

The Carillon

Lent 2023

Welcoming all to a faith community of service and love.

Dear Church,

The season of Lent is an ancient early church practice, which came about after the Council of Nicea in 325 CE. This is a part of our liturgical calendar that calls us for 40 days to prepare for the resurrection of Jesus on Easter. This has traditionally been practiced through rituals of prayer, fasting, almsgiving (giving of money or food to others) and self-examination. When we intentionally participate in Lent, we are part of the long ancient traditions of the early church.

Why is it 40 days long? It is a period of 40 days to reflect and emulate in our lives the Bible stories about reflection and pilgrimage. Here are the biblical examples of this: Jesus spent 40 days in the wilderness being tested; Moses' sojourn to Mountain Sanai; Elijah's journey to Mount Horeb; Noah's flood; Jonah's call to Nineveh to repent. These 40 days between Ash Wednesday and Easter, is a time for us as a church and individually to make time to nurture and reflect deeply on our discipleship of following Jesus.

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We have many opportunities this Lent to participate in these ancient traditions. We have Sunday worship, Lent Bible Study and Soup Lunch, prayers to practice daily provided in this newsletter, the community meals beginning in March, collecting of hygiene items, quilting, and more. Individually, one can also decide to do a daily devotional or fast (give something up) for these 40 days. I recommend for a daily devotional to use Pray as you Go (https://pray-as-you-go.org/) or God Pause (https://www.luthersem.edu/godpause/).

If during Lent you are exhausted or overly busy, you can use these 40 days to practice some self-care by saying no to something, creating daily space for rest and meditation, or taking more naps. This is a time for each of us to find renewal through reflection and giving.

How are you feeling called this Lent to allow space to reflect and connect to your faith? How is God calling you to be intentional this season of Lent?

Peace, Pastor Michelle



Lent Study and Soup

Wednesdays 11:30-1pm (starting March 1). The Adult Bible Study during Lent will be called our Lent Study and Soup. This is held after Coffee Fellowship on Wednesdays from 11:30-1pm. Join us for education and some soup. On March 1st we will be finishing up our study of "The Chronicles of Narnia" and books for our Lent study will be handed out with the main themes of the book gone over. For Lent we will be studying C.S. Lewis's *The Great Divorce*, which draws on biblical themes of spiritual choices, free will, selfless love, heaven/hell, and love of God. All rolls will be provided for the soup lunch, and the first one is covered. We will have a signup sheet at the study for people to sign up to bring a pot of soup. All are welcome!

PRAYER FOR SYRIA AND TURKEY from World Relief

God, In the face of unspeakable tragedy, the suffering of those in our community, and the destruction and loss of life in Syria and Turkey, we pray what the Psalmist wrote in Psalm 10:

Lord, you know the hopes of the helpless. Surely, you will hear their cries and comfort them. You will bring justice to the orphans and the oppressed. Comfort the people whose family members and friends have died as a result of these earthquakes. Draw close to them.

Equip believers in Syria and Turkey to show the love of Jesus to their neighbors by helping in tangible ways and sharing the hope of the Gospel. Inspire generosity in the hearts of people in the United States and across the world, prompting individuals to give the resources and money needed to help communities rebuild.

Empower the Church in America to show radical love for our immediate neighbors who are grieving the loss of life, beauty, and peace in Syria and Turkey.

Let us not turn away but help us be your hands and feet to love those who are suffering and bear witness to your presence with them.

God, hear our prayer.

Amen.

If you feel called to support those suffering in Turkey, we recommend Lutheran Disaster Relief or Presbyterian Disaster
Assistance



Outreach Challenge

Watch the Rose Blast and check the bulletin boards for the weekly challenge item to be brought for our friends in need. There will be a box at the top of the stairs outside of the Sanctuary as well as the usual box in Moller Hall to place your item. If we all bring 1 of these challenge items each week, we will be full and ready to help our friends in our community.

If you can't make it into the church, please call us, we can pick up.

Thank you for your generous hearts!

Community Meal

A re-boot of our monthly Community Meal is in the works. There is a planning meeting scheduled for February 28th at 11:00am at Saron. Please join us if you would like to volunteer.

Union Gospel Mission

Team 4 will be making dinner for our friends on February 20th and Team 1 will be providing on March 20th.



Get A Life (Al-Anon Family Group)

holds hybrid meetings at The Rose Center (210 K Street, Hoquiam) twice a week. Their meetings are open to everyone. Mondays at 6pm-7pm Wednesdays at 7pm-8pm

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

Gospel Garden

Join us Tuesday, March 7th at 9:30am at The Rose Center for our first meeting for the 2023 gardening season! We will be going over the schedule, plans, and goals for the year. Last year we provided the food bank with over 500 pounds of fresh produce! Even if you don't have a green thumb we will take you— we always need weeders! Come and help while living out our faith of providing/caring for our neighbors and God's creation.



Coffee Hour

You are invited to join us for our weekly Coffee Fellowship gathering each Wednesday at 10am in the Fireside Room at Saron.

Lent Study and Soup

Held after Coffee Fellowship on Wednesdays from 11:30am12:30pm. Join us for education and fellowship. Classes will be offered through the month of February studying the Chronicles of Narnia by C.S. Lewis.
Starting March 1st, we will be studying The Great Divorce, by CS Lewis. We will also have Soup Lunches for Lent with this class.

Choir Practice

Choir practice will be held in the choir room of Saron every Wednesday at 6:30pm. Everyone is welcome! Join in to make some joyful noise!

L^3+P=(RIOT) Book Club

The next meeting is
Thursday, February 16th, at
1:00pm in the Fireside Room at
Saron. Bring books to trade if you
would like. Hope to see you there!

Martha Circle

The next meeting of Martha Circle will be at 1pm on Thursday, March 2nd. Your hostesses will be Pastor Michelle & Teri Julian.

Quilting

The Quilters meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month from 9am until Noon. All are welcome to assist in this beautiful endeavor that brings warmth around the world. Any questions, please call JoAnn Ray at 360-532-6746.

Care and Community Team

Team meeting to be held on March 14th at 1:00pm in the Fireside Room. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact Pastor Michelle or the office. We will also be discussing plans for the team during Pastor's sabbatical.

PRAYER PAGES

Invitation to Lent Prayer - from ELW

Merciful God, accompany our journey through these forty days.

Renew us in the gift of baptism,
that we may provide for those who are poor,
pray for those in need,
fast from self-indulgence,
and above all that we may find our treasure in the life of your Son,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and forever.
Amen.

Lent Prayer for Strength from Gregorian sacramentary, 8th Century, Historic Collect for the Second Sunday in Lent

O God, you see that we have no strength in ourselves. Keep us both outwardly and inwardly. Defend us from all adversities which hurt the body, and cleanse us from all evil thoughts which afflict the mind; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

O Tree of Calvary by Chandran Devanesen

O Tree of Calvary,
send Thy roots deep down
into my heart.

Gather together the soil of my heart,
the sands of my fickleness,
the stones of my stubbornness,
the mud of my desires;
bind them all together,
O Tree of Calvary;
interlace them with Thy strong roots;
entwine them with the network
of Thy love.
Amen.

Lent Prayer for the World by Anonymous

We pray today for all who are walking a hard journey:
for those whose daily paths encounter barbed wire and guns;
for those who did not want to leave home but were forced to; for those who set out
today in search of food and water;

for those whose journey is shattered by economic hardship; for those whose journey is marred by pain or despair, and for those who faithfully journey alongside them; for those who are journeying through life alone; for those who are making a move and beginning again; for those who are clinging on to something that has ended; for those who are being bullied, and for those who are bullying; for those who are weighed down by sorrow and loss;

for those who have just taken their first breath, and
for those who today will take their last.
May this Lenten journey, with its stories
about the hard places of Jesus' experience, give strength and courage to all

whose journey is far from easy.

And may it inspire us to risk Christ's Way of love as we share the journey with other travellers.

We make this prayer in his name. Amen.

Please keep the following in your prayers...

The family of Marlene Munger, Clarence Hamre, Michael, Don Frick, Maggie Larson, Nita Cross, Lauren, Judy Brady, Pastor Sonja Selboe, Marge Douglas, Jane Bacon, Nathan, Jeannette Bruun, Ruth Hamilton, Shirley Ward, Sophie Nicholson, Beverly Carson, Marge Salstrom, Taylor Julian, Stephanie, Marie Ask, Barbara Bevans, Arbie Irwin, Lois Carroll, Diana Petrich, Iver Matheson, Mic Patton, Myles Robinson, Melissa Murray, Leona Bishop, Barbara Roberts, Pastor Linda Milks, Josh, Marianne Larson, Kiyari, Lisa Chappell, Chari Allen, Rose Hirschler, Ona Karnath, Jennifer Shelly, Brad, Young Lee, Val Rhodes, Marge Dahlstrom, Pastor Alan Carlson

We also pray for those who are victims of war and violence, teachers and students, healthcare workers, first responders, police officers, fire fighters, oppressed & vulnerable persons, and persons affected by COVID.

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

FEBRUARY @ Saron

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			6:30p Choir			
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FEBRUARY @ The Rose Center

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MARCH @ Saron

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Birthday Celebrations

The first Sunday of each month's fellowship coffee hour will be dedicated to celebrating the birthdays of that month.

FEBRUARY

- 3- Dakota Lord
- 3- Joyce Easton
- 6- Piper Sandstrom
 - 8- Kelsey Klein
- 10- Pirjo Tuominen
 - 11- James Ray
 - 13- Vicki Lentz
 - 15- Pam Pelan
 - 15- Eric Nessa
- 16- Kevin McClure
- 19- Howard Morris
- 22- Kjersten Kellogg
 - 26- Marlene Kellar
 - 27- David Nessa

MARCH

- 1- Mike Lentz
- 3- Traci Sandstrom
 - 5- Toni Black
 - 6- Teri Julian
- 6- Elisabeth Enzler
 - 6- Kora Rhodes
 - 8- Gary Smitt
 - 13- Tami Garrow
- 17- Kari Hasbrouck
 - 24- Tracy Pelan
 - 24- Kacey Pelan
 - 25- Marcia Smith
 - 25- Callie White
- 26- Keith Worsham



Assisting Minister Schedule

We have created an Assisting Minister binder that is available for you to sign up to assist at worship service and fellowship on Sundays. This binder should be available in the sanctuary as well as in Anderson Hall after services and then on Wednesdays during coffee hour and bible study. Contact Teri if you have questions. An abbreviated "job description" is available in the front of the binder. Training is also available if that would be helpful.

Council Meeting

Next Council Meeting will be March 5th, 2023, after worship service.

115th Annual Meeting

Copies of the report are available on the table in Moller Hall

Attendance & Contributions

(in-person attendance & contributions includes mail-in)

Date	Adults	Youth	Contributions
1/1/23	35	5	\$1857
1/8/23	38	3	\$3471
1/15/23	38	4	\$2326
1/22/23	46	6	\$2267
1/29/23	28	4	\$1037
2/5/23	45	8	\$3768
2/13/23	39	5	\$3063

Save Saron Capital Campaign

Thank you to all who participated last year in getting the steeple saved! It's now dried out and cladded in metal. Now onto the next big project - the historic west wall: saving the stained-glass window and rebuilding the wall. Please help save this wall so the church will stand for another 125 years! There are a few ways to contribute: donate to the Save Saron campaign online, volunteer at one of our fundraisers, and/or attend one of our fundraising events! There are signup sheets for these events on the bulletin board.

St. Patrick's Baked Potato Feed & Auction Fundraiser

Date/Time: Thursday, March 16th at 5:00pm-7:00pm

Place: Anderson Hall at Saron

Ticket Cost: \$10 per person/\$30 for family of 4

Come join us for our annual potato feed! The tickets include a baked potato, all the fabulous array of toppings, salad, and dessert. There will be a live and silent auction. All the proceeds go towards saving the historic west window wall in the sanctuary.

The Great Chili Cook-off & Auction Fundraiser

Date/Time: Tuesday, April 18th at 5:00pm-7:00pm

Place: Anderson Hall at Saron

Ticket Cost: \$10 per person/\$30 for family of 4

Come join us for a competition fundraiser! Your ticket includes all the different chilis to try, cornbread/rolls, salad, ice cream and a beverage. You also get to vote on the best chili— the winner gets a nice prize! There will also be a silent auction. All the proceeds go towards saving the historic west window wall in the sanctuary.

We need 6-10 people to enter the chili cook-off as contestants. People will vote not knowing who made what chili— the winner will be announced after all votes are counted. Please sign up by filling out the signup sheet, calling, or emailing the church office. We ask everyone to make a huge crockpot of it. We will also need people to sign up to help in the kitchen and set up/clean up.

Youth Spaghetti Feed & Dessert Auction Fundraiser

Date/Time: Wednesday, May 17th at 5:00pm-7:00pm

Place: Anderson Hall at Saron

Ticket Cost: \$10 per person/\$30 for family of 4

Help get our kids to family camp this year and support Save Saron! The youth will be putting on a spaghetti feed to raise funds to go to camp and help contribute to fixing our historic wall. Your ticket includes spaghetti, salad, garlic bread and a drink. The kids will also be hosting a live dessert auction!

Supporting Saron-1st

Donate directly via PayPal

Visit our website www.sarongraysharbor.org and click the donate button or follow the link below.

https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=HJLL4ZTG68TD6

Goods for Sale

Gospel Garden Herbs, Joyce's
Jams & Jellies, Sharal's
Scrubbies, and
Rick's Pepper Jelly, Relish, and
various jams, are available for
purchase to benefit Save Saron.

John Rhodes' Book

Our very own John Rhodes, Author, has graciously set out some of his books for sale in Moller Hall and has pledged 15% of the sales made here at Saron will go towards the Save Saron fund. Contact the office if you are interested.

Thrivent

Thrivent, a Lutheran-founded, not-for-profit financial services organization, has programs in place to assist with special congregation projects or help you designate funds. If you have a Thrivent account and you'd like to consider gifting to your church through their programs, contact your Thrivent representative.

Property Notes

Property Committee

Property Committee Meeting Monday, February 13th @ 6pm

Property Issues?

There is a Property Maintenance binder and a corresponding clipboard on the literature table in Moller Hall. The clipboard will contain forms that you can fill out with maintenance requests. We are asking you to put as much detail as you can about your request on the form as well as your name, phone number and date requested. The forms will be reviewed, and it will be noted when the work has been worked on or completed. We are hoping this will make a better trail for maintenance needed and completed, from here out. Also, for those that are looking for something to do and want to help at the church, you will be able to look in the book and see if there is a task that you would be willing to take on, complete the task and sign and date the form. This will hopefully make things easier for everyone moving forward.

The Rose Center

We are proudly hosting Al-Anon meetings, safe visitation space, some catering/baking, celebrations of life, the occasional Girl Scout meeting, and lots of music. Our retreat space is coming together with beds, desks and even some artwork.

Our first group is scheduled to come in April.

Our wish list for the items we need can be viewed and purchased from this link: https://a.co/3BLKTVD
Please feel free to share this link.
Contact the office with questions.

If you or your group needs a space, contact Teri in the office.

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 1:00pm

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