

# being • belonging • boldness

We are emerging as a movement committed to nurturing **BEING**, cultivating **BELONGING** and catalyzing **BOLDNESS**. What does that look like?



story brunch

We nurture the spiritual practices and rituals that help us to **BE** in the world with purpose. Our Story Brunches explore the shapes of meaning-making and ground us in sacred stories: our own, those of our neighbors, and the holy texts we steward. We were able to bring on a musician in residence who leads us in using our senses and bodies to commune. And monthly, Sinners, Saints & Snifters hosts a merry group of folks with a taste for beer and deep conversation about the biggest questions.

We cultivate space for people to **BELONG**, especially those for whom “church” has traditionally not made a place. Storydwelling is an open and affirming community, and we are committed to the regular practice of 1-1 relational meetings, a heart-expanding discipline that builds trust and deep connection, so that we are a community that not only “includes” people but invites everyone to be a collaborator and imagine outside the box. Our womxn’s circle, Shameless, is led by womxn who are doing just that: pushing against the story we’ve been told that there is “one right way” to be and to believe.



Rabbi Johanna Hershenson speaks at Sinners, Saints & Snifters

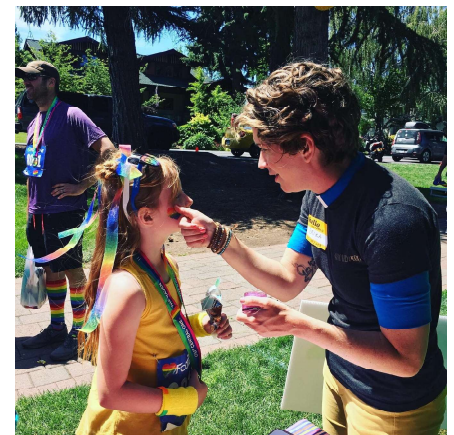


postcard campaign: equal access to roads!

Finally, we are beginning to see the ways we are called to be **BOLD** for the sake of liberation: our own and that of our neighborhoods and world. We play an active role in local and statewide interfaith immigrant justice groups, seeking ways to accompany our neighbors. Out of a desire to cultivate more cross-cultural friendships, a small group of Storydwellers took Spanish lessons this fall! We have been able to invest in partners we see who are doing bold work among indigenous people, immigrants and refugees, and addressing the climate crisis. Storydwelling is also excited to be a founding member of REACH, a local interfaith organization that accompanies those on Bend’s edges. Finally, we are casting visions to begin a family-run childcare cooperative. This is what we are inviting you into: **be**, **belong** and be **bold** alongside us.



summertime Sunday mornings at Kiwanis Park



Pr. Erika gives glitter blessings at Bend's Pride Festival