Summer is upon us, and I will once again share what I am reading that might be of interest to you.

Ministry Related:

Think You're Wrong (But I am Listening)

By Sarah Stewart Holland & Beth Silvers

How do we talk about politics and faith in such a divided world when we all seem to have chosen our teams? Sarah & Beth lead us on a journey through ideas on how we can do better. This book is at times challenging but asks important questions for us as people of faith and citizens of the United States. I am surely growing in my understanding and taking the time to learn more about things I am passionate about.

Jesus and John Wayne: How White Evangelicals Corrupted a Faith and Fractured a Nation By Kristin Kobes Du Mez

This one is not for everyone and not just because of the subtitle which is sure to raise some eyebrows. While I haven't finished this book, it is a fascinating read about how we came to be in the place we are today. While the Evangelical church is vastly different from our Reformed Tradition, all of church history reflects on us and we do claim to be siblings in faith.

Church on the Move

By G. Travis Norvell

This one is all about how to be the church in the community that surrounds the church!

Fiction:

Lost in the Sun

By Lisa Graff

This is a youth fiction piece that was recommended to me after a school assignment. It is full of angst, real problems, serious topics, and challenges young folks face. I hope as I near the end of this one that it will also include some healing.

Most recently finished book:

My Darling Husband

By Kimberly Belle

This thriller was gifted to me. It was a quick read as the suspense pulled me easily through the pages. It follows a seemingly well-off family through a day that changes their lives forever. As well as showing the lengths parents will go to in order to help their children thrive.

Last summer I received two books from you all to read, I have not forgotten them they are in my pile of to be read books! I would love your recommendations (know it takes me time to get to them) and to hear what you are reading. I hope your summer brings you time to read, pray, explore, and rest!

Blessings,

Pastor Becca



Congregational Meeting June 26!

A **Congregational Meeting** to elect Deacons, Elders, and at large members of the nominating committee will be held on **Sunday**, **June 26**, **2022** after worship. Please plan to attend!



Congratulations to Ginny and Neil Magnus on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary! May you be blessed with many more wonderful years together! "Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves." Romans 12:10

Deacons Collection & Donation

Our collection continues on the first Sunday of every month! We are donating food and other items to Extended Hands in Mount Holly and occasionally to Holy Eucharist in Tabernacle. Both express their heartfelt thankfulness for our contributions. Thank you all for your generosity!

On July 3rd, we will collect personal items such as shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, lotions, sunscreen, soap, etc.





Help for the Ukrainian People

More than 10 million people (25% of Ukraine's population) have been forcibly displaced by the violence in their country, including 4 million displaced across international borders. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance has trusted, established partners on the ground with the knowledge and expertise to carry out humanitarian work.

100% of donations to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance / Ukraine go to emergency humanitarian aid such as food, shelter, water, medicines, diapers, hygiene items, etc.

Many of us might be looking for a safe and trusted agency to contribute to at this critical time. Your Mission Committee has voted to make a modest donation from our general funds. If you want to add your personal donation to help the people of Ukraine, please mail your check to the church or place it in the offering basket by July 17. Checks should be made out to Faith Church with "Ukraine" in the memo line. Thank you in advance for your generous contribution to this worthy cause.

For I, the LORD your God, hold your right hand; it is I who say to you, "Do not fear, I will help you." Isaiah 41:13

Gracemeals With Faith is Underway!

Our Gracemeals mission began again in June, and we are bringing 40 salads with tasty protein bars to the CCC every Wednesday through September. CCC Director Madelyn Sutton has told us many times how much this meal helps her organization and how much it is enjoyed by those who receive it.

We had a wonderful volunteer response and thank everyone for their enthusiasm for this mission! **Contact Bonnie** with questions about the mission or **Joan** regarding the volunteer schedule!









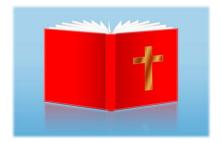
It's HOPE Garden Season 12!

HOPE Garden 2022 is in full swing, with 6 harvests already. More than 100 pounds of lettuce, spinach, radishes – and some peppers too - have been donated to the St. Vincent de Paul food pantries in Medford and Tabernacle, and to the Migrant Worker Organization. Stop by and check out the beautiful plants, and please contact Mary if you are interested in helping out!

Morning Glories & OGs Summer Schedule!

Morning Glories is on hiatus for the summer. The next meeting will be the 2nd Thursday in September, September 8th. All ladies are welcome! For more information call Carol Fischer (609) 801-2961.

OGs will continue to meet this summer, but just once a month on the second Tuesday of the month through the summer. At the next meeting, July 12th, we will continue the video series Nooma from Rob Bell, followed by brunch at Medport Diner. Please join us!



Stay in the Word!



SMALL WORLD News!

Small World had another fantastic year with our 86 students and their families!! We finished our year mask free and we're able to enjoy everyone's smiling faces.

We rounded out our year graduating 40 TK and Pre-K students. We wish them all the best as they move on. We enjoyed our Annual Small World Family Picnic with close to 60 of our families participating.

This past week we held camp. Forty-five students had a blast doing fun activities involving Bubbles, Space, Sea, Camping, and Castles, Kings, Queens, and Dragons!! The staff will begin clean up this week and then on to a much needed and extremely well-deserved summer break.

Registration for next year is looking great!! Four of our morning classes are at capacity and we have started afternoon classes. Enrollment is currently at 83 and people are still calling to register!



Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love. Ephesians 5:1-2