

Crosspointe



CONNECTION

Glorifying God by multiplying
faithful followers of Jesus Christ.

Bringing People in
Building People up
Sending People out

July 2017

Crosspointe Baptist Church
9810 NE 76th Street
Vancouver, WA 98662-3822

Two Rails

Dear Friends,

Picture our church as a train rolling down the tracks. What is needed for a train to roll? There are many possible answers but the one I am looking for is train tracks. Without tracks, there will be no rolling and certainly no steady progress.

The two tracks that help our church roll along and make progress are our Life Groups and our Sunday morning worship services. The Book of Acts (which we will study in the fall) shows how the early church met as a large group in the temple courts and in small groups in various people's homes (Acts 2:42-47). In our new member's classes (Starting Pointe) we let everyone know how important those two rails are. It will be hard to make friends, grow spiritually, and do ministry without being committed to both rails.

Weekly worship is one of the highlights of my week. I love being with the family of God, singing His praises and fellowshiping with God's people. Zack does a great job of leading the worship team to lead us each week. My only frustration sometimes is that so many people are so marginal about being in church each week. We miss you when you don't come. As US Bank likes to say, "without you, we are not us." I just want to encourage you to make Sunday morning worship your priority. It will bless you, benefit others, and make a real difference in the work of the ministry here at CrossPointe.

Our second rail is Life Groups. Life Groups are more than a different name for Sunday School or Adult Bible Study. Our Life Groups are designed to be the place where people connect with one another, care for each other, study, fellowship, serve, worship, and grow together. I often tell the new members that when you choose not to participate in a Life Group you miss out on the relationships that make our church so special. In my 26 years as a Pastor, I have observed most of the people that leave church unhappy were not involved in a Life Group. They felt like people didn't care about them but the truth is, people didn't really know them! With this in mind, we have a goal of 100% participation in life groups. Currently we have about 60% participating. That means 40% of you are missing out regularly on the relationships and opportunities Life Groups present. I encourage you to re-think that and commit to finding and regularly participating in a Life Group.

Help us keep the train rolling down the track. Be faithful in our large group meetings (worship services) and small groups meetings (Life Groups). Also, a great way to keep the train rolling is to invite others to board the train. Invite people to attend church and Life Groups with you. Have a great month and I will see you in church!

In His Grip,
Pastor Jim

LEADER:	DAY & LOCATION:	TIME:	EMAIL/COMMENTS:
Robert Story	Sunday, Room 305 <i>Weekly</i>	9:15 AM	rjstory1@comcast.net <i>Adults</i>
James Smith	Sunday, Room 305	10:50 AM	jpresmith@msn.com <i>Senior Adults</i>
Austin Harpster	Sunday, Room 302 <i>Weekly</i>	10:50 AM	ja_harpster@hotmail.com <i>ages 20-59</i>
Steve Hensley	Sunday, Hensleys' <i>Weekly</i>	6:00 PM	steve@hensleyinc.com <i>"Apologetics"</i>
Ernie Kaps	Sunday, Wimmers' <i>Bi-Weekly</i>	7:00 PM	ernie-vickki@comcast.net <i>"Sermon notes study"</i>
Donna Spencer	Tuesday, Room 305 <i>Weekly</i>	10:30 AM	Senior Adult Class
Danny & Laurie Kuykendall	Tuesdays, Kuykendalls' <i>1st & 3rd Weeks</i>	6:00 PM	youthguy@nwbaptist.org
Grant Welch	Tuesday, Welches' <i>1st & 3rd Weeks</i>	7:00 PM	grantwelch312@gmail.com <i>College & Young Professionals</i>
Jay DeHart	Wednesday, Camps' <i>2nd & 4th Weeks</i>	6:30 PM	sequah@yahoo.com
Paul Flint	Wednesday, Room 302 <i>Weekly</i>	7:00 PM	paul910@gmail.com, <i>Mens</i> <i>"The Book of James,"</i>
Sonya Fitzpatrick	Wednesday, Room 305 <i>Weekly</i>	7:00 PM	sonya@nwbaptist.org, <i>Ladies</i> <i>"Finding I AM"</i>
Doug Metcalfe-White	Wednesday, Music Room <i>Weekly</i>	7:00 PM	metcalfewhite@gmail.com <i>"Strange Teachings"</i>
Mark Bradley	Thursday, Bradleys' <i>2nd & 4th Weeks</i>	7:00 PM	markb@nwbaptist.org <i>"The study of Philippians"</i>
Kim Tabor	Friday, Tabors'	1:30 PM	kim_miketabor@msn.com <i>Mom's (Children are welcome)</i>

The Storehouse Report

May 2017

General May Receipts: \$26,831.86

General Year to Date Receipts: \$165,721.85

Monthly Budget Requirement: \$34,318.25

Yearly Budget Requirement \$411,819.00

May Missions Receipts & Allocations \$4,476.91

Year-To-Date Net Income/(Loss): (5,914.11)

May 31, 2017 General Fund Balance \$31,508.90

God has given our family some very specific things to do over the years. Most of which were very costly. On paper the math did not work!! However, because we were so certain of the assignment, we plunged in with both feet. We stand amazed at how God has shown Himself faithful when we were faithful to Him with our tithes, offerings and actions." When God Guides He Provides" is not just a cute saying, we have lived it firsthand!

And the Lord said, Who then is that faithful and wise steward . . .

—Luke 12:42

Robin Smith, Treasurer

the **Missions Team**

Summer is here! This summer, we are planning for two big missions events through CrossPointe. Our first-ever Back To School Fair at Silver Star Elementary will take place on Saturday, August 26th, starting at 11:00 am. This event will feature lots of fun things for kids like a dunk tank, bounce house, carnival games, and prizes, and it also will offer some important things for parents, too. Several community organizations will offer information and sign-ups for resources to help families in need, and we are going to provide some free food and giveaway's of items that parents often need at back-to-school time. Our church is responsible for several things, including carnival games, a hot dog lunch, and some giveaway's. If you have organized a carnival game for a past event or have an idea for something fun to entertain kids, we need you! If you would be willing to come to the school that day to help run a game or to man a prize or give-away table, we need you! If you can cook hot dogs or hand out chips, we need you! And if you can pray, WE NEED YOU!!!! If you are interested in helping out in any form or fashion, please let me know! You can write "Back To School Fair" on your connection card or email me at ashley.seuell@gmail.com. This is a new way for us to be a light at the school, to get to know families in our community, and to serve.

Our second big event won't actually happen until next summer, but now is the time to start praying and planning. In the summer of 2018, we are going to send a team to England! Please start praying about whether you might want to be involved and start praying for those we will send. Information meetings will begin soon, so listen to the announcements and check the worship folder for details about those. If you might go on the trip, now is the time to start saving money and looking for ways to raise extra funds. If you don't think you will go, now is the time to start encouraging and lifting up those who will. Our goal with this trip is to support workers on the field in several ways, to enjoy time in a beautiful country filled with people who need to know the Lord, and to share God's love with everyone we encounter.

Thank you for all you do with missions through our church. Our Silver Star partnership is going strong. Thanks to your efforts, our Fourth Annual Staff Appreciation Breakfast was a success. We were able to spend some quality time with many of the teachers and staff while they ate. We also were able to faithfully deliver extra food to the school to be sent home in weekend food backpacks, something we likely will continue in the next school year. It is wonderful to see the great relationships we have with many people at the school, and we can continue to be a positive presence in the life of the school community.

By Ashley Seuell

I hope you are doing well. I'm sitting at my desk after getting in about forty minutes out in the garden. We're looking at a high of 81F and for the UK that is a heat wave! This week might be our whole summer!

You all have been praying for "the building" work. God's timing is not only amazing, but perfect. Although the lease has yet to be signed, the owners or Trust, allowed the work on the roof to go ahead. The roof work, I can happily report, has been finished. Please continue to pray for us in this endeavor that will lead us to more on more interaction with people with whom we can share the Good News with. We are hopeful the lease will be signed come September.

Continue to pray for "Kate". A friend and I were invited to break the fast with her and her four children (the children weren't fasting). Here in the UK, fasting at this time of the year can last up to 16 hours! Those who can afford to, travel back to homelands (if it's not war torn) where daylight hours in the summer aren't as long. My neighborhood has been like a ghost town this past month, as those who don't work, sleep in the day to conserve their energy, so it was nice to have some time with friends. Kate opened up about her father and how she has not spoken to him since he divorced her mom and remarried. She shared that she just cannot forgive him as she felt that in do this, he abandoned his family. We now have some understanding of how wounded she is and can continue to show her Jesus love and God's desire for reconciliation and HIS great plan of how we can be reconciled to God without earning that favor with HIM. She is our friend who has read part of our favorite book (the old part) who said she'd like to read it with me, but backed off. She's now said she'd like to take her children to a church so they can see for themselves what it is like. Her soul is wrestling. Pray for her & her extended family to come to faith in JC.

Please join us in praying for opportunities for churches in the city to go into schools and do assemblies. Here in the UK there is Religious Education in the schools. Open the Book and Birmingham City Mission (who I partner with in children's work) are working together to design a curriculum to be used in Urban, multi-faith or no faith areas. Our city will be the "test" run this next year. Pray that we will have open access into schools and that church goers will rise to the occasion and volunteer to bring God's Good News for everyone, into the schools.

Christie
Serving the NAME in Central England

Attention Children's Ministry Parents:

Summer is here, and so are several exciting opportunities to grow and serve as well as a few changes.

Starting July 2nd until August 20th, our children's ministry is going to be on a summer schedule. In doing this, we are giving our AMAZING regular Sunday School and children's church workers a needed break. The changes will be as follows:

- **No children's church during the 9:15 hour.** Children are encouraged to attend the worship service with their parents. Bags of things for the kids to do will be available, if needed.

- **There will be one combined K-5 class during the 10:50 hour.** We anticipate that the summer weeks will have a decrease in attendance and so combining classes will work out well. If there are weeks with high attendance, adjustments will be made.

As far as the preschool ministry, the only changes will be that Greg and Denise will be taking the summer off from the Pre-K class and Rob Elliot and another helper will be teaching that class. Everything else for the preschool will stay the same.

All that being said, we are still looking for people to volunteer to teach/help with classes this summer. We have SOME willing volunteers already enlisted, but even they have certain weeks of vacation planned, and we will need coverage. **Please consider volunteering a Sunday or two** this summer to help ensure that our children's and preschool ministries run smoothly and our children are taken care of.

Promotion Sunday will be Sunday, August 27th when our regular children's ministry teachers and leaders will be back and our schedule will return to normal for the 2017-2018 school year :)

If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know. Thank you!

In Him,

Nicolle Gatson
Children's Ministry Director

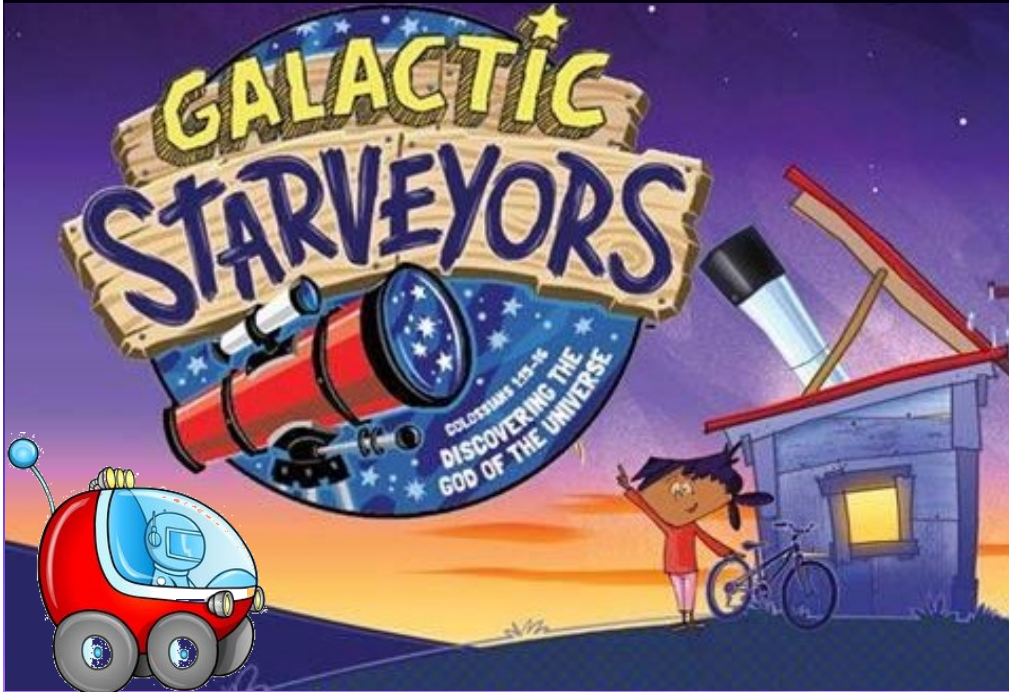
"If I could relive my life, I would devote my entire ministry to reaching children for God!"
-Dwight L. Moody, evangelist



**Reach for the Stars at
CrossPointe Baptist Church's
Day Camp!!**

July 10 - 14, 2017 (M-F)

9810 NE 76th St, Vancouver, WA 98662, 360-892-2111 www.crosspointebaptist.net



Galactic Starveyors: Searching the Visible, Discovering the Invisible, will be a fun way for kids to focus their telescopes towards the marvels painted in the sky by the Creator. They will discover that the God of the Universe, who made it all, also wants a personal relationship with them.

Come join us in the Galactic Starveyors Club House to meet the God who is over the moon in love with you!

For kids who have completed Kindergarten - 5th grades

Contact CrossPointe Baptist for registration information

Men's Breakfast

We would like to invite each of you to attend our monthly Men's Breakfast on Saturday, July 8th at 8:00 a.m. Please mark your calendars and plan to come for a great time of fellowship and food. Hope to see you there!

Baptism Service

We are having a Baptism Service in between our two worship services on Sunday, July 16th at 10:40 AM. If you are interested in following the Lord in believer's baptism, please sign up on the back of your Connection Card and we will be in touch with you.

Centrifuge Camp, Student Ministries

July 15th - 20th (Grades 6-12)

Are you ready for the best week of your entire summer? Centrifuge is a week long camp for Students from 6th-12th Grade where we focus our attention on Jesus in community. Each day is filled with memory saturating actives and life changing moments where we encounter God through Worship and Teaching. **Cost: \$320**

Audio Mixing 101

July 25th - 6:00PM

Have you ever wonder what that person in the back with the complicated looking sound board is doing? We'll be coving the basics of Audio mixing and what all those nobbs and sliders do. If we're honest, we all want to press the red button, this is the night you get to.

Worship Jam Session

July 29th - 6:00PM

If you play, sing or even or just have a cow bell hankering come and join us for a meal and music. The night will consist of eating, playing a few selected songs and then turning everyone loose and simply jamming together.

July 2017

Sunday:

9:15 AM, Worship and Adult Life Groups

10:50 AM, Worship and Adult Life Groups

Tuesday:

10:30 AM, Senior Adult Life Group *(July dates: July 18th followed by lunch at Pastor Jim & Sonya's home, and July 25th. Cancelled on July 4th and 11th)*

Wednesday:

5:30 - 7:00 PM, Youth Group (grades 9-12)

7:00 - 8:30 PM, Youth Group (grades 6-8)

7:00 - 8:00 PM, KidsPointe 252 (grades K-5)

7:00 - 8:00 PM, Adult Life Groups

Thursday:

6:00 - 8:00 PM, Worship Team Rehearsal

Upcoming Events:

Sunday, July 2nd

1:00 PM, Deacon's & Families BBQ at Pastor Jim & Sonya's home

Tuesday, July 4th

Happy Fourth of July, all Crosspointe activities cancelled today

Saturday, July 8th

8:00 AM, Men's Breakfast

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Vacation Bible School Day Camp Pre-Event

Sunday, July 9th

12:00 PM Vacation Bible School Day Camp Volunteer Luncheon at the church

Monday - Friday, July 10th - July 14th

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, Vacation Bible School/Day Camp

Wednesday, July 12th

7:00 PM, Elder's Meeting

Thursday, July 13th

6:00 PM, Vacation Bible School/Day Camp Family Dinner

Saturday, July 15th - July 20th

Youth Group Centrifuge Camp (grades 6-12)

Sunday, July 16th - Baptism Service

Thursday, July 20th - Bible Journaling group cancelled this month

Monday, July 24th - July 28th - Northwest Campers Family Camp

Tuesday, July 25th

Audio Mixing 101 (sound booth training)

Saturday, July 29th

5:30 PM - 9:00 PM Worship Jam Session

Happy Birthday!!

07/02

Bob Smith

07/03

Rosemary Janezich

Bill Jenkins

07/05

Liam Gaylord

07/07

Isaiah Johnson

07/08

Larry Skuzie

Shad Gatson

Shelly Wallway

07/09

Jonathan Tabor

07/10

Emma Kauffman

Jakobe Gatson

07/11

Gregory Peavey

07/12

Danielle McDade

07/16

Noah Kauffman

Shaun Collins

07/17

Alayna Higdon

Jean Knechtges

07/19

Deanna Soward

07/21

Lori De La Paz

07/22

John Digel

Eric Iwamoto

07/24

Ava Lorber

07/26

Steve Hensley

Patricia Story

07/27

Kimberly Tabor

07/28

Jim Fitzpatrick

07/29

Dick Greer

07/30

Dick Jones

Happy Anniversary!

Ernie & Vikki Kaps July 27, 1991

If your special day was not included please take a moment to fill out your Connection Card and include your date(s) so we can update our records with your information. Thank you!