



Meet Brooklyn!



I was born and raised in Washington and love it here ☺ I live in Tumwater with my husband, David, and our two kids, Elsie (5) and Andrew (3). We also have two cats and three chickens and live in an old farmhouse from 1909! I stay-at-home with the kids and have a background in staffing/HR (I'm always happy to review resumes!). I have a B.A. in Communication Studies and a Business minor from WSU. OK, that's all the boring stuff...

Things that make me happy:

Coffee Black & strong, please! (I think my Patronus/spirit animal is probably a banana slug but I mask that w/caffeine)
The Beach Kalaloch is my favorite place ☺ If anyone wants to go tidepooling or beachcombing, I'm totally ready! I love kite flying, metal detecting, clamming, fishing, sand castle building, sunning, shell/sea glass collecting, and bonfires!
Nature Hiking, backpacking, and car camping! I've summited Mt. Adams, Mt. St. Helens, and gone up to Muir. I like bringing trinkets from nature into my home. Some of it's a little macabre (i.e. bones/furs/dried insects/taxidermy) but to each their own, right? ;) ←That's also my motto in life ☺
Board games My favs are Agricola, Memoir 44, Duel, Small World, Cities & Knights Catan, and Splendor. I also like video games. Mainly old school stuff and FPS like Halo & CoD.
Beer Every July since 2011, we go to the Oregon Brewers Fest. Y'all should join us this year! I'm always up for grabbing a beer downtown! Just text me!
Holidays I love celebrating holidays, even the silliness. So if someone rings your doorbell on May Day and you find a bouquet of flowers on your porch, I'm the weirdo that left it.
Old-Fashioned Things/Ways I like learning and practicing all of those old-fashioned skills. I know how to can foods, garden from scratch, raise animals, fish, sew/embroider/knit, bake, plant identification, etc. And I love antiques, especially pieces with art nouveau elements. I collect 19th c. and early 20th c. books. I like to touch old things and imagine how someone in the past used it and what they were like.
God I love all the gifts, the beauty, and the love He provides.

-Brooklyn

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Upcoming Events



February



This February event is pretty laid back so no worries about RSVPing. Basically, I want us all to get together at Vics Pizzeria on the Westside and then go checkout the new Headless Mumby Brewery across the street! They specialize in German-style lagers. Can't wait to try their smoked lager ☺ The church will buy the pizzas, and drinks will be on our own. Please bring a friend too! Cheers!

March



I'm going to be sending a separate email about the upcoming White Pass Snow Retreat, March 1st - 3rd. It will include a schedule of events, lodging information, and a list of individual costs. We want as many of you to join us for this weekend event! It'll be such a fantastic bonding experience and I know we will all have a blast playing in the snow!

Call to Action!

We need to decide on a group name! I'd love to hear some ideas. I know our Facebook page is called "Millennials for God." Do we want to go with that? I know some of you are not thrilled with all the negative stereotypes that "millennial" carries with it and so many of us really do not identify with millennial attributes. And "Young Adult" has a much more "teen" vibe to it.

One idea I had was "The Olynnials" to allude to us being in the Olympia area and millennial-aged. But I'd love to hear others' ideas. I'd like to create a logo soon that we can put up on our websites. You'll notice on the top left of this newsletter a logo I created (just to have something up there 😊) which can be reworked with whatever name we decide. But again, if there are any awesome graphic designers out there, let yourselves be known!!! You can email me suggestions and we can decide at our February 15th event.

What's Next?

SOCIAL PROJECT

I would like to have a couple folks who are interested in planning our first Service Project contact me. I envision us doing an organized service project quarterly, in addition to our monthly social events.

LENTEN SMALL GROUP

Lenten small groups will be starting up soon with your respective church. Book study and dates/time TBD. Look out for sign ups in a few weeks at Sunday service. It will be ~six weeks in duration. Statistics show that small group is one of the best ways to make genuine connections with others at church while developing a richer sense of engagement.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

In each monthly newsletter, I'd like to feature one of you in the "Meet ___!" section above. I'll reach out to someone new each month 😊

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Did you know?

There is an existing Facebook page called, "Millennials for God" that was setup by Lara awhile back. I know not all of us are on Facebook, and that's perfectly OK. I will continue to send all event information via email each month. But it is important that we have a social media presence to make it easy for interested/ prospective individuals to find us online.

I'll ensure that all of our events are posted on this FB page and may occasionally post surveys where we can vote on upcoming events and for choosing the best days that work with our schedules.

Watch your inbox for an invite to join this page!