

# The Faith Connection

*A Newsletter of the Wesley Foundation Campus Ministry*

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Greetings,

An astute friend of mine used to have an email signature with this quote: "Change is inevitable. Growth is optional." The truth of this pithy bit of wisdom resonates with me as we near the end of an academic year. Soon, we will say farewell to friends who are graduating and moving on to pursue new and exciting opportunities. Some of us will stay in Eugene for the summer, some will go home, others will embark on adventures that may take them away from home and maybe even out of the country. The summer is like a snow globe after its been shaken – the snow flies all about, but eventually settles down into a new pattern. By late September the "snow" around here will finally settle, and we will welcome new friends to the Wesley Foundation and into our lives.

We can view all of this transition and change a couple of different ways. We can take a less positive view, heave a sigh, and lament that nothing seems to be constant – that life is just one unsettling change after another. Or, we can choose to take a more positive view. Life constantly presents us with refreshing situations and intriguing new people – all of which help us to grow intellectually, spiritually, and emotionally.

And while at times like these, it may seem that nothing is constant, we can always depend on God, who has promised to be with us no matter what we go through. "I will be with you always, to the end of the age," says Jesus (Matthew 28:20). I wish for you God's rich blessings during the upcoming summer months. And I look forward to seeing some of you back again in the fall!

Blessings on you!

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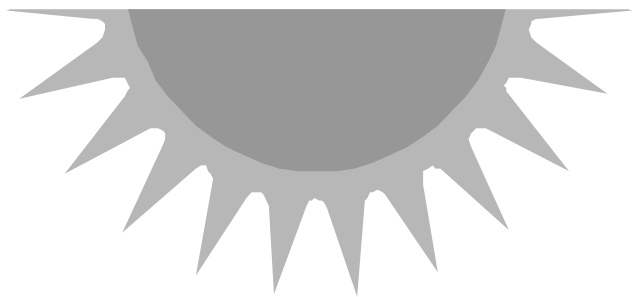
## In Eugene for the summer?

Keep informed about Wesley Foundation activities over the summer!

Come by the Wesley Foundation to fill out a Summer Student Information Form.

You'll receive the summer edition of "The Faith Connection" as well as email updates about what's happening at the Wesley Foundation!

(You may also email Jeremy to be added to the summer mailing list.)



## End of the Year Barbecue and Celebration!

Wednesday, June 11 – 6:30 PM

Come and celebrate the end of the school year and the beginning of the summer! We'll also give special recognition to our Wesley Foundation graduates.

Bring your friends! All are welcome!

*Come and find your peaceful center...*

**Candles,**

**Singing,**

**Silence.**



Taizé Service  
Sunday, June 1

6:30 PM – Ben Linder Room EMU

*Taizé is a style of prayer incorporating musical chants, silence, and short readings to create a space in which one may simply rest. The whole atmosphere is relaxed, peaceful, inspiring, healing, and worshipful. Questions? Talk to Jeremy.*

### People in the News

Congratulations to our Wesley Foundation graduates! **David Weaver** will attend the University of North Carolina to pursue an advanced journalism degree.

**Jennifer Miner** will attend UC Irvine to pursue an advanced degree in psychology. **Athena Sullivan** will be back at the U of O to pursue a Master's in education.

**Hilary Arakaki** is looking into opportunities in California and at home in Hawaii. **Annie Schneider** will return home to Germany to finish her university studies. We wish you all well! Stay in touch! \*\*\* The previous campus pastor of the Wesley Foundation, **Rev. Janet Cromwell**, will be moving to California to become the Director of Admissions at Claremont School of Theology. We wish Janet and Gary well! \*\*\*

**Andy Cobble** will study architecture in Rome this summer. \*\*\* Welcome to **Aaron Probert** who has joined us for the last few Fellowship Nights. This summer, Aaron is off to Wisconsin to staff a summer camp for kids. \*\*\* A much belated welcome back to **Margaret McGladrey!** \*\*\* Congratulations to **Megan and Nick Vinther** who have a brand-new baby boy named Andrew David. Congratulations you two! \*\*\*

**Amy Fitzgerald** now lives in Seattle and works as the Children's Program Coordinator for The Salvation Army. \*\*\* Good luck to **Laura Riley** who takes her MSAT education exam in June. \*\*\* Congratulations to **Christine Keene** for performing an amazing and beautiful voice recital. Great job, Christine! \*\*\*

Congrats to **Steve Mallory** for completing his next-to-last year of law school. \*\*\* Finally, congratulations to all of the first year students who have nearly completed their first year of college: **Shane Ahlers, Katie Bishop, Erik Carlson, Blythe Daniels, Tedra Engel, Caitlin Gamble, Katie Kilgore, Margaret McGladrey, Alaina Pomeroy, Sarah Terpin, and Jenna Hoffman.** Way to go!! \*\*\*

**Don't Forget...**

that the Wesley Foundation is open from 9 AM to 5 PM throughout the week.

Feel free to drop by to study, eat lunch, talk to Jeremy, nap, whatever! This can be your home away from home!

### Opportunities and Events

Wesley Night Fellowship continues on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM for dinner in the Fellowship Hall and 7 PM for singing, sharing, and a program in the lounge. Come join us! The last Fellowship Night of the spring term will be the barbecue on June 11.

Do you like to sing? Arrive early to Fellowship Night, at 6:00 PM, for a time of joining your voice in song with Christine and others. It's a lot of fun!

First Praise, the amazing young women's ensemble from First UMC (including Wesley alum Jennifer Cooper), will perform a concert to benefit Habitat for Humanity on Friday, May 30 at 7:30 PM at the church (1376 Olive Street). Requested donation is \$5.

*Slow down and enjoy life. It's not only the scenery you miss by going too fast – you also miss the sense of where you are going and why.*

- Eddie Cantor



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