

Kenilworth @ Work! July & August 2023



Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. 1 Peter 4:10

GREEN TEAM NEWS: Recycling Opportunity, Saturday, July 8th 10 am to 12:30 pm

James Recycling is hosting a recycling event on Saturday, July 8th, 10 am to 12:30 pm at Exceed Enterprises, 5285 SE Mallard Way, Milwaukie. They will be collecting the following items:



Straws and Utensils These are plastics we are not able to recycle curbside or at church. Contact Becky if you need more information.

Plastic screw-on caps

#2 HDPE Plastic

#4 LDPE Plastic

#5 PP Plastic

There is a fee of \$3 for a grocery bag of sorted items. Please go to the James Recycling website for information on how to sort. jshrecycling.com

<https://jshrecycling.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/Event-List-Updated-Aug-31-2022.pdf>

Free Geek will also be accepting items at this event. There is no fee for recycling the electronics, but donations are appreciated. Free Geek accepts nearly everything that plugs in or uses electricity, including computers, smartphones, tablets, printers, TVs, Audio/video systems, related accessories, and much more. We are also a proud participant of the Oregon E-Cycles program, which guarantees convenient recycling of computers, monitors, TVs, printers, keyboards, and mice for Oregonians and many small businesses.

Recycled this month: In addition to rigid Styrofoam and #6 plastics, we have been recycling plastic film and clear #1 plastics at the New Seasons Market on Woodstock. (See page 2 for more Green Team news.)

Flea Market, Saturday, August 5th 9 am to 3:00 pm

The powerful Presbyterian Women organization at Kenilworth is planning a fundraising Flea Market. Will you help get the word out for potential vendors? Spaces are available to crafters, collectors, rummagers, artists and more.



Have items you would like to part with? Rent a space and make some extra money with us. Would you like to help with the bake sale? Contact us at Kenilworth kenilworthpc@gmail.com and join the planning group July 12th at 10 am at the church.

Outdoor Worship and Annual BBQ, Sunday, August 27th 10:30 am



Worship on Sunday, August 27 will be different. We will travel to the wilds of Vancouver, Washington to worship among the trees at Jon and Sharese's home. Carpooling will be available.

Following worship, we will enjoy an all-church potluck BBQ. Jon and Sharese will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, and a vegan option. Please bring a dish to share. Iced tea, lemonade and water will be available. The Jewels say their above ground pool will be open, so bring a suit and towel.



KPC welcomes Rev. Susan McDougall

Susan received her Masters of Divinity from the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary. She has served as a hospice chaplain in Colorado, and currently serves as the Spiritual Care Director for Miramont Pointe, a senior living community. Susan and her husband David reside in Vancouver, Washington. They have four children and two crazy poodles.



American Red Cross

Thank you!

Kenilworth Presbyterian Church

Sponsor Group

Thursday, June 1st, 2023

Date of Drive

16 Total Number of Donors	3 First Time Donors
7 Type O Donors	15 Units Collected

One single blood donation can help save more than one life. Thank you for supporting our lifesaving mission!

MORE NEWS FROM THE GREEN TEAM



We recently cleaned out the kitchen and boxed up all the old stoneware dishes, cups and mugs, some of the small, plastic juice glasses and a few other serving dishes. These were delivered to The Community Warehouse on NE MLK Boulevard. We donated 36 coffee cups, 38 cup mugs, 46 dinner plates, 28 salad plates, 3 serving platters, 2 baking dishes and 29 juice glasses.

We also recycled many dead batteries, compact fluorescent light bulbs, and 8 pairs of eyeglasses and 6 eyeglass cases.



It's a Small Thing....but we can recycle them: plastic bread clips. You know, those annoying things that are hard to get off the bag and even harder to get back on.

DON'T THROW THEM AWAY. Bring them to church and drop into the container in the Recycling Center (at the end of the hallway.)



Barb doing the heavy lifting at The Community Warehouse.



KENILWORTH PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

The first meeting of the new season will be Saturday, August 26th at 9:30 am.

Contact Carol Garner for more information.



Birthdays



July

MJ Thurmon	9
Alan Bonney	17
Eleanore Ramsey	18
Rebecca Jewel	26

August

Jim Freda	16
Frances Broberg	23
Jody Lane	28
Ann Duran	30



Session Highlights June 11, 2023



- Session welcomed our new Moderator, Rev. Susan Van Stelle, Pastor of Mt. Scott Park Presbyterian Church in Portland.
- July 2nd, 9th, and 16th our Worship leader will be Rev. Susan McDougall, Spiritual Care Director for Miramont Pointe, a senior living community in Clackamas. Rev. Dr. John Hubbard will return July 23. Lay Pastor Shela Sullivan will lead Worship July 30 and August 6. Then, Rev. Susan McDougall will return August 13th and 20th.
- Session voted to accept the Green Team's proposal to celebrate God's creation with an outdoor Worship service August 27 led by Rev. David and Rebecca Jewel. Jonathan and Sharese Jewel will host the outdoor Worship service on their acreage near Vancouver, WA with a picnic to follow.
- The Search Committee scheduled a special visioning meeting Sunday afternoon, July 23. The Regular July Session meeting will be scheduled for Sunday afternoon, July 30.
- The new Building Use Agreement has been distributed to the various groups using space in our building. New child supervision practices are in place. Insurance coverage seems to be the most difficult requirement for some of the groups to achieve.
- A new automatic closure device has been installed on the East exterior door. Another has been purchased to be installed on the emergency exit at the first landing in the back stairwell.
- Session regretfully accepted the resignation of Presbytery Commissioner Annette Mandel. We pray that treatment may be found to restore her strength and energy.
- Elder Rebecca Jewel was elected to join Elder Katie Essick completing KPC's two Commissioner delegation to the Presbytery of the Cascades.
- Rick briefly reviewed the General Assembly amendments to the Book of Order and amendments to the constitution of the Presbytery of the Cascades that will be presented for affirmation at the June Presbytery meeting. To assure inclusivity, all gender specific words such as "men," or "women" were changed to "persons." As a result of the pandemic, all parliamentary procedures were amended to include proper electronic communication procedures. All enquirers, candidates, called and temporary pastors, and certified Christian Educators are required to complete child and elder abuse prevention classes and to be recertified every three years. In addition to a written policy dealing with child and elder abuse and a policy dealing with sexual misconduct, all PC/USA churches are now required to have two new written policies: One dealing with harassment and one with racial discrimination. There were two amendments to our Presbytery's constitution: One simplified the Presbytery Mission Statement, and the second grants Presbytery voting privileges for Presbytery Commissioners to Synod who may not currently be church Commissioners to the Presbytery. Session had no objections to these amendments.
- Session asked for more information regarding a request to use rooms in the church for some local union bargaining sessions. Due to time restrictions, they authorized an email vote on the question. Permission has subsequently been approved, but not yet confirmed by the bargaining agents.
- Session voted to create a branded Youtube Channel where recordings of our Worship services may be moved for preservation.
- Session authorized a request for a one-year extension of terms of the CATT Grant timeline because the project has not yet been completed.
- Groceries-4-Grout distributions will be moved from the Grout School grounds to the Church property while the school building is closed this summer.
- Session voted to move the church checking balance in excess of \$10,000 into the church savings account.
- The regular July Session meeting has been rescheduled for July 30, 2023 at approximately 1:30 pm. The meeting was moved back two weeks to allow full Session participation in the special visioning meeting July 23.

Rick Votrobeck, Clerk of Session



Groceries for Grout June 2023



Our volunteers were CHAMPIONS in June!

You met the challenges! With everyone's help, we set up the Groceries 4 Grout food pantry on **FIVE** Fridays in June.

On June 9th we and the school responded to the medical emergency of one of our customers. (We later learned they were released to go home after a few hours in the ER).

On the 16th, our pantry-hour moved up to a 12:30 start time **and** changed location from the school to Kenilworth Church. The attendance slipped a little, but that appears to be temporary. We're learning how to best keep everyone safe and comfortable on 34th Avenue.

Thank you for making all of this possible.

1,593 people served (485 households)

52% are families from Grout Elementary
12% are families from Kenilworth Park Plaza
36% are others from the area

11,206 pounds of groceries received

779# gleaned from New Seasons Woodstock
3,482# gleaned from Imperfect Produce
5,715# from the Oregon Food Bank
1,076# shared from Woodstock Pantry
154# from random sources

301 hours donated by 19 volunteers



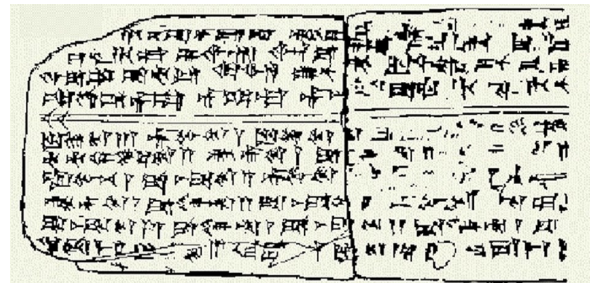
BARB'S NOTE-ABLE NOTES

Music may be as old as mankind, but the songs of the ancient past are largely lost to history. Among those to create and play music were the ancient residents of Mesopotamia. Within this cradle of civilization, history, laws, and religious texts were recorded in cuneiform on tablets. Many have survived, including an exceptional tablet: the earliest extant sheet music in the world. Known as "Hurrian Hymn No. 6," the 3,400-year-old tablet records a tune in praise of the ancient goddess Nikkal.



The ancient Hurrians were a Bronze Age people of the Near East. They had a rich culture, although much of their history and origins remain shrouded in mystery. They left behind clues however, such as a tablet bearing cuneiform discovered in the 1950s in the ruins of the city of Ugarit in northern Syria. The city was a center of trade and exchange with other Near Eastern civilizations, and even kingdoms as far as Egypt. On the tablet are four lines of text in the Ugarit dialect. While the language is difficult to interpret, the "Hurrian Hymn No. 6" is clearly the world's earliest extant melody or song.

The words of the song lie in the upper quadrant, while the lower contains the "notes." Scholars believe that sections of repeated lyrics indicate a refrain. The Akkadian cuneiform below is a heptatonic diatonic scale for a nine-stringed lyre. They are known as musical intervals. While the exact translations are somewhat contested, Professor Anne Draffkorn Kilmer of the University of California, Berkley translated the tablet in the 1970s and first attempted the ancient song. She and her colleagues created a record of it entitled, *Sounds From Silence*, which you can listen to below.



A drawing of the tablet bearing Hurrian Hymn No. 6. Public domain

The "Hurrian Hymn No. 6" tablet is one of 29 musical texts discovered in the palace of Ugarit dating to around 1,400 B.C.E. as Hurrian civilization was waning. These musical relics are not the oldest ever discovered, although the oldest full song. A fragment of 4,000-year-old Sumerian musical notation with instructions and tunings for a song about the ruler Lipit-Ishtar predates the "Hurrian Hymn." Investigating these earliest works shows the rich knowledge of music among the ancients, suggesting music is a pleasure and an art that humans have always appreciated.

Listen to the "Hurrian Hymn No.6," a hymn to Nikkal, an ancient Mesopotamian goddess.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t0QTWOnpzh0>

Musically yours, Barbara Votrobeck
KPC Music Director

Walking Forward Into The Future

The Kenilworth congregation began providing support for the education of Gloria, a young woman from Rwanda in 2018. In June, Gloria graduated from university!

KPC was able to connect with Gloria through *These Numbers Have Faces*, an organization which works to “educate and equip Africa’s brightest young leaders, empowering them to cultivate thriving communities.”

Jim Presnell, executive director writes: June was an exciting month for *These Numbers Have Faces*. We welcomed new students and celebrated our 2023 graduates! This year’s graduation ceremony was a wonderful opportunity for us to gather together - current students, graduates, alums, staff, and family members. We are so proud of the 25 graduates and the leaders they have become. They have worked so hard and we cannot wait to see what the future holds for them!

We celebrated with speeches by staff and students, traditional dancing, gifts, and ended the night with a shared feast!

We know each of them will go on to make a transformational difference in their communities.

Thank you for walking alongside these amazing young leaders!



Dear Friends at Kenilworth Presbyterian Church—
We just wanted to take a moment to thank you for your faithful and generous support of Gloria's Impact Circle in 2022. What a difference you've made—and continue to make in her life, as she pursues her dream of becoming a lawyer. We are so encouraged by your partnership and support. Your gift not only impacts Gloria, it also lifts up her family and her community. Please know that your generosity is indeed making a transformational difference in Gloria's life—and we can't thank you enough!!
From all of us, with gratitude and joy—
Jim Scovia ISAAC FRANCOISE Mikié



PW Luncheon and Tea Party Recap

On June 24, the Fireplace Room was elegantly set for a luncheon tea with new green tablecloths, cloth napkins and our new Spring Blossom dinnerware. Fresh flowers sat on a wooden bench down the center of each table, a party favor for the guests to take home. Colorful crocheted coasters awaited the new pub glasses filled with lemonade or tea, flavored with tasty fruit syrups and herbs. Thirty-two guests enjoyed a tasty meal of lemon chicken salad or a Greek vegetable salad in a cream puff or lettuce cup. There were other salads and desserts and bread sticks to complete the meal.

The program featured videos and speakers from the Portland Rescue Mission's Shepherd Door, a shelter for women and children, where they can recover and heal in a safe place.

The fund raiser was a huge success. We have received nearly \$4000.00 in donations for Shepherd's Door. If you would like to add to this total, please send a check to Kenilworth Presbyterian Church, marked for Shepherd's Door, or use the Give Now Button on our webpage, selecting PW and noting it is for Shepherd's Door.



Thanks to those who helped in any way. Rick made the wooden benches. Nancy potted the plants, Carol crocheted the coasters, Karl and Louise did the bulletin board, Laura did the invitations, Becky made the chicken salad, Edith made deviled eggs, Barb made the cream puffs, and David helped move tables.

PSALM 23
from *The Message*

GOD, MY SHEPHERD!
I DON'T NEED A THING.
YOU HAVE BEDDED ME DOWN IN LUSH
MEADOWS,
YOU FIND ME QUIET POOLS TO DRINK
FROM.
TRUE TO YOUR WORD,
YOU LET ME CATCH MY BREATH
AND SEND ME IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.

EVEN WHEN THE WAY GOES THROUGH
DEATH VALLEY,
I'M NOT AFRAID
WHEN YOU WALK AT MY SIDE.
YOUR TRUSTY SHEPHERD'S CROOK
MAKES ME FEEL SECURE.

YOU SERVE ME A SIX-COURSE DINNER
RIGHT IN FRONT OF MY ENEMIES.
YOU REVIVE MY DROOPING HEAD;
MY CUP BRIMS WITH BLESSING.

YOUR BEAUTY AND LOVE CHASE AFTER ME
EVERY DAY OF MY LIFE.
I'M BACK HOME IN THE HOUSE OF GOD
FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE.

Lemon Chicken Salad

Dressing: Mix together

- ¼ cup olive oil
- Grated peel of ½ lemon
- Juice of one lemon
- 1 Tablespoon honey
- ¼ teaspoon ground ginger
- ¼ teaspoon curry powder
- 1/8 teaspoon garlic powder

Toss with dressing:

- 1½ cups cubed, cooked chicken
- 1½ cups grapes, halved
(or cantaloupe, strawberries,
Mandarin oranges, etc)
- ½ cup celery, chopped

Other toppings: Sliced toasted almonds,
chopped walnuts or hazelnuts.

