

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 . . .

There is a fifth century AD story of St. Patrick and King Aengus where the saint baptizes the king. During the baptism, St. Patrick sharp walking stick accidentally pokes the king's foot, drawing blood. Following the ceremony, the saint realizes what he has done and is mortified.

Saint Patrick asks the King, "**Why did you suffer the pain in silence?**" The king answered, "**I thought it was part of the ritual.**"

There is truth to this story. Followers of the Way are willing to suffer for God because we believe we are to follow the example of Jesus. The season of Lent is a time to contemplate the cost of discipleship. I encourage you to use these days to do the hard, but rewarding, work of self-examination. Please remember that Joy comes out of suffering.

See ya in church.

Wayne

Joint Lenten Bible Study

Begins March 8 at 6:30pm at Galilean Chapel

Megan and Paul send greetings



The Filipkowskis are settled in the Lone Star State.

VAN TRIP SIGN UP

The van trips for the Church are limited to 15 passengers, including the driver. In an attempt to insure as many people as possible can participate the following changes will be implemented in the sign-up routine.

If you would like to go and have no conflicting events on your calendar, sign up. A seat will be reserved for you. If you would like to go but are not sure about conflicts, sign up and put a question mark after your name. For those signing up with the question mark you will not have a seat reserved at that time but will be put on a first-come first-served waiting list. If you later find you have no conflict, erase the question mark and if there are not 15 names on the list a seat will be reserved for you. If there are 15 other signed up you will remain on the waiting list for possible cancellations.

Why are we doing this you may ask. This is

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Van's Been There

Polson Museum *Photo from City of Hoquiam*



Tokeland Hotel *Photo by Pam Tuttle*



Seventh Street Theater *Photo by The Daily World*



being done to ensure as many people as possible can enjoy these trips.

An example for explanation, on Sunday Feb. 5 there were 15 names on the list to participate in our trip on Feb. 9. When time came for the van to depart, there were 10 people present to leave. Potentially 5 people were unable to go because supposedly the van was full. We realize there will be unavoidable last minute cancellations. As an example, on Feb. 9 one individual could not participate because she had been called about 8:30 pm on Feb. 8 and needed to drive someone to the hospital. They did not return home until about 3:00 am. Of course, she did not feel like participating in the trip.

This is not being done to prevent persons from participating but rather to enable participation.

—**Marv Wheeler**

Updated Church Directories

Members and friends received directory revision requests in person, by email, and via USPS. Pam and Rooe are putting together the new book. Availability to be announced.

March Van Trip

March 9 - Tacoma
America's Car Museum
Leave OSUMC at 9:00am

The Muses are in Arizona

Temporary Address
Ernie and Ann Muse
P.O. Box 1515 Gold Rush Road
Bullhead City AZ 86442
Site 31

Book Review: *Ethics for the New Millenium*

by His Excellency the Dalai Llama

Only during times when we have so little faith in one another, so little confidence in the willingness of others do what is right, can a strong voice emerge to dispel disillusionment.

It takes a person of great courage, such as the Dalai Llama, to face these times and give us hope.

There is an argument to be made for basic human goodness. Only a tiny percentage of humans live lives of violence or dishonesty.

Our Survival has depended and will continue to depend on our basic goodness.

The Dalai Llama presents an ethical system that not only is based on common sense and reason, as opposed to religious dogma or punitive legislation, but has as its goal ultimate happiness for every individual.

We human beings are better than we think we are. This is a book everyone should read.

—Lois Westlund, Lighthouse Book Reviewer

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

Building Schedule

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
			1 12 N AA 6:30 Ash Wednesday Service	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 9 A Field Trip to Tacoma 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	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	31 12 N AA	

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