



Canby United Methodist Church

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Sunday at **11:15** a.m.
In-person & Zoom worship

Church Office Hours:
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday
10a.m. – 2p.m.

Pastor Dylan on Fridays
9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Lectionary Readings

October 17 / 21st Sunday after Pentecost
Mark 10.35-45

October 24 / 22nd Sunday after Pentecost
Mark 10.46-52

October 31 / 23rd Sunday after Pentecost
Mark 12.28-34

November 7 / 24th Sunday after Pentecost
Communion Sunday
Mark 12.38-44



October 15 & 16 (9 am – 4 pm)

Pastor's note:

During my hospital chaplaincy days, I had a chance to talk with one of my colleagues regarding my struggles at that time. I wanted to do things well in caring for and ministering to patients, but every time I approached a patient, I realized I lacked in something; I felt I was failing myself. Born as a pastor's kid, I watched my dad's ministry my entire life; I also completed seminary, and had many years of church experience, and I felt I was already a half expert and thought that I had much confidence in caring for people. Instead, I found myself nervous about who I would encounter in the patients' rooms and about what challenging life circumstances I was stepping into. I was fearful of occasional rejections, which made me question my pastoral identity and effectiveness, including my physical appearance as an Asian. I expressed this during the conversation with my colleague, and I said, "I am supposed to be good at it." My friend's immediate response to my statement was, "Who said you are 'supposed to'?" The conversation went into the issue of my eagerness to be good at ministry to people. And I realized that I desired to be good at what I do rather than participating in God's ministry as an instrument/vessel/agent of God.

That day, I had an epiphany that I needed to acknowledge my shortcomings and weaknesses.

And to realize that God takes me as who I am—broken, imperfect, and naked—yet I am precious in God's eyes and loved by God no matter what. Most of the time, it is myself that I feel vulnerable about



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and try to cover my shortcomings and weaknesses, yet I am more than enough in the eyes of God.

God embraces us as broken and messy, loves us, and transforms us into new beings. Who we were before, what we have done before, and where we have been before do not matter, because the Grace of God is always there for us. I have to keep reminding myself that I am who I am, and God's love, grace, mercy, and embrace will mature me as God's child. God is love, and God's love is unconditional.

Pastor Dylan

Upcoming:


Rummage Sale
October 15 & 16 (9 am – 4 pm)

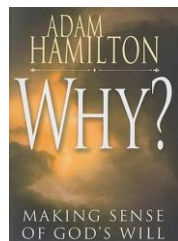
Church Council
November 15 (6pm)

Charge Conference for 2021
December 5 (12:30pm)

Small group:

Pastor Dylan is trying to start a book study group. The group will gather bi-weekly during a weekday and study a book together. We will start with the book WHY? by Adam Hamilton. The book helps us to understand God's presence and will in our lives.

Please get in touch with Pastor Dylan if you are interested.



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October Birthdays
22 Shirley Wright
26 Bobbie Knapp
29 Sharon Perez
30 Sharon Trimble

October Anniversary
21 Ron & Shelly Parsons

Financial Report:

September income was \$7,300, and expenses were about \$7,100, including sending \$1,000 toward apportionments. We have not used the contingency funds in 2021, which is excellent considering that we no longer have income from the pie booth effort. Thanks to everyone for your continued faithful support. You should have received your third quarter giving statements; let the office know if you have any questions.

We are starting the preparation for a new budget year. I see that our apportionment amount will decline for next year as the lower salaries are beginning to reflect in those calculations. The pastoral compensation will increase a little, and I think utility costs could have fairly significant increases, especially natural gas. Please keep the church in your prayers as we look forward to a new year and continue conversations about the vision for the future, hopefully without the Covid impacts.

Keep those cans and bottles coming...



Mark

Blessing Bag ministry:

Ken and Joe were driving to get some things for the rummage sale and saw a man on a corner with his dog and a help sign. So Ken gave him five dollars.

Deanna met two ladies in Oregon City and shared a Blessing Bag with one lady. The other lady was sitting on a walker. She said, "Look, mom, it's pink!" Then she told me she loves pink. We were able to connect with each other with the color pink, and we wished God's blessing to one another.

Ken and Deanna also met a man in Canby and were able to share a blessing Bag. God answers our prayers.

Thank you to everyone who participated in helping with the blessing bags by praying that God's light reaches one more. We hope this bag can provide comfort. Thank you for the blessing the Lord gives us when we are out there meeting people. Thank you for all the donations we have received. God has blessed us with the blessing bags; we are so grateful it has helped many people.



Care Team: Sharon, Deanna, and Diana are on the Care Team now. Thank you for all the prayers, cards, and visits. Diana is doing a lot of texting, emailing, and calling. The team is working hard to keep in touch. We sent out 28 cards, 30 calls, texts, and emails.

United Methodist Women:

1. The Cascadia District's meeting, held via Zoom on Sept. 25th, experimented with older gals doing a Zoom Meeting! It all worked out, and we learned a great deal about Native American History from our speaker Eva Johnson. She is a Native American who now resides in Salem. Some United Methodist Churches now stand on land that belonged to Native Americans... Some "Reparations" are now being

done. As the book we are studying, "Bearing Witness in the Kin-dom," tells us, all is not well, and we are partially to blame. Reassessing our past in light of these present ills enables us to name injustices and recognize systemic oppressions. We need to remove the "log" from our eyes and ask for forgiveness (with action) before we are ready to read the recommended Psalm 130!!

2. Do not forget our Rummage Sale on Oct. 15 and 16. You may begin to bring your items to sell on Monday, Oct. 11, through Thursday, Oct. 14. On Monday, Oct. 18, the Vietnam Veterans will come to pick up what is left.

3. We will not have a UMW in Oct. due to the Rummage Sale. But we will have a meeting on Saturday, Nov. 2 at 9:00 AM at the Church.

4. We thank our Church family for all your support!!

Much love,

Sharon & Deanna



Hey God:

Me: Hey God.

God: Hello, my love.

Me: I'm falling apart. Can you put me back together?

God: I would rather not.

Me: Why?

God: Because you aren't a puzzle.

Me: What about all of the pieces of my life that are falling down onto the ground?

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God: Let them stay there for a while. They fell off for a reason. Take some time and decide if you need any of those pieces back.

God: No - but you are breaking like the dawn. It's a new day. Become!! Become!!

Me: You don't understand! I'm breaking down!

Author ~ John Roedel

Artist~ Henn Kim

God: No - you don't understand. You are breaking through. What you are feeling are just growing pains. You are shedding the things and the people in your life that are holding you back. You aren't falling apart. You are falling into place. Relax. Take some deep breaths and allow those things you don't need any more to fall off of you. Quit holding onto the pieces that don't fit you anymore. Let them fall off. Let them go.

 Sacred Wild Woman Medicine

Me: Once I start doing that, what will be left of me?

God: Only the very best pieces of you.

Me: I'm scared of changing.

God: I keep telling you - **YOU AREN'T CHANGING!! YOU ARE BECOMING!**



Me: Becoming who?

God: Becoming who I created you to be! A person of light and love and charity and hope and courage and joy and mercy and grace and compassion. I made you for more than the shallow pieces you have decided to adorn yourself with that you cling to with such greed and fear. Let those things fall off of you. I love you! Don't change! Become! Become! Become! Become who I made you to be. I'm going to keep telling you this until you remember it.

Me: There goes another piece.

God: Yep. Let it be.

Me: So...I'm not broken?