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Faith, Hope and Love, and the Greatest of These is Love

A Mini-Newsletter From Your Family at Oakhurst United Methodist Church



OAKHURST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

LOVING GOD, LOVING OTHERS, LOVING LIFE

**Our Mission is to make disciples, nurture disciples,
and spread the Kingdom of Christ.**

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Hello to our Friends and Family,

School's Out for Summer

It feels a little weird this year. School is out, but for the last few months it hasn't seemed like school was even in. It's been two months since we had to slow down for a school zone or stop behind a school bus. For those who have school age kids, it may be a different story, you had to be school police and sometimes even teacher. Maybe it's a relief for you that school is out. No more monitoring whether your child has logged-in for his or her classes.

Your next nightmare... is school going to start again in the fall? Or are you going to have to deal with all these online classes again? Remember that old Alice Cooper song?

*"School's out for summer
School's out forever"*

Are you overwhelmed yet? As Shirley Temple used to say, "Oh my goodness!" Now is a time to sit back, take a deep breath (do you remember how to do that?) and remember "For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven." (Ecclesiastes 3:1) Now is the time to read a good book (Dr. Seuss anyone?), go to the beach, watch a sunset with your kids and spouse. Have a concert in your yard and entertain your neighbors. Forget about what is going to happen in the fall, let God take care of that.

Now is also the time to read the Bible with your family. Do you need a place to start? If you have little ones, how about Sunday School in your PJ's? You can even talk a friend into watching it with their child, then let the kiddos skype/facetime/zoom and talk about it. I'll bet that will give you some stories to tell! As I'm sure you are learning by now, there is a wealth of opportunities on our Facebook page to help you out with little ones and big ones. Pastor Nathan's Bible study comes to mind.

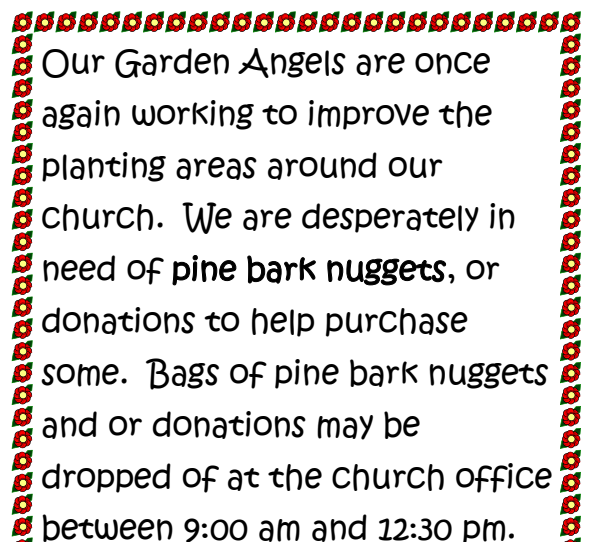
Keep your mind and eyes open. Enjoy summertime. We will be praying with you.

*In His Joy,
Your Pastors and Staff*

Everything Has It's Time

- ¹ For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:
- ² a time to be born, and a time to die;
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;
- ³ a time to kill, and a time to heal;
a time to break down, and a time to build up;
- ⁴ a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
- ⁵ a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together;
a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;
- ⁶ a time to seek, and a time to lose;
a time to keep, and a time to throw away;
- ⁷ a time to tear, and a time to sew;
a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;
- ⁸ a time to love, and a time to hate;
a time for war, and a time for peace.

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

Our Garden Angels are once again working to improve the planting areas around our church. We are desperately in need of **pine bark nuggets**, or donations to help purchase some. Bags of pine bark nuggets and or donations may be dropped off at the Church office between 9:00 am and 12:30 pm.

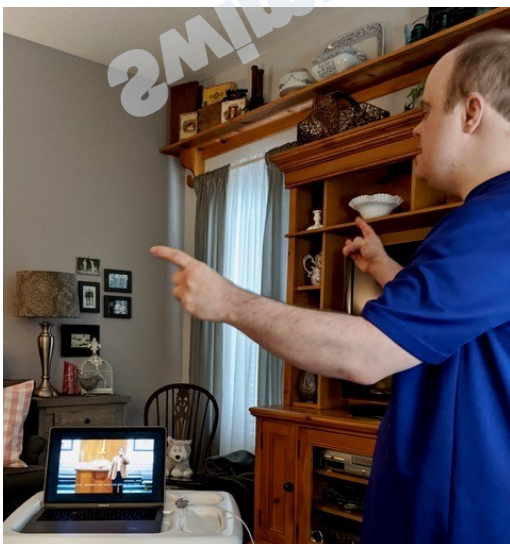
WHAT!!!??? No VBS this year!
 What are we going to do? One more thing to blame on the Corona Virus, we can't have Vacation Bible School this year. No worries, Ms. Stephanie has it covered. On Monday, Wednesday and Friday she post a video **Just For The Kids**. Each video is around five minutes long and will give you plenty to discuss with your kiddos.



**Happy Birthday
 Alice**

**Bike Riding
 Reading
 Picnics
 Swimming**

Patrick helping the soloist.
 With church services online he can stand and direct the music on Sundays.



Your Spiritual Inspiration



We have the opportunity to have a global reach for Christ with your help. Debbie Blanford has been writing a Christian blog for over a year which has included contributions from both of our Pastors among others. The blog has reached 176 countries and has had thousands of views, but we can do more. We are asking you to participate, at your convenience, in the distribution of these articles in one or three ways.

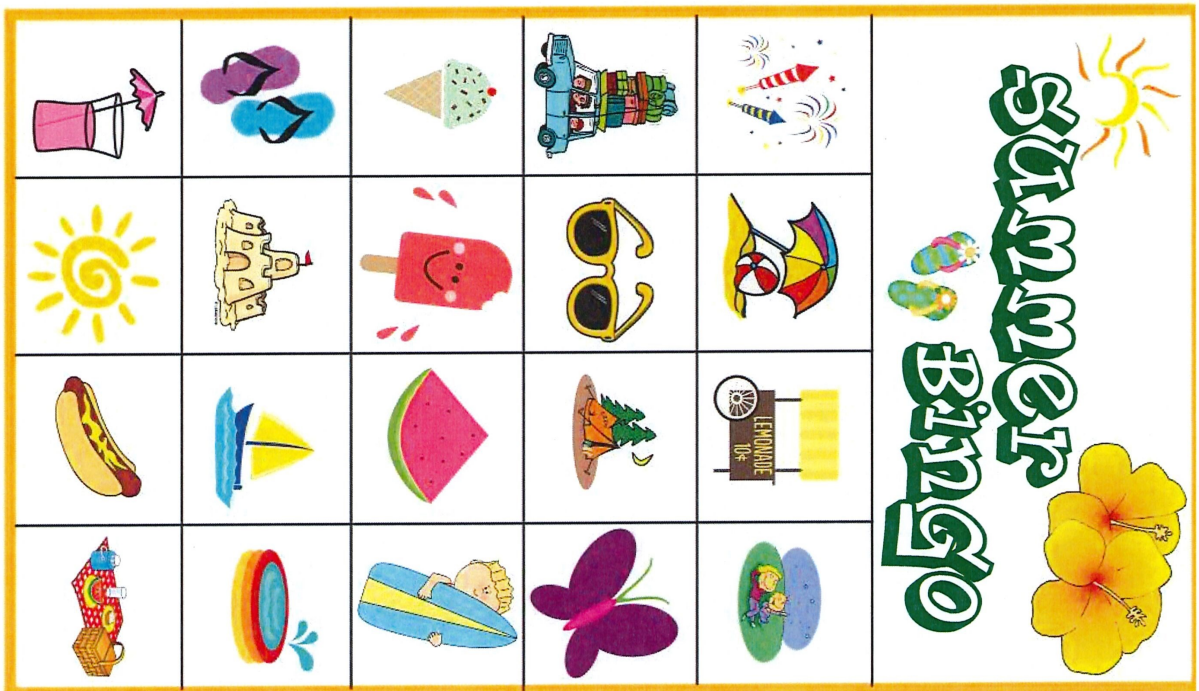
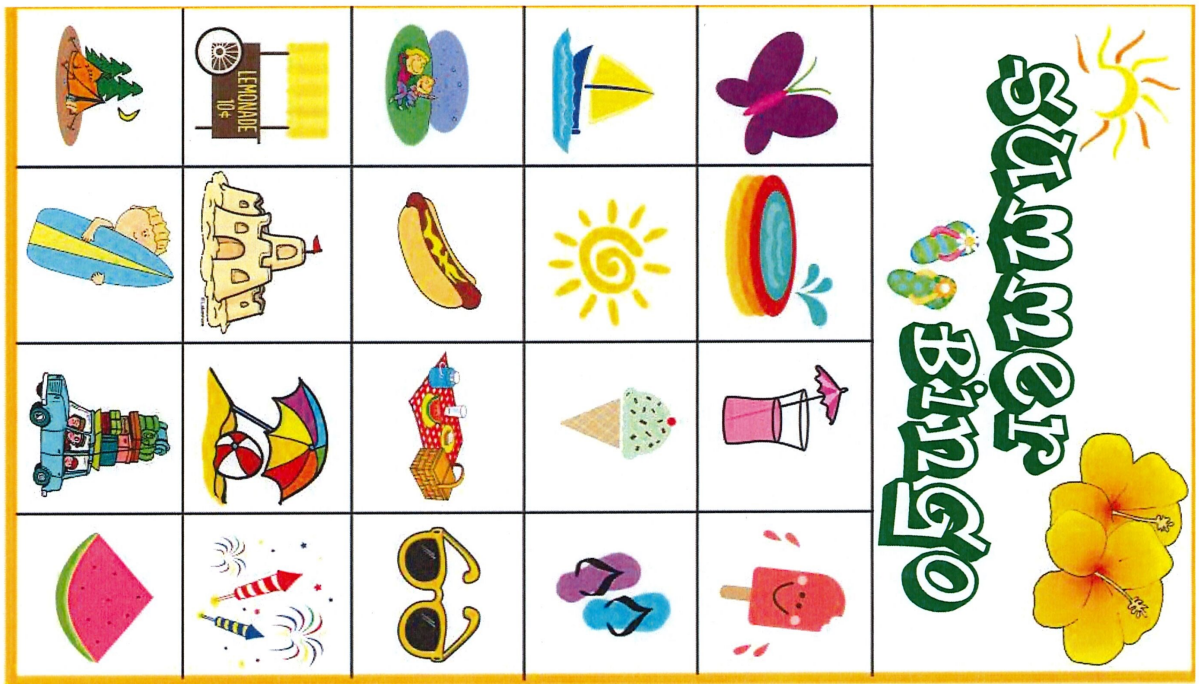
- 1 In your web browser go to www.YourSpiritualinspiration.com . This will take you to all the posts listed in reverse chronological order. You will also find the posts by category in the Navigation menu which may be at the top, bottom or right margin depending on your device (i.e. Spiritual Experiences, People Helping People). If you click on the Follow button or enter your email address you will automatically get notifications of new posts/articles (and nothing else). You can spread the Good News by Sharing the post to your Facebook, Twitter, Linkedin and Pinterest account or via email.
- 2 New posts will also be found on a Facebook page as Spiritual Meditations with a Bird logo. Choose to Like to automatically get notification of each posts. By clicking on Like, your friends will see your support. By clicking on Share you send your friends a link to the post. We can really make an impact for Christ when your friends Share or Like also.
- 3 You can also reach the blog by clicking on the "YourSpiritualInspiration.com" graphic on the Oakhurst United Methodist web site Worship page (<https://www.oakhurstumc.com/worship/>).

Andrew
Bartholomew
James, the Elder
James, the Younger
John
Judas
Jude
Matthew
Peter
Philip
Simon
Thomas

1. Jude's Brother
2. Doubted Jesus resurrection
3. Brother of James
4. Brought Nathanael to Jesus
5. Son of Zebedee
6. Peter's brother
7. Tax Collector
8. Brother of James the Younger
9. Name means Son of Tolmai
10. Denied knowing Jesus three times
11. A zealot
12. Betrayed Jesus

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Disciple Facts - Answers

Andrew =6, Bartholomew=9, James, the Elder=5, James, the Younger=1, John=3, Judas=12, Jude=8, Mathew=7, Peter=-10, Philip=4, Simon=11, Thomas=2

