

November 8 Communiqué



Hi Sunnyside Family!

On Wednesday, your pastoral team got together on a cozy fall morning at the Lux Cafe to prayerfully craft our upcoming sermonic year. It's a blessing to be part of a team that represents multiple cultures, worldviews, gifts, but share the same Lord and the same

ministry of reconciliation (2 Corinthians 5). We feel humbled and excited to play a small part in the tuning of your ongoing "soundtrack" with Jesus.

It's been a joy to see growth in our NextGen ministries (highschool, college, young professionals) as of late. I've loved the conversations I've had with college students during "The Table" experience that follows divine service. Today (Friday), we're expecting 100+ students and young professionals at our Overflow vespers where Elynn will be leading worship and I'll be sharing thoughts on how our drive to be resilient can sometimes lead to the undoing of our bein and how the Way of Jesus provides an alternate way of being.

We are looking forward to celebrating a youth friendsgiving on Sabbath, November 22 at 10:00 a.m. If you are high-school aged or have kids in high school, you are invited! (Note: the cost of entry is a dish that you can share with hungry children and their youth pastor).

I solicit your prayers as I'm knee-deep in verbatims for my research paper I'm presenting at the American Academy o Religion Conference — an annual gathering for religion scholars from all faith and religious traditions — on Novemb 23 in Boston. I'm conducting a qualitative analysis on influencers who identify as "Christian" and have been able to cultivate vibrant multi-faith online communities. Assuming that I have any active brain cells left post presentation, I' love to share some half-brewed thoughts over a cuppa if interested.

As we enter into thanksgiving season my prayer is that as followers of Christ, we replace a fleeting gratitude "mood" that is marked by our innate desire for "more" and replace it with a more grounded gratitude "mode" activated by the recognition that Jesus is Lord and that we are immeasurably more than our stuff.

Grace and peace,

Pastor Kevin Wilson



Seniors gathered to load up on the church bus, to see the Fall Colors, not only on the Washington Side, but up to Skamania; back across the Bridge of the Gods and down the Oregon Side with a stop at the Bonneville Dam where fun pictures were taken of the entire group. We then all had lunch at Nicholas' in downtown Gresham. A great

historical diner serving vegetarian Lebanese food! But no lunch is complete without an ice cream cone and someone knew right away where Cold Stone Creamery was, so back in the bus we went to get ice cream. Then I saw A GoodWill Store, and said, "how about some shopping?" All cried out NO! we want to get home before dark." So this Senior Event was great fun, with great people and a GREAT bus driver who had 14 backseat drivers all talking at once!! tehee We are looking forward to a fun Christmas outing – TBA! (Pictures below.) ~Gloria Neidigh

Another shoutout goes to all of you who brought extra food and gave extra volunteer help in the kitchen last week when we had Walla Walla University Orchestra here. Thank you so much for your outstanding work to supply a full meal!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friday



"Overflow" for 18-35-year-olds will meet Friday, November 7, 6:00 pm, in the Youth Room for a meal together and discussion of contemporary issues through praise and peer-to-peer discussion groups.



You are invited to our next First Friday on November 7. First Friday is a oncemonthly inspirational community fellowship event. It will be held at Adventist Health Portland Medical Center. It begins at 7:15 p.m. on the lower level in Amphitheaters C & D. This First Friday will feature an inspirational talk by Pastor Paddy McCoy and music by Crosswalk Worship Team. We would like to invite you to join us for this FREE event and we encourage you to invite your friends and family members.

Sabbath



Welcome to Sunnyside! We are happy you are here to worship with us. Let us know who you are by filling out one of the Connect Cards and handing it to the deacons or place it in the box in the foyer before you leave. **.A special welcome today to Pastor Nate Hellman,** Director of Pastoral Ministries, as he brings us our Bible message.



"The Table" is a cozy, communal space for 18-35-year-olds to engage with Scripture over a Sabbath meal provided by our Sunnyside members immediately following the worship service in the Youth Room. This effectively replaces our young adult Sabbath School class which used to happen at 10:00 am. Unsurprisingly, shifting the time has allowed for more attendance and participation in discussion, especially for this demographic. If you're interested in flexing your cooking skills and providing a dish for hungry college students, either Pastors Violeta or Kevin would love to hear from you!



Our church directory is invaluable when it comes to learning who you are! Good news! Photos are being taken today in the fellowship hall before Sabbath School and immediately following church. If you would like a family portrait taken, please go to the fellowship hall during one of these times. Photos will also be taken on November 22, during the same times.



• Children's choir practice will be in the sanctuary immediately after our worship service today.



Please pray for the following families:

† Jan Clayton who passed away October 15, 2025. A memorial service will be conducted for her on **Sunday, November 16, 2025 at 2:00 pm,** here at Sunnyside Church. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to ADRA in her memory https://adra.org.



† Rosemayne (Burden Thompson) Alison who passed away October 17, 2025. A memorial service will be conducted for her Sunday, November 23, 2025, at 2:00 pm, here at Sunnyside Church. In lieu of flowers or gifts, it is Rosemayne's wish that donations be made in her name to the following: PACS Center (Portland Adventist Community Services) www.pacsonline.org. or HOPE TV hopetv.org.



You are invited to join us for a baby shower in the honor of Ashley (Mary Lou Wescott's niece), Trever, and Baby Maddox Reddig on Sunday, November 9, at 1:00 pm, in the Sunnyside fireside room. Gift suggestions include organic diapers, children's books, a group gift (see Dianne-503-706-5611) or the baby registry: my.babylist.com/gnycpsabz. Hope you can join us to celebrate!



Senior Ministries presents "Senior Games and Puzzles" on Thursday, November 13, from 11:00 am to 2:30 pm. We will have light refreshments as well. Seniors come on in and join us! We will meet in the Youth Room.



Next Thursday, November 13, at 7:00 pm, the Seniors from Portland Adventist Academy will have their Senior Recognition here at Sunnyside Church. Come out and support our students.



Devotional Books for next year are now available for ordering. The new year, 2026, is just around the corner! With the end of the year upon us, we are preparing for the new devotional book orders. Many of you enjoy having these available for Christmas gifts, so we want to make sure you get them in time. Stop by the table in the lobby to sign up. Place your name, include your phone number, and list how many of each of the books you would like. You may place your payment in a tithe envelope and mark it for devotionals. The order will be placed on December 6 and be ready for pick up by December 13.



Food for Thanksgiving Baskets: For the past several years, Sunnyside Pathfinders have collaborated with Union Gospel Mission and they help us with some of the basics. Sunnyside Pathfinders would like to provide the fresh fruit, vegetables, and something to make each family's Thanksgiving meal a little extra special like sparkling apple cider and whipped cream. If you are able to help with food donations, this is the list of the things we need this year. Please bring it to the church between November 15th and November 22nd. Your support is

greatly appreciated, thank you and many blessings to you.
Here are items we need 70 of each:
3 lb bags apples
2-3 lb bags oranges
5 lb bags potatoes
1-2 lb bags carrots
3 lb bags onions
sparking apple cider
1 lb butter or margarine sticks
whipped cream spray
cash donations



Our Sunnyside Christmas Musical will be presented on December 12 and 13. We would like to give you the opportunity to help with funding one of our biggest outreach events of the year. You may use a tithe envelope or give online at orad.us/Give2Sunnyside. Please designate your donation for the "Christmas program."





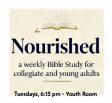
Evensong on December 20th at 4:00 P.M., at Sunnyside Adventist Church. The program will feature arrangements of holiday favorites from J.S. Bach and Brahms, as well as recent works by Melvin West and Paul Fey (an arrangement of the Widor Toccata combined with O Come All Ye Faithful). Also included will be singing of several favorite carols and an improvisation by the organist. The full range of sounds from the Rieger organ will be featured, from the quietest whisper to the thundering full organ. It will be presented by Michael Koller on the organ and Loren Dickinson with the spoken word. Several of the selections were arranged by Melvin West. Loren Dickinson and Melvin West lived next door to each other for some 12 years during their teaching careers at Walla Walla College (now University). It was during their many gab sessions that the idea of this vesper-type service, Evensong, was born. Doctor Dickinson was looking for an opportunity to present some of the wonderful gems of literature, while at the same time Doctor West was exploring the possibility of a vesper-type program with the organist providing several compositions, but relieved by readings from literature. So it seemed a natural to create an EVENSONG program in which the organ music was separated by selections from literature.



Come join us on Monday evenings to study the book "Last Day Events." We'll be going through this book discussing the words of E.G. White regarding the final days and how we can best prepare for them. This is an informal book club, we check in with each other, read the book, discuss what we've read and then pray for those on our hearts. All are welcome and the meeting is by Zoom so no one has to go out at night. Zoom link: https://zoom.us/j/92093000826?
pwd=NL45Qa0tzo2QhAOszPhuVyRigTfeW3.1



On Tuesdays, at 4:20 p.m,. there will be a Bible reading class of the **Ancient Standard Version (ANSV).** This class is open to all and will be conducted by Conrad Gren. Please come and join us. We will be meeting in the Bridal Room.



NOURISHED – a weekly bible study for our collegiates and young adults will meet weekly on Tuesdays, following WWU Nurses' Bread Night at 6:15 p.m., in the Youth Room.



Our history class meets on Tuesdays at 7:15 pm, in the Youth Room. We will study "World War I."



Wednesday mornings at 10:00, FaithLift, a group for ladies, meet here at the church to study the Bible, share their stories, and pray together over many needs as well as for those that need extra prayers. If this sounds like something you would enjoy attending, please come and join us. If you cannot be here in person, there is a Zoom link available to be able to join remotely.



Wednesday mornings at 10:00 our Men's Bible Study group meet to study the Bible together in the Youth Room. Men, you are all invited to join us for this weekly study.



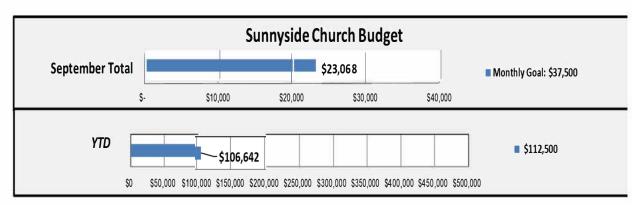
We are blessed with some very strong prayer warriors. If you have a special request, please contact the church office at 503-252-8080 or info@sunnysideadventist.org to submit your request. There is power in prayer, and it truly makes a difference.



Dollars for Missions! Labels keep trickling in, and we are quickly reaching another goal. Last week was a great week for the label count. We have already received a second check in response to our turning in labels! What a lovely way to give to missions! Continue to save your Loma Linda Labels and turn them in here at the church. There is a box in the Narthex for them. In the "old" days, we received 1¢ per label. Now they give us 25¢ per label. It's well worth saving and receiving "free" dollars for missions! Continue to save and turn in your labels.



Give online: orad.us/Give2Sunnyside





There are some of our family that need help with transportation in order to attend church. If any of you would be willing to help with this need, please contact the office for specific information

503-252-8080 or via email at Info@SunnysideAdventist.org.



If you live at CherryWood Retirement, our bus stops there to pick up anyone who would like to attend church. Please be ready, we stop by at 10:45 am for our church service at 11:15 am. This transportation is free, but if you'd like to contribute, you may mark it to "Bus."



Currently, we are seeking volunteers to help us with video, audio, and the children's division. Please call 503-252-8080 if you would like to get involved.



Would you like to hear the service more clearly? Sunnyside Church provides assistive hearing devices you may borrow. They are located in the Deacons' office. Just let a deacon know of your need and they will be happy to help you.



We would like to publicly recognize special milestones in your life. Please take a moment to share with us special birthdays, anniversaries, or any other celebrations. We are family and we would like to share with each other. Also, please let us know when you are sick or need other prayers. We want to be a part of your life and pray together with you. Send an email to info@SunnysideAdventist.org or call the office at 503-252-8080 and let us know the latest with your family!



During this difficult time, if you are in need of financial help, let us know. Call the church office at 503-252-8080 or send an email to info@SunnysideAdventist.org.



Our Family Resource Network has been privileged to assist many of our members when things have been challenging for them or they have experienced unexpected expenses. We have helped with rent, utilities, food, gas, car repairs, and more. We would like you to be aware of what we do and give you an opportunity to contribute to the fund being used to assist our family. Mark your tithe envelope or check for Family Resource Network, and you will know that you have had the privilege of helping one of our members who doesn't even want to ask for help! We are here to help each other. Thank you for helping us build the fund used for these expenses.



Today: Jacob Buroker, Michelle Chinn, Del Colton, John Ferguson, Kimberley Shields; **Sunday:** George Caministeanu, Jonathan Caministeanu, Linda Garcia, Matt Mandrones, Joshua Moffitt; **Monday:** Dexter Hill, Troy Scholz; **Wednesday:**

Isaac Lian, Susan Robertson, Cheryl Wilhite; **Thursday:** Saras Boyd; **Friday:** Amanda Damazo, Aureila Pana, Marlo Waters



Portland Adventist Elementary School

http://www.paes.com

VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION – TUESDAY, NOV. 11

This Veterans Day, November 11, we would like to invite our school and church family veterans to PAES for a special celebration assembly hosted by our students. PAES is honored to celebrate the individuals in our lives who have so bravely served our country and fought for our freedoms. If you are a veteran or have a family member who is a veteran, we would love if you could join us at 8:30am in the PAES Gym. A light reception to follow for our honored quests. *Please RSVP to admin@paes.com by Monday, Nov. 10th.*

Substitute Teachers Needed at PAES

Portland Adventist Elementary School is in need of substitute teachers for the 2025-2026 school year! We are lookir for dedicated and compassionate individuals who enjoy being around children and in the school environment. If you are interested and would like more information, please reach out to admin@paes.com to apply. Thank you,



Portland Adventist Academy

https://paasda.org

Hello PAA Family

Fall Parent Survey Results

We are grateful for everyone who took the time to complete our Fall Parent Survey! We received responses from 199 of our families, and the feedback is deeply appreciated.

This year's survey included questions about our new PAA App. We appreciated all the helpful suggestions on how to make it even better in addition to the excitement and positive feedback from families who are already finding it so useful! We're thrilled to share that survey results were overwhelmingly positive! Families shared strong satisfaction with communication, student engagement, and overall value. Many also said they would recommend PAA to others, which is one of the best compliments we could receive. Even more exciting, when we compare the data from the par four years, we see steady growth and increased satisfaction in every area. Thank you for your partnership and for helping us make PAA a place where students and families thrive!

Fusion Vespers

This year's first PAA Week of Worship wrapped up beautifully with Fusion Vespers at Pleasant Valley Church (PVC) on Friday night. More than 70 students came together to worship, eat, and have fun! PVC members went above and beyond—decorating, preparing, and warmly welcoming students to their church for an evening of connection and joy Campus Ministries planned the entire night, leading everyone in games and pumpkin decorating, while PAA staff and PVC members served a delicious dinner. To close the evening, Chaplain Tino shared a powerful message, encouraging students to look at what's in their "hands" and recognize God's constant, enduring, never-failing love and provision.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Mechelle Peinado, principal

PAA ACADEMY DAY & ACADEMY NIGHT: Attention 8th grade parents!

Portland Adventist Academy is excited to welcome your 8th-grade student to our high school campus from 9am to 2pm on Wednesday, November 12th! We have a fun day planned - just for 8th graders - when students can get a glimpse of the high school experience at PAA, see classrooms, meet teachers, and hear about the clubs, activities, an programs offered. There will be drawings for tuition, fees and prizes, as well as several opportunities to win scholarships by participating in academic challenges. Lunch is provided. That evening, we will host Academy Night an Open House for 8th grade parents from 6:30 until 7:30, with drawings for tuition and fees and a short meeting a 7:30. Call 971-351-8984 to register or email msperl@paasda.org. If you know other families with 8th graders who may want to join in, please pass the word along!

PAA Senior Recognition

PAA is thrilled to invite you to Senior Recognition on Thursday, November 13 at 7:00 pm, at Sunnyside Adventist Church (10501 SE Market St. Portland). This is an evening to celebrate the seniors and let them know we are proud a them. The evening will include a history of the class, a special message, and an introduction of the class along with music performed by seniors. After the event, the class of 2027 will be serving light refreshments.

PAA High School & Middle School Game Night

The PAA Student Association (SA) invites all high school and middle school students (parents are welcome) to a funfilled evening at Portland Adventist Academy!



17 Saturday, November 15, 6:00–9:00 PM



Portland Adventist Academy

Enjoy table games, a movie, gym activities, and more! Come laugh, play, and spend time together as a community. SA will also be selling nachos, candy, and drinks throughout the evening.

Scholarship Funding

At Portland Adventist Academy, our purpose is to provide a Christ-centered, character-driven education to all studen However, many families face financial challenges that can make it difficult for their children to attend. We are reaching out to ask for your support in funding scholarships that will help make this life-changing education accessible to more students. Your generous donation can directly impact a student's ability to attend and thrive at Portland Adventist Academy. To make either a recurring or one-time contribution, please visit www.paasda.org or contact me at ubrown@paasda.org at 971-351-9028 for more details. As students share in this video, thank you for your support in shaping the future of our students and helping them grow in faith and character.





May 1-2, 2026



HONOR CLASSES 1951 (75-year), 1956, 1961, 1966, 1971, 1976 (50-year), 1981,1986, 1991, 1996, 2001 (25-year), 2006, 2011. 2016, 2021 (5-year)

PAA & Fred Meyer. You may support PAA through the Fred Meyer Community Rewards Program. Just connect a Fred Meyer digital account and connect it to your Shopper's Card, and designate Portland Adventist Academy as the organization you wish to support. You can get it all done on the Fred Meyer website here: https://www.fredmeyer.com/i/community/community-rewards



Rivergate Adventist Elementary School

https://www.rqsda.org/



Hood View Adventist School

https://www.hvja.org/



https://www.tualatinvalleyacademy.org/



Tualatin Valley Academy Handbells Christmas Concert

December 2, at 6:00 pm, Tualatin Valley Academy Gym, 7405 E. Main St. Hillsboro, OR 97123



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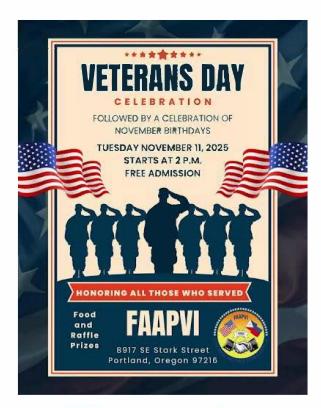
https://wallawalla.edu

The Portland Campus of Walla Walla University is seeking a part-time nursing clinical instructor in pediatrics for Wednesdays, day shift. Please contact carol.healy@wallawalla.edu or phone 503-251-6115 opt. 2.

Visit: jobs.wallawalla.edu.

AREA EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS







Oregon Conference Women's Retreat

Ladies, you're invited to this year's Oregon Conference Women's Retreat at Twin Rocks Conference Center, **November 14-16** in Rockaway Beach, Oregon! This year we'll be looking at what it means to Live a Life of Purpose. Featured speaker, Carla Gober Park will share what it means to be called, what it means to be inspired by the right things, and what it means to be transformed through a sense of wonder and awe. Learn more and register today at orad.us/OCWomensRetreat2025.



Do you knit or crochet? Adventist Health Portland needs your help making comfort shawls.

What is a comfort shawl?

A comfort shawl is a reminder of our love given to one in need of comfort and love. Comfort shawls comfort and bless those who are seriously ill, undergoing major medical treatment, in hospice, or those grieving the loss of a loved one.

How do I get involved?

You can bring comfort to these individuals by making a comfort shawl and delivering it to Adventist Health Portland's Spiritual Care Department (503) 251-6105. Use the guidelines below to make a shawl of the appropriate size. Many free patterns are available online. Beginner-friendly projects are welcome!

Get Involved! Call Spiritual Care at (503) 251-6105.







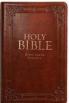
Church Organist Needed: The Stone Tower Adventist Church Music Department is seeking a volunteer church organist to play the organ during our worship service for up to two Sabbaths a month. Please contact Jeanine Goodwin at (503) 381-5577 or womensministry@stonetowersda.org for more details and if you or an organist you know would be interested.

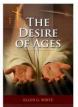


YOUR DONATION EQUIPS **OUR MINISTRY**

We are collecting gently used or new copies of these essential books:







Please bring your donated copies to PACS 11020 NE Halsey St Portland, OR 97220

Help us share the life-changing message of faith with our community!



How do we serve?

Portland Adventist Community Services - PACS is a vibrant faith-based Community of Service with staff, volunteers, donors, and community partners who provide food, low-cost dental care, and low-cost clothing/household items to

individuals and families.

Hours: Thrift Store, Sun | 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Mon – Thurs | 9:00 am – 5:00 pm Fri | 9:00 am – 2:30 pm / Sat | Closed **Donation Drop** Sun | 11:00 am – 2:00 pm

Mon - Thurs | 9:00 am - 1:00 pm / Fri - Sat | Closed

Dental Clinic:

Contact the Gateway Grace Dental Clinic to schedule an appointment 503-907-6768

Volunteers:

To volunteer at PACS, contact Jaclyn Russell at (503) 252-8500 ext. 1130

Donations:

From large to small, we take them all. Money, clothing, even big and tall, humble egg boxes, and home goods for all

If you are looking for an opportunity to serve in a missional environment focused on giving hope to those in need through Portland Adventist Community Services, then please go to: https://www.pacsonline.org/job
There are three postings available.

- * Development & Planning Manager
- * Thrift Store Assistant Manager (Part-time)

PACS Thrift Store has many shoppers. We need Steps to Christ, Bibles, and Guides to share with them. If you have sor to share, please let us know or bring them to PACS and hand them in to the office.



PACS is Hiring!

Come join our non-profit organization in the Portland area that serves the community with a Thrift Store, Food Panti and Dental Clinic. We are hiring a Director of Quality Management and a Thrift Store Part-time Assistant Manager. If you are interested in these positions, please visit our website (pacsonline.org/jobs) for job descriptions or email jobs@pacsonline.org for more information.

PACS needs truck drivers. Why?

This year, so far, our truck drivers have brought 365,670 lbs.(Jan-Mar) in donated food to feed our diverse community That represents a huge number of people being fed. What a difference PACS drivers make! If you have a heart for people and like to drive a truck, no CDL license is needed, don't hesitate to contact Jaclyn.

Hours: 7:30-11:00-ish

Telephone: Jaclyn Russell at (503)-252-4589 Email: Jaclyn.russell@pacsonline.org

Sign-up: https://www.pacsonline.org/volunteer

Better Life Television, a non-profit Christian (Seventh-day Adventist) broadcasting ministry comprising television, internet, radio, broadcasting, and evangelism, is seeking a Speaker/Executive Director of Operations to drive performance and operational excellence for our organization. Employment preference will be given to members of t Adventist church, as permitted under the EEOC's Title VII provision. This position is based in Grants Pass, Oregon. Learn more about this position.

NW Adventist Federal Credit Union is hiring a Member Solutions Specialist. Why Join Us? We are more than a credit union. We are a ministry of service to our community. When you join our team, you'll find a workplace that is kind, supportive, and mission-driven. If you have a heart for service and enjoy meaningful, detail-oriented work, we would love to meet you. Apply today! Send your resume to staff@mynwcu.com or visit www.mynwcu.com/careers.



Are you interested in becoming a hospital spiritual care volunteer? Adventist Health Portland Spiritual Care department invites individuals of all ages to apply. Volunteers will have the opportunity to offer pre-surgery support for patients and their families, ensure patients have access to spiritual resources, and more. If you feel called to be part of our team, take the first step by filling out our application

form: https://www.volgistics.com/appform/769001903

Adventist Health Hospice is looking for compassionate volunteers to provide companionship to patients, provide a much-needed brief break for a tired caregiver, make phone calls on Thursdays to check on patient supplies, or assist with light housekeeping, errands, or pet support. Thorough training and support are provided by Adventist Health Hospice team members. If interested in learning more, contact Karen Hartmann, Bereavement/Volunteer Coordinator at 503-251-6192 or email Hartmakl@ah.org. You can make a loving difference in someone's life at a challenging time.

Volunteers Needed at PACS

PACS' thrift store, food pantry, and dental clinic all need volunteers. We have lots of fun and exciting jobs ranging fro customer-facing cashiers and greeters to pricers and truck drivers behind the scenes. No experience or age requirements to volunteer, we're happy to train you and welcome the entire family! If you're interested, please contain our volunteer manager, Jaclyn, at Jaclyn.russell@pacsonline.org or call 503-252-8500 x1130.

HOUSING NEEDED

A student is needed a room. If you have something available or know of someone that does, please contact the churoffice 503-252-8080.

We also have a family moving to Portland that needs a 2 or 3 bedroom, 2-bath house. Let us know if you know of one available.

Last Week's Worship Service in Photos









Photos of our crew making repairs in the sanctuary

















Photos from the Seniors Fall Tour

















