

# **OCUMC Newsletter**

February 18, 2021

Here are a few pics from our Ash Wednesday service. Thank you to everyone who came and to everyone who put it together!









#### Dear friends and family of OCUMC:

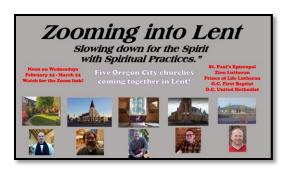
Every now and then, we get together with other Oregon City sisters and brothers in the faith and have collective services or projects. This Lenten season gives us another opportunity to gather again (via Zoom) with the Oregon City faithful! Our forty-day journey of Lent leading up to Holy Week and Easter this year will include an online partnership with four other Christian congregations in Oregon City.

- St. Paul's Episcopal
- Zion Lutheran
- Oregon City United Methodist
- First Baptist Oregon City
- Prince of Peace Lutheran

On the Wednesdays of Lent, we will offer a live Zoom service at noon from one of our five congregations. These services will last around a half-hour. We're calling this:

# **Zooming into Lent**

Slowing down for the Spirit with Spiritual Practices



Each pastor will offer a spiritual practice, including simplicity, breath prayer, finding God's presence in nature, and communing with God in "tactile" ways. The service will also include liturgies, music and practices from that congregation.

The service will be recorded and placed on YouTube for later watching, and the link will be sent out each week.

We hope you will join us! And remember, on Zoom you can invite family and friends to join the service from wherever!

Blessings, Pastor Mike





FLOREY, SHEILA 03/02 03/05 FORNCROOK, CAROL HECKERT, STEVE 03/05 LAWSON, SANDRA 03/06 SALTENBERGER, ROSE 03/07 03/07 SYTSMA, JACOB BENISCHEK, SAMANTHA 03/09 03/09 MCGRAW, ALEX 03/12 ARNOLD, ERIK 03/18 ARNOLD, EMMA 03/19 MACE, STEPHANIE ENZ, DORINE 03/23 RONFELD, JOHN 03/25 ENGEL, MARTY 03/27 MYERS, CHLOE 03/27 DIFRANCO, TONY 03/28 MYERS, CHELSEA 03/29



Blood Services

# Oregon City United Methodist Church

18955 S South End Road Oregon City, OR 97045

February 22, 2021 11:00 AM - 04:00 PM

Appointments are needed. Schedule online or call 1-800-RED CROSS.



The lines are down...



So sorry for the inconvenience ... our phone lines are down. WE ARE OPEN!!! Feel free to call Pastor Mike at 503-522-9807 to reach the office.

### Hope is a Mission of the Church



The HOPE Food Pantry is in dire need of several men who can help on Monday mornings. The Oregon Food Bank truck arrives at the Presbyterian Church in

Oregon City between 7:00 and 7:15 in the morning. The driver unloads the truck and we then put the cartons purchased in our pickups and deliver it to our pantry. We unload the pickups and bring in the food items, where they are sorted and put on shelves or into refrigerators/freezers.

We currently have five men who do this job but they sometimes want a day off or only want to work 2 weeks per month. We really need back up for these volunteers.

We are very concerned about COVID and take all precautions to make certain that we are safe.

Please give Sharon Thonstad or Ron Schlosser a call if you would like to volunteer or just get more information.



# Upper Room Devotionals

March/April issue of the Upper Room Devotional is now available. If you are not able to pick up a copy at the church, you may request to have a copy mailed to you.

# Immediate Opening!

Oregon City Handbell Choir
Short-term commitments – youth & Adults
Wednesday Nights from 6:30pm – 7:15pm
Ask Pastor Mike for more information if interested!
Revbenny@aol.com – 503-522-9807





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Jen H., earns for hockey

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