

The Carillion

January 2017

Letter from Pastor Michelle

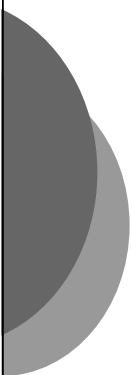
Dear Church,

For some reason this year the light/dark imagery is really hitting me. Maybe it's because of this cold fall and now winter we are having—the days are shorter and I am really needing those moments and events that are so full of light and joy to get me through this winter time of year. One of those moments of joy and light for me was December 3rd—when Saron and First joined together as one church. What a day. What a beautiful day. Thank you to all who made that day possible: to the church leadership in both Saron and 1st; the renewal team; the cooks who provided the food (Haldis and Knut THANK YOU for the wonderful main dishes and running that kitchen); our behind the scenes workers getting the building ready, cleaned, and organized; the choir for sharing their wonderful voices; the decorators; our amazing staff, and all that came from the community to celebrate that day! It was a day when we got to claim we ARE the light that shines in the darkness—we are saying YES to Jesus calling us to follow and be God's light in the world.

The Executive Presbytery and the Synod felt so welcomed and were so happy to be with us that day. They were completely impressed with how we came together as one church. This time of year can feel so bleak—a bleak midwinter with rain upon rain falling—it can be difficult to keep going. And I know it is a season in many of our lives where bleakness and loss are happening—the loss of loved ones, our health declining, the unknowns, the barely getting by, and just heart-ache. We have to hold close to our hearts the promise of the little baby—of the love that came into the world. That over 2,000 years ago some Wise Men from the East showed up in Bethlehem by following a star—a star that shined so bright they followed it through the

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For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. Jeremiah 29:11



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darkness of the night. God's light shines upon us even when we don't feel it. It is in the moments of joy we can get glimpses of it—be it a huge event on December 3rd or listening to a 3 year old explain with gusto and happiness about their truck. Those moments that make us smile we have to hang on to them. We have to cherish them in our hearts and hold them close to get us through these bleak times. And the thing is in our church—right now it really isn't bleak but only the beginning. You feeling down? You feeling bleak? Give the church a call we have ways for you to connect and get a little joy in your life. That's what this church is about—being a light in our community—and we are so thankful you are part of that!

Peace,

Pastor Michelle



From Left to Right:

Pastor Melanie Wallschlaeger, Reverend Michelle de Beauchamp, Pastor Jeani Shofner,
Bishop Rick Jaech, Executive Presbyter Rev. Christine Long

January Birthdays

1/4—Diana Petrich
 1/5 –Ali Zabiaka
 1/11—Tom Rowley
 1/12—Brett Pelan
 1/12—Myka Wayman
 1/14—Tim Pelan Jr.
 1/16—Gretchen Klein
 1/18—Sara Leigh Sullivan
 1/20—Del Pelan
 1/22—Dave Smith
 1/25—Barbara Royal
 1/29 Tamara McCarthy
 1/30—Donna Pelan
 1/31—Nancy Rowley

Martha's Circle

Martha Circle joyfully gave this holiday season to the following organizations for Christmas.

- \$250 to the Civic Choir in support of the “Giving Tree” for youth Christmas gifts. We provided for over 25 kids!
- \$250 to the Union Gospel Mission
- \$250 to the Friendship House
- \$1,000 to the Endowment Fund
- \$195 to ELCA Good Gifts—Purchased 2 pigs, 2 goats, 20 chickens, and 1 rooster.

Martha Circle doesn't meet in January but on **Tuesday, January 23rd at 9 AM** some of the women will give the kitchen a good cleaning. Feel free to help!

Next Martha Circle is **February 1st at 1 PM**. Sharon Thompson & Pat Morgan will be our hostesses.

Thank you to all the men and women who helped on our bazaar, rummage sale, dinners and other events. It is much appreciated.

Happy New Year to all.

Ona Karnath

President

Next council meeting is January 8th at 6:30 pm at the church.

Any questions? Feel free to call the office at 360-532-4611.

Readings for January

- Monday, January 1, 2018: New Year's Day
- Tuesday, January 2, 2018: Psalm 148; Proverbs 1:1-7; James 3:13-18
- Wednesday, January 3, 2018: Psalm 110; Proverbs 1:20-33; James 4:1-10
- Thursday, January 4, 2018: Psalm 110; Proverbs 3:1-12; James 4:11-17
- Friday, January 5, 2018: Psalm 110; Proverbs 22:1-9; Luke 6:27-31
- Saturday, January 6, 2018: Epiphany of the Lord Isaiah 60:1-6 • Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 • Ephesians 3:1-12 • Matthew 2:1-12
- Sunday, January 7, 2018: Baptism of the Lord Genesis 1:1-5 • Psalm 29 • Acts 19:1-7 • Mark 1:4-11
- Monday, January 8, 2018: Psalm 69:1-5, 30-36; Genesis 17:1-13; Romans 4:1-12
- Tuesday, January 9, 2018: Psalm 69:1-5, 30-36; Exodus 30:22-38; Acts 22:2-16
- Wednesday, January 10, 2018: Psalm 69:1-5, 30-36; Isaiah 41:14-20; John 1:29-34
- Thursday, January 11, 2018: Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; Judges 2:6-15; 2 Corinthians 10:1-11
- Friday, January 12, 2018: Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; Judges 2:16-23; Acts 13:16-25
- Saturday, January 13, 2018: Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; 1 Samuel 2:21-25; Matthew 25:1-13
- Sunday, January 14, 2018: Second Sunday after the Epiphany 1 Samuel 3:1-10, (11-20) • Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 • 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 • John 1:43-51
- Monday, January 15, 2018: Psalm 86; 1 Samuel 9:27-10:8; 2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1
- Tuesday, January 16, 2018: Psalm 86; 1 Samuel 15:10-31; Acts 5:1-11
- Wednesday, January 17, 2018: Psalm 86; Genesis 16:1-14; Luke 18:15-17
- Thursday, January 18, 2018: Psalm 62:5-12; Jeremiah 19:1-15; Revelation 18:11-20
- Friday, January 19, 2018: Psalm 62:5-12; Jeremiah 20:7-13; 2 Peter 3:1-7
- Saturday, January 20, 2018: Psalm 62:5-12; Jeremiah 20:14-18; Luke 10:13-16
- Sunday, January 21, 2018: Third Sunday after the Epiphany Jonah 3:1-5, 10, Psalm 62:5-12, 1 Corinthians 7:29-31, Mark 1:14-20
- Monday, January 22, 2018: Psalm 46; Genesis 12:1-9; 1 CorJonah 3:1-5, 10 • Psalm 62:5-12 • 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 • Mark 1:14-20
- Tuesday, January 23, 2018: Psalm 46; Genesis 45:25-46:7; Acts 5:33-42
- Wednesday, January 24, 2018: Psalm 46; Proverbs 8:1-21; Mark 3:13-19a
- Thursday, January 25, 2018: Psalm 111; Deuteronomy 3:23-29; Romans 9:6-18
- Friday, January 26, 2018: Psalm 111; Deuteronomy 12:28-32; Revelation 2:12-17
- Saturday, January 27, 2018: Psalm 111; Deuteronomy 13:1-5; Matthew 8:28-9:1
- Sunday, January 28, 2018: Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany Deuteronomy 18:15-20 • Psalm 111 • 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 • Mark 1:21-28
- Monday, January 29, 2018: Psalm 35:1-10; Numbers 22:1-21; Acts 21:17-26
- Tuesday, January 30, 2018: Psalm 35:1-10; Numbers 22:22-28; 1 Corinthians 7:32-40
- Wednesday, January 31, 2018: Psalm 35:1-10; Jeremiah 29:1-14; Mark 5:1-20

New Membership Celebration Lunch Sunday, February 4th 12pm-1pm.

Sign up in the Fellowship Hall

If you have joined Saron/1st in the last year or are wanting to join or transfer your membership in 2018 email or call the office to RSVP to this luncheon by January 30th. We want to celebrate YOU, share about the ministries you can get involved in, and go through what it means to be a member of this church. A lovely meal will be provided. Any dietary or allergy restrictions please let us know when you RSVP.

Women’s Bible Study is January 21st from 5-7 PM, will be at Annette Moir’s house. If you need the address or have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the office at 360-532-4611.

November Church Finances

November Total Income:

November Total Expenses:

This results in a balance:

date	offering income	attendance
11/5	\$2736	59
11/12	\$833	52
11/19	\$938.	69
11/20	\$1,070	N/A
11/26	\$843	41
11.28	\$375	N/A
	\$6,795.00	offering

Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

—Isaiah 43:18-19

JANUARY 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 OFFICE CLOSED	2	3 10am Coffee Hour 7 PM Choir Practice	4 5:30—6PM Coin Club @ Saron	5	6
7 10AM- Worship	8	9	10 10am Coffee Hour 12 PM Bible Study	11	12	13
14 10AM Worship	15 Union Gospel Mis- sion—Have food here by 4 PM	16	17 10am Coffee Hour 12 PM Bible Study 7 PM Choir Practice	18	19	20 6-9PM Coin Club @ Saron
21 10AM Worship 5-7PM Wom- en's Bible Party	22	23 Martha Circle Kitchen Cleaning—9 AM	24 10 am Cof- fee Hour NO Bible Study 7 PM Choir Practice	25	26	27
28 10AM Worship Annual Mtg.	29	30	31	Next Sunday: February 4th 12-1 PM New Member Luncheon		

Pastor Michelle—Away at Synod

Assisting Ministers Schedule

	Jan 7	Jan 14	Jan 21	Jan 28
Lector	Cathy Kallio	Marilynn A	Dale Larson	Linda Borth
Prayers	Becky Root	John Sullivan	Cathy Kallio	Jan Rosi
Altar Guild	Sharon T.	Sue Swantek	Ingrid Larson	Sue Swantek
Communion	Jody Wayman & John Sullivan	John Larson & Dale Larson	John Sullivan & Jan Rosi	John Rhodes & Becky Root
Usher	James Ray & Mark Johnson	Dan Varland & Barbara Fairchild	Knut Totland & Tim Pelan	Barbara Fairchild & Cathy Kallio
Greeter	Marcia Smith	Sarah Leigh S.	Gretchen Klein	Ingrid Larson
Coffee Hour			Barbara F. & Teri Moody	
Flowers				

	Feb 4	Feb 11	Feb 18	Feb 25
Lector	Dale Larson	Cathy Kallio	Linda Borth	Katri Pelan
Prayers	Marilynn A	Jan Rosi	Cathy Kallio	Becky Root
Altar Guild				
Communion	John Larson & Cathy Kallio	John Sullivan & Dale Larson	Jan Rosi & Becky Root	Jody Wayman & Cathy Kallio
Usher	Barbara Fairchild & Knut Totland	Tim Pelan & Dan Varland	Mark Johnson & James Ray	Barbara Fairchild & Cathy Kallio
Greeter	Gretchen Klein	Ingrid Larson	Marcia Smith	Sarah Leigh S.
Coffee Hour		Jan Rosi & Diana McAllister		
Flowers				

Annual Meeting for 1st/Saron

After Worship on Sunday, January 28th.

To follow the constitutions of both churches we have to have an annual meeting. This one is a short one this year. We will celebrate what both churches did in 2017 and the only thing we have to vote on is the approval of the 2018 budget, because the legal things are still be worked on by the synod/presbytery. Once they figure out those items we will have to have a meeting later in 2018

Hygiene Kits and Winter Items

We are still collecting items for hygiene kits to be handed out to our homeless brothers and sisters right here in Grays Harbor. See list in church bulletin.

Property Committee Update for the New Year

In February our group will meet to discuss projects and priorities for 2018 and fundraising for the parsonage siding project. All are welcome! We'll gather in the Fireside Room at 7pm on Tuesday, February 6. If you have any questions or concerns, please email or call Carrie Larson at clarson3@comcast.net or 360.580.8048. Hope to see you there! Also, if you have volunteer hours from 2017, do get them to Al Bruun as soon as possible. Thanks!

Carrie Larson

There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love.

1 John 4:18

Church Ski Trip at Trollhaugen Lodge in Snoqualmie Ski Park

Saturday, February 17– Monday, February 19

2 nights \$65/person

We have 3 spots left– and could maybe make room
for 5! If you want to come please let Pastor Michelle
know.



Don't forget to sign up to bring food
for the Union Gospel Mission Dinner
this month. Our night is January
15th—we ask the food be at Saron
by 4pm that day.

Come Help Out! Invite Your
Neighbors!
Family Outreach Night
4th Wednesday of the
month.

Winter Office Hours

Mondays—12:00PM-3:00PM

Tuesdays—9:00AM-12:00PM

Wednesdays— 8:00AM-2:00PM

If you want to meet with Pastor any other time please contact office to make an
appointment. Call Pastor at home 24/7 if there is an emergency . Phone number is 360-637-9766.

Prayer Requests

If you have something you would like the
congregation to pray for please send prayer
requests contact sarongraysharbor@gmail.com
or pastordebeauchamp@gmail.com and we will put them in the weekly
Facebook post.