

# The Lighthouse

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## Newsletter of Ocean Shores United Methodist Church

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OPEN HEARTS—OPEN MINDS—OPENDOORS

### From the Parsonage . . .

Dear church family,

As I have spent these last few weeks reflecting on our five years here with you, I think back to our first Sunday and how very “at home” I felt that day. This church is indeed a special place and so welcoming to all. There are so many things about Ocean Shores that I will miss more than I can tell you and of course each of you are the MAIN reason it makes this move so difficult. It is indeed time to begin a new chapter in our lives and to find the path ahead that God has for us.

Thank you to each and every one for your kindness, your acceptance, love and sharing your lives with us. Blessings and prayers.

Sylvia

### Notes from the Pastor's Pen . . .

June 2018

St. John relays the words of Jesus in his gospel, chapter thirteen and verse twenty: “Truly, anyone welcoming my messenger is welcoming me. And to welcome me is to welcome the Father who sent me.”

In these past five years this wondrous congregation has done exactly that: welcomed Sylvia and I. If I were to choose three words to describe what I 'mean' by welcome, they would be "love, acceptance, and forgiveness."

Your thoughtfulness, kindness, and patience has allowed us to discover ministry together; to dare to investigate our boundaries, to serve our communities, and to trust God, others, and even ourselves, as we discern God's direction for our church and our lives.

Thank you for your confidence, for your patience, and your love. Each of you are and will be in our hearts and in our prayers.

Pastor Wayne

## **Congregation Leadership Suggested Donations for Ocean Shores Food Bank**

### *President Administrative Council*

Gerry Dixon

### *Treasurer*

Barbara White

### *Outgoing Lay Leader*

Marvin Wheeler

### *Worship*

Jean Wheeler

Pam Tuttle

### *Trustees Chair*

Mike MacDonald

### *Nurture*

Lois Westlund

### *Pastor-Parish Relations*

Roe Simpson

### *Financial Secretaries*

Ruth & Gerry Dixon

### **June — Pork & beans**

July — Cereal

August — Canned meats

Salmon, chicken, turkey, tuna

September — Canned stew or chili

October — Canned tomatoes

or tomato sauce

November — Turkey dinner trimmings

Olives, cranberry sauce, yams, pumpkin

December — Spaghetti sauce

Canned or in jars

February — Canned tuna

March — Pasta

April — Canned fruit

May — Canned vegetables

## **Bishops propose plan for Way Forward**

To find a way forward on The United Methodist Church's homosexuality debate, bishops are recommending the church allow more freedom at the conference and local church levels.

Along with their recommendation of the One Church Plan which allows this, they will submit a report including all three plans received from the Commission on a Way Forward.

[Click for www.umc.org/news-and-media/bishops-propose-plan-for-way-forward](http://www.umc.org/news-and-media/bishops-propose-plan-for-way-forward)

## Book Review: Seeing Beyond the Wrinkles

by Charles Tindell

Tindell humanizes the nation's nursing home residents by his well written stories of their lives and their deaths.

This is a book which can be appreciated by those who have an elder in their lives, and by the elderly themselves. Some stories will make you laugh; others will bring tears to your eyes.

I really enjoyed this book, and I will share it with any who wants to read it.

—Lois Westlund, *Lighthouse* Book Reviewer

Charles Tindell, *Seeing beyond the Wrinkles: Stories of Ageless Courage, Humor and Faith*, 1999, St. Louis: Quick Publishing, 218 pages

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

**No Bible Study June 13, 20, and 27**

### Building Schedule

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

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