



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

Agate Windows Newsletter

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

February 2019

Winter Wonderland . . .

. . . raised just over \$5,500 this year!

Thank you . . . again and again . . . to everyone who made this important fundraiser for YCPC possible . . .

Michelle Korgan and the ONA Restaurant staff for the wonderful meal . . .

Milo for his music . . .

Silent Auction Donors . . . Nan Scott, Nina Toepfer, Betsy Maxfield, Beachside Buzz, Charlene McLain, Crestview Golf Club, Deane's Oceanfront Lodge, The Drift Inn, Judith's Kitchen Tools, Carol Summers, Claire Good, Mari's Books, Bob and Lorraine Barrett

Table Decorators and Hosts . . . Lorraine Barrett, Hannah Barrett, Sue Finlayson, Betty Groth, Doris Gardenhire, Pam Luderitz, Brenda and Betsy Maxfield, Charlene McLain, Fran Morse, DJ Novgrod, and Nan Scott

The Stellar Planning Committee—Pam Luderitz, Betty Groth, Nan Scott, and . . .

**Everyone who attended, made contributions to help defer expenses
and the folks who stayed after to clean up!**

YCPC BOOK GROUP 2019

Mary Emma Parks



We began our January Book Group gathering with plans for the year. We decided to alternate topics each month. One month we will all read the same book and then discuss it . . . the next month we will read a theme-based book and give mini book reports. Except for April, we will meet at the church the third Friday of the month at 10:30 a.m.

The schedule (so far) is:

February 15— discuss *To Kill A Mockingbird* by Harper Lee

March 15—discuss a fiction or non-fiction Adventure story

April 11—attend Newport Reads! at the Newport Performing Arts Center. The author is John Larison and his book is *Whiskey When We're Dry*. There will be no meeting at the church to discuss this book. Please read it and attend the talk at the Newport Performing Arts Center, 777 W. Olive Street, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

May 17—discuss a self-help book. Choose any self-help book (there are LOTS in the Yachats Library) and prepare a quick mini book report for the rest of us.

June 21—discuss *Nomadland* by Jessica Bruder

Questions? See Mary Emma Parks.

Also at the January gathering, each of us gave mini-reports on books that focused on a person who made a contribution to society. People/books discussed were: *I Am Malala*, *Shoe Dog* (Phil Knight), *Getting Real* (Gretchen Carlson), *Betty Ford* by Lisa McCubbin, *Henry and Clare* by Ralph G. Martin, *Ruth Bader Ginsburg* by Jane DeHart, *The Education of an Accidental CEO* by David Novak. Other suggestions were: *Becoming* by Michelle Obama, *Thunder Dog* by Michael Hingson, *Downsizing the Family Home* by Marni Johnson.



Bell Choir Playing Sunday, March 3

The bell choir will have special rehearsals Thursdays, February 21 and 28, at 10:30 a.m. to prepare for a presentation during the worship service on March 3.

If you have questions, please contact Jim O'Brien (jobrien@u.arizona.edu).



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Annual Meeting, Sunday, February 24

The annual meeting of Yachats Community Presbyterian Church will be held in the sanctuary Sunday, February 24, immediately following worship. Here's the agenda . . .

Opening Prayer

Reports – Discussion/Receipt

Election of At-Large Members of Nominating Committee

Election of Endowment Committee Member for Class of 2021

Other

Fellowship will follow the annual meeting.

Copies of the Annual Report will be available Sunday, February 17.

Waldport Food Backpacks for Kids at Crestview Heights School

Yachats Community Presbyterian Church partners with Waldport Food Backpacks for Kids so that no child will go hungry.

Donations may be placed in the offering plate on Sunday or mailed to the church at P. O. Box 285, Yachats, OR 97498. 100% of all money donated goes to purchase food for the kids. Donations of food or money may also be dropped off at the church.

NOTE: Banking laws are changing so checks must be made payable to "Yachats Community Presbyterian Church" with "Backpack Program" in the memo line.

See page 4 for more information on the Backpack Program that serves Crestview Heights School in Waldport.



WALDPORT FOOD BACKPACKS FOR KIDS

Together no Child will go hungry

Volunteers fill backpacks with nutritious, prepackaged food that provides six ready to make meals for the weekend during the school year. Thankfully, the school gives all students breakfast and lunch during the week. This Backpack program operates with the contributions of our community; we thank you!

The filled backpacks are delivered to the High School HELP office where they are discreetly distributed to the children. If your family would like to receive a backpack every Friday please notify, Kristi Anderson at the Waldport H.E.L.P. Office (Kristi.Anderson@Lincoln.K12.OR.US).

Please send financial contributions or food donations to:

FOOD BACKPACK FOR KIDS

**Yachats Community Presbyterian Church
360 W 7th Street, Yachats, OR 97341**

Please write BACKPACK PROGRAM on the memo line



Celebrating St. Patrick's Day
Saturday, March 16, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall



Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner, \$8.00
All You Can Eat!!

Elaine Harley Named Elder Emerita

On Sunday, January 13, Elaine Harley was honored as Elder Emerita of YCPC. The following information about Elaine and her contributions to the life and ministries of YCPC was included in the bulletin.

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You could always count on Elaine.

(DJ Novgrod, Elder)

According to the Church Register, Elaine Harley was officially received as a member 55 years and nine months ago on April 7, 1963 (Palm Sunday).

At that time, the congregation worshiped at the Little Log Church and its name was *The Little Log Church of Yachats*. Elaine became a member before the congregation became “Yachats Community Presbyterian Church” . . . likely before building this church was even discussed at session meetings . . . before the agate windows . . . before the Yachats Music Festival . . . before many other activities in the life of YCPC.

Elaine served as YCPC’s Parish Nurse for so long (1999 – 2014) that many may not be aware of her service as an elder. And while Elaine’s service as Parish Nurse emphasized her concern and work for the well being of body, mind and soul, her service as an elder required attention to administrative and many other details of congregational life.

Elaine was first elected as an elder in January of 1971 to fill an expired term of one year (1971-1972). She was ordained the following Sunday, January 24, and elected by the session three days later to serve as clerk—not a minor role and no small task. At 38, Elaine was the youngest elder on the session; her daughter, Kristie, was 14, and her son, Steve, was 10.

She was re-elected in 1972 and continued to serve as clerk of session for the next three years.

Over a period of 39 years, Elaine served 11 years as elder—three 3-year terms and two years to fill unexpired terms. Her last term as an elder was 2008-2010.

In addition to serving as clerk of session for four consecutive years, Elaine’s service as elder included:

- ♦ Delegate to Presbytery
- ♦ Chair or Member of the following regular committees: Christian Education, Worship, Nominating, and Personnel. She was also on the Pastor Nominating Committee that recommended John Waide.
- ♦ Elaine was most often on the Christian Education Committee when it planned not only church school lessons but also activities for junior high and high school kids including: ski trips, summer camps, fundraisers for camps, and vacation Bible school.

In addition to her service as an elder and parish nurse, Elaine was elected and ordained as a deacon last year.

Indeed, you could and still can always count on Elaine.

Note . . . Elaine was first invited to church by her best friend, Doris (Canfield) Gardenhire, when they were in Waldport High School.

Following is a Thank You Note from Elaine . . .

To the Congregation of YCPC

Thank you for being supportive, always, to me and my family, and the community at large. Our family has used the services many times over the years and you have always been so kind and generous to us.

Love,

Elaine, Bert, Jon and family

							SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<i>February 2019</i>							3 10:00 Worship (Communion) 11:00 Fellowship 1:00 Communion at Sea-Aire	4 12:00 Lectionary Study	5 9:30 Leta's Legacy Quilters	6	7 9:00 Choir 10:15 Worship/Music Committee	8	9 4:00—8:00 Dinner for Uriah
							10 10:00 Worship 11:00 Fellowship (Valentine's Day Treats)	11 10:00 Stewardship and Finance Committee 12:00 Lectionary Study	12 9:30 Leta's Legacy Quilters	13 9:30 Deacons	14 9:00 Choir 6:00-8:30 Yachats Big Band Rehearsal	15 10:30 Book Club	16 2:00 Organ Meditations Jon Nestor
							17 10:00 Worship 11:00 Fellowship	18 12:00 Lectionary Study	19 9:30 Leta's Legacy Quilters	20 9:30 Session	21 9:00 Choir 6:00-8:30 Yachats Big Band Rehearsal	22 6:00 Families Together	23
							24 10:00 Worship (Annual Meeting follows Worship) Fellowship follows Annual Meeting	25 12:00 Lectionary Study	26 9:00 Leta's Legacy Quilters	27 10:45 Yachats Arts Guild	28 9:00 Choir 6:00-8:30 Yachats Big Band Rehearsal		