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First Christian *Chimes*

...CALLED BY GOD TO LIVE AS A BLESSING...



FCC & the Fair: Blue Ribbon Memories

WESTERN WASHINGTON FAIR IS COMING—SEPTEMBER 7-23

In the early 1960s, FCC built its current building on a site just one block west of the fairgrounds. About 50 years ago a resourceful youth group began parking cars during the Fair as a fundraiser. In 2011, over a million people entered the gates of the Fair, and about 6,000 carloads of them parked at First Christian Church!

FCC isn't the monumental landmark the Fair is, but many visitors every year communicate to volunteers that "we've parked with you for years!" and "we go out of our way to park here!" It's good to know First Christian is part of the same special memories and legacy as the Fair.

Many volunteers are once again needed to participate in set-up and execution of the 17-day Fair Parking venture. Check Page 2 for set-up days, volunteer positions, and shifts, and sign up to volunteer if you can!

The Western Washington Fair is Puyallup's largest and best known landmark. Best known simply as "The Fair" or "Puyallup Fair," Washingtonians state-wide know and love the 17-day event, with one mention instantly conjuring up lifelong memories. The first fair was held in 1900 as the Valley Fair, on a vacant lot just west of today's Pioneer Park site, with admission at \$1 for all three days. The next year 10 acres were purchased on the site where the Fair has stood for over 100 years (now 160 acres).

Right on its heels, First Christian Church of Puyallup began meeting in their first building, where City Hall now stands, in 1905. Without a doubt, many early Puyallup Disciples walked down Meridian after Worship to "do the Puyallup." (For more FCC Puyallup history, visit www.fccpuyallup.com/about/fcc-history)

RESERVE A PARKING SPACE!

FAIR LOVER? FAIR EMPLOYEE?
FAMILY OF FAIR-GOERS?

Reserve a parking space for the entire
span of the Fair for \$100 (a 41% discount)!

Call the church to get yours:
253-845-6232

Blue Ribbon Memories

VOLUNTEER FOR FCC'S BIGGEST FUNDRAISER

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PARKING SET-UP—all hands needed!

Tues., Sept. 4th - 9 am

- Mowing & trimming (*extra hands needed!*)

Wed., Sept. 5th - 9 am (*if rain, Thurs., rain or shine!*)

- Striping parking spaces (help always appreciated)

Thurs., Sept. 6th - 9 am (*lunch provided!*)

- Hanging flags & putting up signs
- Cleaning & stocking shed & refrigerator

PARKING DURING THE FAIR—all hands needed!

Each shift is made up of 1 flagger, 1 cashier, and 3 parkers (or 2-5, depending on volume).

Fri., Sept. 7th through Sun., Sept. 23rd

- 8:00 am-11:30 am
- 11:30 am-2:30 pm
- 2:30 pm-5:30 pm
- 5:30 pm-close (typically 8:15 pm; never past 9 pm)

Please consider taking a shift... it's fun!



August Birthdays

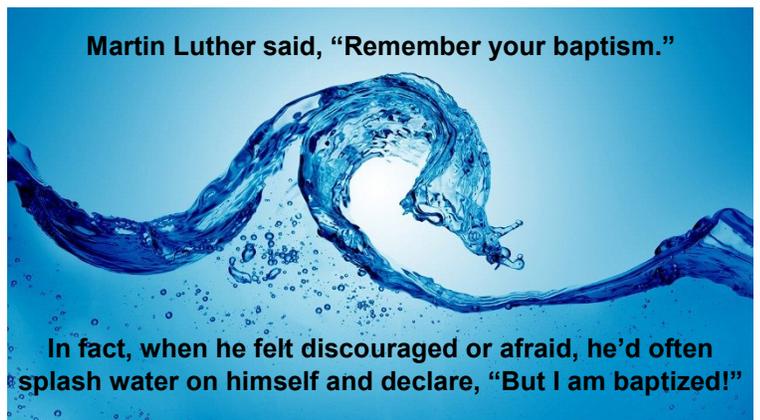
- 4 MD Cieszynski
- 7 Roxane Neslund
- 9 Louis Sannes
- 8 Scharlotte Porter
- 10 Megan Stanhope
- 10 Alorah Leale
- 11 James Lepley
- 11 Marjorie Northrop
- 11 Nancy Durrant
- 11 Karen Stumpf
- 12 Robert Collins
- 14 Karrie Cheek
- 17 Oliver Patterson
- 19 Alanna Duckett
- 22 Mike Kupfer
- 27 Sean Forslund
- 27 Kerry Yanasak
- 30 Jerry Forslund
- 30 Ashley Markum

Anniversaries

- 26 June & Steve Armstrong
- 27 Debbie & David Dimond

Remember Your Baptism

- August 22, 1999 Rosemarie Howard



Join the Book Club!

READING *KING OF METHLEHEM* BY PIERCE COUNTY PROSECUTOR MARK LINDQUIST

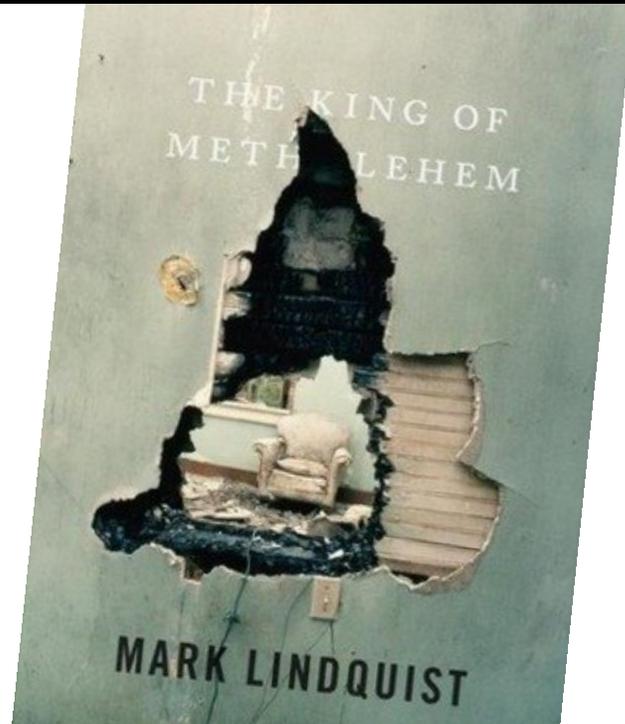
“[Pierce County Prosecutor] Mark Lindquist’s fourth book, the fiction read *The King of Methlehem*, is set entirely in Pierce County with significant references to the ever-changing downtown Tacoma.

Detective Wyatt James is a veteran police officer with the Meth Lab team in Pierce County, Washington—an epicenter of methamphetamine production. At the core of the local meth problem is the elusive, self-proclaimed “King of Meth-lehem.” The king moves from one shelter to another, relying on the kindness and desperation of a variety of women. He’s the top meth cook in the region, a dangerously successful identity thief...

Wyatt has been chasing Howard relentlessly, but the pursuit has become a fixation that threatens to destroy Wyatt’s personal life...”

—www.exit133.com

Writing about Tacoma since 2005



The Book Club meets the first Tuesday of every month. Join the Club at FCC on Tuesday, August 7th at 7 pm as readers focus conversation on *East of the Mountains* by David Guterson. Book Club selections are always featured on the FCC Puyallup website Amazon page.

fcc giving

07/01	General Fund.....	\$2715.00
07/08	General Fund	\$1063.49
	Adopt-a-Kid Backpack Ministry.....	\$ 75.00
07/15	General Fund.....	\$5895.00
07/22	General Fund.....	\$2135.00

*To meet 2012’s budgeted General Offering income, weekly General Fund giving must average \$1442.31.

Stewardship: What if...

“How would my life be different if I believed and acted like the claims of the Bible are correct? How would things change if I understood that all I have really belongs to God, and is entrusted by God to me to manage? What if I grounded my sense of self in my baptism, and recognized that in God’s eyes what I have doesn’t have any relationship to who I am?”

“What if I refused to compartmentalize my life into one box labeled “faith” and another box labeled “finances”? What if I believed and acted like there are infinite connections between my faith in Jesus Christ and my financial life, and these connections go both ways? What would it look like if my faith informed my financial life, not just in terms of what I give away, but also in terms of how I spend that which I “keep” for myself? How is it that what I do with my finances really does profoundly impact my faith in Jesus?”

—Chick Lane, Director of the Center for Stewardship Leaders, Luther Seminary



Return Service Requested

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Adopt-a-Student Ministry

FCC & FRIENDS BRING ELEMENTS OF SUCCESS TO LOCAL HOMELESS KIDS STARTING SCHOOL



There's still time to get in on the third year of FCC Puyallup's backpack and school supplies ministry. Adopt one of Helping Hand House's local homeless children through FCC, fulfill the child's school supply list, and help their school year start off right.

If purchasing an entire backpack full of supplies is a bit much for you, teaming with family, friends or small groups is encouraged; loose supplies, empty packs or cash gifts are welcome. Everything counts to help kids go to school without the worry of not having basic tools.

Sign up in the narthex or contact Robin Crabb for more information.

Life of the Church in August

- Summer Worship Sundays - 10 am
- The Hangout* Homeless Drop-in Center M, W, F - noon
- Puyallup Community Band rehearsal..... Tuesdays 7 pm
- Property TeamWednesdays - 9:30 am
- Women's Study (BRB)Wednesdays - 10 am
- Writing Group (Hangout & Friends) ...Wednesdays - 2 pm
- Men's StudyThursdays - 7 pm
- 5 Kelli Kays' Baby Shower - after Worship
- 7 Book Club Gathering - 7 pm
- 15 Elders Meeting at Barbara Stroud's home - 6 pm
- 16 Council Reports due
- 18 Lunch with a Friend - 10 am
- 19Worship in the Park at *Wildwood Park, Shelter #7*
- 23Council Meeting - 6 pm
- 26 Katie Peterson's Bridal Shower - after Worship

