

### BISHOP PLACE CELEBRATES PASTOR MATT



On September 10, attendees at our Bishop Place Worship Service, along with 17 people from Palouse Federated Church, came together to thank Pastor Matt Jorgens for his service as our Bishop Place ministry leader. Pastor Matt wrapped up his series on the life of David, Tim Sievers led those gathered in a Litany of Departing, and we gathered around Matt to pray for him and his family as they continue their journey.

Efforts are underway to develop a Ministry Team to assist with the responsibilities of coordinating our weekly service at Bishop Place and to support this extension of our faith community. We have had several individuals step up to play piano, but we still have other needs:

- At least one more piano player to commit to playing once a month.
- Individuals to help lead singing.
- People interested in serving in visitation ministry.

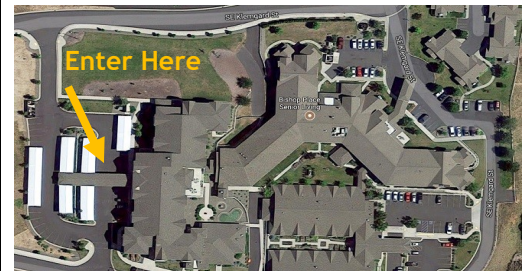
If you feel God's calling in your life to serve in our Bishop Place Ministry, please contact our Bishop Place Ministry Team Leader Tim Sievers by e-mailing him at - [tim@palousechurch.org](mailto:tim@palousechurch.org).



### BISHOP PLACE WORSHIP SERVICE

Sundays at 1:30 PM  
All Are Welcome

815 SE Klemgard St  
Pullman, WA 99163



### WORLD MISSION OFFERING

By Peggy Collier



We will be collecting the World Mission Offering during the month of October. This year the focus of the offering is on three areas: Peace and Justice; Abolishing Global Slavery; and Economic and Community Development. These priorities do not encompass all the ministries of International Ministries, but they do illustrate what God is doing worldwide through our 120+ global servants, 1,300+ volunteers, 44 home staff and 240+ global Christian partners. Your gifts to the World Mission Offering powerfully connect you to all of the challenging, life changing work of the Lord through International Ministries. Thank you for your gifts to the World Mission Offering and for sharing in this mission alongside our global servants.

**The World Mission Offering makes it possible to train new global servants, care for the ones on the field and provide the services and resources that they need.**

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## [LEADERSHIP] WHAT ARE YOUR CANOES?

Pastor Corey Laughary

What if I told you the reason you are not making progress in your life is that you are trying to canoe a mountain? You'd probably look at me funny or think I'm crazy.

Lewis and Clark, together with their team, got to the Lemhi pass, near the present-day border of Idaho and Montana in August of 1805. From their vantage point, they looked off in the distance and saw the imposing reality of the Rocky Mountains. Nowhere in sight was the waterway that they thought would lead them through the rest of the continent to the Columbia River. They still had the canoes that helped them get this far, and they were hoping to use those canoes to go down-river all the way to the Pacific Ocean. When they saw those mountains, however, the truth sunk in; that what got them there, would not be what would keep them going. What would they do now?

In late September, a few of us attended the "Leadership Tune-Up" at Ross Point Camp, where the theme was "Adapt!" and author Tod Bolsinger presented material from his book, "Canoeing the Mountains" a leadership book that has important lessons gleaned from the Lewis and Clark expedition.

The core lesson from the book and Lewis and Clark's decision at the Lemhi Pass is that at some point, for the sake of continuing the mission, we have to drop our canoes - you can't "Canoe the Mountains."

It strikes me that we all have "Lemhi Pass moments" in our life. These are times when we realize that some of the tools, habits and learning that got us to a certain point in life will not be exactly what we need to keep going. Maybe certain behaviors and choices that always were okay, suddenly will not work for us going forward. A major change must be made at that point; to continue the journey forward, we must leave something behind.

For example, a person may be able to eat whatever they want for 40 years in their life. Then they have a doctor's appointment where they get some shocking test results; this is their Lemhi pass moment. If they want to go forward in life they must change the eating habits that got them this far.

Maybe you haven't been a person of sincere daily prayer—you haven't seen the need or urgency. You realize that you want a deeper connection to God, but you also know your previous spiritual habits aren't providing the spiritual connection and growth you want or need. What do you do? Drop the canoe and proceed on.

Lewis and Clark didn't give up, and really they didn't even change their underlying beliefs. They still believed they were discoverers. They just couldn't do discovery by canoe for a time.

Although a big part of Lewis and Clark's mission was to discover a water passage across the continent, the larger reason for their mission was discovery. They had discovered the north-west passage waterway that almost everyone assumed existed, did in fact, not exist. Now, they had to ask new questions and abandon old assumptions, while still holding true to their core beliefs.

One day they would canoe again, but up there on the Lemhi



Pass, canoeing made no sense and would not help them move forward.

The funny thing is, we humans have a hard time giving up our canoes because we don't recognize our Lemhi Pass moments. So metaphorically we find ourselves up in the mountains carrying a canoe. What does that look like in life? We feel "stuck" and usually are grumpy, wondering and complaining why the world around us changed and we don't know how to adapt to the changes in our family, community or society. Sometimes we complain, "Why doesn't everything go back to the way it was!" Can you imagine Lewis and Clark if they did that?

So what are your canoes? Do you know? Is there something you need to give up, that is keeping you from moving forward in your relationship with Jesus?

Perhaps you have never learned to read the scripture, now's the time to drop the habit of non-study, and pick up the habit of studying God's Word. Joining our Starting Point: Bible class would be a great start!

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**"Depend on Jesus,  
drop your canoe,  
and proceed on."**

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Maybe you have never actively prayed for your Oikos, but now you really want to be a good spiritual influence in the life of your family and friends. It's time to drop the canoe, make your Oikos list and start praying. There's even an "8to15" app you can download to help.

Perhaps you have never budgeted your personal or family finances, and never had the need to, but now it's just not working. Drop the canoe and ask our Financial Peace University Team for help in making a budget and proceed on.

Lemhi Pass moments are endless - they could be anything: living alone for the first time, becoming empty nesters, needing to move, having to pick up another job, learning to live on less, stepping up to serve in a ministry. Whatever your Lemhi Pass moment is, be encouraged. With Jesus and His Spirit there is always a way to proceed on. There may be some "loss," but compared to what you will gain by depending on Jesus as you move forward, the loss is nothing in comparison. As the Apostle Paul wrote in Romans 8:18, "I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us." Depend on Jesus, drop your canoe, and proceed on.

Depending on Jesus,  
Pastor Corey

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## LEADERSHIP BREAKFAST

On September 23, community leaders representing city government, nonprofit organizations, local businesses and the school district, gathered for our bi-annual Palouse Leadership Breakfast. The Leadership Breakfast brings people together, strengthens relationships, encourages dialogue and equips our leaders with tools to lead more effectively.

Rev. Patti Duckworth, Associate Executive Minister for Mission Northwest, presented a seminar based on the book, "Crucial Conversations: Tools for Talking When the Stakes are High." Rev. Duckworth introduced attendees to the necessary tools



for having successful crucial conversations and led a discussion of how those principles can be applied in real-life situations offered by the workshop participants.



What's the next step in your spiritual journey?

Baptism?  
Membership?  
Bible Study?  
Service?

November 19  
@ 10:15 AM

# NEXT STEPS

## Bible Studies

### Starting Point: Bible

Wednesday, October 4  
6:30 PM @ PFC

### Monday

Mom's Bible Study  
& Parenting Class  
Sermon Scriptures  
8:15 AM @ PFC  
Free Child Care Provided

Ladies Bible Study  
Sermon Scriptures  
2 PM @ Tina Laughary's

### Tuesday

Men's Way Too Early Study  
Sermon Scriptures  
5:30 AM @ PFC

New Testament Bible Study  
10 AM @ PFC  
(Free Child Care Available by Request)

### Wednesday

Ladies Bible Study  
Sermon Scriptures  
9 AM @ PFC

### READING & UNDERSTANDING GOD'S WORD

## STARTING POINT

## Bible

Could you use some basic help in understanding how to study the Bible? Are there questions you want to ask about the Bible, but you might be embarrassed to do so in another Bible study? Are you new to the Bible?

If you answered yes to any of those questions, or if you just want a safe place to start learning from the Bible, please consider attending Starting Point.

Our other Bible studies are GREAT. But sometimes it can be intimidating to join a Bible study group that has been meeting for a long time. We understand - and that's why we offer Starting Point: Bible.

On the first Wednesday of every month we meet around the table in the Fellowship Hall. Our next session is **October 4th at 6:30 PM.**

If you are interested in Starting Point: Bible, fill out a communication card, call Pastor Corey at (509) 336-9154 or e-mail him: [corey@palousechurch.org](mailto:corey@palousechurch.org).

## YOUVERSION AKA THE BIBLE APP

If you have a smart phone or tablet you can have the Bible with you anywhere you go using the FREE App from YouVersion - "The Bible."

You also can access the same information on your computer by visiting YouVersion's Web site at: [www.bible.com](http://www.bible.com).

The Bible App provides access to many English translations of the Bible and also includes Bible reading plans and resources to deepen your study of God's Word. Consider arming your device with the Bible App today.

A kid's version, "The Bible for Kids," also is available and has engaging Bible stories and games to help kids grow their knowledge and faith.

For questions about installing or using the Bible App, please contact Tim Sievers, Mikel Nisse or Pastor Corey.



## SUNDAY SCHOOL



## OFF TO A GREAT START

Sunday School is off to a great start and it's not too late to join. Classes meet weekly on Sundays from 10:15 - 10:55 AM. Snacks for children will be available in their classrooms. Please send children to class as soon as possible so they don't miss out on the learning and fun!

Pre-School / Kindergarten | Carol Fielder | Downstairs  
(Must be Potty-Trained)

Grades 1-2 | Justin Brown | Downstairs

Grades 3-5 | Paula Schwartz | Downstairs

Middle School | Lisa Jeffers | Downstairs

High School | Mike & Chenelle Patrick | Pastor's Office

## IN JESUS' NAME

By Tracy Lee Sievers



Prayer is a big part of the Christian experience. It draws us deeper into relationship with our Lord, Jesus Christ, gives us a chance to reflect and listen, and allows us to share our joys, hurts, and concerns with our Savior. It is integral to a healthy and growing Christian spiritual life. It is a lifeline that builds relationship between us and Jesus.

But what if you didn't think you could come before the throne of God? What if you thought you weren't good

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enough, kind enough, holy enough, worthy? What if you thought you didn't matter? This is the reality for many non-believers. It is lonely and isolating, and often, one thinks God would never want them. These friends and coworkers need you to pray for them! Pray that God would soften their hearts and open doors to interactions with people of faith; that they would begin to hunger for relationship with the Creator and that God would

send people of faith into relationship with them to guide them along their journey to the cross.

Now, what if I told you that *you* could be the difference for that person? That your relationship with them could be the key to unlocking the door to grace? That person could be you! Are you listening to the prompting of the Holy Spirit regarding opportunities to pray and share? If not, pray for God to make you more aware to His leading.

This month I've been learning about praying not just for the concerns of others but for my non-believing friends; not only that, but also about praying *with* them. The people in our oikos sometimes think that God only listens to believers. You can walk them to the throne of The Most High. Instead

of saying, "I'll pray for you" the next time you see a friend in a tight spot, try saying, "May I pray for you right now?" and then pray *with* them.

There are a few tips from Kevin Harney's book *Organic Outreach for Individuals*.

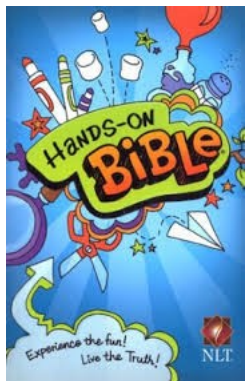
- Keep it brief - less than a minute is usually good.
- Use common language - don't be flowery or use "churchy" language.
- Extend a hand if it's appropriate.
- Pray "in Jesus' name" - Make sure they know to whom you are praying.
- Check in to see how things are going after a week or two.
- Be sensitive to location and volume - some concerns are personal.

One of my favorite examples from the book is the Restaurant Prayer. When you dine out with family or friends, let the server know when he or she takes your order that you'll be praying over your meal when the food is delivered and that you'd be happy to add their requests to your prayer if they'd like. Tell him or her that they need only to mention what they'd like you to pray for when they bring the meal to table. Then leave it there. If they mention a request pray for it aloud as you give thanks for your meal. If not, pray as you normally would. Harney says he has challenged all his church leaders to do the same and that more often than not the servers are thankful for the kind offers of prayer on their behalf. Give it a try!

Lastly, let me challenge you to pray immediately whenever someone asks you to. It's easy to say, "I'll add that to my prayer list" and then go on without ever actually doing so. When someone asks for prayer, they feel so loved and cared about when you actually take a moment right then to pray *with* them. This is change I'm making in my own life and I encourage you to do so too! If you see someone asking for prayer over social media take a moment to type out a prayer and send it to them via a private message. They'll feel loved and cared for, I promise!

## KID'S BIBLES

One of our core values here at Palouse Federated Church is the centrality and authority of scripture in our lives; and that's not just a value for adults, but for kids as well. That's why we invest in our Sunday School and Vacation Bible School program - to help kids develop a firm foundation in the scriptures to help them on their faith journey. As the writer of Proverbs says, "Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it."



But not all Christian education happens at the church, at least it shouldn't - it happens also in our homes. When children in our faith community turn 6-years-old, our church provides them with an age-appropriate Bible. It's our desire that they bring their Bibles on Sundays, but also that they open them at home and read from them with parents, siblings, grandparents and friends!

If you know someone who is turning 6-years-old, or if we've missed someone in your family, please let us know so we can get a Bible to your child.

At Right: Pastor Corey, prays with Clara Fluegel after presenting her with a Bible from the church.





YOU'RE INVITED

**2017  
Harvest of Community  
Dinner**

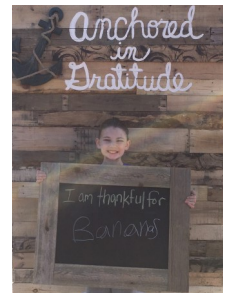
**Honoring  
The Palouse Lions Club**  
On its 50th Anniversary



**Palouse Federated  
Church**  
**Sunday, Nov. 5**  
**5 PM**

## PALOUSE DAYS

Thanks to all our volunteers who helped make our Palouse Days booth a success - we nearly ran out of prizes for our kid's fishing activity! Volunteers handed out information to community members about the church and our activities and we introduced the community to our Thanksgiving Campaign, "Anchored in Gratitude." People from all walks of life, took a few moments to write down what they are thankful for and take a photo with our "Anchored in Gratitude," background. These photos, and hopefully many more, will be consolidated into a video and used this fall at the Harvest of Community Dinner and in our Thanksgiving Service. In October, you'll have an opportunity at the church to participate in this project!



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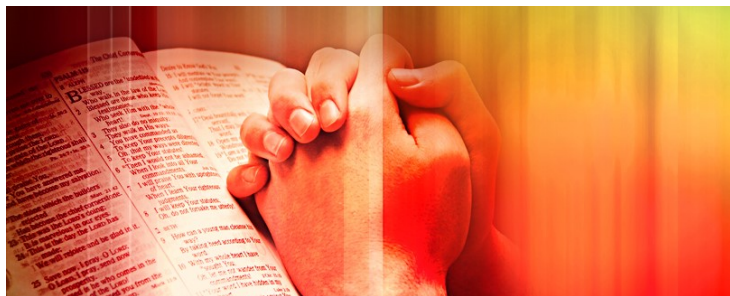
*You're Invited  
to the  
Gar-Pal Young Life  
Banquet & Auction*

**SUNDAY, OCT. 15**  
**5 PM**

**PALOUSE FEDERATED  
CHURCH**

635 N. Bridge St.  
Palouse, WA 99161

**PLEASE RSVP BY OCT. 8**  
1bettysawyer@gmail.com



## PRAYER REQUESTS:

- ◆ Pray for those affected by fires, hurricanes, and earthquakes.
- ◆ Kenny Perry, son of Dixie Perry, health issues.
- ◆ Family & Friends of Sue Foster.
- ◆ Pray for the youth who attended summer camp and VBS—that they would deepen their relationship with Jesus.
- ◆ Vicki Burnham (cancer)
- ◆ Paula Fielder Leftwich (cancer)
- ◆ Monte, friend of Tecla Blood—ongoing health concerns.
- ◆ Willy Mayhan—ongoing health concerns.
- ◆ Gerry West—health concerns.
- ◆ Brittany Sawyer's Uncle Jon—Early onset Alzheimer's.
- ◆ Idella Griffin—recovering from a broken vertebrae.
- ◆ Camille Wadleigh's mother—ongoing health concerns.
- ◆ Pastor Tim Petty— (Malignant Melanoma)
- ◆ Oralene Romjue (cancer)
- ◆ Don Comstock's health.
- ◆ Bruce Baldwin—recovering from bone marrow transplant.
- ◆ Patty Myott and her declining eyesight.
- ◆ Callie Anderson (4-year-old with cancer)
- ◆ Judy Hart (stroke)
- ◆ Brenda Brown (cancer)
- ◆ Meredith Willcox-Norris (cancer)
- ◆ Carol Heinlen's niece Barbara (cancer)
- ◆ National and community leaders.
- ◆ Your Oikos—those that God has strategically and supernaturally placed in your life.
- ◆ Active duty service members.

## PRaises AND PRAYERS FOR THESE MISSIONS AND MINISTRIES:

- ◆ Pray for the Bible study at Eastern State Hospital and the residents.
- ◆ Praise God for our youth ministry leaders. Pray for youth to come to Christ.
- ◆ Pray for our missionaries and partner church and orphanage in Uganda (pastors, teachers, orphans).

## REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS:

Richard Keyser	Patty Myott	Dory Tuttle
Reuben Merry	Joanie Bagott	Don Gilliland
Arnetta Tompkins	Frances West	Steve Gill

Miss a Sermon? | [www.palousechurch.org](http://www.palousechurch.org)

Click on "Resources" then "Sermons."  
CDs or mp3 files are available from Tim Sievers.

## OIKOS - "EXTENDED HOUSEHOLD"

Oikos is a Greek word meaning extended household. Pastor Tom Mercer says your Oikos is made up of the 8 to 15 people you interact with on a regular basis that God has supernaturally and strategically placed in your life—friends, family, neighbors, and co-workers. Nobody is better equipped to share the truth of Jesus with them than you.

An Oikos list is your personal "household" of relationships. Pick up and fill out one of our new Oikos Prayer Cards and start praying for the people in your Oikos to grow in their relationship with Jesus.

Already have a list—maybe you need to revisit it and add or remove people who have moved in and out of your sphere of influence.

Remember—pray for them daily.

8to15

**Did you know there's an Oikos app for iPhone and Android? Search "8to15" in your app store and you'll be on your way to receiving daily reminders to pray for your Oikos!**



## SUNDAY NIGHTS @ PFC Joy for the Journey | Philippians Study

Sunday Nights @ PFC is our weekly Simple Service (teaching & communion). We're studying the Apostle Paul's letter to the Philippian Christians - a letter filled with encouragement, love and helpful instruction for living the Christian life.

Make plans to join us on Sundays at 6 PM. All are welcome! Childcare is available beginning at 5:45 PM.

## Christian Pumpkin



Being a Christian is kind of like being a pumpkin  
God picks you from the patch, brings you in,  
and washes all the dirt off  
that you may have gotten  
from the other pumpkins.  
Then He cuts the top off  
and scoops out all the yucky stuff.  
He removes the seeds of doubt,  
hate, greed, etc.  
Then He carves you a new smiling face  
And puts His light inside of you  
to shine for all the world to see!

# PALOUSE FEDERATED CHURCH CALENDAR

# OCTOBER 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 9 AM   Worship 10:15 AM   Fellowship 10:15 AM   Sunday School 11 AM   Worship 1:30 PM   Bishop Place 3 - 5 PM   Youth Group 6 PM   Simple Service	<b>2</b> 8:15 AM   Mom's Bible Study & Parenting Class*	<b>3</b> 5:30 AM   Way too Early Men's Bible Study* 10 AM   Bible Study*	<b>4</b> 9 AM   Ladies Bible Study*  <b>6:30 PM   Starting Point</b>	<b>5</b> <b>6:30 - 8 PM   Youth Game Night (Meet @ Park, Dinner Provided)</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
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<b>15</b> 9 AM   Worship 10:15 AM   Fellowship 10:15 AM   Sunday School 11 AM   Worship 1:30 PM   Bishop Place 3 - 5 PM   Youth Group <b>5 PM   Young Life Banquet</b>	<b>16</b> 8:15 AM   Mom's Bible Study & Parenting Class* 2 PM   Ladies Bible Study @ Tina Laughary's	<b>17</b> 5:30 AM   Way too Early Men's Bible Study* 10 AM   Bible Study* <b>6:30 - 8 PM   Youth Boy's Night (PFC, Dinner Provided)</b> 7 PM   Board Meeting	<b>18</b> 9 AM   Ladies Bible Study*	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> <b>7:30 AM   Men's Breakfast</b> <b>9 - 11 AM   Youth Girl's Breakfast at PFC</b>
<b>22</b> 9 AM   Worship 10:15 AM   Fellowship 10:15 AM   Sunday School 11 AM   Worship 1:30 PM   Bishop Place 3 - 5 PM   Youth Group 6 PM   Simple Service	<b>23</b> 8:15 AM   Mom's Bible Study & Parenting Class* 2 PM   Ladies Bible Study @ Tina Laughary's	<b>24</b> 5:30 AM   Way too Early Men's Bible Study* 10 AM   Bible Study*	<b>25</b> 9 AM   Ladies Bible Study*	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> <div>Spokane Valley Baptist Church Lock - in. Contact Youth Leaders for more information</div>
<b>29</b> 9 AM   Worship 10:15 AM   Fellowship 10:15 AM   Sunday School 11 AM   Worship 1:30 PM   Bishop Place 3 - 5 PM   Youth Group 6 PM   Simple Service	<b>30</b> 8:15 AM   Mom's Bible Study & Parenting Class* 3 PM   Ladies Bible Study @ Tina Laughary's	<b>31</b> 5:30 AM   Way too Early Men's Bible Study* 10 AM   Bible Study*	<b>1 NOVEMBER</b> 9 AM   Ladies Bible Study*	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Bible studies with an * indicate they are held at PFC.

## Depending on Jesus to Restore Our [Imperfect] Lives



# OCTOBER SERMONS

October 1	9 & 11 AM	Renewing of Your Mind	Luke 5:1-11
	6 PM	Sleeping in the Storm	Luke 8:22-25
October 8	9 & 11 AM	Leadership: Doing God's Will	Acts 15:12-21
	6 PM	I Tell You The Truth	Matthew
October 15	9 & 11 AM	Leadership: Delegating God's Work	Acts 15:22-35
	5 PM	Young Life Banquet	
October 22	9 & 11 AM	Leadership: Disagreements	Acts 15:36-41
	6 PM	Joy for the Journey: Healing Hurts	Philippians 4:2-3
October 29	9 & 11 AM	Leadership: Developing New Leaders	Acts 16:1-5
	6 PM	Joy for the Journey: Rejoice	Philippians 4:4-7

## PFC WEB SITE | [WWW.PALOUSECHURCH.ORG](http://WWW.PALOUSECHURCH.ORG)

As part of our branding efforts, we've launched a new Web site. It looks different, but you still can access all the same great features—from online sermons and the monthly newsletter to information about our ministries and our Sunday schedule. We even have new features like integrated registration forms for special events like VBS. Check it out!

