



The Carillon

Easter 2023

***Welcoming all to a
faith community of
service and love.***

Dear Church,

Spring is finally here! Lent is coming to an end this year and we enter into our sacred week of Holy Week. This Lent was a time of intentional reflection of where is our hearts...what is holding our hearts back? What is our heart grounded in? What really is our center? During this Lent we have traveled together through many wonderful (yet long) scripture readings of where Jesus meets people right where they are, and shows them compassion, care, and grace.

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Saron Lutheran/1st Presbyterian- HOLY WEEK

The cross to add flowers will be in the courtyard ALL WEEK.

Palm Sunday Worship Service	10:00 AM Sunday (4/2)
Coffee Hour	10:00 AM Wednesday (4/5)
Lent/Holy Week Bible Study	11:30 AM Wednesday (4/5)
Maundy Thursday Meal & Worship Service	5 & 6 PM Thursday (4/6)
Good Friday Worship Service	6:00 PM Friday (4/7)
Easter Worship Service	10:00 AM Sunday (4/9)

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Hopefully you have been able to walk this Lent theme with us during the last 40 days, and if not remember all the worships are available online on Facebook. If you do not have Facebook and would like these available to you, we can get them to you.

We have walked with the Samaritan woman, Nicodemus, the blind man, Mary, and Martha and more with seeing God's compassion and love. And through this Lent journey hopefully you were able to reflect on what is holding you back, keeping you from God, hurting you and it is time to let that go. Maybe it is childhood trauma, unkind words spoken to you, illnesses, addiction, or something else. What is the brush you have to push through on the trail to your heart? What are the bands of cloth keeping you back?

I want to invite each of you during this Holy Week to come to worship and finish our journey to our hearts. We will walk through the story of the Passion to the resurrection. I remember as a young person not wanting to go to any midweek things but only to be at the happy stuff of Palm Sunday and Easter. It was just nicer to not have to walk through the tough stuff of Jesus' story.

But I will not ever forget when we finally went to a Good Friday service. It was difficult and dark, but it blew me away and really connected my young teenage faith more deeply to the story, and I remember feeling so much more love and compassion toward myself than I did before. It made the happy part of the story more powerful, and I had a deeper understanding of God's unending love and grace. When we walk with Christ through the story, we truly see the power of God's love. I found scripture after going through Holy Week in its entirety to take on a stronger and more loving meaning. I understood more deeply the sacrifice and love Christ has for all the world, and that Jesus really does take on our burden and calls us to rest. After going through Holy Week, the words of Jesus were for me personally more poignant and powerful, i.e.,

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." -Matthew 11:28-30

Please take the time for your own faith and walk the entirety of the journey of Holy Week at least once in your life. Who knows maybe God will reveal something to you during this time. Maybe your heart won't be as heavy but a little lighter.

Together, on Maundy Thursday, we will lift up to God our regrets and wash them away. On Good Friday we will walk through the story of the crucifixion and the shadows of our lives and give them up to the Lord. And on Easter morning when we celebrate the glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ. We will shout alleluia and celebrate our spirits being lifted and made anew. Holy Week is a sacred and ancient tradition that goes back thousands of years and I invite you to come and participate in-person or online.

Peace,
Pastor Michelle de Beauchamp

Holy Week Schedule

The Cross in the Courtyard will be there ALL WEEK: The cross will be out in the courtyard all week for people to come and add flowers too and take pictures in front of it. Please come and add any you have and enjoy it. It is for the entire community.

Palm Sunday Worship Service, Sunday, April 2 @ 10am. At this service we will be confirming our confirmands and there will be a celebration after worship of them. There will also be a procession of palms during this service.

Maundy Thursday, Thursday, April 6 starting at 5pm. We will have a meal at 5pm (lamb, potatoes, and sides) followed by a worship service at 6pm in the sanctuary. This worship service focuses on the sacraments of the church (communion and baptism), washing our hands/regrets away, stripping the altar, and preparing ourselves for Good Friday. Please come to both the meal and the service.

Good Friday, Friday, April 7 @ 6pm. Our Good Friday Worship Service this year is themed "A Service of Light, Shadows, and Stone" and will focus on walking through the story of the passion. The choir will be performing multiple songs and we will sing some of the beautiful hymns together. Please come and participate in this beautiful interactive service of music, scripture, and prayer.

Easter Sunday, Sunday, April 9 @ 10am. Please join us for our beautiful Easter Worship Service where we will have special music and more. And this Easter is special with 2 baptisms happening! Also bring some flowers to add to the cross in the courtyard and take your Easter photos in front of it. After worship there will be an Easter egg hunt along with a short fellowship time of coffee, doughnuts, and cookies. Have the kids bring their Easter baskets with them!

Welcome Vinland Lutheran Church from Poulsbo!

12 youth and 2 adults from Vinland are staying at the Rose Center April 2-4 for their Spring Break Mission/Servant Trip. Pastor Michelle has created the program and they will be helping in the following places this week: Hoquiam Food Bank, our church Gospel Garden, Sunset Memorial Park (for the City of Hoquiam), Harbor Roots Farm (the farm run by Chaplains on the Harbor), and possibly more. A big thank you to those who have donated hours at The Rose Center getting the place ready and donated. THANK you to our staff, LouJean, Patti, Dryden, Bethie, Marcia and more for making this ministry relaunch and possible. Not only are these groups able to help our church but we are able to get them into our community helping out.

Vacation Bible Camp!

June 18-22 from 5pm-7:30pm at The Rose Center
We here at Saron-1st call it camp, not school, because we do a more interactive VBS with activities, singing, crafts, games and more. This year we are doing the cool theme of "Babylon: Daniel's Courage in Captivity." This year we will be learning all the stories about Daniel and his friends in Babylon through so many fun things. We will even have a "Market" tent to learn some cool things about astronomy and more in Daniel's time. The kids come and start with dinner and then go on to learn great stories from the Bible, sing songs, do arts and crafts, play field games, and learn about kids around the world. This year we are partnering with Amazing Grace Lutheran Church for VBC! We have 20 slots open for VBC this year! So, call us (360-532-4611) to reserve your spot for your kids! Our registration and waiver forms are available in our office and will be on the church website soon. This is free for the kids to attend, and they get a cool T-shirt!

Family Camp at Lutherwood in Oregon

July 1-4

The youth and their families are going to camp this summer! We already have 3 families signed up to go (including Pastor Michelle's) and they will be participating in camp with learning some bible stories, singing around the campfire and more. There are still some slots available for family camp so if you are interested, please contact Pastor Michelle, and let her know.



PLEASE JOIN IN

As we celebrate the ministry of Jan Ruud and Linda Faaren

Friday, April 28, 2023

Reception 5:30 pm

Dinner 6:30 pm

Pacific Lutheran University

Olson Auditorium

124th Street South

Parkland, WA

For more information and to reserve your tickets please go to

www.BonVoyageJan.com

or call 253-752-4966



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.

Thank you for your generous hearts!

Community Meal

We have sign-up sheets available for April 26th and May 31st community meals. We will need set-up crew, clean-up crew, donations of bread, salad, dessert, and drinks Please sign up in the fellowship hall. The meals run 5pm-6:30pm.

Union Gospel Mission

Team 2 will be making dinner for our friends on April 17th. If you are interested in joining a team, please contact Teri in the office.



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 Tuesdays, starting April 18th 9:00am at The Rose Center to begin our growing adventures. Last year we provided the food bank with over 500 pounds of fresh produce! If you have an hour to give, come and join our small garden crew through the summer. Bring the kids to help! Let our hearts be good soil and join us to help feed our community. If you would like to make a monetary donation to this ministry, please label it "Gospel Garden". FYI some mornings we might be done early due to projects being wrapped up or the weather.



Ministries

Coffee Hour

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

Bible Study

Highlights of the Gospels

Wednesdays at 11:30am in the Fireside Room starting on April 26th.

We will be going through the gospels chronologically reading through the major events. Maybe there are some stories you didn't know about Jesus or some insights to be gained. Come and join our lively discussion time!

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, April 20th, at 1:00pm in the Fireside Room at Saron. Bring books to trade if you would like. Hope to see you there!

Martha Circle Potluck

The next meeting of Martha Circle will be at 12pm on Thursday, May 4th. This is the final meeting until fall, so bring your potluck dish! Your hostesses will be Becky Root & Gretchen Klein.

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

The Rose Blast will have information regarding our next Care and Community Team meeting. Contact Pastor Michelle if you would like to help.



PRAYER PAGES

Come, My Light

Come, my Light,
and illumine my darkness.

Come, my Life,
and revive me from death.

Come, my Physician,
and heal my wounds.

Come Flame of divine love,
and burn up the thorns of my sins,
kindling my heart
with the flame of thy love.

-Dimitrii of Rostov

The Peace of All Things Calm

You are the peace of all things calm,
You are the place to hide from harm.

You are the light that shines in dark,
You are the heart's eternal spark.

You are the door that's open wide,
You are the guest who waits inside.

You are the light, the truth, the way,
You are my Savior this very day.

-Celtic Blessing from The First Millennium

Easter Prayer of Saint Hippolytus

Christ is Risen: The world below lies desolate

Christ is Risen: The spirits of evil are fallen

Christ is Risen: The angels of God are rejoicing

Christ is Risen: The tombs of the dead are empty

Christ is Risen indeed from the dead,
the first of the sleepers,

Glory and power are his forever and ever.

-St. Hippolytus of RoME

Easter Morning Blessing

At the breaking of the Easter dawn
may the Risen Saviour bless your home
with grace and peace from above,
with joy and laughter, and with love
And when night is nigh, and day is done
Make He keep you safe from all harm.

Let Nothing Disturb You

Let nothing disturb you,
let nothing frighten you,
all things will pass away.
God never changes;
patience obtains all things,
whoever has God lacks nothing.
God alone suffices. Amen.
- By St. Teresa of Avila

Please keep the following in your prayers...

*The family of Jill Hammond, Colby & Kim Root & baby Sloane Jax,
The family of Maggie Larson-Ludwig, The family of Marlene Munger, Nathan,
Ken Matheson, Harry Brady, Viera, Stephanie Anderson, Clarence Hamre,
Michael, Don Frick, Nita Cross, Lauren, Pastor Sonja Selboe, Jane Bacon,
Jeannette Bruun, Ruth Hamilton, Shirley Ward, Sophie Nicholson,
Beverly Carson, Marge Salstrom, Taylor Julian, Stephanie, Marie Ask,
Barbara Bevans, Arbie Irwin, 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*

APRIL @ SARON

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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PALM SUNDAY 10a Worship (Choir) w/Confirmation & Sunday School 11a Birthday Celebration Fellowship	10a W/W Grief Group		PASSOVER (SUNDOWN) 10a Coffee Hour 11:30a Lent Study and Soup Lunch 6:30p Choir Practice	MAUNDY THURSDAY 5p Dinner 6p Maundy Thursday Svc (Choir)	GOOD FRIDAY 6p Good Friday Svc (Choir)	EASTER VIGIL
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
EASTER DAY 10a Worship (Choir) 11a Fellowship & Easter Egg Hunt	PM off 10a W/W Grief Group	PM off 6p Property Team meeting	PM off 10a Coffee Hour	9a-12p Quilting 11a Willet- Hauser @ Saron 10a-2p Teri's class at Hoquiam Library		1p Marlene Munger Memorial
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
2 EASTER 10a Worship w/Sunday School 11a Fellowship 11a Council 1p VASA mtg	10a W/W Grief Group UGM 2	5-7p Chili Cook-off Office Closed 9a Staff @ TRC	10a Coffee Hour 6:30p Choir Practice	1p L^3+P=(RIOT)	12-1:30p GHMTA lunch meeting	EARTH DAY
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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APRIL @ The Rose Center

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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.

APRIL

- 3 - Robert Salmon
- 6 - Mary Ellen Salmon
- 6 - Mike Wayman
- 6 - Stella Kahler
- 7 - Ryan McClure
- 9 - Patrick Delozier
- 11 - Julie Swantek
- 18 - Knut Totland
- 19 - Nolan Ballard
- 21 - Cole Smith
- 24 - Winston Enzler
- 25 - Katriina Reime
- 25 - Sue Varland



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 April 9th, 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
2/19/2023	35	6	\$1,096.00
2/22/2023	17	0	\$40.00
2/26/2023	42	5	\$787.00
3/5/2023	56	7	\$4,889.00
3/12/2023	36	7	\$2,958.00
3/19/2023	48	7	\$2,267.00
3/26/2023	48	6	\$2,490.50

“FUN”draiser

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 fund Sunday School, VBC and go to family camp this year as well as support Save Saron! The youth will be putting on spaghetti feed to raise funds to go to camp and help contribute to fixing our historic wall. The spaghetti dinner is being donated by Casa Mia! Your ticket includes spaghetti, salad, garlic bread and a drink. The kids will also be hosting a live dessert auction!

Casa Mia is sponsoring this wonderful **fundraising** event for our youth!

Supporting Saron-1st

We are currently working to restore the historic west wall and the stained-glass window. 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 table in Moller Hall.

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.

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

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.



Goods for Sale

Joyce's Rose Wine Jelly (\$15), Gospel Garden Herbs (\$10), Joyce's Wine Jelly (\$5 for small \$10 for large), Joyce's Blackberry Jam (\$7 each), Rick's Green Tomato Relish, Peach Jam, Orange Jam & Sweet Chili Sauce (\$5 each), Rick's Pepper Jelly (6/10 on the heat scale - \$7), & Sharal's Scrubbies (3 for \$10) are available for sale through the office. Proceeds benefit Save Saron.

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.



Opportunity Drawing

Buy your tickets now for this beautiful quilt created by our own Barbara Fairchild. Tickets are \$5 each available through the office. Drawing will be at the Great Chili Cook-off.

Property Notes

Property Committee

Property Committee Meeting Tuesday, April 11th @ 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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