

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Next week Sunday, we welcome Richard Ormesher to preach for us.

Lee and I want to share with you all our church Family that our daughter Sierra is getting married. Please join us on **July 6th at 2pm** here at Faith Community Fellowship to meet, love on, and shower support on Sierra and Evan soon to be a new family.

Their bridal registry can be found at:

<https://www.theknot.com/us/sierra-mcneil-and-evan-purdy-jul-2024/registry>

Thank you for all your love, support, and prayers.

Lee and Shannon McNeil

FLOWER MINISTRY - Have fresh flowers in your garden or have some from a farmers' market? Celebrating a special occasion, anniversary or birth-day? Wanting to remember a loved one? Consider sharing some flowers with us for our Sunday morning worship. Contact Elaine Zonnefeld if you have flowers to share.

Phone or text 360-941-1571 Email ezonnefeld@gmail.com

The **July/August Today devotional** is in your church mailbox. Extras are on the welcome table.

Need a church mailbox?? Sign up on the clipboard at the welcome table.

PRAYER PETITIONS AND PRAISES

PETITIONS—Pray for:

- Larry made it through his operation.
- Income from my businesses
- Another job for income to provide for myself and my cat. Also for health issues
- Those who are homeless to know God loves and values them and gives hope
- Julie E to find fun and friends as she goes to camp.
- Safety, health and protection from bears for Dean and Sheri as they travel to Glacier NP for a backpacking trip
- Safety in travel for those taking trips this summer
- Cindy to be able to get her insulin levels under control
- Help to walk with my whole heart in the will of the Lord
- Friends and family members struggling with housing and job/financial difficulties
- Healing for friends and family members recovering from pain, illnesses and surgeries
- Those serving in the military and their families
- Peace in the world

PRAISES—Give praise and thanks for:

- Praise Jesus for his protection of me and my car as a deer ran into my passenger door. So thankful!

Welcome to Faith Community Fellowship

June 23, 2024



Getting Jesus Wrong Matthew 16:21-28

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We Gather for Worship

Welcome and God's Greeting

Call to Worship

*Oh, How I Love Jesus
Jesus*

Congregational Life Updates

Offerings for
General and Benevolence Funds

Congregational Prayer

Just As I Am

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Communion

Jesus Messiah

Sending & God's Blessing

Mighty to Save

Getting Jesus Wrong—Matthew 16:21-28

“Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me.”

The challenge: these are stronger words than we would expect

Jesus and the real Satan in Matthew 4

What was Peter's dream for Jesus?

How do we still get Jesus wrong in the same way?

There's grace in Jesus' strong rebuke

Jesus to Satan in Matthew 4:10

Jesus to Peter and Andrew in Matthew 4:19

“opiso mou” (ὀπίσω μου)

Jesus to Peter in Matthew 16:23

Jesus to all his disciples (and us) in Matthew 16:24

Welcome! We're glad you're here! May you experience God's goodness and grace here today. After the service, please join us for coffee.

A nursery is provided for infants and toddlers through age 3, located in the hallway.

Children's Bulletins are available for young children.

Greeters: Bill

Coffee Servers: Raychelle

Nursery: Elaine

What is the privileged place of discipleship?

What does that call look like for you right now?

Spotlight Ministry of the Month:

The Ministry we'll be specifically praying for this month is:

LOVE, INC

OUR MISSION

To demonstrate Christ's love by mobilizing the local church volunteers to care for the physical & spiritual need of people in our community.

OUR HISTORY

In 1993, Shirley Tollefson sought out a way for churches to partner together to help those in need. She found a handful of churches who saw the value and importance of many local congregations working together to serve their community and Love INC of Skagit County was born.

The first ministry formed was the donated furniture ministry. Volunteers would pick up and deliver used beds, furniture, appliances and medical equipment to who otherwise did not have access to these items.

With these opportunities came the awareness that the Body of Christ has so much to offer our neighbors, both in meeting physical needs and helping to instill the hope that comes from living a life dedicated to Jesus Christ. Instilling this hope would require an investment of time and relationship. In 2003, Love INC of Skagit County introduced Loving Hope Mentoring Program: a program that allows Christian volunteers to develop one-on-one relationships with families in need, to teach them how to manage their finances in a God-honoring way.

In 2007, the Homes for Hope transitional housing ministry became a reality, and allowed Love INC to offer participants in the mentoring program a home to stay in while they are getting back on their feet.

Today, the Love INC of Skagit County network includes nearly 80 churches. More and more Christians and churches are recognizing how they can be so much more effective in their ministry efforts when they use Love INC as a tool to connect them with other ministries, and people with needs in our area.

Financial Information

May 2024

General Fund:

Collections: \$14,714 (83.7% of budget)

Expenses: \$14,417 (97.4% of budget)

Difference: \$297

Benevolence Fund Collections: \$345

Missions Collections: \$345

*“And do not forget to do good and to share with others,
for with such sacrifices God is pleased.”*

Hebrews 13:16

CRC DENOMINATION NEWS

Thriving Essentials 1-Hour Overview (June 27th) - Thriving Essentials is a training course for elders, deacons, church staff, and any volunteer ministry leader. This one-hour webinar will give you an overview of what the full course involves including discussions on four key concepts of Mission, Discipleship, Discernment, and Leadership. Attend this online preview June 27 (1pm EDT) to see if the full course is right for your church. Register now at crcna.org/essentials