



# Edgewood Expressions

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Thoughts to Puzzle Over  
Randy McCormack, April 2024



**Randy McCormack**  
Church Financial  
Secretary

Sue and I enjoy doing jigsaw puzzles while we are at Cannon Beach. This is an activity that requires attention to detail and a way to relax. Our son, Tim, has a reputation for April Fool's jokes. Well, this year's joke was to send Sue a 200-piece puzzle that is clear plastic. It is titled "The Clearly Impossible Puzzle." It contains "false edge and corner pieces throughout." When Sue starts a puzzle the first thing she does is put all the edge pieces together. This will be tough.

So why worry about the edges? It sets the boundary for a puzzle. Our lives in Christ set the boundary for us and our activities. Without those bounds we can wander about in our daily lives. Our life in Christ provides guidelines we can count on. Assurances that are there for eternity. God does not give us false corners or edge pieces. I hope you have staked your eternity on faith in Jesus Christ.



April 10, 2024



**CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

Worship Services:  
**10:45 am in English and  
1:00 pm in Spanish**

**SUNDAYS**

**English**

Worship Service - English	10:45am in Sanctuary
**Livestream of Service	10:45am Facebook
Children's Classes (Nursery-6th grade)	10:45am
Youth Group	12:00 noon

**Spanish**

Adult Sunday School - Spanish	12:00 noon Rooms 38 & 39
Childcare for SS attenders	12:00 noon
Worship Service - Spanish	1:00pm in Sanctuary
**Livestream of Service	1:00pm on Facebook Live
Children's Sunday School (2 yrs-6th grade)	1pm in Sanctuary, then move to classrooms

\* General Zoom invites are issued weekly via email to those on our "In the Know" list. If you'd like to be included, please contact the church office.

\*\* It is possible that your image will be captured and included in this service while it is shown live.

**TUESDAYS:**

Open Gym Men's Basketball	6:00-7:30 am Gym
Prayer Gathering	7:30am via Zoom*
Women's Bible Study	9:30am via Zoom

**WEDNESDAYS:**

Caleb Community (Seniors Ministry)	12:00noon Junction
Spanish-Speaking Discipleship Class	7:00pm Facebook Live

**THURSDAYS:**

Men's Bible Study	7:30am Lynnwood Shari's
Women's Bible Study	7:00pm via Zoom

**FRIDAYS:**

Spanish-Speaking Prayer Time	7:00pm Sanctuary
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## Welcome Stan Markowski, Interim Pastor

Stan Markowski is originally from Long Beach, CA but moved to the PNW in 2020 with his wife Rosie, son Lee, and dog Albie to work at Northshore Church as their Small Groups Pastor. Prior to working at Northshore, Stan was a youth pastor in Southern California. Stan holds degrees in theology and biblical studies from Biola, Talbot, and Western Seminary. Stan loves to cook and root for the 49ers.



Jeff Joyner  
Worship & Family  
Pastor



Every other summer we would spend a week visiting my grandparents in Bay City, Michigan. We would usually spend a couple of those days at their cabin, which was located on the Rifle River in the northern part of the state. Though it was summer, there was always a roaring fire in the fireplace. We would often sit by it after dinner and plan our activities for the following day.

One night, I suggested we plan a canoe trip down the Rifle River. Although it was one of our usual activities, no one seemed to be interested. After unsuccessfully trying to persuade them, I finally decided to go by myself. Although my parents were uneasy about me going alone, I was able to convince them that I would be okay, since I had worked several summers as a lifeguard. I would call them from the general store when I was done so they could bring the trailer to pick me up.

The following day, I got one of my grandfather's canoes and headed down the Rifle River. It was fairly calm so I was relaxing and enjoying the scenery. Then, without warning, I hit some turbulent rapids. Next thing I knew, my canoe tipped over and my feet became wedged between two rocks. Stuck in the middle of the raging waters, I tried for several minutes to free myself, but was unable to. At the same time, my canoe was floating away. I began to be greatly concerned. Although I was a rebellious prodigal who had strayed away from God, I knew I was in trouble and needed His help. I began to pray. When I was done, a Bible verse immediately came to mind that I had heard in my childhood.

“When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you.” Isaiah 43:2

As I glanced down at the rapids, I began to hear voices in the distance behind me. It was two

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## Children



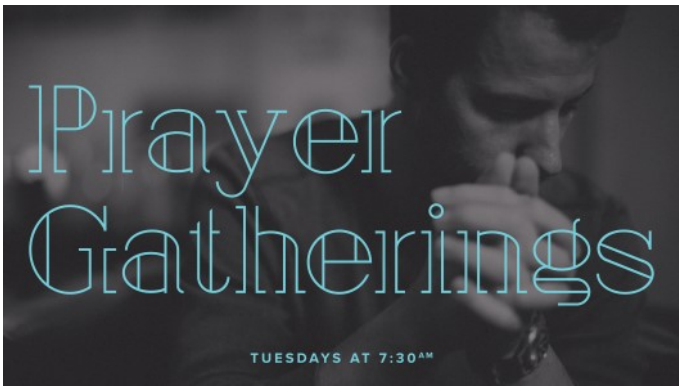
## Students



people paddling a canoe. God had answered my prayer. They were able to free me from the rocks and retrieve my canoe. I was also able to finish the course that day. As my dad and I rode quietly back to the cabin, I couldn't help but wonder why God had answered my prayer. How could He still love me in the midst of my rebellion towards him? As I continued to ponder this for a while, I began to sense a familiar voice speaking to me in the depths of my soul. A voice I had recognized since childhood. A voice who offered forgiveness and assured me of His love. It was the voice of Jesus, who whispered these words, “You still belong to me.”

”See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God.” 1 John 3:1

# Adults



Tuesdays via Zoom at 7:30 am



Contact the church office for more information

### EBC Income to Budget Summary

**Report Date: 04/03/2024**

Income Summary	5 weeks	0 weeks	Prev 12 Mon	
	Mar, 2024	Apr, 2024	04/23 - 03/24	Dist
General Giving	41,050	2,357	430,960	82.1%
Designated Giving	12,340	225	37,665	7.2%
Facility Use	5,290	60	54,471	10.4%
Other Recoveries	-	-	1,849	0.4%
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>58,680</b>	<b>2,642</b>	<b>524,946</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Budget Summary	5 weeks	0 weeks	Prev 12 Mon	
	Mar, 2024	Apr, 2024	04/23 - 03/24	Dist
Admin & Facilities	13,104	-	138,900	29.4%
Payroll & Benefits	24,544	-	260,167	55.0%
Missions	3,092	-	32,773	6.9%
Ministry	3,877	-	41,095	8.7%
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>44,617</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>472,935</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Over / (Under) Budget	5 weeks	0 weeks	Prev 12 Mon	Dist
	14,064	2,642	52,010	
	31.5%	0.0%	11.0%	

(YTD includes 12 months of fiscal year 2023 and 0 month of fiscal year 2024)



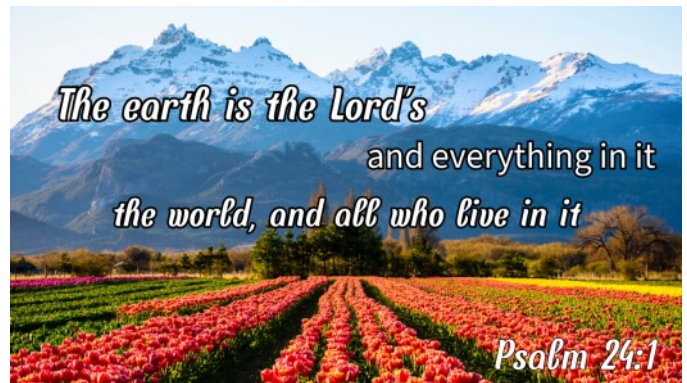
At the Annual Meeting, the people/positions, budget, and by-law change passed by an overwhelming majority.



### Caleb Community, April 2024

In your Christian walk regular fellowship with other believers can be reassuring. The seniors at Edgewood meet every Wednesday for a time of fellowship, Bible lesson and prayer. We start at Noon in the Junction and wrap up by 1:30. Everyone who has 90 minutes to spare on Wednesday is invited. Bring your brown-bag lunch and enjoy time with us. One of the members brings a sweet treat to share and the coffee is hot.

Any questions call Randy or the church office.





Julio Jiménez  
Spanish-Speaking Pastor

**Servicios Presenciales**

- Domingos 12 PM-  
Escuela dominical para niños, jóvenes y adultos
- Domingos 1 PM-  
Servicio de Adoración
- Viernes 7 PM-  
Oración (sala #39)

**Servicios Virtuales**  
Estudio Bíblico-Miércoles 7 PM @ Fb live

**Visitarnos!**

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**IBE KIDZ**  
ESCUELA DOMINICAL @ 1PM  
NIÑOS 2 AÑOS - 6TO GRADO

CUIDADO DE NIÑOS - DOMINGOS A LAS 12  
PARA PADRES QUE ASISTAN AL GRUPO DE ADULTOS

**No estás sola**

Espacio para traer esperanza a la mujer con la Palabra de Dios  
Artículo semanal en el fb de la IBE  
Por Liana Jiménez

**CAMINANDO CON CRISTO**

ESCUELA DOMINICAL PARA ADULTOS  
DOMINGOS 12 PM - SALA # 39

**DISCIPULADO**  
Estudio Bíblico

f Miércoles 7 PM @ fb live

**VIVIENDO PARA CRISTO**

DOMINGOS @ 12 PM  
SALA # 38

ESCUELA DOMINICAL

**Viernes de Gración**

7 PM EN EL SANTUARIO