

From the Pastor... Harvesting Robert VanDoodewaard Psalm 126:1-6

There are few events more joyful than a homecoming. From seeing familiar faces to falling into our beds, many of us love to come home. <u>Pathen 1.26</u> recounts the happy song of former slaves as they came home: "Our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy; then they said among the nations, 'The LORD has done great things for them'" (<u>1.26</u>). After many years of exile, a miraculous homecoming had occurred. This verse recounts what may have been one of the most joyful scenes in all the Scriptures.

Yet the same psalm also has something to teach those who are struggling in verse 6: "He who goes out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, bringing his sheaves with him." Why would the psalmist turn to this scene of a farmer weeping continuously as he plants? Perhaps he remembered the prayers that were "sown" while in exile. This also would have been an encouraging thought for those returning to a land that was overgrown and neglected. Fields would have had to be reclaimed and reworked. Resettling the promised land was not easy. When the temple foundation was re-laid, many in the older generation wept for what had been lost, while the younger generation shouted with joy (1200 512 12). Having experienced God's mighty work of deliverance, the psalmist could reassure others that a harvest would one day come.

The confident song of these liberated exiles can teach us to hope for the progress of the gospel today. They knew who their Redeemer was and testified that He is mighty to save. Now they turned and, through their songs, preached good news to the sorrowful. We know from the words of the Lord Jesus Christ that the sower is ultimately a representation of spreading the Word of God (<u>Murle 4-14</u>). It may seem that the work is difficult and even hopeless. It may seem that the preached Word and evangelism are fruitless.

Parents may begin to despair that their children will never respond to God's Word. Some of the older generation may recall the church of decades ago and weep as they look at what is left standing today in some places. Years may pass, and even decades, and there may seem to be no harvest. <u>I salmal 26</u> reminds us of the good news that the gospel will bear fruit. After Christ's death on the cross, it seemed to the disciples that all was lost, and yet He rose from the grave. After His departure to heaven, they appeared to be a tiny minority, and yet the Holy Spirit was poured out at Pentecost, and thousands were added to their number. Church history includes many cycles of plowing and sowing, working and waiting, and weeping and rejoicing. Whether we live in a time of slavery or sowing, let us never despair, for the sower "shall doubtless come again with rejoicing" ([]______).

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Revelation: *A Book of Blessing Video series by W. Robert Godfrey With pastor Aaron* Sundays, 9-10 AM

Many Christians simply do not know what to do with the book of Revelation. Common approaches to this book include treating it as a code to be cracked, as an inside look into events unfolding around the globe, or as an angry diatribe against contemporary culture. In this lesson, Dr. Godfrey will introduce some helpful ideas and strategies for understanding this book as God has intended. As you begin your journey through Revelation, Dr. Godfrey's hope is that you will be blessed to understand God's Word more fully and to live faithfully for Him.

Sermon Based Small Groups are Back!

Join a small group, connect and grow.

<u>Tuesdays:</u>

Women's Group

Kathy Todd & Sandi Deatherage
10-12AM, Church Fireside Room

King's Group

Paul and Joyce King, Noreen Rhoades
3:30-5:30PM, Church Fireside Room

Goode's Group

Stephen & Sharron Goode, Jim & Vicki Zeller
4:00-6:00 PM,

10/3 at The Zeller's House

5223 Valley View Lane
Klamath Falls 97601

All other Tuesdays @ the Goode's house:

1960 Old Fort Rd.
Klamath Falls 97601

Wednesdays:

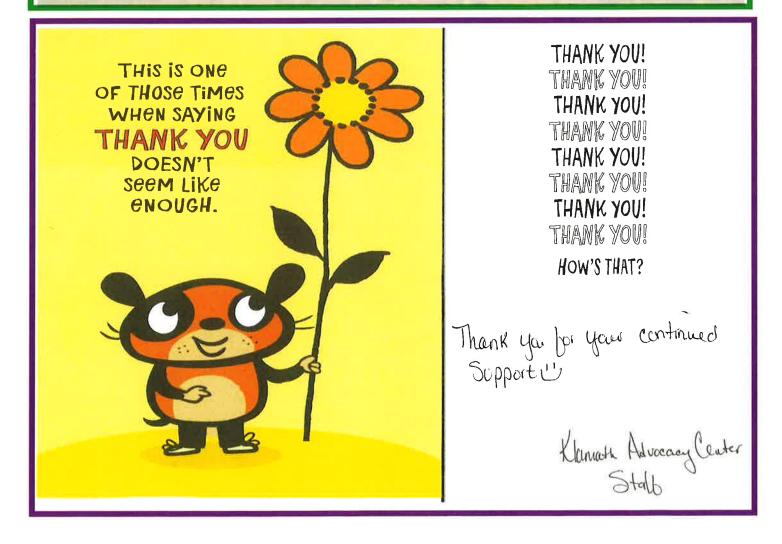
Men's Group

Pastor Aaron Beaty, Pat Gregory 11:30am-1:30pm, Upper Deck Restaurant Klamath Falls airport

FALL CLEAN-UP DAY 13 OCT 2023 9:00 am

We will be concentrating on outside tasks that need to be done before the weather turns, but there are inside tasks to be done also. We welcome any and all participation, as you are able.

CONTACT SANDI DEATHERAGE FOR MORE INFORMATION



Stewardship & Finance Committee								
	August 2023							
	Here is our monthly update on finance:							
	Operating Income:	\$11,203.52						
	Operating Expenses:	<u>\$11,737.70</u>						
	Monthly Net:	(\$ 534.18)						
	YTD /Net: (\$ 6,702.13)							
	Checking 8/31/23: \$57,084.31							
	Money Market 8/31/23:\$57,084.31)					
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Expenses in August beyond regular operations: Presbytery & General Assembly askings, World Missions, Presbytery lodging, and Pulpit Supply.

Coming up next from the Finance Committee is the "dream" budget preparation, and the annual stewardship drive beginning in October. Thank you all for your continued support of Peace Church!

Kathy Todd

PMWMG RUMMAGE SALE OCT 14

The Peace Memorial Women's Missionary Group will hold a Rummage Sale on Sat, Oct 14, from 9-2. NO DONATIONS ACCEPTED for this. We sell only items leftover from the Deacons' August Sale. Set up for the sale is Friday, Oct 13 starting at 10:30 am. If you can help either day, please join us!

FALL BAZAAR SET FOR SATURDAY, NOV 11

The PMWMG will hold the annual FALL BAZAAR on Saturday, Nov 11, from 9 to 2. If you're a baker, candy maker, canner, crocheter, knitter, or any kind of crafter, please consider donating some of your work for the bazaar. We'll again have our Kountry Kitchen, with all things yummy available for sale, and our Christmas Village, with gifts new and gently used, just in time for the Holiday Season. More details will be given as we closer to the actual date. And yes, since apples are plentiful this year, there will again be apple pie filling for sale.

Operation Christmas Child								
Prayer Requests for October 2023								
October 2	Pray for the Greatest Journey. May each child take to heart the lessons taught, hide His Word in their heart, and make decisions for Christ. May God make each child bold as they share their Bible verses, stories, and testimony with family and friends.							
October 9	Pray for K2L OCC, that God would encourage and equip each project leader, as they enter into the OCC season. Help each project leader as they share what God is doing through OCC to carry out the Great Commission with their pastors and with their churches or groups.							
October 16	Pray for OCC as they seek to build relationships with Unreached People Groups. OCC did distributions in 99 UPGs in 2022 and desires to reach over 1000 in the coming years. Pray for favor, for translators, for local volunteers to be raised up so that the Gospel can go forth with power! (If you desire to learn more about this OCC initiative, consider attending one of our project leader workshops.)							
October 23	Pray for each donor that they would prayerfully and joyfully pack and give shoeboxes that the box would be the answer to a heart's desire for the child receiving it so that they could taste and see the goodness and love of God.							
October 30	Pray for our Logistics network that they would have workers in abundance, good training, and that God would work out every detail so that each precious box is handled with accuracy and care.							

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Romans 15:5

Now may the God who gives the power of patient endurance (Steadfastness) and who supplies encouragement, grant you to live in such mutual harmony and such full sympathy with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus.

Galatians 5:22

The way to define love is by using the <u>Fruit of the Spirit</u>, which starts with love. Joy is Love rejoicing, Peace is Love at rest. Patience is Love waiting, Kindness is Love Interacting, Goodness is Love initiating, Faithfulness is Love keeping its word, Gentleness is Love empathizing, and Self Control is Love resisting temptation.

Nicky Gumbel

MISSION MEMO

The PREGNANCY HOPE CENTER'S DESSERT FUNDRAISER will be held this year on Thursday, October 12, 6:30 pm at the OIT Student Union. Peace Memorial is again hosting a table and has 7 tickets available for those who wish to attend. We will be making a donation as a church, so don't think you must make a donation if you come.

This year's guest speaker will be the Honorable Joseph K. Wood, a judge who now serves in the Arkansas state cabinet. Judge Wood was raised by adoptive parents, and has written two children's books about fostering and adoption. His touching story demonstrates the beauty and power of God's providence, and underscores the truth that "there is no such thing as an unwanted child."

If you would like to attend- again, there's no cost you other than your time and your heart- get a ticket from Geri Coker.

October Birthdays

October Anniversaries

1st Aaron Beaty 8th Scott Dickson 17th Marjorie Divine 27th Landon Beaty 31st Betty Shaw

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Oct 1 Communion	2	3 10:00am Women's Group (Fireside Room) 3:30pm King's Group (Fireside Room) 4:00pm Goode's Group (Zeller's Home)	4 11:30am Men's Group (Upper Deck (3000 Airport Way, Klamath Falls, OR 97603)) 2:30pm Handbell Practice	5 1:30pm Laura Brasser's Bible Study (Laura Brasser's Home)	6 Office Closed	7
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15 10:30am Worship 11:30am Deacons	16 4:00pm Stewardship/Finance	 17 10:00am Women's Group (Fireside Room) 11:00am Discipleship Mtg 3:30pm King's Group (Fireside Room) 4:00pm Goode's Group 	18 10:00am Crafts Fellowship 11:30am Men's Group (Upper Deck (3000 Airport Way, Klamath Falls, OR 97603)) 2:30pm Handbell Practice	19 1:30pm Laura Brasser's Bible Study (Laura Brasser's Home)	20 Office Closed	21
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"Give thanks in every circumstance, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

-1 Thessalonians 5:18

Sermons for October:

The 10 Commandments: Exodus 20:2-17, Deuteronomy 5:6-22

- 10/1 Commandment V: Honor Your Father and Mother Exodus 20:2, 12
- 10/8 Commandment VI: Do Not Commit Murder Exodus 20:2, 13
- 10/15 Commandment VII: Do Not Commit Adultery Exodus 20:2, 14
- 10/22 Commandment VIII: Do Not Steal Exodus 20:2, 15
- 10/29 Commandment IX: Do Not Bear False Testimony Exodus 20:2, 16



DEACONS

Paul King - Chair Susan Orton Jocelyn Shellito Debbie Grant Marjorie Divine

> The Deacons meet the third Sunday of each month following worship.



SESSION/ELDERS

Pastor Aaron Beaty-Noreen Rhoades-Kathy Todd-Geri Coker-Sandi Deatherage-Betty Shaw-Stephen GoodeModerator Clerk/ Discipleship Finance & Stewardship Mission and Outreach Building and Grounds Worship Building and Grounds

NO SESSION MEETING IN JULY



TRUSTEES

Stephen Goode Harold Heaton Bill Dart