



“THE CALL”

NEWSLETTER OF THE BEAVERTON
CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN
FEBRUARY, 2019

PASTOR’S RAMBLINGS

“Following a message on mission, a pastor was asked, 'What do these people, pleasant and unpleasant, in the community around me, have to do with me?' Good question, the pastor responded.

They are your new Church members. There is a world of hurting people out there, people who need a congregation! Maybe they don't look like you, or talk like you. They may smoke or drink, and they're broken too badly to deny or hide their problems. And they need the love of Christ.

Our calling is not to judge people, but to love them and share the hope we have in Christ with them. These people are our neighbors, for whose good we are called to labor..."

There are many, many physical and spiritual needs around us desperately calling for service in Jesus Name. I believe we can be successful in meeting many of them if we maintain three things as priorities in our lives.

First, be edifying and forgiving of one another. We need that strong sense of being loved and accepted if we are to be truly enabled for service. As we serve and reach out to others we will make mistakes, maybe step on one another's toes at times, or be rejected in our offer of service. However, love and forgiveness can rebuild the unity and strength that is essential for service.

Secondly, service must begin in our local community. And just giving money isn't all of what service is about. For some the only way that they can serve is to provide money for others to use in service, and God knows that. For some others, it's the easiest way to salve a conscience that is troubled by the needs it sees...and God knows that as well. Money is needed to meet the physical needs, however, those physical needs most often create emotional, mental, and spiritual needs that can only be met

when people share themselves with another. Service is not only giving to those in need... Service is sharing with, getting involved with, those in need.

Thirdly, we must have a broader view than our own community. We are called to be servants, witnesses, in Beaverton and beyond. (Not quite the words that Jesus used, but the intent is there!)

Be much in prayer about the needs that surround us and how we might expand our service and ministry. There are so many in our community, and beyond, that desperately need assistance-and someone to care enough to share the love of Christ with them-God has called us to this place, at this time, to be the answer!

Love, support, and encourage one another that we all may be empowered to greater service in Jesus' Name.

Shalom,
Pastor Bill

What are your prayer requests?



Join Us

Sunday

gathering of friends

time for instruction

prayer for each other

February 3

7:00 p.m.

“Work as if you were to live a hundred years,
pray as if you were to die tomorrow.”

Benjamin Franklin

JOIN THE FUN AT SUGAR SPRINGS



A SLEDDING PARTY IS BEING PLANNED



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16!

1:00 p.m.

Bring a sled and a snack to share. Hot dogs and marshmallows for roasting will be provided.

At the warming



house/pavilion



Women's Fellowship

The women held their monthly fellowship meeting on Wednesday, January 2nd. The next monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 6th, at 10:30. On January 9th the women enjoyed lunch at the Welcome In. Please join us for Bible study at 9:00 each Wednesday and the monthly Fellowship meetings and outings. All women are welcome.....a good time to connect, study, pray.....and laugh!

Continuing the work of Jesus. Peacefully. Simply. Together



Local musician **Lynn Morgan** will be performing at church on **February 10th** during worship service.



You will be blessed by his music.



**VALENTINE
CELEBRATION**

A Valentine dinner is planned for Sunday, February 10, after worship service. Plan to join in fun and fellowship around the table. Pulled pork is the main course. Please bring a side dish or dessert to add.

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

***** **Outreach cup offerings for Jan., Feb., Mar. and April** are designated for Walk for Warmth

***** **Birthday Sunday**, February 3, worship service

***** **Prayer meeting**, Sunday, February 3, 7:00 p.m.

***** **Board Meeting**, February 12, 7:00 & 7:30 p.m.

***** **Vet's dinner**, Sunday, February 17, 6:00 p.m.

FUNERAL DINNERS—a ministry of this church.



Any one of these ladies or Pastor Bill may be contacted when there is a need.

Claudia Whitmer: 989-435-7632

Peggy Hillman: 989-435-9290

Sherry Garvin: 989-435-0350

Peggy MCKimmy: 989-435-3467

MEN'S COOK-OFF

AND

CORN-BAG TOURNAMENT

MARCH 16

6:00 P.M.

Calling all men to a great contest!!



Show us your culinary skills by making a main dish and/or dessert to be judged and then eaten by the rest of us. Everyone is invited to participate by judging the entries and enjoying a meal together.

A corn-hole tournament will be held after dinner.



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All the fun starts at 6:00 p.m. Don't miss out.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHERN VISION STATEMENT

Through scripture, Jesus calls us to live as courageous disciples by word and action: To surrender ourselves to God, to embrace one another, to express God's love for all creation.