

## **June Newsletter**

# .Upcoming Special **Congregational Meeting**

At our January meeting the congregation of St. Mark's agreed to a June special congregational meeting to review progress on financial stability.

The Stewardship and Finance Committees have been meeting regularly, along with the Church Council, to evaluate our situation and develop both short and long-term plans to address the viability of St. Mark's to be servants of Christ the Servant.

## In our last council meeting we set a date of Sunday, June 25th for the special congregational meeting.

Leading up to the congregational meeting, we will hold a series of small group meetings to present and discuss the council recommendations so that every member will have a chance to consider them prior to the congregational meeting. At the congregational meeting the congregation will discuss the recommendations further and vote on whether or not to move forward with the proposed or modified recommendations resulting from the small group meetings.

Please signup for one of the following small group meetings:

Sunday, June 11th in the Coffee Room after Sunday Service Wednesday, June 14th at 7pm in the Coffee Room Thursday, June 15th at 11 am in the Coffee Room

This is an important time for the congregation. The focus of the committee's and council's discussions has been to remain faithful servants. We are stepping out in faith to be faithful, trusting in the Holy Spirit to guide us in the coming weeks and months. And in the coming weeks, the congregation as a whole will have this same opportunity to step out in faith. Thanks be to God.



It was Fire Safety Week for the Kaiel Montessori School. They reviewed emergency exit plans, were visited by two fire trucks, and toured a fire station.

### **Come and Fill Us Now**

## **Pentecost Sunday Lunch** Celebration

St. Mark's, June 4th, 2017 10:30 am - 11:30 am in the Social Hall

Join us for an uplifting hour of worship and fellowship in many colors, sounds and tastes: celebrating the gifts of cultural heritage through art, music, dance and food.

> Hosted by the Heavenly Peace Fellowship All are welcome! No need to bring food - please bring yourselves and friends.



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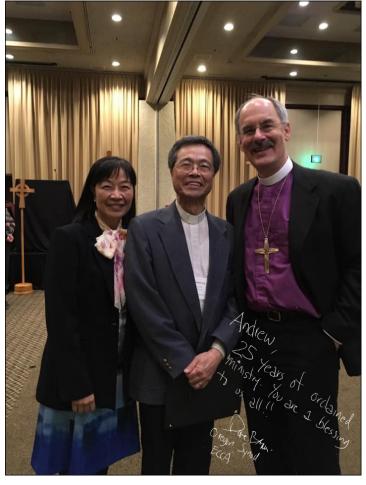
As the Faith, Sexism and Justice study wrapped up, the participants expressed a desire to have more multi-congregation conversations about how faith plays out in daily life. So we are going to do just that.

Welcome to a summer conversation on Salvation, Scripture and Society.

You will receive a weekly, short reflection on each topic, and then be invited to gather at Shut Up and Eat (3848 SE Gladstone)\* once a month for conversation.

> June 28<sup>th</sup>, 6pm-7:30 Salvation July 26<sup>th</sup>, 6pm-7:30 Scripture August 23, 6pm-7:30 Society

\*" Generous Italian-inspired sandwiches star at this casual, diner-style eatery with wine & beer." (per Google reviews)



Pastor Andrew Honored for 25 Years of Service

# **Classical Up-Close Concert Packs the Sanctuary**



Both levels of the sanctuary were filled with classical music lovers in April as we enjoyed the friendly banter and casual atmosphere that accompanied the works of Mozart, Prokofiev, Norman, Brahms and Martinu.

Our next concert will be presented by Portland Chamber Music on November 11th.

