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April's Clearwater Cluster Lenten Series

Sunday, April 2, 4:00 p.m.

Hosting church: Kendrick UMC

Preaching: Barbara Essen
bus will leave at 2:30 p.m.

Palm Sunday, April 9, 4:00 p.m.

Hosting church: Clarkston UMC

Preaching: Stephen Kingsley
pancake supper following



Easter, April 16

8:00 a.m. Early Morning Worship

8:45 a.m. Breakfast

9:45 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt

10:30 a.m. Worship & Communion



Please note that Study Classes will not meet this morning. Also, there will be no fellowship hour following the worship service.



As United Methodists, we believe baptism and membership in a local church (such as Clarkston UMC) is a lifelong commitment of growing closer to Christ through worship, study, and service in an intentional Christian community. If you are interested in making such a commitment, you are invited to talk to Pastor Cody about becoming a member of Clarkston UMC.



Hello, Clarkston UMC family! As many of you know, the Administrative Council has been exploring a transition to a simpler model of church governance. In the past, multiple members have attended workshops, and even before my arrival as pastor you all have experimented with some changes.

Well, now we are moving forward with a wholesale structure change—first, to encourage more ministry participation and innovation; second, to be better stewards of our time and volunteer resources; and third, to reflect the way we conduct our business currently.

Our next step toward fully implementing this new structure is to host a town hall style meeting. This will take place April 23, right after church gathering time in the fellowship hall. The purpose of the meeting is to hear your questions, suggestions, and for you to share any potential problems that the model we will be using might have. We will use those to help us refine the model further.

To shrink the amount of time spent in the town hall meeting on April 23 (we hope to keep it around 15 to 30 minutes), I am presenting information here for you to read prior to the meeting. Please read and bring your questions, ideas, and suggestions on April 23. Thank you!

Pastor Cody Stauffer

PROPOSED SIMPLE GOVERNANCE MODEL FOR CLARKSTON UMC

CHURCH COUNCIL = 13 voting members

- 1 Lay Leader (Council Chair)
- 1 Lay Member to Annual Conference
- 1 Other Person (possibly last Lay Leader?)
- 3 People with Trustees/Property interest (3 year terms, each in one class)
- 3 People with Finance interest (3 year terms, each in one class)
- 3 People with SPR interest (3 year terms, each in one class)
- Pastor

The Church Council is responsible (and has authority) to keep the entire ministry of the congregation focused on the mission. It sets the basic boundaries (policies) within which the congregation lives out its vision. Boundaries include allocation of resources (including budget), ethical standards, and adequate processes (such as financial practices and audits). It establishes goals for the overall effectiveness of the congregation in fulfilling its mission. It holds the Lead Pastor accountable to fruitfulness in meeting the missional goals set for the congregation.

IMPORTANT – the entire council functions together as Trustees, Finance, and SPRC. The people specifically elected for interest in the areas of facilities, finance, and human relations provide focus and information in their area of specialty, but do not make decisions apart from the council.

The Church Council is accountable to the mission (it is God's Church), to the standards of conduct for its members (such as participation in meetings, worship, giving and so on) and to the congregation (through their annual election of leaders to whom they entrust the mission of the congregation).

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

The Discipline requires that there be a Committee on Nominations and Leadership Development (¶258.1). The committee is to be composed of not more than 9 persons elected to 3-year terms in 3 classes, plus the lay leader and pastor. The pastor shall be the chair of this committee.

This committee will work with the pastor throughout the year to identify, call, and equip leadership for the mission of the congregation. They shall annually recommend to the Charge Conference a slate of qualified and called persons for election to all elected offices in the congregation. When elected offices become vacant for any reason in between charge conferences the committee will make nominations to the Church Council for ad-interim election to fill these vacancies.

MINISTRY TEAMS

There may be as many ministry teams as there are ministries. A ministry may be a regular, ongoing program (such as a weekly worship service or the youth fellowship group), an annual event (like a volunteer recognition dinner or family retreat), or even a single major event (a one-time mission trip).

Every ministry will have a ministry team. Ministry teams may be almost any size, depending on the demands of the ministry they are carrying out and each ministry team will have a ministry team leader.

Every ministry team leader is a staff person, whether paid or unpaid. The ministry team leader is responsible for organizing the people who are doing the specific ministry and for focusing the ministry team on the goals and outcomes it has adopted. The ministry team leaders (staff) all work within the alignment authority of the Lead Pastor who holds all the ministries accountable to the missional goals established by the Church Council.

Decisions about how (within the boundaries and policies) to reach the goals of a ministry will be made by the ministry team doing the ministry. The goals and methods of the ministry team will be established in consultation with the Lead Pastor to assure their alignment with the overarching ministry goals set by the Council. The ministry team leader will be accountable to see that the team is working toward fulfillment of those goals.

The Lead Pastor will establish adequate processes to ensure alignment of the ministry teams so that:

- each ministry understands and embraces its part in the overall mission of the congregation,
- ministries are not unnecessarily competing with or limiting one another,
- gaps in ministry are addressed, and
- mutual support and synergy are built between all the ministries of the congregation.

The primary authority of the Lead Pastor regarding ministry teams is to ensure alignment and fruitfulness. The responsibility of the Lead Pastor is equipping (inspiring), and deploying them toward fruitfulness in the mission, vision, and values of the congregation as established by the Church Council.

MINISTRY CORE TEAM

The pastor and lay leader will lead this group. It will include all leaders elected by other church groups (such as United Methodist Women's President or representative, United Methodist Men's President or representative, or Youth Council President). It will also include the ministry team leaders of any other significant on-going program bodies in the church. This group will meet regularly to coordinate ministry programs so that they are mutually supportive and well aligned with the mission of the congregation.

As you prayerfully consider giving each month to the church, please keep in mind that the Building Fund is above and beyond the General Fund. Money donated to the Building Fund will be used for replacing and updating appropriate equipment.

We've been in this building for quite some time so major items are starting to wear out and are in need of replacement. Heating and air conditioning units are an estimated \$25,000. Roof repairs will need done along with some carpet repairs. We are considering a change over from the current two hot water heaters to one efficient water heater. The Trustees would like to be able to begin these updates in the near future. If you have questions, please talk to John Manis, Joel Ford or Glenn Kinloch. Please be sure to mark your donation "Building Fund" so it can be directed to the correct fund.

Thank you!

Thank you, Church Family, for your outpouring of comforting prayers, cards, phone call and food during the loss of my three siblings this winter.

God Bless You All,
Georgia Brotnov

Beth Johnson and family, would like to extend their heartfelt appreciation for all the cards sent, the food brought in, the memorials given for Bill, your prayers, calls and caring during Bill's illness and passing.

The graveside service for Marge Glenny Whiting will be Friday, April 28, at 11:00 a.m. There will be light lunch following at the church.



One of our long-time members, Delores Reed, passed away on March 20, 2017. Her service will be Saturday, April 29, at 11:00 a.m. at Merchant Funeral Home.

Two Attend Hand Bell Choir Conference

Barbara Dertinger and Lisa Stauffer attended a hand bell conference on March 24-25 at Lewiston First UM Church. They were part of a mass choir directed by conference clinician, Brian Tervo. The conference culminated in a concert on Saturday evening.

Rocks, Ripples & Revival!

Inland District Gathering Event

Saturday, April 29 • 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Audubon Park United Methodist Church

Registration after April 1: \$25 **Scholarships Available** Lunch is included in registration costs.

This year, our district gathering will be centered around **worship** rather than solely being a “training” event. Our goal is to have clergy and lay teams **inspired** and **equipped** to more fully BE the church through a focus on **engaging worship**. In order to achieve this goal, each clergy/lay team will work collaboratively to formulate a sermon series + holistic worship experience on the parables of Jesus. We will also discuss when and how to best implement this type of worship series.

UMW News:

This year’s **Mission U** in Ellensburg, WA is July 14-17, 2017. The all school study is *Missionary Conferences* led by Bishop Mary Ann Swenson. Other classes include: *A Covenantal Community* and *Climate Justice: A Call to Hope and Action*.

Scholarships are available both from our local unit and from the District. Register online now! Fulltime - \$300; Weekender - \$255; Commuter - \$200 (add \$20 after 5/31) <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mission-u-2017-tickets-27244496021>

Bible Readings for Holy Week

Liturgy of the Passion: Isaiah 50: 4-9a; Psalm 31: 9-16; Philippians 2: 5-11;

Matthew 26: 14-27: 66

Monday: Isaiah 42: 1-9; Psalm 36: 5-11; Hebrews 9: 11-15; John 12: 1-11

Tuesday: Isaiah 49: 1-7; Psalm 71: 1-14; 1 Corinthians 1: 18-31; John 12: 20-36

Wednesday: Isaiah 50: 4-9a; Psalm 70; Hebrews 12: 1-3; John 13: 21-32

Maundy Thursday: Exodus 12: 1-14; Psalm 116: 1-4, 12-19; 1 Corinthians 11: 23-26;

John 13: 31b-35

Good Friday: Isaiah 52: 13-53: 12; Psalm 22; Hebrews 10: 16-25; John 18: 1-19: 42

Holy Saturday: Job 14: 1-4; Psalm 31: 1-4, 15-16; 1 Peter 4: 1-8; Matthew 27: 57-66

Easter Sunday: Acts 10: 34-43; Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24; Colossians 3: 1-4; John 20: 1-18



April Birthdays

April 2 Leonard Elliott

April 4 Angelika Olson-Hill

April 10 Betty Davis

April 18 Jackie Cable

April 21 Ada Krugh

April 21 Andrew Wilson

April Anniversaries

April 4 Barbara & John Dertinger

April 12 Carol & Ross Emery

You are invited to Clarkston UMW's General meeting to welcome Spring.

Come on Wednesday, April 5, at 12:00 p.m. It's a potluck so bring a favorite dish to share and ask a friend to come too. ALL women of our church are welcome. The program will be about American Dolls, presented by Laura Vawter.



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

General Meeting this month is the **Welcome Spring potluck** on Wednesday, April 5, at 12:00 p.m.

April Fellowship Hour Hosts: Ruth

Circle Meetings:

Wesleyan Fellowship

Monday, April 17 at 7:00 p.m.

at UMC Fellowship Hall

Hostess: Barbara Dertinger

Co-Hostess: Judy Jacobe

Ruth: UMC downstairs Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, April 19 at 1:00 p.m.

Hostess & Program: Betty Larsen

Abigail: UMC Fellowship Hall

Thursday, April 20 at 1:30 p.m.

Hostess: Darlene Larson

Program: Beth Johnson

Executive Meeting

none this month

As you do your spring cleaning keep in mind that the UMW Rummage Sale will be May 5 & 6. If you have questions talk to either Tana Truscott or Judy Elliott.





SUNDAY, April 2

Food Bank Sunday
Communion

TUESDAY, April 4

*12:00 p.m. Tuesday Stitches
4:00 p.m. Bell Choir practice
5:00 p.m. Chancel Choir practice
5:30-8:30 p.m. LC Doll Cub

WEDNESDAY, April 5

9:30 a.m. Fitness Class
12:00 p.m. UMW Welcome
Spring potluck & program
6:00-8:00 p.m. Cub Scouts
*6:30 p.m. FPU
(Financial Peace University)

THURSDAY, April 6

1:30 p.m. Small Group
6:30 p.m. Small Group

FRIDAY, April 7

6:30 p.m. Movie Night

SATURDAY, April 8

*8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
KAIROS Outside using ↓FH

SUNDAY, April 9

Ten Spot Sunday

MONDAY, April 10

*5:30 p.m. Habitat Board mtg.
*1:00 p.m. PEO mtg.

TUESDAY, April 11

*12:00 p.m. Tuesday Stitches
4:00 p.m. Bell Choir practice
5:00 p.m. Chancel Choir practice

WEDNESDAY, April 12

9:30 a.m. Fitness Class
4:30 p.m. Finance mtg.
6:00-8:00 p.m. Scouts
*6:30 p.m. FPU

THURSDAY, April 13

1:30 p.m. Small Group
6:30 p.m. Small Group

SUNDAY, April 16

Easter—see schedule on pg. 1

MONDAY, April 17

7:00 p.m. Wesleyan Fellowship

TUESDAY, April 18

*12:00 p.m. Tuesday Stitches
4:00 p.m. Bell Choir practice
5:00 p.m. Chancel Choir practice

WEDNESDAY, April 19

9:30 a.m. Fitness Class
1:00 p.m. Ruth Circle
6:00-8:00 p.m. Cub Scouts
*6:30 p.m. FPU

THURSDAY, April 20

1:30 p.m. Small Group
1:30 p.m. Abigail Circle
6:30 p.m. Small Group

FRIDAY, April 21-Sunday, April 23

*8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Sunday
KAIROS Outside Walk
(using ALL the Church)

TUESDAY, April 25

*12:00 p.m. Tuesday Stitches
4:00 p.m. Bell Choir practice
5:00 p.m. Chancel Choir practice

WEDNESDAY, April 26

9:30 a.m. Fitness Class
6:00-8:00 p.m. Scouts
*6:30 p.m. FPU

THURSDAY, April 27

1:30 p.m. Small Group
6:30 p.m. Small Group

FRIDAY, April 28

6:30 p.m. Game Night

SUNDAY, April 30

Twinlow Sunday
Last Sunday Potluck

There will be a short ALL Church meeting during fellowship time on Sunday, April 23. Please plan on attending.

Habitat for Humanity will be using the upstairs Fellowship Hall for volunteer training on April 7 & 8, in the morning.



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Mark Your Calendar!

On May 13, from 5:30-7:00 p.m., we will have a **Spaghetti Dinner and Dessert Auction**. Start saving your dollars to be able to buy the dessert of your choice. We've got some great bakers that created fabulous desserts last year. Invite your friends to this fun evening. Tickets for dinner will be on sale prior to the day. Talk to Laura Vawter if you have questions.

A copy of the current Administrative Board minutes and other committee reports are available for you to read on the blue bulletin board in the foyer.



Dessert Auction



Ten Spot Sunday

Ten Spot Sunday is April 9.