

One Church in  
multiple locations,  
sharing one heart  
to serve vulnerable  
children and their  
families



## upcoming EVENTS

### With Love NEEDS help!

Join others from our family of churches to sort, organize, and clean the large quantity of donations at the With Love warehouse—so these essential items can quickly reach children in foster care who need them most.

- Sign-Up [here](#)
- October 6 | 6:00 PM-8:00 PM  
October 30 | 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

### Coffee & Connection for Caregivers

If you’ve been impacted by foster care or adoption, this is a space to connect—nothing formal, just coffee and real conversation with people who get it. The joys and heartbreak. The wins and the weariness.

Whether you’ve been at it for years or are just starting to figure it out, you’re welcome here. Together, we try to guard our hearts, hold onto hope, and keep showing up with compassion—even when it feels like we’ve got nothing left.

Bring a friend or another caregiver along. No need to share the same beliefs—this is a space they already belong. Hope to see you there.

- Artur Cafe  
October 1 | 10:00 AM-11:30 AM
- Keeper Coffee Co  
October 15 | 10:00 AM-11:30 AM
- Symposium Sherwood  
November 4 | 10:00 AM-11:30 AM

### FPNO Kick-Off

October 11 | 3:00-7:00 PM

### AFC Christmas Dinner - SAVE THE DATE

December 14 | 5:00-7:00 PM  
Adult Dinner at The Abernethy Center  
Kid Dinner and Fun at Willamette

Visit us online at

- <https://willamette.cc/adoption-foster-care>
- <https://hopecitypdx.com/adoption-foster-care>
- <https://newhopepdx.org/adoption-foster-care>
- <https://beaverton.cc/adoption-foster-care>
- <https://allcity.church/afc>

## Sustained to Serve

One of our adoptive/foster families continues to walk a deeply painful and difficult road. Last year, the father was diagnosed with early-onset Alzheimer’s disease. What was already a home doing its best to stay afloat—caring for children with high needs due to extreme trauma—suddenly became a place in need of life preservers.

That’s when an incredible group of women from the Thursday morning Bible study at Hope City stepped in. They heard the need and answered the call.

Together, they found ways to lift a few burdens from the family’s shoulders. Every Sunday, someone from the group placed a meal in the church freezer—something the family could always count on. They set up a rhythm of porch laundry pickups and drop-offs. And, to bring a little beauty and delight, they even planted wildflowers in the flower beds so the family would have something lovely to look at each day.

In the process, these women discovered something powerful: they were able to sustain the serve together. They shared the weight, found joy in the giving, and experienced the gift of community in action. Because they chose to show up—week after week—this family experienced tangible love and support in a time of overwhelming burden, and they too were able to find joy in the midst of it all.



## Appreciation for Neighbor to Neighbor

From one of our AFC families: A little note of gratitude for a BIG lift from our Neighbor to Neighbor (N2N) ministry, based out of our New Hope campus:

*"It's an incredible feeling to express a need and not only be heard—but taken seriously. This team showed up with joyful hearts and built something beautiful that will make everyday life easier. On top of that, they brought a meal, delicious coffee, and even held an impromptu memorial when our dog finally caught a backyard squirrel! Later, a neighborhood friend saw the new "stage," ran home for their bag of magic tricks, and came back to rehearse a performance."*

Thank you, N2N, for not only building the needed wood shed, but also connecting volunteers with families in practical, meaningful ways. These acts of care and connection remind us—we’re not alone.



## A Note from Stephanie Williams - New Hope Campus

My husband Steve and I saw the [video about AFC](#) and we were both touched because of some of our own personal experiences. Taking someone a meal once a month was something we could do that could make a difference - so we got connected and signed up. We’ve been so blessed and grateful for this opportunity! It’s amazing to do something practical that eases the weight just a little for others.