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## **The Blessing of the Animals – October 4**

This Sunday is the Feast Day of Saint Francis. It is the day traditionally for Animal Blessing. **On October 4 at 3:00 PM** you are invited to join with members of Christ the Good Shepherd, St. Mark and Holy Cross to have a zoom worship around animal blessing. The zoom link is here:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81771359391?pwd=SFFOWjlieGVJcElObkJrbXFoa2pMdz09>

Along with readings, and prayers, as well as some good information about St. Francis, there will be an opportunity to share the animals in your life with each other in breakout rooms. Hopefully your pet will be able to join you on zoom. If not, have a picture ready to show. And of course, stuffed animals are welcome as well. All ages are welcome to attend – feel free to attend

Holy Cross is taking the opportunity to provide parking space for 2 RVs for fire evacuee families to have safe housing in their own vehicle. There may be many things to work out with them as we move into this new ministry phase. The RVs will be parked in the parking lots and we will provide access to electricity. Church at the Park is a project supported by Salem Leadership Foundation, an organization with which we have had a long time relationship. A porta-potty will be provided by Church at the Park and Karen Halvorson will be maintaining contact with the Safe Parking Coordinator and as the process moves forward Karen will update with the email blast system. If you have questions or concerns please call Karen at 503-428-4651. Property members Jerry Barker and Gary Bogstad pulled the initial set up together on Wednesday and the families will be here sometime Wednesday afternoon. Thank you both.

Many of our neighbors are in need from the wildfires - Give money if you can, volunteer to help if you're able. Here's the info –

DROPPING OFF Donations at the Truitt Receiving Center at 1330 Front St Salem, OR 97301. It will be open Monday-Friday from 9-5pm. Any volunteers that want to help should go to this site first.

PICKING UP resources or supplies Resource Hub at 1705 Silverton Rd NE Salem, OR 97301. It will be open Monday-Friday 10-5pm. The American Red Cross is coordinating monetary donations at [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org). The United Way is hosting a donation location for critical items for evacuees. Connect with them here: <https://www.unitedwaymwv.org/>. Marion Polk Food Share is providing food and water. Connect with them here: <https://www.marionpolkfoodshare.org/>

**This week we will meet ONLINE Thursday at 5pm and IN PERSON at the church at Noon for Zoom Bible study. The In Person class will meet in the gym so we can be appropriately spaced from each other.**

Topic: What is God Saying today?

Time: Oct 1, 2020 05:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Weekly: [https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZAtcuyorzMqGtxkui9AsVV9vE\\_P9mKoFH5O/ics?ic-sToken=98tyKuGsrj4vGtWdsBmPRpwIAo\\_4Z\\_TzmFxfjbdFlwrsWgFAVDWvIMd9AutyO9f2](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84055018008?pwd=SlJHN0lkcWhlUVF3aWE4MkEzV1BRdz09ic-sToken=98tyKuGsrj4vGtWdsBmPRpwIAo_4Z_TzmFxfjbdFlwrsWgFAVDWvIMd9AutyO9f2)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84055018008?pwd=SlJHN0lkcWhlUVF3aWE4MkEzV1BRdz09>

Meeting ID: 840 5501 8008      Passcode: 569519

Our daily devotional, "*Christ in our Home*", for the 4th quarter of the year is now available in regular and large print editions. There is a box on the front porch for you to come by at any time and pick up a copy.