

# Weekly news & updates for St. Paul's

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## Upcoming Events for the week

- **November 17- Noon Day Eucharist at St. Paul's Chapel 601 Union St. Masks required**
- **November 21 - 8 a.m. Sunday Eucharist Service at St. Paul's**
- **November 21- 9:00 a.m. [Sunday Forum](#) in-person and Zoom offered**
- **November 21 - 10:00 a.m. Sunday Eucharist, in-person and Zoom offered. It's been fun having coffee hour again.**
- **November 24- Noon Thanksgiving Service at The Chapel on Union Street.**

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*Tap on blue box to watch the Never Forget Rose Garden video  
Submitted by Alan Alford.*

**Video of Never Forget  
Rose Garden by Alan  
Alford**



**Pleasant Ridge pine tree at dusk.**

*Submitted by David Gross*

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## Jesus knocks, are we listening?

In meditative prayer we are growing into what Thomas a Kempis calls “a familiar friendship with Jesus.” We are learning to sink down into the light and life of Christ and becoming comfortable in this posture. We read Scripture to ponder the words slowly, not for a specific outcome, but to quietly hear the words of Jesus.

In meditative prayer we are creating the emotional and spiritual space that allows God to construct an inner sanctuary in the heart. The wonderful verse “Behold, I stand at the door, and knock” was originally penned for believers, not unbelievers. Jesus knocks at the door of our heart, daily, hourly, moment by moment. He is longing to commune with us. He desires a perpetual Eucharistic feast in the inner sanctuary of the heart. Jesus is knocking; meditative prayer opens the door.

*~ An excerpt shared from Richard Foster's book, "Sanctuary of the Soul."*

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# CALLING ALL SAINTS!

St. Vincent de Paul will be hosting the Warming Shelter this winter and we need volunteers.

**Who:** You!

**What:** 8:30PM -& 7AM \*you can also do a split shift with a friend

**When:** Any night(s) you are available

**Where:** 315 W 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, The Dalles

**How:** Together!

Please contact Courtney at (518) 524-1936 or [lifeishood@outlook.com](mailto:lifeishood@outlook.com)

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## Congratulations to Sardana Mikheeva

Sardana Mikheeva, Sam and Ann Marie Woolsey's daughter-in-law, and VP of Operations at **inDriver**, was just named The Aurora Tech Award for female founders of IT start-ups. The award was recently established in the Autumn of 2021 by inDriver. This year, the award is going only to Russian-speaking women, but plans are under way to significantly extend its geographic reach in future.



Sardana is responsible for day-to-day administrative operations for the entire **inDriver** team and the implementation of the Chief Operating Officer's strategic vision. My aim is to make sure that all operations and functional units at inDriver are aligned to be as efficient as possible at all times and that we collectively achieve our shared goals. With this goal in mind, my team includes operational functions such as Facility and Office Management, Corporate Travel Management, IT Management, Global Operations, BPMO and PMO.

Sardana says, "Women are seriously underrepresented in technology companies in IT-related and top positions. Gender imbalance is a common phenomenon in educational institutions that train IT professionals. In my opinion, socio-cultural biases and prejudices are the main culprits here, as well as the current approach to training IT specialists and a lack of proactive strategies on the part of employers and technology companies."

*Information and photo submitted by none other than her mother-in-law, Ann Marie Woolsey*

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## Help fill food baskets for Thanksgiving

For several years St. Paul's has graciously supplied Thanksgiving

Baskets for Haven, and this year is no different. This is done by people grabbing sacks labeled with different foods necessary to fill a basket for Thanksgiving, so if you didn't pick-up a sack this morning, please stop by the church and pick one up. And, you can say hi to our new secretary, Fiona Ferguson.



## Support AFS by purchasing oranges, grapefruit or both



Once again AFS will be selling delicious Texas grapefruit and California oranges, and now is the time to place your order. Shelled pecan halves are also available in a one pound bag. Fruit comes in a 20 pound box....sold this year for \$30 a box. Pecans are \$17 per bag. All proceeds will assist local students to study abroad for ten months and also support our incoming students with school fees and other

expenses. AFS continues to live into its mission statement which reads....."AFS-USA works toward a more just and peaceful world by providing international and intercultural learning experiences to individuals, families, schools and communities through a global volunteer partnership." Please respond to this email with your order or give me a call at 541-296-5628 by Nov. 20. Fruit will be delivered to your doorstep on Saturday, December 11. Checks are to be made out to AFS.

Thank you!! Gretchen

## The Dalles Rotary Club's Annual Holiday Fundraiser



We (The Dalles Rotary Club) just kicked off our Annual Holiday Fundraiser, and we're hoping you could support us and our scholarship program!

Through the online fundraising website [www.giftitforward.com](http://www.giftitforward.com) you can help by purchasing a beautiful, fresh Wreath, Centerpiece, and/or Table Top Christmas Tree. Type in the fund raising code THEDALOR001 and my name or the name of any Rotarian you know as the referring member, then click on the "Apply Now" button. Then scroll down and

pick out what you want to order and go from there.

**\$8.00 is donated to our organization per item!**

The Holiday Evergreens you purchase for yourself, family, and friends will be delivered via FedEx

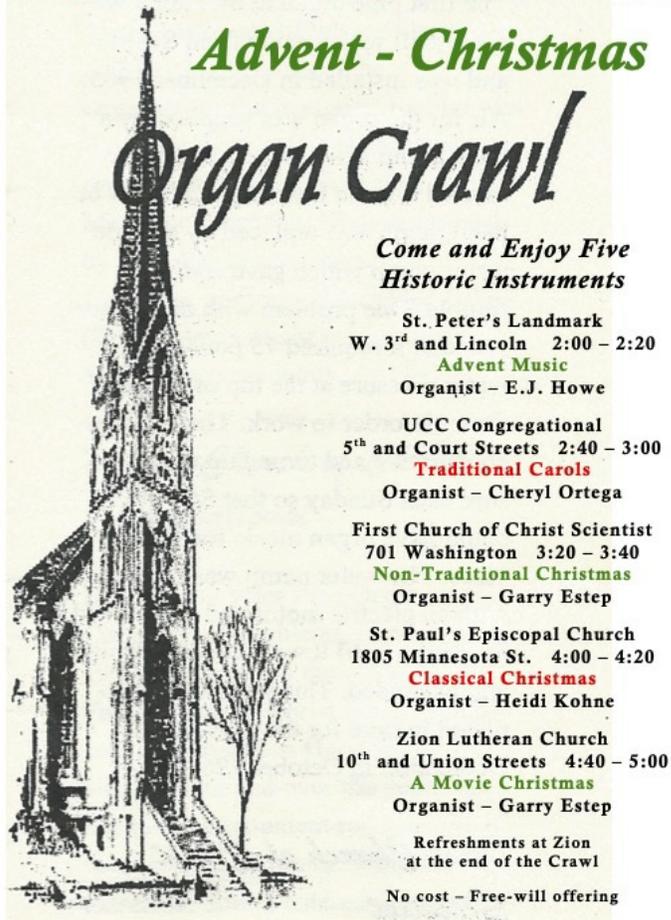
in a festive cartoon with your personalized message the first part of December. What holiday gift could be more timely and meaningful for around \$40?  
Thank you in advance for your help and support. I hope you have a great holiday season.

PK Swartz, Rotarian

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## Organ Crawl Announcement

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2021 – 2 TO 5 P.M.**



*Advent - Christmas*

# Organ Crawl

*Come and Enjoy Five Historic Instruments*

**St. Peter's Landmark**  
W. 3<sup>rd</sup> and Lincoln 2:00 – 2:20  
*Advent Music*  
Organist – E.J. Howe

**UCC Congregational**  
5<sup>th</sup> and Court Streets 2:40 – 3:00  
*Traditional Carols*  
Organist – Cheryl Ortega

**First Church of Christ Scientist**  
701 Washington 3:20 – 3:40  
*Non-Traditional Christmas*  
Organist – Garry Estep

**St. Paul's Episcopal Church**  
1805 Minnesota St. 4:00 – 4:20  
*Classical Christmas*  
Organist – Heidi Kohne

**Zion Lutheran Church**  
10<sup>th</sup> and Union Streets 4:40 – 5:00  
*A Movie Christmas*  
Organist – Garry Estep

Refreshments at Zion  
at the end of the Crawl

No cost – Free-will offering

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## Advent Wednesday 6:00 p.m. Services

### Wednesday, December 1: St. Paul's

- 1805 Minnesota St.

### Wednesday, December 8: Zion Lutheran

- 101 W. 10th St.

### Wednesday, December 15: First United Methodist

- 305 E. 11th St.

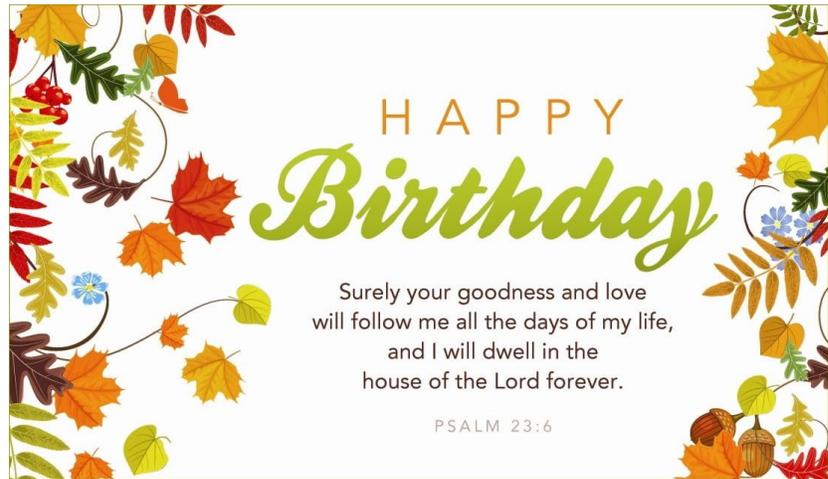
### Tuesday, December 21: United Church of Christ (Longest Night service)



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## November Birthday's

- 15 Gretchen Kimsey
- 18 Shirley Bjelland
- 18 Ginger Crowley
- 23 Laura Lowe
- 27 Anne Frazier
- 28 Georgia Giacobbe



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**For your prayers ...** Peggy Davis, Skip & Carol Fisher, Bobbi Green, Dale Newton, Ruth Welle (Carol Yakish's sister), John Davis, Lee Keifer, Andrew Larive, Melanie from Ascension, Mary who is suffering from ALS (a friend of Amy McIlvanna), Steve and Colleen Schafroth, Alice and Don as Alice struggles from lung cancer (John Langfeldt's sister and brother-in-law), Abby Sue (Carolyn Thomas's niece), Mike Nagle as he heals from shoulder surgery, Michael Hayes (Gretchen Kimsey's nephew suffering from colon cancer), Peter Russell (Jeanie Senior's nephew), Elen Thomas (Carolyn Thomas' grand daughter), Evelyn Nultemeier (Georgia Giacobbe's sister), Ken Schlieff, Pastor George Clark and his wife, Judee who have Covid, Ned Kice, and relief from the Covid-19 virus spread throughout the community and country, and our Nation. *11 15 21*

**For the departed:** Jeff Krier, Griff Thomas, Betty Hartmann, The Rev. Larry Ferguson, Oscar Martinez, Helen Kochel, and Ross Hucke.

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*To submit articles or pictures for the weekly newsletter, please submit them by Friday. Some articles may be held over for the following issue due to immediacy and space. Your articles keep us smiling and feeling like a community. Thank you, Marilyn*