The Carillon Newsletter mid Sept - Oct 2021

Dear Church,

What a time we live in. I know it can be a time of so many unknowns and stress in our lives. Now with the weather getting colder we end up inside more and more isolated. During this transition time I want to encourage each of us to find moments of peace and prayer each day. It could be only a minute or longer. Right now, there is so much out of our control that it is important to center ourselves in prayer.

Prayer is something we can do to help decrease our anxiety and find a few moments of peace. Recently, a friend reminded me of the famous quote of the anchoress (a person who by choice lives in seclusion to focus on their faith) and mystic author Julian of Norwich. Julian wrote, "All shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of thing shall be well." Julian grew up and lived in the English city of Norwich. She is most famous for her book about faith and spirituality *Revelations of Divine Love,* which is the oldest surviving book in English written by a woman. During Julian's life she lived through the Black Plague and the Peasant's Revolt that devasted her city. Even though she lived in seclusion and took a vow of poverty she knew and saw people she loved dying from a disease and violence/oppression.



Welcoming all to a faith community of service and love.

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All shall be well...even as she saw all these terrible things she strived for inner peace, because she realized things were beyond her control. Therefore, I encourage all of you to do your part in loving your neighbor, but also take a moment to make things well in your soul.

This month I have included prayers on the prayer page focused on peace. Turn to that page here in the Carillon and see if one of them speaks to you. Maybe you can find a minute or two daily to sit down and breathe in deeply and recite the prayer. I have found in my own faith life that routine and repetition is what gives me a little peace. In addition, I am offering a 5-week group study over a zoom about peace. Contact the office to sign up to join us on Wednesday 12-1pm (more info in this newsletter).

I hope each of are you are able to find some inner peace this month. See you on Sundays in-person or online.

Peace,

Pastor Michelle

Reformation Sunday

A reminder that Reformation Sunday is October 31, 2021. Please wear your red.

Why do we wear red on Reformation Sunday? ... Red is the liturgical color of Reformation Sunday **because it represents the Holy Spirit**. It also reminds us of those who have been martyred for their faith in Jesus. And all of us have been given the gift of the Holy Spirit through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

Dear Church,

We ask that all sign in for worship on Sundays in order to have a list of those in attendance just in case someone tests positive with COVID-19. If you test positive with COVID please contact me directly as soon as possible, so that we can notify those who were present in our building. Your identity will be kept confidential. I will be the only person who knows.

Peace, Pastor Michelle



LUTHERAN Community Services NORTHWEST

In August alone, Lutheran Community Services Northwest (LCSNW) has welcomed more than 40 Afghan allies with Special Immigrant Visas (SIVs). These are Afghan nationals who have worked with the US Armed Forces as translators and interpreters for at least 12 months and have a written recommendation from a commanding officer. Throughout September and in the months ahead they will be welcoming more Afghan refugees to the Puget Sound area. The LCSNW staff are working quickly to help each family get settled with basic needs (i.e., housing, food, clothing, transportation etc.). Right now, the best way to extend a welcome and help is through a donation. Your gift will help us address the most immediate and basic needs of our new neighbors.

Please go to <u>this donation page for credit cards</u> (https://lcsnw.app.neoncrm.com/np/clients/lcsnw/ donation.jsp?campaign=148&) and select the "I want to give to refugee services" checkbox. Or, mail your donation to: LCSNW – Donations Lockbox #1034 PO Box 35146 Seattle, WA 98124-5146 Please write "refugee services" in the memo line.



3rd & K Food Giveaway On Thursday, September 16th. we were involved with a large food box giveaway that was put together by the Gravs Harbor Food Security Network, 200 boxes of food that were donated by Cascadia Foods and Meadowsweet Farms were handed out from the yard of The Rose Center within about 35 minutes as there was a line of cars around the corner. We are proud to be a part of eradicating hunger. Let Teri know if you want to help with the next one.



Join us on Thursdays at 4pm on the church Facebook Page for Kids Corner time. During the pandemic Kids Corner is a way for us to do Sunday School and Children's Message from our homes. If your child would like to participate and receive a Bible and a notebook with their name on it, please contact Pastor Michelle, Pastor Michelle and Claire will be reading a story from their Bible and ask some questions for the kids to write/draw their answers in their notebooks. Mid-December the kids will be able to turn in their notebooks for some cool prizes! It is a fun and wild time of laughs, learning about our faith, and the neat stories in the Bible. There will also be surprise appearances from the dog Watson and the cats.





World Communion Sunday is October 3, 2021. World Communion celebrates our oneness in Christ with all our brothers and sisters around the world. Paul tells us that we are to "discern the body" when we partake of Holy Communion, mindful that we note our relationship to all our brothers and sisters in Christ in the celebration. This is also a time when we provide special offering envelopes for the PCUSA Peace and Global Witness Offering. This special offering opportunity supports ministries of the PCUSA

around the world that help the church to cast off anxiety and fear, discord and division, and embrace our God's mission of reconciliation to those around the corner and around the world.

Virtual Coffee Hour

You are invited to join us in our weekly Coffee Fellowship virtual Zoom gathering each *Wednesday at 10am*. The link is provided on Facebook before every meeting as well as in the Rose Blast every week. Join us! We would love to see your smiling face!



Quilters

Quilting resumes on *Thursday* September 30th at 9:00am until 12:00pm. Hopefully, we can complete a few more boxes to ship out in October, as this is done only twice a year. Everyone is welcome. There are several different ways to help assemble and finish a quilt. Masks are required, and we will plan future dates to quilt on the 30th. Any questions, please call JoAnn Ray @ 360-532-6746.



L^3+P=(RIOT) Book Club The next meeting is *Thursday, October* 21st at 1:00pm at The Rose Center (210 K St). Our current read is: *The Night Watchman* a novel by Louise Erdrich. Bring books to trade if you would like. Hope to see you there!

Union Gospel Mission Dinner

September 20th – Team 3 October 18th – Team 4



Community Garden

As of September 22nd, the Community Garden Crew has harvested and donated 418 pounds of fresh healthy vegetables to the Hoquiam Food Bank to help in the eradication of hunger. If you would like to join the Garden Crew, please contact the office. Planning for next year has already started and there are big things happening! If you would like to make a monetary donation to this ministry, please label it "Community Garden".



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Martha Circle Next meeting is October 7th at 1pm at Saron.

Flu Shots

Flu Shots are available at Harbor Drug on *Tuesday, September 28th* from 3:30pm-5:30pm.

Searching for Peace: Lunch Bunch Group Study

For your lunch break, pull up a seat and bring your lunch to join us find some inner peace for a 5-week group study. This is a time for us to gather on zoom to pray, study, and find peace. Being inspired by the

hymn "It is Well with My Soul" Pastor Michelle will be gathering prayers, readings, and other things to share with the group. This is a time we can find a moment of inner peace. For this to happen we need people to sign up. Sign up and get the zoom link by contacting the

office via email or phone call. The group will meet on Wednesdays 12-1pm, October 6-November 3.



Get A Life (Al-Anon Family Group)

holds hybrid meetings at The Rose Center twice a week. Their meetings are open to everyone. *Mondays at 6pm-7pm Wednesdays at 7pm-8pm*

Get A Life Al-Anon Family Group <u>https://www.southpugetsoundal-anon.org/</u>

The Al-Anon Family Groups are a fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics who share their experience, strength, and hope, in order to solve their common problems. We believe alcoholism is a family illness and that changed attitudes can aid recovery. Al-Anon is not allied with any sect, denomination, political entity, organization, or institution; does not engage in any controversy; neither endorses nor opposes any cause. There are no dues for membership. Al-Anon is self-supporting through its own voluntary contributions.

Al-Anon has but one purpose: to help families of alcoholics. We do this by practicing the Twelve Steps, by welcoming and giving comfort to families of alcoholics, and by giving understanding and encouragement to the alcoholic.

PRAYER PAGE

A Prayer Inspired by Philippians 4:7 by PM

May the peace of God illuminate your heart and mind, may the peace of God, that surpasses all understanding, give you strength and surround you. May the peace of God center you, In the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

Celtic Blessing

May the God of peace bring peace to this house. May the Son of peace bring peace to this house. May the Spirit of peace bring peace to this house, this night and all nights



Deep Peace Prayer

Deep peace of the running wave to you. Deep peace of the flowing air to you. Deep peace of the quiet earth to you. Deep peace of the shining stars to you. Deep peace of the gentle night to you. Moon and stars pour their healing light on you. Deep peace of Christ, of Christ the light of the world to you. Deep peace of Christ to you.

Prayer for Peace and Calm by John Greenleaf Whittier

Dear Lord and Father of humankind. Forgive our foolish ways: Reclothe us in our rightful mind, In purer lives Thy service find, In deeper reverence, praise. Drop Thy still dews of quietness, Till all our strivings cease; Take from our souls the strain and stress. And let our ordered lives confess The beauty of Thy peace. Breathe through the heats of our desire Thy coolness and Thy balm; Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire. O still, small voice of calm.

A Prayer to Heal Stress by Author Unknown

Loving God, please grant me peace of mind and calm my troubled heart. My soul is like a turbulent sea. I can't seem to find my balance, so I stumble and worry constantly. Give me the strength and clarity of mind to find my purpose and walk the path you've laid out for me. I trust your Love God and know that you will heal this stress. Just as the sun rises each day against the dark of night. Please bring me clarity with the light of God.

In your name I pray, Amen.

One with You Prayer by Thomas Merton

O God, we are one with you. You have made us one with you. You have taught us that if we are open to one another, you dwell in us. Help us to preserve this openness and to fight for it with all our hearts. Help us to realize that there can be no understanding where there is mutual rejection. O God, in accepting one another wholeheartedly, fully, completely, we accept you, and we thank you, and we adore you, and we love you with our whole being, because our being is your being, our spirit is rooted in your spirit. Fill us then with love and let us be bound together with love as we go our diverse ways, united in this one spirit which makes you present in the world, and which makes you witness to the ultimate reality that is love. Love has overcome. Love is victorious.

Please keep the following in your prayers...

Pastor Pam Hunter and the family of Marlene Hanson, Pastor Bonnie Campbell, Verna Johnson, Roger, Kenny, Patti Barker, Jamey, Ona Karnath, Jennifer Shelly, Ronnie Hicks, The Trusty Family, Leif Tangvald, Brad, Young Lee, Jane Bacon, Val Rhodes, Marge Dahlstrom, Pastor Alan Carlson, Breanna & Trey, Taylor Julian, Patti Dull, Nathan, Floyd Hazelquist and his family, Vada Kohn, Cynthia Leedum, Stan and Bonnie, Dana Larson, Carol, Jeff and family, Christopher Judd, Karyn Elayne Turner, Gus Schmidt, Michael Fleming, Steven McFail, Brendan, Gary Evans, Doris Rosenbach, Tom Petrich, Connie McCroskey, Mackenzie Murray, Wayne Carter

The kids and teachers in school, All people affected by COVID, Oppressed Persons Everywhere, Police Officers & First Responders, Firefighters.

For all of those who we speak now or for whom we think of in our hearts and minds

Mid - September-October 2021

Sunday	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
19	20	21	22 FIRST DAY OF AUTUMN	23	24	25
10a Worship @ Saron	UGM Team 3	Staff @ TRC	10a Virtual Coffee Hour	4p Kids' Corner on Facebook		
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	6-7p GAL @ TRC		7-8p GAL @ TRC			
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	6-7p GAL @ TRC		12p SFP Lunch Bunch			
			6p Homemakers 7-8p GAL @ TRC			
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Council Meeting

Next Council Meeting will be October 17th.



Assisting Minister Schedule

Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board in Anderson Hall. Help us help you! Please sign up or let Pastor Michelle or Teri know if you can assist.



September

- 3-Sep Elichia Enzler
- 5-Sep Ruth Hamilton
- 13-Sep Robb McAllister
- 17-Sep Iver Matheson
- 17-Sep Marie Ask
- 20-Sep Ken Matheson
- 22-Sep Tim Pelan (Sr.)
- 23-Sep Justin Gaddis
- 25-Sep Jane Bacon
- 26-Sep Sarabeth Delozier
- 28-Sep Dale Larson
- 28-Sep Madison Smith

<u>October</u>

- 4-Oct Kim Homchick
- 6-Oct Lillian Matheson
- 7-Oct John Larson
- 11-Oct Bill Dyer
- 11-Oct Katie Garrow
- 15-Oct Linda Borth
- 19-Oct Harold Warren
- 28-Oct Brian Rhodes
- 30-Oct Seppo Tuominen
- 31-Oct JoAnn Ray

Property Notes

Building Committee Update

On Tuesday, August 24th a group of us met at Saron to trim the bushes on the east side of the church. If you have driven by, I am sure you were quite surprised by the way it looks. This had to be done so that we could get a man lift in, so we can get to the steeple and make the needed repairs. Mark and I would like to express our deepest gratitude and thanks to the people that showed up to help. We definitely could not have done it without all of their help. Big Thank Yous to James and JoAnn Ray, Mike Erkkinen, John Rhodes, Brian Rhodes, Harry Brady and Howard Morris. You all ROCK!!

We are asking everyone to have patience... We know it looks very different and at this time not landscaped. We are planning to wait until next spring since more work on the steeple will probably be done sometime this winter. Hopefully, by then, we can come together and plan as to how we would like it to look in the future. It really brightens up the inside downstairs and hopefully it will discourage people from sleeping there and setting off the alarm during the night...which has happened!

Mark and Mike Spencer from Lupo Construction, along with Mike Erkkinen, met at the church on Monday, August 30th to get a better look at the damage to the steeple. Mike Spencer was able to get us a manlift for the day and was willing to give us some advice on temporary repairs we could do until we get the go ahead to fix the steeple properly. This is needed because we were told by the structural engineers that there should be no more water allowed to leak into the steeple or it will weaken the structure. Mark and Mike spent the day covering all the cracks and crevices with a Quad Compound.

The flat roof replacement is finished. There was substantial rot found under the roofing and that has been repaired. Thank you to Lupo Construction for getting this done before the fall rains set in. The downstairs bathroom and crack repairs in the ceiling beneath the new roof have been nearly finished.

Any donations designated *Property Fund* or *Save the Steeple* will go directly towards this immense project.

SPECIAL WORSHIP NOTE: The elevator is operational! Please feel free to use it on Sundays if you need the assistance. Don't hesitate to ask for help!

The Rose Center

We are still hunting for 3 small desks w/chairs and 2 desk lamps that are needed to turn the building into a retreat space. We are asking you to look around your property to see if you may have any of these items to spare.

Would you like to be a part of The Rose Center building committee? Contact <u>sarongraysharbor@gmail.com</u> or call the office. We will be having a meeting soon to put together spaces and plan.

If anyone would like a *First Presbyterian* dinner plate, please let the office know. We have a few of them to give out.

Socks & Hygiene Goods Drive

Chaplains on the Harbor is opening their cold weather shelter in Westport on November 1st this year. We are collecting items for this mission. Specific needs are new socks & gloves, hygiene items, and hand & toe warmers. Hygiene items include soap, shampoo, feminine products, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, sunscreen/sunblock, lip balm, & masks We also collect pet food (we split up bags into baggies, feel free to donate a large bag). Protein bars, granola bars, instant coffee and hot chocolate are always welcome. Please bring any donations to the office during office hours. We will be looking for other donation spots, so if you can't make it into the office, please call us. Thank you for your generous hearts!

> July Numbers: Income: \$9322 Expenses: \$10,252 Difference: (\$930)

August Numbers: Income: \$8289 Expenses: \$10,073 Difference: (\$1784)

Thank you for mailing in and dropping off your contributions! There is now an offering box at Worship on Sundays.

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