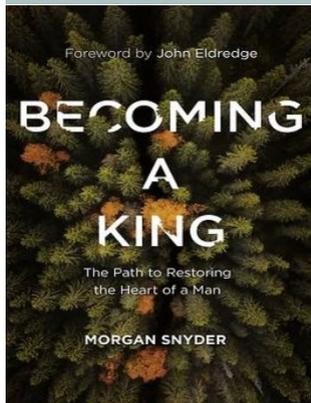


THE WORD

Experiencing, Growing In & Sharing God's Love

Goldendale United Methodist Church

October 2020



Weekly Zoom Study for Men with David Reinholz

Masculinity is in need of restoration. But how do you become the kind of man – the kind of king – to whom God can entrust his kingdom?

In this six-session video Bible study journey with Morgan into a process that helps men recover true courage and vulnerability.

Thursdays from 6:30 - 7:00 pm on Zoom

October 1 - November 15

Sessions include:

Becoming Powerful Becoming a Son
Becoming the Man You Were Born To Be
Becoming a Generalist The Way of Becoming
Becoming a King

Contact David Reinholz at davidr@pioneerww.org to register

Or click here: <https://pioneerww.org/fall-education-registration/>

October Calendar

T/W/Th Community Meals
5:30 p.m.

Sundays

Zoom Coffee Hour 9:30 am

**Zoom Council Meeting
Wednesday October 7th
5:30 pm**



Church

Rummage Sale **UMW Rummage Sale**

We are still accepting items you might want to donate. Someone will be at the church on Mondays from 1 to 3 pm.

Questions?
Call (509) 773-4461

Sunday October 4, 2020

9:30 a.m.



United Methodist Church
Parking Lot
World Communion Sunday
The Feast of St. Francis

Join us for communion and fellowship
on this special day!

Bring a sweater-a chair to sit in-and your mask.



Chasing the Wild Goose

Pastor Joyce O'Connor-Magee

During the lockdown there are so many places I want to go. Once we longed to go to Greece, Ireland, and Scotland. I really want to go to Italy - especially to Florence and Assisi. Our last BIG trip was to Edmonton to spend a week at the Mall. Now we are just happy if we could go to a movie!

I was reminded that the day we celebrate Saint Francis of Assisi is coming up on October 4th. I have hung out with Catholics enough that I enjoy celebrating the lives of saints. I know about Peregrine who is the patron saint of those with cancer. I have always loved St. Dymphna - the one who looks out for those with anxiety (a great gal to know these days). Most of us know St. Francis. He had started out as a spoiled rich kid. His dad was a wealthy fabric merchant in Assisi. Francis, like his friends, set off to do battle during the Crusades. For noblemen it was a lark - they were well protected by their men. Francis was wounded and came out of the experience offering his life to God. His love for those in need met with great resistance from his father and the noble folk of Assisi. But Francis listened to God when he was called to "rebuild the church".

We need that passion - to rebuild the church. Building a building wasn't the call - rebuilding the heart of faith was. Francis saw the mission wasn't the great theological debates but the care for the people of God. Francis moved deeper and felt all of creation needed God's love and care. In this century the earth, the animals, water and air are under threat. People are under threat as well - God's beloved people are caught in cycles of hate and want. Francis left a beautiful basilica in Assisi - but he left a more beautiful call to us. *Lord, let us be a channel of your peace...where there is hatred let us sow love.*



Wildfire Response Donations

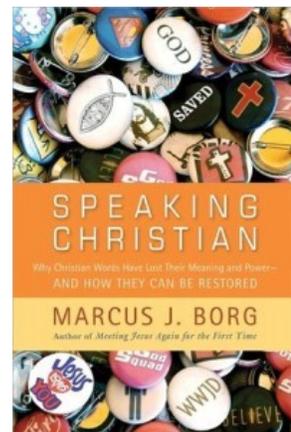
Join us in our response to the real needs of our neighbors as they recover from the recent and ongoing fire tragedies in WA, OR, CA, and ID. Let us help them to find hope again.

Here are two ways you can donate:
Send a gift to your local United Methodist Church and mark it "PNW Conference Disaster Fund (Advance #352).

You can also go online and donate here:
<https://secure.givelively.org/donate/pacific-northwest-conference-of-the-united-methodist-church/pacific-northwest-conference-disaster-fund-advance-352>

Speaking Christian by Marcus Borg

A new book group has been formed. It is only in its 2nd week so there's plenty of time to join. The group will discover the original meaning of the words Christians use all the time. The group meets on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the Sunshine Room. Please wear a mask!



We will see you this Wednesday!



It's October! Fall is in the air. And we are all still staying at home, wearing our masks, and learning new ways to communicate. ZOOM used to mean 'going fast!' Now it means 'I'm in a meeting.' Our UMW District meeting took place via ZOOM on Saturday, Sept. 19th.

New officers were installed and a budget approved. The mission candle burned for 22 minutes and 45 seconds. Our district donations totaled \$485.17. (This is from the change we put in the teddy bear collection jar. When added to all the other units' contributions, that's what we came up with.)

Keynote speakers were Estella Wallace, National Director of Missions, and Ja'net Crouse, PNW UMW President. Awards were given and our unit collected recognition for Racial Justice and Mission Today.

The conference is still collecting baby quilts and blankets to give to hospitals and shelters and currently our unit has made 43. Twenty of those will be going to New Mexico and the others are waiting to be distributed next year. You all can keep on knitting and sewing blankets to add to the inventory.

Know that the work continues! Even though we aren't meeting every month, mission projects are still ongoing. If you need good books to read, come to the church and we will find some downstairs. **You can still send in your pledges!!** Since we aren't traveling the world or shopping in stores so much, maybe your bank account has a few extra dollars in it. Send it to the church and label it for UMW.

Feel free to call the church if you have questions or want to make suggestions about UMW. 773-4461. We may not be in person, but we are persons in mission.

Lynn Wanless—UMW President

Mission Outreach

Goldendale UMW is shipping a large box containing 20 beautiful handmade quilts to UMC Navajo Mission Center and New Beginnings in Farmington, NM. This center provides safe shelter for women and their children who are homeless and/or victims of domestic violence. We recently learned that this center is opening a daycare facility to meet the needs of residents who have



found employment but need a safe place for their children during their working hours. What a joy for us in Goldendale to be the hands and feet of God!! - Linda Hay



Birthdays

Oct. 1

Margaret McInturff

Oct. 4

Laura Thayer

Oct. 18

Shirley Johnson



Barbara Fridley sends her thanks to all of those sending her good wishes on her birthday last month. She continues to live 'at the Fridley farm' with her family and is doing well.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday

9am - noon

509-773-4461

M/W Lynn Wanless

T/Th Elsie David

M-Th Pastor Joyce

509-389-1406

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

United Methodist churches observe [World Communion Sunday](#) on the first Sunday in October. The observance focuses the attention of United Methodists on the universal and inclusive nature of the church. Offerings collected in United Methodist churches on World Communion Sunday are used to fund scholarships for young scholars and seminarians. Donations equip racial and ethnic-minority students in the United States and international students to transform the church and communities. Half of the proceeds from the offering is for World Communion Sunday Scholars administered by the General Board of Global Ministries. The remaining half is to be used for the Ethnic Scholarship Program and the Ethnic In-Service Training Program, which are administered by the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry.



World Communion Sunday Offering - October 4, 2020



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