ANNOUNCEMENTS | JANUARY 25, 2023

ZOOM LINK FOR PROGRAMMED WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS | 10:45AM

Nate will no longer be sending a worship resources email each Friday, and instead, we'll have the **Zoom LINK for worship** in this announcement email each week.

GERTRUDE ANKENY MEMORIAL SERVICE | SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

The Ankeny family invites you to join them for a memorial service for Gertrude Ankeny, this Saturday, January 28th at 11:00am at Newberg Friends Church.

YEAR END GIVING STATEMENTS FOR 2022 AVAILABLE | LAST WEEK FOR PICK UP

North Valley Friends Church 2022 Individual Giving Statements (for your tax purposes) are available for you to pick up on a table in the foyer. The statements will be available in the meeting house foyer <u>through this Sunday Ianuary 29th</u>. Those left will be sent by mail on Monday, January 30th.

NURSERY

We would love to re-open our Nursery space for our littlest Friends, but we need your help! If you are interested in being a volunteer in the Nursery, please reach out to Gina (gina@northvalley.org)

PODCAST INTERVIEW WITH LESLIE MURRAY ABOUT PEACE TRAIL VILLAGE

Daniel Roberts of The Giving Town podcast recently interviewed Leslie about Peace Trail Village. **Listen HERE** and feel free to share!

NORTH VALLEY FRIENDS GREEN TEAM TASK FORCE FORMATION

We've been holding a concern for the well being of our planet and all that lives on it. As you likely are aware, climate change is drastically altering the delicate balance of our natural rhythms, and this is causing serious problems. These problems disproportionally affect the poor and marginalized. We feel called and compelled as a meeting to be faithful in response to this crisis, both as a pragmatic matter, but also as part of our call to be stewards of the earth.

We also realize that climate change is a symptom of our greed, our consumerism, and our lack of simplicity. We hope that we might, as a body, find ways to respond in ways to nurture healthier ways of living that protect our environment, but also that we might find ways to be faithful to God's call to be good neighbors and stewards in the ways we interact with the earth and each other.

To this end we are hoping to form what we're calling the "Green Team". We're hoping that this task force might be willing to head up our efforts, from looking into solar panels to help with our energy usage, to the community garden, to engaging in conversation with local and national officials who are responsible for decisions that affect our climate future, to things that we haven't even thought of yet about how we might be a faithful community together to address both climate change and the underlying practices that keep us complicit in climate change.

If you're interested in being part of this task force please come to our first meeting, on <u>January 29 at 3:00 pm</u>, or, if you can't make it, let Nate Macy know you're interested.

INVITATION TO LOCAL EARTH CARE ADVOCACY

Cherice Bock, creation justice advocate at Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon, invites us to participate in the following opportunities:

Oregon Interfaith Earth Summit, 1:30–5:30pm, February 5: With the topic, "Care for Our Common Home: Building Neighborhood Climate Resilience," this 10th annual Summit is our first attempt at a hybrid gathering. People of faith will gather at locations all over the state, with one in Newberg at the First United Methodist Church. Part of the time is on Zoom with people statewide and part of the time is sharing with people locally. \$20 suggested donation (\$10 students, scholarships available).

Oregon Interfaith Power & Light Advocacy Team: Sign up to participate in climate/environmental justice advocacy with people of faith during the legislative session, now through June. There are monthly Zoom gatherings each second Monday to learn more about our priority bills and receive training in sharing your story

with legislators. Each week you'll receive email action alerts, and there will be opportunities to meet with legislators throughout the session. Most of this relates to state-level bills, and we will also have meetings with federal legislators in May/June. Free.

GEORGE FOX UNIVERSITY SPECIAL CHAPEL EVENTS | FEBRUARY 7 & 9

You are invited to attend a special chapel event February 7 & 9 at 10:50 am at Bauman Auditorium, featuring Shaun Horne. Shaun Horne leads the justice and care ministry at New City Church. He's passionate about restorative justice, as well as local and global missions. He has his undergraduate degree in biblical studies and preaching, and his master's degree in strategic ministry. He will visit the Newberg campus to speak at two university chapels.

Horne's church, New City, is in the heart of Phoenix, Arizona. Through the Justice & Care ministry, he works to bring the hope of Jesus beyond the walls of the church to the surrounding community. Every person has infinite value, and deserves to be treated with dignity, respect, and love. New City Church provides opportunities for the congregation to carry out the gospel message through community practices that help the city flourish by restoring hope, loving thy neighbor, and bringing the good news to a world that needs it. Horne seeks out conversations surrounding race and equity in order to fulfill the Biblical vision of unity and reconciliation. His vision focuses on abiding in God, and caring for those within the community.

AVAMERE ASSISTED LIVING IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS TO ENGAGE RESIDENTS

This message is from MacKenzie McDermott, the Life Enrichment Director at Newberg Avamere: "As I was chatting with some of our community members, it came to my attention we don't have very many physical or, for lack of a better term, "manly" activities to offer to our residents, specifically the men in our community. I was curious if any of your staff, or church members, would be interested in coming to volunteer to help us create a woodworking workshop, or something along those lines, to introduce a new activity to our residents and community? We are looking to broaden our activity schedule and would also be open to other things, like choirs coming to sing for us, pastors coming to help them celebrate in their religion, or even just members coming to visit and chat with some of our residents."

Contact MacKenzie at 503-554-0767 or MVanBergen@Avamere.com if you are interested in helping!

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE TIME | EXTRA MUGS NEEDED

Have an extra coffee mug or two laying around? We are bringing back coffee on Sunday mornings but would love to be a little more green! If you have one (or two) to donate, please bring it to the meeting house. We will wash mugs in between uses. It should be a mug that you don't mind sharing with others and wouldn't be too sad if the mug was accidentally broken.

RETHREADS CLOTHING CLOSET 2022 STATS

Our ReThreads clothing closet partner, St. Pauly, just told us that we donated 17,184 lbs of clothing in 2022, enough to clothe 3,165 people all over the world!

ReThreads is currently primarily staffed by volunteers from the community including a retired woman named Luvia who has taken a lot of ownership over the space. She comes several times a week and has even cleaned up around the building and regularly cleans the gym bathrooms so they are nice for ReThread shoppers! If you happen to notice Luvia doing her good work, please let her know how much we appreciate her service!

ALL CHURCH RETREAT | OCTOBER 27-29

Save the date! We are planning for an All Church Retreat in Hood River, October 27-29, 2023. Details to come!

YOUTH UPDATES

Youth Groups Middle School 6:15-7:15 pm and High School 7:30-8:30 pm. North Valley fellowship hall.

High School Hang Time Open tabs at Chapters and Cream with Cole and Rachelle every Tuesday from 4-5p.m.

<u>February 5, Sunday</u> - Broomball at Lloyd Center, Camp Connections with Cascade and Wayside. \$15 for first student, \$10 for any additional sibling. Snacks only provided. Leaving Wayside at 5:15p.m returning at

8:45p.m.. (Typically there wouldn't be a youth event scheduled on a Sunday evening, but the exception was made because of tricky logistics).

Summer Camp at Suttle Lake, July 10-13, the cost is \$345 and registration will be opening soon!

UPCOMING EVENTS

\$270.19

JANUARY

- 25 Youth Groups (NV)
- 28 Gertrude Ankeny Memorial Service ~ 11:00 am at Newberg Friends Church
- 29 Unprogrammed Worship & Programmed Worship

Green Team meeting

- 30 Basketball pickup game
- 31 Hang Time for HS students

FEBRUARY

1 Youth Groups (NV)

Emergency/Benevolent Fund Balance:

5 Unprogrammed Worship & Programmed Worship

Youth Broomball event

2022-2023 Budget (July-Jun) General Fund Tithes and Offering	
Donations are accepted at northvalleyfriends.org	
Need more info? E-mail office@northvalleyfriends.org	J
Jan 2023 Budgeted Tithes/Offerings:	\$18,500.00
Jan 2023 Tithes/Offerings Received through 1.22.23	\$9,404.00
Percent of Month's Projected Tithes/Offerings Received:	50.83%
Fiscal Year Budgeted Tithes/Offerings To Date (July-Dec 2022):	\$121,170.00
Tithes/Offerings Received To Date (July-Dec 2022):	\$126,251.32
Percent of Budget/Offerings Received (July-Dec 2022):	104.19%