

The Carillon

March 2025 – The Lent Edition

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

Dear Church,

I urge you to not do Lent alone this year in 2025. Let me explain why...

The History of Lent

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. 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 Sinai; 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 to make time to nurture and reflect deeply on our discipleship of following Jesus.

Lent 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 this ancient tradition of the early church, and it was not done alone! No! People in the ancient church individually reflected and prayed alone, but this was mainly done communally. They regularly gathered and participated in the life of the church. {continued...}

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Participate in Lent

Lent is a season we can spiritually, mentally and the communally regroup and recenter. Please reread that previous sentence. With how chaotic this world is right now and so many unknown we desperately need community and THAT is what the early church practiced and taught. To practice our faith in community. So I repeat myself again, please do not do this season of Lent alone. How can you participate? Join us in the weekly Sunday worship (in-person or online). Come to Adult Education and Soup Lunch during Lent. Join us in our weekly contemplative Lent worship (in-person or online) on Wednesdays. Get a daily Lent devotional and join us in talking about it at centering time on Tuesdays.

If during Lent you are exhausted or overly busy, or if you are dealing with trauma or chaos right now, give yourself the gift Lent. These 40 days are a wonderful way to practice some self-care by joining us in church and/or creating daily space for rest and meditation (or just taking more naps if you need it). This is a time for each of us to find renewal and regroup and ground ourselves in our faith.

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

Peace, Pastor Michelle

LENT



at Saron Lutheran-1st Presbyterian Church

FAT TUESDAY - MARCH 4TH

5pm Pancake Feed Youth Fundraiser

ASH WEDNESDAY - MARCH 5TH

11:30a Lent Adult Education & Soup Lunch

1p Ash Wednesday Service

WEDNESDAYS MARCH 12TH-APRIL 9TH

11:30a Lent Adult Education & Soup Lunch

1p Lent Contemplative Service

THROUGHOUT LENT - MARCH 5TH-APRIL 12TH

Youth Noisy Offering (bring your loose change)

Youth Snack Drive (to have at activities)

Holy Week

April 13th - Palm Sunday

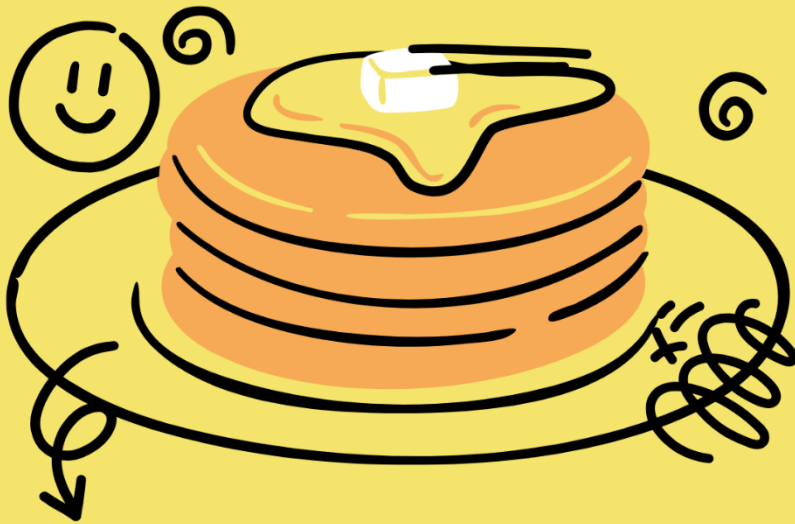
April 17th - Maundy Thursday

April 18th - Good Friday

April 20th - Happy Easter

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YOU'RE INVITED TO
**FAT TUESDAY
PANCAKE FEED**



TUESDAY MARCH 4

5PM - 6:30PM

\$10 PER PLATE

PANCAKES, HAM & FRUIT

708 8TH ST

HOQUIAM WA 98550



PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE YOUTH GROUP



MARCH 5
20
25

Ash Wednesday Service

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

1:00PM
MARCH 5, 2025

SARON LUTHERAN-1ST PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH
708 8TH ST., HOQUIAM WA 98550
WWW.SARONGRAYSHARBOR.ORG

reflect & renew

LET'S PREPARE TOGETHER
FOR THE CELEBRATION OF
JESUS' RESURRECTION



Ash Wednesday Worship Service

March 5th at 1pm

Please join us for a traditional
Ash Wednesday Worship
Service at 1pm in the
sanctuary. If you cannot attend
and would like to still receive
ashes Pastor Michelle will be
here with them that day from
9am-2pm.

Lent Contemplative Worship Service

*Wednesdays March 12th-
April 9th at 1pm*

Every Wednesday at 1pm we
will have a weekly (30-40
minute) contemplative worship
service. Please join us for this
time of quiet prayer, music,
reflection, and centering. We
will hold this upstairs in the
sanctuary. If the elevator is not
working, we will have it live
streamed downstairs.

Lent Contemplative Service

**WEDNESDAYS AT 1PM
IN THE SANCTUARY**

March 12th - April 9th,
2025



Lent Daily Devotionals

We will have at Ash Wednesday Worship Lent daily devotionals available from Living Compass. The theme this year is *Living Well Through Lent 2025: Cultivating the Fruit of the Spirit in Heart, Soul, Strength, and Mind.*

Remember you are dust,
and to dust you
shall return.

From the Ash Wednesday liturgy



LIVING
COMPASS
waiting for the journey



LENT ADULT EDUCATION AND SOUP LUNCH

Starting March 5th
every Wednesday
@ 11:30am thru April 9
708 8th Street,
Hoquiam
Fireside Room

**SIGN UP SHEET FOR
SOUP AND BREAD IS
ON THE TABLE IN
MOLLER HALL**

Lent Adult Education & Soup Lunch

*Wednesdays, March 5th - April
9th at 11:30am*

Join us for Bible Study and lunch. There is a sign-up sheet in Moller Hall for folks to bring soup and bread for this study. More information about the study is on page 9.

LENT GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

NOISY OFFERING



During Lent
(March 5-April 12)
bring your coins to
church to fill the
basket for our Youth
programs.



LENT 2025

Saron-1st Church
708 8th St Hoquiam WA

For More Information
www.sarongraysharbor.org

Snack Drive

Bring some kid friendly snacks for our Amazing Saron-1st Youth Group to have at their monthly group activities. Basket is on the table in Moller Hall for your donations. Thank you for your generous hearts!

Noisy Offering
*March 5th-April 13th
during Sunday Service*

Bring your loose change to church on Sunday and fill the Youth basket! All proceeds go towards the Sunday School Program, Vacation Bible Camp, Camp Lutherwood and our monthly activities with the Amazing Saron-1st Youth Group.

SNACK DRIVE



During Lent
(March 5-April 12)
bring boxes/bags of
snacks for our Youth
activities. Box is in
Moller Hall for your
donations.



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GAS CARDS FOR LENT

MARCH 5TH - APRIL 12TH, 2025

**Donate a gift card for gas
or make a donation to the
Harbor Food Pantry to help them
help our neighbors.**

Donation box is on the table in Moller Hall

 www.sarongraysharbor.org
 360-532-4611

Sons of Norway Salmon Dinner

*Saturday, March 22nd
2:00pm & 4:00pm*

Call Dixie Thompson for
reservations
at 360-533-2827.

Gas Cards for Lent

We are collecting gas cards and
monetary donations for the volunteer
staff at Harbor Food Pantry who make
multiple trips a week from Ocean
Shores to Central Park to provide food
for hundreds of folks in our community.
There is a lock box on the table in
Moller Hall for your donation.

MARCH 22, 2025

SONS OF NORWAY SALMON DINNER

Join the Sons of Norway Lodge for our annual
Salmon Dinner on **Saturday, March 22, 2025**

Location: Saron Lutheran Church
708 8th St. Hoquiam, WA 98550

Seating: 2 PM & 4PM

Cost: Members \$25 (includes one cocktail)
Non-Members \$25

**Reservations: Dixie Thompson
(360) 533-2827**



All proceeds go directly to The Sons
of Norway Lodge- Aberdeen



AMAZING GRACE EVENTS



There will be Bread, Salad, Main Dish, Vegetable and Dessert

Eating In: Reservations for our St Paddy's Day Corn Beef and Cabbage Dinner on Saturday Mar 15, 2025. Call Carmon at 360 590 2703

You may arrive around 5:15 for Social and Dinner at 6 pm. \$25 per person

Pick Up: Dinners will be available at 6:30, to be picked up. Please reserve for definite reservations by texting me at 360 590 2703. \$25 per

We prefer to have all the monies by Sunday, March 2, 2025 so we have funds to pay for the groceries and other items needed for the dinner.

A graphic for a Youth Group Potato Feed. At the top, there are three small, overlapping circles in shades of orange and yellow. Below them, the text "Youth Group Potato Feed At Amazing Grace" is written in white, bold, sans-serif font. Underneath, in a smaller white font, it says "Baked Potatoes with all the fixin's, beverages and dessert. A good will offering will be accepted - proceeds to assist in paying for Vacation Bible Camp, Camp Lutherwood, and monthly youth events." In the bottom left corner, there is an orange circle containing the text "April 13th, 11:15 AM following worship" in white. The central focus is a large, cartoon potato character with a smiling face, wearing white gloves and shoes. The potato is holding a small plate with a baked potato on it. The background is dark grey with a white outline.



Outreach Closet

We are low on hygiene products and cold weather items. Please consider donating. More than ever, our friends need our help. Along with the usual hygiene products that everyone needs, we are asking you to go through your closets and drawers and consider donating cold weather items to our friends that so desperately need them. If you cannot drop off at the church, please contact the office and we will pick up.

Community Meal

Our next meal will be on March 26th. Look for the sign-up sheet in Moller Hall on the table. We will need kitchen help, set-up crew, clean-up crew, helpers/servers, donations of bread, salad, dessert, and drinks. The meal runs from 5-6:30pm. Come eat a hot meal & bring your friends!

Union Gospel Mission

Team 1 is March 17th.
If you are interested in joining a team, please contact 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 from 6pm-7pm
Wednesdays from 7pm-8pm

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

Harbor Food Pantry

Giving away food boxes each
Wednesday at The Rose
Center at approximately
10:30am.
Donations of money for gas,
and bags for the food
giveaway are appreciated.
Contact Rick Parker if you are
interested in volunteering for
this effort. They sometimes
need volunteers for set up
from 9am-10am.



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.

L³+P=(RIOT) Book Club

The Lutheran Literary Ladies plus Presbyterians equals Reading Is Our Thing

next meetings will be on *March 20th at 1:00pm* in the Fireside Room at Saron. Join us for snacks and conversation in this casual book club.

Martha Circle

The next meeting will be held on *March 6th at 1pm* in Anderson Hall. Join us if you would like to be a member of this wonderful ministry that serves this church in so many capacities.

Choir

Choir rehearsals are *Wednesdays at 6:30pm*. Come join us to make joyful noise to the Lord! All abilities and ages are welcome.

Adult Education:

*Lent Study and Soup:
Stories of Hymns
Wednesdays at 11:30am
March 5th-April 9th*

Ever wonder what the story is behind a hymn or song we sing in church? Are the lyrics and music written at the same time? Why does it have a certain image or phrase? Come and learn about the stories behind some of our most beloved hymns this Lent. We will be having a soup lunch (please sign up to bring soup) and then following this will be our Lent Contemplative Worship.

Girl Scouts

Girl Scout Troop #40949 will be utilizing The Rose Center for their weekly meetings on Thursday evenings and occasional special events. Our agreement has this wonderful troop caring for the grounds at The Rose Center. If you have a child you would like to have join this Troop, contact Teri in the office for information.



From the Beginning of Time



Jesus,
you have known us from the beginning of time,
you have known us in the depths of our dreams and in the darkness of
our shame,
you know us as your beloved.

Help us to own that core identity more and more in this season of
repentance and mercy.

Give us the rock-solid assurance of your unwavering faith in us
as we seek the same in you. Amen.

Prayer for Peace

We pray to God to eradicate all the misery in the world:
that understanding triumph over ignorance,
that generosity triumph over indifference,
that trust triumph over contempt,
and that truth triumph over falsehood. Amen.

The Hope of Spring

God, thank you for Spring and the hope of warmer, longer, brighter
days.

Thank you for the coming of growth and life and birth.

Thank you that things are coming awake in the world.

This is what our calendar says, and we do see some signs that it is
real. But we also still struggle with the residual layover of winter.
Now we ask that you bring into reality all that belongs in this season.

Your word says that we will have provision, and hope, and joy, and
health and loving relationships here and now in this life.

We ask that what belongs in this season would become actual in our
practical lives. We hope in you and in your promises. We hope in your
gift of Spring. Amen.

MARCH @ Saron-1st

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TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD 10a Worship w/Sunday School 9 11a Birthday Fellowship Council Meeting		MARDI GRAS-FAT TUESDAY 10:30a Centering Time at The Rose Center 5p Fat Tuesday Pancake Feed	ASH WEDNESDAY 10a Coffee Hour 11:30a Lent Adult Education & Soup Lunch 1p Ash Wednesday Service 5-8p Sons of Norway 6:30p Choir Practice	1p Martha Circle		
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MARCH @ The Rose Center

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Assisting Minister Schedule

We have an Assisting Minister Binder that is available for you to sign up to assist at worship service on Sundays and special services. This Binder is available in the Center Hall on the table.

Lector: Reads the 1 or 2 readings that will be posted on the lectern.

Usher: Preps Worship space with candle lighting, hymn numbers, unlocks all doors & double checks elevator.

Hands out bulletins to incoming parishioners.

Sits in the back of the Sanctuary to oversee the service.

Walks the aisle with donation plate during the offering.

Records congregation count and collects tithes from offering plate.

After worship – lock main doors, blow out candles & turn off lights.

Attendance Record slip and all tithes are put in bank bag & given to Pastor or Teri.

Greeter: Stands in narthex to greet incoming parishioners and makes newcomers feel welcome.

Altar Guild: Preparation & clean-up of communion wine & bread
This position is assigned. If you cannot make it on the day you are scheduled, please contact another Altar Guild or the office.

Communion Asst: Delivers the wine during Communion.

Altar Flowers: Brings flowers for the altar vases & arranges them before worship.

Fellowship Host: Set-up and clean-up for fellowship. Makes coffee & tea, brings goodies.

(If help is needed with the coffee pot, just ask)

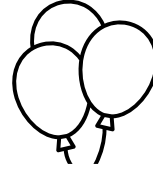
Teams are set-up and assigned. Contact your team members if you are not available on the day your team is scheduled.

Sunday School: Leads the Sunday School lesson for that day.
Schedule made quarterly. If you would like to teach the kids, please contact the office for the Safe Space Policy and a background check.



March

Birthdays



1st - Mike Lentz

5th - Toni Black

6th - Teri Julian

6th - Elisabeth Enzler

6th - Kora Rhodes

8th - Gary Smitt

17th - Kari Hasbrouck

24th - Tracy Pelan

24th - Kacey Pelan

25th - Marcia Smith

25th - Callie White

26th - Keith Worsham



Saron-1st Birthdays

We celebrate monthly birthdays on the first Sunday of the month during Fellowship. Cards are available to sign during the first 2 weeks of the month on the card table in the corner of Anderson Hall. Please take a moment to sign the cards as they bring joy to our friends!

Property Notes

Property Meeting on April 22nd 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 they will be noted when the work has been worked on or completed. We are hoping this will make a better trail for maintenance needs and completion, 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 & Girl Scout meetings, workshops, safe visitation space, some catering/baking, celebrations of life, meditation, bridal showers, clergy overnights, and a few birthday parties (it's a great spot for a party)!

If you or your group needs a space, contact Teri in the office at (360) 532-4611 or email sarongraysharbor@gmail.com.

Saron-1st Council

The next Council Meeting will be March 9th, after worship service.

Office Hours

Mon - Thurs
9:00am - 1:00pm

Saron - 1st Church Office

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