin East, Calvin West, and the Fellowship Hall. Our kitchen crew will be making our famous Presbyterian Soup (vegetable/hamburger soup), and also offering a vegetarian option. We will sell it in to-go containers again this year. We also will have slices of homemade pie and cinnamon rolls to-go for sale. Both our delicious pies and rolls are made by volunteers from our congregation.



We sell merchandise made by members of our Church who donate their time, talents, and treasures. We have seasonal craft items, things for your kitchen and your pets, home decorations, repurposed items, garden deco, and live plants. We have a Country Kitchen section where we sell homemade jams & jellies and a variety of baked goods.

Money from the Bazaar is used for projects that are not in the Church budget. Last year we made over \$11,000. We always donate 10% to local missions. The remainder is in a fund to help pay for replacing the carpet in the fellowship hall.

We appreciate everyone's help. We will have sign-ups in September for volunteers to help at the sale and also for donating baked goods. You can also help by donating some of the jam & jelly made this summer. In the past, we have also had canned salsa, dried herbs, walnuts, and caramels & fudge. If you have a project you would like to donate, please contact one of the committee members.

Thank you to everyone in advance. We look forward to a fun and successful event again this year.

Nancy MacDonald, MaryEllen Fleeger, Ann Widen

## Narthex Gallery



### Show Ends July 30th

"The Heavens Declare His Glory" paintings by Rebecca Kiser will be coming to an end on Sunday, July 30th.

Be sure to take one last look or make a purchase.

Watch for the next show coming to the Narthex Gallery in September!



## Children, Youth, & Family



**CHILDREN'S TIME**  
is taking a break  
for the month of  
August and will  
return in September



### *What we've been up to* IN JULY

In **CHILDREN'S TIME** we continued our *Summer in the Psalms* series. The students explored Psalm 100, Psalm 121, Psalm 136, and Psalm 150. This summer our kid's artwork from Art Camp has been hanging in the Annex Gallery.

Our children and youth spent a week at **CAMP ARRAH WANNA**.

We had a great time singing, swimming, making friends, and so much more! We can't wait till winter camp!

The **McMINNVILLE YOUTH COLLECTIVE** followed up their week at camp with a pool party at the Anderson's on July 15th.

We then gathered at Gordo's Tacos for a fellowship dinner on July 19th. We ended the month by spending a week in Wapato, Washington serving and learning from the Yakama Nation.



**CHILDREN'S TIME**  
SUNDAY MORNINGS @ 10:30AM  
AGE 4 - 5TH GRADE  
KICKING OFF SEPTEMBER 10TH

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**  
**COMING SOON**

**KIDVENTURE**  
MONDAY EVENINGS 5:15 - 6:30 PM  
AGE 4 - 5TH GRADE  
KICKING OFF SEPTEMBER 11TH



# Children, Youth, & Family

August 30: Youth Dinner  
@ Nancy Jo's  
6-7pm

The McMinnville Youth Collective is taking a break for the month of August. We look forward to seeing you at Nancy Jo's and will return in September with our Fall Kickoff.

McMinnville Youth Collective  
**AUGUST**



**BEACH  
RETREAT**  
MCMINNVILLE YOUTH COLLECTIVE

**HIGH SCHOOL:  
SEP 22 - 24**

**MIDDLE SCHOOL:  
SEP 29 - OCT 1**

**REGISTER: FBCMAC.ORG/MYC-FALL-BEACH-RETREAT-2023/**

**MCMINNVILLE YOUTH COLLECTIVE**

**COMING  
SOON**

**FALL 2023**

**YOUTH GROUP: FALL KICKOFF**  
@ First Presbyterian Church  
5PM-6PM Middle School  
6PM-6:30PM Dinner  
6:30PM-7:30PM High School

**BEACH RETREATS**  
@ Rockaway Beach, Oregon  
High School: Sept 22 - Sept 24  
Middle School: Sept 29 - Oct 1

Register: [fbcmac.org/myc-fall-beach-retreat-2023/](https://fbcmac.org/myc-fall-beach-retreat-2023/)



## Nuts & Bolts

# DOLLAR\$&CENTS

## FINANCIAL REPORT

(Operating Fund)

<u>June:</u>	<u>Actual</u>		<u>Budget</u>	
Receipts	\$ 40,492	11.0%	\$ 30,542	8.3%
Expenses	40,017	9.7%	34,554	8.3%

<u>Year to Date:</u>	<u>Actual</u>		<u>Budget</u>	
Receipts	\$ 186,434	50.9%	\$ 183,253	50.0%
Expenses	202,238	48.8%	207,324	50.0%

Receipts for June were greater than budget. Expenses were also greater than budget, resulting in a modest surplus for the month.

***Thank you for your continued support.***

### Session Highlights

Action taken and information items are summarized for the Portfolio monthly. The Session did not meet in July, so there are no highlights to share this month.

### Staff Out of the Office

Kate Satterstrom is with the youth on the Service Learning Trip through Friday, July 28th. She will then be on vacation Monday, July 31st through Thursday, August 10th.

Pastor Matt will be on vacation Sunday, August 6th through Thursday, August 17th.

Marcia Stratman is at Bell Camp through Friday, July 28th. She will be on vacation Thursday, August 24th through Monday, September 4th.

Nancy MacDonald is on vacation Friday, July 28th through Tuesday, August 1st.



### Fellowship Time Hosts and Flower Chart Sign Up

Here is the link to the signup form:  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050B49AFA72FA7FD0-fellowship>

If you are interested in hosting, but need someone to join you in hosting or help you with the dishwasher, please contact the office. There are volunteers willing to help you.

Also if you are a volunteer willing to help, let the office know what you are willing to help with so you can be matched up.

If you have any questions or need assistance, contact Nancy in the church office.

### · FLOWER CHART ·



### Prayer Requests

Contact Carley Bushart at 503-560-0183 or [prayer@fpc-mac.org](mailto:prayer@fpc-mac.org)

### Next Portfolio Deadline: August 21, 2023

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## All in the Family



# August BIRTHDAYS

Claudia Huwaldt	4th
Joanne Mucken	7th
Ruth Willis	8th
Becky Donaly	13th
Janet Myatt	13th
Kris Brunner	18th
Arabella Thomson	20th
John Edmondson	23rd
Daryl Garrettson	23rd
Tony Pratt	23rd
Brian Shea	23rd
Karen Olson	24th
Janet Litchfield	26th
Elliott Barske	27th
Cindy Badley	30th

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**



How grateful we are to First Presbyterian Church for the strong support during these weeks since Dave Willis graduated from Earth. The many verbal and written notes, hugs, and visits were helpful. Especially nice was the work of the deacons, the attractive variety of homemade cookies, the many attendees at the Memorial Service, and Matt's and Nancy's help.

Truly, we so appreciate your love and thoughtfulness and your prayers for us,

Ruth, Dan, and our complete family



## August Prayer Calendar

"Devote yourself to prayer, being watchful and thankful." Colossians 4:2

Please lift each household name or group listed below in prayer on that day of the month.

1. Gail Johnson
2. Matt Johnson & Sonja Soderlund, Micah & Caleb
3. Janice Jones
4. Nancy Kirkelie
5. Community Dinner
6. Lea Ann Knorr
7. Jane Kristof
8. Roger Krug
9. Wednesday Breakfast
10. Rob & Sharon Laddusaw
11. Steve & Nona Larson
12. Sandra Lawrence
13. Ralph & Janet Litchfield
14. Bob & Donna Lunt
15. Tom & Nancy MacDonald
16. Tom & Carolyn Mann
17. Pat Martin
18. Wanda McAlister
19. Mary McBride
20. Sheila McCluskey
21. Shawna McRae, Savannah & Holden
22. Linda Mihnos
23. Session
24. Ron & Donna Miller
25. Ted & Paula Miller
26. Kevin & Caroline Moore, Grayson, Adelynn, & Rylan
27. Joanne Mucken
28. Janet Myatt
29. Randy Naef
30. Lee Niederer
31. Tom & Mary Norton



# Calendar



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>30</b> <b>Nancy on vacation</b> <b>10:30am Outdoor Worship</b> 11:30am Fellowship Time	<b>31</b> <b>Kate on vacation</b> <b>Nancy on vacation</b> 9:00am Monday Morning Maintenance 12:00pm Oak Valley Bridge Club	<b>1</b> <b>Kate on vacation</b> <b>Nancy on vacation</b>	<b>2</b> <b>Kate on vacation</b> 8:30am Wednesday Breakfast 4:00pm Worship & Music Ministry Team 5:30pm Women's AA Group 6:00pm Handbell Rehearsal	<b>3</b> <b>Kate on vacation</b> 3:30pm Mission Team	<b>4</b> <b>Kate on vacation</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>5</b> <b>Kate on vacation</b> 5:00pm Community Dinner (take out only)
<b>6</b> <b>Communion</b> <b>Kate on vacation</b> <b>Pastor Matt on vacation</b> <b>10:30am Worship</b>	<b>7</b> <b>Kate on vacation</b> <b>Pastor Matt on vacation</b> 9:00am Monday Morning Maintenance 12:00pm Oak Valley Bridge Club 4:00pm Creative Arts Team	<b>8</b> <b>Kate on vacation</b> <b>Pastor Matt on vacation</b>	<b>9</b> <b>Kate on vacation</b> <b>Pastor Matt on vacation</b> 8:30am Wednesday Breakfast 1:00pm YCCO 1:30pm Stewardship, Budget, & Finance Team 5:30pm Women's AA Group	<b>10</b> <b>Kate on vacation</b> <b>Pastor Matt on vacation</b>	<b>11</b> <b>Office Closed</b> <b>Pastor Matt on vacation</b>	<b>12</b> <b>Pastor Matt on vacation</b> 3:00pm Praise Team Rehearsal 5:00pm Community Dinner (take out only)
<b>13</b> <b>Pastor Matt on vacation</b> <b>10:30am Worship</b>	<b>14</b> <b>Pastor Matt on vacation</b> 9:00am Monday Morning Maintenance 12:00pm Oak Valley Bridge Club 4:00pm Building & Grounds Team	<b>15</b> <b>Pastor Matt on vacation</b> 10:00am Staff Meeting	<b>16</b> <b>Pastor Matt on vacation</b> 8:30am Wednesday Breakfast 5:30pm Women's AA Group	<b>17</b> <b>Pastor Matt on vacation</b>	<b>18</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>19</b> 5:00pm Community Dinner (take out only)
<b>20</b> <b>Communion</b> <b>Kate to PYWA</b> <b>10:30am Worship</b> 6:00pm Investment Club	<b>21</b> <b>Kate to PYWA</b> 9:00am Monday Morning Maintenance 12:00pm Oak Valley Bridge Club	<b>22</b> <b>Kate to PYWA</b> 9:00am Earth Care Committee 10:00am Staff Meeting	<b>23</b> <b>Kate to PYWA</b> <b>Portfolio</b> 8:30am Wednesday Breakfast 5:30pm Women's AA Group 7:00pm Session	<b>24</b> <b>Kate to PYWA</b> <b>Marcia on vacation</b>	<b>25</b> <b>Marcia on vacation</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>26</b> <b>Marcia on vacation</b> 5:00pm Community Dinner (take out only)
<b>27</b> <b>Marcia on vacation</b> <b>10:30am Worship</b> 11:45am Legacy Giving Seminar	<b>28</b> <b>Marcia on vacation</b> 9:00am Monday Morning Maintenance 12:00pm Oak Valley Bridge Club	<b>29</b> <b>Marcia on vacation</b> 10:00am Staff Meeting	<b>30</b> <b>Marcia on vacation</b> 8:30am Wednesday Breakfast 5:30pm Women's AA Group 6:00pm MYC Dinner	<b>31</b> <b>Marcia on vacation</b>	<b>1</b> <b>Marcia on vacation</b> <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>2</b> <b>Marcia on vacation</b> 5:00pm Community Dinner (take out only)