

## January 31—February 7

Today, Jan. 31

### Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**8:45am Informal Worship/Baptism**

9:35am Hospitality Time  
 9:45am Church school for all ages  
 9:45am Gary Skinner Class  
 9:45am Inquirers Class  
 9:45am Confirmation Class  
 10:35am Hospitality Time

**11:00am Traditional Worship**

12:00pm Hospitality Time  
 12:00pm Japan Trip Info  
 12:15am Handbell Choir  
 2:00pm Memorial Service for Lucy Tuff  
 5:00pm Mid High Youth Group  
 7:00pm Sr. High  
 7:00pm Lay Musicians' Concert

Sanctuary  
Atrium

Great Hall  
Library  
Youth Room

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Chapel  
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First Congregational

Monday, Feb. 1

9:00am Men's Biking

Homes/Library  
Room 14

Tuesday, Feb. 2

9:30am Lectionary Class  
 7:00pm Property Committee

Room 29  
Chapel

Wednesday, Feb. 3

7:00pm Worship Committee

Thursday, Feb. 4

9:00am Men's Hiking Group

Homes/Room 26  
Sanctuary

11:00am Joy Circle

6:00pm Praise Team  
 7:00pm Stewardship & Finance  
 7:30pm Choir

Library  
Sanctuary

Friday, Feb. 5

8:00am Men's Breakfast

@ Plum Delicious

Saturday, Feb. 6

Sunday, Feb. 7

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**Welcome to**  
**Newport Presbyterian Church**  
*Welcoming in Spirit; Progressive in Theology*  
**January 31, 2010**

### If you are visiting today, welcome!

- Please look in the Friendship Folders at the welcome desk in the Narthex for our visitor cards and ribbons. We invite you to wear the blue ribbon so we can get to know you, and to fill out the card and leave it in the offering plate. Please pick up a welcome bag in the narthex.

### If you attend regularly

- Please give anyone wearing a blue "Visitor" ribbon your warmest Newport welcome.

### Today at Newport

- **FRIENDSHIP COUNTER:** Please stop by today and sign cards for those in our congregation who need a greeting, a prayer, or a boost.
- **INQUIRER'S CLASS**—We will meet at 9:45 a.m. in the library for those interested in finding out more about what it means to be a member of a Presbyterian Church, and Newport Presbyterian Church in particular. This class will go for four weeks. There is no obligation to join after taking the class. Please contact Pastor Jim Patten if you are interested.
- **WHAT KIND OF GOD DID JESUS REVEAL?** Join Gary Skinner in the Great Hall for this three week seminar devoted to three questions: How do we experience God? How do we know God? How do we deal with a God that doesn't intervene? In this class we will look at biblical and non-biblical accounts of people and their experiences with the divine. We will also take a look at past and present theologies and how people have attempted to "describe" God. And, finally, we will look at how we cope with the reality that God always leaves us with unanswered questions.
- **CONFIRMATION CLASS** for youth, grade 7 and up, who would like to explore church membership will meet in the youth room.

### All-Church

- **OFFICE HOURS:** The office will be open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30.

### Adults

- **LECTIONARY CLASS** meets Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in room 14.

### Art Show Update

- The Art Show previously scheduled for February 7, regrettably, has been postponed. We will look forward to this festive and fancy evening celebration in the fall, and will let you know when a new date has been determined.



## Prayer Concerns and Support Opportunities

- **We have an active Prayer Chain.** If you have a concern for which you would like prayers, contact Carib Smallman, 206-588-1277, or Judy Schwab, 425-391-4167. To be listed in the printed list of prayer concerns, contact the church office, 425-746-6111.
- **PEACE CANDLE:** The votive candle on the communion table is a prayerful reminder of those in danger in the Middle East, including our military and civilians and the people of Iraq, Afghanistan and other nations.
- **IN OUR PRAYERS:** **Daryle Harvey** (health concerns); **Wes Sikkema** (health concerns); **Jon Welsh** (son of Barbara & Bob Welsh—cancer), **Sandy Brooks** (cancer has returned), **Betty Meyer** (recovering from surgery), **Melanie Toschi** (compression injury to spine)



Bridge Disability Ministries  
invites you to their annual  
Rock 'n Roll St. Valentine's Dance  
Saturday, February 13 from 1:00—4:00 p.m.  
Newport Covenant Church  
12800 SE Coal Creek Parkway  
(see flyer posted in hallway by library)

### ***From Presbyterian Disaster Assistance for Haiti***

In the wake of this great human tragedy, we are grateful for the outpouring of so many expressions of care and generosity from Presbyterians everywhere. Because of your quick response, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) was able to double its commitment of funds to provide immediate aid those first few days following the quake. There is still much work to be done.

Join Presbyterian Disaster Assistance in the relief efforts. As God's people we are called to stand in the "GAP" — GIVE. ACT. PRAY.

**Give** — Financial support for relief efforts can be made online and designated to DR000064. Gifts can also be made by phone at (800) 872-3283, and checks can be mailed to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700.

**Act** — Prepare for a special worship service in your congregation using the hymn, bulletin inserts and other worship resources available from PDA. Congregations and individuals can also put together hygiene kits and baby kits to be distributed through Church World Service.

**Pray** — Join with others in lifting up the people of Haiti and those seeking to provide aid in this critical time.

### ***Haiti Earthquake Impact***

#### ***News from the Mission & Peacemaking Committee***

Thanks for the concern so many of you have expressed for the welfare of those our teams have connected with in northwest Haiti. Fortunately, the impact of the quake was negligible in that region 100 miles from Port au Prince, but many of their co-workers were severely impacted. **Half of the funds raised at tonight's free-will offering at the Lay Musicians' concert at Bellevue First Congregational Church will be sent to support the clinic in northwest Haiti where the influx of people from the devastated areas is expected to be great.**



#### ***A Concert for the New Year!***

Yes, tonight is the annual Lay Musicians' Benefit Concert at 7:00 p.m. at First Congregational Church of Bellevue. Not only will you have the opportunity to join with other musicians in singing your heart out but, as noted above, **half of the proceeds** will benefit the clinic in northwest Haiti. And, if you don't want to sing (or think you can't), come and listen. What a great way to spend a Sunday evening!



### ***"SOUPer Bowl of Caring"***

In 1990, a simple prayer prayed by a Presbyterian seminarian: "Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those who are without a bowl of soup to eat," inspired a youth-led movement to help hungry and hurting people around the country. Since then, young people have raised over \$60 million for soup kitchens and foodbanks and other local help agencies. Newport's youth will be collecting non-perishable food and/or cash donations on February 7 following both worship services, and reporting our totals to the Souper Bowl of Caring organization. Your donations will be appreciated by the hungry of our community. Thank you!



### ***Interfaith Advocacy Day***

Join us to  
**Lift Every Voice**  
Tuesday, February 16 — 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
United Churches of Olympia  
110 11th Ave SE and the State Capitol

All faith communities are welcome. Participate in interfaith worship and hear briefings on the legislative session and state budget. Meet your legislators and voice your concerns. A \$25 registration fee includes advocacy packet, continental breakfast and lunch. Register on-line at [www.acteva.com/go/ifad](http://www.acteva.com/go/ifad). For more information go to [www.thewac.org](http://www.thewac.org).