

WEEKLY NEWS ~~ OCTOBER 14, 2022

**COVID 19 MASKING FOR WEEK BEGINNING
OCTOBER 14, 2022:
OPTIONAL**

LANI GILBERT MEMORIAL SERVICE

There will be a Memorial Service for Lani Gilbert tomorrow, October 15, 2022 at 10 am at the church. Light refreshments will be served after the service. Jim has asked that donations be made to World Vision, P.O. Box 78481, Tacoma, WA 98481-8481.

NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR SHORT-TERM VOLUNTEERING

*Do you like crafts? Recent cleaning of Sunday School rooms has netted volumes of craft supplies! We would like a person who can organize a craft event for the Sunday School children to do occasionally according to the church calendar (like Reformation Sunday and of course Christmas and Easter).

*A second adult is needed in the room for Sunday School hour at 9 am. We have 3 volunteers who rotate and are looking for more to rotate in, so the commitment would be once every 4 or 5 weeks. No teaching needed, just be present in the room.

*We need help with streaming the service on Sunday mornings. No experience is necessary – we train! We are hoping to have enough people to work in teams so that each team's commitment would be once every 4 or 5 weeks.

*Altar Guild could use one or two more people to help prepare for and clean up after the service each week. This will include setting up for Communion, and changing paraments when the church seasons change. Again, if we find enough help, the commitment would be once every 4 or 5 weeks.

*We are trying to establish a Funeral Reception Committee. This committee would provide the food after any funeral or memorial service, along with the set up and clean up. Much like simple coffee hour duties, but dishwashing may be included.

Please call Lynn Danner (541-267-0693), Kathy Whitwer (541-756-4255), or the church office (541-267-2347) if you would like to volunteer for any of the above!

FIREWOOD AVAILABLE!

Gloria Dei's Firewood Ministry is alive and well! There is about a cord and a half of dry firewood available. If you or someone you know is in NEED of firewood, please contact the church office. The firewood is free with free delivery.

CHRIST IN OUR HOME

Christ in Our Home for October, November, and December has arrived and is available on the table in the Narthex.

GREETERS, READERS, USHERS, AND FLOWERS NEEDED!

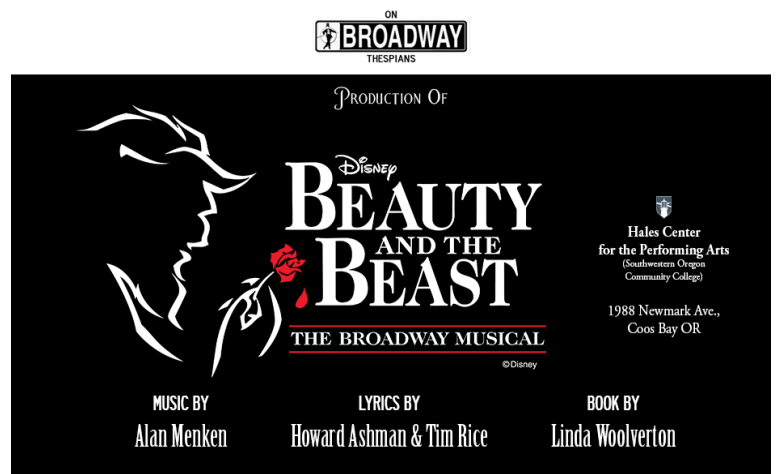
Sign up sheets from October through the end of the year are available in the Narthex. We need greeters, readers, ushers, and flowers! Please sign up to help as you are able!

CELEBRATION THIS SUNDAY!

Join us after church to celebrate Pastor Alyssa's one year anniversary and the delayed celebration of her installation! Burgers & sides, chocolate, speeches, and more!

BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

On Broadway Thespians presents *Beauty and the Beast* at the Hales Center at Southwestern Oregon Community College. Some Gloria Dei members are involved in the production! Tickets are for sale on [EventBrite](#) or at Books by the Bay (Adults \$15, seniors \$12, children \$10). Please support our efforts to bring theater back to SWOCC's campus by coming to see a Disney favorite! Bring your family & invite your friends! If you want more information, here is the link to the [On Broadway Thespians FaceBook page](#).



OCTOBER 7TH THRU 23RD Fri & Sat @ 7pm, Sun @ 2pm

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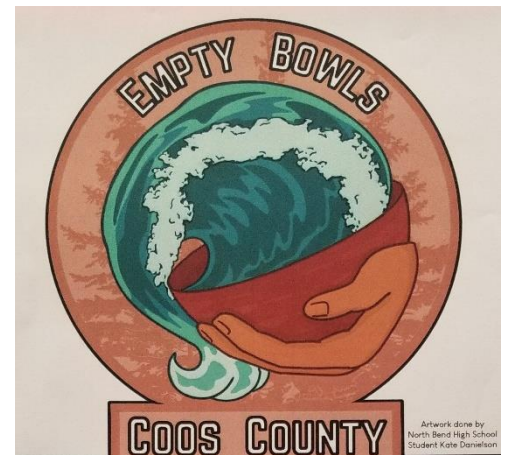
Disney's *Beauty and the Beast: The Musical* is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All performance materials are also supplied by MTL. www.MTIShows.com

MORE THEATER!

The Savannah Sipping Society is being presented by the Dolphin Players at the Dolphin Playhouse at 580 Newmark, Coos Bay. Brenda Sund is in this production! Opening night is Oct. 14, and the play runs through Oct. 30. Friday and Saturday at 7 pm, Sunday at 2 pm. See the website for more information: <https://thedolphinplayhouse.com/>

EMPTY BOWLS COOS COUNTY!

One of Coos County's favorite fundraisers returns! Empty Bowls Coos County is your once a year opportunity to buy a "handmade" bowl of soup to fight hunger in our community. Tickets are \$20 for your choice of handmade pottery bowl, soup, bread, cookies, and soda pop. The event takes place October 29th from noon to 3 pm at the Oregon Coast Culinary Institute at Southwestern Oregon Community College.



MEAL IN A BAG AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION

There are Meal in a Bag packages available for you to carry with you to give to those in need. They are on the table in the Narthex today if you'd like to pick some up.

NEWS FROM CAMP LUTHERWOOD

Camp Lutherwood's summer schedule is set for next year. If you're interested in camp for your kids, family, or yourself, check it out here: <https://www.lutherwoodoregon.org/camp/>
In addition, each summer, Camp Lutherwood Oregon hires a cohort of young adults to bring summer programs to life. These summer staffers spend two months playing, leading, and living in the outdoors. Know a good candidate for 2023 summer staff?

Click here for more information about summer employment.

Online applications open Nov. 1, 2022. Contact jobs@lutherwoodoregon.org with questions.

HUNGER SUNDAY/WORLD FOOD DAY

Gloria Dei will be having a special service this Sunday, October 16 for Hunger Sunday, as designated by the Oregon Synod. Service materials will be provided by the Oregon Synod Hunger Team and the sermon provided by Bishop Laurie*. A link to the Bishop's sermon will be provided. Pastor Alyssa will be preaching at Gloria Dei.



World Food Day Celebration

Join ELCA World Hunger for a celebration of World Food Day, hosted by Rick Steves and special guest Mark Jansen, CEO of Blue Diamond Almonds. This special event will be streamed online so you can celebrate with ELCA World Hunger wherever you are!

When: Sunday, Oct. 16, 4 p.m. Central time

Where: [ELCA Facebook page](#) and [ELCA YouTube channel](#)

RSVP not required; simply visit our Facebook or YouTube page to attend. Facebook and YouTube accounts are not required. Can't stream it live? The recording will be available on Facebook and YouTube after the event is over.

Questions? Contact hunger@elca.org

LUTHERANS RESTORING CREATION Upcoming Connections Call

October 25, 5 pm PT. "[Doctrine of Discovery's Roots in Climate Injustice](#)." Watch the 30 min documentary "Are We There Yet?" and hear from film's creators, Calvin Lee and Marisa Prince. The film chronicles their cross-country road trip to better understand the Doctrine of Discovery, its connection to contemporary Christian Nationalism, and if it's possible to chart a new course for the American Christian Church. [Register here](#).

INTERFAITH POWER AND LIGHT



WEBINAR:
FAITH AND FORESTS

October 18TH
1:30PM ET / 10:30AM PT

Featuring
Dr. Nalini Nadkarni
Professor of Biology at
the University of Utah

REGISTER NOW!
www.InterfaithPowerAndLight.org

Join Interfaith Power & Light as we host pioneering forest canopy biologist Dr. Nalini Nadkarni. Dr. Nadkarni will talk about her work studying the forest canopy and finding that many faith and spiritual traditions have trees and forests as central parts of their respective religious texts. Her message is to recognize these silent sedentary companions that live with us and to be thankful for them.

<https://interfaithpowerandlight.salsalabs.org/faithandforests/index.html?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=2703dd9b-e0fa-4064-9168-f4ef5d83b0bb>

FROM THE ELCA:



Public response period: social message on climate care. A draft of the ELCA's forthcoming social message on climate change and how we are called to respond has been posted, and the public comment period is open through Friday, Dec. 2. The draft will be edited in response to your feedback and brought to the ELCA Church Council for a vote this spring. To read the draft and provide your input through our online form, go to elca.org/climatecare.

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE: 61 in person, 6 online



STEWARDSHIP IS...feeding the hungry.
Please consider giving to a Hunger Ministry on Hunger Sunday!