



The Carillon

September 2025

Brothers and Sisters -

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from our Lord Jesus Christ. Galatians 1:3

How blessed we are! We live in a community of people who care about one another, who are willing to give freely, to reach out to those in need and who regularly gather together to worship God. We are called to serve others, and we do, in so many ways.

The weather is beginning to turn cooler, and the days are getting shorter. Autumn is here and Winter is coming; the garden is being put to bed, and we think about endings. In fact, we are in a time of preparation. We don't always see what the next season will bring, yet we prepare, we plan ahead and we do the work that must be done now as we wait for a new season to come. This can be a time of rest, reflection and growth. God is at work.

Church Council has also been at work. Council was tasked with seeking a Transitional Pastor for our congregation. A job listing was published, applications reviewed, sermons heard, interviews conducted, references checked and after much prayer, discussion and discernment (and input from the Presbytery) a choice has been made. Making a final choice was harder than anticipated, as the candidates were well-qualified and gifted.

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

Church Staff

Rev. Lisa Woicik
Transitional 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

Saron-1st has extended a call to Rev. Lisa Woicik to serve as Transitional Pastor. Details are still being worked out, but we are looking forward with excitement and anticipation of her coming.

The restoration of our West wall and window is complete, and all the related bills have been paid. A big thank you to all who contributed to this effort, and thanks to the skilled craftsmen and workers involved in making it happen. While having beautiful stained-glass windows is not a prerequisite to worship, seeing the light stream in after months of darkness somehow adds to the sense of being in a sacred space.

Insurance reimbursements related to last year's lightning strike are nearly complete. Rebuilding the steeple will likely wait until next Spring. The Property Committee is working on various projects to keep the church building, Rose Center and parsonage in good order. We are blessed to have people with the dedication and skills to maintain the church properties and the wisdom to know when outside help is needed.

Thank you for filling out the question slips over the past few weeks. Your responses are being tallied, and a report is being prepared. The suggestion for asking the questions came from Pastor Lisa. Stay tuned for the results.

So many good things are happening day by day in our congregation. You are following God's leading, loving each other, loving our community and making a difference. I am so thankful to be part of the Saron-1st family.

Please continue to pray for your church leadership, and for each other.

Blessings on you all,

Ruth Hamilton
Council President

Welcoming Pastor Lisa!

She will be joining us on October 19th and for the foreseeable future to lead us and assist us in finding our permanent Pastor.



Lisa Woicik, MDiv, MPA, is a Presbyterian (PCUSA) pastor with strong leadership and program management experience, specializing in outreach, mission, and organization transitions. Having lived and worked in diverse contexts, Lisa delights in discovering the beauty of each place and person she encounters. She is passionate about building bridges across differences and helping people experience and participate in God's shalom within their unique communities.

Lisa, lives with her husband, Matt, and their two young adult children, Cameron, 21, and Emily, 18, in Pierce County, WA. She is looking forward to spending the next several months getting to know everyone at Saron-First and the people of Hoquiam.

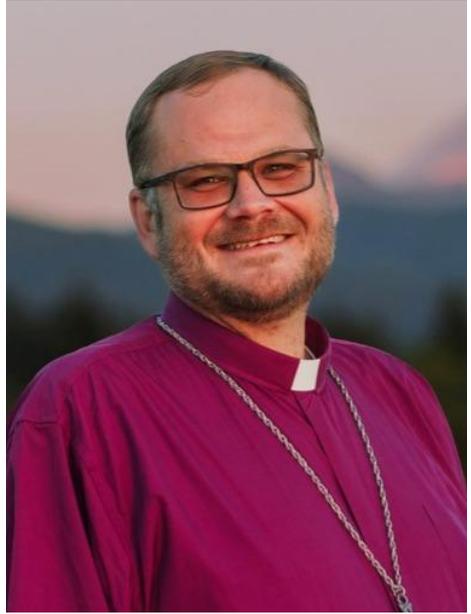
You are cordially invited to
celebrate with us
the Installation of

*Bishop
Keith Marshall*

SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY | **11** | October 2025
2 pm

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
1515 Harrison Ave NW
Olympia, WA 98502-5352
Southwestern Washington Synod - ELCA



REV. MICHELLE
DE BEAUCHAMP
BISHOP'S ASSOCIATE

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US
ON THIS JOYFUL OCCASION
OF INSTALLATION

DAY OF INSTALLATION

10.25.2025

Saturday | 2PM | Amazing Grace Lutheran Church
111 4th Street, Aberdeen, WA

SWWASYNOD.ORG



SARON-1ST RAVIOLI DINNER & AUCTION



OCTOBER 23RD AT 5:30PM

TICKETS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE OFFICE:

\$20 PER ADULT

\$10 FOR 7-12 YRS OLD

FREE FOR 6 & UNDER



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SARON-1ST MARTHA CIRCLE

HOLIDAY BAZAAR

NOVEMBER

8

2025

10:30A
-2:00P

LUNCHEON AT 11AM

\$12 LUNCH

(SOUP, BREAD, PIE & BEVERAGE)

\$7 PIE & BEVERAGE

APPLE PIES

BAKE SHOPPE

QUILT SHOPPE

VENDORS & CRAFTS



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SARON-1ST AMAZING GRACE YOUTH GROUP FALL 2025 SCHEDULE

**OCT
12TH**

CHAPMAN FARMS PUMPKIN PATCH

239 Brady Loop Rd E, Montesano @ the Barn @ 1pm

TRICK OR TREAT OPEN HOUSE HALLOWEEN EXTRAVAGANZA

108 E 6th St, Aberdeen (park @ AG) @4pm

**OCT
31ST**

**NOV
16TH**

CHRISTMAS CRAFT MAKERS PARTY

708 8th St, Hoquiam @ 12:30-4:30pm

SARON-1ST AMAZING GRACE YOUTH GROUP CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

111 E 4th St, Aberdeen @ 10am (program begins @ 5pm)

**DEC
6TH**

MORE INFO:

**SARONGRAYSHARBOR@GMAIL.COM
OR
AMAZING111@COMCAST.NET**



FROM LOG TO TABLE

MYCOLOGY EDUCATION & DINNER EVENT

fundraiser
NOVEMBER 16, 2025

3PM-6PM / \$100 PER TICKET

 **UNLOCK THE SECRETS OF MUSHROOMS** -
FROM FOREST TO KITCHEN

 **COOK & TASTE** GOURMET MUSHROOM
DISHS YOU'LL LOVE

 **LEARN HANDS-ON** CULTIVATION AND
PREPARATION SKILLS

 **ENJOY A SHARED MEAL** MADE WITH
FRESH MUSHROOMS

 **TAKE HOME YOUR OWN MUSHROOM LOG**
TO KEEP GROWING

 **FUN, FLAVORFUL, AND EDUCATIONAL** -
AN EXPERIENCE YOU WON'T FORGET

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ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE SAVE SARON FUND



SARON-1ST

Gospel Garden

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

www.sarongraysharbor.org

Saron-1st Church

GOSPEL GARDEN WORK PARTY



October
19th

11am-
2pm

210 K Street
Hoquiam WA

Wear your jeans to church and then head to
The Rose Center for Fellowship and putting
away the garden for the season.

Join Us!



Join us for our Gospel Garden Ministry on Tuesdays. We will be shutting down the garden on October 19th after worship service. Wear your jeans to church at Saron-1st, then head to The Rose Center for fellowship and good fun in the dirt!



Community Meal
October 29th

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 4 is October 20th

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

Outreach Closet

The cold is going to be here before we know it! 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.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.

L³+P=(RIOT) Book Club

October 16th 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 9:30-11am

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.

Martha Circle

October 2nd at 1pm

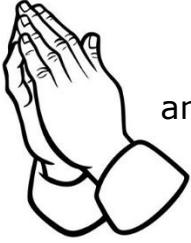
The ladies of Martha Circle will be having their first meeting of the season to discuss fall and winter plans including the Holiday Bazaar. Join us if you would like to be part of a lovely group doing the good things.



Girl Scouts

Thursdays from 5pm-8pm

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.



Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

³ There is a time for everything,
and a season for every activity under the heavens:

- ² a time to be born and a time to die,
a time to plant and a time to uproot,
³ a time to kill and a time to heal,
a time to tear down and a time to build,
⁴ a time to weep and a time to laugh,
a time to mourn and a time to dance,
⁵ a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them,
a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing,
⁶ a time to search and a time to give up,
a time to keep and a time to throw away,
⁷ a time to tear and a time to mend,
a time to be silent and a time to speak,
⁸ a time to love and a time to hate,
a time for war and a time for peace.



Prayer of Gratitude for Beauty of Creation

God, our Creator of heaven and earth, how blessed we are to be surrounded by the beauty of your creation.

We lift our prayer of gratitude as we see the stars of heaven, and the beauty of the sunset.

We are amazed by the seas and waterways and all that are in them.

We are enchanted by the flowers and trees which are clothed by you.

We are awed by all the animals you created.

For the beauty of the earth, the mountains and valleys, the sun and the moon – we give you praise.

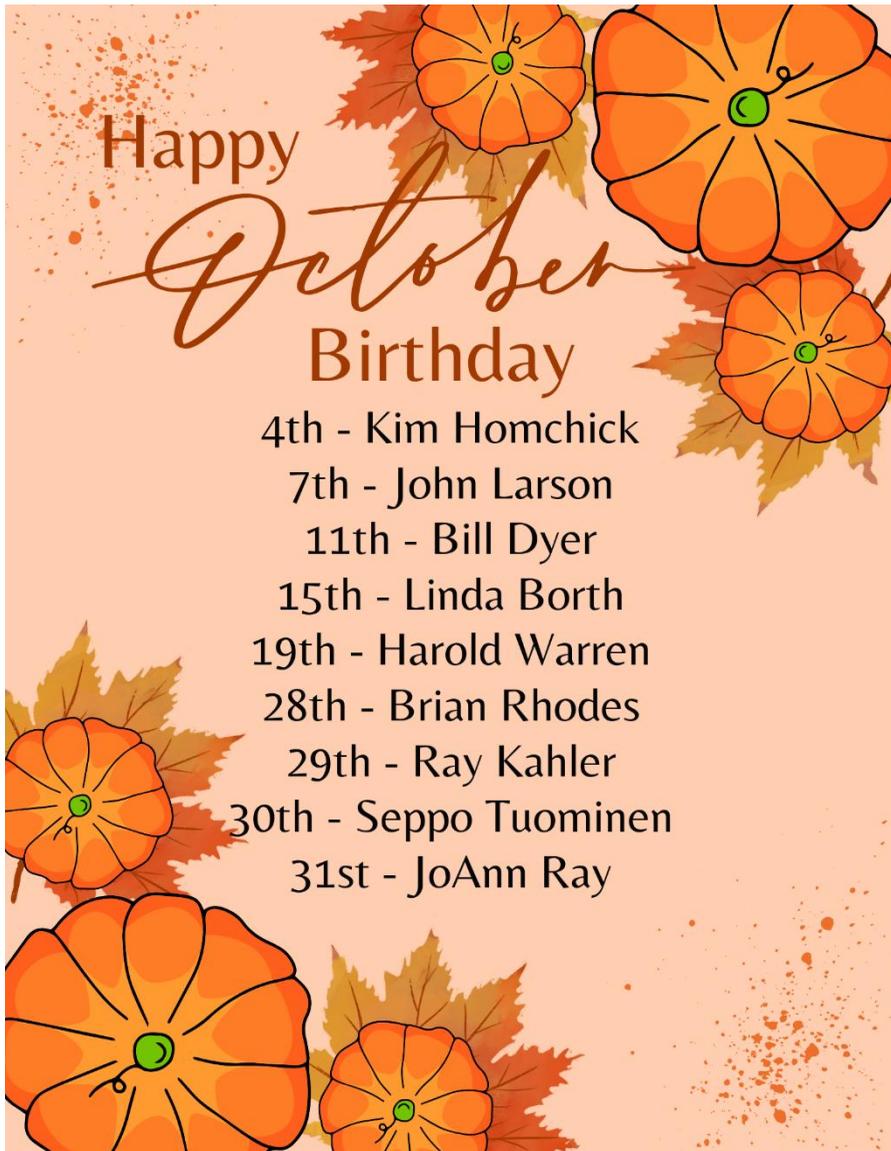
Amen.

OCTOBER @ Saron-1st

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			YOM KIPPUR (@ sundown) 10a Coffee Hour 5-8p Sons of Norway 6:30p Choir practice	YOM KIPPUR ENDS (@ sundown) 1p Martha Circle		
LECT 27 (PENT 17) 10a Worship w/Sunday School 11a Fellowship		Office Closed 9a Staff @ Garden	10a Coffee Hour 6p Homemakers 6:30p Choir practice			2p Bishop Keith Marshall's Installation @ Gloria Dei in Olympia
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
LECT 28 (PENT 18) 10a Worship Choir w/Sunday School 11a Fellowship 1p Youth Group @ Chapman Farms	INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY	Office Closed 9a Staff @ Garden	10a Coffee Hour 6:30p Choir practice	Pastor Lisa's start date 1p L^3+P= (RIOT)		12-5p Sons of Norway event 10a-2p Climate Resilience Cohort in-person meeting in Tacoma
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
LECT 29 (PENT 19) Welcome Pastor Lisat Wear Your Jeans to Church 10a Worship Choir w/Sunday School 11a Fellowship @ The Rose Center Garden Fall Shut-down	DIWALI UGM Team 4	Office Closed 9a Staff @ Garden	10a Coffee Hour 6:30p Choir practice	10a-1p Office closed (Teri @ class) 5:30p Ravioli Dinner Fundraiser		2p Rev. Michelle deBeauchamp's Installation @ Amazing Grace in Aberdeen
26	27	28	29	30	31	
REFORMATION SUNDAY 10a Worship w/Sunday School 11a Fellowship Council Meeting 1:30p VASA		Office Closed 9a Staff @ Garden PTO using kitchen	10a Coffee Hour 5-6:30p Community Meal	10a Martha Circle Flatbread Baking PTO using kitchen	HALLOWEEN 4p Youth Group Halloween Event	

OCTOBER @ The Rose Center

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4th - Kim Homchick

7th - John Larson

11th - Bill Dyer

15th - Linda Borth

19th - Harold Warren

28th - Brian Rhodes

29th - Ray Kahler

30th - Seppo Tuominen

31st - JoAnn Ray

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 October 21st 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

The Rose Center proudly hosts 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 scheduled in September, after worship service.

Office Hours

Mon - Thurs
9:00am – 1:00pm

Saron - 1st Church Office

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