



Yachats Community Presbyterian Church
 A Welcoming, Come-As-You-Are, Christ-Centered Community Church.

Agate Windows

And I will make thy windows of agates Isaiah 54:12

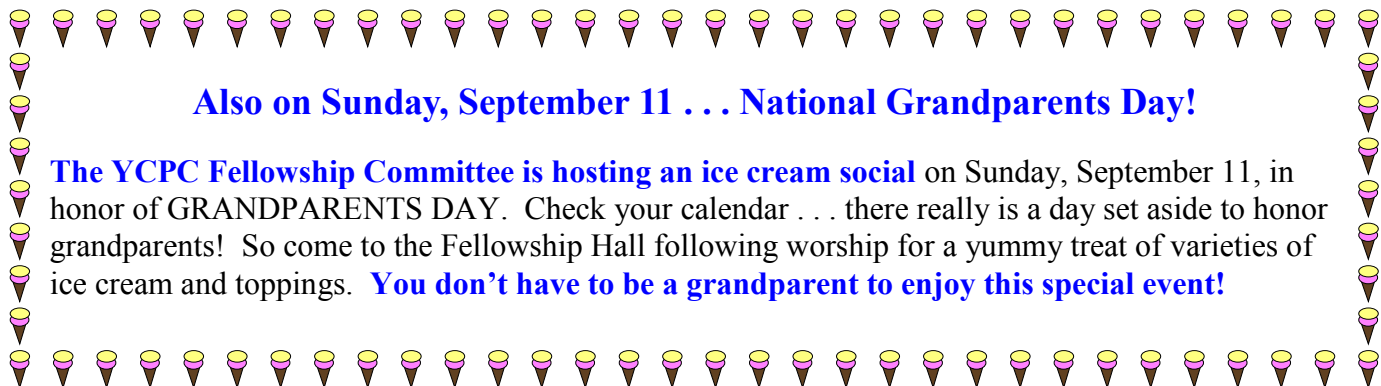
September 2016



Join us
Sunday, September 11, 5:00 p.m.
Yachats Commons Picnic Shelter

As we celebrate
Peace, Love and
Unity in the Community

Music with
Dave Cowden
Creight Horton



Also on Sunday, September 11 . . . National Grandparents Day!

The YCPC Fellowship Committee is hosting an ice cream social on Sunday, September 11, in honor of GRANDPARENTS DAY. Check your calendar . . . there really is a day set aside to honor grandparents! So come to the Fellowship Hall following worship for a yummy treat of varieties of ice cream and toppings. **You don't have to be a grandparent to enjoy this special event!**

Friday, September 16, 7:00 p.m., Piano Concert by John Nilsen

John Nilsen will perform his third piano concert at YCPC on Friday, September 16, at 7:00 p.m.

Admission by suggested donation of \$10.00.



Pastor Bob has been serving **Yachats Community Presbyterian Church** since the fall of 2014 when he was called to serve a *two-year term* as our pastor.

At a meeting held Sunday, August 21, YCPC voted unanimously to approve the session's recommendation to call Pastor Bob as *our full-time, permanent* pastor.

On August 21 we also honored Pastor Bob for his dedicated service these past two years as he has worked hard to serve the needs of our congregation and to re-energize YCPC, along with reaching out to care for those in the larger Yachats Community.

An Invitation to Be Part of the Circle

The Women's Circle Bible Study will be reconvening the first week of October and any interested women are invited to attend. We will be studying the Horizons Bible Study of the Presbyterian Church (USA). It promises to be a thought-provoking, stimulating study. Here are some details from the PC(USA) website:

Welcome to the 2016–2017 Presbyterian Women/Horizons Bible study, *Who Is Jesus? What a Difference a Lens Makes*, by Judy Yates Siker. Each of the study's nine lessons explores the question "Who is Jesus?" through a particular theological lens. Dr. Siker explores the answers to the question through the lenses of Mark, Matthew, Luke, John, Paul, Hebrews, the non-canonical gospels, the Abrahamic Faiths, and contemporary cultural interpretations. She notes that each of us who reads the New Testament is an interpreter of the text, and that how we interpret depends in part on who we are.

Dr. Siker is visiting professor of New Testament and Christian Origins at Loyola Marymount University. Prior to taking this position, Dr. Siker was at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, California, serving as Vice President and Professor of New Testament at San Francisco Theological Seminary and Dean and Associate Professor of New Testament at the American Baptist Seminary of the West, also in Berkeley.

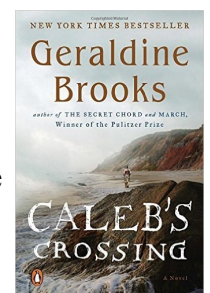
We are trying to find a day of the week—during the first week of the month—that works for as many women as possible. Currently, the options are Monday morning or afternoon, Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday morning or Friday morning. Please contact Nan Scott (541-547-5470 or Nan.Scott@oregonstate.edu) and let her know the days/times that will work for you.

This is a wonderful opportunity to study, learn, and expand our minds while enjoying fellowship and support from one another. Draw the circle wide – include yourself!

Are You a Bookworm?

If so, please join the Book Group on Friday morning, September 16, at 10:30 in the McGuire Room at the church.

This month we are reading *Caleb's Crossing* by Geraldine Brooks. The story takes place in 1665. Two young people, a Puritan girl (Bethia) and a Wampanoag boy (Caleb), meet and become friends. Both are limited in education and so the story begins. Bethia proves an emotionally irresistible guide to the wilds of Martha's Vineyard and the intimate spaces of the human heart, while watching Caleb gain an education that no Native American could have ever dreamed about.



On Sunday, August 14, we had our All-Church Picnic in Quiet Water, near the pool area and tennis court. We enjoyed a delicious meal of fried chicken with a wonderful assortment of potluck sides and desserts . . . and good fellowship.

Thanks to the YCPC Fellowship Committee and to everyone who helped them with the picnic . . . and to Quiet Water for the use of their recreation area.



Families Together, Friday, September 23, 6:00 p.m.

Join us for a fun family time that includes dinner, story time and crafts.

Each family attending receives a copy of the featured book.

Families Together is offered in partnership between YCPC and Yachats Youth and Family Activities Program.



Flickers from the Flame

Jon Nestor

Angel of the Morning

Morning brings newness. Sometimes this newness is symbolized by the start of a new day or a new era. Examples of this kind of newness include a sunrise or Springtime, birds singing or nature budding. A sunrise follows a period of darkness, and in so doing, ushers in the new day. Springtime follows a period of coldness known as Winter, and in so doing, ushers in a period of thawing that announces and prepares the way for new life.

With new life come new hopes, new challenges, and new frontiers. Not all of these are apparent to us, especially at first. All of these serve as symbols of possibilities brought about by this newness. Our mission – should we choose to accept it - regarding these new possibilities is to pray for God’s help in awakening to them. Awakening, itself, is another symbol of morning. Much like a sunrise announces the dawn of a new day, awakening opens the door to new understanding, new awareness, new recognition.

All angels stand at these doors. They serve as heralders or harbingers of newness. However, some angels actually help us cross the thresholds that separate what has come before from what is yet to be awakened . . . and they protect us as we move into newness. I call these latter angels, “Angels of the Morning”.

Kristie Nestor was, in every way, an angel of the morning. She was a teacher, a leader, a singer, and an artistic designer. However, on a deeper level, she was a friend, a companion, an inviter, a pray-er, an evangelist, and a steadfast supporter. No matter what she was facing, she helped all with whom she came into contact to realize their possibilities and to move into them. All of you who knew her know what I’m talking about. She was the embodiment of what I have described in this article.

The words of the praise song “Soon and Very Soon” say it best:

“Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!
No more crying there! We are going to see the King!
No more dying there! We are going to see the King!
Alleluia! Alleluia! We’re going to see the King!”

Well done, Kristie! Thank you for the time we had together. You were well loved. We will all miss you. At the same time, we thank you for what you have shown us, what you have taught us, what you have invited us to through your brokenness. Most of all, we rejoice that you are not suffering anymore, for you have found your new morning. May God bless you as you awaken to and participate in it. May you rest in God’s peace. (Psalm 30: 5b)

Jon

[Kristie Nestor died Tuesday, August 30. A celebration of Kristie’s life will be held at YCPC on Saturday, October 1, at 1:00 p.m.]

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Kristie Nestor and to the families and friends of these folks who also died in August.



Edna Marie Thorn, a member of YCPC since 1979, died Saturday, August 27. A brief graveside service was held for Edna Marie at Yachats Cemetery on Friday, September 2.

Ed Laurick, a former member of YCPC (1983-2006), died Monday, August 29. A celebration of Ed’s life was held at YCPC on Saturday, September 3.

Ontario (Terry) Nestor, Jon Nestor’s father, died, Wednesday, August 31.

Tom McClellan, Jaclyn Howard’s grandfather, died Wednesday, August 31.

Greg Cox, Elaine Harley’s brother, died August 14.

Prayer Chain

Texie Price is coordinator of the YCPC e-mail Prayer Chain. You can send your prayer requests to Texie@peak.org.

If you don’t have e-mail, you can call the office (541-547-3400) with your prayer requests, and Jeannine will send them to Texie.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
4 10:00 Worship 11:30 Fellowship 1:00 Communion at Sea-Aire	5 Labor Day Office Closed Home School Program Begins	6 9:00 Leta's Legacy Quilters	7	8 9:00 Choir 9:00 Fabricators 6:00-8:30 Yachats Big Band Rehearsal	9 12:00 Fellowship Committee	10 11:00 Ed Laurick Memorial Service
11 Grandparents Day 10:00 Worship 11:30 Fellowship (Ice Cream Treats) 5:00 Contemporary Worship Picnic Shelter	12 10:00 Stewardship and Finance Committee	13 9:00 Building and Grounds Committee 9:00 Leta's Legacy Quilters	14 10:00 Deacons	15 9:00 Choir 9:00 Fabricators 6:00-8:30 Yachats Big Band Rehearsal	16 9:30 Master Gardeners 10:30 Book Group 7:00 John Nilsen Piano Concert	17 3:00 Organ-Aided Reflections with Jon Nestor
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September

Birthdays

- 3 Donna Kemmling
- 6 Ashley Pruett
- 8 Dylan McDowell
- 8 John Joepher
- 12 Elaine Harley
- 18 Mary Emma Parks
- 18 Sylvan Simmons
- 23 Verna Collett
- 27 Charlene McLain

Anniversaries



- 4 Mark & Cindy Nessel
- 5 Nina & John Joepher
- 16 Ken & Mary Emma Parks
- 21 Dick & Mae Culbertson
- 25 Cheryl & John Waide
- 28 Shirley & Gordon Flaming

Home School Program Begins

As reported in the March newsletter . . .

At a special meeting Sunday, March 8, the Session of YCPC approved a request for use of our building to provide a home school alternative to children in our community. This program will be run by Angie Deriberprey. [Until recently, Angie was the pre-school teacher at YYFAP.]

The first day of this program was Labor Day.

Further news about the program will appear in the next issue of the newsletter.

Many Thanks . . .

Leta's Legacy Quilters thank you . . . for your generous donations of soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, dental floss, mouthwash, deodorant and other toiletries and hygiene products.

Leta's Quilters have used your donations to assemble hygiene kits for those in need, and they now have enough kits to last quite awhile.

The kits are available at the Yachats Food Pantry.

No Apple Pressing this Year

Dear Friends . . .

Due to a lack of apples, there won't be an apple pressing at our place this year. Several of our varieties failed to pollinate adequately.

Hopefully our apples will do better next season.

Sorry, we are disappointed, too.

Loyd & Verna

