LOST & FOUND

We have set a table in the Lobby, near the Women's Restroom, with items we have found throughout the building. If you think you may have left an item at the church, go check it out. We may have found it!

SMART & READY

This Saturday, January 30, 8-9am at church.

Our monthly men's meeting is designed to shape perspective and leave us more prepared. Theme: "The Five Parking Spaces."

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Next Sunday, January 31st—6:30pm

We will meet in the Auditorium, plus provide a Zoom link so that those who want to participate are free to do so. We will be receiving a membership vote for the 2021 budget and a confirmation vote for each elder nominated. The Elders nominated are: Mark Hubbell, Elvon Kauffman, Craig Kuhn, Ben Milner, Ron Moore, Kevin Offield & Ian Roholt.

FAMILY SCIENCE NIGHT

Wednesday, February 3rd, 4-6pm

Come explore the science of bubbles through hands-on experiments & demonstrations. To ensure proper social distancing, sign-up is required. Sign-up for your spot by emailing Karen (karen@newharvestch.org) or see the poster in the Lobby.

VALENTINE'S DAY IN KIDMIN

We are excited to celebrate God's love through a Valentine's Day Party on Sunday, February 14th. Children will create a mailbox during class on Sunday, January 31st. Please bring a box or container to use. Class lists will also be handed out.

A NOTE FROM MEREDITH MOONEY (YOUTH DIRECTOR)

Hi Church! ALIVE Youth Ministries is growing in numbers & in depth of relationship with Christ. And we have some hungry bellies. Between our OPEN ROOM times & Youth Group nights we could use some snacks. Here are some idea: Individual bags of chips, fruit snacks, individual bags of cookies, other individually bagged snacks. If you would like to donate any of these items feel free to drop them off at the church during office hours or you can contact me @ 503.851.1318.

Thank you for always giving so abundantly, New Harvest!

Welcome Guests & Visitors

We are delighted you chose to attend our gathering today. Use our online Connection Card (<u>newharvestch.org/connect</u>) to share your prayer requests and to let us know that you joined us today.



SUNDAY GATHERING: 10:00 AM WE WERE CREATED FOR CONNECTION

THE BANQUET HOST

Luke 14:12-24

The Motive (v. 12-14)

The Invitation (v. 15-17)

The Excuses (v. 18-20)

Business: I have too much to do

"I have just bought a field and I must go and see it. Please excuse me."

Possessions: I have another thing

"I have just bought five yoke of oxen, and I'm on my way to try them out. Please excuse me."

Family: I have other people to focus on

"I just got married, so I can't come."

The <u>Outsiders</u>: (v. 21-24)

"Go out to the roads and country lanes and compel them to come in, so that my house will be full" (v23).

Host	Show Up Early/ Leaves Late	Present	Own the problem	Create	Give
Guest	Show Up Late/ Leaves Early	Transient	Someone else's problem	Consume	Get

Discussion Questions:

- Which of the three excuses (business, possessions, family) is your most common excuse?
- In what relationships or circumstances do you find yourself being a host?
- When you think of someone being a good host, who comes to mind?

