

NORTH VALLEY FRIENDS CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS | OCT. 14, 2020

Good afternoon friends! As the season shifts into fall I'm thankful for the changing colors on the leaves, the crisp air and the warm afternoon wind. I am finding that I am more grateful for fog - that it's not smoke and for rain. I pray that we may all find joy in the every day while continuing to listen to Christ, our Present Teacher. ~Leslie

We are in this Together - A NVFC Puzzle

We are assembling a North Valley Friends Church puzzle! Each person is invited to decorate/mark a puzzle piece however you choose: with words or images or color, with pens or paint or collage. It is up to you! If you weren't able to come to the Pastoral Drive through this past Sunday and would like pieces sent to you, please reach out to one of the pastors and we'll make sure you get one. We plan to collect these at our next Pastoral Drive Through on Sunday, October 25th from 2-3:30pm.

ReThreads

Do you have 2 hours one Saturday/month from 10am-noon that you'd love to volunteer at our free clothing closet, ReThreads? If so, please contact Mindy at (503)502-7000 or Mindy7000@gmail.com.

Concluding event for 2020 George Fox Civility Project

The concluding event for this year's George Fox Political Civility Project is coming up Monday evening October 19 at 7:30 - 9:00 pm. This will feature a debate between George Fox professors Dr. Philip Smith and Dr. Mark Hall on the question "Whom should we vote for in the 2020 presidential election?" The debate will be preceded by a brief report on the first two phases of the Civility Project, and will give attendees the opportunity to score the debate using the prototype political civility inventory being created in this year's Project. George Fox students, faculty, or staff can attend the event in person in Bauman Auditorium, with seating limited to avoid exceeding the 100-person capacity permitted under COVID guidance. Others can attend via Zoom, [using this link](#).

A video of the first event, held Monday evening Oct 5, is also available [here](#). Any questions should be directed to Ron Mock at rmock@georgefox.edu.

Youth Group

Bring your mask to Youth Group Tonight! @NVFC (Look for Amy Watson at the Main Entrance to the Building)
**Middle School from 6:30-7:15 ** High School from 7:30-8:15

Unprogrammed Worship, Sunday @ 9:30am

Unprogrammed worship meets in person under the carport as well as a zoom link. Feel free to bring your own chair and don't forget your mask! Nate will send out the zoom link for this on Friday.

Business Meeting Coming up

Our bi-monthly Meeting for Worship for Business is coming up in 2 weeks. Please mark your calendar for October 28th at 7pm to consider the second reading of our mission statement as well as the next 6 month installment of our budget. Supporting documents will be emailed out next Wednesday.

Last Produce Swap

This Sunday from 2-3pm is our last produce swap we will have in the carport at North Valley. Feel free to get produce or give if you have extra. We've been taking some produce to FISH, the local food bank, each week. There is plenty for all! If you can't make it to NV during that time, just let me know and we can arrange another way to get produce to you, or I can pick it up from you if you'd like to donate ~Cherice Bock.

Pastoral Reports

Each week a member of the pastoral team will share a report of sorts in this space. This month I asked each team member to share 2 consolations and one desolation. This week it's a report from Sammy Sanders

1) Youth Group has been incredible. Interacting with teens again--they have been living into themselves and making the best of social distancing. Their thoughtfulness, humor, and good naturedness is always inspiring. 2) The learning

of our flower farm has been a fun process. Seeing new ways that God is working in the world and how I can be a part--even in the natural order of things--has been super rewarding.

*Social distancing continues to be difficult. All of the ways that extroverts like me find life giving are made much more difficult. Finding ways to consistently connect in safe ways have been a gift, and yet there is still pain in knowing I can't be fully engaged in community in the ways I want to be. I miss you all.

Prayer Requests

*Janelle Oliveraz's sister Barb has been unable to take any bereavement time after the death of their mom. Being a kindergarten teacher during Covid has led Barb to feel like she can't take any time off. Would you pray that she finds time and space to grieve?

*Janelle & Joseph Oliveraz recently found out our doggy has lymphoma. He's elderly, but otherwise healthy, so we decided to try an active intervention. Most dogs do not respond to chemotherapy as extremely as humans do, but it has been a rough week, so we need to have a serious talk with the vet about expectations and possibly taking a different route with a less positive prognosis. This is even more difficult due to covid as we only get short phone consultations. We need wisdom and a decision that works for all of us.

*We praised God that Jared Prink's tests all came back negative for Covid and other serious health concerns. Please pray for his continued healing.

*Paul Hampton asks for prayers for the continued protests in PDX. She feels heavy with concerns for her son and others that continue to protest as a matter of conviction.

*We continue to pray for our nation, the upcoming elections and leadership.

*Colin & Janine ask for prayer for family friends of theirs from Homedale, Idaho whose son (35yo) was killed in a log truck accident.

*Janae McDonough asks for prayer because she heard a coyote out her window and prays for the safety of the goats.

*Brenda Burg showed the bakery to a promising prospective buyer - please pray that God directs this process.

*Kim Boyd asked for prayer for Emma Boyd who has been dealing with illness for 6 mos. They continue to go to doctors and specialists to try to figure out what is going on.

*Elsie McConaughey is praising God that after a Covid scare in their house all tests were negative!

*Tim Timmerman's housemates moved out on Saturday and a new one moved in Sunday. Prayer for these transitions.

*Aida Ramos asks for continued prayers for her marriage. Her husband contacted her and she is asking God to direct their path.

*Brittany Briner asks for prayers for the difficult conversations she's having with family regarding holiday gatherings amidst a pandemic. It feels lonely and isolating while also clear that this is what they need to do.

*Julie Luedtke asks for prayer for her dad Jack who t-boned someone on Saturday - please pray for all persons involved.

*Catherine Olson asks for prayer for her friend Kristen who launched a non-profit to prevent human trafficking.

<u>2020 Interim Budget (July-Dec) General Fund Tithes and Offering</u>	
Donations are accepted at northvalleyfriends.org	
Need more info? E-mail Ceress Sanders at ceress.sanders@gmail.com	
<u>October 2020</u> Budgeted Tithes/Offerings:	\$21,000.00
October 2020 Tithes/Offerings Received through 10.11.20	\$9,603.83
Percent of Month's Projected Tithes/Offerings Received:	45.73%
<u>Fiscal Year</u> Budgeted Tithes/Offerings To Date (July-Sept 2020):	\$63,000.00
Interim 6 mo Tithes/Offerings Received To Date (July-Sept 2020):	\$51,004.69
Percent of Interim 6 mo Tithes/Offerings Received (July-Sept 2020):	80.96%
Emergency/Benevolent Fund Balance:	\$8,673.95