

## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

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# Black History Month in Oregon

All of American history is influenced by white supremacy and the resistance to white supremacy. Oregon is part of that story and it isn't only a matter of the past, but of how it continues to echo in our present. It's important that we increase our understanding of our history and as February is Black History Month, why not now?

The Oregon Historical Society runs a great museum in Portland, and they share their research and their resources online. I particularly commend to you [this survey of the story of black people in Oregon](#), and [this lecture by professor emeritus James Stanley Harrison of Portland Community College](#) if you prefer to learn by video. If you have the time to visit the museum itself, there is a free admission day on Tuesday, February 14th.

Remembering that neither white supremacy nor resistance to white supremacy is over, consider learning a little about the racial wealth gap in Oregon by looking at [this report from the Coalition of Communities of Color](#). Or find some local black-owned businesses to support like Maison Noir winery in McMinnville, or Mamancy Tea

and Chocolate in Beaverton, or one of the many excellent black-owned restaurants across the city.

Equally important to education and individual actions of support, is becoming informed and supporting policies in municipal, local, and state government that build a more equal and free society for people of all races. Moving funds away from police and prisons toward schools, homes, and medical care for all improves life for everyone while disarming major tools of white supremacy. Look for opportunities to make our school districts, our neighborhoods, and our cities places where everyone can thrive.

I will end with a quote by James Baldwin:

"If one really wishes to know how justice is administered in a country, one does not question the policemen, the lawyers, the judges, or the protected members of the middle class. One goes to the unprotected – those, precisely, who need the law's protection most! – and listens to their testimony." from No Name On The Street

Submission by Reverend Aric Clark

Who is more foolish, the child afraid of the dark or the man afraid of the light?

Maurice Freehill

# Bulletin Board

## Holiday Bazaar Committee

OK gals! It is time to think about putting the committee together for our bazaar this year. If you would like to help us out we would love to have you. So think about if and how you would like to be involved....if you want. Let Carol know if you would like to be part of this effort. Thanks

Submission by Carol McComis



## Trustees

Here are the dates for the upcoming Trustee meetings. We have scheduled them for each quarter of the year. Other meetings may be scheduled as needed. All meeting will be held at 10:00am prior to the worship service. The schedule is as follows, April 2, July 9, October 1. I will be listed as chairman and Diane Peters will act as secretary.

Submission by Larry Johnson

## Beginning of Lent

No Ash Wednesday Service at Mountain Home UMC, but one will be at Sherwood UMC.

## Shrove Pancake Dinner

Shrove Pancake Dinner will not be at Mountain Home UMC this year, but will be celebrated Tuesday February 21 at Sherwood UMC.



Help save a life. Schedule your blood donation appointment today.



Sherwood United Methodist Church  
Thursday March 16th, 2023  
10am-3pm

## Braiding Sweetgrass

I wanted to share with all of you that there's an interesting 20-minute interview of Braiding Sweetgrass author Robin Wall Kimmerer by Jane Goodall, on Jane's "Hopecast." It's a fantastic podcast series overall, and this episode with Robin offers food for thought about the book and its topics:

[Robin Wall Kimmerer: Hope is the Power of Plants and Indigenous Knowledge by The Jane Goodall Hopecast](#)



[Robin Wall Kimmerer: Hope is the Power of Plant...](#)

Enjoy!  
-Cathy

Submission by Cathryn Poff

January 26, 2023

## Willowbrook Food Pantry

**We served 1408 families with 5904 people in 2022.**

We served 929 families with 3880 people in 2021.

In 2022 *more* families of 479, with *more* people 2,024.

**We had 2,840 volunteer hours in 2022.**

We had 2,281 *volunteer hours* in 2021.

In 2022, it was necessary to add 559 *more* volunteer hours.

**We purchased 5,802 grocery items and we spent \$4,505 in 2022.**

Our purchased food was 4,958 and we spent \$3,132 in 2021.

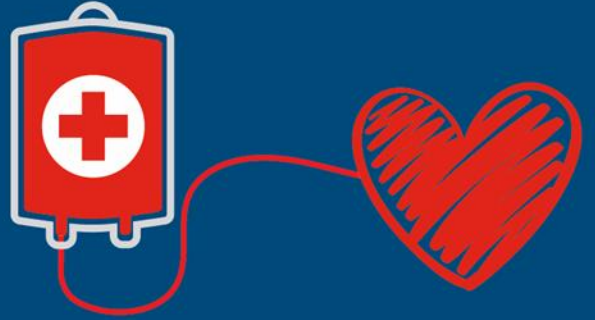
We needed to have *more* grocery to feed our families. WFP budget purchased 844 grocery items and spent \$1,373 more in 2022.

We are so grateful for your support of Willowbrook Food Pantry. The loving support through the 'greatest' Bazaar, as well as the generous financial aid Mountain Home UM Church.

Submission by Cherry Trotter



*Kindness*  
is in your blood.



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appointment today.









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Sherwood, OR 97140

<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=SherwoodOR>

Visit the link above or  
Call 1-800-RED CROSS  
To schedule your appointment

# February 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4 <b>9AM</b>
5 <b>*Worship</b> 11:00 AM	6	7	8	9	10	11 
12 <b>*Worship</b> 11:00 AM	13	14 	15	16	17	18
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[Mtn.Home.Church](#)

YouTube: [Mountain Home United Methodist](#)

[Church - YouTube](#)



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Finance Chair – Brian McKennett

Trustees Chair: Larry Johnson

Lay Leader: Cherry Trotter

## Event Calendar

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

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Mountain Home UMC YouTube Channel [Mountain Home United Methodist Church - YouTube](#)

where past Sunday Worship Services can be found.

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