



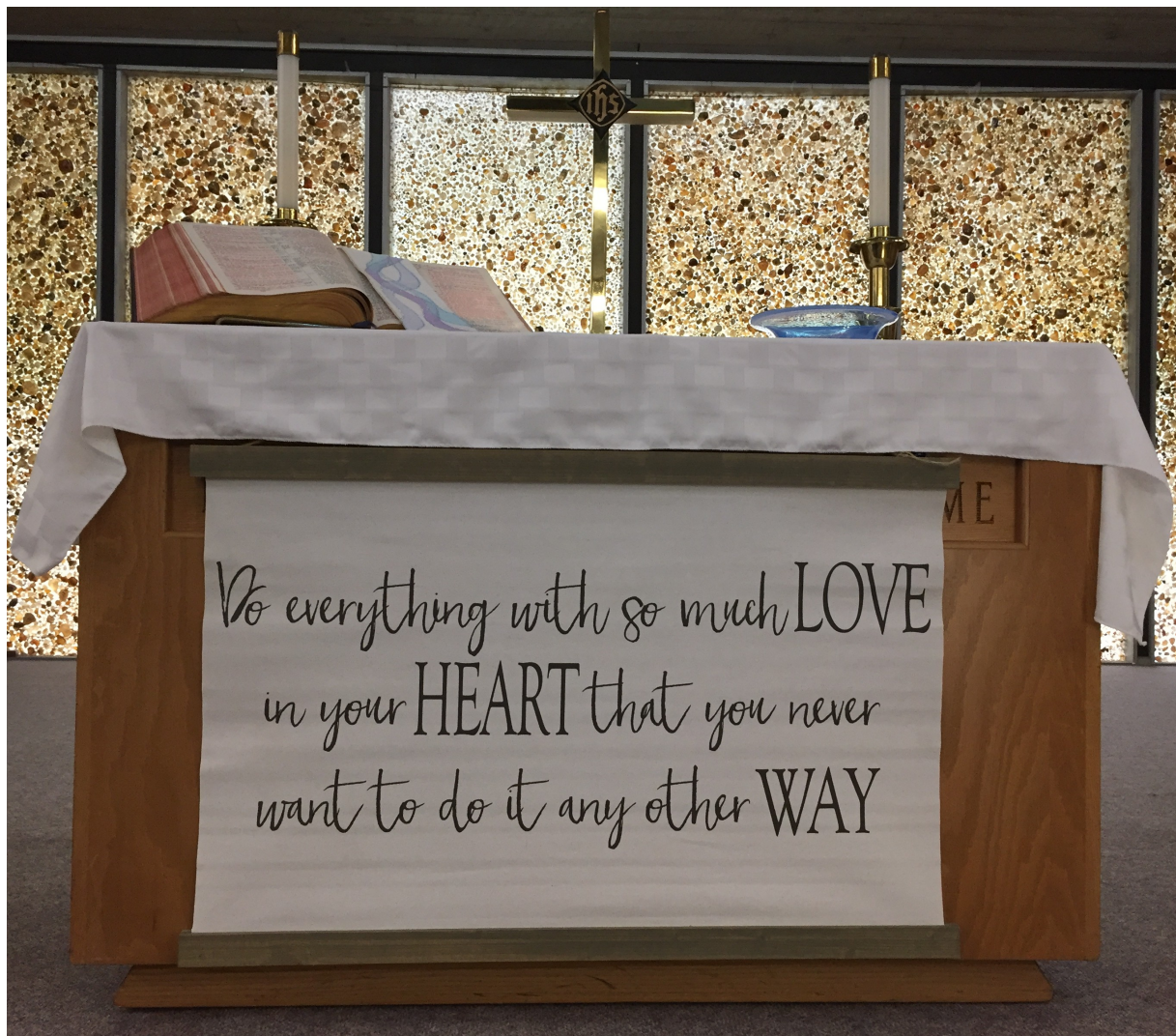
A Welcoming, Come-As-You-Are, Christ-Centered Community Church

*Being Community Together*

## Agate Windows Newsletter

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

**March/April/May/June 2020, Part 2**



## Thank You's . . . Continued

**Part 1 of the March/April/May/June issue highlighted** the extraordinary efforts by Pastor Bob, the session, members and friends of YCPC on behalf of the entire community to address and hopefully minimize the impact of the coronavirus.

**This issue, March/April/May/June, Part 2,** highlights and offers thanks for the work done for the congregational life of YCPC during the coronavirus.

**As reported in Part 1 of the March/April/May/June Newsletter,** the YCPC session held a special meeting on Wednesday, March 12, to discuss the rapid spread of the coronavirus and took the following action:

*Out of an abundance of caution, and with the utmost concern for the long-term health well-being of the YCPC family, and the community of Yachats, and in deference to the recommendations and guidance of the WHO, CDC, and the Oregon Department of Health, the Session of Yachats Community Church approves a suspension of worship, church related activities and public gatherings (with the exception of the Yachats Home School Group) for an undetermined period of time, beginning Sunday March 15, 2020.*

***The session will re-evaluate the situation on a week to week basis\*\****

*The pastor will make materials available for use by congregants for in home Sunday worship, and explore opportunities for an online worship experience should the suspension need to continue . . .*

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**\*\*Normally, the session meets once a month for two (maybe three) hours, with occasional special meetings.** For nearly four months now the session and Pastor Bob have been meeting at least weekly (and more often when needed) to “re-evaluate the (COVID-19) situation.”

**So . . . Thank you . . .** Pastor Bob; session members Don Groth, Jnanda Lampman, Pam Luderitz, DJ Novgrod, John Simmons and Steve Wertheimer; and Clerk of Session, Betty Groth, for their faithful service during these extraordinary times, including—but not limited to—weekly meetings via zoom and regular contact with YCPC’s members and friends.

**Just in case you’ve forgotten** what your session members look like, here they are in two rows, left to right: **Top:** Don Groth, Jnanda Lampman, Pam Luderitz, DJ Novgrod

**Bottom:** John Simmons, Steve Wertheimer; and Clerk of Session, Betty Groth.





## Worship . . . Thank you . . .



**Pastor Bob** for figuring out live streaming via zoom so that worship services can still be held every Sunday morning . . .

**Lorraine Barrett, Kelly Simmons, Jnanda Lampman, Betty Groth** for serving as worship assistants . . .

**Milo Graamans** for music for worship and streaming *Mondays with Milo* at the YCPC website, when he plays your hymn requests—and provides the hymn titles and hymnal page numbers ahead of time. If you would like to submit hymn requests for *Mondays with Milo*, you can e-mail them to Milo at [milograamans@peak.org](mailto:milograamans@peak.org) . . .



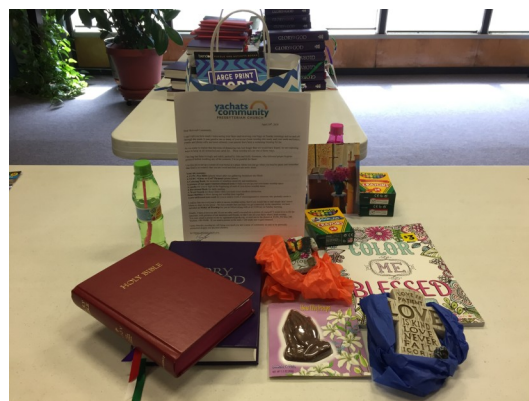
**Myron Eckhardt** for fresh flowers for every service.



## "Worship Kits" . . . Thank you . . .

**Kelly and John Simmons and Pastor Bob** for putting together the "Worship Kits" that included a *Glory to God* hymnal; a pew bible; a coloring book with crayons; a picture of the agate windows chancel area; a candle; a devotional book; a word search book; and—just for fun—bubbles!

And thanks to Kelly and John who hand delivered all of the kits.





### Thank You . . .

**Nan Scott, YCPC Church Treasurer . . .** for the many (many) hours involved in processing all of the contributions to the various community relief funds . . . in addition to the ordinary financial transactions of YCPC, e.g., receiving and depositing regular giving, paying the bills, issuing paychecks.

### Thank you . . .

**YCPC Deacons . . .** for maintaining contact with notes, birthdays cards and phone calls.

Sue Finlayson



Elaine Harley



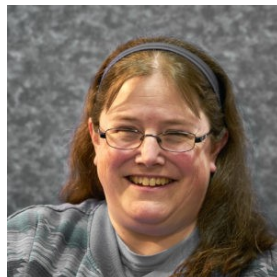
Doris Gardenhire



Betsy Maxfield



Brenda Maxfield



Mary Wertheimer



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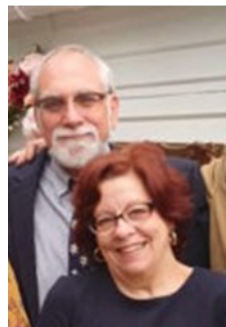
**Jnanda and Ellis Lampman . . .**



for preparing YCPC's supply of disinfectant and making sure that YCPC is always adequately stocked.

### Thank You . . .

**Lorraine and Pastor Bob . . .** for preparing so many tasty meals for home delivery.



## And Many Thanks . . . .

### To everyone who participated in Maryellen Morton's 90th Birthday celebration . . .

. . . with a shower of 40-plus cards, greetings on Facebook and video clips collected by her family.

Maryellen said it was more than all previous birthdays combined!!! By the way, Maryellen says she doesn't "feel" 90—more like 50!

One more time . . .

Happy Birthday, Maryellen!

You are a blessing.



Maryellen (left), with her dear friend Doris Gardenhire

**"Normally" birthdays and anniversaries** are posted in the Fellowship Hall for all to see any time you're at the church. Since you cannot be in the church building because of the coronavirus restrictions, birthdays and anniversaries will be published in the newsletter until you return.

## *July Birthdays*

- 2 Myron Eckhardt*
- 2 Margie Lauri*
- 6 Louis Maxfield*
- 9 Angie Deriberprey*
- 14 Sharon Bliss*
- 14 Mike Korgan*
- 17 Donella Evans*
- 19 Charles Canfield*
- 26 Patty Elmsted*

*No Anniversaries in July*

**Thursday, July 23, 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., YCPC Fellowship Hall**

### **American Red Cross Blood Drive**

If you are eligible, please plan to donate blood here at YCPC on July 23.

**All blood donations will be tested for covid-19 antibodies  
and donors will be notified of the results.**

Questions? Call Sue Finlayson at 541-547-4532

## **And what about the Yachats Homeschool Group?**

Not long after the YCPC session's decision to suspend worship and other church-related activities, Angie Deriberprey, Director of Yachats Homeschool Group, made the necessary arrangements for her students to continue school from their homes via zoom. She made sure they could all use zoom and provides them with lesson packets two days in advance. Awesome!!



On Tuesday, June 30, YCPC hosted Lincoln County Health and Human Services for a drive-thru distribution of face coverings.



In the works . . . a new sound system . . .

Jim Finlayson and Ellis Lampman dismantling the old . . .



Thank you, Pastor Bob . . . for everything.

Peace and blessings . . .

