



Spirit of Faith

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Of East Wenatchee
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....to inspire and challenge believers to seek deeper ways of serving Our Lord, to motivate all people to follow Jesus Christ, and to nurture one another.

Beginning and Endings...

June is a month of beginnings and endings. This month, many school children end their school year, relishing the beginning of summer. Their teachers, administrators, and para-pros also look forward to beginning their own summer vacations, after closing out another school year.

For high school seniors, June often marks their graduation. After a ceremony with cap and gown, and diploma in hand, they move on to the next phase of life, be that work, higher education, vocational education, service in our military, or some other endeavor.

Even pastors mark beginnings and endings. Last Sunday, June 3rd, my friend Pastor Jerry Beebe was honored for his service at First Assembly of God in Wenatchee, bringing to an end his 38 years of ministry there. I wish him well as he enjoys his new title as “legacy pastor!”

Meanwhile, I am heading to California this weekend to celebrate with my niece Annalise Deal, as she is ordained as an Episcopal priest, joining her husband Kevin in serving as Episcopalian clergy. My sister-in-law Lisa Simonsen, (married to my youngest brother Larry Deal), will also be present, as she is an ordained Lutheran pastor. We will both be seated in a special section of the Cathedral reserved for Clergy, and all of us ministers and priests will be wearing red stoles (red is the color for ordination services!)

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Far too often, we do not celebrate beginnings and endings as much as we should. Nor do we ask for God's help as we take on new tasks. When we come to a time of ending, my hope is that we will celebrate God's faithfulness to us. Not only at the end, but throughout our journeys, bringing us to a place where we are ready for the next chapter in our lives, whatever that may be...

In all of our beginnings and endings in life, and in every transition, we are comforted in knowing that God is with us. For the Lord is the Alpha, and the Omega, the beginning and the end. God's presence is constant, even though the world around us changes constantly...

I believe the Psalmist captured that thought when he wrote,

*"The Lord will keep
your going out, and your coming in
from this time on, and for evermore."*

Psalm 121: 8

Amen!

Faithfully yours,

Pastor Jim

June Birthdays

<i>Pat Caffrey</i>	6/2
<i>Jim Patterson</i>	6/2
<i>Eric Arlt</i>	6/10
<i>Ron Griffin</i>	6/11
<i>Cassidy Callihan Lewis</i>	6/11
<i>Celia Griffin</i>	6/25
<i>Marie Buckner</i>	6/28

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

June Anniversaries

Fred & Ann Deal	6/5
Bob & Linda Mitchell	6/12
Jeff & Shellie James	6/21
Clint & Myra Larama	6/25
David and Mary Weldy.	6/29



Property Ministry Team Opens a new chapter (new doors!)

Our new doors are in! At long last, we have new commercial-grade steel doors from our fellowship hall to our patio of praise, and from our foyer to our parking spaces on second street. These new doors look nice, are much easier to use, and greatly increase the security of our church building. I cannot tell you how many times the old doors looked closed and locked, but their aging locks didn't catch, and they could be opened just by pulling! It is truly a miracle our church building was not broken into more often!

We have other projects on the horizon, which we hope to accomplish this year, including enclosing the electrical conduits in the ceiling of the kitchen, painting more of the exterior of our building, and adding worship monitors to our conference room, fellowship hall, nursery, and kitchen.

Security remains a key concern for the Session of our church, and we recently met with Steve Evitt, a Wenatchee police detective, to hear about ways we could increase the security of our church building. We do hope to install some security cameras in and around our building, as well as some signs about unattended overnight parking in our parking lot.

We have also heard your concerns about the sound acoustics in our fellowship hall. Some frames for acoustic insulation have been constructed. They will soon be filled with acoustic dampening foam insulation, covered with attractive fabric, and installed on parts of the ceiling and walls of our fellowship hall. Hopefully, they will make a big difference, especially for those with hearing difficulties.

We look forward to the annual visit of the Youth Group from Canyon Hills Community Church in Bothell. They will be staying in our facility from Sunday night, June 23rd, to Wednesday morning, June 26th. In addition to mission work in our community, they will do some projects around our church, including yard work, and some exterior painting.

As always, your prayers for our Property Ministry Team are appreciated. Members of the team include chair Scott Kruse, Ron Lodge, Ann Deal, Loren Fischer, and Lori Reed.

Prepared by Pastor Jim



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9 Guest Preacher Rev. Mark Roeber 10am Worship Service 11:15 Fellowship 6pm Evangelical Free Church of E. Wendtchee	10 Office Closed 1:30 Pastor Jim Returns from California	11 Office Closed 1:00 Knitting Group 7-9 Iglesia de Dios Del Septima Dia	12 9:30 a NO Women's Bible Study 7-9 Iglesia de Dios Del Septima Dia	13 Office Closed 2:00pm Mission Team	14 Last Day of Public School 10:30 Office is open	15 10am to 5pm Iglesia de Dios Del Septima Dia		
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