



# The Carillon

September 2023  
the Sabbatical Edition

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

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Dear Fellow Travelers –

We begin to see hints that Autumn will soon arrive – a leaf or two turning gold or red – a hint of cool in the morning air. The seasons change, as they always have, and we see the beauty of God’s creation. How amazing it must have been at the beginning when He called it all into existence. I encourage you to go back and read the creation story and imagine each unfolding of life. It is easy to think just of our world, but the uncounted galaxies were also born. What a wonderful mystery!

Pastor Michelle has begun her Sabbatical and we might feel a little at loose ends because things are different. Behind the scenes, you should know that our Pastor planned out each visiting speaker to help us on our own journey. Our first Sunday, Pastor Pam Hunter talked about us as being on a Sabbatical In Place. During fellowship time, we decorated our own journals so that we can chart our journeys here. How is yours coming along?

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## **Church Staff**

Rev. Michelle de Beauchamp  
*Senior Pastor*

Teri Julian  
*Administrative Assistant,  
Bookkeeper & Custodian*

Kari Hasbrouck  
*Music & Worship Director*

Troy George  
*Choir Director*

Sue Swantek  
*Wednesday Coffee Hour  
Host*

## **Council Members**

Ruth Hamilton, President  
Ray Kahler, Vice President  
Mike Erkinen, Secretary  
Tony Enzler, Treasurer  
Sharal Patton  
Teri Moody  
Linda Borth  
Joyce Easton  
LouJean O’Brien

Pastor Amanda Kersey talked about pilgrimage, sharing the story of Joseph and how we sometimes end up on journeys we didn't plan to take and how God can create good out of something that was not intended to be good. Pastor Mary Davidson shared about pilgrimage through God's creation and shared her experiences in some of the most beautiful areas of our country. There is much more to come in the months ahead as we look at ways to deepen our faith experience. I encourage you to come and actively participate in this Sabbatical time.

Summer is nearly over, and many have enjoyed vacation time and that is a wonderful thing! We all need time away to restore and rejuvenate. This is not a time to take a vacation from worship. We are a family, and our experience together is so much richer than when we are apart. So, come on back and tell us what you did this summer – we can hardly wait to see you.

Please pray for Pastor Michelle and her family, that they have safe and healthy travels. Please join me in praying that her time away will refresh her in body and spirit and bring enthusiasm as she learns new things. Let's all pull together ensure that Saron First Presbyterian Church continues to be a beacon of hope in Grays Harbor, even though our Pastor is away. Love one another - look out for your neighbors - be kind to others - be Jesus with skin on.

May you be blessed, with the grace, mercy, love, and peace that only God can give.

Ruth Hamilton, Council President

### **Pastoral Emergency on-call/visits during Sabbatical**

Pastor Michelle has scheduled local clergy for pastoral emergency on-call care. We also have a Pastor/Deacon willing to do visits if people just want to check in. Care Team member, Joyce Easton, has been trained in administering pre-blessed communion. Joyce will be doing monthly visits to our shut-ins. The voice mail at the church will be updated regularly with the phone number for the Pastor on-call. Pastoral emergencies are hospitalization, serious illness, family crisis, and/or death.

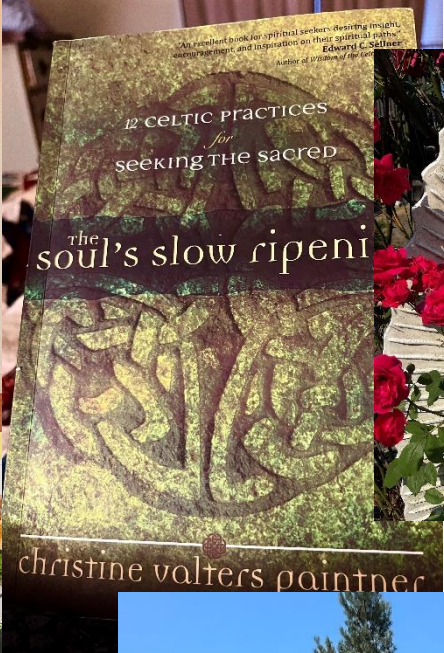
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the most fantastic of voyages!**



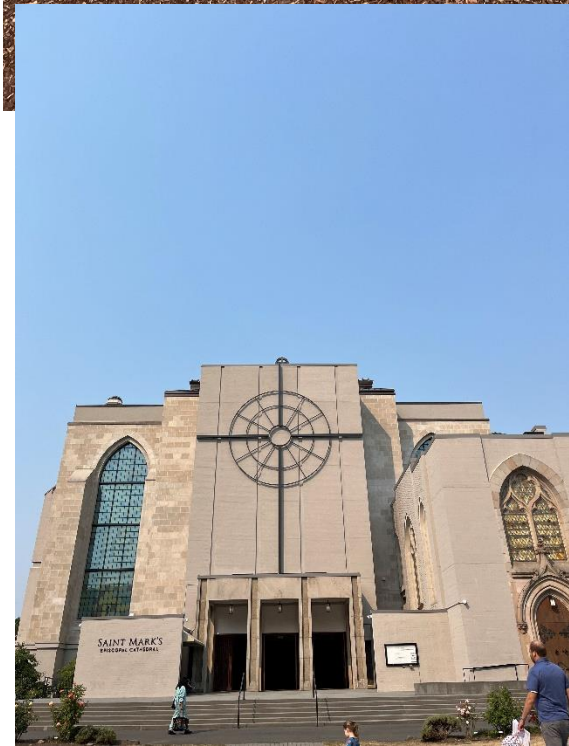
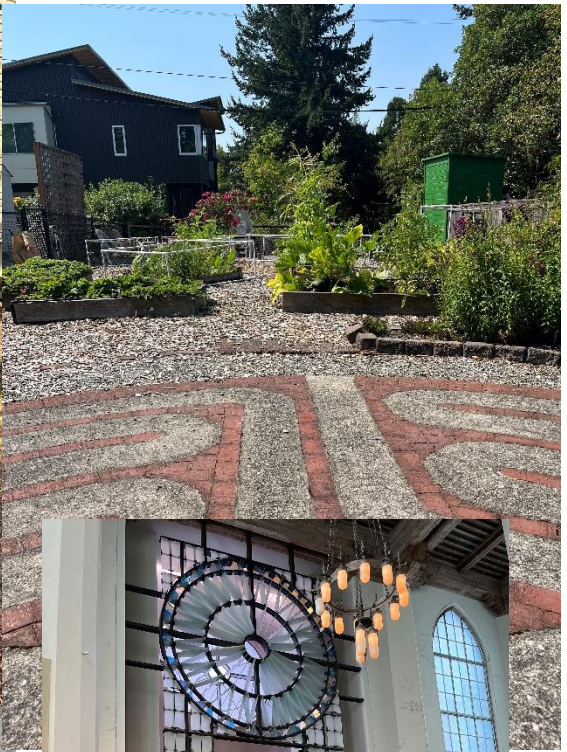
## **Sabbatical Sunday Worship 2023**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Worship Service Theme</u></b>
8-6-23	Worship and Pastor's Leave-Taking Celebration Sunday.
8-13-23	Preparing for the Journey: Journaling with Pastor Pam Hunter. Retired Pastor, artist and Saron-1st member Rev. Pam Hunter will lead us through traditional worship and how journaling can help us reflect in our faith.
8-20-23	What is Pilgrimage?: Traditional Worship led by Rev. Dr. Amanda Kersey with reflection on their own life pilgrimage with God.
8-27-23	Pilgrimage through God's Creation: Message shared by retired Pastor Mary Davison, avid hiker and Lutheran pastor who has written about the Appalachian and Pacific Crest Trails.
9-3-23	What is a Labyrinth?:Worship will be led by Executive Presbyter Shari Monson-Jackson who specializes in labyrinth walks.
9-10-23	Our Mission and Identity: Worship service led by Treasurer Tony Enzler and Council President Ruth Hamilton reflecting on our identity as a church and our mission statement.
9-17-23	Remember Your Baptism:Traditional worship service led by Rev. Dr. Amanda Kersey reflecting on our baptism, on who we are as children of God.
9-24-23	What is a Pilgrimage?Journals Part 2 Retired Pastor, artist and Saron-1st member Pastor Pam Hunter will share about how art is part of her own spiritual pilgrimage and have the church participate.
10-1-23	Incorporating Silence in Worship (Silence as Pilgrimage): In anticipation of Pastor Michelle's Silent Retreat at St. Placid Priory, the congregation will incorporate silence into the worship service, similar to Quaker meetings, but with familiar liturgy balancing the experience. Pastor and Chaplain Matt March will be presiding and preaching at this traditional worship service.
10-8-23	Pilgrimage through Art: Pottery. Pastor Beth Utto-Galarneau of St. Mark's in Lacey, who is a potter, will share about how art is part of her own spiritual pilgrimage and have the church participate. This will be a traditional service.
10-15-23	Yoga/Movement/Exercise as Prayer/Pilgrimage: This is a traditional worship led by Rev. Dr. Amanda Kersey that will reflect on how

	in our bodies we can embody prayer and pilgrimage...like ancient prayer practices.
10-22-23	<p>What is a Pilgrimage?:  Special speaker and presider for worship is Bishop Rick Jaech of the Southwestern Washington Synod. He has traveled many pilgrimage routes and will share about those experiences.</p>
10-29-23	<p>Joyful Music Worship: Pilgrimage with Music and Also Pilgrimage through Art at Holden.  This is a singing Sunday led by Music Director Kari Hasbrouck and Choir Director Troy George. This is Reformation Sunday and will be a joyous occasion and celebration. Church member Carrie Larson will be sharing about her time as an artist-in-residence at Holden Village.</p>
11-5-23	<p>What is a Pilgrimage: The idea of pilgrimage, retreat, and renewal will be led by Chaplain and Pastor Tammy Stampfil. Rev. Stampfil will also share about her time in the Holy Land.</p>
11-12-23	<p>Hopes for the Future A traditional service led by Council President Ruth Hamilton and Treasurer Tony Enzler, anticipating the sabbatical's conclusion with hopes for the future</p>
11-19-23	<p>What is a Pilgrimage?: Native American Celebration Sunday  Rev. Linda Smith will lead worship to celebrate Native American Celebration Sunday. She will share from her Native American perspective the idea of pilgrimage and spiritual journeys.</p>
11-26-23	<p>Christ the King Sunday: Pilgrimage through the lectionary year...as a form of ritual and practice. This will be led by Rev. Matt March.</p>
12-3-23	<p>12-3-23 – Sunday Service: Pastor's Return Celebration: Advent 1 and Holiday Dinner  This will be a traditional service led by Pastor Michelle with some reflections on her own pilgrimage and Tony and Ruth will offer some from the church. This will be a lovely Advent 1 service with special music, a blessing of return, prayers and a large meal of Holiday Dinner afterward to celebrate</p>















### **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 September 27<sup>th</sup> 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 3 will be making dinner for our friends on September 19<sup>th</sup>. 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**

Please join us on 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".



# 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

Take This Bread by Sara Miles  
Wednesdays at 11:30am in the Fireside Room

September 6-October 18th.

This book is one of Pastor Michelle's favorite faith journey autobiographies. This is a story about how journalist Sara Miles wandered into a church and found herself transformed by the power of communion.

She was raised an atheist and scorned religion and then in the power of communion her life changed. A great explanation from the publisher on this book is, "*Take This Bread is rich with real-life Dickensian characters—church ladies, millionaires, schizophrenics, bishops, and thieves—all blown into Miles's life by the relentless force of her newfound calling. Here, in this achingly beautiful, passionate book, is the living communion of Christ.*" Miles really calls us to talk about the power of communion, who is welcome at the table and more. It is just a wonderful book exploring faith and being human. Each week one of us will lead that discussion time over the chapters. Please join us!

## L<sup>3</sup>+P=(RIOT) Book Club

The next meeting is Thursday, Sept 21<sup>st</sup>, 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 Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> at 1pm.

## Quilting

The Quilters are taking the summer off and will resume on September 14<sup>th</sup>. They will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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

Giving away food boxes each Wednesday at The Rose Center at approximately 11am.

# PRAYER PAGES

## **A Gaelic Blessing—By John Rutter (1978)**

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  
Of Christ, the light of the world to you  
Deep peace of Christ to you.

Psalm 46:10-11

Be still, and know that I am God;  
I will be exalted among the nations,  
I will be exalted in the earth."

**11** The LORD Almighty is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

## **Blessing from Anam Cara" by John O'Donohue.**

May the light of your soul guide you.  
May the light of your soul bless the work  
You do with the secret love and warmth of your heart.  
May you see in what you do the beauty of your own soul. May the sacredness  
of your work bring healing, light and renewal to those  
Who work with you and to those who see and receive your work.  
May your work never weary you.  
May it release within you wellsprings of refreshment, inspiration and  
excitement.  
May you be present in what you do.  
May you never become lost in the bland absences.  
May the day never burden you.  
May dawn find you awake and alert, approaching your new day with dreams,  
Possibilities and promises.  
May evening find you gracious and fulfilled.  
May you go into the night blessed, sheltered and protected. May your soul  
calm, console and renew you.  
Amen.

## **A Celtic Prayer**

May the blessing of light be on you - light without and light within.  
May the blessed sunlight shine on you like a great peat fire,  
so that stranger and friend may come and warm himself at it.  
And may light shine out of the two eyes of you,  
like a candle set in the window of a house,  
bidding the wanderer come in out of the storm.  
And may the blessing of the rain be on you,  
may it beat upon your Spirit and wash it fair and clean,  
and leave there a shining pool where the blue of Heaven shines,  
and sometimes a star.  
And may the blessing of the earth be on you,  
soft under your feet as you pass along the roads,  
soft under you as you lie out on it, tired at the end of day;  
and may it rest easy over you when, at last, you lie out under it.  
May it rest so lightly over you that your soul may be out from under it quickly;  
up and off and on its way to God.  
And now may the Lord bless you, and bless you kindly. Amen.

### **Please keep the following in your prayers...**

*Pastor Michelle, Phil & Claire on their Sabbatical Journey*

*The family of Marge Dahlstrom, Howard Morris, Don Lofgren, Lynn Tangvald,  
Frank Tinney, The Kelsey Family, Mic Patton, Bob & his family, Barbara Julian, Harper,  
Skylar Lake, Sherri Owzarski, Sanford Cole, Nathan, Ken Matheson,  
Stephanie Anderson, 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,  
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.*

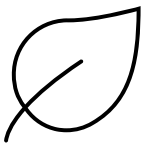
*For all of those who we speak now or for whom we think of in our hearts and minds.*

# SEPTEMBER @ Saron

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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					Rev Shari Monson & husband @ TRC thru 9/4	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
<b>LECT 22 (PENT 14)</b>  10a Worship 11a Fellowship & Birthday Celebration	<b>LABOR DAY</b>  <b>Office Closed</b>	<b>Office Closed 9a Staff @ TRC</b>	<b>Office hours 9a-1p →</b>  10a Coffee Hour  11:30a Bible Study	1p Martha Circle		
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<b>LECT 23 (PENT 15)</b>  10a Worship w/Blessing of the Backpacks w/Sunday School 1 11a Fellowship	<b>PATRIOT DAY</b>	<b>Office Closed 9a Staff @ TRC</b>	10a Coffee Hour  11:30a Bible Study  6:30p Choir practice	9a-12p Quilting  6p Homemakers	<b>ROSH HASHANAH (@ sundown)</b>	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
<b>LECT 24 (PENT 16)</b>  10a Worship w/Sunday School 2 11a Fellowship 11:20a Council Meeting  1:30p VASA	UGM Team 3	<b>Office Closed 9a Staff @ TRC</b>	10a Coffee Hour  11:30a Bible Study  6:30p Choir practice	1p L^3+P=(RIOT)		<b>FIRST DAY OF AUTUMN</b>
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
<b>LECT 25 (PENT 17) YOM KIPPUR (@ sundown)</b>  10a Worship (Choir) w/Sunday School 3 11a Fellowship		<b>Office Closed 9a Staff @ TRC</b>	10a Coffee Hour  11:30a Bible Study  5-6:30p Community Meal  6:30p Choir practice	9a-12p Quilting		

# SEPTEMBER @ 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.



## **SEPTEMBER**

3<sup>rd</sup> Elichia Enzler  
5<sup>th</sup> Ruth Hamilton  
13<sup>th</sup> Robb McAllister  
17<sup>th</sup> Iver Matheson  
17<sup>th</sup> Marie Ask  
19<sup>th</sup> Henry Kahler  
20<sup>th</sup> Ken Matheson  
22<sup>nd</sup> Tim Pelan, Sr.  
25<sup>th</sup> Jane Bacon  
26<sup>th</sup> Sarabeth Delozier  
28<sup>th</sup> Dale Larson  
28<sup>th</sup> Madison Smith

## **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 September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023, after worship service.

### **115<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting**

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

## **Attendance & Contributions**

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

<b>Date</b>	<b>Adults</b>	<b>Youth</b>	<b>Contributions</b>
8/6	53	4	\$4459
8/13	32	2	\$1205
8/20	29	4	\$1426
8/27	30	2	\$348

# Supporting Saron-1<sup>st</sup>

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](http://www.sarongraysharbor.org) and click the donate button or follow the link below.

[https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\\_button\\_id=HJLL4ZTG68TD6](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 November 14<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the Fireside Room.

## 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, meditation, bridal showers, the occasional Girl Scout meeting, and lots of music.

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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