

# PLYMOUTH CROSSING

## PLYMOUTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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**Pastor: Marilyn Allen**

**Bible Study: 9:20 AM, Worship: 10:30 AM**

**OPEN HEARTS,  
OPEN MINDS IN A  
FAMILY OF FAITH**

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### Marilyn's Meditation

*"Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."*  
Luke 12:34

We treasure a lot of things – our family, our home, our skills, the gifts others share with us, and the warm days of our short summer. We treasure time to appreciate all these.

The readings from Luke for this month ask us to consider what we treasure. The rich man was all set for retirement, but it was all about him. "Eat, drink, enjoy," he told himself. Two brothers quarreling over their inheritance asked Jesus to intervene. Religious leaders complained when he healed a woman on the Sabbath – "Shouldn't she be set free on the Sabbath?" Jesus answered them.

Our priorities are important. Where does our own spiritual life fit into the list? Of course we have to attend to work and family, to our own health and to church responsibilities. In the warm days of August, may we make time for prayer, for reading a page out of a devotional book, for resting in the peace and hope that the Spirit of God offers.

And of course, we'd love to see you in church on Sunday mornings. We're including hymns each week from the list of favorites you requested in June. Many Sundays we welcome summer visitors. Members are sharing produce from their gardens. And, we believe, God shows up when we gather together. I hope your church family is among your treasures. God bless you. May you enjoy the peace of these summer days.

*Pastor Marilyn Allen*

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## ***WELCOME TO***



## ***Plymouth Presbyterian***

## FINANCIAL REPORT

### PRISCILLA CIRCLE

Wednesday, September 8th, Priscilla Circle will meet at 1 p.m. in the church fellowship hall. Hostesses will be Juanita Shearer and Donna McLean with Fran Pickering providing the devotions. Gary Eaton will be our 'Person of Faith'. Everyone is invited and we hope to see you there.

PPC Financials	June	Year to Date
Total income:	\$11,242.16	\$47,912.47
Total Expenses:	\$9,395.23	\$52,794.06
Net:	\$1,846.93	(\$4,881.59)

### PPC STUDY GROUPS

The Monday Night study group will resume meeting on Monday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

#### C/D's

Savings CD	\$10,435.31
Mission Dev.	\$36,068.90

Note: Transferred \$2000 from the savings CD to the checking account in June.

#### Attendance

June 20	50
June 27	44
July 4	34
July 11	33
July 18	37
July 25	44



Gayle Clemmer thanks everyone who helped with the Rummage Sale held at the church in June. A total of \$1343.40 was raised. *Thank-you!*

#### A special "Thanks" from the Allen Family,

An enormous THANKS to everyone who took part in celebrating the arrival of Cade Allen! The shower proved to be an overwhelming show of support that our gratitude can only hope to match. Obviously crafted with care and love, the quilt and matching wall hanging will be cherished for years to come. To all who were able to participate, as well as those who simply had us in their thoughts, we Thank You.

*Jeff, Mandy, and Cade Allen*

### Marsea & Josh



*The congregation is invited to celebrate the wedding vows of Marsea Roldan and Josh DeWitt on Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 pm at Scappoose Creek Inn.*

## A MISSION MOMENT

“Out of the believer heart shall flow rivers of living water.” John 7: 38

This verse was the main theme for the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA). Yes, I, your mission chair, attended the General Assembly this year and yes, it was a once in a life time experience. My committee was Church Growth and Education. The question that everyone was asking was: “Where are the young people and the young adults that should be in our churches?” That question was followed by the cry: “The future of the church is at stake.” We have been commissioned to ‘Grow the Church Deep and Wide.’ So, are you wondering what that has to do with the above bible verse? Well, their analogy was a little like the following: Creeks become streams and streams become rivers. (One spirit filled church member affects the whole church.) As the river grows it becomes stronger, more powerful as it moves to the sea. Water brings life to areas where it flows or touches and it is powerful enough to carve canyons from solid rock. Can you see where this is going? A spirit filled church cannot keep from affecting the community in which it is placed. God’s light will shine and will not be put out. We just need to be fully ready to receive Him. Are you ready?

The Mission Commission  
Claudia Eagle, Chair.



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Holly	Barbour	8	2
Clayton	Earl	8	2
Andy	Moebis	8	3
Andrew	Rae	8	3
Lynnea	Eagle	8	10
Charles	Rae	8	11
Judy	Dinsmore	8	16
Lib	Hooper	8	19
Kim	Stites	8	20
Linda	Liefeld	8	21
Fran	Pickering	8	26



**VBS** — August 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 – 12:00 pm.  
Family Night – Thursday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5:30 pm

**CHURCH CAMPOUT** - The annual church campout will be **August 13-15** at Skamokawa Park on the Washington side of the Columbia River. We share two breakfasts and one dinner, and have outdoor church on Sunday morning. Please call Harold Scudder or the church office if you have questions or plan to attend.

**CHOIR NOTES** - The choir will start the season with a picnic on Wednesday, September 1. We always welcome more singers, in any part. Regular rehearsals will begin on September 8, 7:30 pm at the church



Mr. Smith climbs to the top of Mt. Sinai to get close enough to talk to God. Looking up, he asks the Lord... 'God, what does a million years mean to you?'

The Lord replies, 'A minute.'  
 Smith asks, 'And what does a million dollars mean to you?'  
 The Lord replies, 'A penny.'  
 'Smith asks, 'Can I have a penny?'  
 'The Lord replies, 'In a minute.'



### Clementine Salsa

- 4 – 5 Clementine tangerines, peeled & diced (about 1 cup)
- 1 10oz. can fire-roasted tomatoes, roughly chopped
- ½ c finely diced red onion
- ½ c finely diced celery
- ¼ c chopped cilantro
- 1 T olive oil
- 2 T lime juice
- 1 Serrano chili, seeded & minced
- S & P to taste

Mix all ingredients together adjusting S & P levels to your taste. Refrigerate for 1 hour for flavors to meld. *Dixee Partee*

## SUNDAY READINGS & WORSHIP SCHEDULE

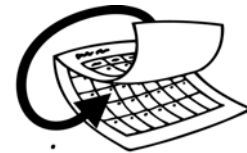
**August 1:** “*First Things First.*” Hosea 11:1-11; Psalm 107:1-9, 43; Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21. Special Music: Jill Simmons, Harold Scudder.

**August 8:** “*Where Your Treasure Is.*” Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23; Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40. Special Music: Fran Pickering, Holly Barbour.

**August 15:** “*Running the Race.*” Church Campout. Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19; Hebrews 12:18-29; Luke 13:10-17.

**August 22:** “*To Be Set Free.*” Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71:1-6; Hebrews 12:18-29; Luke 13:10-17.

**August 29:** “*The Place of Honor.*” Jeremiah 2:4-13; Psalm 81:1, 10-16; Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14:1, 7-14.



*Coming This Fall*

### Tour of Wine Country -

Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Hosted by Lib Hooper & Dixee Partee.

### Annual Church Bazaar &

**Lunch** – Saturday – November 20<sup>th</sup>, 9 am – 3 pm.

*Please pray:*

For the children, young adults, teachers and school staff of our community as another school year begins.

For the continued success of Community Meals.

## Sunday Volunteer Schedule

<b>August 1</b>	<b>Communion Set-up:</b> Yvonne Schoonover <b>Communion Servers:</b> Harold Scudder, Gina Harrington, Larry Bloom <b>Greeters/Ushers:</b> Jack Ferrise & Tillie MakePeace <b>Lay Leader:</b> Fran Pickering <b>Flowers:</b> <b>Snacks:</b>
<b>August 8</b>	<b>Greeters/Ushers:</b> Jack Ferrise & Tillie MakePeace <b>Lay Leader:</b> <b>Flowers:</b> <b>Snacks:</b>
<b>August 15</b>	<b>Greeters/Ushers:</b> Lib & Steve Hooper <b>Lay Leader:</b> <b>Flowers:</b> <b>Snacks:</b>
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<b>August 29</b>	<b>Greeters/Ushers:</b> <b>Lay Leader:</b> <b>Flowers:</b> <b>Snacks:</b> Randy & Linda Dunn
<b>September 5</b>	<b>Communion Set-up:</b> NA <b>Communion Servers:</b> NA <b>Greeters/Ushers:</b> NA <b>Lay Leader:</b> <b>Flowers:</b> <b>Snacks:</b>

**Attention: Greeters/Ushers** – Please be at the church by 10:00 AM. And, please provide name tags for visitors and ‘Welcome Packets’ for first-time visitors.

### *Welcome Committee*

*August:* Harold Scudder, Ida Mae Larsen, Jan Stites, Adrienne Schilling & Jessica Galloway



Deadline for the September Newsletter is:

**August 19th**

Please submit articles to Linda Dunn

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Please contact Linda Dunn if you would like to receive this newsletter via e-mail, or if you would like to be removed from our distribution list.

# August 2010

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
<b>1</b> Communion Avamere – 2 pm	<b>2</b> VBS 9-12	<b>3</b> VBS 9 - 12 Deacon's – 1pm Music & Worship 7pm	<b>4</b> VBS 9 - 12	<b>5</b> VBS 9 -12 Family Night 5:30 pm	<b>6</b> VBS 9 - 12	<b>7</b> Roldan – DeWitt wedding 2 pm
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> CME 2 pm	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> La Leche 10 – 12pm	<b>13</b> Church Campout	<b>14</b> Church Campout
<b>15</b> Church Campout	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Pastor vacation	<b>18</b> SNAPP	<b>19</b> Newsletter Deadline	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Fellowship Hall in use 1 – 4pm
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> SNAPP	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Men's Breakfast 8 am
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>				



Blessed  
are the  
**peacemakers,**  
for they  
shall be called  
the children  
of God.

Matthew 5:9

Be generous in prosperity, and  
thankful in adversity.  
Be fair in judgment and guarded in  
thy speech,  
Be a lamp unto those who walk in  
darkness and a home to the  
stranger.  
Be eyes to the blind, and a guiding  
light unto the feet of the erring.  
Be a breath of life to the body of  
humankind, a dew to the soil of the  
human heart and a fruit upon the  
tree of humility.

*Baha'i Prayer for Peace*

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