

# 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 . . .

Lostness and darkness are the worst parts of suffering. The marvel of the Resurrection is that the Light was released and this Light conquered the Darkness completely.

Each of us has or have had large parts of our hearts filled with fear: fear of sharing ourselves, fear of being vulnerable, fear of entering life fully.

One of the radiant things about Easter morning is that the light that arrives with Jesus is a gentle but saturating light. There is no hurt, however deeply buried in whatever crevice of our heart, but that the light of the Resurrection cannot reach and heal.

So many of us do not realize all the good we can do. A kind word here or a helping hand there, can help bring another person through their dark valley. We are not placed here to become wealthy or to build a reputation. We are delivered here to discover the light of Easter in our hearts, and when we find it, we are to give it away generously.

See you in church.

Pastor Wayne

## From the Financial Secretaries

Dear Ocean Shores United Methodist Church Congregation and Church Friends,

Congregation Members and Church Friends, thanks for your support of time, funds and prayers throughout the years. The Church has used your donation of funds and time to complete a very successful 2017. Project accomplishments have included:

- An old fashioned Ice Cream Social that served ice cream and cookies to 60+ Ocean Shores people
- “Tin Cup” Sunday each month with proceeds going to Ocean Shores Food Bank (\$1,104) and Medical Equipment (\$330)
- An August, Senior Vacation Bible School
- OSUMC adopted a needy family for Christmas with a gift of \$600
- Sponsored Young Life with a donation of \$650
- Donated \$480 to Paul Jefferies missionary efforts
- Donations from individuals of \$3,950 to UMCORE for Florida, Texas, Puerto Rico and US Virgin Islands to rebuild after the summer disasters
- Church members also started a “Soup and Bread Dinner” once a month with the entire community invited.

Your church was also able to pay our monthly bills, our “apportionment” to the Annual Conference, and finished a rehabilitation project of \$53,000 at the Parsonage.

Dear Ocean Shores United Methodist Church congregation and Church friends, your Church could not continue to service the Ocean Shores Community without “you.” OSUMC and Jesus Christ gives you thanks for providing “your” gifts. We will always have “OPEN DOORS, OPEN MINDS AND OPEN HEARTS” at this Church.

Sincerely in Christ,

Gerry and Ruth Dixon

February 21, 2018

*Gerry also chairs the administrative committee.*

## Field Trip—The Painted Plate

### To Olympia—March 8–9:00 am

Spend from \$12 up to \$70 to purchase and paint or decorate the piece chosen. As the field trippers work, the shop has special and regular coffees and ice cream.

After the artistic efforts are complete, lunch on the water at Anthony's Hearthfire Grill.

## Rev. Kathleen Weber to serve as District Superintendent of new Crest to Coast District

Bishop Elaine J.W. Stanovsky intends to appoint the Rev. Kathleen Weber to serve on the Pacific Northwest and Greater Northwest Area cabinets as District Superintendent for the Crest to Coast Missional District, beginning July 1, 2018. She will be the first superintendent of this newly formed district comprising all of the churches in the current Vancouver District and fifteen churches from the southern end of the Tacoma District.



Communications, Pacific Northwest Conference

"Kathleen Weber has demonstrated her deep faith and life-giving discipleship as a local church pastor. She is a person of high integrity, and deep care for people and communities on the margins," wrote Bishop Stanovsky. "As district superintendent, she will help guide The United Methodist Church as it learns new ways to create God's beloved community through our churches and ministries in a season of generational change and growing secularism."

A second generation United Methodist pastor, Rev. Weber received her Master of Divinity from Candler School of Theology in 2003 and her first appointment in 2005 as associate pastor to Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church. In 2011, she accepted her current appointment as pastor to Trinity United Methodist Church in Seattle's Ballard neighborhood. In that missional context, Weber also serves on the Ballard Food Bank's board and

on the Community Advisory Committee for Nickelsville Ballard, a city sanctioned tent encampment. She is married to Dr. Danae Dotolo.

During her years in the Pacific Northwest Conference, Weber has also supported the camping ministries of the Japanese American United Methodist Caucus, offered guidance and coaching for churches exploring engagement in the reconciling movement, and completed the Two-Year Academy of Spiritual Formation. In addition, she helped design and now coordinates the Residence In Ministry Program for the PNW Board of Ordained Ministry.

In anticipation of this new appointment, Weber writes, "I am looking forward to getting to know the faithful and vibrant ministries of the new Crest to Coast Missional District and to working alongside the people and churches in the district to build God's beloved community in our midst."

—From the Des Moines Office

## Congregation Leadership OSUMC Media

### *President Administrative Council*

Gerry Dixon

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### *Church Historian*

Ruth Dixon

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## OSUMC Media People

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## Up from the Ashes: Funding achieved for the final phase of recovery

**By Gerri Harvill, Stan Norman, and Jim Truitt**

It's winter in Okanogan County, the Connecticut-sized county in North Central Washington that was devastated by two of its largest wildfires in 2014 and 2015. Winter makes outside work nearly impossible, but while rebuilding of homes for survivors of the wildfires has shifted inside, the countywide wildfire recovery is moving forward rapidly.

"Thanks to generous donations and strong partnerships, funding for the final phase of recovery has been identified. We, along with our many partners, now have the financial resources to complete this remarkable recovery. This is a huge step forward."

United Methodists have a reputation for being one of the first in and the last out when it comes to disasters; the Okanogan Wildfire Recovery is no exception. In 2015 through 2017, 26 UMVIM rebuild teams were deployed 46 times to the Okanogan to work on houses. Several UMVIM teams are already signed up for the 2018 construction period and more are still needed to complete the work of recovery.

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## **Soup and Sandwich Dinner, March 16, 5:30–6:30 pm**

### **Book Review: *Warren G. Magnuson and the Shaping of Twentieth Century America***

**by Shelby Scates**

Warren Magnuson served as U.S. Senator from Washington for six terms (36 years). The sheer sweep of his accomplishments is astonishing: authoring civil rights legislation, protecting Puget Sound, saving Boeing for Seattle, championing consumer protection legislation, reorganizing the railroads. Magnuson godfathered the electrification of the Pacific Northwest by pressing for Columbia and Snake River dams.

The senator pushed federal aid to education while working to hold down Pentagon budgets, and his efforts saw establishment of the National Institutes of Health (and kept research funds flowing) while arguing throughout the McCarthy era against isolation from China. He did much more, and he played poker with Presidents Roosevelt, Truman, Kennedy, and Johnson.

Shelby Scates traces Magnuson's life from his early years in the Fargo/Moorhead area of the Upper Midwest to his death in Seattle in 1989 at age 84.

His political career spanned fifty years. I so enjoyed reading about this "most loved" member of the Senate.

—Lois Westlund  
Lighthouse Book Reviewer

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

## Building Schedule

| Sunday  | Monday                  | Tuesday                                   | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday  | Sat.      |
|---|-------------------------|---|--|--|---|-----------|
|   |                         |   |  | <b>1</b><br>10 A - 2 P<br>Senior Res Ctr   | <b>2</b><br>12 N<br>AA                                      | <b>3</b>  |
| <b>4</b><br>10:30 A<br><b>Worship</b><br><b>(Communion)</b> | <b>5</b><br>12 N<br>AA  | <b>6</b><br>10 A - 2 P<br>Senior Res Ctr  | <b>7</b><br>12 N AA<br>6:30<br><b>Bible Study</b>  | <b>8</b><br>9 A<br>Field Trip<br>Painted Plate-Olympia<br>10 A - 2 P<br>Senior Res Ctr | <b>9</b><br>12 N<br>AA                                      | <b>10</b> |
| <b>11</b><br>10:30 A<br><b>Worship</b>                      | <b>12</b><br>12 N<br>AA | <b>13</b><br>10 A - 2 P<br>Senior Res Ctr | <b>14</b><br>12 N AA<br>6:30<br><b>Bible Study</b> | <b>15</b><br>10 A - 2 P<br>Senior Res Ctr  | <b>16</b><br>12 N<br>AA<br>5:30 - 6:30<br>Soup & Sandwiches | <b>17</b> |
| <b>18</b><br>10:30 A<br><b>Worship</b>                      | <b>19</b><br>12 N<br>AA | <b>20</b><br>10 A - 2 P<br>Senior Res Ctr | <b>21</b><br>12 N AA<br>6:30<br><b>Bible Study</b> | <b>22</b><br>10 A - 2 P<br>Senior Res Ctr  | <b>23</b><br>12 N<br>AA                                     | <b>24</b> |
| <b>25</b><br>10:30 A<br><b>Worship</b>                      | <b>26</b><br>12 N<br>AA | <b>27</b><br>10 A - 2 P<br>Senior Res Ctr | <b>28</b><br>12 N AA<br>6:30<br><b>Bible Study</b> | <b>29</b><br>10 A - 2 P<br>Senior Res Ctr  | <b>30</b><br>12 N<br>AA                                     | <b>31</b> |

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