

# **The Lighthouse**

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## **Newsletter of Ocean Shores United Methodist Church**

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### **All Church Members — Ministers**

**Ronald Myers, Pastor**

**Robert Hoem, Interim Pastor**

OPEN HEARTS—OPEN MINDS—OPEN DOORS

### **Welcome Pastor Bob . . .**

Rev. Robert J. Hoem started as Interim Pastor on July 1. Pastor Bob needs no introduction—he has preached at Ocean Shores UMC and is a fixture in the community.

Pastor Hoem was born in Seattle, literally one day after the first atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima, Japan. That makes Bob 73 years old on 7 August of this year. He graduated from Shoreline High School in 1963, receiving a BA degree in International Relations from the University of Washington in 1967. On that same day, Bob was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Air Force and served seven years as a missile test conductor and airborne intelligence officer during the Vietnam war. His tour in Southeast Asia resulted in over 1,600 air combat hours over Laos, Cambodia and Vietnam.

Sensing the call to pastoral ministry, Bob enrolled in seminary, graduating from Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota in 1978. During a thirty-eight year career, Bob served six Lutheran congregations, all in Washington. Pastor Bob officially "retired" in May 2016 after serving thirteen years at Galilean Lutheran Church, Ocean Shores. During his pastoral career, Bob served twenty years as a Chaplain in the U.S. Navy (Reserve), retiring in 2003 at the rank of Commander.

In 1983, Bob married his lovely wife, Kay, and became an instant step-dad to three wonderful kids aged 5, 11, and 14. Now in their forties, all three "kids"

have successful careers residing in the Bremerton/Silverdale area in Kitsap County.

Currently, Bob serves as Chaplain and Adjutant for Post 8956 Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) and is a supply pastor for Ocean Shores United Methodist church and Galilean Lutheran Church.

## Newsbits

### Worship at 10:45 this summer

### Suggested In Kind Donations for the Ocean Shores Food Bank

July	Cereal
August	Canned Meats
	(Salmon, Chicken, Turkey, Tuna)

### The Schneiders' Address

On the Bulletin Board in the Narthex and in the Newsletter email.

## Annual Conference

The 145th Session of the Pacific Northwest Conference was held at the Washington State Fairgrounds in Puyallup, June 22-24, 2018. Bishop Elaine JW Stanovsky officiated. This year's theme is "Do This and You Will Live!" Do What? (Luke 10: 26-28)

Thursday consisted of registration and laity welcome and orientation.

Friday opened with an acknowledgement and recognition of the first people to live in the Puyallup Valley. It was noted that the fairgrounds was the former site of a Japanese internment camp of Japanese Americans. Today we might call this a detention camp. This in turn led to the mention of the Federal Detention Center in SeaTac. The Bishop then turned to address denominational uncertainty within the General Conference, specifically, the inclusion of the LGBTQ people. We could see the emergence of three Conferences; Progressive, Contextual and Traditional. 2019 will be a crossover year.

Declining membership (down 1,361) and closing churches was also discussed.

Reverend Doctor Brian Brown gave a presentation on the Anatomy of Peace, which was used Friday and Saturday in table talks consisting of both ordained and laity.

## Congregation Leaders

### *President Administrative Council*

Gerry Dixon

### *Treasurer*

Barbara White

### *Outgoing Lay Leader*

Marvin Wheeler

### *Worship*

Jean Wheeler & Pam Tuttle

### *Trustees*

Mike MacDonald

### *Nurture*

Lois Westlund

### *Financial Secretaries*

Ruth and Jerry Dixon

### *PPR and Newsletter*

Roe Simpson

Saturday continued with more discussion and more table talks relative to the Anatomy of Peace. The balance of the day was given to the business of the conference.

Our church historically has been a part of the Vancouver District. As the result of a reorganization of the Conference, we are now part of the Crest to Coast District. Our new District Superintendent is Kathleen Weber.

—Mike MacDonald

## So Long Pastor Wayne and Sylvia

Photos by Pam Tuttle



On June 10, Pastor Wayne gave his last sermon—perhaps. After services, we celebrated.

## ***The Remarkable Founder of the Girl Scouts: Juliette Gordon Low***

**by Stacy A. Cordery**

The Girl Scouts of America is the largest and most beloved organization for girls and women in the United States.

This exciting new biography of its founder, Juliette "Daisy" Gordon Low, published on the 100th anniversary of the Girl Scouts. Told is the story of the intrepid, charming, and idiosyncratic woman at its core.

Growing up in Savannah, Georgia, Daisy fell in love with the wealthy, dashing, artistocratic Willy Low. But, the marriage failed; her hearing impairment and Willy's infidelity, led to divorce. His premature death left her wealthy.

Dissatisfied by the emptiness of the aristocratic life, Daisy searched the world for a sense of purpose. This she found in Robert Baden-Powell's astoundingly popular Boy Scouts in England.

Daisy created Girl Guides in Britain, where she lived after marrying Willy Low. She imported the Girl Guides to Savannah in 1912. Changing the name to the Girl Scouts, she wanted to teach girls practical skills *and* have fun.

Her success surpassed Daisy's wildest expectations—and the nation's.

—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> 10:30 A <b>Worship</b> (Communion)	<b>2</b> 12 N AA	<b>3</b> 10 A - 2 P Senior Res Ctr	<b>4</b> 12 N AA 6:30 <b>Bible Study</b>	<b>5</b> 10 A - 2 P Senior Res Ctr	<b>6</b> 12 N AA	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> 10:30 A <b>Worship</b>	<b>9</b> 12 N AA	<b>10</b> 10 A - 2 P Senior Res Ctr	<b>11</b> 12 N AA 6:30 <b>Bible Study</b>	<b>12</b> 10 A - 2 P Senior Res Ctr	<b>13</b> 12 N AA	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> 10:30 A <b>Worship</b>	<b>16</b> 12 N AA	<b>17</b> 10 A - 2 P Senior Res Ctr	<b>18</b> 12 N AA 6:30 <b>Bible Study</b>	<b>19</b> 10 A - 2 P Senior Res Ctr	<b>20</b> 12 N AA	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 10:30 A <b>Worship</b>	<b>23</b> 12 N AA	<b>24</b> 10 A - 2 P Senior Res Ctr	<b>25</b> 12 N AA 6:30 <b>Bible Study</b>	<b>26</b> 10 A - 2 P Senior Res Ctr	<b>27</b> 12 N AA	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> 10:30 A <b>Worship</b>	<b>30</b> 12 N AA	<b>31</b> 10 A - 2 P Senior Res Ctr				