

Friday with Friends

A Newsletter of Klamath Falls Friends Church

1918 Oregon Ave,
Klamath Falls, Oregon 97601
Friday, September 6, 2024



Xeriscaping Peace Supper

Xeriscaping lecture by Nicole Sanchez of Oregon State University to be held with dinner provided

Saturday, September 14, 2024 at 6pm

Free, appropriate for all ages, food provided

Nicole Sanchez of Oregon State University will be speaking on the practice of xeriscaping at a Peace Supper at Klamath Falls Friends Church. Klamath Falls Friends Church has held many of these Peace Suppers over the years on a variety of topics. A Peace Supper includes both a speaker and a meal free for all. Xeriscaping is a landscaping technique that uses extremely low levels of water. With xeriscaping you can reduce or even eliminate the need for irrigation. Knowledge of local plants and plants that require little water offer great advantages in terms of reduced labor and expenses. With xeriscaping you will not need to be constantly watering, mowing, fertilizing, and reseeding a lawn. While you may be using different plants than you are used to in gardening, a variety of beautiful and hardy plants are available.

Further resources:

<https://extension.oregonstate.edu/gallery/waterwise-plant-profiles>

<https://www.pbs.org/newshour/science/how-xeriscaping-offers-a-water-efficient-environmentally-friendly-alternative-to-lawns>

<https://www.marthastewart.com/8336571/xeriscaping-ideas>

<https://www.bhg.com/gardening/landscaping-projects/landscape-basics/xeriscaping/>



Pantry clients are still in need of men and women's toiletries and toilet paper, since the Food Bank does not supply non-food items. The need for these items will continue, no doubt. Please volunteer your time if you are able. Contact Linda Warner. The nights for the pantry this month are the 17th and 24th.

The blanket/sleeping bag drive has begun. Please leave your new or used (laundered) donations at church by the office door, and we will make arrangements to have those donations delivered to the pantry.

An Interfaith Food Pantry Open House is scheduled for Friday, October 18 from 5:30 until 7:00. All congregations are invited to attend. Donations of refreshments for the event are appreciated. Contact Margo if you can help or have further questions.



Election Violence Prevention Workshop

Will be provided online, Oct 3, 6:00 PM PT with details available through Sierra Cascades Yearly Meeting. These events are very informative workshops and are well worth your time. For more information go to this page and scroll to the second page: <https://mailchi.mp/scymf.org/bulletin-of-sierra-cascades-ymf-20354904?e=79d7a55503>

*To attend workshop, use the zoom link below Meeting link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81115948179>*

There are also "Election Violence Prevention" suggestions of actions to take to decrease election violence at the church on the entry table. These are common sense things to do, but during this time of heightened anxiety around the election, having done a few of the suggestions is one way of lowering the temperature of the mood in our community and doing your part.



Peace and Social Concerns Committee is open to anyone interested in furthering peace actions through the church or individually. It meets every third Sunday at 9 AM, Please join us this September 15.

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CHURCH **BUSINESS** MEETING

We are going to try and have regular Monthly Meetings for Business on the last Sunday of each month. This month's monthly meeting is September 29 at the end of meeting for worship. Clerking will be taken care of on a rotating basis.

Ministry and Care

September 16

5:30 PM



Coming up soon! Join your Friends from Sierra-Cascades Yearly Meeting of Friends at the Fall Quarterly Gathering on Saturday, October 5. We will meet in-person at Eugene Friends Church, and also on Zoom.

There will be a program for kids during the day (except for lunchtime) with crafts and Quaker stories.

On Friday evening the youth will host a multi-generational game night at Eugene Friends. If you plan to attend, notify the registrar and fill out this Registry Form Link:

<https://forms.gle/44aRo7DyaK2848KZ9>



Schedule for Saturday, October 5:

9:00 to 10:30 a.m.	Workshops (four different workshops to choose from!)
10:30 to 10:45 a.m.	Break
10:45 to 11:30 a.m.	Worship and music led by Neil Isaacson, Eugene Friends
11:30 to 12:30 p.m.	Business session
12:30 to 1:30 p.m.	Lunch and book signing with Sarah Katreen Hoggatt
1:30 to 5:00 p.m.	Business session

Pre-registration is required. Please send the following information to registrar@scymf.org or reply to this email

- Name(s) of those attending
- Church or meeting affiliation
- Age(s) if under 18
- Are you attending in-person or on Zoom
- Which workshop would you like to attend (you can change your mind, but this will help us plan).

Here are the workshop descriptions:

1. *The FWCC World Plenary: Living the Spirit of Ubuntu*

This workshop will share about Gil George's experience with the FWCC World Plenary and host a discussion of the results of the Plenary held in South Africa in August. Gil George will relay the experience and provide a space to discuss the three thematic streams of Creation Care, Healing Historic and Current Injustices, and Living the Spirit of Ubuntu; and how these streams intersect to map the future of FWCC.

Gil George is the Operations Manager for FWCC Section of the Americas.-

2. *Foot-washing Fun with Derek* (in-person only)

To wash another person's feet, as Jesus did, and to allow another person to wash our own is to practice deep humility and can be powerfully transformative. This workshop is focused on facilitating a Christ-centered worship experience. In-person only. Dress appropriately.

Derek Lamson has been a worship leader and SCYMF activist since 2017, and currently serves on Faith and Practice Committee.

3. *Jesus, the Roman Empire, and the State of Israel*

This workshop will explore: (1) Jesus' harsh warning in Luke 13:1-5 when he was told about Rome's massacre of Jews in worship, "Unless you repent, you too will perish"; (2) the current situation in Palestine and Israel; and (3) if Jesus is still relevant, what might repentance look like for those who witness Israeli atrocities today?

Paul Parker is a professor emeritus of Elmhurst University where he taught in religious studies for 32 years. He has worked, studied, and volunteered in Palestine and Israel frequently since 2004, most recently as the principal of Ramallah Friends School's high school for the last two years.

4. *Let's Talk About Death and Dying (no, really!)*

Baltimore Yearly Meeting has just published an important book (with a little help from a couple of SCYMF folks): "A Tender Time: Quaker Voices on the End of Life." Includes chapters on aging well, end-of-life planning, and how friends, caregivers, and meetings can respond, and lots of resources. This workshop will introduce the book and its benefits and encourage local meetings to explore it together. The book is available through Barclay Press prior to the workshop.

Laura Simmons spent two years as a hospice chaplain and has lost both her parents; she wishes others were more prepared for this eventuality.

Intergenerational Game Night

Friday, October 4th beginning at 5:30 and running until approximately 9:30 will be the Intergenerational game night. All ages are invited to play games: board games as well as Dungeons and Dragons. Feel free to bring your favorite board game. The youth will be spending the night at Eugene Friends with Chaperones, Dave Cundiff and Willow Merrick. Bring snacks to share. Those who are spending the night should bring a sleeping bag, pillow and a change of clothing if desired. Please fill out the google form above and notify the registrar if you wish to attend.

Eugene Friends is located at 3495 W. 18th Avenue. **Eugene**, OR 97402