

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

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May Days



The start of May has long been associated with the height of spring and the libidinous, hopeful, riotous behavior appropriate thereto. In Celtic Cultures this is Beltane - a time for bonfires and drinking and dancing. In the 19th and early 20th centuries in America and Europe May Day was a labor movement focal point. On May Day we remind ourselves that in the righteous order of things everything belongs to everyone. There are no masters and kings. Workers deserve their bread, and their roses too.

The very name of May evokes possibility. It speaks not of what is or what has been, but of what could be and what ought to be. It invites you to demand the impossible, and to believe that all the tomorrows are yours.

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“Like a fire on the headland, calling the salmon home, God’s Love lights the way for us.”

Braiding Sweetgrass by Robin Wall Kimmerer

May Days (continued)

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On the church calendar May falls during Eastertide, while the power of the Resurrection is tangible in our midst and the future seems assured. We are preparing for Pentecost, for a rebirth of a global movement of solidarity and compassion. We are praying, Come Holy Spirit, and we are planting the seeds of justice and we will

keep doing so until we all get free together.

May the flowers of abundant hope in a joyful future bloom for you this month.

Illustration by Portland artist N. O. Bonzo: <https://nobonzo.com/about/>

Submission by Reverend Aric Clark



We have one senior graduating this year. Brennan Sampson, we will be recognizing him at church on June 4th service. If you would like to help with our cash gift please leave at offering the next 4 Sundays.

Submission Brian McKennett



Holiday Bazaar

We have had our first bazaar meeting for this year and I am very excited. We have come up with ideas for new items to have in our sale this fall and we can't wait to share them with all of you. Our date



this year is Sat Nov 11th and as usual we will be open from 10 am until 2 pm. So mark your calendars to save that very special date.

Submission by Carol McComis



May 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	Linda Woodbury
11	Tess Hartley
14	Gregg Jacot
15	Aric Clark
19	Valery Sampson
21	Fred Robinson
23	Cathy Poff
25**	Valery & Mark Sampson
26	Brennan Sampson

If you wish to send a cards or more, please, use the Mountain Home UMC Church Directory for the addresses. If you need a directory contact Diane Peters.

Willowbrook Food Pantry

Oregon Food Bank newsletter has an article that was exciting news about a new food bank with the Confederate Tribes of Warm Springs.

We served 171 Families with 749 people in April! The sign of the times...

Thank God for the OFB and donations of the most generous friends.

Submission by Cherry Trotter



Breaking Ground

I'm thinking about breaking ground — and groundbreaking.

I recently joined leaders from Central

Oregon to break ground on an exciting new food bank facility in Redmond.

Johnson Bill from the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs blessed the ground with drum and song. We each got a shovel and ceremonially moved a bit of earth.

I thought about the very first documented groundbreaking ceremony in China in 113 BCE — and how our human desire to honor the land, mark new beginnings and seek strong foundations crosses time, space and cultures.

NeighborImpact is the outstanding Community Action Agency that owns and operates the current food bank in Redmond — and the one that is about to be built. NeighborImpact says it was "created in 1985 to represent and serve economically disadvantaged residents of Deschutes, Crook, and Jefferson counties and the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs." With a mission "to support people and strengthen communities," NeighborImpact is one vital node of the broader Oregon Food Bank Network.

Our human desire to work collaboratively and support one another in times of need also crosses time, space and cultures.

And while I was literally breaking ground in Redmond, a groundbreaking legislative campaign led by Oregon Food Bank, Partners for a Hunger-Free Oregon and more than 70 incredible allies was getting fully underway.

Once the legislation is successfully enacted, Food for All Oregonians will ensure that where we were born is not a barrier to nutrition assistance. For the first time in Oregon's history, all our low-income neighbors will have access to food safety net benefits.

That will be a glorious new foundation for us to build on. Because our human desire to build a better world for our children and grandchildren crosses time, space and cultures, too.

With hope and love,

Susannah Morgan
CEO, Oregon Food Bank



May 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1  May Day	2	3	4	5	6
7 *Worship 11:00 AM	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 *Worship 11:00 AM Mother's Day	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 *Worship 11:00 AM Ascension Sunday	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 Worship 11:00 AM Pentecost	29	30	31		* Sunday Worship will be in-person at the church 11:00 AM unless COVID-19 hospitalization in Washington County	then via Zoom 10:00 AM (notice sent out Friday)

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

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where past Sunday Worship Services can be found.

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