

The Carillion

March 2018

Letter from Pastor Michelle

Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow (hymn verse 1)

Through the night of doubt and sorrow, onward goes the pilgrim band, singing songs of expectation, marching to the promised land. Clear before us through the darkness gleams and burns the guiding light; pilgrim clasps the hand of pilgrim stepping fearless through the night.

This hymn written in the mid 1800s, still resonates with many people today, especially during this time of year. We all are traveling together through this winter season, through the Church season of Lent, and for many of us through a season in our lives of sorrow and doubt. The pilgrims clasp each other's hands as they keep moving through the night following a light to the promised land. Over the last few months I have heard many expressing sorrow and grief over the loss of our beloved friends and family that have been part of our church for decades, members in this community, and our family members. Phil and I personally in our family and friends outside of Grays Harbor have experienced unexpected loss. We feel your pain. We walk with you through this.

Not only have I heard loss of loved ones, but fear and uneasiness about fear in our nation right now. So what are we to do when facing personal grief and loss? What are we to do when facing such deep sorrow and fear? Grasp each other's hands as a community and walk together. To hold our memories close and love each other more. To give grace to each other when we speak out of the pain of our grief. To remember we have our community to move together through the night of doubt and sorrow toward the promise land. And to remember at a time such as this we are not alone. We move together toward Easter. Toward the promise.

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A Wrinkle in Time

Come see the movie at the theater with the church!

Sunday, March 11th 3PMish Matinee

**Please RSVP by emailing Pastor Michelle @
pastordebeauchamp@gmail.com. We will meet around 2:30. Discussion time
to follow. All ages are welcome! Purchase your own tickets & treats.**

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(continued from page 1) Toward the light. That God has not abandoned us but God holds our hand too, and guides us through this wilderness of grief and pain. That the promise of Easter is true— the tomb is empty! He is risen! That Christ does not abandon us but walks with us during this time, and loved each one of us so much. All our loved ones have passed and it is painful— but this promise is for all of them too— that they are in the promised land. In everlasting life. That Christ was, is, and will always be with us and then. Thanks be to Christ for walking with us through these nights of our lives and guiding our path. Thanks be to Christ for loving all of us even when we stumble on the path. Thanks be to Christ for conquering death, pain, and the grave. The tomb is empty! Amen.

Peace, Pastor Michelle

Holy Week

March 25th- Palm Sunday Worship at 10AM

March 28th– Free Community Meal Night 5-7PM

March 29th-Dinner 5-7PM, Maundy Thursday Worship at 7PM

March 30th– Good Friday Worship at 7PM

April 1st– Youth Easter Breakfast/Egg Hunt 8-10AM, Easter Worship 10AM (bring flowers to fill the cross on Easter)

Youth Group Easter Morning Breakfast &

Easter Egg Hunt Fundraiser

Sunday, April 1, 2018, 8AM-10AM

Suggested Donation \$10/person or \$30/family (up to 4 people).

Children three and under eat free.



The Youth are raising funds for their mission/servant trip this summer. Please come and support them on Easter Sunday by attending the Easter Morning Breakfast. Can't make the breakfast? We will take a donation. If you have any questions or want to help, contact Pastor Michelle.

March Birthdays

3/1 Mike Lentz
 3/3 Tracy Sandstrom
 3/4 Mildred Fundenburger
 3/5 Toni Black
 3/6 Elizabeth Enzler
 3/11 Jeani Shofner
 3/13 Tami Garrow
 3/17 Kari Hasbrouck
 3/24 Tracy Pelan
 3/24 Kacey Pelan
 3/25 Marcia Smith
 3/26 Keith Worsham

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 con-tact office to make an appointment. Call Pastor at home 24/7 if there is an emergency. Phone number is 360-637-9766.

SAVE THE DATE

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Relay for Life Golf Tournament

Saturday, April 28, 2018

Highlands Golf Course in Cosmopolis

A team is currently working on plans for a fundraising golf tournament on April 28th. Very soon the plans will be finalized and flyers with all the pertinent information will be distributed. The tournament will be the standard four person scramble and will be open to everyone.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact:

James Ray (360) 532-6746

Tony Enzler (360) 591-2499

Mark Johnson (360) 249-3859

Next council meeting is Sunday, March 18 after worship. Any questions? Feel free to call the office at 360-532-4611.

A 40 Day Lent Journey– The One Word Devotional

Lent

is the time from Ash Wednesday to Holy Week, when we enter into a spiritual journey with Jesus. It is a time of reflection and contemplation of our relationship with God, how we are called to be disciples, and Christ's ministry. I invite all of you to be part of this journey with me with prayer and reflection of scripture. Each day there is a scripture to be read and a word from scripture to reflect on. As you read the scripture and reflect on the word, ask yourself the following questions:

How does the scripture connect with me today?

What is God saying to me here? What is God up to?

Jesus is the Word spoken and made flesh (John 1), so how does God's word speak to you? One word can call us to change, to hope, to love, and one word can change the world.

-Pastor Michelle de Beauchamp

Day 1– 2/14 FAST Matthew 6:16-21	Day 2– 2/15 LIGHT 1 John 1:3-10	Day 3– 2/16 SHAME Psalm 25	Day 4– 2/17 SIN Psalm 32	Day 5– 2/18 COVENANT Genesis 9:8-17
Day 6– 2/19 GRACE Ephesians 2:1-10	Day 7– 2/20 LOVE 1 Peter 3:8-18	Day 8– 2/21 WEARY Proverbs 30:1-9	Day 9– 2/22 FAITH Romans 3:21-31	Day 10– 2/23 REMEMBER Psalm 22:23-31
Day 11– 2/24 SEES Genesis 16:7-15	Day 12– 2/25 LIFE Mark 8:31-38	Day 13– 2/26 COVENANT Psalm 105:1-11	Day 14– 2/27 LONGING Hebrews 11:13-19	Day 15– 2/28 FEAR John 12:36-43
Day 16– 3/1 WORDS Psalm 19:1-9	Day 17– 3/2 PRECIOUS Psalm 19:10-14	Day 18– 3/3 MOUNTAIN Mark 9:2-8	Day 19– 3/4 TEMPLE John 2:13-22	Day 20– 3/5 FOUNDATION 1 Corin. 3:10-23
Day 21– 3/6 BLESSED Psalm 84	Day 22– 3/7 TEMPLE Ezra 6:1-16	Day 23– 3/8 SIGN Genesis 9:8-17	Day 24– 3/9 TIME Daniel 12:5-13	Day 25– 3/10 BORN John 3:1-13
Day 26– 3/11 LIGHT John 3:14-21	Day 27– 3/12 DESERT Psalm 107:1-16	Day 28– 3/13 CHAINS Psalm 107:1-16	Day 29– 3/14 SUN Isaiah 60:15-22	Day 30– 3/15 REST Hebrews 4:1-13
Day 31– 3/16 CREATE Psalm 51	Day 32– 3/17 WRATH Habakkuk 3:2-13	Day 33– 3/18 LIFE John 12:20-33	Day 34– 3/19 WITNESSES Isaiah 43:8-13	Day 35– 3/20 WONDERS Acts 2:14-24
Day 36– 3/21 BELIEVE John 12:34-50	Day 37– 3/22 SERVANT Philippians 2:1-11	Day 38– 3/23 GRUMBLING Philippians 2:12-18	Day 40– 3/24 RESTORE Jeremiah 33:10-16	Holy Week Begins..

Annual Relay for Life Potato Feed!

On March 15th at 6PM, there will be a potato feed sponsored by the Relay for Life Team. Half of the proceeds will go towards the new heating system for the fellowship hall. It is \$10.00/person or \$30/family (up to 5 people).

Relay for Life team members, please contact Gretchen Klein or Becky Root to see what to bring.

Come Help Out! Invite Your Neighbors! Family Outreach Night

**4th Wednesday of the month. Free Community Meal 5-7pm!
We need volunteers to help with the meal. If you are interested please contact the office and we will get you on the list to help out and let you know the date for the training night. Thank you for your generous hearts and hands!**

January Church Finances

January Total Income: 10,271.75

January Total Expenses: 11,090.73

This results in a balance: -819.98

date	offering income	attendance
1/7	\$2496.00	67
1/14	\$1455.00	75
1/21	\$359.00	70
1/28	\$2138.00	78
	\$6448.00	offering

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil. - Matthew 4:1-25

March 2018

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Choir practice every
Wednesday at 7PM

1
5:30-6:00pm
Coin Club

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4 5 6 7 8 9 10

10am Worship
Altar Guild
Meeting

10am Coffee Hour
12pm Lunch Bunch

6pm Homemakers

11 12 13 14 15 16 17

10am Worship
2:30 PM
Wrinkle in
Time

10am Coffee Hour
12pm Lunch Bunch

5-7 Baked Potato
Feed Benefits
Relay for Life/
Heating System

6-9pm Coin Club

18 19 20 21 22 23 24

10am Worship
11:30am
Council

Union Gospel
Mission Dinner

10am Coffee Hour
12pm Lunch Bunch

25 26 27 28 29 30 31

Palm Sunday
10am Worship

10am Coffee Hour
12pm Lunch Bunch
3-5pm STEAM
5-7pm Community Meal

5-7pm Lamb Din-
ner
7pm Maundy
Thursday Worship

7pm Good Friday
Worship

April 1
8-10am Easter
Breakfast
10am Worship

Assisting Ministers Schedule

	Mar 4	Mar 11	Mar 18	Mar 25
Lector	Cathy Kallio	Dale Larson	Ed Shofner	Dave Smith
Prayers	Linda Borth	Sue Varland	Cathy Kallio	Pat Morgan
Altar Guild	Jody Wayman	JoAnn Ray	Sue Swantek	Karla Johnson
Communion	Dale Larson & John Rhodes	Jody Wayman and Cathy Kallio	Jan Rosi & John Larson	Karla Johnson & Sharal Whitecliff
Usher	Al Bruun & Jerry Erickson	Barbara Fairchild & Mary Morris	Seppo Tuominen & Knut Totland	Dan Varland & Howard Morris
Greeter	Ingrid Larson	Sue Swantek	Gretchen Klein	Marcia Smith & Mary Morris
Coffee Hour	Dan & Sue Varland			B. Fairchild, T. Moody, K. H. & Kay S
Flowers		Marilynn S		

	April 1st	April 8th	April 15th	April 22nd	April 25th
Lector	Pat Morgan	Jody Wayman	Jan Rosi	Jeannette Bruun	Katri Pelan
Prayers	Dave Smith	Kari Hasbrouck	Becky Root	Marilynn Anderson	Linda Borth
Altar Guild					
Communion	Pastor Jeani & John Sullivan	Cathy Kallio & Jody Wayman	Pastor Jeani & Mary Morris	Sharal Whitecliff & Phil Olafsen	John Larson & ?
Usher	Barbara F. & Cathy K.	Jerry E. & Sep-po T.	Howard M. & Knut T.	Dale L. & Dan V.	Barbara F. & Mary M.
Greeter	Ingrid Larson	Sharal Whitecliff	Sue Swantek	Sarah Leigh Sullivan	Marilynn Anderson
Coffee Hour					
Flowers	Altar: Cross: ALL				

Property Crew Projects and Report

So much occurs behind the scenes at church, that we're hesitant to single anyone out for fear of missing others. We've had a request, however, to publicly share some Thank You's with those who have taken on projects since October, when we did our last gratitude roundup...

We are grateful for:

- All the ladies of Martha Circle who regularly clean and organize the kitchen and help fund projects like the heating system improvements;
- Those who helped schlep items big and small from 1st Presbyterian to Saron, especially the dedicated crew of Jerry Erickson, Seppo Tuominen, and Al Bruun;
- Dale Larson for the extensive, comprehensive rebuild of the fireside room entry;
- Bill Swantek for beautifully repainting our reader board sign;
- Mark & Karla Johnson for painting bookcases and accent walls to brighten Pastor Jeani's office and choir room;
- The folks who showed up on a December Saturday to thoroughly clean the church in advance of the holidays;
- And all of you who quietly, anonymously, do so much to keep the place upright, intact, and tidy.

Thank you.

Putting the Fun Back in Fundraising

We've known for some time that the parsonage siding would need replacing but other priorities kept pushing that elephant out of the room. Well, the time has come to start setting aside funds to make that house weather-tight once more. In the coming months, look for opportunities to pitch in a dollar or twenty. Looking for that glass of wine to complement your potato feed supper? We can hook you up. Need a new option for date night? Our own Chef Julie Swantek will be hosting a multi-course meal later this year. Stay tuned for details. And if you have a fundraising idea that you'd like to lead, do let us know.

Let my cry come before You, O LORD; Give me understanding according to Your word.

Psalm 119:169

Union Gospel Mission Dinner

Don't forget to sign up to bring food for the Union Gospel Mission Dinner this month. Our night is March 19th—we ask the food be at Saron by 4pm that day. Please when signing up note the following:

We have to provide for 75 people. We need desserts, bread/rolls, juice/milk, and salad for that many people. Jay's Farm Stand is the cheapest place on the Harbor to buy 5 pound bags of lettuce and along with that we need 4-5 bottles of dressing. Thank you for your donations!

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.

Church Wish List

Paper Shredder, Hand Sanitizer, Kleenex, Coffee (regular),
1 case of Bottled Water, & 12 matching Easter colored/themed plastic
tablecloths from the dollar store

Prayer Requests

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