

CREATING CONNECTIONS



The newsletter of
Community United Methodist Church

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Tis a Gift to be Simple - CUMC at Life Care Center

by Bev Rothenborg

About three times a year, CUMC conducts the Sunday afternoon worship service at Port Townsend's Life Care Center. We gather in the community room to sing hymns and share a brief message with the residents who join us. At our last visit in May, two of our CUMC members were temporary residents there who have now returned home.

What do we do when we go? Large print hymnals are provided and handed out to the 10-15 attending residents. Sometimes they choose the hymns to be sung, but usually we do. Some attendees know the words to long-familiar hymns and join with us with enthusiasm; others don't seem to follow but still enjoy the music. Usually Pastor Scott will say a few words, perhaps from the morning's sermon. The service lasts about a half an hour.

I appreciate connecting with the residents and am touched by their appreciation for our simple service. It is a blessing for me and a small way to share my Christian values. I hope others will join us at our next service the last Sunday of this month, July 29th.



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Pastor's Pen

Believe it or not, I am finishing my second year as your pastor. Although nobody said it out loud, I am sure there were some reservations about going from a senior, ordained pastor to a part time certified lay minister who had never led a church. If you think you were worried, can you imagine what was racing through my mind?



In any event, we're still here and with the help and support from many people we seem to be doing just fine. We have a very positive cash flow which enables us to make much needed repairs to our facilities and even engage in a sanctuary remodel that will serve us into the future as we continue to be a presence in our community and wherever we are needed. Our outreach into the community has been amazing and people are

beginning to look to us for help on an increasing basis. The Holy Spirit has great confidence in our abilities to meet the needs of those around us in that before one project is finished another appears at our doorstep.



At a recent Staff-Parish Relations Committee meeting we even had a discussion about having a visioning retreat where we brainstorm about the future and how we fit in as a church. This is significant. I recently attended our Annual Conference and during our breakout sessions I got to visit with

pastors and lay people from other small churches. These churches are struggling to get by and are afraid of closing. I noticed that many of the appointments to churches this year were lay pastor appointments. There were three church closures but also a few church plants which is encouraging.

I think that success, for a small church, lies in the energy that is generated through outreach. The many missions we do, both small, medium and larger, energize us and give us a sense of purpose and an outward focus. The Methodist Church seems to be obsessed with statistics and numbers which I see as a distraction. I guess it's natural because I am frequently asked if we are growing. I tell them that we are but to me, it's not how big the church is at 130 Church Lane, but how big the church is in the community. Teresa and I were recently talking about this, as



we have belonged to some much larger churches in the past and, to tell you the truth, I can't tell you anything about what we did in the form of missions or serving the community. At Community UMC we are proof positive that a small group of people that are led by the Holy Spirit can make a difference and be a force for good as we strive to love our neighbors here in our community and wherever we are called.

Faithfully,

Scott



Habitat for Humanity Care-A-Vanners

By Sara Davis

On July 9th Community United Methodist Church will be welcoming a group of Care-A-Vanners to Jefferson County. This group of retirees will be working on Habitat Houses #43 and #44 in the Birkenfeld neighborhood in Port Townsend. Care-A-Vanners are generally retirees who travel in their RV's throughout the US helping with the construction of Habitat Homes. Please join us as we welcome them to our community. Everyone associated with Community United Methodist Church is invited to attend. Dinner is at 5pm. Staff members, volunteers and members of the inter-faith committee that serves Jefferson County will also be at this dinner.

Three new Habitat homes will be built in Port Hadlock starting in the fall. There have been 20 families who have applied to for these new homes. Besides having special build days that involve church members there is always a need for us to help with snacks and meals at the job site.



Remodel Update

The Sanctuary/Narthex Remodel Project is well under way and is still in progress. Here are a few photos to whet your appetite in anticipation of the beautiful finished product.

Photos by Scott Rosekrans



More photos on page 6

Kudos ★ Corner

Thank you to the following individuals for their help, hard work and/or thoughtfulness:

- ◆ All who volunteer to serve in worship
- ◆ Betty Prentice, Joan Flowers and Dale Kelley for planning and facilitating monthly potlucks for fellowship time
- ◆ Liaisons to local organizations:
 - Tri-Area Food Bank - Sara Davis
 - Quilcene Food Bank - Betty Prentice
 - Bayside Housing - Ted & Stephanie Buehler
- ◆ The ladies of the UMW who send out greeting cards every month
- ◆ All Committee volunteers
- ◆ Everyone involved in planning and facilitating the Sanctuary/Narthex Remodel Project
- ◆ All who contributed to purchasing new pulpit furnishings

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Please email (cumc@olympus.net) or drop a note by the Church Office to include someone in next month's Kudos Corner!



BIRTHDAYS

1 Orene Udd
 6 Lee Dohse
 9 Peter Mercer
 14 Bob Linrothe
 21 Patty Miller
 24 Billie Fitch
 25 Hank Hazen

SUNDAY SCHOOL

No Sunday School

HOSPITALITY

1 Sara Davis/
 8
 15
 22
 29 Potluck

COUNTERS

1 Debbie/Mike
 8 Melanie/
 15 Lori/Debbie
 22 Sara/Diane
 29 Melanie/

COMMUNION SERVERS

1 Gladys/AJ

GREETERS

1 Bob Linrothe
 8 Julie Boggs
 15 Judy Olsen
 22 Marcy Wootan
 29 John Sweet

USHERS

1 Jackie/
 8 Mike/Marsha
 15 AJ/Stephanie
 22 Larry/Connie
 29 Cindi/Henry

LITURGISTS

1 Marcy Wootan
 8 Pat Cooper
 15 Henry Jones
 22 Jackie Dale
 29 Hank Hazen

ALTAR FLOWERS

1 Orene Udd
 8 AJ Laverty
 15 Leona Long
 22 Pat Chase
 29 Sara Davis

OUR PRAYERS

- * Betty Harmon, recovering from a slight stroke and recent leg surgery
- * Gerry Mizokawa's new kidney to continue working
- * Victims and survivors of school shootings
- * Our leaders and government
- * Law enforcement personnel
- * Friends and family of Cynthia Schoneker who recently passed away
- * Peace, wisdom and guidance for all marriages
- * Victims of terrorism
- * Peace and justice in the world
- * The homeless, the hungry and the unemployed
- * Robin & Byron Acohido, recently laid off work, financial needs met
- * Bear, safety and well-being, and visits with his mom

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**JULY LECTIONARY READINGS****July 1**

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27
 Psalm 130
 2 Corinthians 8:7-15
 Mark 5:21-43

July 8

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10
 Psalm 48
 2 Corinthians 12:2-10
 Mark 6:1-13

July 15

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19
 Psalm 24
 Ephesians 1:3-14
 Mark 6:14-29

July 22

2 Samuel 7:1-14a
 Psalm 89:20-37
 Ephesians 2:11-22
 Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

July 29

2 Samuel 11:1-15
 Psalm 14
 Ephesians 3:14-21
 John 6:1-21

Finance Report for May 2018

Income:

Frontage Rental	\$400.00
Parsonage Rental	1,184.00
Pledges	5,290.30
Non-Pledge Gifts	2,520.00
Cash Offering	184.00
Misc. Income	<u>800.00</u>
Total	\$10,378.30

Expenses:

Apportionments	\$1,304.62
Local Ministry	510.10
Operating Expenses	1,833.82
Personnel Compensation	<u>4,324.77</u>
Total	\$7,973.31

Surplus/(Deficit) for May 2018 = \$2,404.99



CUMC supports three local organizations: OlyCAP, Tri-Area Food Bank and ECHHO. We donate a minimum of \$100 each month to one of these three organizations in addition to donations collected from membership. During the January 2018 Finance Committee Meeting, the committee voted to continue supporting the same three missions with the same donation amounts in 2018.

Following is the donation schedule for 2018 and the total amount donated that month:

January:	ECHHO	\$637	July:	ECHHO	\$
February:	Food Bank	\$745.50	August:	Food Bank	\$
March:	OlyCAP	\$474.50	September:	OlyCAP	\$
April:	ECHHO	\$355	October:	ECHHO	\$
May:	Food Bank	\$429.50	November:	Food Bank	\$
June:	OlyCAP	\$	December:	OlyCAP	\$



The next UMW Luncheon will be Thursday, August 2nd at the Port Ludlow Bay Club. Plan to arrive at 11:30am. This is a salad potluck. Dessert will be provided. There will be a business meeting following the potluck.



Blood Drive

**Wednesday,
July 11th**

11am-5pm

Schedule an appointment
by calling

1-800-398-7888 x2

Benefit Concert

Sunday, July 15th @ 12:30pm

at Community United Methodist Church's Outdoor Chapel
130 Church Lane, Port Hadlock

Live Music
by

**Rhythm
Ride**

Hula

Performance by

**RD &
Friends**

Suggested Donation: Cash, Food and/or Pet Food

All donations go to the Quilcene Food Bank and
the Center Valley Animal Rescue.



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OUR PRAYERS

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- * The Angel Families who've lost their wonderful children
- * Border Patrol, who protect us in adversarial conditions
- * People who are suffering from allergies and all those who aren't feeling well

OUR PRAISES

- * A successful mission trip to Okanogan County and a safe trip there and back, a joy to be of service to God and his people in their time of great need



Praise the Lord



July 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1</p> <p>9:00am Learning Circle 10:00am Worship 11:15am Fellowship</p>	<p>2</p> <p>5:30-7:30pm Boy/Cub Scouts</p>	<p>3</p> <p><i>Independence Day</i></p>	<p>4</p> <p>Church Offices Closed</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>11:30am-12:30pm Beginners Hula Class</p>	<p>7</p> <p>2pm Celebration of Life for Cynthia Schoneker</p>
<p>8</p> <p>9:00am Learning Circle 10:00am Worship 11:15am Fellowship</p>	<p>9</p> <p>10:30am-12pm Alzheimer's Support Group 5pm Habitat for Humanity Care-a-vanners dinner</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <p>11am-5pm Blood Drive 5:30-6:30pm AA Meeting</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>11:30am-12:30pm Beginners Hula Class</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>15</p> <p>9:00am Learning Circle 10:00am Worship 11:30am Joint Church Picnic with The Church United 12:30pm Benefit Concert</p>	<p>16</p> <p>5:30-7:30pm Boy/Cub Scouts</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>5:30-6:30pm AA Meeting</p>	<p>19</p> <p>7-8pm Al-Anon Meeting</p>	<p>20</p> <p>11:30am-12:30pm Beginners Hula Class</p>	<p>21</p> <p>8am Men's Breakfast</p>
<p>22</p> <p>9:00am Learning Circle 10:00am Worship 11:15am Fellowship</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Newsletter Articles Due 5:30-7:30pm Boy/Cub Scouts</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>5:30-6:30pm AA Meeting</p>	<p>26</p> <p>7-8pm Al-Anon Meeting</p>	<p>27</p> <p>11:30am-12:30pm Beginners Hula Class</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29</p> <p>9:00am Learning Circle 10:00am Worship 11:15am Fellowship 2pm Service at Life Care Center in PT</p>	<p>30</p> <p>5:30-7:30pm Boy/Cub Scouts</p>	<p>31</p> <p>5:30-6:30pm AA Meeting</p>				

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Monthly Devotional

Our Daily Bread, July 4, 2010

Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free. Galatians 5:1

True Freedom

In 1776, the 13 British colonies in North America protested the limitations placed on them by the king of England and engaged in a struggle that gave birth to a brand-new republic. The infant nation soon adopted that now-famous document known as the Declaration of Independence.

Almost 2,000 years ago, the Lord Jesus cried out on the cross, "It is finished," proclaiming the believer's "declaration of independence." All of humanity was under the tyranny of sin and death. But Christ, the sinless One, took our place on Calvary and died for our sins. Having satisfied God's righteous demands, He now sets free for eternity all who trust in Him.

Paul wrote, "Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us" (Gal. 3:13). Romans 8 assures us, "There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus . . . For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death" (vv.1-2). Galatians 5:1 urges all who have been redeemed to "stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free."

We are thankful to God for any freedom we enjoy in a nation. But above all, believers everywhere can praise Him for the freedom that is found in Christ!

By Richard DeHaan

Now are we free—there's no condemnation!
Jesus provides a perfect salvation;
"Come unto Me," O hear His sweet call!
Come—and He saves us once for all. —Bliss

Our greatest freedom is freedom from sin.



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