



The Carillon

June 2023

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

Dear Church,

It is almost summer! How did spring fly by! I am so happy that this time after Easter many of you have been able to join us for worship in-person/online, bible study, the church fundraisers and more. The Gospel Garden ministry is really getting up and running (only about ¼ of beds left to plant) and we are getting in the big summer things for our church– Vacation Bible Camp and some of the youth are going to Family Camp at the beginning of July.

This time of year, I think is just a wonderful time to be marked with Pentecost Sunday at the end of May. We gather together and celebrate the festival of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit comes down to the disciples. In the life of the church this is a wonderful way to remind us about the creative and loving activity of God in the world. We are called to have the courage to go out and tell people about the radical love of Christ calling us to love our neighbors no matter their background.

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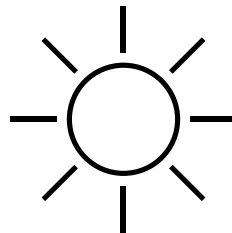
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I think this is such an important reminder for us in our world today when many "Christians" are spewing hate and judgment on so many people...this hate and anger does not follow the scriptures or teachings of Jesus. When I see that happening it makes me want to cry, because our church is one that teaches us to love and center everything in love. I know we all can be judgmental sometimes (we are human anyway) but we at least need to recognize that in ourselves and remember all are welcome. I think Mother Teresa of Calcutta years ago summarized it best when she said, "If you judge people, you have no time to love them." Mother Teresa's words are ones that really show us the importance of not hurting or wasting time in judgment of others but to step back and show the love of God to all through our words, actions, and deeds.

How is God this summer calling you to have compassion and show love to others? Is it through volunteering at our community meals? Is it listening and being kind with your words to those who are different from you? Our world needs you right now to be a beacon of hope in our community and the world. I pray that Jesus gives you the courage to continue to be that compassionate Christian that you are.

Peace,
Pastor Michelle



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.

Flea Market & Plant Sale

Saturday, June 3rd 9:00am-3:00pm

The Rose Center, 210 K Street, Hoquiam

This sale is replacing the annual Rummage Sale that has traditionally been held at Saron. Please bring your pre-priced items after 7:30am on June 3rd to set up by 9:00am. There are a few tables available, but we ask that you bring your own table/set-up if possible. We are asking that each contributor/vendor removes their own items at the end of the sale, as we will not be taking any leftovers this year. Martha Circle will provide the cashier and check out table for the sale. All proceeds benefit the stained-glass window and west wall.



Outreach Challenge

Watch the Rose Blast and check the bulletin boards for the monthly 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 the June 28th community meal. 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 4 will be making dinner for our friends on June 19th. 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, at 9:00am at The Rose Center, 210 K St!

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, but mighty, 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.

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 until June 14th. Everyone is welcome! Join in to make some joyful noise!



L³+P=(RIOT) Book Club

The next meeting is Thursday, June 15th, 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 September 7th at 1pm.

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.

Harbor Hope

Collecting and giving away food boxes each Wednesday at The Rose Center or at the Community Meal at Saron-1st on the last Wednesday of the month.



PRAYER PAGES

Breathe of God

Creator God
who breathed this world into
being,
who is discernible within
the harmony of nature,
the perfection of a butterfly's
wing,
the grandeur of a mountain
range,
the soaring eagle and
humming bird,
thank you for this world
which you have created.
Thank you for summer sun,
which reminds us
that your creative breath
is still alive and active.
Thank you for the warmth of
your love,
sustaining this world,
your garden. Amen.

Let Your Light Shine

-From *Power Lines: Celtic Prayers About Work*
by David Adam

As the sun rises, Lord, Let your light
shine on me. Destroy the darkness
about me, Scatter the darkness before
me, Disperse the darkness behind me,
Dispel the darkness within me. Let your
light shine on me. As the sun rises, Lord,
Let your light shine on me. The warmth
of your Presence, The brightness of your
love, The radiance of your joy, The
shining of your hope. Let your light shine
on me. As the sun rises, Lord, Let your
light shine on me. Your light to guide,
Your light to lead, Your light to direct,
Your light to brighten. Let your light
shine on me. Amen.

Prayer for Creation

From All Creation Sings

Creator God, who set the stars in their
places and directs the course of the
planets; who robed this earth with a thin
garment of air, making it a haven of
beauty and life; who breathed into each
of us the breath of life: We thank you for
the gift of air. Create in us such a sense
of wonder and delight in this and in all
your gifts that we receive them with
gratitude, care for them with love, and
generously share them with all your
creatures, to the honor and glory of your
holy name.

Amen.

Prayer based on Psalm 46:10 for Pride Month
by Pastor Michelle

Be still and know:

Know that you are loved just as you are.

Be still:

Sit in the presence of the creator's abundant love for you.

Be:

Be strong. Be courageous. Be you.

The beautiful creation of God. You are loved.

Amen.

Please keep the following in your prayers...

Family & friends of Mark Patton, Barbara Julian, Harper, Skylar Lake, Sherri Owzarski, Sanford Cole, Nathan, Ken Matheson, Stephanie Anderson, Clarence Hamre, Michael, Don Frick, Nita Cross, Lauren, Pastor Sonja Selboe, Jane Bacon, Jeannette Bruun, Shirley Ward, Sophie Nicholson, Beverly Carson, Marge Salstrom, Stephanie, Marie Ask, Barbara Bevans, Arbie Irwin, Diana Petrich, Iver Matheson, 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.*

JUNE @ Saron

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
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| | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| | | | | | | 9a Flea Market & Plant Sale @ TRC 6p GHMTA Spring Recital @ Saron |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| THE HOLY TRINITY 10a Worship (Choir) w/Sunday School 11a Fellowship (Sr Sunday) & Birthday Celebration (SE) | 10a W/W Grief Group (final) | Office Closed 9a Staff @ TRC | 10a Coffee Hour 6:30p Choir Practice | | | |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| LECT 10 (PENT 2) 10a Worship w/Sunday School 11a Fellowship 1p VASA | | Office Closed 9a Staff @ TRC 6p VBC Mtg @ TRC | FLAG DAY 10a Coffee Hour 6:30p Choir Practice | 1p L^3+P=(RIOT) | | |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| LECT 11 (PENT 3) 10a Worship (Choir) 11a Fellowship 5-7:30p VBC @ TRC | JUNETEENTH UGM Team 4 5-7:30p VBC @ TRC | Office Closed 9a Staff @ TRC 5-7:30p VBC @ TRC | FIRST DAY OF SUMMER 10a Coffee Hour 5-7:30p VBC @ TRC | | | 1p Glen & Marilynn's Wedding |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | |
| LECT 12 (PENT 4) 10a Worship 11a Fellowship 11:20a Council Mtg | | Office Closed 9a Staff @ TRC | 10a Coffee Hour 5-6:30p Community Meal & Harbor Hope | | | |

JUNE @ The Rose Center

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU 1 | FRI 2 | SAT 3 |
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| | | | | 10a Shower Set-up 6p Marilyn's Shower | | 9am Flea Market & Plant Sale |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| THE HOLY TRINITY | 5:30p-7:30p GAL AFG | 9am Gospel Garden | 11a Harbor Hope 6:30p-8:30p GAL AFG | | Pastor Pam | |
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| LECT 10 (PENT 2) | 5:30p-7:30p GAL AFG | 9am Gospel Garden 6p VBC Meeting | FLAG DAY 11a Harbor Hope 6:30p-8:30p GAL AFG | | | |
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| LECT 11 (PENT 3) 5p-7:30p Vacation Bible Camp | JUNETEENTH 5p-7:30p Vacation Bible Camp | 9am Gospel Garden 5p-7:30p Vacation Bible Camp | FIRST DAY OF SUMMER 11a Harbor Hope 5p-7:30p Vacation Bible Camp | 5p-7:30p Vacation Bible Camp | | |
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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.

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| <p>JUNE</p> <p>3rd - Lou Jean O'Brien 4th - Robert Reime 4th - Jim Sandstrom 9th - Katri Pelan 10th - Liam Ballard 12th - Drew Little 14th - Thomas Owzarski 17th - David Sandstrom 22nd - Marilyn Anderson 27th - Jan Rosi 27th - Madilyn Little 29th - Dryden Enzler 30th - Ed Klein</p> |
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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
June 25th, 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 |
|-------------|---------------|--------------|----------------------|
| 5/7/2023 | 43 | 9 | \$3802.00 |
| 5/14/2023 | 42 | 5 | \$4246.00 |
| 5/21/2023 | 40 | 3 | \$2258.00 |
| 5/28/2023 | 31 | 6 | \$1030.00 |

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.

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

Joyce's Rose Wine Jelly (\$15), Gospel Garden Herbs (\$10), Joyce's Wine Jelly (\$5/sm \$10 lg), 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.

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.

Property Notes

Property Committee

Property Committee Meeting TBD

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.

For the retreat space, 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

Mon, Wed, & Thurs
9:00am – 1:00pm
Tues @ TRC (210 K St)
9:00am - TBD

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