

## Community Stuff

### 1. Ways you can get involved...

\*Help in with clean up on Sunday evenings...

\*Help with sound or powerpoint on Sunday Nights...

\*Help at the Scoop on Sundays...

contact Mollie at

[info@scumoftheearth.net](mailto:info@scumoftheearth.net)

### 2. A new small group.....

New coed group led by Julia and Fran on Thursdays at 6:30pm. It will be a topical scripture study on themes such as: prayer, the promises of God, and God's will for us. contact Julia or Fran at [info@scumoftheearth.net](mailto:info@scumoftheearth.net) if you are interested.

## Church Council Update: Karen Spurling

**Elections:** Elections will be coming up for 2 seats on council. Start thinking about who you would like to serve on SCUM's Council. Election stuff will be available soon.

**Staff retreat was discussed:** We are very excited about the up coming retreat and the fact that Zack McCauley and his wife will be joining us from Seattle and that the Dylans will be back.

We are also excited about the teachings that Mike has been giving on Sunday nights: Where we as SCUM have been and where we are going now. This fits with what the church council was originally elected for: Below is from the church polity of SCUM. (yes..we have a church polity)

**The Church Council** is ultimately responsible for leading Scum of the Earth Church in the commitment to and fulfillment of its mission statement, statement of faith, and scripture. They carry out this responsibility by strengthening the relationships between God, Leadership, Staff, and the Congregation; determining and maintaining governing policies that correlate with the church's mission statement; and by providing general oversight and direction to the Leadership in their responsibilities



## SOTEC NEWS:

We said goodbye to Josh Cook this month, as God is leading him in a new direction. Thanks to Josh for the 5+ years of ministry at Scum.

The Dylans are back in town visiting. Make sure to say hello when you see them, and their new puppy!

## Clean Up Day!! Hooray, Cleaning!!

Come help us clean up the building (inside and out) on Saturday, October 10 at 10am. Good times and sparkling sinks are sure to be had.

To this very hour we go hungry and thirsty, we are in rags, we are brutally treated, we are homeless. We work hard with our own hands. When we are cursed, we bless; when we are persecuted, we endure it; when we are slandered, we answer kindly. Up to this moment we have become the scum of the earth, the refuse of the world. (1 Corinthians 4:11-13)

How different it was for the early church and its leaders than in America today. No mega-churches were allowed, no Christian books were bestsellers, no Gospel Grammy Awards were given, no "Christian media" (or its like) enjoyed unrestrained access to the public. All the world looked at Christians as trash to be swept up and thrown away. As a result, true believers had nothing to hold onto except Jesus. Mistreated, they could do nothing else but follow his example. As our culture drifts farther and farther away from Christ, we will begin to be treated in the same manner ~ as scum. Some of us are subject to that now, so let us work hard with our own hands. When we are cursed, let us bless; when we are persecuted, let us endure it; when we are slandered, let us answer kindly. We may be the scum of the earth, but we are also the siblings of Jesus.



In His steps, Mike