



The Fowler Flashes

My friends, I pray that this note finds you safe and healthy. We are about to embark yet into another new season. Once again, we need to prepare to change. As we are working our way back into a new normal rhythm of worship. Understanding that many of our changes are out of our hands, out of our control. This reminded me of the Serenity prayer...won't you pray it with me now...

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GOD,
grant me the
Serenity
to accept the things
I cannot CHANGE;
Courage
to CHANGE
the things I can;
and
Wisdom
to know the DIFFERENCE.

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Living one day at a time; Enjoying one moment at a time. Accepting hardships as the pathway to peace. Taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it. Trusting that He will make all things right if I surrender to His Will. That I may be reasonably happy in this life and supremely happy with Him Forever in the next.

Amen.

--Reinhold Niebuhr

We believe that God doesn't change, though there are some debates about that. However, we can be pretty sure that God is constantly renewing and adapting His methods to reach people with His message (Hebrews 13:8, Isaiah 43:19). This is so obvious if we spend a little time with the bible.

Trust in the LORD with all your heart and
lean not on your own understanding;
in all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will direct your paths. - Proverbs 3, 5-6

Change is necessary to deliver the message of Jesus to a new and diverse audience. The apostle Paul understood the need to modify the way he presented the Gospel depending on his audience (1 Corinthians 9:22). But no matter who he was talking to, he never changed the message.

I realize that changing the way things have always been done can be a risky proposition. Change has been known to divide. How do we do what God has called us to do in an interesting and pertinent way while honoring and respecting the past? How do we change our worship or our sacred spaces or our language to reach the community that surrounds Fowler UMC?

Change is always a challenge, especially when it concerns something as deeply personal as our church and our worship space, but when we let leading people to Jesus outweigh our own personal preferences, it becomes easier to let go of old habits and comfortable things and adopt new ones to show visible love...

Change is good, keeps us young, keeps us moving, keeps us from becoming stale and irrelevant. If the salt loses its flavor, what is it even good for?

My friends, I will ask you to be in prayer...prayer about our future, our church, our community, our service, and yes, even our changes...let us Trust in the LORD with all our heart and lean not on our own understanding; and in all our ways acknowledge him, and he will direct our paths. - Proverbs 3, 5-6

Peace, René

June 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 9:00 - Tops 10:00 - Prayer Group 10:30 Staff 11:00 - Koinonia	2	3 10 am Small Group Noon UMW Meeting 12:30 pm Spring Fowler Music	4	5
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June Birthdays & Anniversaries

1st - Raphael Manirokiza

2nd - Jane Pence

3rd - Wilma Stork

5th - Bev Parrott

6th - Tom Hart

Jordan Thompson

7th - Carol Ring

8th - Lenny & Lorraine Chase

Sam & Marla Cannata

9th - Kim & Jill Berg

11th - Scott & Shannon Hendrickson

16th - John Godley

17th - Tom & Claudia Hart

20th - Wendy Comstock

Joanne Heimbigner

23rd - Jordan Smith

24th - Tom Knutson

Bob & Laurie Newell

25th - Sophie Koehler

27th - Maureen Jones

30th - Corbin Walker

Wishing our friends a "happy. . .",
a "merry. . .",
a "best wishes . . .",
and a "blessings . . ."
for their special day.

If you or your loved ones
are in need of prayer,
please contact the office
to be added to the
prayer list.



HEALTH/HEALING

John Parrott moving to Fairwinds

Dan Montgomery Surgery on the 27th

Linda Stancil is in Holy Family but will be going
to North Central Care

John Balzer – Wellbeing.

Gary – Prayers for the Fowler family and René
and Jennifer and their family

Dick – Safe travel mercies

Joann - Travel mercies for Trish & Jeff

Prayers for the homeless

Pastor René – Needs a summer Nanny for Ryan,
Uncle is moving to Jennifer's parents' home in
Idaho-safe move

Shelley – Prayers for Taylla and for Shelley's
family

Unrest in Minnesota over anniversary of
shooting

Knutson's 59th wedding anniversary

Helen suffering with hands

UMW – Prayer- nominating committee with
Roberta

Prayers for our Graduates:

Gabriel Kennedy-Gibbens

Corey Walker

Sophie Koehler

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

Lance – Thankful for a smooth week and grateful
for the healing process.

Lois – Thank God for his presence through the
day

Caritas News

Dear Fowler Caritas Supporters,

The moving date has finally arrived when Caritas relocates to 1228 W. Nebraska from its' previous location at W. Dalke. The new location will begin to operate starting on June 2. The regular hours are Mon/Wed/Thur 11:00 am – 1 pm. Caritas continues to assist Fowler UMC and about a dozen other northwest Spokane churches along with their little food pantrys/ cupboards that spread love and caring to our nearby neighbors. Recently one side door of the Fowler food cupboard located in front of the church was broke. Caritas has a volunteer that will fix this for us. Thank you Caritas!

The new location on 1228 W. Nebraska has needed quite a bit of refurbishing and alterations. New flooring, electrical work, painting, shelving, new ramp, and other changes were accomplished. Some of this was covered with grant money but the expenses of moving are many. As always, your donations, prayers, and volunteer work are welcome. The Caritas volunteers are a great bunch of Christian folks to work with!

Church members are welcome to use the food supplies that are at the church. Help yourself. In addition, Caritas can help with more food and hygiene selections, utility assistance, fuel funds, or bus passes. Contact them at the above address during the hours listed if you would like assistance.

Thank you for your attention and God Bless!

Your Fowler Caritas Representative,

Janet Abernathy



Fowler United Methodist Women

Our next meeting will be on June 3, 2021.

We will have the Installation of Officers.

Please bring a bag lunch.

Desert will be provided.

There will not be any meetings in July or August.

SAVE THE DATE!

The 2021 Inland Missional District United Methodist Women Annual Meeting is scheduled for September 18, 2021 at Spokane Valley United Methodist Church, Spokane Valley, WA.

The theme for this year is Micah 6:8
“What does the Lord Require of You?”

Our Keynote speaker will be Lauren Schubring from the Faith Action Network. She will be giving us an overview of the FAN.org and what their mission is.

Pastor Brenda Tudor will be installing officers this year. There will be training offered with details and registration information coming later.

We continue to make plans and will send out more information as it is available.

So, save the date of September 18 to meet in person at Spokane Valley United Methodist Church. Hope to see you there.

Patsy Charlton, Vice President.

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Music Notes from Nathan

The Spring Fowler Music group will start meeting on Thursdays at 12:30 pm till 1:45 pm for rehearsals.

YOUTH & CHILDREN NEWS



Hi to our youth and loved ones from church!

We went on our first outing today! We gathered gifts and a quilt from the church for Baby Vincent. What a wonderful time to be together with our youth, Erike, Rebecca and the kids. We visited, held the baby and passed him around! Nine of us were able to go. We finished up with fancy icecream at a place near the family!

Our next outing will be driving by graduates with gifts. Also, meeting at friendship Park in June for getting together families, youth and others for a bar-b-que. We will also play some soccer or basketball, or just walk and visit with each other.

Dates will be determined and sent out to you! Join us for fun and fellowship.

Soon to be together with God's people at Fowler.

Blessings,
Shelley

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