

The Lighthouse

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Newsletter of Ocean Shores United Methodist Church

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OPEN HEARTS—OPEN MINDS—OPENDOORS

Notes from the Pastor's Pen . . .

Walker Percy, one of America's premier authors, has one of his characters say in his novel *The Second Coming* regarding Christians "I cannot be sure they don't have the truth. But if they have the truth, why is it the case that they are repellent precisely to the degree that they embrace and advertise the truth? ... A mystery: If the Good News is true, why is no one pleased to hear it?"

St. John tells us that Jesus calls us his friend. And, if you know anything about Jesus, you know he accepted people as friends. In the movie, "To Kill a Mockingbird" Atticus Finch says "You never really understand a person until you consider things from their point of view ... until you climb into his skin and walk around in it."

Perhaps one of the reasons the church universal is in trouble in our country is that we have forgotten to use perception. To observe people as they are not as we want them to be. Can you see it?

See you in church.

Wayne

Newsbits

Blanket Drive November 5. Please consider donating new or gently used blankets the first Sunday in November. These bed clothes and suchlike go to the Women's Shelter in Aberdeen.

November Field Trippers will visit the Lewis Army Museum. The van departs at 0900 Thursday, November 9 for Joint Base Lewis-McCord. Lunch afterwards.

Soup and Sandwich Dinner Nov. 17
5:30-6:30 pm. All are welcome.

Handicraft booth at Fanta-sea is put together by Vicki Schmidt and Pam Tuttle. A sign up sheet for Thanksgiving weekend volunteers is on the Narthex bulletin board. Want to contribute your crafting talents? See Pam or Vicki.

Charge Conference

Minutes of September 26, 2017

District Superintendent Nieda prefaced the meeting with remarks about revitalization. The compelling vision answers the questions "Who are we?" and "Who is God calling this Church to commit with?"

Opening. David Nieda offered a prayer. Rooe Simpson was charged with minuting the Conference.

Election of Chairs. With the addition of Pam Tuttle as co-chair of Worship, the 2017 Lay Leadership Report was approved.

Pastor's Salary for 2018. Approved.

2018 Budget. The materials were reviewed and adopted.

Remembrance. Marv Wheeler offered a prayer for the late George Colwell and family.

Audit. Recently completed audit will be received by Pastor Wayne and forwarded to David.

Accountability Questions. All are answered yes.

Information Item. The newly installed light in the yard makes for a safer Church.

Congregation Leaders

President Administrative Council

Gerry Dixon

Treasurer

Barbara White

Lay Leader

Marvin Wheeler

Worship

Jean Wheeler & Pam Tuttle

Trustees

Vicki Schmidt

Nurture

Lois Westlund

Financial Secretaries

Ruth & Gerry Dixon

Pastor-Parish Relations

Rooe Simpson

Dismissal. David prayed for mission, and Wayne offered the benediction.

Conference materials are available in the green folders next to the bulletin board.

Field Trip to Ocean Park October 12



Photograph by Pam Tuttle

"When you forgive someone, you are as close to God as you will ever be, because in that forgiveness you are demonstrating the very heart of God."

Max Lucado, pastor

"If you woke up this morning with more health than illness, you are more blessed than the million who will not survive this week."

**Mark Batterson,
from "Gratitude"**

Book Review: *Points Unknown—A Century of Great Exploration*

by **David Roberts**

From Robert Falcon Scott's final journal entry in the tragic story of him and his four teammates reaching the South Pole during early 1912, only to die on the return trip to Jon Krakauer's daring climb on The Devil's Thumb in Alaska, the editors of *Outdoor Magazine* have gathered the most enduring adventure stories of the last century.

The book is heart stopping! Lives are pushed to the brink. Such stories open the window into the soul of adventurers, and the impulse that drives men and women to reach into the unknown.

Adventure stories enthrall us. I was certainly enthralled and astonished at these true stories—very exciting tales!

Lois Westlund
Lighthouse Book Reviewer

[Web Calendar @ oceanshoresumc.org/calendar](http://oceanshoresumc.org/calendar)

Building Schedule

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
			1 12 N AA 6:30 Bible Study	2 10 A - 2 P Senior Res Ctr	3 12 N AA	4
5 10:30 A Worship (Communion)	6 12 N AA	7 10 A - 2 P Senior Res Ctr	8 12 N AA 6:30 Bible Study	9 9A Field Trip 10 A - 2 P Senior Res Ctr	10 12 N AA	11
12 10:30 A Worship	13 12 N AA	14 10 A - 2 P Senior Res Ctr	15 12 N AA 6:30 Bible Study	16 10 A - 2 P Senior Res Ctr	17 12 N AA 5:30-6:30 P Soup & Sandwiches	18
19 10:30 A Worship	20 12 N AA	21 10 A - 2 P Senior Res Ctr	22 12 N AA 6:30 Bible Study	23 10 A - 2 P Senior Res Ctr	24 12 N AA	25
26 10:30 A Worship	27 12 N AA	28 10 A - 2 P Senior Res Ctr	29 12 N AA 6:30 Bible Study	30 10 A - 2 P Senior Res Ctr		

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