



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

Agate Windows Newsletter

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

Greetings,

Going forward, the Agate Windows Newsletter will no longer be a fixed monthly publication. Rather . . .

. . . sometimes there will be one issue in a month . . . sometimes there will be two issues in a month . . . sometimes a short EXTRA . . . and sometimes no issue . . . all depending on what there is to "report" and how my time is otherwise being used. As an example, there were two issues in May—one early in the month and one later—there was no issue in June, and—voila!—here is an issue for July.

Monthly Calendars

A calendar, however, will be e-mailed to the YCPC list before the beginning of every month so you can see what's coming up. Hard copies of the calendar will also be available in the Fellowship Hall. If you have items for the monthly calendar, be sure to let me know before the last week of the month.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays and anniversaries have not been listed in the newsletter for over a year. Each month they are posted in the Fellowship Hall, and they are listed in the back of the 2019 YCPC Directory of Members and Friends. If you don't have a copy of the Directory, please let me know and I will print a copy for you.

Blessings,

Jeannine, YCPC Secretary
Newsletter Editor and Publisher

Did you know . . . ?

YCPC is known as “the church of the agate windows.”

Really—if you google “church of the agate windows,” the first item for nearly every browser is about YCPC; and one browser (Firefox) has an additional “box” to the right with a picture of “the windows” and buttons to click for the YCPC website and directions. Many people from around the country and the world come to see YCPC’s agate windows.

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Here’s What’s Happening At The Church of the Agate Windows In July

Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m., Leta’s Legacy Quilters, Fellowship Hall

Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m., Evening Study, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, July 10, Noon to 4:00 p.m., YCPC Garden Work Party (see below)

Friday, July 19, 10:30 a.m., Book Group (see page 4)

Saturday, July 20, 3:00 p.m., Organ-Aided Reflections by Jon Nestor

Saturday, July 20, 5:00 p.m., Community Potluck (see page 5)

Sunday, July 21, 11:00 a.m., Hawaiian Style Fellowship Treats

Friday, July 26, 10:45 a.m., Red Cross Blood Drive, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, July 10, 12:00 to 4:00 p.m., YCPC Garden Work Party

Put it on your calendar to come to the church on Wednesday, July 10, and do a few hours of weeding, mulching, pruning and sweeping to spruce up the gardens that surround the YCPC church building.

A pot of chili will be available in the kitchen for food breaks as you need them.

Interested? Questions? Call John Simmons at 303-514-2189. John is the new Chair of the YCPC Building and Grounds Committee.



On Sunday, May 19, Stephen, Mary and Iris Wertheimer were received as members of YCPC. Here's what they said about themselves when asked if they would provide a bit of information for the newsletter . . .

Stephen

I grew up in Central Ohio. After college I spent the next 30 years managing big box stores in 8 different states. I then went back to school to get my credential and for the next 10 years became a Special Education teacher in Long Beach, California. After retiring, we found our new home in Yachats and we are very happy joining YCPC.

Mary

I was born and raised in Ohio and majored in Speech and Theater at Ohio Northern University. I met Stephen there and we married in 1976. In addition to Iris, we have an older daughter, Heather, son-in-law Donnye, and two grandchildren, Ashley and Donnie. We travelled all over the country when Stephen was in Retail Management, and I eventually pursued a career in Credit Management for several companies. I enjoy reading, pets, and long walks. We are happy to have found a warm and friendly church home.

Iris

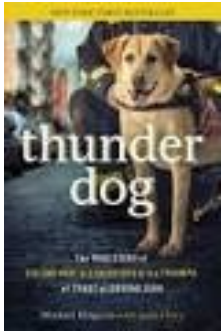
I was born in Dayton, Ohio, and grew up in Pennsylvania, New York, and California. I graduated from high school in Pasadena, California, and took some Art, Photography, and Theater courses at Pasadena City College. I was a member of a non-denominational church for 12 years in Huntington Beach, California, and helped with activities such as greeting, dinners, and holiday parties. I love pets, hiking, and the beach. I am happy to become a member of YCPC.

YCPC Book Group . . . Friday, July 19, 10:30 a.m.

Mary Emma Parks

July is Mystery Month for the Book Group! Read any mystery book and join us on Friday morning, July 19, at 10:30 at the church. We will be giving mini book reports on our chosen book and enjoy special treats and conversation.

We will NOT be meeting in August.



Our first fall meeting (September 20) we will discuss a 9/11 story called *Thunder Dog, The True Story of a Blind Man, His Guide Dog, and the Triumph of Trust* by Michael Hingson. Michael is blind and has owned several Guide Dogs over the years, but Roselle was a very special dog.

On September 11, 2001, Roselle saved Michael's life. Michael and Roselle were in a meeting in the north tower of the World Trade Center when one of the planes crashed into the building. Michael couldn't see a thing, but he could hear the sounds of shattering glass, falling debris, and terrified people flooding around him and Roselle. However, Roselle sat calmly beside him. In that moment, Michael chose to trust Roselle's judgment and not to panic. They were a team.

We would love to have more people join us to discuss books! Please come.

Red Cross Blood Drive



**American
Red Cross**

Thursday, July 26, 10:45 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

The Red Cross always needs blood and YCPC is pleased to provide space for their blood drives. If you haven't yet, please consider registering for the Blood Drive this month.

If you have any questions, please see Sue Finlayson.

Mission Giving for July, Pastor's Discretionary Fund

The Pastor's Discretionary Fund is used to offer a bit of help to members, friends and others who come to our church for help during particularly difficult times.

Funds may be used to provide assistance with emergency housing, warm food, clothing, car repairs and medical expenses, among other things.

White Pew Envelopes for your gifts will either be in the bulletins or available in the narthex during the month of July. Please note "Pastor's Fund" on the envelope or on your check.

Community Potluck, Saturday, June 29

Pastor Bob

Here are a few pictures from the June 29 Community Potluck at YCPC, which included a Music Memory Trivia game by Jim and Shirly O'Brien.



Why Community Potlucks?

Because "Community" is our middle name and, ultimately, the work of the church is to bring people together in relationship and community . . . and one of the best ways to do that is sitting at table and breaking bread with one another.

The next Community Potluck will be Saturday, July 20, 5:00 p.m.

Pentecost Sunday . . . Wearing red and making sandwiches for the Yachats Food Pantry and for hungry travelers who stop by the church asking about food. In June we went through two loaves of sandwiches in a week and had to make five more.



The Immigration Dialog . . .
Economic and Societal Impact on Our Local Community

Pastor Bob

An Immigration Dialog was held at YCPC on Thursday, June 13, and was well attended.

Presenters/Panel Members were Pastor Bob, with a report from the border; Virginia Gibbs, reporting on the local impact from recent legal changes; Curtis Landers, Lincoln County Sheriff; and Pastor Angel Torres reporting on our local Latino community.

The June 23 Dialog was one of three held throughout Lincoln County. Several attendees joined us for worship Sunday morning saying that they appreciated YCPC's commitment to justice and thanking us for "walking the walk" and not just "talking the talk." Thank you!!



Sponsors of the Dialog events were: KYAQ Community Radio, National Organization of Women (NOW), and YCPC.