



# FAITH

## Special events

### CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICES – Thursday, Dec. 24

St. Andrews Episcopal Church at 3 p.m. Holy Eucharist Service at 1301 W. Main St.

OLPH Catholic Church Family Mass at 6 p.m. at 1025 N. 19th St.

CG Faith Center at 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. at 33761 Row River Rd. Theme: “When the Light Came On”

United Methodist Church at 5 p.m. at 334 Washington Ave.

Delight Valley Church of Christ at 6 p.m. at 33087 Saginaw Rd. East

Living Faith Assembly at 6 p.m. at 467 S. 10th St. Theme: “The Light of Christmas”

CG Calvary Chapel at 6:30 p.m. at 1447 Hwy 99

Trinity Lutheran Church at 6:30 p.m. at Sixth and Quincy Avenue Theme: “Silent Night”

First Presbyterian Church at 7 p.m. at Third and Adams Avenue

OLPH Catholic Church Candlelight Mass at 10 p.m. at 1025 N. 19th St.

### CHRISTMAS DAY COMMUNION SERVICES – Friday, Dec. 25

Trinity Lutheran Church at 10 a.m. at Sixth and Quincy Avenue Theme: “Joy to the World”

OLPH Catholic Church at 10:30 a.m. at 1025 N. 19th St.

### CHRISTMAS DAY FREE COMMUNITY DINNER – Friday, Dec 25 from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church at 1025 N. 19th St. serves a traditional turkey dinner with all the trimmings. Servers and clean-up crew needed call 541-942-1117 to volunteer.

### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHRISTMAS CAROLS WORSHIP SERVICE – Sunday, Dec. 27 at 10 a.m.

Enjoy singing traditional Christmas carols on the Sunday after Christmas at Third and Adams Ave.

# Faith Center block party brings Christmas joy

BY CINDY WEELDREYER  
Sentinel Faith Page Editor

Christmas in Cottage Grove festivities on Saturday, Dec. 5, offered holiday activities all day and all over town to usher in the Christmas spirit. Fortunately for all, the expected windy and wet weather arrived later that night.

The day began with Breakfast with Santa at the Harrison Avenue Fire Station. The Methodist Church hosted an afternoon holiday concert featuring graduate students from the University of Oregon’s School of Music. All-day holiday bazaars happened on both ends of South River Road. The annual Prospectors and Goldiggers Bazaar at the historic Dr. Snapp House featured a beautifully decorated Victorian-era home built in 1886 by one of the town’s first doctors. Down the road at Cottage Grove High School, the Dorena School Parent Club organized its first bazaar with vendors offering a variety of food, handmade crafts and unique gifts.

Things really got busy at 5 p.m. after Santa Claus arrived on a fire truck to sing Christmas carols and light up the community tree in Trailhead Park. Assisted by his giant elf (aka Brad Cohen), jolly ol’ St. Nick went on to City Hall to greet children and hear their Christmas wishes, while City Manager Richard Meyers snapped a photo of them next to the Christmas tree. The Main Street Program en-



photo by Cindy Weeldreyer

A hayride that included caroling in Cottage Grove neighborhoods was a highlight of the block party for many.

listed downtown businesses to host a Scavenger Hunt as part of a holiday Art Walk. A South Lane Wheels shuttle ran between the Historic Downtown District and the Village Green Resort so people of all ages could enjoy the resort’s wedding garden magically decorated in a colorful holiday light display.

Over in the northwest neighborhood music played on the antique Victrola at the Cottage Grove Museum during the second annual Stained Glass and Candlelight event. The stained glass windows of the original Catholic Church were illuminated as historian Joanne Skelton described the backgrounds of the immigrant families that

paid for them in the late 1800’s. On the other side of town the C.S. Lewis classic The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe holiday production played to a full house.

A real crowd favorite was the return of Cottage Grove Faith Center’s Block Party in the parking lot of the Shampoo Dolls day spa on the corner of 5th and Main Street. The lot was ringed with 75 lighted Christmas trees that were given away free to families at the end of the event.

Several propane heaters kept people warm as they consumed 550 cups of soup, more than 1000 cookies and 500 hot beverages. The biggest crowd pleaser

of Faith Center’s Block Party was the caroling hayrides that transported singers around the northwest neighborhood to enjoy colorfully decorated home and businesses.

A large pickup pulled a covered trailer decorated with white twinkle lights and hay bale seating. Pastor Isaac Hovet and a pianist on an electronic keyboard led the singing from the pickup bed. Each of the dozens of trips made between 5-8 p.m. was laden with carolers of all ages and each trip concluded with “We Wish You a Merry Christmas” as it returned to the loading area.

Pastor Hovet said church members look forward to this event each year that requires more than 100 volunteers to organize. He said approximately 75 people baked cookies, made homemade soup and donated rolls that took 29 food and beverage volunteers to serve it. For church volunteers, their most poignant moments were seeing people from a wide cross section of belief present and smiling.

“We simply love this town and want to express that love by contributing our part to community events and initiatives,” Hovet said. “The Christmas Block Party was another resounding success! It was incredible to see the looks of joy and merriment on the faces of old and young alike.”

## CHURCH BRIEFS

### CHURCH-SPONSORED COMMUNITY DINNERS

Mondays – United Methodist Church (second and third Mondays only) at 5 p.m.  
Tuesdays – Trinity Lutheran Church at 5 p.m.  
Wednesdays – Covered Bridge Church of The Nazarene at 6 p.m.  
Thursdays – Trinity Lutheran Church at 5 p.m.

### BAHA’I FAITH TEA AND PRAYERS

Local gatherings are hosted by members of the Baha’i Faith in selected Cottage Grove sites and neighborhood homes. For additional information about the Baha’i Community call Jacqueline at 541-556-1286 or Brenda at 541-514-9607. To hear a daily recorded uplifting Baha’i verse call 541-531-8449.

### SHALOM EVENING LIGHT MINISTRIES SERVICE CHANGES – Sundays at 3:30 p.m.

After a year of meeting in different locations in Cottage Grove and Roseburg, the attendees will meet every other Sunday at 3:30 p.m. at Cottage Grove City Hall, 400 East Main Street. On the other Sundays, the meetings are held in the South Roseburg area. For additional information call Pastor Jairus Sathianathan at 541-391-3901 or Dan Holt at 541-946-1445.

### WEEKDAY MORNING COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY – Monday-Tuesday at 8:30 a.m.

The Cottage Grove United Methodist Church offers a community Bible study two days a week. Drop in and enjoy coffee or tea for a 90-minute time of

devotional Bible study and discussion. For more information call 541-942-3033.

### CAMPUS LIFE CLUB – Mondays and Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

This Lane County Youth for Christ non-denominational youth outreach program meets during the school year. Campus Life’s weekly club meetings blend food, music, games and a short Bible-based “talk” that ends with a prayer. Middle School students meet on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at Riverside Community Church, 1255 S. River Rd. High School students meet on Mondays at 7 p.m. in the game room above Domino’s Pizza (next to the post office). More information available on Facebook at Cottage Grove Campus Life or by calling Director Tim Sinclair at 541-285-4812.

### MOTHERS OF PRE-SCHOOLERS [MOPS] – Mondays from 6-8 p.m.

An outreach ministry designed to support mothers and help them be the best moms they can be. MOPS is for mothers with children from birth to kindergarten. MomsNext is for mothers with school age children. Both groups meet at Calvary Chapel in the Village Shopping Center, 1447 Hwy 99. For more information visit [www.cottagegrovemops.org](http://www.cottagegrovemops.org) or call 541-942-6842.

### AWANA CLUB MEETINGS – Wednesdays 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

AWANA is a weekly Christian education program for ages three through high school. Hosted by the Cottage Grove Bible Church, the group meets weekly during the school year. The cost includes the purchase of handbooks and uniforms and

dues are 75 cents per week. Children enjoy memorizing Scripture verses, games, Bible lessons and dressing up for special theme nights. More information can be found on the church website: [www.cgibible.org](http://www.cgibible.org).

### SUNDAY MORNING LIGHT WEEKLY RADIO PROGRAM

Each Sunday morning from 7-10 a.m. KNND 1400-AM provides three hours of inspirational programming with a Christian world-view. All genres of Christian music are interspersed with community information, local church news, and devotional readings. Host Cindy Weeldreyer invites you to tune in and become part of KNND’s Sunday Morning Light family. Listener line: 541-942-5548.

### WEEKLY WORSHIP DIRECTORY

The Sentinel prints a weekly worship directory to provide greater awareness of the diversity of our local faith community. If you want your specific information available to Sentinel readers each week, please call 942-3325 for more information. [If you have a listing please verify the weekly information is current.]

### DEADLINE FOR JANUARY FAITH PAGE

The deadline for the next monthly Faith Page is Thursday, Jan. 21 at noon. Drop off information to the Sentinel office or email it to [weeldreyer@aol.com](mailto:weeldreyer@aol.com).

# Worship Directory

# WORSHIP WITH US

### 6th & Gibbs Church of Christ

195 N. 6th St. • 541-942-3822  
Pastor: Aaron Earlywine  
Youth & Families Pastor: Seth Bailey  
Services: 9am and 10:30am  
Christian Education  
Nursery for pre-k - 3rd Grade  
[www.6thandgibbs.com](http://www.6thandgibbs.com)

### Calvary Baptist Church

77873 S 6th St • 541-942-4290  
Pastor: Riley Hendricks  
Sunday School: 9:45am  
Worship: 11:00am  
The Journey: Sunday 5:00pm  
Praying Thru Life: Wednesday 6:00pm

### Calvary Chapel Cottage Grove

1447 Hwy 99 (Village Plaza)  
541-942-6842  
Pastor: Jeff Smith  
Two Services on Sun: 9am & 10:45am  
Wednesday Service 6:45 pm  
Child Care 10:45am Service Only  
Youth Group Bible Study:  
Wed. 6:45 pm & Sat. 6 pm  
[www.cgcalvary.org](http://www.cgcalvary.org)

### Center for Spiritual Living Cottage Grove

700 Gibbs Ave (Community Center)  
Rev. Bobby Lee  
Meets Sunday 3:00 p.m.  
(907) 230-5070  
[www.facebook.com/CSLCottageGrove](http://www.facebook.com/CSLCottageGrove)

### Church of Christ

420 Monroe St • 541-942-8565  
Sunday Service: 10:30am

### Cottage Grove Bible Church

1200 East Quincy Avenue  
541-942-4771  
Pastor: Bob Singer  
Worship 11am  
Sunday School: 9:45am  
AWANA age 3-8th Grade,  
Wednesdays Sept-May, 6:30pm  
[www.cgbible.org](http://www.cgbible.org)

### Cottage Grove Faith Center

33761 Row River Rd. • 541-942-4851  
Lead Pastor: Isaac Hovet  
[www.cg4.tv](http://www.cg4.tv)  
Dec. 24th - Candlelight Services 4 & 8pm  
Dec. 27 - 10am service only

### Covered Bridge Nazarene Church

152 S. M St.  
541-942-4422  
Pastor: Cindy Slaymaker  
Sunday School: 9:30am  
Worship 10:30am

### Delight Valley

Church of Christ  
33087 Saginaw Rd. East  
541-942-7711  
Pastor: Bob Friend  
Two Services:  
9am - Classic in the Chapel  
10:30am - Contemporary in the Auditorium

### First Baptist Church

301 S 6th St 541-942-8242  
Pastor: Steve Johnson  
Sunday School: 9:30am  
Worship: 11:00am  
Come Worship with us

### First Presbyterian Church

3rd and Adams St • 541-942-4479  
Pastor: Karen Hill  
Worship: 10:00am  
Sunday School: 10:00am  
[www.cgpresbynews.com](http://www.cgpresbynews.com)

### Grove Community Church

77820 Mosby Creek Rd.  
Cottage Grove, OR 97424  
541-942-0123  
Pastor: Bryan Parsons  
Worship: 10:30 a.m.  
Nursery: Infant - Pre-K  
Kid’s Church: K to 5th grade

### Hope Fellowship

United Pentecostal Church  
100 S. Gateway Blvd. • 541-942-2061  
Pastor: Dave Bragg  
Worship: 11:00am Sunday  
Bible Study: 7:00pm Wednesday  
[www.hopefellowshippupc.com](http://www.hopefellowshippupc.com)  
“FINDING HOPE IN YOUR LIFE”

### Living Faith Assembly

467 S. 10th St. • 541-942-2612  
Pastor Rulon Combs  
Sunday School All Ages 9am  
Worship & Children’s  
Church 10:30 am  
“The Bridge” Sat Evening Service 6:00pm  
Youth 180 Mondays 5:30-8pm  
Children’s Breakout Class: Wed. 6:30pm

### Non-Denominational Church of Christ

1041 Pennoyer Ave \* 541-767-0447  
Preachers: Tony Martin & Robert Evans  
Sunday Bible Study: 10:00am  
Sunday Worship: 10:50am & 5:30pm  
[www.pennoyeravcoc.com](http://www.pennoyeravcoc.com)

### Old Time Gospel Fellowship

103 S. 5th Street • 541-942-4999  
Pastor: Herb Carson  
Sunday Service: 10:00am  
Sunday Bible Study: 6:00pm  
We sing the old time hymns.

### Our Lady of Perpetual Help and St. Philip Benizi

Catholic Churches  
1025 N. 19th St.  
541-942-3420 / 541-942-4712  
Pastor: Roy L. Antunez, S.J.  
Euch. Liturgies; Sat. 5:30pm  
Sun. 10:30am  
St. Philip Benizi, Creswell:  
552 Holbrook Lane • 541-895-8686  
Sunday: 8:30am

### St. Andrews Episcopal Church

1301 W. Main • 541-767-9050  
Rev. Lawrence Crumb  
“Church with the flags.”  
Worship: Sunday 10:30am  
All Welcome

### Seventh-day Adventist Church

820 South 10th Street  
541-942-5213  
Pastor: Kevin Miller  
Bible Study: Saturday, 9:15 am  
Worship Service: Saturday, 10:40 am  
Mid-week Service: Wednesday, 1:00 pm

### Trinity Lutheran Church

6th & Quincy • 541-942-2373  
Pastor: James L. Markus  
Sunday School & Adult Education 9:15am  
Sunday Worship 10:30 am  
Comm. Kitchen Free Meal Tue & Thur  
5:00pm TLC Groups  
[tlccg.com](http://tlccg.com)

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