

THURSDAY WORDS

Reaching out to you from Homer Congregational United Church of Christ
Thursday, July 16, 2020

Did I just hear the steeple bell?

Well yes – yes you did! Yesterday, the clock and bell project was completed. You can tell what time it is from all four directions – the clock is working again. In addition, each day from 8 AM through 8 PM, the bell will toll on the hour. Our thanks to Jean Cadwallader, Don & Gloria Lawson and Russ Oechsle for providing the funding, as well as working with Bonnie & Andy Haaland and Brian Cornwell to see the project completed.



SUNDAY WORSHIP – GOD ON FILM

Themes for worship this Sunday come from the 1984 movie, *Mass Appeal*. Using passages from Matthew, Pastor Vicki will consider Jesus' call to fish for people. The link will be available on Facebook and on our web page: www.homercc.com any time after 9 a.m. on Sunday.

SYNOPSIS OF MASS APPEAL

A monsignor, a priest and a deacon walk into a church revealing three *very* different approaches to ministry – each appealing to some part of the masses. The Monsignor is determined to keep the circle of acceptance chained to tradition. In the midst of his lengthy ministry, the priest discovers a new way to interact with his congregation. The deacon (a priest-wanna-be) is the deeply compassionate person who listens with his ears *and* his heart. Here is what the movie-makers say:

A popular Connecticut priest shields a seminary rebel from the wrath of a stern monsignor.

Our Outreach team meets this Sunday at 11 AM.

PREP FOR P.R.E.P. IS UNDERWAY!

...and it is going to be different this year. Held on **August 29th**, we will be carefully following safety guidelines. Families are asked to register their children. To date, we have **141** children in need.

YOU can sponsor a specific child(ren) and purchase a new pair of sneakers, a pack of underwear, and a pack of socks. Sponsors will be provided sizes, age and gender for each child. Sign up at **homercc.com/back-to-school-prep** to be a sponsor or to donate money towards the purchasing of items. To date, we have **43** sponsors – most of them are from the wider community. Time for all of us to sign up! Check it out...it is quite easy. Together, we look forward to expressing our love for God through taking care of our neighbors.

SAVE THOSE COATS!

In these summer days, we imagine you might be cleaning out closets. The Outreach Team encourages you to save those gently used coats. In October, we anticipate helping CAPCO with their coat collection. Keep cleaning – but hold onto any coats that you could donate this fall.

COMING UP

Tuesday
6:30 Trustees meeting via Zoom.

Wednesday
Children's Bedtime Prayer available after 6 pm.

8:45 pm **Michael** showing at Greek Peak's Adventure Center. Invite your friends!

Sunday, July 26 – *God on Film Michael*

Wednesday, July 29 – Drive-in Movie at Greet Peak: **Groundhog Day**

GET READY!

On Sunday, August 9, we will worship at 9:30 AM – IN PERSON – under a tent on our green. Bring your own chair and put it on a socially-distanced-mark on the grass. If you don't own a mask, we have some. (With apologies for the editing):

*...and they'll know we are loving Christians
from our masks, from our masks;*

Yes, they'll know we are loving Christians from our masks!

Watch for more details in the coming weeks.

WATCH FOR THE ONLINE EDITION OF SATURDAY WORDS.