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A Place of worship, nurture and service for God's people of all ages

July & August 2014

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Sunday Hours

9:30 AM Sunday School
for all ages

10:15 Hymn Sing

10:30 Worship

11:45 Fellowship

Deadline for next
newsletter:

August 18

July Birthdays

Richard Scott	7/5
Jessie Jo Guttridge	7/5
Don Guttridge	7/15
Stephen Shibley	7/17
Jennifer Souders	7/26
Carol Sturman	7/26



July Anniversaries

Sam & Robin Fisher	7/18
Tami & Don Guttridge	7/22
Don & Bettie Barbee	7/27

August Birthdays

Peter Sturman	8/11
Nancy Tedrow	8/13
Marge Varitz	8/14
Barbara Shibley	8/16
Miranda Kirby	8/16
Nona Shearer	8/17
Kathleen Souders	8/18
Joy Alford-Thompson	8/20
Bettie Barbee	8/20
Marilyn Guttridge	8/21
Natalie Ingamells	8/23
Neal Jeppeson	8/26

August Anniversaries

Greg & Renate Jeppeson	8/6
Judy & Tom Coyne	8/8
Lynne & Tom Deshler	8/10
Connie & Bruce Ryan	8/21
Steve & Mary Stiles	8/26
Bill & Marge Varitz	8/27

July 19th and 20th Church 125th Birthday Celebration, see pages 2 & 3 for details and plan on joining us.

See the rest of the church calendar on back cover, page 8.



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125th Birthday Celebration

Springwater Presbyterian Church is celebrating its 125th Birthday! You are an important part of our history and our future and we want to celebrate with you.

Here's what's happening and when:

Saturday, July 19th 3 to 9 p.m.

- 3-4 p.m. music in the Grange– *Old Time Fiddlers*
- 3-5 p.m. tour the church, view historical photos, visit with old friends
- 5-7 p.m. BBQ dinner, *Jawbone Flats* plays outdoors
- 7-8 p.m. music continues, dancing encouraged

Sunday, July 20th

- 10:30-noon Worship, Communion and dedication of new stained glass window.
- Noon – 2:00 p.m. – Stay, chat and get reacquainted. Snacks will be served.

Please RSVP for the Saturday event, so we can plan the food. Go to <http://www.springwaterpres.org/RSVP.html> to make your reservations, or visit the church website: www.springwaterpres.org

Or, call Wilma Guttridge: 503.630.4574

Or email: springwater.church.news@gmail.com

Don't Forget!

The beautiful Springwater cobalt blue mugs are still available. After the birthday celebration July 19th, they may all be gone, so buy them now. The price is \$15.00/each. They make wonderful gifts for any occasion and your family & friends will love using them. They are available at church on Sunday mornings or you can contact Kathy Scott at 503.630.4739 or kathyscott@gmail.com





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125th Birthday Celebration needs YOU!

The Celebration committee needs your help with a few items:

Potted plants: Can you share your potted, flowering plants with us on the weekend of our celebration? We would like to beautify our outdoor surroundings. Please contact Nike Guttridge at 503.781.1025 or by email 4nikeg@gmail.com. Bring your plants Saturday morning, July 19th and take them home after worship and the luncheon on July 20th.

Luncheon, Sunday July 20th: A light luncheon after worship will give us an opportunity to visit and enjoy each others' company. Sandwiches and cookies will be provided. We are asking church members to bring a salad or drinks to the luncheon, potluck style. Contact Nike Guttridge, 503.781.1025 or by email 4nikeg@gmail.com, if you have questions.

Thank you! You are the reason for our celebration!

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What's on your Schedule in July?

	Ushers	Worship Leader:	Snacks:
July 6:	Don & Barbara MacKinnon	Mary Shearer	—
July 13:	Peter & Carol Sturman	Carol Sturman	Nike Guttridge
July 20:	Judy Coyne Gilbert Shibley	Nona Shearer	Luncheon after church
July 27:	Kathy Scott Alan Siefken	Neal Jeppeson	Worship in the Canyon, bring a picnic lunch



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This sabbatical, my
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walking.

Pastor's Perspective

That Was Then, This Is Now

It was a different kind of sabbatical last time.

The 2008 sabbatical was supported by a Lilly Foundation grant, which covered both my costs and the congregation's. This sabbatical, the congregation's budget covers the cost of interim sabbatical pastors, and my expenses are covered personally.

In 2008, we began preparing nearly a year in advance, even before we learned that Lilly was giving us a grant. Throughout the sabbatical period, the congregation had three artists in residence providing near-weekly "Bringing Creativity to Faith" events. This sabbatical, congregational activities are limited to "walking to Nasbinals" (see the article elsewhere).

In 2008, the congregation's sabbatical learnings about sacred space culminated in a remodel of the sanctuary, which included new pews, re-paint, and carpet. We continued the practice of art and spirituality together with our artist-in-residence after I returned. We begin this sabbatical by dedicating the final piece of sacred space development, with the dedication of the East Window.

In 2008, my own preparation involved small group and personal readings. This sabbatical, my preparation is walking.

Heading to Pilgrimage

The focus of this sabbatical is pilgrimage. If you were around during Lent, you heard a lot about the ancient faith practices of pilgrimage. The system of pilgrimage routes Beverly Crow and I will be following in Europe, the Camino de Santiago, goes back almost 1500 years. Although we will not arrive in Santiago, Spain the ultimate goal of the Camino, we will travel where literally millions of people have walked in search of a deeper spirituality.

Most of Europe is networked with pilgrimage routes, linking sacred places and making it possible for even the poorest of the faithful to make a holy journey at least once in their life. Instead of going to the Holy Lands, they might travel to miracle sites, or where saints had lived and taught, or places of architectural splendor.

If you are interested in getting a taste of the Spanish portion of the Camino, you may wish to watch the movie, "The Way," with Martin Sheen. While we travel in France, session has asked me to blog in order to share our experiences. When that link is set up, I'll let you know how to access it.

Pilgrimage in Place

Springwater's quasiquicentennial celebration celebrates a century-and-a-quarter of faithful pilgrimage in one place. Admirable under any



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circumstances, this longevity reflects a perseverance and steadfastness of faith not often seen. In the weeks leading up to our big party, I will preach from Deuteronomy 6. This is the passage that invokes a belief in the One True God and gives as the rationale that this is the God who rescued Israel from oppression.

This is about more than nostalgia. Israel is also called to a future. They are to teach their children. It is worship that is both "Remembering the Past" and "Building the Future."

See you in church.

Eileen

Welcome

They are not new faces. Please join session in welcoming the Reverends David and Beverly Crow as our interim sabbatical pastors. Dave was the General Presbyter of the Cascades Presbytery until his retirement. Bev is Springwater's Parish Associate.

Be sure to ask Dave about growing up so close to Hell (Hell's Canyon, that is). Bev usually has something interesting on her knitting needles. They are the human companions of Greta the Great Pyrenees dog.

What's on your Schedule?

	Ushers	Worship Leader:	Snacks:
August 3:	Tim & Nike Guttridge	Gwen Shearer	Please sign up in fellowship hall to bring snacks in August
August 10:	Steve & Mary Stiles	Kara Guttridge	
August 17:	Kevin & Mary Kirby	Peter Sturman	
August 24:	Debbie Ingamells Mary Neigel	Deb Odell	
August 31:	Gary Guttridge	Randy Johnson	



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Walk to Nasbinals

In the months of April, May, and June, Springwater congregation has logged 3,301 miles of the 5, 200 miles between Estacada and Nasbinals, France, where Pastors Eileen Parfrey and Beverly Crow will embark on their pilgrimage walk. We are pooling our collective mileage—walking, biking, stair climbing—to “walk them to France.”

What this means at the end of June, is that we’ve reached Reykjavik, Iceland. It’s true that they will be stopping in Reykjavik, but not until they are on their way home after their pilgrimage.

With the months of July and August still remaining before they set off (September 7), we’ve got plenty of time to get them to France. You’re walking and biking anyhow. Why not enter your mileage on the chart in fellowship hall, and see if we can’t accompany them to France. Who knows? Maybe we’ll be able to get them to the Isle of Iona, too, where they will participate in a seminar on “Pilgrimages of Life.”

Pilgrimage Prayer

Pilgrim Prayer, by Tom Pfeffer and Joyce Rupp. You may wish to consider praying this daily during September, to accompany Pastors Eileen and Beverly on their pilgrimage journey.

Guardian of my soul, guide me on my way this day. Keep me safe from harm. Deepen my relationship with you, your Earth, and all your family. Strengthen your love within me that I may be a presence of your peace in our world. Amen.

Lectionary Readings

July 6 (REMEMBERING THE PAST, BUILDING THE FUTURE): Deuteronomy 6:1-9, 20-21; Matthew 13:24-30; Psalm 72

July 13 (REMEMBERING THE PAST, BUILDING THE FUTURE): Deuteronomy 6:1-9, 20-21; Matthew 13:31-32, 51-59; Psalm 7

July 20 (REMEMBERING THE PAST, BUILDING THE FUTURE, celebration of the Lord’s Supper and dedication of East Window): Deuteronomy 6:1-9, 20-21; Acts 17:22-28; Psalm 55

July 27 (WORSHIP IN THE CANYON, led by the youth): Matthew 13:44-46, 51-58

August 3: Genesis 32:22-31; Romans 5:1-5; Matthew 14:13-21

August 17: Genesis 45:1-16; Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matthew 15:10-28

August 24: Exodus 1:8-2:10; Romans 12:1-8; Matthew 16:13-20

August 31: Exodus 3:1-15; Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28





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Dedication of the New East Sanctuary Window

After nearly three years of discernment and design the new East Window in our sanctuary will be dedicated during worship on July 20st. Entitled *'The Window of God's Natural Environment'*, the design has been inspired by answers to a congregational questionnaire that asked where people feel closest to God. Overwhelmingly the responses describe some experience with nature such as walking in the woods, hiking through fields of wildflowers, looking up at the starlit sky, or listening to the sounds of the ocean, lakes and streams.

The Window Committee wants to express our appreciation to glass artist Gerry Veley for his creativity and execution and more importantly, to everyone who shared their support of this project by donating generously. Both now and for generations to come, the efforts that went into making this window a reality will be reflected by the inspiration it provides to worshippers for bringing their hearts to worship and glorifying God. We hope you will plan on being with us to celebrate this special occasion.

Your Window Committee

Nike Guttridge, Wilma Guttridge, Margo Maris, Deb Odell, Rick Parfrey, Mary Shearer, Nona Shearer, Cindy Woodbury

Youth Camping List

In addition to the usual camping supplies, the youth should bring:

- Swimsuit
- Towels
- Bug repellent
- Sunscreen
- Bible
- Flashlight
- Paper & pen/pencil
- Lanterns
- Toilet paper
- Board games or card games
- Extra blankets
- Folding chair

Youth Canyon Campout

Hi everyone! It's almost time for the youth camp out in the canyon! The camp out will be July 25th through July 27th and we will be having church in the canyon that Sunday. I am looking for people who might have a tent that they could lend us. We might need 2 or 3 extra tents depending on how many people we have coming.

I will also need help purchasing food. If anybody would like to help out with that, please let me know.

Thank you,
Jennifer Souders, Youth Leader

VBS 2014 "Kids Take Courage". That was one of the slogans used during VBS this year. We had between 12-14 kids every day and 8 youth leaders. Each child had a craft activity at the beginning of the day and then went to story, crafts and games. We did a lot of singing and laughing. It was a great time. We enjoyed delicious and healthy snacks and lunch. Thank you to all the adults and youth leaders who helped out with VBS this year. Without your help, we would not have been able to put on such a successful week. *Jennifer & Kathleen Souders, VBS Directors*



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Church Events July and August

July 13: historic hymns in worship service

July 15: session meeting, 6:00

July 19: Quasquicentennial celebration! See details pages 2 & 3

July 20: dedication of East Window and celebration of the Lord's Supper during worship.

Welcome previous pastors and members/friends from the past. Share stories and memories after worship

July 25-27: youth camp out in the canyon

July 26: wedding at the church (not a member)

July 27: worship in the canyon followed by a picnic

August 1: Pastor Eileen's sabbatical begins; the Reverends Beverly and David Crow, sabbatical interim pastors

August 17: celebration of the Lord's Supper during worship

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