

First Congregational United Church of Christ Vancouver, WA

<u>Temporary Location</u> <u>for Worship:</u> <u>Luepke Community Center</u> 1009 E McLoughlin Blvd. Vancouver, WA 98663 <u>www.vanucc.org</u>

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THE LINK WEEKLY UPDATE *JULY 21, 2017*

Sunday, July 23 , 2017 10:00 AM Worship on the Labyrinth

Wednesday, July 26, 2017 Property and Finance at the church office

> <u>Thursday, July 27, 2017</u> 7:00 PM Council in the church office

<u>Sunday, July 30, 2017</u> 10:00 AM Worship on the Labyrinth

CPC Women, Save the Date! October 6-8

The CPC Women's Camp will be held on October 6-8, 2017 at Camp Adams. The focus of the retreat will be the work and ministry of the Palestine YWCA. Stay tuned for more details



Mission & Outreach July Special Offering

"Friends of the Carpenter" is a faith-based day facility that provides safety, structure, and purpose for the vulnerable in our community. It began almost 20 years ago as a vision of simple welcome and personal interaction between volunteers from local churches and the vulnerable. Wood items (some for sale after worship during July) are made at the Friendship Center, but the main product is relationships--helping people see themselves as people of worth.

The Friendship Center is located at 1600 W 20th Street in Vancouver and is open Monday through Friday. The 2nd Chance Thrift Store, located at 52nd St. and St. Johns Blvd. is open Monday through Saturday. Volunteers are needed at both locations. You can learn more at <u>http://friendsofthecarpenter.org/</u>.

Your donation will help meet the needs of this local ministry. You may write a check to the church and note "Friends of the Carpenter" on the memo line.

It is with a heavy heart that we announce the death of a member of our church family, **Marilynn Ross** Services for Marilyn will be held August 12 - 1 p.m.

Smith Memorial Presbyterian Church 2420 Fairview Ave., Fairview, OR



Summer Worship on the Labyrinth

During the months of July and August, we are worshiping on our beautiful Labyrinth under a pavilion. We even have a golf cart to transport those who need a little assistance.



All women of the church are invited to celebrate sisterhood, fellowship and friendship when the *Women's Breakfast Group* meets at 9:30 a.m., Saturday, August 12th at the Peachtree on Highway 99.

The Women's Breakfast group meets the second Saturday of every month.



YOU'RE INVITED To A Conversation about FAITH AND HOUSING Update on the Work for " Faith Partners for Housing" Progress Report on interfaith efforts Opportunities to participate Saturday, August 26, 2016, 9am – 11am St. Joseph's Catholic Church 400 S. Andresen Rd. Vancouver Sponsored by Faith Partners for Housing



Dear FCUCC Friends,

Thank you so much for prayers, cards, phone calls and visits while I have been dealing with my back.

So far the surgery is successful, the doctor is pleased and I am grateful.

Blessings, Patti Jones



SafePark Update from Your 2016 Car Camping Group

The work of local churches in 2015-2016 to provide safe places to camp for those living in cars while seeking better housing has continued, with God's help and grace.

A local non-profit, GoConnect, is coordinating between churches, Council for the Homeless, and those needing a safe place to park. Vetting is required via Council for the Homeless. Council refers matches to GoConnect. GoConnect coordinates with the church site and also works on an action plan for permanent housing. Over 55 people have been referred, 1/3 over age 50, and 28 have been placed into SafePark spaces at churches.

You can help by volunteering or donations. Contact Sandy Mathis for more info.