## The Carillion

## **Letter from Pastor Michelle**

Dear Church,

Happy Harvest Season and Reformation! October 2017 marks the 500 anniversary of the Reformation. What is the Reformation? The Protestant Reformation started on October 31, 1517 when Martin Luther posted "The 95 Theses" to be debated at the university in Wittenberg, Germany. What was supposed to only be a movement to reform/change the Roman Catholic Church of the 1500s resulted in huge changes in society in the areas of religion, politics, the humanities, and the culture of the time. The ELCA states for the celebration of the Reformation, "At the heart of these widereaching changes was a deep conviction that God's mercy or grace in Jesus is given freely to all. When Luther and others learned to trust God's mercy with "a living, daring confidence," they discovered in that faith the freedom to give themselves generously, lovingly in all of life's undertakings with everyone they met."

So why is the Reformation still relevant? The Reformation shows and teaches Christian communities all over the world that Christ's "life flows through faith into a life of service to the neighbor." In summary it's not about our works or free will- we can't earn God's grace, but God loves all abundantly and calls us to faith—and faith inspires us to love our neighbors. As the ELCA goes on to state about this abundant grace, "Many, both within Christian communities and beyond, are held captive by ideologies that limit the full scope of God's mercy in Christ to demographic groups defined sociologically by certain beliefs, behaviors or experiences. The Reformation teaching that Christ's life flows through faith into a life of service to the neighbor is especially liberating in a culture that *(Continued on Page 2)* 

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Psalm 136:26 - Give thanks to the God of heaven, for his steadfast love endures forever.

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makes religious life into a demonstration of one's own worthiness and privilege to the disadvantage of others." We as a church are living into the call right now as God is calling us to be reformed—to be renewed. How? We are becoming a relevant church in our own community, by joining together with the Presbyterian church into one church, and reaching out to our neighbors right here in Hoquiam. We are addressing needs in our community and going beyond our church walls—and opening our doors.

This last month our first ever new free meal ministry happened (aka Family Outreach Night). It was our first one ever and we fed 20-30 people! And just so all of you know at least 10 of them never had been in Saron before and really needed that meal. One young man shared with me his story, and said he was so thankful for this meal and was so happy to see a church opening their doors to help their neighbors, because "I just don't see that happening much anymore." We are reforming—changing and reaching out, because God has called us to do this. We are practicing what we preach. What a blessing to be called by God to be renewed and freed in Christ—to help our neighbors. Thank you all for your generous hearts and being the heart, hands, feet and voice of Jesus in this community.

Peace, Pastor Michelle

## You are Invited!!!!

## Lillian's 90th Birthday Party

Saturday, October 7th from 1 to 4 PM

at Saron Lutheran Church

Lillian requests no gifts, please.

There will be a card basket available.

Any questions, please contact JoAnn Ray at 360-532-6746.



## Prayer Requests

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

## Letter from the Council President

#### Dear Church,

This month, instead of reminding you of all the ways you can tithe, I'm going to talk about why my family and I tithe.

In our family, we believe it is just as important to tithe our time as it is to tithe our treasures. My husband remembers his grandmother, Josephine Melhoff, constantly busy with events at our church. I personally did not ever have the pleasure of meeting his grandma, but I see the dedication to the church with the time his family gives to the church. My family was different, we were a fair-weather churchgoing family, a rare Christmas, Easter, wedding, or funeral was all we managed. When Tony and I were first married, I didn't understand his devotion of time as well as monetary gifts to the church. Isn't the money enough?

When my oldest child was a baby, we decided we would attend church as a family regularly. As we started to attend, I understood why. The congregation became part of our village—as in it takes a village to raise a child. Later, when we moved to Rockaway Beach where everyone attends one of the two churches, we somehow became part of both churches. I was blessed to be part of such a village when my pregnancy with Winston became difficult and I had to be hospitalized. A member of the church took my older children into her home for a while so I wouldn't have to worry. When we moved to Hoquiam and later Aberdeen, we were welcomed with open arms into Saron's congregation. I was a little nervous bringing such a young child into the church, but not one person complained when Winston spent the service screaming in the upstairs nursery.

I see now the church is a community in which we all belong. Our gifts of time and money are going to keeping this community running. Every minute we volunteer with or at the church is time that does not need to be paid for from an outside source. Each of us has talents which are valuable to the church community. Organizational skills, handy work, yard maintenance, a gift for cooking, or even just being able to take directions from someone with a vision.

Sometimes in our overscheduled lives, it is much easier to tithe our treasures and not our time. And money is just as important in keeping our church running. Every dollar that we tithe is a dollar the church does not have to raise to keep our doors open. It's a dollar that doesn't need to be cut from our ministries to pay the bills.

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#### **October Birthdays**

10/6-Lillian Matheson

10/7-John Larson

10/11-Bill Dyer

10/11-Katie Garrow

10/15-Linda Borth

10/19-Harold Warren

10/28-Bryan Rhodes

10/30-Seppo Tuominen

10/31-JoAnn Ray

10/31-April Montes-Hamm

Fall 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.

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So, in conclusion, my family and I tithe because we are a part of this wonderful church community. We feel God's love among the halls of this church, and the time and money donations are to keep the church running for right now, and for the future. We tithe because just as Josephine's children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren attend our church, we would like our children, grandchildren, and greatgrandchildren (God willing) to be a part of our community. I invite you to think about why you tithe.

Elichia Enzler

Saron Lutheran Church Council President

Next council meeting is October 16th at 6:30 pm at Carole Sandstrom's house. Any questions? Feel free to call the office at 360-532-4611.

A BIG THANK YOU AND WAY TO GO TO MARTHA'S CIRCLE FOR BEING SO GENEROUS! Martha's Circle last month donated \$1,000 to Lutheran Disaster Relief for people affected by the hurricanes. Every \$1 donated goes directly to those in need!

Ladies, Martha Circle is Thursday, October 5th at 1 PM. Pat Morgan will be our speaker and final plans for the bazaar will be made. Carole and Sue will be our hostesses. Hope to see you there. -President Ona Karnath

## **Readings for October**

- Sunday, October 1, 2017: Exodus 17:1-7 and Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16
- Monday, October 2, 2017: Psalm 42; Exodus 18:1-12; Philippians 1:3-14
- Tuesday, October 3, 2017: Psalm 42; Exodus 18:13-27; Philippians 1:15-21
- Wednesday, October 4, 2017: Psalm 42; Exodus 19:9b-25; Matthew 9:2-8
- Thursday, October 5, 2017: Psalm 19; Exodus 23:1-9; Colossians 2:16-23
- Friday, October 6, 2017: Psalm 19; Exodus 23:14-19; Philippians 2:14-18; 3:1-4a
- Saturday, October 7, 2017: Psalm 19; Exodus 23:10-13; John 7:40-52
- Sunday, October 8, 2017: Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 and Psalm 19
- Monday, October 9, 2017: Psalm 119:49-56; Deuteronomy 5:1-21; 1 Peter 2:4-10
- Tuesday, October 10, 2017: Psalm 119:49-56; Deuteronomy 5:22-6:3; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21
- Wednesday, October 11, 2017: Psalm 119:49-56; Deuteronomy 6:10-25; John 11:45-57
- Thursday, October 12, 2017: Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23; Exodus 24:1-8; 1 Peter 5:1-5, 12-14
- Friday, October 13, 2017: Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23; Exodus 24:9-11; James 4:4-10
- Saturday, October 14, 2017: Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23; Exodus 24:12-18; Mark 2:18-22
- Sunday, October 15, 2017: Exodus 32:1-14 and Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23
- Monday, October 16, 2017: Psalm 97; Exodus 32:15-35; Jude 17-25
- Tuesday, October 17, 2017: Psalm 97; Exodus 33:1-6; Philippians 3:13-4:1
- Wednesday, October 18, 2017: Psalm 97; 2 Kings 17:7-20; John 6:25-35
- Thursday, October 19, 2017: Psalm 99; Exodus 33:7-11; 3 John 9-12
- Friday, October 20, 2017: Psalm 99; Exodus 31:1-11; 1 Peter 5:1-5
- Saturday, October 21, 2017: Psalm 99; Exodus 39:32-43; Matthew 14:1-12
- Sunday, October 22, 2017: Exodus 33:12-23 and Psalm 99
- Monday, October 23, 2017: Psalm 63:1-8; Exodus 40:34-38; Revelation 18:1-10, 19-20
- Tuesday, October 24, 2017: Psalm 63:1-8; Numbers 12:1-9; Revelation 18:21-24
- Wednesday, October 25, 2017: Psalm 63:1-8; Numbers 13:1-2, 17-14:9; Matthew 17:22-27
- Thursday, October 26, 2017: Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; Deuteronomy 31:14-22; Titus 1:5-16
- Friday, October 27, 2017: Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; Deuteronomy 32:1-14, 18; Titus 2:7-8, 11-15
- Saturday, October 28, 2017: Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; Deuteronomy 32:44-47; John 5:39-47
- Sunday, October 29, 2017: Deuteronomy 34:1-12 and Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17
- Monday, October 30, 2017: Psalm 119:41-48 ; Numbers 33:38-39; James 2:8-13
- Tuesday, October 31, 2017: Psalm 119:41-48; Exodus 34:29-35; James 2:14-26

#### **Devotional Questions**

How does this text empower you to share your faith? What speaks to you in this text?

# October 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 <b>10AM Worship</b> 7-8:30PM AA	2	3 7-8:30 AA <b>7PM</b> <b>Property</b>	4 10AM Coffee Hour 12PM Lunch Bunch 7PM Choir Practice	5 1PM Mar- tha's Circle 5-6PM Coin Club 7-8:30 AA 6:30 PM Worship Staff Meeting	6 Set up for party	7 1-4PM Lillian's Birthday Party
8 <b>10AM Worship</b> 7-8:30 AA	9 7PM Council	10 7-8:30 AA	11 10AM Coffee Hour 1-7 Family Outreach 7PM Choir Practice 7PM Movie Screening	12 7-8:30 AA	13	14
15 <b>10AM Worship</b> <b>5PM Women's</b> <b>Bible Party</b> 7-8:30 AA	16 Union Gospel Mission— Have food here by 4	17 7-8:30 AA	18 10AM Coffee Hour 12PM Lunch Bunch 7PM Choir Practice 7PM Theology on Tap	19 7-8:30 AA	20	21 6-9PM Coin Club
22 <b>10AM Worship</b> 7-8:30 AA	23	24 10 AM Flatbread 7-8:30 AA	25 10AM Coffee Hour 12PM Lunch Bunch 7PM Choir Practice	26 <b>9AM Pie</b> 7-8:30 AA	27 9AM Set Up	28 <b>10-2 Bazaar</b>
29 REFORMATION SUNDAY 10AM Worship 7-8:30 AA	30	31 7-8:30 AA				

## **500 Reformation Celebration Events**

Screenings of Rick Steves' Luther and the Reformation Documentary Wednesday, October 4 at 12PM Wednesday, October 11 at 7PM



Travel expert, author and guide Rick Steves this year came out with a new documentary called Luther and the Reformation to celebrate the 500 anniversary. Rick stated that with this documentary, "My mission: to produce an hour long documentary that would be useful for Lutheran churches, other Protestant denominations, Roman Catholic churches, and also secular media." This is a great opportunity for all of us to learn where Protestantism comes from. Please come and participate in one of these screenings and discussion time. For more information on the documentary there are flyers available at the welcome table.

## Lunch Bunch Bible Study: 6 Part Series on the Reformation 12 Noon Every Wednesday in October & November 1st & 8th Located in the Fellowship Hall

Come learn about the reformation! Who were the people involved? What Why is it there are so many Protestant denominations? Come and bring a lunch and learn a little bit over the noon hour— there will be some Bible reading mixed in there too! **On October 4th we will be screening the new Rick Steve's documentary "Luther and the Reformation." The dates for this are October 4, 11, 18, 25 and November 1 and 8.** Come to one or all of these adult education time— all are welcome! You don't need to know what the reformation even is!

Reformation Sunday is October 29th! The first performance of the new church choir will be on Reformation Sunday. Come and celebrate with our wonderful church service and don't forget to wear red!

## Choir Practice starts in October on Wednesdays at 7pm! We will be meeting in the Music Room.

If you like to sing join us. We are planning on having choir singing at least twice per month for worship starting in December.



But our first time as a choir will be Reformation Sunday October 29th!

## Church Deep Cleaning at Saron!

## Saturday, November 11th starting at 10AM

We need help cleaning before the holiday season starts! Please come even if you can only give a few hours. Council did a walkthrough and has a list of items we need to get done for the holidays. The more help the quicker we can get this done. For more information contact the church office.

## **Church Finances**

August Total Income: \$7,732.07 August Total Expenses: \$8,334.94

This results in a balance : -\$602.87

date	offering income	attendance
8/6	\$987	40
8/13	\$2493	47
8/20	\$1846	
8/21	\$1450	
8/27	\$956	42
	\$7,732	offering

Psalm 86:15— But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast loveand faithfulness.

Assisting Ministers Schedule								
	Oct 1	Oct 8	Oct 15		Oct 22		Oct 29	
Lector	Katri Pelan	Sue Varland	Dale Larson		Jeannette B		Jody Wayman	
Prayers	Marilynn A	Pat Morgan	Jan Rosi		Cathy Kallio		Kari H	
Altar Guild	Sue Swantek	JoAnn Ray	Lois Carrol		Jody Wayman		Sue Swantek	
Communion	John L. &	Jody Wayman & Jan Rosi	Cathy Kallio & Sharal W.		Mic & John L.		John Larson & Cathy Kallio	
Usher	Cathy K. &	Seppo T. &	Dan V. &		Barbara F. &		Tim Pelan &	
	Barbara F.	James R.	Paula B.		Cathy K.		Knut Totland	
Greeter	Gretchen K.	Sarah Leigh S.	Marcia Smith		Sue Swantek		Barbara F.	
Coffee Hour		Rich & Joyce	Kim H./ Teri					
Flowers		Rich & Joyce	Roger & Linda		Mike & Jody		Dan & Kim	
	Nov 5	Nov 12	)	Nov	19		Nov 26	
Lector	Cathy Kallio						nda Borth	
Prayers	Jan Rosi	Cathy Kal					ynn Anderson	
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Communion	Jody Wayma & Karla John son		Rosi			John Larson & John Sullivan		
Usher	Barbara F. 8 Knut Totland			Tim Pelan & Mark Johnson		Barbara Fairchild & Cathy Kallio		
Greeter	Sarah Leigh S	. Marcia Smith		Sue Swantek		Gretchen Klein		
Coffee Hour		Kim H./ Barb F/ Teri M.						
Flowers		Dan & Ki Homchio		Roger 8 Bor				

#### **Outreach Team News**

## **Hygiene Kits and Winter Items**

We are starting to collect for hygiene kits to be handed out to our homeless brothers and sisters right here in Grays Harbor. These kits will be put together during Family Outreach Night. 1st Presbyterian already has a ton of towels and hand towels to put in the kits. We are collecting the following (can be travel or regular size):

-Soap -Shampoo -Conditioner -Toothpaste - Toothbrushes -Tampons/Pads - Small packets of baby wipes
-Snack packs/energy bars - Gallon Ziploc Bags
- Packets of instant coffee/hot chocolate
Also there is always a need for diapers for families (all ages), dog/cat food, socks, blankets and gloves.



Don't forget to sign up to bring food for the Union Gospel Mission Dinner this month. Our night is October 16th– we ask the food be at Saron by 4pm that day.

"Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends." John 15:13

If you are coming to help out (we need tutors, cooks, artists, game time etc) note that <u>all</u> <u>adults will be required to do a background check</u>. Please get one from the church office . If you are bringing your children or inviting people the parents/guardians need to sign a release form. Come help out our community and learn about ways you can serve! We need the following help:

- Homework help tutors for all different ages of kids

- Someone to provide an easy clean up snack when people arrive

- Sign up on the bulletin board for providing some of the food for the dinner that night. We need beans, potato salad, bottled water, fruit.

- Help with cleaning up activities and dinner.

- Quilters!

### <u>Schedule</u>

1:30-3PM Homework Help

3-5PM Community Service Time– This month we will be putting hygiene kits, cleaning up around the church, and quilting. For little kids we will have games and art projects.

5-5:30 All group game and icebreaker time.

5:30-6:30pm Dinner– The theme this month is: Italian Harvest Time! All are welcome. This is a dinner free for all. What is not eaten will go to the mission in town or those living on the river. We will also be having a guest speaker during dinner.

6:30-7pm Fun Noisy Worship Time— This month we will sing a few songs and Pastor will have a little message. Also communion will be part of the worship service. All ages are welcome!

7pm– Choir Practice in the Music Room. Showing of "Luther and the Reformation" will be in the Fireside Room.



Loving Hearts

## Women's Bible Study Party Sunday, October 22nd 5-7PM At Becky Root's Home All are Welcome!

Becky Root is hosting it at her home and there willbe a meal— bring something to share if you can.The topic will be the Gospel of John this year.Please call the church office for more information.



## Theology on Tap– Wednesday, October 18th at Steam Donkey

A pastor walks into a bar...no this isn't the beginning of a joke but the beginning of something fun and new! Do you like banter and beer? Are you curious, confused, happy, questioning or even intrigued by God or religion? Well then join us for **Theology on Tap at Steam Donkey Brewing Company in Aberdeen at 7pm on Wednesday, October 18th.** They allow and encourage to bring outside food in- so bring in some food, get a beer or lemonade here and enjoy our conversations! Topics will vary each month.

## **Christmas Cards for Deployed Military**

Do you know someone who is deployed or will be deployed during the Holiday Season? We want their name and address! Please email it to Pastor Michelle at pastordebeauchamp@gmail.com. We will be sending Christmas cards to those we know who serve and the kids will be making Christmas coloring and drawings in November during Family Outreach Night to be put in the cards. Do you have some really nice Christmas cards from last year? Please DONATE them to the church office for this new ministry. If we don't get enough names we will be going through one of the many nonprofits that sends cards to our troops.

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#### **Property Committee Update for October**

A warm thank you to all of you who stretched back when we reached out. Please accept my apologies if I've inadvertently left someone out, but I wanted to share my gratitude for the following:

Harold W for locating most of the original Fireside room sconce shades and trying to fabricate the last missing one, followed by Linda B for taking on the missing sconce challenge.

Sharal for offering a needed flashlight and her sign-making skills.

James R for beautifully sanding and painting our extra set of front entry doors, getting us one step closer to swapping them out.

Mark & Karla for quickly pruning back the shrubs in advance of the painting duo.

Seppo for quietly taking care of so many necessary details.

Al for diligent behind the scenes cleaning and organization.

John L for power washing the church as far as his machinery could stretch.

Marilynn for painting the curbs bright yellow again.

Cathy K for volunteering to clean the insides of Saron's windows.

Martha Circle for a timely and generous donation.

Joanne Anderson Scholen, member of Zion Lutheran Church in Kent WA, for donating funds in loving memory of her parents, Rudy & Mabel Anderson, whose wedding photograph graces Anderson Hall.

And all of the families who weed and water the landscaping, making Saron's corner a pretty one.

Anyone interested in weighing in or taking on a project is welcome to attend the next property meeting. Please come join us on Tuesday, October 3 at 7pm in the Fireside Room!

Gratefully, -Carrie L

#### Want to go to Hawaii?

Living Stones Ministries has an opportunity for you to enter a raffle to win a trip. Living Stones is a local prison ministry that is helping prisoners find God and stay connected in Him. Raffle tickets are \$10 each or 6 for \$50. Contact the office if you're interested in purchasing a ticket. More information is on the board downstairs in the fellowship hall.