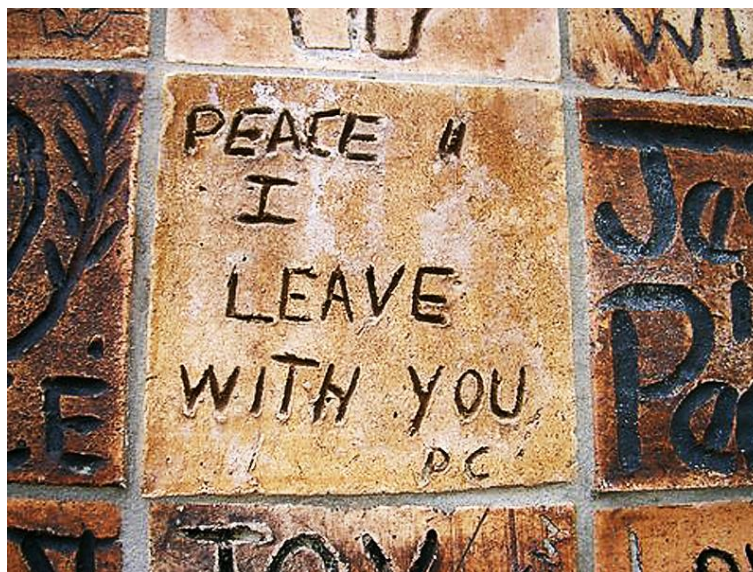


John Knox
Presbyterian Church

May 23, 2025

Sixth Sunday of Easter



Tile from Peace Wall in Hamilton, New Zealand

Welcome! Please be seated and prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

GATHERING INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

"In Memory"

Thomas Keesecker

Words of Welcome

*The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.***

*** Call to Worship**

*We gather together in the presence of God,
the Lord of heaven and earth:*

**the Creator of our world and everything in it;
the One who gave us life and breath,
the One who is never far away from any of us,
the One in whom we live and move and have our being.**

Let's worship God together!

*** Hymn**

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

#39

*** Call to Confession and Silent Prayer**

*** Unison Prayer of Confession**

Merciful One,
you know when we are afraid to love;
you know when we are too cowardly to show mercy.
Remind us again that perfect love casts out such fears.
Surround us and strengthen us with your perfect love,
even in the face of our imperfections.
Imbue us with a love so strong,
with such growth toward perfection,
that we may cast aside our pride
and embrace the power of love.

#600

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts

Offertory

“Hope”

Thomas Keesecker

* Sung Response

“We Lift Our Voices”

#710

* Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

Lord, in your mercy... **Hear our prayers.**

The Lord's Prayer

SENDING GOD'S PEOPLE INTO THE WORLD

* Sending Song

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

#306

* Charge and Blessing

Please be seated to enjoy the postlude.

Postlude

“America the Beautiful”

arr. Mark Hayes

Please join us for fellowship and refreshments in the social hall after worship.

Liturgist: Mary Jo Emmett

Pastor: Rev. Maggie Lewis

Music Director: Anna Robinson

Pianist: Bethany Cozort

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We are recording this service and it will be available on our website for two weeks.

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This gathering of JKPC is occurring in the traditional land of the Kalapuya people.

We offer our gratitude to the elders, past and present, who have stewarded it through the generations.

Church and Community Life

Please keep the Beringer family in your prayers as they mourn the sudden passing of Ashley this last week. Her memorial service will be on Saturday, May 31 at 1:00 at JKPC.

MAY FOOD for the Keizer Community Food Bank is **TUNA AND ANY OTHER CANNED MEATS.**

We'll accept any other food items, of course, and monetary donations are always welcome.

June's food will be cereal and shelf stable milk. Volunteers are needed to serve our hungry neighbors. See the KCFB website at keizercommunityfoodbank.org or their Facebook page for more information, or contact Sheila or Teresa.

HYGIENE KITS will be assembled on Pentecost, June 8, during fellowship time. Please consider donating items or money for items to make these kits for our unhoused neighbors, to be distributed by Union Gospel Mission's outreach teams. If you have questions, please see Sheila.

FELLOWSHIP TIME after worship is a wonderful time to talk with friends and make new ones. It's even more pleasant with goodies in hand. Please sign up to provide some goodies or leave a free-will offering in the basket on the table so we can purchase refreshments when home-baked treats aren't available. Thank you!

HEARING CHALLENGED? The sanctuary is equipped with a hearing loop for people who appreciate a bit of assistance hearing more clearly, whether or not they use hearing aids. For more information on how to use the listening devices, see Eileen or CJ.

Want to participate in **MORAL MONDAYS** at the capital with the Oregon Poor People's Campaign? They meet every Monday, 12pm, at First Presbyterian Church. Contact Michele (michelehare25x2@gmail.com) or Paul Negstad (pandd.negstad@gmail.com) to join or just show up! Next meeting: Monday, May 26, 2025. Learn more: poorpeoplescampaign.org.

CONGREGATIONS HELPING PEOPLE was able to assist 32 clients in March, for a total of \$5,148. In April, they were able to assist 34 clients with \$4,989. We receive your Christ Jar Offering every third Sunday for CHP and we also budget a \$100 monthly donation to join other Salem-Keizer churches in helping our neighbors with emergent needs. Your caring generosity makes a difference!

Looking Ahead

Sat. May 31 1:00 Memorial Service
for Ashley Kramer

Sun. June 1 10:30 Worship with Communion

Sun. June 8 10:30 PENTECOST SUNDAY
Wear red to celebrate the Holy Spirit!
Assemble Hygiene Kits during
Fellowship time and enjoy
Pentecost Pizza together.

Sun. June 15 10:30 Worship – Trinity Sunday
Father's Day
Christ Jar Offering
Birthday/Anniversary celebration

May Birthdays

8	Lee E.	23	Anna R.
June Birthdays			
8	Beth N.	19	Mary Jo E.
19	Pat J.		
June Anniversaries			
16	Jim & Bethany Cozort		

HYGIENE KITS for Union Gospel Mission –
to be assembled June 8 after worship

Personal wipes –	Hand sanitizer
preferably flushable	Washcloths
Chapstick	Shampoo
Toothbrush and	Socks
toothpaste	Deodorant
Band-aids and other	Feminine
first aid items	hygiene
Soap	products

Monetary donations also welcome!



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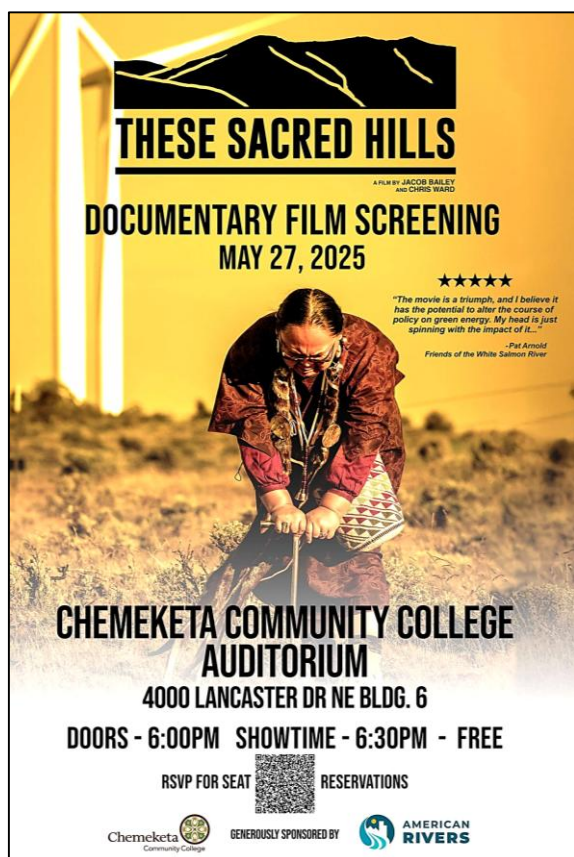
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These Sacred Hills is a powerful three-year collaboration between filmmakers Jacob Bailey, Christopher Ward, and members of the Rock Creek Band of the Yakama Nation. The film follows key community members—Elaine Harvey, Bronsco Jim, Jeremy Takala, and others—confronting a proposed green energy project threatening their sacred mountain, Pushpum. As they fight to protect this vital land, the film captures their struggle to preserve their ancestral rights to fish, hunt, and gather, safeguarding their way of life for future generations. Featuring insights from indigenous affairs reporter Toastie Oaster of High Country News and historian Professor Andrew Fisher of William & Mary College, the film deepens the conversation about environmental justice and preserving indigenous sovereignty in modern development.

Reserve tickets here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/these-sacred-hills-film-screening-salem-tickets-1353939281839>

Tuesday, May 27

6:00 PM Doors Open

8:00 PM Join us for a Q&A with cast members for a discussion immediately following the film.

“The movie is a triumph, and I believe it has the potential to alter the course of policy on green energy. My head is just spinning with the impact of it...”

Pat Arnold, Friends of the White Salmon River