CHAPEL BY THE SEA OCTOBER NEWSLETTER 2020

Greetings from Chapel by the Sea, Pacific Beach/Moclips WA

Worship continues online via Zoom Sundays at 10:30 am (find link and call in information below)

October 4 - Matthew 21:33-46 World Communion Sunday

As you prepare your elements consider using bread from different parts of the world: shortbread, naan, pita, tortilla, etc. and wearing or sharing a textile from somewhere else in the world. If you are unable to join us use the Home Communion guide on the chapel's website. We will also receive the Peace and Global Witness Special Offering - "if we all do a little, it adds up to a lot" pcusa.org/peace-global



Here's a little background on World Communion Sunday from www.presbyterianmission.org

Originally called World Wide Communion Sunday it is a gift of the Presbyterian Church to the larger ecumenical church. The first celebration occurred at Shadyside Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh, PA in 1933 where Dr. Hugh Thompson Kerr served as pastor. Dr. Kerr's son, Donald Kerr, remembers, "The concept spread very slowly at the start. People did not give it a whole lot of thought. It was during the Second World War that the spirit caught hold because we were trying to hold the world together. World Wide Communion symbolized the

effort to hold things together, in a spiritual sense. It emphasized that we are one in the Spirit and the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

Celebration of World Wide Communion Sunday was adopted as a denominational practice in the Presbyterian Church (US) in 1936.

Churches in other denominations were invited to celebrate with us from the beginning, but it wasn't until 1940 when the Department of Evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches (a predecessor body of the National Council of Churches) promoted extending the celebration to a number of churches around the world that the practice became widespread. Today, World Communion Sunday is celebrated around the world, demonstrating that the church founded on Jesus Christ peacefully shares God-given goods in a world increasingly destabilized by globalization and global market economies based on greed.

October 11 - Matthew 22:1-14 October 16 - Matthew 22:15-22

October 25 - Matthew 22:34-36 Reformation Sunday - wear your tartans!

Vital Congregations Conversations continue after worship each Sunday at 11:30 am

During October we'll be writing new chapters of our story.

October 4 - *Telling our Story*... from its founding in 1960 to the present October 11 - *Our Story*... our church is marked in history as the church who...

October 16 - *Theological and Biblical Perspectives*... our core values October 25 - *A Closer Look*.. our ten year history

Session Highlights (from September 27 via Zoom)

- o Continue Zoom worship on Sundays at 10:30 am for now
- o Hunger Action Team continues with delivery of Covid Safety Kits/Masks

Next delivery for those in the North Beach is October 17

o Financial report shows shortfall for August but ahead overall

o Vital Congregations Initiative Planning
Online giving is an option by going to our website_
www.chapelbytheseawa.org and click the GIVING button
or mail donations to Chapel by the Sea, PO Box 194, Pacific Beach, WA
98571

Thank you for your generosity: preserve heritage. serve God. love at all times

Community Outreach

Hunger Action Team- Contact Cindy Stearns at the Chapel's FB/HAT page

Drivers needed to deliver masks

Spiritual guidance available by appointment: call the pastor at 360.276.8143

Benevolence Fund for those in emergency need.

Noonday Prayer in the Chapel (Thurs. Fri. Sat.) - Mask Required



The **Daily Prayer app** provides simple, yet rich devotional resources for morning, midday, evening, and close of day.

Each service includes psalms and readings from the confessions. Other elements include opening and closing words,

biblical canticles, a thanksgiving for light and a prayer of confession. An advanced features menu allows users to customize which elements appear.

The app is available for both iPhone and Android devices.

Here is our current prayer list:

Chapel by the Sea Prayer List October 2020

... pray without ceasing... 1 Thess. 5:17

Deliverance from this time of Covid-19,

for those infected, their families, those who care for them.

President Trump, First Lady and Family in quarantine.

Protect all our front line workers and

inspire those working on vaccines.

The Butler family: Lydia now on hospice & enjoying camping!

Ron, Kristella, Doug & Betty, Tara, Pam, Angelina,

John Franks, Joseph Millard & Family

- * Bobbi Ray diagnosed with MS
- * Kristy Preheim-continues cancer treatment
- * Lee Marriott healing from heart surgery
- * Adkins, Jim and Penny (Jim continues chemo)
- * Jeff, son-in-law of Phyllis Shaughnessy
- * Suzanne discerning future treatment options
- * Suzanne's grandson Seth (Marine)
- * Terry Broten (Marine) in Iraq
- * John Broten in his search for a trailer/place to live.
- * Sid Curtright awaiting test results
- * Keri Kruger recovering after seizure
- * Tegenfeldts transitioning to retired living, great grandson, Noah is having surgery this week.

Recovering from Surgery:

* Connie Jones, Diarmid Flatley, John Olson

Hagar's Church in the Washington Correctional Center for Women.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer for peace and displaced persons whether from war, violence

or natural disasters. We pray especially for black lives and an end to systemic racism. Amen.

In Christ's Ministry

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The Chapel is a member church of Presbyterian Church USA (PCUSA) and by definition we are connectional. Check online resources at <u>pcusa.org</u> and to view our <u>presbytery highlights</u> and Matthew 25 sermon from our Stated Clerk of the PCUSA go to <u>olypres.org</u>

For Local Updates in Grays Harbor County on COVID-19 the call center line: 360.964.1850

Website: healthygh.org/covid19