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AUGUST 2018=

BUILDING -ANDGROUNDS PARKING LOT PROJECT

Our church parking lot pavement has really deteriorated the last couple of years and needs to be resealed this Fall.

Project cost for filling the cracks, resealing and striping the parking lot is \$5,800. A fund to offset the cost of this project has been started and any extra gifts towards this project would be greatly appreciated

If you would like to donate to this project please note on your giving envelope the amount you want to go for "Parking Lot Repair" or, if you do not use an envelope, indicate it on your check memo line.

Ron Nelson Building and Grounds Chairperson



ENJOY A SUMMER CONCERT?

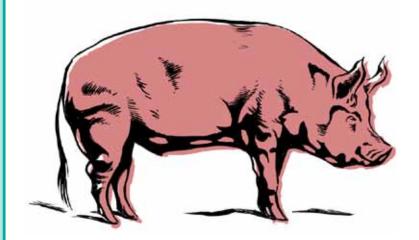
WOMEN'S CHORALE

If you enjoy a musical concert, plan to attend the Lodi Women's Chorale concert on Sunday, August 19 at 3:00 pm at the Lodi United Methodist Church. Women's voices from the Lodi and surrounding communities are gathering and wish to share their joy of singing with all of you. Plan to be in the audience and sit back for a fun afternoon of song.

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SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR 1th Annual Lodi First Presbyterian Church



PiG ROAST

SAT., SEPT. 8TH FROM 4PM-7PM

FREE MEAL | CAKE WALK | SILENT AUCTION ENTERTAINMENT PROVIDED

Special Music By
Buck Wilkerson
-andKaren Wickham
From 4:30-6:30pm



BRING YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS FOR SOME GREAT FUN AND FELLOWSHIP!



Message from Pastor Cyndi:

The year was 2008 and I was attending an ELCA church in Bend Oregon. As usual, we all filed in a few minutes late and settled down for worship. We sang our opening hymns and the band played! We confessed our sins and received forgiveness, we shared peace with each other and then settled in for the sermon. The pastor was a charming, charismatic man who preached well and always held our attention. But today, something was off. Today he stood before us with an odd shuffle in his step and announced that, "Sometimes even pastors fail. I have nothing for you today, so I asked our youth director to share about the recent youth mission trip to Los Angeles." And with that he sat down behind the piano, his shoulders sagging.

The youth director, Ron, got up from the drumset in the band and awkwardly walked over, not to the pulpit, but to a music stand sitting on the floor. He straightened it and a shrill squeal echoed across the mic's. We all cringed in our seats as a bright red flush of embarrassment crawled up his neck. It didn't get much better that day. He was new to preaching, and so awkward and unsure of himself that he couldn't do much. The church had good audio/visuals and we watched as he scrolled through a slide presentation trying to fill the 20 minute sermon space without any additional discomfort.

A couple years later a pastor friend of mine said, "You've got to see Ron preach. He's amazing," and I was shocked. I knew that Ron had received lots of love and care from his congregation even though he wasn't the preacher that his boss was. He was young and shy, scruffy and uncomfortable, but his church loved him and nurtured his gifts even when they weren't very apparent.

Over the last couple of months we have tried a few new things with some mixed results. We cannot always be sure that what we are doing will work but we continue to seek to improve, to be creative, to be open to where God is leading us. We are a church that, just like that church in Bend, encourages and supports our youth, our beginners, our bold attempts to do something different. Change is always hard for Church and supporting beginners and new innovations can be a cringe worthy thing.

When Moses and the Hebrew people stood on the brink of the promised land, they pulled back. They were afraid they couldn't make it, weren't strong enough, smart enough, and they returned to the desert for another 40 years. We too are often afraid we won't make it, but good decisions don't arise from a place of fear. We can dare greatly, love and support beginners and those who take that first step, and know that God is with us. We do not yet know what the future of the church is, but we do know that are called to be a part of it.

I am so grateful to be on this journey with you,

Rev Cyndi Wunder

may the Spirit of God surprise you today!

WORSHIP LEADERS

Aug 5 Diane Lukins

Aug 12 Marcia Brown

Aug 19 Jean Spataro

Aug 26 Greg Manning

USHERS

Aug 5 Joe and Jean Spataro

Aug 12 Larry and Jessica Pauls

Aug 19 Jim and Dawn Salzman

Aug 26 Pam Odorizzi and Kathy Markgraf

GREETERS

Aug 5 Larry and Jessica Pauls

Aug 12 Russ and Judy Richard

Aug 19 Greg Manning

Aug 26 Ron and Gale Nelson

COUNTERS

Aug 5 Diane Lukins and Dudley Mehltretter

Aug 12 DeAnn Richards and Rod Hansen

Aug 19 Herb Damsteegt and Ron Nelson

Aug 26 Rod Hanson and Ron Nelson

ACCOMPANISTS

Aug 5 Jean Mulcahy

Aug 12 Rana Hughey

Aug 19 Anna Salzman

Aug 26 Rana Hughey

HAPPY BIRTHDAY IN AUGUST!

We'd like to wish the following people a Happy Birthday! If your birthday is in August and your name is not listed, please let the office know the date of your birthday so that it can be entered in the computer.



8/13 MARCIA BROWN

8/18 MASON O'RELL

8/22 RICHARD

HILLESTAD

8/23 JEAN SPATARO

8/24 RICHARD SCHMIDT

8/29 OLIVIA AVERY

8/30 GARRETT SEILER

MITCHELL NELLEN

8/31 CALEB BALLWEG



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

Deadline for the **SEPTEMBER** Newsletter is **WEDNESDAY**, **August 22nd at 9 a.m.**

If you would like an article in the newsletter, you can e-mail the Church office at office@lodifpc.org or leave it on the desk in the church office.



MEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP

A group of men recently met at ROL to discuss the organization of a Christian faith based men's group in Lodi. The group will be focusing on the relationship between faith and service in the name of Jesus Christ. This will include discussions/testimonials on faith and how we should live our lives according to scripture as well as sharing through fellowship.

WHEN:

Wednesday August 1 at 7:00 a.m. lasting one hour. Those who want to stay are welcome.

How often:

Every Wednesday (This will be fluid in nature so you can attend every week or whenever possible.)

Focus:

Freewill offering breakfast and men's meeting

WHERE:

Reach Out Lodi (located in front room)

We encourage interested men to join us.



DONATIONS NEEDED

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Reach Out Lodi is asking for donations of back to school clothing. If you have items you would like to donate you are welcome to bring them to the church and we will help get them there. Items can also be dropped off at ROL. Also, school supply items are needed – see list below:

- *Post it (or comparable) sticky notes 3"x3"
- Post it (or comparable) sticky notes 1 1/2"x2"
- *Large (jumbo) glue sticks
- *Trapper keeper 2-pocket folders- plan colors & designs (no pictures, please)
- Pencils (Ticonderoga or Dixon brand preferred)
- Magic Rub erasers (large)
- *Sharpie permananent markers- black, fine & extra fine tips
- Scotch tape

- Dry erase markers
- *Loose leaf paper- wide ruled & college ruled
- Crayola <u>washable</u> markersclassic colors
- Crayola crayons- boxes of 8, boxes of 24, and boxes of 48
- 7" size scissors (Fiskars or comparable)
- Watercolor paints- set of 8
- *Plastic/vinyl 2-pocket folderswith & without prongs- red, blue, green, yellow
- Clorox or Lysol (or comparable) disinfectant wipes
- PlayDoh- 4 packs
- Zip Loc bags:
 - Snack Size
 - Quart Size
 - · Gallon Size

Items can be dropped off at Reach Out Lodi Monday-Friday 9:00am-3:30pm Saturday 8:30am-11:00am 608.592.4592 www.ReachOutLodi.org

^{*} Large quantities needed

NEW BUILDING USE POLICY

New Building Use Policy is now in effect for all building usage. The "Building Use Request" forms are available in the rack to the left of the office door, and once completed can be left with Pat or Ron Nelson. A form is also included below.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - ROOM USE REQUEST FORM

Event:	
Are you a member or an outside	organization?
Responsible person:	
Phone #	Email address:
Alternate responsible person:	
Phone #	Email address:
Number of anticipated participant	s:
Your meeting date or dates:	
Start time:	_ End time:
Room or rooms requested:	
Person requesting use of our facilireturn the room or rooms to the w	ty is responsible for all setup needed and at the end of your event you must ay you found it.
If you are granted use of the kitch	ou are required to wash/ wipe off the tables, vacuum and take out the trash. nen all the equipment used must be cleaned and sanitized. If you use the remove ALL your items after each event, you cannot store your equipment
Cleanup fee August be assessed	if you do not leave the facility clean and ready for the next group.
Usage fee August apply as per th	Building Usage Guide
Fee Required :	
Requester's Signature:	Date
Building use approved by:	Date



ummer is almost over and school shopping is just around the corner! Order scrip cards for all your Back-To-School shopping needs! Order cards for your summer vacation or last minute summer projects! No matter what your expenses are, scrip has it covered! Remember anywhere a visa/discover/am express are taken....we even have cards for that too!

Take advantage of the bonuses below to get additional savings or shop at any of the over 700 other stores listed at http://www.shopwithscrip.com for more choices!!

Feel free to call, text or email me if you have questions or want to get set up with the online payments.... that way you can have the ability to get scrip codes right on your smartphone...as you need them!!

Martha Ammann email absfamilyof6@yahoo.com cell 608-220-5592 Now is the time to get in on big back-to-school bonus rebates of up to 20% by using scrip cards. With special bonuses from a variety of brands, you'll earn big and get everything your family needs to ace day one.

School supplies? Check

Clothes? Check

Huge bonus rebates? Check check

Shorten your to-do list while raising money. It's simply a no-brainer.

Big Back-To-School Bonuses Only July 21 - August 3

Here are just a few of the brands offering big backto-school bonuses (check out this online link below for all of them)

https://shop.shopwithscrip.com/About/WhatsNew/2018/ July/29182/bts-bonuses

GEAR THEM UP - Target 4.5%, Best Buy 5%, LL Bean 17%, JCPenney 8%, Under Armour 14%, Bath & Body Works 17%, Adidas 14%, etc

DRESS THEM UP - Nike 15%, TJ Maxx 9%, Gap/Old Navy 20%, Columbia 14%, The Children's Place 14%, Belk 10%, etc

FUEL THEM UP - Panera Bread 10%, Texas Roadhouse 10%, Pizza Ranch 10%, Dominoes 12%, Chili's 19%, Whole Foods Market 4%, Chipotle Mexican Grill 12%, TGI Fridays 10%, etc



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See WWW.SHOPWITHSCRIP.COM for a list of ALL vendors. Please CALL & ASK if you have any questions. Most vendors have higher amounts than what is listed. Check out the SPECIALS tab online for short term promotions on higher rates!--Martha 608-220-5592

Name	Customer #
Check #	Order Date

Product	%	QTY	Total
Ace Hardware \$25.00	4%		\$
Amazon.com \$25.00	2.5%		\$
Applebee's® \$25.00	8%		\$
Arby's \$10.00	8%		\$
Barnes & Noble \$25.00	8%		\$
Bath & Body Works \$25.00	13%		\$
Bed Bath & Beyond \$25.00	7%		\$
Best Buy® \$25.00	4%		\$
Best Western International \$25.00	12%		\$
BP \$50.00	1.5%		\$
Build-A-Bear Workshop \$25.00	8%		\$
Burger King \$10.00	4%		\$
Cabela's \$25.00	11%		\$
Chili's Grill & Bar \$25.00	11%		\$
Comfort Suites \$50.00	4%		\$
Copps (WI only) \$100.00	4%		\$
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Cousins Subs \$10.00	9%		\$
Cracker Barrel \$25.00	8%		\$
Dairy Queen \$10.00	3%		\$
Dick's Sporting Goods \$25.00	8%		\$
Disney \$25.00	3%		\$
Domino's \$10.00	8%		\$
Dunkin' Donuts \$25.00	3%		\$
Family Video \$10.00	12%		\$
Fandango \$25.00	4%		\$
Festival Foods (WI) - Skogens \$25.00	3%		\$
Foot Locker \$25.00	8%		\$
GameStop \$25.00	3%		\$
Gap \$25.00	14%		\$
GNC \$25.00	8%		\$
Home Depot \$25.00	4%		\$
HomeGoods \$25.00	7%		\$
Hotels.com \$100.00	6%		\$

Product	%	QTY	Total
Qdoba Mexican Grill \$25.00	7%		\$
Quality Inn \$50.00	4%		\$
Red Lobster \$25.00	8%		\$
Roundys (IL and WI only) \$100.00	4%		\$
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Sears \$25.00	4%		\$
Sentry \$50.00	3%		\$
Shopko \$25.00	3%		\$
Shutterfly \$25.00	9%		\$
Speedway \$25.00	4%		\$
Staples \$25.00	5%		\$
Starbucks \$25.00	7%		\$
Steak 'n Shake \$10.00	8%		\$
SUBWAY® Restaurants \$10.00	6%		\$
SUBWAY® Restaurants \$50.00	6%		\$
SuperAmerica \$25.00	4%		\$
T.J. Maxx/Marshalls/HomeG oods \$25.00	7%		\$
Taco Bell \$10.00	5%		\$
Target \$25.00	2.5%		\$
Texas Roadhouse \$25.00	8%		\$
TGI Fridays® \$25.00	9%		\$
Visa® Five Back™ Gift Card \$50.00	1.25%		\$
Walgreens \$25.00	5%		\$
Walmart \$25.00	2.5%		\$
Walmart \$50.00	2.5%		\$
Whole Foods Market \$25.00	3%		\$

Make Checks Payable To: Lodi First Presbyterian Church Scrip

Total Due All Columns:

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Saturday	4	Lodi Susie the Duck Day	18	25	
Friday	C	10	17	24	31
Thursday	2	6	16	23	30
Wednesday	~	Deacons, 6:30 p.m.	15	Newsletter Deadline, 9 a.m.	29
Tuesday		7 AAVAl-Anon, 7:30 p.m.	4A/Al-Anon, 7:30 p.m.	Session, 6:30 p.m. AA/Al-Anon, 7:30 p.m.	28
Monday	S M T W T F S 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	Q	13	20	27
Sunday	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	Worship, 9 a.m. Fellowship-10 a.m.	Communion Worship Service, 9 a.m. Fellowship-10 a.m.	Worship, 9 a.m.	26 Worship, 9 a.m. Fellowship-10 a.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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PASTOR: CYNDI WUNDER E-Mail address: pastor@lodifpc.org

Choir Director: Position Open
Custodian: Lori Harrenstein
Stephen Ministry Leader: Diane Lukins
Church Secretary: Pat Craig
Financial Secretary: John Griffing
Church Secretary's Office Hours:
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday 9:00 a.m. Nursery Available

SUNDAY SCHOOL (DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR)

10:15 a.m.

Newsletter Graphic Design: Jim Salzman

THE SESSION

Class of 2018Class of 2019Class of 2020Rod HansonZack DachelDiane LukinsDeAnn RichardsMae StocksJean SpataroDudley MehltretterHerb DamsteegtRon Nelson

DeAnn Richards, Clerk of Session

BOARD OF DEACONS

Class of 2018Class of 2019Class of 2020Bobbie HansonRyan BeckMarcia BrownGale NelsonLeah BriskySandy DeselleNancy StocksMark FrymanDave Heebner

STEPHEN MINISTERS

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Diane Lukins, Stephen Leader Jane Jones
Marcia Brown Beth Sokol
Herb Damsteegt Dorothy Richards



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