

# Boulevard Park Press

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THE NEWSLETTER OF BOULEVARD PARK CHURCH

## **THE GOSPEL: Good News for Sinners, A Night of Musical Worship Wednesday, September 9, at 6:30 p.m. at BPC**

More than a concert, this will be an opportunity for our entire church family to gather and worship together as we celebrate the good news of Jesus Christ through music.

One of the things that will make this evening particularly special is the participation of people from across our church family. **Adults, youth, and children will all have a part in the service**, making this a genuine all-church night of worship.

We encourage you to make this evening a priority. Bring your family, invite a friend, and come ready to worship with your brothers and sisters in Christ as we focus our hearts and minds on the gospel.

We look forward to worshipping together!



## PAGE 2: YOU AND YOUR GLOBAL WORKERS

### Twosomes Partnering with God around the World

This monthly PAGE 2 column reminds us that a partnership takes two. We should all be active, on-going **SENDERS** partnering with the **SENT**.

Compiled and edited by Ellyn Roe

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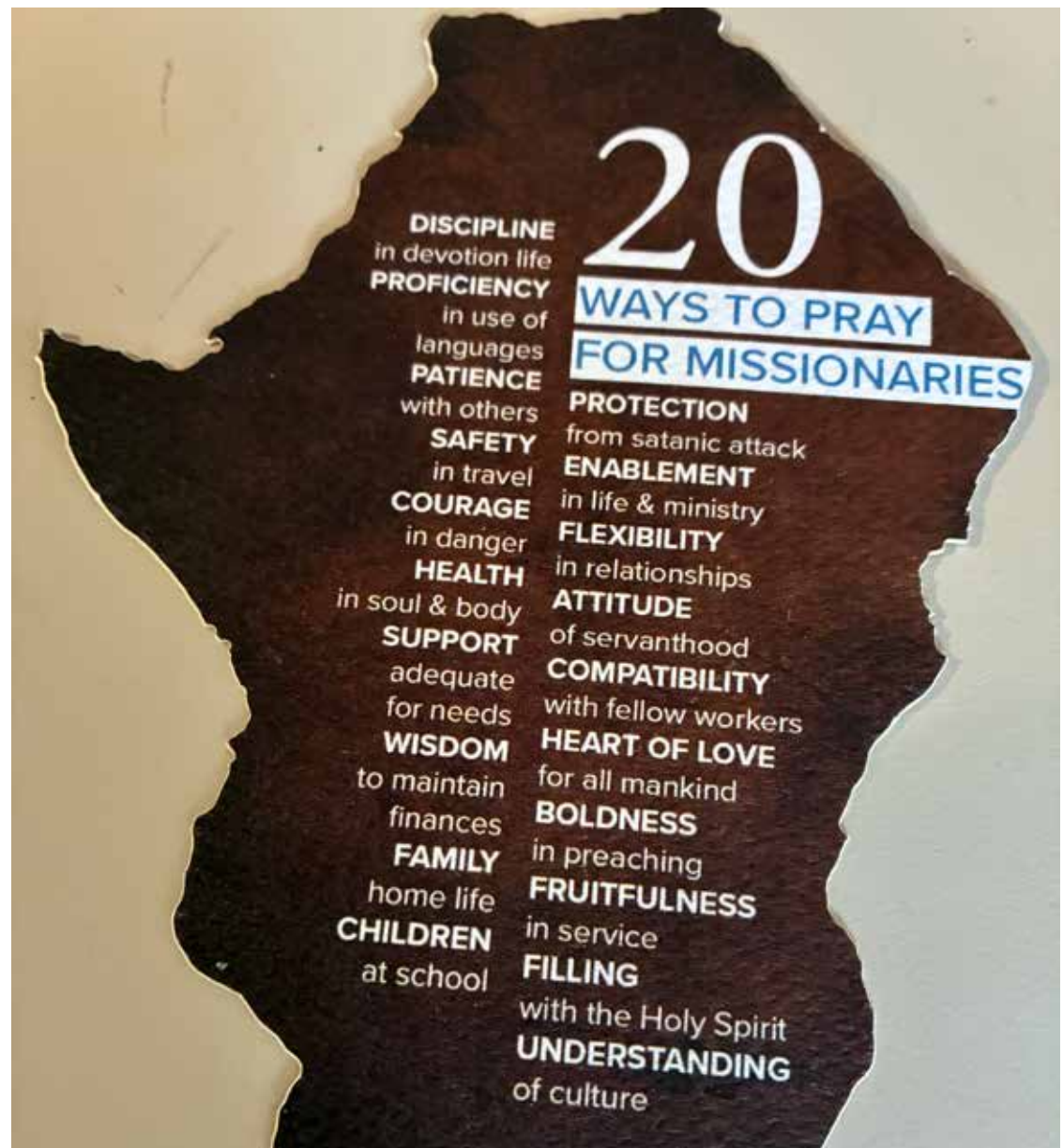
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## IF YOU ARE A SENDER (AND YOU SHOULD BE!) – PRAY!

By Ellyn Roe

If you are a truly committed, intentional Sender (one who provides support of any kind to the Sent (global workers), you probably pray regularly for global workers and the people they serve. Hopefully you are also in contact with them so that you can send and receive words of encouragement as you pray for the specific issues they bring to your attention.

Jean Rose recently provided the Press with this anonymously-authored list of ways to pray for our global workers. Perhaps there are some new ideas here to sharpen your prayer focus as you lift up those who have been sent. An interesting project might be to search the Word for Scripture passages that address each of these prayer items.

**Two more prayer points I've received from global workers are:**

- Ability to access, navigate, and harness technology and its benefits.
- Ability to be thankful in all circumstances, and to have many opportunities to praise God as He provides and blesses.

I'll bet YOU can think of lots more! And when you do, don't just think about them, PRAY!

Thank you, Jean for helping us be better Senders!

*Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful, and pray for us too, that God may open a door for our message. — Colossians 4:2–3*

# Two Men, Two Destinies

By Pastor Bud

Here is a strange but true way to describe every person who has ever lived: you belong to one of two men. Not two philosophies, not two lifestyles; two men. Scripture names them Adam and Christ, and Romans 5 tells us that where you stand in relation to those two men determines your guilt or your righteousness, your death or your life.

That sentence sounds heavy for a newsletter, so let me explain why it is actually some of the best news you will ever hear.

Paul lays out the comparison in Romans 5:19: *“For as through the one man’s disobedience the many were appointed sinners, even so through the obedience of the One the many will be appointed righteous.”* Adam was not just the first sinner. He was our representative. When he disobeyed in the garden, he acted for the whole human race that would come from him, and his guilt was charged to our account before we ever sinned on our own. That is a hard truth. It means none of us starts life neutral. We start in Adam; guilty, corrupted, and under sentence of death, simply by belonging to the human race he represented.

If the story stopped there, this would be a grim article. It does not stop there.

The same structure that ruined us in Adam is the structure God uses to save us in Christ. Paul calls Jesus *“the last Adam”* (1 Cor. 15:45) because He stepped into the same representative role that Adam failed in. Adam stood in a garden of plenty, tested by one simple command, and fell. Christ entered a world of thorns, faced the full weight of temptation in the wilderness, the anguish of Gethsemane, and the horror of the cross, and He did not fall. Philippians 2 puts the contrast starkly: where Adam grasped at equality with God, Christ, *“although existing in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself... He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross”* (Phil. 2:6, 8). Point

for point, His obedience answers Adam’s disobedience.

This matters for more than doctrine. Our problem was never only a bad record that needed forgiving. It was also a corrupted nature that needed changing. A pardon that left our hearts unchanged would leave us forgiven and still enslaved to sin. A new heart with the old verdict still standing would leave us reformed and still condemned. Christ answers both, because He had to. His death pays the debt Adam incurred by sin. His Spirit, given to everyone who trusts Him, does what God promised through Ezekiel — removes the heart of stone and puts a new heart within us (Ezekiel 36:26–27). Guilt is answered by justification. The new birth answers corruption. Neither remedy alone would have been enough, and grace was never forced to choose between them.

Here is the part I want you to sit with. Scripture does not describe redemption as simply putting us back where Adam started, innocent but still able to fall again. *“If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come”* (2 Cor. 5:17). We are not returned to the garden and handed the same test Adam failed. We are united to a Redeemer whose righteousness cannot be lost, brought toward a glory Adam never possessed and never could have earned on his own. The last Adam does not merely undo the fall. He carries His people further than the first Adam ever stood.

So if you have spent time lately feeling the weight of your own sin, and if you are honest with yourself, you should feel it; don’t stop at the diagnosis. The doctrine of sin was never meant to leave you staring at your own ruin. It was meant to drive you to the last Adam, to trust Him, and to find that everything Adam’s fall cost you, Christ’s obedience has more than repaid. That is not a slogan. It is the argument of Romans 5, and it is worth building your life on.

Grace and Peace,  
Pastor Bud

## Milestones

### Deaths

**Skip Kulle**

July 19, 2026

husband of Pauline.

**Bobbie Hollenbeck**

July 31, 2026

mother of Katy Lynch

**Leianne Kilkenny**

July 31, 2026

sister of Sandi Rehberg

**Sundie Bates**

August 16, 2026

sister of Katy Lynch

## IMPORTANT NOTES

On **Thursday, September 10, at 6:30 p.m.**, Pastor Bud will be teaching through two proposed doctrinal amendments. They will be presented at the congregational meeting in October. This session is intended to explain the proposed changes and provide an opportunity for questions. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

A **Membership Class** will be held on **Sunday, October 11**. If you want to learn more about BPC, or are interested in becoming a member, please contact the church office.

Celebrations!

September Birthdays

- 2 Ruby Faulkner
- 6 Ron Brown
- Pauline Kulle
- Zoe Pinnell
- 8 Tracy Johnson
- 9 Celeste Christensen
- Naya Martinez
- 10 Felix Drost
- 10 Lillian Mayon
- 11 Ken Carter
- 12 Nancy Norwood
- Lindsay Pinnell
- 16 Carly Siedenburgh
- 17 David Siedenburgh
- 18 Jean Hale
- Kristi Shoe
- 19 Steve Roe
- 20 Siam (Van Siam) Lian
- 23 Ryan Sneesby
- 26 May Ly
- 27 Abi Hall
- 28 Thang (Deih Kim) Kim
- 30 Chris Faulkner

Early October Birthdays

- 1 Lisa Barton
- 2 Chloe Roenicke
- 4 Blake Arnesen
- Dan Fletcher
- 7 Gladys Baxter
- 8 James Bingham, Jr.
- Miki Vercammen
- 10 Beth Heintz

If your birthday is not listed, and you would like it to be, please contact the church office.

Don Hartley – Faithful Servant to Retire

By Kathy Rainey

Thank you to Don Hartley, BPC Bookkeeper! Don is stepping down from his position as bookkeeper effective September 30. He has served faithfully in that position for over 36 years.

We are grateful to Don for his unfailing commitment to the Lord’s work, all done with cheerfulness. It was challenging and time-consuming for him to go back and forth from his home to the church because he also volunteered in many capacities; he knows *everything* about this church. Whenever something broke, Don was called and he took care of it.

Don will still be attending BPC and certainly will be called upon to help fix things! He will have more time to travel and be with his family. By God’s grace Don has completed his duties well and efficiently. He has been gracious to help the staff manage their accounts, making sure all purchases are approved and documented.

One of the most important things about Don is his knowledge of the scriptures – he loves God’s Word.

To thank Don for serving the Lord for all these years, a cake reception will be held in the MPR for him on **Sunday, September 20** following the morning worship service.

Remember... whenever you ask him, “How are you?” he always replies with a grin, “Absolutely marvelous!”



Sports Camp: Four Days of Soccer, Cheer, and Kickstart

By Jedidiah Thangthat (adapted from July 2026 Elder's Report)

We are thankful to report that **159 children attended our 2026 VBS, supported by 115 volunteers.** Praise God for His faithfulness throughout the week!

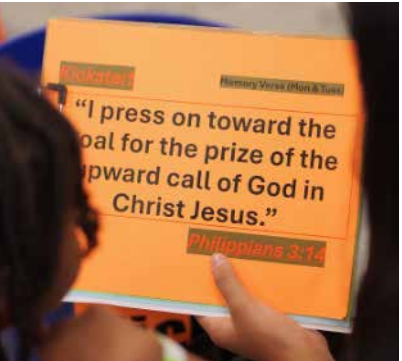
One of our Kickstart students made a first-time decision to accept Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior. What a wonderful blessing and the greatest reason we celebrate VBS!

Overall, it was a joy to see how God worked throughout the week. Although we faced several unexpected challenges including one volunteer being involved in a car accident, another suffering a foot injury, and a couple of volunteers not showing up. God faithfully provided others to step into those roles.

It was also a tremendous blessing to host VBS entirely in-house. This gave us the flexibility to adjust without needing to consult with the base staff. As we reflected on this year’s experience, we identified several ideas that can make future VBS programs even better. We have a strong sense that this format has been very successful, and we anticipate continuing to use it for the next several years. We plan to have a meeting in October.

Personal Note/Thanks:

This past year has been an eye-opening learning journey for me. I love all of it.



2026 Sports Camp Stats

- Total Campers: 159
- Total Boys: 73
- Total Girls: 86
- Total Soccer: 61
- Total Art: 23
- Total Kickstart: 44
- Total Cheer: 31
- Volunteers:
  - under age 25: 43
  - over age 25: 73



I am especially grateful to Lisa Siedenburgh, Kelly Siedenburgh, Kari Burt, and the VBS Leadership Team for giving me opportunities to learn and grow. There are so many details involved in running a summer VBS and they were always there to give me advice and help whenever I needed them.

I also want to thank the Elders and Trustees for allowing my family to rent and live in the church house next door. It has made everything much easier and more convenient, saving us significant time and money on rent. It was so convenient, especially during the camp. It’s great that everybody is still so kind, caring, loving, understanding, encouraging and has no complaints yet, so far. Oh, and thank you for the raise. We truly appreciate your generosity.

**WE'D LOVE FOR YOU TO BE PART OF OUR CHILDREN'S MINISTRY TEAM!**

Whether you have lots of experience or are simply willing to lend a hand, there's a place for you to serve. Help us create a fun, safe, and faith-filled environment where kids can grow and thrive!

**We're looking for volunteers for Sunday mornings, KidLife (Tuesdays), and Adventure Club (Wednesdays).**

If you're interested or willing to serve in Children's Ministry, please contact Jed to learn more and get involved!

**Jed**  
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**BOULEVARD PARK CHURCH**

**Children's Programs This Fall**

**MomLife / KidLife begins Tuesday, Sept. 8.**

**Adventure Club begins in Wednesday, Sept. 16.**

**Sunday School and Kids Church begins a new season on September 13.**

**Check the church website for more info.**

Calendar Events

SEPTEMBER 2026

REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 9:00A Adult Sunday School
- 9:15A Ladies Sunday School
- Youth & KIDS Sun. Sch.
- 10:30A KIDS Church
- 10:30A Worship In Person and Live Stream

Sunday, September 6

- 9:00A Prayer Meeting
- 10:30A Worship/Communion

Sunday, September 13

- 12:00P Deacons' Brunch/Foster Golf Links

Sunday, September 20

- 12:00P Retirement Reception for Don Hartley

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Wednesday, September 2

- 11:00A Skip Kulle Memorial

Friday, September 4 and Monday, September 7

- Church Office Closed

Monday, Sept. 7, 14, 21, 28

- 6:00P Men's Bible Study

Tuesday, September 8, 22

- 9:30A MOMLife / KidLife

Wednesday, September 9

- 1:30P Care Partners
- 6:30P Dinner and Worship Night

Thursday, September 10

- 6:30P Doctrinal Amendment Teaching Session

Monday, September 14

- 11:00A Ladies Fellowship Circle

Tuesday, September 15, 29

- 6:30P Ladies Tuesday Night Bible Study

Wednesday, Sept. 16, 23, 30

- 6:00P Wednesday Night Dinner
- 6:30P KIDS Adventure Club
- 6:30P Youth Group
- 6:40P Adult Bible Study

Monday, September 21, 28

- 7:00P GriefShare

Saturday, September 26

- 10:00A Ladies' Connect
- 5:00P Trawlers (Young Adults) Fellowship Event

# Fall Programs Begin!

## Please Join Us!

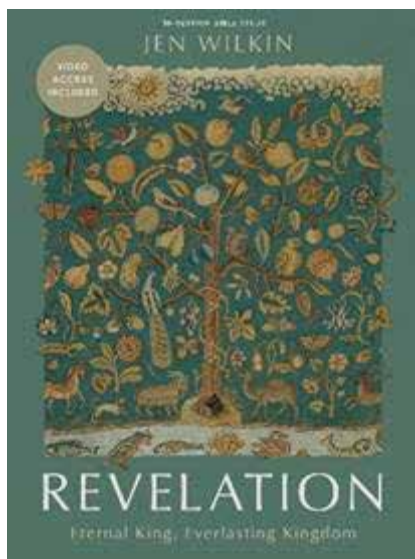
**MOMlife**, our program for mamas of all stages and ages, from birth to high school, begins on **Tuesday, September 8th from 9:30-11:30 a.m.** in the MPR! Come join us for coffee, snacks and a chance to sit down and be encouraged in your motherhood journey! For more information, contact Lisa Bowen at [lisa.bowen@bpccburien.org](mailto:lisa.bowen@bpccburien.org) or by phone at 206-354-0339.



Are you in a season of caring for a loved one? Wondering about how to maneuver through some of the challenges that are unique to your caregiving calling? Need some practical tools as to where to look for resources? Need some encouragement as you love and serve your loved one? You are invited to join our once-a-month **Care Partners** group, and be with others who understand. Come and join us on **Wednesday, September 9th at 1:30-3:00 p.m.** in Room 435. If you have any questions, please reach out to Lisa Bowen at [lisa.bowen@bpccburien.org](mailto:lisa.bowen@bpccburien.org) or by phone at 206-354-0339.



Ladies! You are invited to join our monthly **Ladies' Fellowship Circle** meetings! It's a time to connect with other women who are finding God's purposes and plans in being "the wise, older woman" in their families and communities! If you are in your 50s, and older, we'd love to have you join us! Our first meeting is on **Monday, September 14th from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.** in Room 431. Bring your lunch, and we'll provide drinks and dessert! Questions? Contact Lisa Bowen at [lisa.bowen@bpccburien.org](mailto:lisa.bowen@bpccburien.org) or by phone at 206-354-0339.



Our new **Tuesday Evening Women's Bible Study** is starting on **September 15th at 6:30-8:00 p.m.** in Room 431! Join us for this 10-session DVD study entitled: **Revelation: Eternal King, Everlasting Father by Jen Wilkin**. Come join us as we unpack this incredible book together, in an easy-to-understand, yet thought-provoking study. We'll make connections between the Old Testament and the last book in the Bible in ways you may have never recognized! Study manuals will be available the first evening. Suggested donation is \$25. If you need more information, please reach out to Lisa Bowen at [lisa.bowen@bpccburien.org](mailto:lisa.bowen@bpccburien.org) or by phone at 206-354-0339.

# Griefshare Can Help

By Linda Eck

"I'm stunned. I'm in shock."

"I don't know how to feel or what to do."

"I've never been here before."

"It's like I've been hit by a truck. I feel immobilized."

"Did this really happen? Are they really gone?? But they were just here.  
What happens now? What do I do now?"

Death is sometimes expected but many times very unexpected. Are you prepared to handle the effects of the loss of a loved one on yourself as well as for others left behind and wondering why?

**Just a few of the feelings/responses that can/could be expected:**

|                  |             |           |          |
|------------------|-------------|-----------|----------|
| sorrow           | anxiety     | anger     | guilt    |
| forgetfulness    | disbelief   | empty     | helpless |
| avoiding church  | can't pray  | worry     | stress   |
| not trusting God | memory loss | depressed | tired    |

How do you handle these and many other symptoms that can suddenly flood your daily life?

What are grief ambushes? What are secondary losses? What do I do now? These questions are discussed in the Griefshare class.

Griefshare is a Christian-based grief-recovery class. Griefshare is a study taught through videos, Christian counselors, and testimonies from others who have recovered from grief, with a study guide that follows up on lessons learned during each session. The classes meet once a week for 13 weeks.

Katy Lynch and Lynda Eck have been facilitating this class for over five years. The next class will commence on **Monday, September 21** and end on December 14, 2026.

For information about the class and location, contact Boulevard Park Church at 206.243.2600.

To register go to [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org) and write in the name of the church; it will direct you to the registration page for our church.

We look forward to meeting everyone.



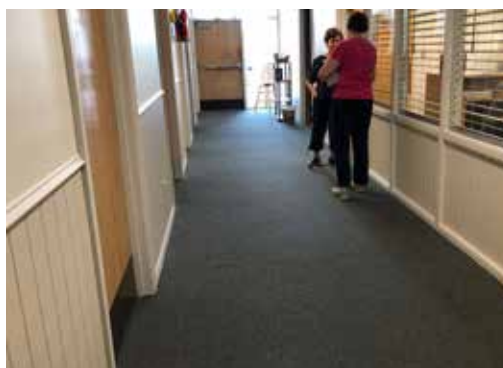
## Care Net Baby Bottle Campaign 2026

By Ellyn Roe

**Attention advocates of pre-born human life:**

Care Net of Puget Sound has just informed us that the total BPC donation for the spring baby bottle fundraiser was an **AMAZING \$5,253.04!!** Some of you gave a few coins, some of you wrote extra-generous checks, and it all adds up to the largest contribution BPC has ever made.

Care Net of Puget Sound reports a grand total from all participating churches of \$114,000. Isn't it grand to be a part of that? Thank you, all who gave and/or prayed so that babies and moms can continue to get the support they need. **Way to go, BPC!**



## A Refreshing Re-do

By Kathy Rainey

Have you seen the church office and hallway? What a blessing to have them redone. Thank you Roger and Mary Cox for three weeks of very hard work in remodeling the hallway.

Roger took on this project as a volunteer as he is always delighted to save the church money (which he'd rather see used for ministry)! There are still a few things to do, but for the most part, it is finished. Please stop by and look — it is so very nice.

A really grateful blessing! Thank you, Roger and Mary.

Also, thank you to Jed for helping out, and to Justin who was hired to paint and put up crown molding and for painting. He also chose new cabinets for the office — such a difference!

*Ed. Note: You also may have noticed fresh red paint in the parking lot identifying fire lanes.*



## BOULEVARD PARK CHURCH

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*Reaching Our  
World for Christ*

# Hope & a Future

CARE NET OF PUGET SOUND FALL FUNDRAISER

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 AT THE PURSUIT CHURCH, KIRKLAND  
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Register to attend.  
Scan the code or go online at  
[supportcnps.org/hope-and-a-future](http://supportcnps.org/hope-and-a-future)



Join us for a powerful evening  
celebrating the life-changing,  
gospel-centered impact of  
Care Net of Puget Sound.

## Wednesday Night Activities Begin!

### 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Dinner

All are invited to share a simple, family-style meal prior to activities.  
If interested in preparing a meal or helping out, contact the church office.

### 6:30 p.m. Youth Group

Junior and Senior high students continue their weekly meetings  
with group activities and small group Lifeboats.

### 6:30 p.m. KIDS Adventure Club



We're excited to start our Wednesday night kids' program using **Adventure Club**, a fun and interactive way to teach core biblical truths through **worship, Bible lessons, memory verses, and games**. We're looking for volunteers, teachers and helpers. Whether you have experience or are simply willing to serve, **there's a place for you!** Your time and presence can make a lasting impact in the lives of children. **Interested?** Contact **Jed** at **206-432-7140** or [jedidiah.thangthat@bpcburien.org](mailto:jedidiah.thangthat@bpcburien.org).

### 6:40 p.m. Adult Bible Study

We will be studying Matthew 24-25, "The Olivet Discourse." In it, Jesus answers questions about when the end of the world will happen.