

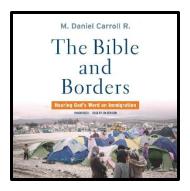
The Messenger June 2025

Emmanuel Episcopal Church P. O. Box 1028 400 Highland Avenue Coos Bay, OR 97420

Let the Adventure Begin!

Not only is Rev. Patti on an Adventure, but Emmanuel is also!

*We have a variety of people leading Sunday worship services, and discussions during coffee hour on 6/15, 7/6 and 8/31 about the cultural aspects of Latinx church services, focusing on chapters in the book, *The Bible and Borders* written by M. Daniel Carroll R. (One Chapter for each of the three meetings!)



The Bible and Borders is a survey of biblical texts and reflection by Carroll, a noted biblical scholar who comes from an evangelical background and, like Dennis, has lived both in South America and now in the United States. Published in 2020, it is a timely study related to borders and immigration. This is a perfect opportunity for us to give healthy thought to modern day issues of boundaries and borders from a biblical perspective rather than a purely political or economic view. I hope many of you will wish to read this book along with the coffee hour conversation group this summer when he visits Emmanuel as a guest preacher. You can buy the book on Amazon.

*We have some music vignettes for attendee's feedback (Sister Amy's project).

*There is a journal in the Parish Office for folks to write in about a Jesus moment they may wish to share with Rev. Patti, something interesting that's happened, or any other special event for Rev. Patti to read when she returns!

*There are "clouds" at the church office, that folks can fill out with their hopes/dreams of things they wish to do, or thanksgiving for something. These will be collected as they are turned in, then hung in the Undercroft. Name is optional.

*We'll have a big welcome back coffee hour for Rev. Patti on 9/7, following the service.

We're on an Adventure!

Blessings, Nancylee Stewart, Senior Warden





A Gentle Reminder

Typically, giving to the Church goes down during the summer because people are traveling or have other events that change our schedules. However, the life of Emmanuel Parish goes on. Please remember to keep your pledge current during the summer months. Thank you!





Mark your calendars for Safe Church training! August 30, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Emmanuel, Coos Bay

In 2018 the Diocese of Oregon adopted a policy for "Safe Church" which was a denomination wide effort to guard against child abuse in local congregations. This movement came as a direct result of thousands of lawsuits against religious organizations in the wake of clergy abuse allegations in the Catholic Archdiocese of Boston in the early 2000's. More significant than the financial impact of those disclosures is the moral and spiritual damage such conduct inflicted upon young people in faith communities that were swept under the rug in many circumstances.

Safe Church training is required of all who serve in leadership capacities in a congregation to ensure an awareness of the signs of abuse, obligations for reporting, and creation of policies that make it hard for offenders to target, groom or abuse children. Emmanuel was asked to host an IN-PERSON training on August 30, 2025. If you have not had Safe Church training and/or it is time to renew your training, consider signing up for this event at Emmanuel. It is possible to go to the Diocesan Website and take the training on the internet anytime it suits you. But in-person training is worthy of your time too. The goal is to ensure the well-being and safety of anyone in the parish and especially the most vulnerable.

Special Summer Request from the Parish Office

We keep a small supply of items in the parish office for those extenuating circumstances when we are asked for help, but other resources are closed/unavailable. With Rev. Patti also going on sabbatical, the Rector's Discretionary fund won't be available to help our in-need guests, so we are making a special summer request for the following items:

- **b** bottled water (especially important as the weather heats up)
- boxes of raisins
- men's tall socks
- gift cards to local food places such as McDonald's (for a warm meal/drink)
- gas cards

In-kind donations are tax-deductible, and Kerri is happy to provide you with one. Thank you for your generosity, Emmanuel!



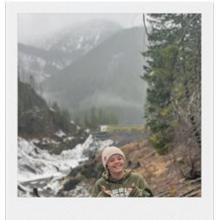


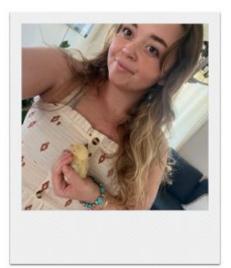


Successful Dinner for Coastal Families Relief Nursery families!

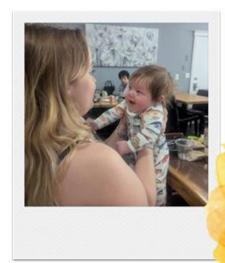
Emmanuel provided a 'Summer BBQ dinner' for families that are part of the Relief Nursery. There were about 40+ attendees, including four Coastal Families Relief Nursery Board Members, three CFRN staff, about eight church members (including Rev. Patti!) as well as the families. Families expressed their appreciation and gratitude for the meal and networking time. We had great food, and a good time was enjoyed by all!

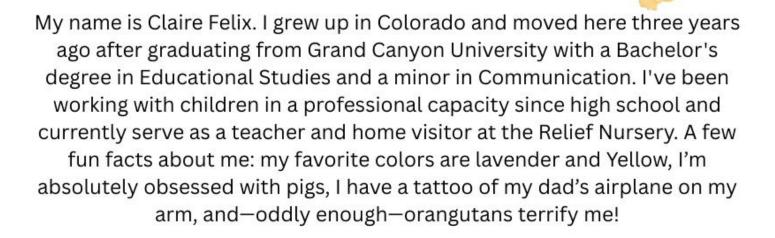














Growing Gifts: Consider Donating Your Produce to the Coos Food Cupboard

Are you a Farmer's Market vendor (or do you know one) interested in donating your leftover produce to a good cause? Do you have a home garden producing more than you can use? Please consider the Coos Food Cupboard.

Who are we? The Coos Food Cupboard serves thousands of our food insecure neighbors annually.

At a Glance: The Benefits

- 1. Prevents the unnecessary wasting of quality food.
- 2. Provides access to fresh, nutritious foods for low-income populations, who are often unable to buy healthy, local foods because of cost or availability.
- 3. Builds good relations between community members, local gardeners, and farmers.

Donations are tax-deductible.

Questions? Ready to donate? Please contact Brian Sullivan for more information:

Phone: 541-217-0258 or Email: brianjcfc@gmail.com

Please also consider a monetary donation to the Coos Food Cupboard. Please make checks out to "Coos Food Cupboard". Checks can be dropped off in the parish office or mailed to P.O. Box 1028, Coos Bay, OR 97420.

Thank you as always for your generosity and support of the Coos Food Cupboard!

Brian Sullivan, CFC Board Member





Welcome to Camp and Retreat Ministries of Oregon and Idaho!

Camp and Retreat Ministries is a partnership between the United Methodist Church of Oregon and Idaho and the Oregon Diocese of the Episcopal Church. Let us know how we can serve you!

Who we are: Camp and Retreat Ministries of the Oregon-Idaho Conference of the United Methodist Church Mission Statement.

We are people dedicated to creating sacred spaces of Christian hospitality and learning.

We offer these spaces so that people may...

- · Experience God's love
- · Develop loving interdependence with each other and the Earth
- · Engage with creation
- · Act with justice* in the world

Vision: A world of wonder, love, and justice

We serve individuals, families, educational institutions, religiously affiliated groups, social service agencies, community service organizations, and other nonprofit organizations that enrich life in the world.

*Dr. Cornell West says, "justice is what love looks like in public."

For more information, go to https://www.gocamping.org/.



June Birthdays and Anniversaries

Payton Johnson Birthday - June 1

Erin Donley Birthday - June 11

Dave & Terrye Laird Anniversary - June 12

Myrle Ellingsen Birthday - June 14

Jack & Pam Chaney Anniversary - June 21

Jill Davidson Birthday - June 29

Jim & Sarah Peterson Anniversary - June 29

If you don't see your name(s) on the birthday and anniversaries list, please let Kerri in the office know so we can add you to our parish list. *Thank you!*

