

CHAPEL BY THE SEA JULY 2022 NEWSLETTER

GREETINGS FROM CHAPEL BY THE SEA



Call to Prayer for 50 days **after** Pentecost (June 5 - July 17). We pray for ways the Spirit will lead us to **Re-form** and bear those fruits of the Spirit: *love, joy, peace, patience, kindness generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Gal.5:22* In this intentional time of prayer we can also revitalize our own prayer life as we pray for self and one another.

One new area of ministry discerned during this time of prayer is a **partnership with** Underground Ministries* (see below).

SUNDAYS IN JULY - Worship in person or via Zoom.
10:30 am (masks optional) Pastor Linda preaching

July 3 - Communion Sunday
For those who are homebound,
or staying away because of Covid,
if you would like the pastor or an elder
to bring Communion to you, let us know.
(Moclips, Pacific Beach, and Ocean Shores)

The Zoom link for Sunday worship live
Click on the link below at 10:30 am (PST)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87599200291?pwd=TzZoSFVGYWhLWnlkSDdJK2lKaF1Zz09>

Dial into Sunday Service

If you are aware of local church members or friends who do not have access to internet please inform them that they can **phone in** to join the Sunday service.

No visuals, but at least they can hear the service. Those interested should follow:

Step 1: At 10.25am call phone number +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

Step 2: You will be prompted to enter a meeting ID.

Type (using your Telephone keypad) **Meeting ID: 875 9920 0291**

Step 3: You will then be asked for a participant number - simply press the #.

Step 4: You will be welcomed into the Zoom room. We cannot see you but

AV/Zoom training volunteer team.

A group of volunteers met on Sunday June 26 to learn more about our sound system and live-streaming ministry



Over the next few Sundays,
Gabriel will train each volunteer one-on-one.



"The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few" Luke 10:2

Thankful for our volunteer workers in this new and important ministry that allows friends, family and members to join us remotely via Zoom

The June Session meeting was cancelled.

Next session meeting will be **July 24**

Bring your suggestions and/or concerns to us.

Ruling Elders: *Dianne Burton, Wally Burton, Bill Duncanson, Connie Jones, Lee Marriott Margaret Tegenfeldt. Moderator: Pastor Linda*

Ministers: All of YOU - You are the church!



Cupcakes for Pentecost by Ed & Margaret

Join us for lunch on the first Sunday of each month.

Let Elders Margaret or Wally know if you'd like to help.

Rising Living Costs: Help at Hand from Benevolence Fund

We are aware that with the cost of living and fuel costs rising that some in our community may be struggling financially.

If you, or someone you know, are in need of help,

please do get in touch with our benevolence team.

All conversations will be held in the strictest of confidence.

Call the chapel office 360.276.8143

SPIRITUAL FORMATION - *Unfolding Grace*

WEDNESDAYS from 4-5 pm *via Zoom*

Bible study continues in July.

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89945292297?
pwd=RmZqTzhqT3YwVUR4VFVCcUp6L1AvQT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89945292297?pwd=RmZqTzhqT3YwVUR4VFVCcUp6L1AvQT09)

*UNDERGROUND MINISTRIES - A small group from the chapel met with Alvin Shim to learn about letter writing with those in prison.

You can read about, *The Lost Art of Letter Writing*, the first of the One Parish One Prisoner program modules by clicking on the link below.

undergroundministries.org/chapel-by-the-sea

In the meantime Alvin's team will act as intermediary for us and keep track of the person in jail who wrote to us.

In our response she knows we are praying for her.

Once we learn the outcome of her court date we can begin the letter-writing. Our currently jailed person is very keen to have pen-pals.

In our conversation with Alvin from Underground Ministries we learned of their coffee company, Fidalgo, a second chance employer with its Underground coffee program in Burlington, WA. The chapel is now serving Fidalgo coffee during fellowship times and on Sundays.

Go to **Fidalgocoffee.com** to learn more,

Presbytery of Olympia news olympres.org

Hybrid Presbytery Meeting and Parish Party

On August 18 at 11 am the coastal churches (PCUSA) will meet at South Beach Presbyterian in Westport for a hybrid presbytery meeting and a parish BBQ. If you are interested in carpooling let Pastor Linda know.

PCUSA NEWS - pcusa.org

General Assembly meets June 18 to July 9

Community Outreach

July 2 - Pancake Breakfast at Fire Hall #8, PB
Garage Sale 10 am at the Museum, Moclips

AA - Mondays in the chapel hall

July 19 - Food bank - 3rd Tuesday
in the parking lot of Fire Dept. #8

Fresh Produce Boxes - most Fridays

Volunteers Lee and Kelly pick up
produce boxes in Hoquiam and deliver
them to the PB and Moclips post offices
for all to share. This outreach is funded by
the Mackenzie Scott Foundation (Bezos).

Online giving is available by going to our website

www.chapelbytheseawa.org

and click the GIVING button.

In Christ's ministry

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Chapel by the Sea prayer list is available in the chapel

Continue your prayers for peace, and gun safety laws.

Ruling Elder Margaret Tegenfeldt offered a Now Testament after the Uvalde shootings. With permission I share it with you.

Now Testament – June 5, 2022

I share this Now Testament because I am deeply troubled in my soul and I find it so hard to accept the reality of the ongoing murder of our children and teachers in their schools in this country. It is not only in schools, but also in grocery stores and hospitals and even churches. We have heard the news that 20 more mass shootings (which means 4 or more victims in each) have taken place just since the Uvalde massacre. The school shootings especially break my heart and also make me afraid – afraid for my daughter who is a teacher of 1st and 2nd graders. The Sandy Hook disaster 10 years ago was devastating to her and now the Uvalde disaster and all the others in between. She loves her students so much and would do anything she could to protect them. But she can't do it alone. She and all the teachers need our help and support. I'm also afraid for those children who survived in Uvalde and will never forget seeing their friends and teachers shot and killed. One of those children when she saw the pictures of those who had been killed asked her mother "What picture of me will you use when I get killed"?

This is not right! This carnage must end! I can't believe that this is what Christ wants for us, for our families and friends, and for our country. I know that some people love their guns, maybe some of you. That's not the problem. Most of us like our cars too. However, we know that cars can be dangerous so we agree that we have to learn how to drive and learn the rules of the road. We know we have to be tested to get a drivers license and that our cars need a license as well. We need to use our seat belts and our children need special protection in car seats or booster seats. Whoever is behind the wheel cannot have had too much alcohol. We need to obey speed limits and watch out for bikers and pedestrians. All of these laws are for our

safety, for the safety of others in the car, and safety for all who are sharing the roads and highways. Why can't we accept rules and laws for gun safety for all of us?

Some will tell me "don't bring politics into church". This issue has become political, but for me it is most of all a moral issue, an issue of life or death. Some claim they have freedom to have whatever guns they want. But where is the freedom for children to go to school without fearing that they will be killed? Common sense gun laws are not about taking away all guns. They are about safety and love that cares about the lives of all and not just our own.

For those who are willing to give up some or all of their guns there is a project called "Guns to Gardens". A cosponsor of this project is the Presbyterian Peace Fellowship. These guns will be turned into garden tools. There are also many organizations and politicians working for laws to bring about gun safety and will welcome our help.

I am not speaking these words on behalf of this church. I'm speaking to my church just expressing my own thoughts and feelings and will be happy to discuss any of this with any who want to.

I will close in prayer with the words of a song that has been going around in my mind and heart.

Lord listen to your children praying
Lord send your Spirit in this place
Lord listen to your children praying
Send us love, send us power, send us grace
Amen

Dear God,

We pray for a world free from the gun violence that takes, that destroys, that divides. We pray for real change, honest conversation, and true healing among your people. May we work together, with your guidance, to march down the path of peace.

Amen

