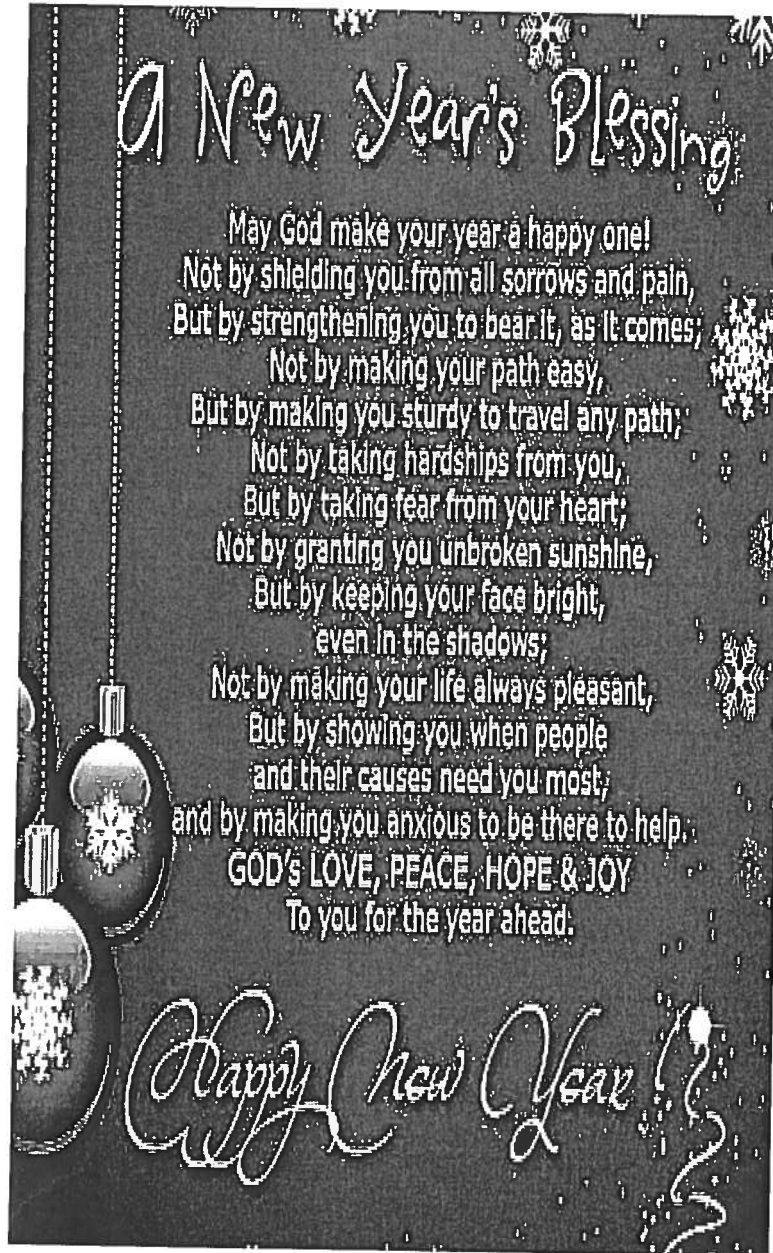


WHITNEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Christina Thompson, Pastor

Worship with us every Sunday at 10:00 a.m.
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OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday

Worship 10:00 a.m.
Adult Sunday School 8:30 a.m.
Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
Children's Sunday School 10:20 a.m.
Nursery 9:30 a.m.

Monday

River Bank Choir 4 p.m.
1st & 3rd Mondays
Stephen Ministry 6:30 p.m.
2nd & 4th Mondays
Shawlers 6:30 p.m.

Second Tuesday

Congregational Care 10:00 a.m.

1st Wednesday

United Methodist Women
12 noon

Wednesday

Prayer and Share small group 1:30 p.m.
Chancel Choir 7:00 p.m.

Thursday

6 Ways to Sunday Praise Band 5:45 p.m.

3rd Friday

WEPRAY team 3:00 p.m.
Community dinner 6:00 p.m.

2nd Saturday

United Methodist Men 9 a.m.

Every Saturday

Saturday Lunch 11:00 a.m.

A message from Rev. Lowell Greathouse



We hear about the notion of crossovers in lots of different settings in life. There are crossovers in basketball, which oftentimes end up with your opponent sprawled out on the floor as you either step back for a three point shot or drive past your defender for an easy lay-up. There is the famous “why did the chicken cross the road?” genre of jokes, which originally ended with the surprising words, “to get to the other side.”

Both of these crossovers involve something unexpected...even surprising to take place. You think one thing is going to happen but as a result of the crossover, something completely different occurs. Crossovers always have an element of adventure to them. But in the end, it turns out to be rather doable... and it cannot be prevented from occurring once the person (or even the chicken) decides to proceed. And the Bible is filled with crossovers of all kinds as well...from the Hebrews crossing over (really through) the Red Sea to Jesus crossing over from defeat to victory as he makes the journey of Holy week, which takes him from cross and grave to resurrection and everlasting life with God.

Beginning December 2, Bishop Stanovsky has invited all of us to participate in a year of CrossOver to Live. During this time, we are being asked to read Brian McLaren’s wonderful book *We Make the Road by Walking* and utilize various resources to engage us all in this year long exploration of what it means to be people of faith today.

But what does it mean to crossover as a community of faith?

Well, like all crossovers, it involves several key elements:

1. You’ve got to examine where you are currently positioned. Whether it is beside a road, on a basketball court, ... in your church... or someplace else.... This first step requires some inner reflection.
2. Then you’ve got to have an idea about where you are going and what your goal is. This requires some contextual analysis.
3. And finally, you’ve got to take the first step and head on your way. This requires action, including putting on your shoes and starting the journey.

Jesus is known for telling his disciples to travel light, but I’d contend that in order to “crossover” on any journey, you’ll need to take with you and use three metaphorical tools, which I’ve alluded to above. You’ll need... a microscope to examine your life, a telescope to see clearly what’s really out there, and a pair of traveling shoes so you can “make the road by walking” as Brian McLaren says.

We are all invited to participate in this year long quest, which McLaren says is about spiritual formation, reorientation, and activation.

Are you ready to make a crossover move this year?

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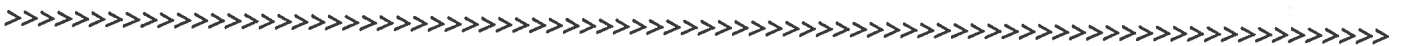
Are you ready to make a crossover move this year?

If you do, it will require some time, effort, and a willingness to risk. But don't worry, you won't be traveling alone. Countless people from throughout the Greater NW area will be participating in this same adventure and will be traveling alongside as well... and as is true on any trip, there will be plenty of resources available for you to discover and use as you head along your way. Check out the resources available to you as we make the crossover together in the coming year. You can find them here. See you along the way!

Let us walk in the light of God's love,

Lowell

Spirit Alive is a twice a month blog and email by Rev. Lowell Greathouse, Mission and Ministry Coordinator for the Oregon-Idaho Conference. It seeks to identify where the spirit is alive in our congregations and communities. You may check out past editions, or subscribe to the email list.



JOSEPH'S CLOSET

Joseph's Closet has been busy, especially with the coming of the cold weather. Since mid-October we have given out more than 350 coats. We are so grateful for the many donations of clothing and of money that has allowed us to keep our Closet well-stocked.

These donations are coming not only from our church but also from our community. We recently received a donation of 70 coats from the Church of Latter-Day Saints on Eagle Island.

A group of women at Heatherwood Retirement made over 80 flannel scarves and donated them as well as hats and gloves.

We have also received anonymous donations. We continue to need coats especially in large sizes, warm scarves and gloves.

Donations can be dropped off at the church office from 9-12, Monday through Friday. We have an abundance of hats.

The Closet will be open until Feb. 16.

Thanks to all of you who have donated and also to those who have staffed the Closet.

A story from the Closet: Recently, an older gentleman visited the closet and found a nice jacket that fit him perfectly. After checking out, he reached into his wallet and handed me two \$5 bills. "Give it to the church," he said, "you people are doing a great thing here."



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN



After taking care of end of the year business at our December meeting, we enjoyed Christmas scripture readings and the singing of favorite Christmas carols. We will celebrate United Methodist Women Sunday on Feb. 3. The theme of the service will be "Be the Light." We will NOT meet in January. Our February meeting will be on Feb. 6 at noon with a potluck. Lory Nesor will give the program.

Our vision: Turning faith, hope and love into action on behalf of women, children and youth around the world.

WHITNEY WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS BRUNCH

Cathie Slocum welcomed a large group of women into her home on December 1 for our annual women's Christmas brunch.

After enjoying a delicious brunch, we sang carols and visited.

Instead of gifting each other, we brought boots and warm socks for the children at Whitney Elementary.

Almost 60 brand or gently used boots were gladly received by them.



Left to right:

Barbara Nolan, Sharon Miller, Kathy Skalsky, Gaye Cabe, Sally Cupan, Janice Spencer, Shelley Cooper, Helen Shelby, Pam Kruck, Jana Hedges, Glenda Berto, Carol Adams, Cathie Slocum, Shelley Warner.

Seated:

Kathy Old, Linda Slupe, Maggie Storm, Lory Nesor.

Photo by Bill Slupe

A special thank you to Cathie and Mel Slocum for hosting this annual event in their home.

The Baer Family.....Lorrie and Jim

Lorrie Baer has lived in Boise all her life. Her father was Fire Chief at Cole Fire Department and the family lived at the fire department for the first 10 years of her life. She graduated from Borah High in 1960 and worked at Kings Variety Store. She received a degree in Dental Assisting at Boise Junior College, but decided she didn't like working for dentists. She preferred Kings Variety, but was fired when she became pregnant because pregnant women weren't allowed to work there. Lorrie's jobs through the years since then have all been volunteer work.



Jim grew up in Meridian on a dairy farm, but he was allergic to much on the farm and was eager to move away. He studied engineering for two years at BJC. Then he worked for 11 years mixing paint for Boise Paint and Glass. Jim and Lorrie were married in 1961 and had two daughters, Jody Myre and Lisa Martin. They both graduated from Borah High, also.

Jody has a Master's degree in early childhood education from BSU and was a classroom teacher for about 19 years. She now works as a reading and math tutor at Jefferson Elementary School, in the Boise School District. Jody's daughter, Hannah Hopson, is a medical assistant and works for Vitality Wellness Center in Meridian. Jody's husband is Gordy Myre who retired from a plumbing supply business, Familian, after working there for 25 years. Now he does a lot of volunteer work for the Multiple Sclerosis Association and volunteers in classrooms for two elementary schools. Gordy's daughter and granddaughter live on Whidbey Island in Washington.

Jim and Lorrie's second daughter, Lisa, was a secretary for 20 years with Jim's company, Paint and Spray Supply. She has been the administrative secretary for Whitney Elementary school for the past 8 years. Lisa and her husband, Todd Martin, have two sons. Jake, who works for Hewlett-Packard, and Wade is a computer analyst in Portland. Jake received his Master's degree in International Business from the U of O at the same time as Wade received a bachelor's at the U of O.

Jim and Lorrie joined Whitney church in 1966, and both girls grew up in the Whitney Sunday School. Lorrie began teaching Sunday school soon after they joined. She says, 'I was trained by the best! Martha Oaks and Ellen Burdick.' She has done about all that is possible for the Sunday school and nursery. She thinks she directed Vacation Bible School about 25 times. She just never stopped. Together Lorrie and Jody handle both the nursery and the children's Sunday school still today. They can always use more help, but they are not complaining.

In the early 1970's Jim started his own business in Garden City called Paint and Spray Supply. In 2000, he retired, and his business was purchased by National Coatings, but it is still managed by his son-in-law, Todd Martin, who has been in the business for almost 30 years.

Together, Lorrie and Jim do the outdoor church landscaping and flowers, and other projects around the church. Lorrie says that Jim is her bookkeeper and secretary, and dog sitter.

Lorrie Baer began working with refugee families when they first began coming to Whitney. She says they are all eager to work and learn English. She is usually able to help them find the services they need, such as a dentist and other things that are new in this country. She often keeps in touch with them when they find work and move on.

Lorrie is a member of UMW and often makes the coffee on Sunday mornings. She helps with Saturday lunches. Recently, she has been elected to serve on the Church Council beginning January 1.

The Baer family is a hometown family both in Boise and at Whitney church.

- ### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS
- 1 Nick Nesper
 - 9 Peggy Jackson
 - 10 Marissa Nesper
Emily Nelson
 - 13 Christina Thompson
 - 6 Bert Allen
 - 18 Shirley Hubbert
CJ Christophel
 - 21 Dennis Sundberg
Rich Keefe
 - 23 Dorothy Bixler
Ruth Romans
Kathy Skalsky
 - 24 Robert Burge
 - 25 Ramona Walhof
 - 31 Kevin Daniel

- ### JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES
- Kimberly & Stewart Gardner
 - Ellen & Stan Herzinger

GRANDMA'S ATTIC for CRAFT FAIR

As you are sorting and stowing your Christmas and Holiday decorations from this year, remember Grandma's Attic for next year. They will make the Attic look more festive and there could possibly be more items to sell.

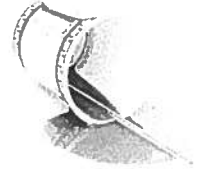
MEMO FROM THE TRUSTEES

- If you are in this church at least once a week, this article is for you.
- 1. Emergency Exit of a room in the office area (Rooms 1,2,3,4,5,6); the procedures are printed on a yellow piece of paper on the wall next to the window.
 - 2. Whitney UMC emergency Plan posted at each entrance:
List of emergency numbers
Procedures in case of:
 active shooter/intruder
 fire
 tornado
 earthquake
 severe weather
 - 3. Evacuation Alternative Map is located in each room/hall of the entire church building and Joseph's Closet.



SPILLS, TRASH, GARBAGE

After worship service, please put your empty coffee cups, napkins, etc. in the gray recycling bin in the hallway near the side door. The ushers will thank you for this as they are cleaning up after service for the next event.



JANUARY HOSPITALITY

Date	Acolytes	Greeters	Coffee Hosts	Liturgist	Communion stewards
January 6	Grace Fridel Clint Wachi	Grace Fridel Miriam Fridel	Gena Waller Julie Hall	Miriam Fridel	Kathy Skalsky Bob & Maggie Storm
January 13	Ruth Gardner Stewart Gardner	Noa Nesper Kaylyn Fournert	Mikki Carr Tyke Carr	Kaylyn Fournert	
January 20	Shelley Warner Zack Warner	Kathy Hammers, DeDe Matthews, Julie Hall	Arny & Kathy Skov Gordy & Jody Myre	Noa Nesper	
January 27	Kaylyn Fournert Miriam Fridel	Gordy Myre Jody Myre	Barb Martin	Joyce Obland	

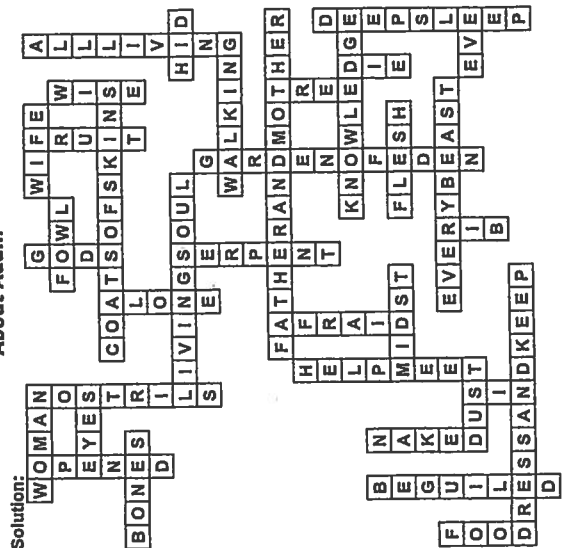
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>Dates & times subject to change</i>		1	2	3	4	5
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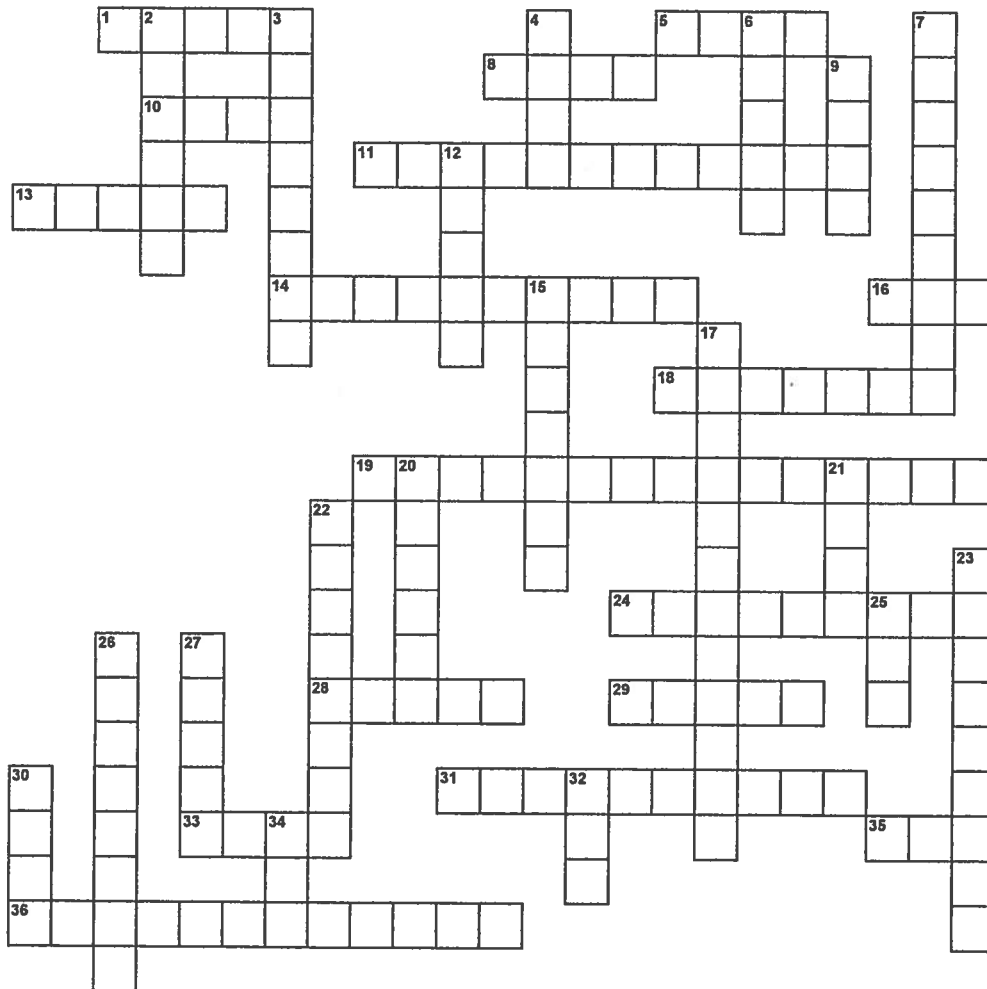
Bible Crossword Puzzle

About Adam



Bible Crossword Puzzle

About Adam



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ACROSS

- 1 What his wife was called.
- 5 Who he shall cleave to.
- 8 What was in the air that he named.
- 10 What his wife saw the tree was pleasant to .
- 11 What God made to cloth them with.
- 13 This is now bone of my _____.
- 14 What Adam became.
- 16 What they did because they were naked.
- 18 What they heard the voice of the Lord God doing.
- 19 Who a man shall leave.
- 24 The name of the tree they were not to eat of.
- 28 Where the tree of good and evil could be found.
- 29 Flesh of my _____
- 31 What was in the field that he named.
- 33 What he was formed from.
- 35 His wife's name.
- 36 What God put him in the garden to do.

DOWN

- 2 What the serpent said their eyes would be.
- 3 What God breathed into.
- 4 What the serpent said they would be as.
- 6 What his wife gave him to eat.
- 7 What his wife was the mother of.
- 9 What to her the tree desired to make one.
- 12 Not good to be _____.
- 15 This was more subtil than any beast.
- 17 Where he lived.
- 20 How they felt when they knew they were naked.
- 21 They were not to eat of everyone of these.
- 22 What God made for him.
- 23 What God caused to fall upon him.
- 25 The serpent said it would not surely happen to them.
- 26 What the woman said the serpent did to her.
- 27 What they realized they were.
- 30 What his wife saw the tree was good for.
- 32 What his wife was created from.
- 34 Adam and his wife were the first people to do this.