

CHAPEL BY THE SEA NEWSLETTER FOR THE NEW YEAR 2023

GREETINGS FROM CHAPEL BY THE SEA



During this season of Christmastide we bring in a new year! January 1, 2023 is Sunday. **NEW YEAR'S DAY COMMUNION SUNDAY 2023** and to ring in the new year we'll celebrate with a potluck lunch after worship. Bring a little something to share.

**Worship with us Sundays at 10:30 am
in person or via Zoom link live**

Click on the Zoom link below at 10:30 am (PST)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87599200291?pwd=TzZoSFVGYWhLWnlkSDdJK2IKaIF1Zz09>

Epiphany is Friday, January 6, 2023. After Friday noontime prayer we'll pack up the decorations and store them away for another year. If you are available to help anytime on Friday, January 6 let me know.

Sunday January 8 - Baptism of the Lord

Discovery Class after worship at 11:45 am

Designed for new members and those would like to know more about PCUSA

Sunday January 15 - Second Sunday after Epiphany

Session meets after worship in person in the chapel hall

Sunday January 22 - Third Sunday after Epiphany

Annual Congregational Meeting immediately following worship

All chapel members are invited to attend and vote:

Elect three elders

Approve pastor's terms of call

Receive the 2023 budget

Reports from ruling elders

Sunday January 29 - Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

CHRISTMAS "HIGHLIGHTS"

Session voted to install a big screen and change out the chancel lights. Gabriel Taylor and crew rented a scissor lift to replace lights in the chapel ceiling install new lights under the cross, and install a 75" TV screen on the wall behind the praise band. This was made possible by Gabriel's labor of love and generous donations from Kathy and Stephen Northcutt. Thank you all for your help in this transformation of the chancel area to bring AV, screen and light to the chapel.



**All this was under construction the week before Christmas!
It's a Christmas miracle!**



The fruits of our labors were rewarded when we welcomed over 60 people to Christmas Eve Candlelight worship. Thank you to Joseph (Tom Ferguson) and Marilyn Ferguson for the retelling of Christmas story, additional praise vocals by Andy Collins and the blessing of guest musicians: Mark Moulton, Jetta Smith and her daughter Jessica.

**CHAPEL BY THE SEA CONTINUES TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY
We are a Matthew 25 church - feeding the hungry...**

Ocean Shores Lions Club and Vietnam Veterans of America. provided 50 dinners and delivered them to the chapel on Dec. 24. Chapel volunteers went to work delivering the meals and getting the word out on social media.

Ocean Shores Senior Center provided frozen food and 6 boxes of brand new children's books. Chapel members Bill and Mary of Ocean Shores who also volunteer at the OS food bank coordinated and delivered to the chapel. If you know an elementary-age child who would benefit from these books, we still have

many books to gladly give away.

Pacific Beach Food Bank, Dec. 20 - Fire Dept. 8 parking lot, PB was well served as folks drove through to stock up with foods from Coastal Harvest, James Pressinger's Wacky Warehouse food bank and donations from Chapel by the Sea. Pastor Linda handed out hygiene kits assembled at the chapel. From the chapel's Hunger Action Funds 30 food vouchers were given out for one sandwich meal at the Clipper Galley Food Bus (SR 109 & Ocean Beach Rd.)

Fresh Produce Boxes on Fridays

Volunteers Lee and Kelly pick up the 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, Coastal Harvest, and also sponsored in part by Chapel by the Sea.

AA - Mondays 7 pm in the chapel hall

(Nita is back after her cancer treatments.

We continue prayers for her recovery)

FRIDAY NOON IS PRAYER TIME AT THE CHAPEL - *"pray without ceasing... in everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. Quench not the Spirit."* (1 Thes. 5:17-19.)

THE JOY OF GIVING - Time, Talent, Treasure, Testimony

Last month a letter of joy and testimony from our elders was mailed to our members along with a pledge form.

We have heard from many of you, members and friends alike, and some new to us, just out of the blue! THANK YOU.

The Christmas miracles keep coming...

Thank you for your faithful response and generosity for the sake of those in need, for the care of the church in proclaiming Christ's birth, and for all that God calls us to...

2022 giving statements will be mailed out in January.

2023 pledge form is attached to help us budget for the year.
Giving is a spiritual discipline that we grow into. It is a year-round spiritual practice expressing what matters to you.

For your convenience online giving is available by going to our website www.chapelbytheseawa.org and click the **GIVING** button

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God bless to us this Christmastide.
Wishing you and yours a happy and healthy new year.

In Christ's ministry,
Pastor Linda