

Moreland Presbyterian



June/July

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Date
July 11th BBQ/
Auction at 11**

**Potluck Parties
June 27th
July 18th
August 29
At 5:00 PM**

**VBS
July 12-16**

**Blue Grass
Music
July 18th**

**70 years more or
less
Picnic Lunch
July 25th**

**Music Camp
Aug 2-6**

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For generations of Americans, church was the place where right-thinking people of similar backgrounds came to learn about God and be reminded of their responsibilities. Worship was less an experience of God, than a reflection *about* God. In his book, Transforming Congregational Culture, Tony Robinson notes that many Americans today are on a spiritual quest, hoping to experience God, rather than to learn about God. Instead of going to church, they go on retreats, explore Eastern religions, and seek out spiritual guides to learn yoga and meditation techniques. They have many questions: What is God like? Can I have an experience God? How do I find God?

In light of these trends, it is good for congregations to think about the meaning and experience of worship. Worship is first of all, not about us and what we should do. It is about what God has done and is doing today. Worship is not about receiving proper information *about* God. Instead, worship invites people into an experience of the sacred, into an encounter with God that can be transformative and life-changing. To be in the presence of God is to be in a zone of risk and re-orientation; it is to be in a realm where we are not in control, and anything can happen.

Robinson points to the actions of worship as spiritual practices that open us to the presence and activity of God. No form or order of service can guarantee that this will happen. Yet in general, worship is a series of actions that characterize life lived in the presence of God. The opening praise of God challenges self-centeredness and calls us to focus on something larger than ourselves. Prayers and hymns remind us of and open us to the grace, generosity, and reality of God in our lives. In prayers of confession we learn to tell the truth about ourselves and our need for grace and a fresh start, beyond anything we can give ourselves. The assurance of pardon is about the ways God labors to mend our lives and make us whole again. It invites us to dare being receivers of compassion we didn't earn. It levels the barriers among us, reminding us that we are all beggars needing forgiveness and bread. During the peace, we move out of our comfort zone to reach out to others in reconnection and reconciliation. We learn to listen for God, not just in the sermon or scripture, but in the silence, in the music, in the sacraments, in other human beings in whom God seeks us out. Even the offering is a spiritual practice, defying the voices within us that insist that we never, ever, can have enough for ourselves. Coming forward for communion can be an incredible walk toward new life and new connection with Christ. Sharing the bread and cup of Christ calls us to be loving family to each other, and that we must feed anyone who is hungry. The commissioning reminds us we can remain in the presence of God and continue to encounter God in neighbors during the week. The benediction is the final word – a word of blessing, intend to sink into the deepest places in our hearts, affirming our identity as people who blessed and loved, called, shaped and transformed by God.

Mary



Sunday Mornings, 9:30 a.m.

June 6

“New Life”

Communion

1 Kings 17:8-24

Luke 7:11-17

June 13

“Make Your Way Straight”

Choir Sunday

Ps.5:1-8, Luke 7:36-8:3

June 20

“For They Were Seized with Great Fear”

Luke 8:26-39

June 27

“For Freedom Christ Has Set Us Free”

Luke 9:51-62

Gal.5:1 and 13-25

Minute For Mission: Just an update as to what Moreland’s Mission Team is involved with currently. Lindsay Ross-Hunt, a former Moreland member is the new program manager for EMO’s HIV services. Lindsay can match you with many volunteer opportunities so call her at 503-460-3382. Our New City Initiative has eleven Moreland members on a search to find our “genius”. They are meeting the next six weeks after church to discuss Moreland’s involvement in the worthwhile project. SOAR, a refugee resettlement program is looking for members to consider sponsoring families recently relocating to Portland. Ask Tom for more information. FISH is planning a summer food drive here at Moreland the 13th of June. Since kids will be out of school and needing to eat at home they are especially looking for peanut butter, tuna, soup, anything easy for kids to fix themselves. They are in need of clothing, especially men’s jeans. Please bring your donations the week of the 13th of June. FISH is also looking for volunteers to help at their facility. Night Watch is always looking for new socks. Homeless men and women are really in need of this basic staple. Glisan Street is looking for a few people or a family to cook and serve a meal at the shelter in October. Joyce Bischoff is the contact person. Letty Owens Center is hoping for donations for car seats. An Oregon law prohibits the use of used car seats so they need to buy seats for the children in the program. As you can see, your Mission team is hard at work and has many opportunities available, big or small. Join our team or get involved! For more information or questions contact Cindy Russell 503-771-0691



Calling all Church members

and friends --- During the months of June, July and August we need assistance from the congregation to provide ushers, greeters and to serve and clean up at coffee hour. We also need 5 dozen cookies each week for coffee hour. There will be a sign-up list available outside of worship and at coffee hour so you can sign-up for a Sunday you are willing to help out this Summer. We will also have paper plates available for you to bring a dozen or so cookies that can be used during Summer coffee hours. This is a great chance to sign up with family and friends to assist in providing worship support and welcoming people to Moreland. Please sign up during coffee hour, call the Church Office, Lynne Bangsund 503-241-3382 or Barb Lary 503-772-0550



McKenzie Bates, daughter of Connie graduates from Cleveland High School and will be attending PSU in the fall.

KC Huizinga, daughter of Rick and Ruth graduates from Puget Sound University with a BA in Psychology.

Will Vines, grandson of Diane Vines and Ross Hawkins graduates from Cleveland High School and will be attending PCC in the fall.

Megan Warner, daughter of Rick and Debbie graduates from Pomona College with a BA in Bio Chemistry. She will be attending MIT in the fall to get her PhD in Bio Chemistry.

Andrew Weaver, grandson of Bob and Sara Jensen, graduates from high school in Moscow Idaho and will be attending the University of Idaho in the fall.

Andy Webber, son of Judy and Ray Webber, graduating from Rutgers University in New Jersey with a Master of Fine Arts.

Haley Norman, granddaughter of Cal and Norma Norman graduates from Cleveland High School and will be attending U of O in the fall.

Nicole Norman granddaughter of Cal and Norma Norman graduates from High School in North Carolina and will be attending U of O in the fall.

Contribute Your Unwanted Items to Guatemala Mission Team Fund-Raiser

Do you have some things you no longer need? Jan and Roger Capps will lead a group that will be refurbishing a school in a very poor part of Guatemala. This year's trip will be taking place in November. Moreland members -- Sue/Tom Carter and Honnie/George Freyer will also be on this year's trip. Our major fund-raiser for the trip is our participation in the Eastmoreland Garage Sale, on the weekend of June 26/27. Our Garage Sale will be at Jan and Roger's house -- 3009 SE Lambert St. We would appreciate any donations that you can make -- and we can arrange for picking them up. All proceeds from the Garage Sale are used to pay for materials that we will use in refurbishing the school -- paint, brushes, scrapers, rollers, etc.. We did a similar project in Guatemala last year and this made a huge difference in the appearance of the school! Feel free to drop things off at the Capps or call 503-775-7693 to let us know you're coming by or to arrange for picking up. Thanks for whatever you can do to help out!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 7:00 PM Adult Choir	2 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast	3 7:00 PM MOMSNext	4 9:00 AM MOPS	5 9:00 AM Deacon/Session Retreat
6 9:30 AM Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School	7	8 7:00 PM Adult Choir	9 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 7:00 PM Deacons	10 7:00 PM Stephen Ministry	11 Glisan Street/Minnow 11:00 AM MOPS Brunch	12
13 Choir Sunday 9:30 AM Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School	14	15	16 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast Noon Brown Bag book group 7:00 PM Session	17 7:00 PM MOMSNext	18	19
20 9:30 AM Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School	21	22	23 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast	24 7:00 PM Stephen Ministry	25 Presbytery in Bend	26 Presbytery in Bend
27 9:30 AM Worship 5:00 PM All Church Potluck	28	29	30 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast			

JULY Highlights

July 5th office closed

July 11th BBQ/Auction 11:00 am

July 12-16 VBS at Holy Family

July 18th Blue Grass Worship Service and 5:00 PM Potluck

July 25th 70 more or less picnic at church

Birthdays



Cal Norman	06/04
Vivian Mumper	06/05
Will Jacobson	06/08
Jeanne Wilcox	06/12
Jennifer Henn	06/12
Erik Saling	06/12
Lilah Dohrmann	06/17
Alexander Kosicki	06/17
Rhondie Emry	06/18
Betty Shaner	06/19
Harvey McKinnon	06/19
Jennifer Bamer	06/22
Elsie Lasher	06/26
Betty Shuey	06/26
Doris Satre	06/27
Teresa Newton	06/27
Rick Durst	06/28
Alex Thorp	06/28
Sebi Thorp	06/28



Don Emry	07/01
Sarah Reynolds	07/01
Robert Emerson	07/02
Jocelyn Holloway	07/03
Jim Stromvig	07/04
Mary (Mamie) Kosicki	07/04
Richard Broadwell	07/08
Micah Thorp	07/09
Nicole Thorp	07/09
Wanda Broadwell	07/10
Valrie Arneson	07/11
Owen Thomas	07/11
Peter Bamer	07/11
John Stuart	07/14
Sam Erickson	07/15
Ruby O'Connor	07/19
James Lasher	07/22
Bill Newton	07/23
Anton (Tony) Latham	07/24
Duncan Robertson	07/25
Carol Steen	07/25
Gladys Latham	07/27
Glen Martens	07/29
Anna Martens	07/29
Susan Hoover	07/30
Marge McNary	07/30
Steven Stone	07/30

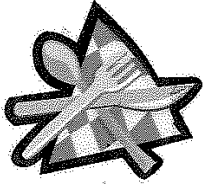
Moreland Presbyterian Church

Mark you calendars—July 11th, 2010 (after service)

All Church Event

Join Us ! / bring a friend....

July 11, 2010 (immediately after service)



125th Celebration Committee

Outreach & Communication Committee

Children's Committee

Men's Bible Study group (our chef's)



Something for everyone !

All have come together to plan an outstanding event for the entire congregation. BBQ, Auction and Children's games. So mark you calendars—join in and enjoy !

BBQ—Free of charge—to help us plan, please drop a note in the collection box indicating your attendance with family headcount.

Auction—There will be silent auction items as well as paddle bids—Kristin is working on procurement. If you have any items or services you could donate, please contact Kristin.

Children's activities—tickets will be available for various games and prizes for a minimal fee.

Each of these contacts could use your help—please contact them if you are available or can assist in any way to make this event a great celebration for the church.

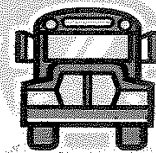
Thank you,

Contacts:

- BBQ—Cheri Berry (503) 771-6250
- Auction—Kristin Krueger (503) 771-4258
- Children's Events—Jan Martens (503) 777-2262

To help / volunteer—contact Cheri Berry
E-mail cab4125@gmail.com

Transportation available



Fellowship
Awesome Doorprizes
Great Food
Entertaining

Hope you will plan to join us!

Tear this reservation off and drop it in the collection box. This will help us have enough food and prizes for everyone.
Yes—we plan on attending:
Number to plan for _____

Yes—I need transportation _____
Name _____

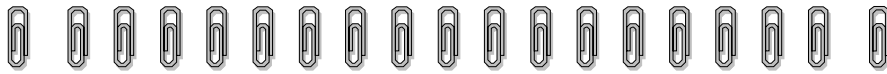


Stephen Ministry

Featured on PBS

The PBS "Religion and Ethics" news show recently aired an eight-minute feature on Stephen Ministry that vividly describes the life-changing ministry happening in thousands of congregations view this show at the web site listed below.

www.pbs.org/wnet/religionandethics



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New books in Fellowship Hall



The directory is almost here!!!! We want to thank the following people for their work on the new directory:

Melissa Jacobson, Sue Walsh, Charlene Rideout, Lynne Bangsund, Barb Lary, Dianne Topp, Cheri Berry, Lois Waldron, Fred Russell, Connie Bates, McKenzee Bates, Marian DeWert, and to our wonderful pastors and office staff. A big thank you also goes out to everyone who took the time out to have their picture taken and to Deacon Julie Durst who organized this task.



ATTENTION BAKERS!! The Helping Hand of Oregon needs your help.

In our sack lunches we like to put in something sweet as a treat for the people receiving them. A few months ago the Minnow Ship graciously made some homemade cookies for their lunches and they LOVED them. If anyone is interested in providing cookies or goodies for these lunches please let Julie Durst know. 971-221-6366 julie@thehelpinghandoforegon.org Thank you!

June 13th is Choir Sunday! Come hear Moreland Choir and let them know how much you appreciate their talents and gift.



Choir Sunday

Women's Bible Study:

Now on Summer Break

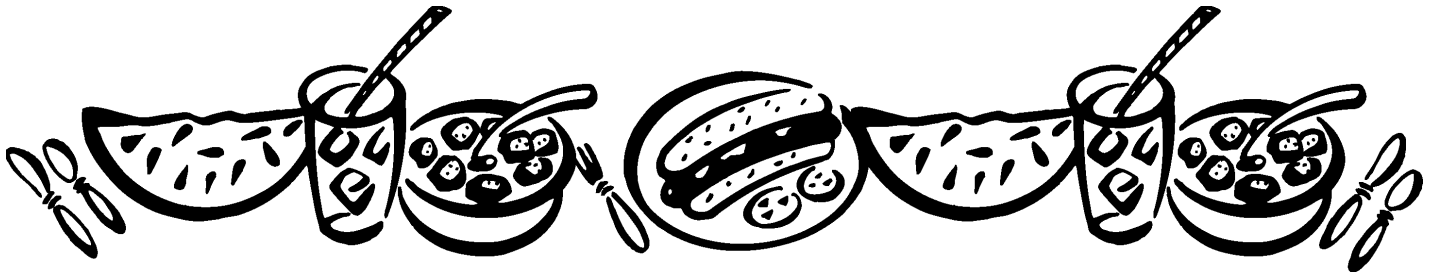
Moving to Wednesdays in the Fall

A number of women say they would like to attend the morning study led by the pastors, but that Monday is just too busy. So, this Fall, we will try having the Women's Bible Study on Wednesday mornings from 9:30 until 10:30, for 8 weeks, beginning September 14th.

Here is the format: We will convene with a word of prayer, read the Scriptures for the following Sunday's sermon aloud, and then the discussion begins. We talk the background of the passages, and explore the cultural context in which they were written. Participants will be encouraged to talk about what the passages mean to them, and/or how they relate to their lives. About 10:25 we will mention joys and concerns and conclude with a word of prayer.

No book, other than a Bible, is needed and there is no "homework" to do during the week. If possible, though, you might want to read the scripture passages before class, just to get your mind "working" on them. (Each Sunday's bulletin gives the passages that will be the basis of the following Sunday's sermon.)

If you have never tried Bible study, this is a great way to begin. If you can only come for some of the eight weeks, that is fine. But please do try to come a few times! See if it makes your Sunday experience richer to have looked at the scripture and heard what it means to others BEFORE the Sunday sermon.



Coming this Summer. . .at 5:00 PM

On three Sunday evenings this summer, Morelanders are invited to an “Intergenerational Potluck with Friends”. We will gather in the newly remodeled Dining Room at 5 pm for a potluck—and for an opportunity to deepen relationships with each other. All generations are welcome—on Sunday evenings, June 27th, July 18th and August 29th!

Volunteer Appreciation Sunday June 13

Be sure and attend church on June 13 when we honor all those volunteers who shared their gifts this year in the children’s programs – Sunday School, LOGOS - Children’s choir, bells, Christmas Pageant, Stewardship

MOPS, youth groups.

Kathy Stromvig



70Plus

Picnic

Please join us July 25th following church for a 70 years more or less picnic lunch!!!

A picnic lunch, games and fun will be had by all. So bring a friend and join the fun.

Registration is required so look for sign-ups in the narthex prior to church and in the Fellowship Hall after church starting on June 27th.

We are asking for \$5.00 to cover food cost per person. See Mary or Connie if cost is a concern.



The MOPS season is winding down. We have our last meeting the first week of June, where we will be discussing the “favorite” things to do in the summer as well as our favorite moments from this year. We will be having play dates at local parks throughout the summer. MOPS will begin again in the fall. We will have space available for new moms, children and always volunteers to help with the program.

Dates to keep in mind:

Park Playdates: June 21, July 12 and 26, August 2, 16 and 30

MOPS convention: August 5-7

MOPS start date: September 17th

On April 24th a group of Moreland MOPS moms participated in a Women Build Project, a part of Habitat for Humanity. This is the second time this year a group has joined with Women Build to help construct low income housing.

Friday morning, May 7th, MOPS moms had the privilege of hearing from Dr. Lovejoy, local counselor and former professor at Mt. Hood Community College in religion and psychology. Dr. Lovejoy spoke on interactions in the family with parents and in-laws, especially after the birth of a child. Many interesting discussion questions followed. In addition, Mother's Day gift bags were assembled for mothers currently residing at Letty Owings. Mother's Day cards and notes were included.

The last Friday morning meeting will be June 4th. On June 11th an appreciation brunch will be hosted for childcare workers. Beginning in June the evening book group moves to a Wednesday morning time slot from 10am-11:30am on the 2nd and 3rd Wednesdays.

The group continues to appreciate the support and encouragement given to Moreland MOPS by this congregation

MOMSnex0t is winding down as well. Our end of year party will be the first week of June, 6/3, where we will continue to co-create how we want to stay connected over the summer and what we want in the next year, starting in the Fall. MOMSnext is a program designed for Mothers of school-aged children. We meet the first and third Thursday evenings Fall through Spring. We always welcome new Moms. Childcare is not provided

Dates to note:

All Church BBQ/Auction/Children Activities: July 11th

MOMSnex0t start date: October 7th

Questions: janmartens@comcast.net

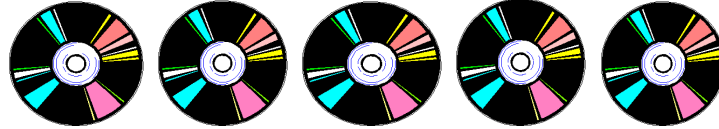


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A Musical for Kids by,
John Jacobson & John Higgins



Judy Wiltgen directs and Jennifer Seller choreographers this musical camp for children entering grades 4-7. The camp experience includes drama, costumes, lots of singing, and a staging.

August 2-6

The cost is \$150.00 per child.

10 a.m. --- 1:00 p.m. -- (lunch included)

Please talk to Judy Wiltgen to register your child for camp.

(503) 333 1968 or jumjot47@comcast.net

Fun, Music and Drama guaranteed!

Hurry! Registration closes June 30.

VBS

Moreland and Holy Family come together to create an awesome experience for you kids!

Holy Family will host VBS

July 12-16

9:00-12:00

See Kathy for registration forms and volunteer opportunities.

Any youth fifth - eighth grade interested in becoming an Acolyte please let Kathy know

Kathy@morelandpresbyterian.com



SUMMER CAMP

Middle and High School Kids

Camp reg. can be found online
Cascadespresbytery.org

Or pick up reg. form in the
Office

Questions: Call Diana McCredie
503-860-0059



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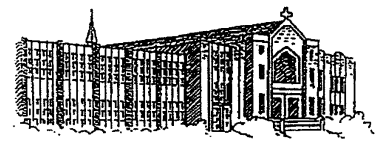
Summer Time Fun!!!! Potluck parties at 5:00 PM for all here at Moreland: June 27th, July 18th and August 29th.



Potluck



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Monday, July 12

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