



# The Carillon

May/June 2025 – The Spring Edition

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

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Dear Church,  
I am so thankful right now to have faith in our God. Our God of hope that walks with us and does not call us toward judgement or hate, but toward care, love, and reconciliation. Our world is in a tumult right now where the loudest voices are ones of fear and hatred. I thank God for our church that is truly present in the community and is a "beacon of hope in Grays Harbor." In June, we will be a featured church at the Southwestern Washington Synod Assembly with a video that the DEM Joey Ager is putting together about our feeding ministries. We will get a copy of this video to share at the Presbytery of Olympia. We will also show it here at church. It is an honor that we are being featured. One of the reasons for this feature is that the synod hopes that the ministries at Saron-1st will inspire other churches to listen and be really present in their community.

## **Church Staff**

Rev. Michelle de Beauchamp  
*Senior Pastor*

Teri Julian  
*Administrative Assistant,  
Bookkeeper*

Phil Slep  
*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  
Randall Daugherty Secretary  
Bailey Cavender, Treasurer

Teri Moody  
LouJean O'Brien  
Patti Barker  
Mike Erkkinen

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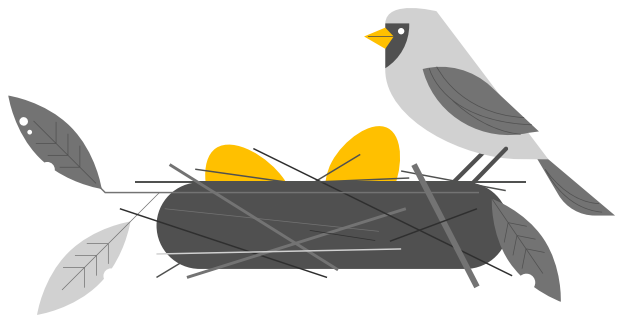
As Joey told me, Saron-1st is truly an example of our faith inspiring us to help our community. So why do we do this? We help our neighbors and show God's grace not to "earn our way" or for "good works", but because we are inspired by our faith. We are inspired by Jesus to go and be a light in the darkness. As Christ said in the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5:14-16:

***14** "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid.*

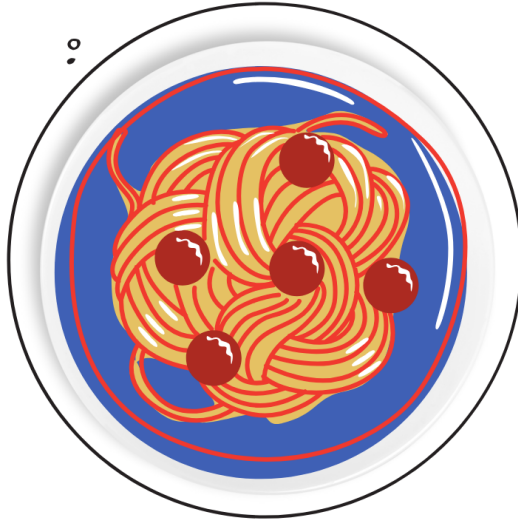
***15** People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. **16** In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."*

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, right now with all the darkness and hatred in the world this is not the time to hide under a bushel, but to love boldly. It is a time we show care for our neighbors boldly. It is a time we are called to be that beacon of hope here, and to let our light shine for all the community to see. So, tell your friends, your neighbors, your family that you go to church. That you go to a church that cares for their neighbors. That you attend a church that follows Jesus and calls us to inclusion of all. Right now, more than ever in the US people need to hear there are Jesus followers that preach "love thy neighbor" and that means all neighbors.

Peace, Pastor Michelle



*Saron-1st/Amazing Grace Youth Group*



# SPAGHETTI FEED

## FUNDRAISER

**MAY 13<sup>TH</sup> @ 5PM**

**\$10 PER PLATE  
\$30 FOR FAMILY OF 4**



**ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE  
YOUTH GROUP'S ACTIVITIES**

**CAMP, VBC & GET-TOGETHERS**

**708 8<sup>TH</sup> STREET, HOQUIAM WA 98550**

**SARONGRAYSHARBOR@GMAIL.COM**

SARON LUTHERAN - 1<sup>ST</sup> PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# ***SPRING PLANT & ESTATE SALE***



***Furnish your home and bring your garden to life this spring while supporting our nearly 100 year old church continue to be a beacon of light in Grays Harbor***



## **Contact Us**

☎ 360-532-4611  
✉ [www.sarongraysharbor.org](http://www.sarongraysharbor.org)  
📍 708 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Hoquiam WA

**Vada Kohn's home items are being sold to prep her house for sale. Our plants are lovingly grown by Sharal, who puts in many hours to support the church she loves. Proceeds go towards the Save Saron Fund.**

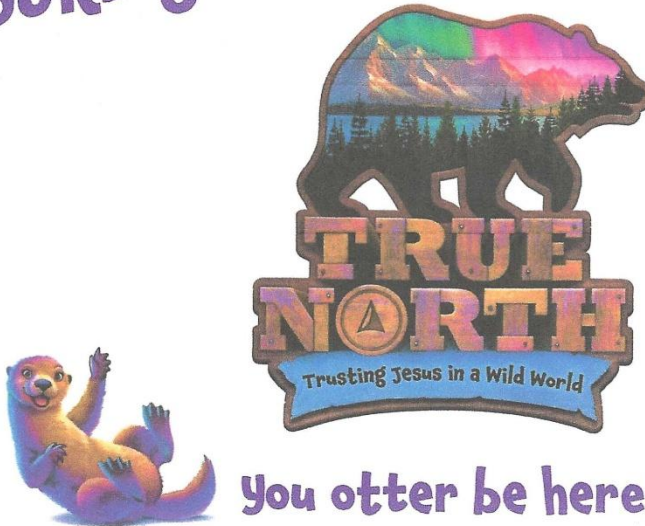
## **Event Details:**

📅 May 31, 2025  
🕒 09:00a - 1:00p  
📍 816 Spruce Street  
Hoquiam WA

***Let's Grow Together!***



# Looking for mountains of fun?



## You otter be here!

New friends ▶ Amazing experiments ▶ Creative games  
Super-fun snacks ▶ Surprising adventures ▶ Incredible music

Location: The Rose Center @ 210 K St, Hoquiam

Save these dates: June 22nd - June 26th, 2025

Each day's fun happens from: 5:00pm-7:30pm

For more information, call or visit: 360-532-4611

Register online here: sarongraysharbor.org



### **Discovery Presbytery Cohort**

*May 8<sup>th</sup>*

*June 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>*

Pastor Michelle will be attending the Discovery Presbytery Cohort.



### **Synod Assembly**

*June 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>*

Callie White and John Hunter are going as church representatives with Pastor Michelle. It is being held at Pacific Lutheran University.



### **Family Camp**

*July 11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>*

Saron-1<sup>st</sup>/Amazing Grace Youth Group is going to Camp!

Starting May 20<sup>th</sup>!

SARON-1ST

# Gospel Garden

MEETING TUESDAYS AT 9AM  
THE ROSE CENTER  
210 K ST, HOQUIAM



[www.sarongraysharbor.org](http://www.sarongraysharbor.org)



**Community Meal**  
*May 28<sup>th</sup> & June 25<sup>th</sup>*

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 3 is May 19<sup>th</sup>.  
Team 4 is June 16<sup>th</sup>*

If you are interested in joining a team, please contact the office.

**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.



**Get A Life**  
**(Al-Anon Family Group)**  
*Mondays from 6pm-7pm  
Wednesdays from 7pm-8pm*

holds hybrid meetings at  
The Rose Center  
(210 K Street, Hoquiam)  
twice a week.  
Their meetings are open to  
everyone.

Get A Life Al-Anon Family  
Group  
[https://www.southpugetsou  
ndal-anon.org/](https://www.southpugetsoundal-anon.org/)

**Harbor Food Pantry**  
*Wednesdays at 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.





# Ministries

## **Coffee Hour**

*Wednesdays at 10am*

You are invited to join us for our weekly Coffee Fellowship gathering in the Fireside Room at Saron. Bring a treat and some conversation.

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

*May 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm*

*June 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm*

*The Lutheran Literary Ladies  
plus Presbyterians equals  
Reading Is Our Thing*

meets in the Fireside Room at Saron. Join us for treats and conversation in this casual book club.

## **Choir**

*Wednesdays at 6:30pm*

*Scheduled Sundays at 10am*

Come join us for our weekly Choir rehearsal to make joyful noise to the Lord! All abilities and ages are welcome. Performances are scheduled on Sundays September-June.

## **Adult Education:**

*Wednesdays May 7th-June 4th*

Dietrich Bonhoeffer for our Time:  
This class will look at the life of well-known theologian and activist Dietrich Bonhoeffer who was part of the resistance during Nazi Germany. We will look at his life, his writings, a Bible Study of his, and more. He is a phenomenal and inspirational person whose life was cut short due to being killed in a POW camp when the Americans were only a few days away from liberating it. His teachings and life are still pertinent to this day.

## **Girl Scouts**

*Thursdays from 5p-8p*

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.



## **Giving Thanks for Summer (Author Unknown)**

Father, Creator of all, thank You for summer!

Thank you for the warmth of the sun  
and the increased daylight.

Thank You for the beauty I see all around me  
and for the opportunity to be outside and enjoy Your creation.  
Thank You for the increased time I have to be with my friends and  
family,

and for the more casual pace of the summer season.

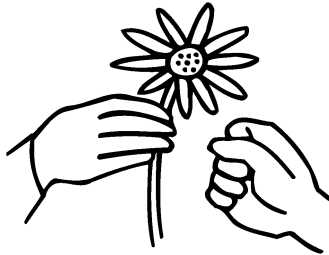
Draw me closer to You this summer.

Teach me how I can pray

no matter where I am or what I am doing.

Warm my soul with the awareness of Your presence  
and light my path with Your Word and Counsel.

As I enjoy Your creation, create in me  
a pure heart and a hunger and a thirst for You.



## **Let Your Light Shine 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.

## **Prayer for Pentecost from PCUSA**

Lord God,  
through Christ you have given us peace  
that the world cannot give.  
Let your Spirit of truth abide with us  
so that we may live in hope,  
grow in faith,  
and keep your commandments of love;  
in the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

## **Joyous Time of Year (Author Unknown)**

May the glory  
and the promise  
of this joyous time of year  
bring peace  
and happiness to you  
and those you hold most dear.

And may Christ,  
Our Risen Saviour,  
always be there by your side  
to bless you  
most abundantly  
and be your loving guide.



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

Carl Parker, Jim Bevans, Jeni West, Carrie Moonen, Mike Erkkinen,  
Arbie Irwin & Family, Doris Ellingson, Shirley Ward, Judy Brady,  
Maurita White, Mona Gallo, Yolanda Pearson & Family,  
The Rhodes Family, Taylor Julian, Carolyn, Terry Johnson, Ed Bishop,  
Vada Kohn, David Hamilton, Toni Black, Erika Mills, Ken Matheson,  
Diana Petrich, John Buckles, Barb Julian, Ron Bacon, Lynn Tangvald,  
The Kelsey Family, Mic Patton, Jane Bacon, Jeannette Bruun,  
Marie Ask, Iver Matheson, Myles Robinson, Melissa Murray,  
Chari Allen, Rose Hirschler

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

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





# 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 Moller 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 (when operational).

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.*

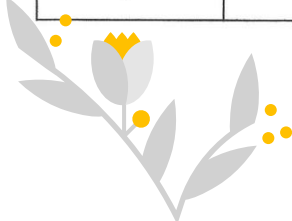
Training is available for all positions!

# MAY @ Saron-1st

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
				12p Martha Circle Potluck		
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>3 EASTER</b>  10a Worship w/Choir & Sunday School 11a Fellowship & Birthday Celebration <b>Roger's 90th party/Borth 60th Anniversary</b>	<b>CINCO DE MAYO</b>	5p VBC meeting	10a Coffee Hour  11:30a Bible Study  5-8p Sons of Norway  6:30p Choir Practice	PM @ Presbytery Cohort  6p Homemakers		9a Color Run at HHS track
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>4 EASTER MOTHER'S DAY</b>  10a Worship w/Sunday School 11a Fellowship	4p Spaghetti Feed set-up	5p Youth Spaghetti feed	10a Coffee Hour  11:30a Bible Study  6:30p Choir Practice	1p L^3+P=(RIOT)		
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>5 EASTER</b>  10a Worship w/Choir & Sunday School 11a Fellowship Council Meeting  1p VASA	UGM Team 3	Office Closed 9a Staff @ Garden for prep	10a Coffee Hour  11:30a Bible Study  6:30p Choir Practice			
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>6 EASTER</b>  10a Worship w/Sunday School 11a Fellowship	<b>MEMORIAL DAY</b>  <b>Office Closed</b>	Office Closed 9a Staff @ Garden for planting	<b>ASCENSION OF OUR LORD</b>  10a Coffee Hour  11:30a Bible Study  5-6:30p Community Meal  6:30p Choir Practice			

# MAY @ The Rose Center

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
				5-8p Girl Scout Troop 40949 GS mowing		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
3 EASTER	CINCO DE MAYO 5:30p-7:30p GAL AFG	10:30a Centering Time	10:30a Harbor Food Pantry 6:30p-8:30p GAL AFG	5-8p Girl Scout Troop 40949	Pastor Pam overnight →	→
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4 EASTER MOTHER'S DAY	5:30p-o7:30p GAL AFG	10:30a Centering Time	10:30a Harbor Food Pantry 6:30p-8:30p GAL AFG	11a-2p Hoquiam Rotary Meeting 5-8p Girl Scout Troop 40949		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
5 EASTER	5:30p-7:30p GAL AFG	9a Gospel Gardening (prep) 10:30a Centering Time	10:30a Harbor Food Pantry 6:30p-8:30p GAL AFG	5-8p Girl Scout Troop 40949		
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6 EASTER	MEMORIAL DAY 5:30p-7:30p GAL AFG	9a Gospel Gardening (plant) 10:30a Centering Time	ASCENSION OF OUR LORD 10:30a Harbor Food Pantry 6:30p-8:30p GAL AFG	5-8p Girl Scout Troop 40949		



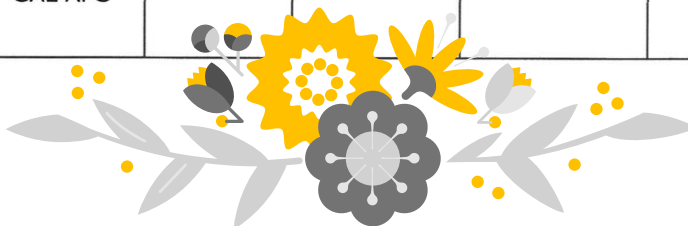
# JUNE @ Saron-1st

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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<b>7 EASTER</b>  10a Worship w/Choir & Sunday School 11a Fellowship Birthday Celebration  1p Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon		Office Closed 9a Staff @ Garden	10a Coffee Hour  11:30a Bible Study  5-8p Sons of Norway  6:30p Choir Practice		PM @ Presbytery Cohort	PM @ Presbytery Cohort
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<b>DAY OF PENTECOST</b>  10a Worship w/Sunday School 11a Fellowship  1p VASA		Office Closed 9a Staff @ Garden	<b>LAST DAY OF SCHOOL for Preschool &amp; Aberdeen SD</b>  10a Coffee Hour  6:30p Choir Practice		Synod Assembly in Parkland	Synod Assembly in Parkland
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
<b>THE HOLY TRINITY FATHER'S DAY</b>  10a Worship w/Choir & Sunday School 11a Fellowship	UGM Team 4	<b>LAST DAY OF SCHOOL for Hoquiam SD ½ DAY</b>  Office Closed 9a Staff @ Garden	10a Coffee Hour	<b>JUNETEENTH</b>  1p L^3+P =(RIOT)	<b>FLAG DAY</b>	<b>FIRST DAY OF SUMMER</b>
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
<b>LECT 12 (PENT 2)</b>  10a Worship w/Sunday School 11a Fellowship  <b>5-7:30p VBC @ TRC</b>	<b>5-7:30p VBC @ TRC</b>	Office Closed 9a Staff @ Garden  <b>5-7:30p VBC @ TRC</b>	10a Coffee Hour  5-6:30p Community Meal  <b>5-7:30p VBC @ TRC</b>	<b>5-7:30p VBC @ TRC</b>		
29	30					
<b>LECT 13 (PENT 3)</b>  10a Worship 11a Fellowship		Office Closed 9a Staff @ Garden				



# JUNE @ The Rose Center

SUN 1	MON 2	TUE 3	WED 4	THU 5	FRI 6	SAT 7
<b>7 EASTER</b>	5:30p-7:30p GAL AFG	9a Gospel Gardening	10:30a Harbor Food Pantry  6:30p-8:30p GAL AFG	5-8p Girl Scout Troop 40949		Pastor Pam overnight →
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29	30					
<b>LECT 13 (PENT 3)</b>	5:30p-7:30p GAL AFG					



Dear friends,

I invite you to join me in supporting refugee families who have arrived in the United States sponsored by Lutheran Community Services Northwest and our Synod congregations. These refugee families, many from Afghanistan and Somalia, were granted legal permission to come to the US and were promised support and assistance for the first three months. However, they suddenly find themselves in a very difficult situation.



On January 20, a presidential executive order was issued that ended the Congress-approved refugee program and froze the funding that assists sponsored refugees who are already in the US. Faced with this sudden crisis, our Synod congregations who are sponsoring refugees have been working diligently to provide housing, furniture, food, and loving encouragement. With generous spirits, they have provided far more resources than they were originally asked to give. However, they need and deserve our help!

For this reason, we have initiated a **Refugee Support Project**.

**Our first goal is to raise \$8,000** to provide adequate housing and financial support for the sponsored refugees in the coming months as they get settled. We already have raised \$2,000, with \$1,500 coming from our Synod's Disaster Rapid Response Fund, and \$500 contributed by a Synod member. I invite you to join me in making a gift to the Refugee Support Project so that we can raise \$6,000 more.

To make a donation, please make out your check to the SW Washington Synod, and write "Refugee Support Project" in the memo line. Mail your check to:

Southwestern Washington Synod  
420 121st St. S.  
Tacoma, WA 98444

**Our second goal** is to join with the other five synods in ELCA Region 1 to form a Region 1 Immigrant Support Team. Lutherans throughout our region are wanting to be supportive of individuals and families who come to us as refugees, asylum seekers and immigrants. Our Region 1 Immigrant Support Team will coordinate our efforts to provide support to refugees and immigrants in our area in a variety of ways, including support with job

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search, getting settled in new homes, and providing legal information for congregations who are serving the immigrant community. An example of this was the "Know Your Rights" online seminar that the Region 1 bishops provided in February.

If you are interested in being involved with the work of the Region 1 Immigrant Support Team, along with people from our neighboring five synods, please contact me at my email address: [jaechre@plu.edu](mailto:jaechre@plu.edu).

As we approach Holy Week and give thanks for the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, may we be moved to join Christ in doing the life-giving work of God in the world.

Blessings to you!

Bishop Rick Jaech



### Saron-1<sup>st</sup> 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 in June 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. Thank you for your generous hearts and hands.

### 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](mailto:sarongraysharbor@gmail.com).

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

The next Council Meeting will be on May 18th, after worship service.

### Office Hours

Mon - Thurs  
9:00am – 1:00pm

### Saron - 1st Church Office

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