

CREATING CONNECTIONS

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Community United Methodist Church

Pastor's Pen 

August 2026

What is a Disciple of Christ for the transformation of the world you ask? Let me give you a perfect example. As you know, we have a spare change ministry called "Kai Kares" in which our youngest member of our church (3 yrs old) circulates through the congregation with her little red bucket during the offering and collects spare change and some folding money. That money is used to buy food for our food pantry here at the church. I have previously given Kai and her mom money to shop but I think Kai has now made the connection between collecting the money, shopping, and bringing the groceries to the food pantry. After service 7/19/26 Kai and her mom approached me and Brittany told me Kai wanted to go shopping so I have her the folding money we had on hand so they could go to the Dollar Tree. They returned Monday afternoon with several bags of groceries and you could tell by the smile on her face how proud she was. At that point Kai handed me a blue stuffed crab and Brittany told me that Kai wanted to donate it to the church for some other child to enjoy. I graciously accepted it,

made a big deal out of it and gave it to Marsha to put in the clothes closet. (Brittany gets the Mom of the Year award)

In Matthews gospel Jesus said to a crowd that when they fed the hungry, clothed the naked, healed the sick, visited the prisoner, and welcomed the stranger that they were doing it for him. Now ordinarily, we wouldn't think Jesus was talking to a 3 year old but I guess he could have been. Why not? Kai gets it and we should do all we can to follow her example. Thank you Kai for your beautiful act of service and the reminder of our calling to see to the needs of the least of Jesus' brothers and sisters.

SCOTT



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Baptism

Of Carol L Miles on July 19,
2026

Welcome to the body of
Christ and to CUMC!



sweet
Summer

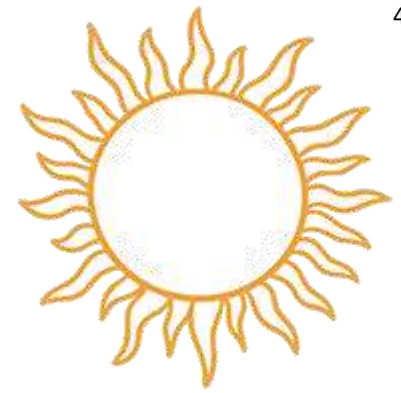
Saviors Soup, helped our neighbors celebrate Americas 250th Birthday in Style!



The men's group served and prepared soup for any and all who wished to enjoy the 4th of July at the church!

Pictured above: Larry Carter, John Prentice & Andrew (Scotts friend)





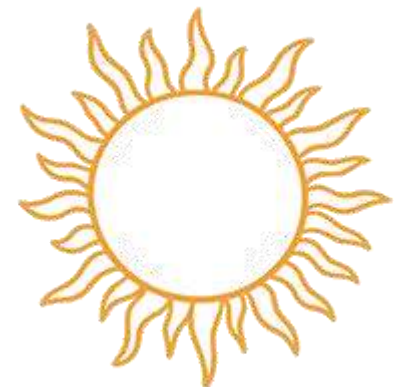
Our Spirit Singers join a wonderful group of musicians that start the Sunday morning service with joy and songs that do bring the "Spirit" to our morning services! Thank you all!



These two stunners were done by Bussy Carter!



Billie Fitch original!!





United
Women
in Faith



No Meetings in the Month of August
See you in September.....HAPPY SUMMER!!!

A Message from our Tech Team

Please consider joining our tech team. At present, there are two of us alternating to put our Sunday service live on Facebook. It would be so helpful to have at least 1 or 2 more. We can lead you through the process and be there as you learn. It's just a matter of following the guidelines. Please see AJ Laverty or Laurie Engelbeck at church. The best way to see what we do is to sit and watch. If you don't think you're very tech savvy, one of us doesn't even own a smart or iPhone.

Missions is not only an adult thing but these sweet girls have shown us all that they can and will help, whether it be with reciting the Lord's Prayer with us, or collecting for the least of these.

Veira & Dahlia Hohnbaum, their grandmother Kari, Kai Charrier, Patricks, Van-Camp & Cooper on offering service.



Desserts When You Want Them!

Our Baker's Are Ready to Bake!



- Are you craving something sweet?
- Do you have a special birthday or other occasion to celebrate?
- A special cake makes any occasion more festive!
- Do you want to help our missions in a sweet way?
- Do you need a special cake or pie for a dessert auction to raise money for your special group or civic organization?

We can make:

Pies, Cakes, Cookies, Cupcakes, Giant Cupcakes, Jumbo Cupcakes and bars.

We can also make: Brownies, sweet breads and other items. Now I can also offer baked donuts.

If you want something to celebrate your special occasion, just call Lori and she will coordinate with the volunteer bakers to fulfill your requests. The minimum fee is \$50.00, but most people are so happy with their cake that they pay more—and it all goes to a worthy cause—Missions!

I have received feedback from some of the people who have ordered cakes:

- It was delicious, yummy and beautiful.
- You went above and beyond
- Can you make one of those Giant Cupcakes—They are so cool!
- Sold the cake at the auction for over \$250.00.

It's a win, win, win!



You get a sweet treat when you want it, our bakers get to do what we love to do, and the church raises money to help support our missions! Call, text or email Lori at 360 620-0809

or lori@tlobe.com.



Volunteers Needed

There are some volunteer opportunities at the church that don't get much attention; however, they are necessary to keep the church humming along without a hitch.

One such volunteer opportunity is small yet makes all the difference to our worship experience: Fellowship Snacks.



You may not notice it; however, the same people bring our delightful little fellowship treats each week. The same people are setup up and cleaning up too. They need help!

We need you to help with setting up, cleaning up and providing treats. They don't need to be fancy, just a little treat for people to enjoy during fellowship time. It could be a batch of banana bread or any kind of sweet bread, cookies, bars, or even a small handheld savory treat!

Treats should arrive around 9:30/9:45 a.m. to have time to prepare your snacks and put them on plates. Clean up consists of clearing crumbs off the counter, doing a few dishes and clearing out any leftovers—which can be left for the Soup Kitchen to use if desired.

Did you know that there is a sign-up sheet located in the Narthex for fellowship snacks, that is largely ignored and remains empty?

Please consider signing up to set up, clean up and provide some small homemade or store purchased treats for fellowship time!

Say yes to enhancing our worship experience in one small way!



Our wonderful Staff/Parrish Committee has come up with a "WELCOME" bag for visitors to our church. There will be pens with the church's name on them, small crosses, a brochure telling about our ministry and missions and PRAYER squares. What a nice way to say we are glad you're here!



Love Your Neighbor Who Doesn't

- Look like you.
- Think like you.
- Love like you.
- Speak like you.
- Pray like you.
- Vote like you.

Love Your Neighbor.
No Exceptions!



What We Do

Sunday Services at 10:00 a.m.

Free soup on Saturdays
10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Clothes Closet open on Saturdays
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Food Pantry open on Saturdays
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.



Charitable Organizations We Support

Bayside Housing

Host and support twelve tiny houses and South
Seven Senior Apartments

Tri-Area Food Bank
(Quarterly donation)

Ecumenical Christian Helping Hands
Organization (ECHHO)
(Quarterly donation)

United Methodist Committee on Relief
(Quarterly donation)

John Wesley's Manifesto Founder of Methodism 1703 - 1791

1. Reduce the gap between rich and poor.
2. Seek to ensure full employment.
3. Introduce measures to help the poorest, including a living wage.
4. Offer the best possible education.
5. Empower individuals to feel they can make a difference.
6. Promote tolerance.
7. Promote equal treatment of women.
8. Create a society based on values and not on profits and consumerism.
9. End all forms of enslavement.
10. Avoid engaging in wars.
11. Avoid narrow self-interest and promote a world view.
12. Care for the environment.



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Presents 3rd Annual



**Spam FEST
2026**

Music Jam



Come join us **Saturday Aug. 22nd From 2:00 to 4:00 PM** for an afternoon of old time, folk, bluegrass and roots music in the beautiful fir tree **Shady Grove** at **Port Hadlock United Methodist Church**. It's a beautiful setting to enjoy playing, singing listening and sharing your favorite tunes and songs while the sun streams through the fir tree canopies. Some wood benches provided but folding chairs & cushions are a good idea. Inside church if raining.

Admission: Canned food & supplies for our food pantry or cash donation. Types of things needed for our pantry:

Canned: Meat (Spam, chicken, roast beef, ham but no tuna)

Stew, veggies, fruit (no sugar added) , Small Jars of Peanut butter and Jelly. Top Ramen (in flat square packets), **Supplies:** Toilet Paper, paper towels, toothpaste. Please make sure food does not have and expired "use by" date and is in original packaging. Thank you!!

Address : **130 Church Lane Port Hadlock-Irondale Washington 98339**
free parking. www.hadlockchurch.com or cumc@olympus.net

Please call Pastor Scott Rosekrans 360-385-1579 if you have questions.

See you there!!



Silent Dessert Auction

There is still a need to raise much needed funds to continue supporting our four quarterly missions that support organizations that our meaningful to Community United Methodist Church and align with what is important to us:

- Tri-Area Food Bank
- ECHHO (Ecumenical Christian Helping Hands Organization)
- Bayside Housing
- UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief)

Our first Dessert Auction of the year was held on March 8th following the service, and we were blessed with some tasty desserts.

It's a good idea to bring your cash or checks and your appetite for sweet treats to bid on some delicious desserts that you can bring to a party, a family gathering or just take home to enjoy!

If you are interested in baking cookies, brownies, or bars for our next auction contact Lori Oberlander, know at 360 620-0809 or lori@tlobe.com.

Proceeds will be used to help support our Missions Budget.



Local



CUMC supports three local organizations: Bayside, Tri-Area Food Bank and ECHHO. We donate a minimum of \$500 each month to one of these three organizations in addition to donations collected from membership. CUMC also donates \$100 each month to UMCOR as well to aid in natural disaster relief efforts. Any donations from church members that are designated to UMCOR are included each month.

Summary of all donations by category YTD – July 31,2026

	Amount	#Donations	#Donor
In Kind donation	\$ 153.89	1	1
Pledges	\$60,029.48	215	32
Clothes/Store	\$1,635.00	14	4
Food Pantry	\$3,050.00	18	6
Non-pledge gifts	\$1,725.00	15	7
Missions	\$640.00	9	3
UMCOR	\$220.00	4	4
Worship/Music	\$200.00	1	1
Sheila Fund	\$900.00	9	9
Totals	\$68,753.37	280	

Total distinct donors across all categories 49

FOR 2026,THERE WERE 25 PLEDGES FOR A TOTAL OF \$83,321.00



August

BIRTHDAYS

12. Marcy Wootan

HOSPITALITY



ALTAR FLOWERS

Please see sign up sheet in the Narthex, on the table, to provide flowers for the altar each Sunday. They add so much to the service!

LITURGISTS

2: John Sweet

9. Billie Fitch

16: Liz Hazen

23. Laurie Englebeck

31: Kathi VanCamp

COUNTERS

2: Lori & Kathi

9: Debbie & Connie

16: Marsha & Diane

23: Betty & June

31: Betty & Laurie

GREETERS

Ted Ross
Patrick VanCamp
Patrick Cooper



OUR PRAYERS



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- ♦ For the homeless,
- ♦ the hungry and the unemployed.

* For Peace on Earth!

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* For wisdom for our leaders.

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* For employment for people struggling to find meaningful work.

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July 2026 LECTIONARY READINGS

August 2
Gen 32:22-31
Ps.17:1-7,15
Rom 9:1-5
Matt14:13-21

August 9
Gen 37:1-4,12-28
Ps. 105:1-6,16-22
Rom 10:5-15
Matt 14:22-33

August 16
Gen 45:1-15
Ps.133
Rom11:1-2a,29-32
Matt15:21-28

August 23
Exod 1:8-2:10
Ps.124
Rom12:1-8
Matt 16:13-20

August 31
Exod 3:1-15
Ps.105:1-6,23-26,45b
Rom 12:9-21
Matt 16:21-28

*****HOPE HAPPENS HERE*****



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					General Store Hours: 10am to 1pm Saviors Soup
2 10:00am Worship 11:15am Fellowship	3 Spinners 1:30-3:30 NUR	4 Spirit Singers 12:30 S Designated Drivers 4:30p L	5	6 Rogue Yoga 10am-11 NUR 7-8pm Al-Anon Meeting (Library)	7
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22 General Store Hours: 10am to 1pm Saviors Soup 10:30-1:30p SPAMFEST 2-4PM outdoor chapel					
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30 10:00am Worship 11:15am Fellowship		SSF: Salish Sea Fellowship	L= Library CR= Conf Rm NUR= Nursery N= Narthex S= Sanctuary K= Kitchen		

Traveling Light

August 2026

Packing for my return to the United States after living and working overseas for twenty-eight years felt impossible. Even after giving away or discarding most of my possessions, I had two very heavy suitcases. The precious space was filled with books, journals, and souvenirs that reminded me of my friends and travels. But at the airport my bags were overweight. I had to pay an exorbitant fee to take them.

My heart sank. Paying wasn't a possibility. So reluctantly I opened the suitcases and began extracting cherished items one by one, distributing them to friends who had come to see me off. Reaching my destination was more important than the things I had wanted to bring with me.

I think that was Paul's message when he urged Jesus' followers to lay aside every unnecessary weight. Surrendering our less important possessions or agendas for the sake of the ultimate goal can be painful. And there may be nothing intrinsically wrong with those things. But Paul knew from experience the importance of putting first things first. We too may face such decision points. But at the end of the road we will discover that our sacrifices cannot compare to the joy of meeting our Maker and hearing the words, "Well done"

Deborah Meroff (Maine, USA)

Upper Room 8/2/2026



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Church Office Hours:

8:00am- 2pm, Tues/Wednesday

8-10 Thursday

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Sunday Worship: 10:00 am

Fellowship Time: 11:15 am

Scott Rosekrans, Pastor

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Pastor's Office Hours:

10 am - 4pm

Monday– Thursday

