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Patten's Perspective
A message from Pastor Jim Patten

GOODBYE GRACIOUS LEADERS

Another year has just flown by. It is, once again, time to say goodbye to outgoing elders and deacons and get ready to say welcome to a new class on both boards. So many of these folks have carried a larger load than normal these past few months while I was on leave. I am deeply grateful for the strong leadership at Newport. We have a great group of retired clergy who help out, but also very talented lay folks who graciously offer their skills.

Elders going off the session are:

WALLY ALDER- Wally has been an absolute rock on the Stewardship and Finance Committee. He saw us through various remodeling projects, making sure we stayed within budget. Wally has literally saved this church thousands of dollars by his careful management of complicated projects.

LORELEE BAUER-Lorelee graciously agreed to serve one more year on the session to finish out a partial term left by another elder who could no longer serve. She helped train our next Personnel Chairperson. Thankfully she will remain on the Personnel Committee giving her usual clear advice on sometimes tricky personnel issues.

JERRY HOWARD-Jerry stepped in to give leadership on our Mission and Peacemaking Committee when we desperately needed an elder to chair that committee. He has always served on the Property Committee, where he has obvious skills, but his ability to organize people around a task helped us keep track of our many mission endeavors at Newport.

JOSH SIMS-Josh has had to travel long distances to get to Newport for meetings and he has done that without complaint as he served the Christian Education Committee. Josh has a great spirit and has been very thoughtful in his support of the young families at Newport.

JANET SKINNER-Janet has the ability to get people to volunteer to do things whether that be to serve as an usher, or to write something for our Advent booklets. She has done a remarkable job organizing our committee to help make the various worship services compelling and inspiring.

TOM WOLTHAUSEN-Tom has been the jack of all trades for us in his willingness to serve on any committee where there was a need. His ability to help out on our various stewardship drives to raise money for the remodeling over the years has been very helpful. He is always incredibly positive about Janet and my pastoral work, which I deeply appreciate.

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Beginning May 29 worship service at 10:00 a.m.
No Sunday School or Adult Christian Education

Church Family



In our prayers

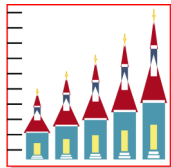
Larry Wood (health concerns)
Frances Peppard (pulmonary issues)
Carole Peterson
Sam Waalkes

Congratulations
Grandma and Grandpa Hallberg
on the birth of their granddaughter

Emma Jane Fairley

April 20, 2011

Parents: Amy & Gavin Fairley



CAPITAL EXTENSION

Capital Extension Campaign Ends in June Thank you for your generous support!

Our capital extension campaign giving period ends in June. We would like to thank you for the generous capital pledges over the last 17 months. The total pledged was \$279,000 and we have received \$249,000. We used \$32,000 along with \$57,000 in capital reserve and endowment funds to re-roof the west wing of the church last Spring. We have also paid down the building mortgage by \$150,000 in January and we plan to pay another \$50,000 on the mortgage in June. Any remaining funds will go to our capital fund. The capital extension campaign pledges have reduced the term of our Synod loan from 20 to about 10 years and will reduce our interest over the life of the loan by about \$290,000. Thank you again for your generous support!

IT'S A REUNION!

Please pass the info on to Dep/Youth who participated in the 70s and 80's so they may attend on Sunday, July 10. Contact Jana (Hawes) Robertson.
jana.robertson@frontier.com
(425) 823-9651

Dear Members of Newport Church,

Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers. They meant so much to me and I know Jim Jr. felt really loved by all of you for your thoughtfulness. Thank you again and also for the support you are giving my son at such a stressful time.

Affectionately,
Pat Patten

Dear Newport Knitters,

The shawl is gorgeous. How did the prayer shawl knitting crew know that I like autumn colors? It is amazing how much more focused and present I become when I put the shawl over my shoulders. I am so grateful.

Mil gracias,
Frances Peppard



Thank you to the following volunteers for their hard work at the April 16 work party. Quite a bit was accomplished, including weeding, mulching, window washing, dusting, closet organizing and even a water heater replacement.

Joan Merritt
Dick Merritt
Judy Campbell
Jim Cooley
John Grove
Walt Moore
Karen Moore
Leada Ask
Chuck Ask
Jim Patten

Jason Bishop
Dan Gaugel
Dennis Chivers
Jean Wang
Paul Arnett
Jack Roos
Tony Lopez
Jackie Tanner
Don Polinsky

"Positive Discipline" Parenting Class Intro June 5—11:15-12:15

Parents with children of all ages are invited to come and hear about positive discipline parenting. The full seven-week class will be offered at Newport in the fall. Childcare provided. See Janet to sign up.

Our Mission Team in Action

REPORT FROM OAKVILLE, IOWA

The NPC disaster reconstruction team just returned from Oakville, Iowa. I am happy to say that work is just about complete and they will close down their volunteer effort this June. About 50 homes have been reconstructed which is enough to keep this little town viable.

The way the program worked is that right after the flood, a church donated \$200,000 to begin reconstruction. A local organization was formed to manage this work, supervised by Tonya (the superwoman) Lanz. It used the donated money to begin reconstruction, home by home. When a house was finished, it was sold for a cost of \$50,000 - \$80,000. This money was then used to repair additional homes. The folks in Oakville are excited, because young families have been able to purchase their first homes at very low prices.

We worked on a 1,500 sq. ft. home being readied for a young couple. Our team included Jack Roos, my son Scott and I, Rich Williams, Ken Saibara and Justin Cook. Rich is our technical expert and has been on most of the reconstruction trips. Ken has also been on a number of trips and helped at Sound View last year. Justin is Ken's son-in-law and this was his first trip. We accomplished a lot, including installing a new subfloor, replacing three windows, installing ceiling vents and insulation and hanging all of the sheetrock. It was exhausting but a lot of fun and the folks in Oakville were very appreciative.

Oakville would never have survived without the volunteers and NPC was an important part of this effort. I think we took some pretty interesting slides which we will show between services sometime in the coming weeks. Thanks for your support on behalf of the folks from Oakville. ~ Will Winslow

THANK YOU FROM OAKVILLE (AN EDITED EXCERPT)

A BIG hello to all of you.....

It is wonderful to be able to tell you all hello and to thank the fantastic volunteers that totally changed our lives!

Progress is being made, slowly but surely. But progress none-the-less is being made. Everyone who wanted to come back is here; five homes were sold; Debbie has her restaurant; and the men have a new hangout. In the next couple of weeks we will have three more homes complete and ready to sell and two more that are getting close. With all that said it would never have happened without every one of you! I totally stand in awe of your dedication to us!

We are looking forward to our Volunteer Appreciation Day. We have invited the current and retired governors and our congress folks. We realize that not everyone will be able to come back even though that is our greatest wish! We are certain that if we lined all of you up hand-in-hand, you would wrap yourselves around our town as you have wrapped yourselves around our hearts.

It is with mixed emotions that we will be ending our volunteer program. As we look out into the world and see the countless disasters, it is time we begin to help others as you have taught us.

Take care and know that you have certainly touched my life and I am forever grateful to have met all of you!

All Our Love,
Tonya and the Oakville Community

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IAN CHIVERS AND JACOB HUNTER-I am doing them together since they were each ½ time youth elders. Actually, they both were full time elders, but they split their vote at the meetings since we only have room for one youth elder and both were too qualified to just pick one. Both served on the Christian Education Committee. Both spoke up at the session meetings. Both showed maturity beyond their years.

Deacons going off their board are:

MARYANN ESCHBACH-MaryAnn did an outstanding job organizing our bereavement team to minister to families whenever we had a memorial service. Her sensitivity to people, her sense of what will look nice at a reception, all were great gifts she brought to the Board of Deacons.

JAN MEDLEY-Jan was an outstanding Deacon moderator. She ran crisp and substantive meetings. She took on the Pictorial Directory project (thank you very much!) and organized our hospitality at Newport as we serve coffee, taking that off the shoulders of the Deacons.

CARIB SMALLMAN-Carib represents some of the historical memory of the church having been a member for many years. She knows people and was very valuable as we combed through our rolls spotting any who have become inactive, etc. She is also a great Prayer Chain co-chair with Judy Schwab.

KAREN WAALKES-Karen is just a remarkable person. She has had so much on her plate with the health issues of her husband and daughter and extended family back in the Midwest, and yet she continued to carry on her duties as a Deacon and Deacon Fund chair. Karen was my deacon (Sandy and I were in her parish) and she always checked in with us, organized meals, etc. She is a cup half full kind of person, which is always a positive attribute.

Please let these folks know your gratitude for their service to Newport. We are the church we are, partly because they chose to share their gifts with us when they felt God's call to serve. I hope others will step to the plate in the years ahead. The work is not onerous. It can even be fun, but almost always meaningful.

I hope to see you all in worship the summer. We have some fun services planned.

Jim

WELCOME MARTIN!

Please join us in extending a warm welcome to our newest staff member, Martin Leguizamon, who began his position as church custodian on May 17. Martin's energy and talents are a much appreciated addition to our community as we strive to maintain the upkeep of our facilities.

Born and raised in Mendoza, Argentina, Martin and his wife Trini currently live in Kent with their two daughters, Emma and Jasmin. With over seven years of experience in maintenance and construction work in the King County area, Martin now runs his personal business as a contractor. In addition to this, he is a talented musician who is often performing solo or with his band around the Puget Sound. He is currently working on a CD of Baha'i/inspirational music.

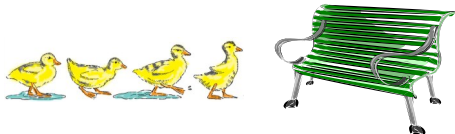
Martin will report to the Property Committee through Dennis Chivers and will be working in the late afternoon on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

NEWPORT GREEN

Newport has received the Greening Congregation Designation from Earth Ministry! Congratulations to our Green Team members and to all who have worked at weaving creation care into the fabric of our church life in so many areas. If you would like an outline of our progress so far, ask Cindi Rezabek or a Green Team member to forward one to you.

This event will be celebrated on August 7th with the presentation of our official banner by an Earth Ministry representative and in conjunction with an outdoor celebration, picnic and activities. In the meantime look for Newport to be mentioned on the EM (www.earthministry.org) website and watch for our designation to appear on our Newport website (www.newportpres.org).

MEMBERSHIP & HOSPITALITY



Thanks to our M & H Committee and the construction skills of Tom Jones and John Grove, we now have two new benches on the lower lawn. Not only are they a “welcome-and-sit-awhile” for our neighbors but you’re all welcome to rest and enjoy them too. (You might even see the mama with her baby ducklings stroll by.)

If you have a June birthday and are not listed, please notify the office so we can include you next year.



6/1—Katie Chalmers	6/13—Cameron Krueger
6/1—Robert Williams	6/13—Chris Townsend
6/1—Phil Hunter	6/14—Scott Wertman
6/2—Doris Burden	6/16—Mary Hanke
6/2—Michelle Verity	6/17—Paige Bajsarowicz
6/4—Mackenzie Ebbers	6/17—Jack Roos
6/5—Crosby Asher	6/19—Sam Waalkes
6/5—Mary Sikkema	6/22—Greg Cooley
6/6—Susan Jarnot-Benthem	6/22—Patrick Lindblom
6/6—MaryAnn Woodruff	6/23—Maury Costantini
6/6—Athena Panos	6/24—John Andrews
6/7—Swande Hallberg	6/24—Beth Harvey
6/7—Walt Moore	6/25—Judy Alder
6/8—Cecelia Henson	6/26—Aidan Fairley
6/10—James Kwon	6/27—Leada Ask
6/11—Sally Hightower	6/27—Tom Wolthausen
6/12—Olivia Johnson	6/28—Tim Swift
6/13—Kay Hermann	6/30—Les Harms

Did you know...

Our church Facebook page has 120 people who “like” the page (up from 72 in November)

For members and friends who are on Facebook:



Check out our Facebook page, Newport Presbyterian Church and click on “like”

to get updates on the latest activities.

MISSION AND PEACEMAKING

CONGREGATIONS FOR THE HOMELESS

Sign-up sheets will be up in June for volunteers and food donations for the breakfast supplies we will furnish during August for 25 to 30 men who will be at Overlake Presbyterian Church.

BABY SHOWER TO BENEFIT THE EASTSIDE BABY CORNER

The Eastside Baby Corner is a non-profit organization that collects and distributes items for babies, children to age 12 and expectant mothers through various agencies. During the month of June a playpen will be set up for your donations of new and used items. Needed items are: formula, food, diapers, wipes, clothing, etc. for babies; clothing items and toys for children ages infant to 12; maternity clothing, nursing bras and adult toiletries for new mothers. Larger items such as bassinets, cribs, playpens, strollers, etc. are also needed.

Please keep this baby shower in mind as you do that spring cleaning or end-of-the-school year sorting. More information will be in the Sunday bulletins in June and on posters. Receipts for tax purposes will be available by the playpen.



R E A C H I N G O U T

Presbyterian Women 2011 Birthday Offering

At the Spring Salad Supper the Presbyterian Women of Newport Church collected contributions to the 2011 Birthday Offering. This offering has enabled a long succession of new, often innovative mission projects throughout the world.

This year the three recipients are:

- ◆ Menaul School, “*Bringing the World to Menaul*” in Albuquerque, New Mexico
- ◆ ACROSS, “*Bring Peace Now*” in Jonglei, South Sudan
- ◆ Anderson Interfaith Ministries, Inc., “*Women and Children Succeeding (WACS) Program*” in Anderson, South Carolina

How much should I give?

“Today we ask that you give as you have been blessed, generously and as led by the Holy Spirit.”

Last year the women of Newport gave \$512. The national goal for the 2011 Offering is \$900,000.

If you were unable to attend the Spring Salad Supper and would like to contribute to the Birthday Offering, please send your check to the church made out to NPC Presbyterian Women, attention Nancy Ellingham.

Circles and Meeting Times

Deborah Circle

Leader: Cindi Rezabek
Third Tuesday, 12:30 p.m.

Grace Circle

Leader: Mary Hanke
Fourth Monday, 1:00 p.m.

Hope Circle

Leader: Dori Yang
Third Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

J.O.Y. Circle

Leader: Barbara Baxter
First Thursday, 10:30 a.m.

Ruth Circle

Leader: Lucy Harms
First Monday, 10:00 a.m.

Brunch Bunch

Leaders: Dee Tucker,
Martha Garmanian
Second & Fourth Thursday,
9:30 a.m.

Remember—to join a circle you just need to show up. You may also form your own circle with friends who may need a more convenient time.

Lectionary Readings

June 5—7th Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:6-14; *Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35*; 1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11;
John 17:1-11

June 12—Day of Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21; *Psalm 104:24-34, 35b*; John 20:19-23

June 19—Trinity Sunday

1 Corinthians 13:11-13; *Psalm 8:2*; Matthew 28:16-20

June 26—13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 22:1-14; *Psalm 13*; Roman 6:12-23; Matthew 10:40-42

REFLECTIONS ON DEACONING

Jan Medley

The ability to deacon is frequently seen as a spiritual gift that God doles out to a few. I think it is a spiritual gift that remains dormant in many of us for fear of having the right words, the right skills or the right amount of time.

Practical Presbyterians that we are, Newport offers training to deacons to prepare us for congregational outreach. Part of that training is to learn to ask for and trust that the Holy Spirit will guide us as we talk with and care for the members of our ministry units. We have all experienced endurance beyond our expectations and the joy of fellowship with other deacons in the midst of our work. I think it is the willingness to serve, augmented by the resources given by the Holy Spirit, that makes deaconing the spiritual journey that it is.

Is it time for you to reframe your concept of deaconing—to see if there is a dormant deacon within you willing to serve as the eyes, ears and hands of Christ in our church? The deacons invite you to experience the spiritual growth that deaconing can unleash. If this touches your heart, contact Jim Patten or Ethan Crawford.



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