

KNOWING CHRIST

~ *Worship Services* ~

Welcome Center Assistance: Need to make an appointment with a Pastor? Find out where your child goes for Kid's Church? Have questions about spiritual matters? Want to know more about Gateway? Someone from our Welcome Staff would love to serve you today. Please visit them in the lobby, they are wearing lanyards that say, 'Welcome Staff of Gateway'.

~ *Devoted to Prayer* ~

"We must begin to believe that God, in the mystery of prayer, has entrusted us with a force that can move the Heavenly world, and can bring its power down to earth." Andrew Murray

The PrayerLine: Would you like your church family to pray for you? Call or email the church office and we will immediately send out your request to our PrayerLine subscribers.

The Prayer Update: Subscribe to our email prayer update and we'll send you prayer requests for the things happening at Gateway each week. Call or email the church office to subscribe.

Women in Prayer: Join us as we focus on praying for our children, for the youth of Gateway, and for our community. Come and join in prayer every first Thursday of the month from 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Mom's in Prayer: Come join this Stevenson based prayer time, Mondays 6:30-7:30 p.m. Call Brigitte Barnes for directions and more information (503) 481-1124.

REVIVE is a prayer gathering focused on seeking God for spiritual renewal across America. REVIVE regularly meets from 7:00-8:00 p.m. every 2nd Thursday and 4th Tuesday of the month.

~ *Pathway Classes* ~

Pathways are biblical education opportunities for you to pursue knowing Christ better. Check out the classes below.

Precept Bible Studies: Precept, our in-depth study methods class, meets on Thursday evenings and is currently studying the book of Revelation. While currently on a break for the holidays, you can get more information about this and future Precept Bible studies by contacting Ken McNaught at gatewayprecept@gmail.com.

Personal Finance Classes: The Legacy Journey is an advanced class on personal finance featuring Dave Ramsey. Watch for it this coming spring season.

GROWING TOGETHER

~ *Grow Groups* ~

Grow Groups are the place we cultivate spiritually encouraging relationships. We desire everyone at Gateway to have a group to call their own—a place to feel at home. Get in a group! Create a group! Enjoy your group this week.

Leader Connect: Leader Connect is returning on the weekend of January 6-7, 2018. Grow Group leaders, watch your page on the Gateway website for more details.

The Family Room: It's still under development but this gathering place at the back of the auditorium is already a place for conversations about Grow Groups. We have new and existing groups with space for you and a group that is forming next month. Come by and talk to Pastor Bill and others about group life.

Gospel Conversations Support: Pastor Ken is available to visit your grow group or make an appointment for Oikos question and answer or skills training. Call to set up a time (835-2153, ext. 28).

GriefShare is a supportive, small group, learning experience for those who have lost a relative or close friend to death. Each session is self-contained so you may join at any time. The next series of GriefShare sessions begins January 14, meeting each Sunday from 1:00-3:00 pm.

~ *Women's Ministry* ~

Women's Bible Study Groups

Morning Bibly Study: This bible study is called, "Uninvited" by Lysa TerKeurst. This study "helps women to explore the roots of rejection; the lies we believe as a result; and the truth about who God is, who we are, and what it looks like to live loved." If you have any questions please contact Robin Rowe 503-407-1807.

Evening Bible Study: This Bible Study is taking a holiday break until January 2018.

Mom's Play Group meets every Monday morning from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Join with other moms and their little ones to play and visit in a dry, secure place. If you would like more info, or if you would like to be added to the Facebook group or have questions, please contact Lisa Orr (503-901-0636) or email lisadonald@msn.com

~ *Men's Ministry* ~

Men's Monday Camaraderie Group: Sharpening Your Oikos Conversational Abilities. Encouragement for men of all ages. Monday's, 7:00-9:00 a.m. in the gym (come and go as your schedule allows). Discover oikos questions that ignite gospel conversations. *Please enter the building through the east side metal doorway. Snacks included.*

Men's Teams and Groups!

Oikos Testimonies- Mondays, 7:00 a.m. in Gateway gym

Men's 'Great Marriage' Discussion Group- Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m. (McDonalds Camas)

Finishing Strong- Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Gateway (Conf. Rm.)

The Brotherhood of the Book- Saturdays, 7:30 a.m. (Panera Bread 164th)

Hearing God - Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. (Conf. Rm.)

SHOWING GOD'S LOVE

~ *Oikos* ~

God does not expect you as an individual to reach the entire world with his love. He does ask you to reach your world though your relational world of the 8-15 people who are closest to you. These people make up your "extended household" or Oikos. We want to help you prepare to excel at showing God's love to these people.

Oikos consultation and encouragement: Reaching out to that friend, relative or co-worker for Christ? Let's talk ideas and pray for gospel conversations. Schedule an oikos consultation with Pastor Ken (835-2153).

~ *Service Opportunities* ~

Custodial Services After three years taking care of our facilities, David Lowman will finish up being our custodian by Christmas. Thank you so much for your hard work David! Those interested in the job opening can request information and/or submit a resume in the church office.

Children's Center: We are in need of loving volunteers to serve infants, toddlers, and preschoolers in our Children's Center. Contact Michelle Contreras at Gateway's main office to find out how to get involved.

Deaconess Positions Available: If you are interested in serving the Gateway family as a Deaconess, or would like to know more about how Deaconess serve, please contact the church office by phone 360-835-2153 or email at michelle@gatewayweb.org.

Spiritual Gifts Discovery: Call and schedule a one-hour Spiritual Gifts consultation with Pastor Ken (835-2153). Discover how God has wired you to serve Him through serving others, and where you could serve at Gateway.

Red Cross Blood Drive: Our next blood drive date has been changed to 01/4, 2018. You can make an appointment to donate at redcrossblood.org.

See A Need, Meet A Need: This simple program allows you to make known the practical needs of people in your life to the Gateway family. Then, if someone is able to meet that need, we'll put you in touch. Call the church office to sign up to receive SANMAN emails. (Please note: we only communicate about peoples needs, not the availability of your used items. Other organizations exist for this purpose.)

~ *Christmas Gifting Tree* ~

Do you or your small group desire to gift needy children who would otherwise not have a Christmas? Provide two gifts: one practical and one fun gift totaling \$40-50. Gift ideas are included with the family information that is provided at the Christmas tree in the lobby (see the stars on the tree for gender/ages of children). A host will be at the tree to answer questions.

~ *Run For The Hungry* ~

Run t-Shirts for a Donation: Left over Child size Run t-shirts are available, see Pastor Ken.

Welcome to Gateway!

Thank you for joining us today as we worship God together this weekend, study the Word, and fellowship! Whether you're new to Gateway or have been attending for many years, our passionate prayer is that our time together will help you take the next step in your relationship with Jesus Christ, and experience the benefits of being part of a spiritual family.

During this worship service we also have a Children's Center to care for infants and toddlers, Kid's Church for our grade school students, and, of course coffee and tea that is located in the lobby.

For more information about Gateway, be sure to read this bulletin, talk to our Welcome Staff in the lobby, and check out our website at www.gatewayweb.org. Again, thank you for coming. We hope to see you again very soon!

Pastor Bob

~ Children's Ministries ~

Kid's Church: We are continuing in our three year trip through the Bible in The Gospel Project. Kid's Church takes place right after congregational singing, upstairs in the Student Worship Center. Learn more on the gatewayKIDS web pages.

Club W: Club W is out for the month of December. We start back up on Tuesday, January 9. Club W is an outreach to elementary age kids where they hear the clear gospel message in the context of fun elective clubs led by Gateway volunteers. We run Tuesday nights throughout the school year from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Parents are welcome and encouraged to join in the fun!

Kid's Christmas Musical: We have rehearsal for all participants this Sunday, 12/10 at 4:00. **We also have full rehearsal for all participants this Tuesday, 12/12 from 6:00-7:30.** Dress rehearsal will be at 4:00 p.m. next Saturday, 12/16 before the first performance.

~ Student Ministries ~

Wednesday Night Youth Group: 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Gateway- great music, good friends, meet new people, fun games, and more. All middle school and high school students are welcome. This week, we will be finishing our study through the book of Philippians.

Small Groups: This Sunday Night our small groups are back at their normal times. The locations (Except WHS...they are meeting at the Corkums). We are focusing on our 2nd Sunday events, inviting students who don't have a youth group to come and join us, 6:30-8:30 p.m. For location information visit our website and look under students or contact Pastor Mathias. New students are always welcome!

Bring Your Parents Night: Sunday, January 7, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Gateway. Students will enjoy a night with their small groups. Parents are invited to come and spend some time connecting with other parents, youth staff, and hearing from Pastor Mathias. Topics will include Winter Camp, a new summer camp experience, fundraisers, and the relationship between parents and youth workers. Put this on your calendar and plan on joining us!

Stay Connected: Join our Facebook Group, "Gateway Church Youth Group" and keep up with weekly information about things happening in our youth group. Parents and Students are welcome!

Key Upcoming Dates:

- **Bring Your Parent's Night** – January 7, 6:30-8:30 p.m. (Gateway)
- **Winter Camp 2018** – February 16-19, Camp Jonah. Registration should be open by this Wednesday Night!
- **Middle School Summer Camp** – July 12-16
- **ETV 2018** – July 29-August 4

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What's happening at

This Week

Sunday, December 10

- 9:15 a.m. Worship Services/Kids Church
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Services/Kids Church
- 6:30 p.m. Small Groups Middle School Students (Gateway)
- 6:30 p.m. Small Groups High School Students (Various Locations)

Monday, December 11

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Grow Group (Gym)
- 9:30 a.m. Mom's Play Group (Gym)
- 7:00 p.m. Youth Staff Meeting (The Califf's)

Tuesday, December 12

Wednesday, December 13

- 6:30 p.m. Youth Group mentor prayer time
- 7:00 p.m. Youth Group for students (Gateway)

Thursday, December 14

- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study (SWC)
- 12:00 p.m. Women in Prayer (WCR)
- 7:00 p.m. REVIVE Prayer Time (Auditorium)

Friday, December 15

Saturday, December 16

- 6:00 p.m. Worship Services/Kids Church

Sunday, December 17

- 9:15 a.m. Worship Services/Kids Church
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- 6:30 p.m. Small Groups Middle School Students (Gateway)
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~ Financials ~

General Budget YTD 2017: \$859,394

General Offering YTD 2017: \$809,386

Missions Budget YTD 2017: \$47,103

Missions Offering YTD 2017: \$44,970

General Fund Offering December 2-3: \$18,419

General Fund Average Offering for 2017: \$16,675

Online giving is now available. See the link at gatewayweb.org

Gateway's Business hours have changed. The new office hours are 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., and 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

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FAITH WORKS



Welcome To Gateway

'The Quick & Slow' (Part 2)

James 1:19-22

Pastor Bob Barnes

December 9-10, 2017