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# Quiet Work

Our world is loud right now, but most of the work is still quiet. That can seem like an extraordinary thing to say at a time when fascists march openly in the streets (and in the halls of government), and voter suppression is worsening, and the police keep attacking and brutalizing civilians, and hundreds of thousands are dying from a pandemic, but it remains true. It's tempting to write about the ballot and voting like it's an apocalypse because the circumstances sure seem apocalyptic, but while you are likely being told to vote with understandable urgency by many different voices, voting has always been, and will always be, just the beginning, and truly a small part of the real labor of building a just society. Yes, vote, but then make a casserole for your houseless neighbor.

Millions will go to the polls this week, but it's the 400-some people who showed up online to the Portland City Council meeting for the Fall budget monitoring process who know what's going on. It's the people working even now to find a way for the Give n Gobble to happen virtually who are sweating to

make the world better. It's the phone calls and prayers going out to all of our community members who are isolated during the pandemic which are doing the foundational work of forging the social bonds that ultimately make for a more beautiful world.

There are some big, important, courageous actions we will all be asked to take in the coming months if we want to come through this crisis with a functioning nation. We need to demand that every vote be counted. We need to call fascism and white supremacy what they are, and we need to stand firm against threats of violence and civil war. But the only way I know to enable such courage is through all the little, gentle, persistent behaviors of faith. Faith in ourselves.

Behind every martyr who engages in some grandiose public gesture of resistance are dozens, or hundreds of people quietly offering compassion, mentorship, patient listening ears, and fresh baked cookies. For each person

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Past outdoor worship services recorded and posted at our website: <a href="https://www.mthomeumc.org/">https://www.mthomeumc.org/</a>

# **Quiet Work (continued)**

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who testifies in a city council meeting, or appears in court fighting for a just cause, there are countless more who taught that person to reason, to speak their truth, and to face their fear. There are enough jobs for all of us in the work of living toward the kingdom. There is a role tailor-made for you, and it most likely isn't at the center of the spectacle.

Or maybe it is. Who can say what will happen to any of us tomorrow? George Floyd and Breonna Taylor never asked to become the focal

points of a movement for racial justice. I don't know what the Holy Spirit may ask from you specifically, but I know that, whatever it may be, you will be carried through it by the quiet work of a cloud of witnesses that stretches back through all of human history, and stretches forward to the dawn of the day when the deep peace of God will finally be all in all. May you trust in that quiet work. May you be strengthened and inspired by that quiet work. And may you roll up your sleeves and get, quietly, to work.

Submission by Reverend Aric Clark

# **Prayers Request**

Prayers of Joy for Anne Grubowski who turned 99 yesterday and for Darla States who is celebrating her birthday with family today. Submission by Barbara Monson

Prayers for continued healing for Anne and Len Grubowski.

Prayers for Larry Johnson and his family

Prayers for those affected by the fires in Colorado. Please protect the firefighters and those working to contain the fire

Let us pray that Our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ remains the foundation of the greatness of Our Country and that we ourselves remain totally confident in our Nation's motto In God We Trust.

Bob

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If you have any prayer requests this week please let me know.

Wishing you all the best. Stay healthy and well!

Blessings,

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# PLEASE HELP STRUGGLING GOFUNDME CAMPAIGNS

I'm working with Pastor Aric to see how we can help residents in Southern Oregon recover from the wildfire. In the meantime there is a go fund me list for families that are unlikely to receive government assistance here: <a href="https://docs.google.com/document/">https://docs.google.com/document/</a>

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The challenge given to me was to just pick a number and donate but there are also some pretty compelling stories.

Thanks!

**Kelly Freuler** 

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# PLEASE HELP STRUGGLING GOFUNDME CAMPAIGNS (Southern Oregon Almeda wildfire)

### THANK YOU SO MUCH TO EVERYONE DONATING!

All of these GoFundMe pages are struggling to receive donations, while others are surpassing their goals. Please don't overlook these families, many of them have nothing left. It breaks my heart to come across so many pages that have nothing or very little donated. I understand it can be time consuming to search for low-funded pages, so hopefully this document makes things a little easier! I will update this doc as often as I can! Pages with the lowest funds will be kept at the top of the list.

Please help me out by sending me GoFundMe pages that are struggling! You can send these via Instagram (@izzy\_rodriguez) or Twitter (@issabel\_\_)

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# Willowbrook Food Pantry

We had to plan our Thanksgiving boxes differently this year because of Corvid.

Thanks to Mt. Home with financial giving and thanks to our Lord, we will provide the Thanksgiving boxes!

We served III families with 465 people during September

**Submission by Cherry Trotter** 

# How To Be An Antiracist

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Please register for the book study by sending an email to officesherwood-umc@gmail.com so that Aric can send you the details.

Order the book here: <a href="https://www.ibramxkendi.com/how-to-be-an-antiracist-l">https://www.ibramxkendi.com/how-to-be-an-antiracist-l</a>

Read the introduction and chapters I & 2 to be ready for the first session.

The dates of the study will be:

- Nov 2nd
- Nov I6th
- Nov 30th
- Dec I4th
- Dec 28th

**Submission by Reverend Aric Clark** 

# November Birthdays & Anniversaries



Unclouded may your birthday be, and round you day by day. May God enfold His wings of love and bless you on your way.



Date	Name
6	Leonard Grubowski

# November 2020

SUN	Mon	TUE	WED	Тни	FRI	SAT
1 Zoom Worship w/ Communion 10am All Saints Day Trustees Meeting Zoom 11:15 am Daylight Savings Ends	2 Book Study with Pas- tor 6pm	$\kappa$	4	ιΟ	9	
8 Zoom Worship w/ Communion 10am	6	10	11	12	13	14
15 Zoom Worship w/ Communion 10am Church Council via Zoom 11:15 am	16 Book Study with Pastor 6pm	17	18	19	20	21
22 Zoom Worship w/ Communion 10am Christ the King/Reign of Christ	23	24	25	26 Mappy Chanksgring	27	28
29 Zoom Worship w/ Communion 10am	30 Book Study with Pastor 6pm					

First Sunday of Advent



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Sunday, November I All Saints Day

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Sunday, November 15 Church Council via Zoom Meeting 11:15 AM

**Sunday November 22 Christ the** 

King/Reign of Christ

Thursday, November 26 Thanksgiving Day

Sunday November 29 First Sunday of Advent

Choir Practice suspended until further notice

UMW Elizabeth Circle meets suspended until further notice

UMW Lydia Circle meets suspended until further notice

**UM Men's Breakfast suspended** until further notice

Send prayer requests to Cheryl for inclusion in our weekly dispatch:

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