

Ephesians
4:1-16
"Walk in a manner
of the calling to
which you have
been called".

Welcome our new Lead Pastor: Colton Emmert, the son of a Scott and Julie Emmert, and a devoted servant of Jesus Christ, grew up right here at River of Life Fellowship Church in Sweet Home. He left Sweet Home as a young adult and began his service in ministry a few years later at Journey Church in Bend, Oregon under Pastor Keith Kirkpatrick. In his time serving in children's and youth ministry there, Colton learned the importance of creating a church culture that welcomes all people and was gratified to be part of a community known as the "church for people who don't like church." Following his two year internship at Journey Church, Colton and his wife, Marissa, embarked on a three month mission trip to Uganda where they experienced the gift of teaching and spreading the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ to adults and children alike. The friends made and adventures in Uganda further solidified the knowledge that God's powerful Grace and Love extends beyond all borders. Upon their return from Uganda, Colton and Marissa moved to Cottage Grove, Oregon where Colton accepted a youth pastor position at Cottage Grove Faith Center under Pastor Isaac Hovet. Cottage Grove Faith Center explores being community in Christ through Grace, Humility and Fun and exemplifies the phrase "Once we know the worst thing about you we will only love you more." Colton took this message to heart along with all the other things he learned along the way and is passionate about leading a church that makes Christ accessible to EVERYONE through Love, Acceptance, and Forgiveness. Colton lives and speaks a message of the Grace

of Jesus that has transformed him and given his life meaning. In addition to his pastoral calling, Colton, as most would say 'married up', is a happy husband and soon to be father. Colton and Marissa are expecting their first child, Adalynn, in July. Through the Grace and Divine Providence of Christ, they will be starting their family right back here at River of Life Fellowship in Sweet Home, Oregon. Colton is humbled and excited to have the privilege of being a community of Christ followers with all of you once again and excited to learn from you even as he shares all he has been given during his time away.

# twenty seventeen at River of Life Fellowship

#### **Event Calendar**

TODAY	Children's Sunday School, 9:30am-10:15am, Ministry Center
TODAY	Adult Sunday School, 9:30am-10:15am, Office or Fellowship
4/11	Men's Bible Study, 7:30am, Church Office
4/11	Women's Prayer, 10am, Sheila White's Home
4/14	Good Friday Service with Communion, 7PM
4/16	Canceled - Adult & Children's Sunday School
4/16	Continental Breakfast, 9:45AM-10:30AM, FELLOWSHIP
4/16	EASTER SUNDAY, PASTOR COLTON EMMERT
4/18	Husky Huddle, Noon, Ministry Center



#### **Good Friday Service**

Join us Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM for a special Good Friday Service. This will be a time of quiet reflection as we share communion together and consider the great price Christ paid for our salvation.



#### **Celebrating Easter Sunday:**

April 16<sup>th</sup>

9:45am Continental Breakfast 10:30am Easter Service

Invite your friends & family to celebrate Christ's Resurrection at River of Life Fellowship.



Adult Sunday School: "Prayers that Heal the Heart" No class on Easter Sunday. Join us the following week for a live demonstration of Prayers that Heal the Heart. We'll end the class with the topic, "Experiencing the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus." We look forward to seeing you!

### Ministering Today

Gary Hooley

• Worship•

Randy & Arlene Jantzi, Cathy Emmert, Pam Miner & Ralph Myers

Greeters

Roger & Natalie C.

Next Week - Steve & Christine Pace

• Ushers •

Ralph Myers

Next Week - Mel & Judy James

• Lock Up •

Bob Green
Next Week - Mel James

• Sunday School •

9:25 to 10:15

Pre-K - 8th Grade in Ministry Center Randy & Arlene Jantzi

Our Leadership

#### Pastoral Leadership Team

Pastor Colton & Marissa Emmert

(541) 401-4932

Randy & Arlene Jantzi (541) 258-6749

Arlen & Cathy Emmert

(541) 367-6698

Perry & Kay Crocker

(541) 367-2404

**Worship Ministry Coordinator** 

Randy Jantzi (541) 258-6749

**Nursery Coordinator** 

Judy James (541) 367-3915

**Hospitality Coordinator** 

Judy James (541) 367-3915

**Sunday School Coordinator** 

Donna Swank (541) 367-3692



Thank you for worshipping with us this morning! We pray you sense the Lord's love, joy, and assurance that He is able and faithful to fulfill every good purpose He has for you!

At River of Life, we eagerly seek a fresh anointing of God's Spirit. He is a Living God, so we long for our services to be alive in Him according to His Word...

Let love be your highest goal, but also desire the special abilities the Spirit gives. ... For God is not a God of disorder but of peace. 1 Cor 14:1,33

Always be joyful. Keep on praying. No matter what happens, always be thankful... Do not stifle the Holy Spirit. Do not scoff at prophecies, but test everything that is said. Hold on to what is good. 1 Thes 5:16-21

Wherever you assemble ... pray with holy hands lifted up to God... 1 Tim 2:8

When you meet, one will sing, another will teach, another will tell some special revelation God has given, one will speak in an unknown language, while another will interpret what is said. But everything that is done must be useful to all and build them up in the Lord.

1 Cor 14:26

Come, let us sing to the Lord! Let us give a joyous shout to the rock of our salvation! Ps 95:1

Because of these and other Scriptures, we are open to any Biblical worship expression that does not distract from the flow of the Holy Spirit's anointing.



"The first thing I want you to do is pray. Pray every way you know how, for everyone you know. Pray especially for rulers and their governments to rule well so we can be quietly about our business of living simply, in humble contemplation. This is the way our Savior God wants us to live." | Timothy 2:1-3 MSG

Please pray for God's church throughout the world as we celebrate the Resurrection of the Christ. Pray that many will be added to our numbers.

Please pray for Colton & Marissa Emmert as they transition their family into the role as the shepherd of this flock. Please also pray they will find their new residence in Sweet Home quickly.

Praise God! Pastor Jim's knee surgery has been scheduled for April 27<sup>th</sup>! Please pray the surgeon's hands will be steady & Jim's recovery will be smooth.

Please pray for Arlene's nephew Robb who is continuing to battle brain cancer. Please pray for special comfort over his wife & young son.

Please pray that God will move in the lives of the attendees of the Banaba House Simple Church Family Camp.

"Lord, I am constantly asking You to give me Your strength, to change me and heal me. But nothing is more empowering and life transforming than simply adoring You. Inject the truth of Your wisdom, love, holiness and sovereignty down deep in my heart until it catches fire there and makes me new." Timothy Keller.



## RIVER OF LIFE FELLOWSHIP

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