

Salish Sea Fellowship Community Update



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>>> ABOUT US

The Salish Sea Fellowship is a center for liberal religion, providing an independent, educational, spiritual and liberal religious community of mutual support that embraces the traditional *seven principles* of Unitarian Universalism. This is our Community Update for our friends and members. If you have anything you would like to tell the community, please let us know at salishseafellowship@gmail.com.

HOW TO FIND US <<<

We meet in-person at the Community United Methodist Church (CUMC) in Port Hadlock, 130 Church Lane. Click [HERE](#) for our Zoom link for viewing our services, or go to Zoom and enter Meeting ID: 909 702 5487, Passcode: 338490.



SUNDAY SERVICE



Salish Sea Fellowship



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SPEAKER: LIZ BARNES

TOPIC: EXPLORING
CONSCIOUSNESS & PSYCHEDELICS

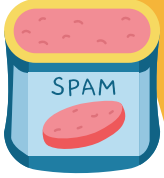
In response to a public call to action from Rick Doblin, Founder of the Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies, Liz Barnes is speaking openly about her own spiritual journey beyond the decades of medication for depression and anxiety, to expanded consciousness and wellness.



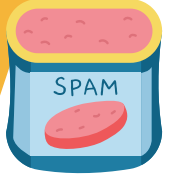
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@ COMMUNITY UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH
PORT HADLOCK

An Independent Community
of Universalists & Unitarians





SPAMFEST 2026



Community United Methodist Church Presents 3rd Annual



**Spam FEST
2026**

Music Jam



Come join us **Saturday Aug. 22nd From 2:00 to 4:00 PM** for an afternoon of old time, folk, bluegrass and roots music in the beautiful fir tree **Shady Grove** at **Port Hadlock United Methodist Church**. It's a beautiful setting to enjoy playing, singing listening and sharing your favorite tunes and songs while the sun streams through the fir tree canopies. Some wood benches provided but folding chairs & cushions are a good idea. Inside church if raining.

Admission: Canned food & supplies for our food pantry or cash donation. Types of things needed for our pantry:

Canned: Meat (Spam, chicken, roast beef, ham but no tuna)

Stew, veggies, fruit (no sugar added) , Small Jars of Peanut butter and Jelly. Top Ramen (in flat square packets), **Supplies:** Toilet Paper, paper towels, toothpaste. Please make sure food does not have and expired "use by" date and is in original packaging. Thank you!!

Address : **130 Church Lane Port Hadlock-Irondale Washington 98339**
free parking. www.hadlockchurch.com or cumc@olympus.net

Please call Pastor Scott Rosekrans 360-385-1579 if you have questions.

See you there!!

HOME MUSIC FELLOWSHIP

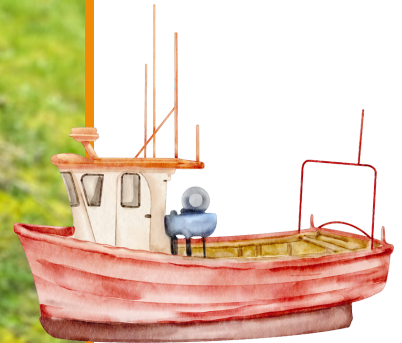
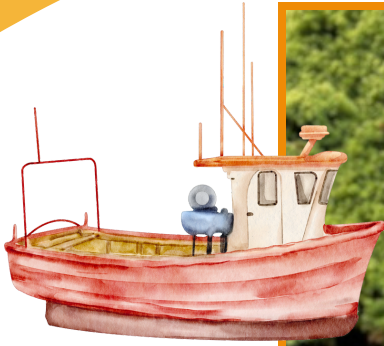


Sunday, August 30, 4-6 PM
Home of Joyce Francis
5701 Sheridan Street, PT



You are cordially invited to gather for beverages & light hors d'oeuvres to watch a concert by **Cantus**, an a cappella men's choir from Minneapolis. Learn more by visiting their website **[HERE](#)**. In commemoration of the United States' 250th anniversary, Cantus offers **"Land That I Love" – a concert program honoring our diverse American heritage with captivating music by composers carrying their own migration stories**. From Saunder Choi to Gloria Estefan, these artists are as wide-ranging and multi-faceted as the music they create. "A nation's culture resides within the hearts and in the soul of its people" (Mahatma Gandhi), and there can be no clearer means to express that collective heart and soul than through music. You may watch a video of one of the songs from this concert **[HERE](#)**. **Please sign up to join us for this music fellowship.** Sign up at **<https://tinyurl.com/SSFHomeFellowship>**. For more information, contact Joyce at **joyce.francis.pt@gmail.com**.

UPCOMING SUNDAY SERVICE



September 6, 4 pm
CUMC, 130 Church Lane, Port Hadlock
Joseph Bednarik: Make a Good Living

On this Labor Day Sunday, let's consider some of the most powerful forces in our lives: work, labor, and the creative drive to "make a good living."

COMMUNITY POTLUCK

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September 13 at 5:00 pm
CUMC, 130 Church Lane, Port Hadlock

*Our last Community Potluck was a smashing success
with 40 attendees! Join us!*

Doors open at 4:30 to allow for more socializing.
As always, bring your own beverages & table settings,
as well as a dish to share.

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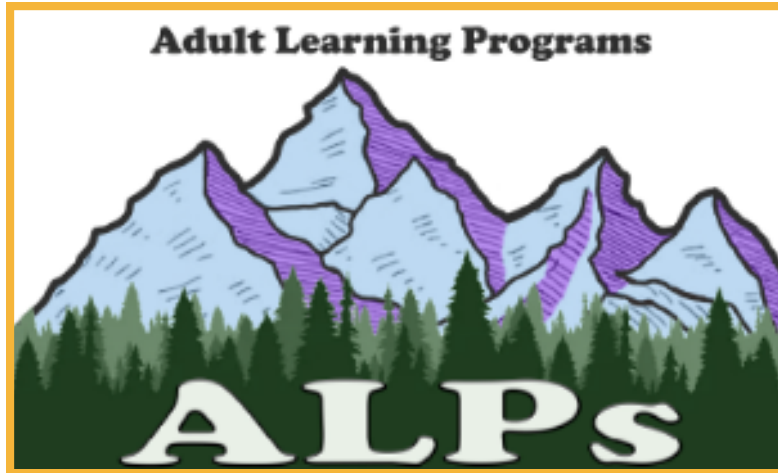
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Scott Rosecrans
Pastor at the CUMC
September 20, 4 pm
CUMC, 130 Church Lane, Port Hadlock

Mark your calendars as we welcome our host, Pastor Scott, back to the Salish Sea Fellowship! Together we are stronger and may better support our community.

ALPS NEWS!



The Spring ALPs term has ended, and we wish to thank each of you for making it a success.

- In our 21 offerings this term, we had 209 enrollments, a growth of 44% over Fall 2025!
- We were back to programming in the JC Library after needing to cancel in the fall due to staff shortages.
- We added a new programming venue, Quimper Village, while continuing a program at the Quaker Meeting House.
- We will be back in the PT Library this fall, as they were able to stabilize the foundation, at least for now.
- Thanks to Gary Nelson & Doug Pulling, the Auracast hearing support is now also available through the TV/Monitor in the Library.



**BROCHURES FOR THE FALL ALPS TERM
WILL BE AVAILABLE EARLY SEPTEMBER!
CHECK BACK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION!**

NOTE OF COMMUNITY THANKS



From Bayside Housing and Services:

On behalf of Bayside Housing & Services and the clients we serve, we extend our warmest thanks for your \$472.00 donation in support of **JC Mash Clinic** operations. It will help sustain vital housing, nutrition, and case management services, offering people in our community the opportunity to thrive.

With Lasting Gratitude,

Karen Clemens

Director of Development

SPOKANE WILDFIRE DONATION



The UU Church of Spokane (Rev. Dr. Todd Eklof's church) escaped the devastating fires by a few blocks, but several of their members and friends lost homes. **We took up a special cash collection at the Aug. 9 potluck to help, and with the addition of a couple of additional generous checks, we were able to send them \$1,559.00!** If others want to help, send checks to UU Church of Spokane, 4340 W. Whistalks Way, Spokane, WA 99224, with WILDFIRE RELIEF in the memo/comment line or donate online at <https://uuspokane.org/donate/>. **Thanks to all generous contributors.**

COMMUNITY OFFERING

Learn more about
Chetzemoka Trail
HERE!

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Our Sunday Service offering is now taken in support of organizations doing important work in our community. If you know of deserving groups doing good work in our community, please send us your suggestions for such organizations by email to salishseafellowship@gmail.com. Please make sure that these groups are local non-profit organizations with 501(c)(3) status.

Community Offering for July/August: **Chetzemoka Interpretative Sign Trail**



The intent of the čičmāhān Trail is to educate the public on the relationship between the S'Klallam people who had lived for hundreds of years at this place, that they called "qatáy" and the European settlers who arrived in Port Townsend in the mid-19th century, intent on making it a key port of trade in the Northwest. Each sign on the trail tells a small part of the story of historic and modern-day S'Klallam people. In many ways, what we know about čičmāhān's life represents the difficulties encountered across this country in the struggle for peaceful coexistence between American Indians and non-Native peoples who found themselves living in the same geographical area with very different cultural values. In the 21st century, the S'Klallam people and residents of Port Townsend and Jefferson County celebrate our differences and build on our ongoing community partnerships and respectful relationships to successfully move forward for the benefit of our future generations. (*From the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe's website [HERE.](#)*)

Thank you, Members & Friends! Through your generosity, Salish Sea Fellowship has donated nearly \$10,000 to local nonprofits. Check out the front page of our website for the entire list of incredible nonprofits that helps sustain our community.

**Please send any ideas for future community offering recipients to:
Barbara McCaughin at barbaraj6834@gmail.com**

CUMC GENERAL STORE

thank you



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The Methodist's General Store is once again accepting donations - on a limited basis. **(Note: They always need more men's clothing than women's, and never need office wear or really dressy clothing.)**

Here are the particulars:

Men: jeans, hooded sweatshirts, sweatpants, gently used and clean socks, shoes and boots, both long- and short sleeved t-shirts, lightweight jackets.

Women: shoes and boots, handbags, gently used and clean socks.

All donations need to be clean, in good repair (no rips, tears, or stains), and have plenty of life left in them. Also, donations must be unscented. For shoes, please make sure they are in good repair and have plenty of wear left in them. If you would go into a resale or second hand shop and buy the items you are donating and use them as is, the store will be most happy to take them. The store is open Saturdays from 10 to about 1, or you may give your items to Kate Madson and she will pass them along.

FALL ACTIVITY DATES

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Mark your calendars!

**We will return to our
regularly scheduled
1st and 3rd Sunday Services
in September!**

BENEVOLENCE FUND

Our Fellowship has a 'Benevolence Fund' for the benefit of individuals and families that find themselves in financial difficulties. Its purpose is to meet basic, temporary needs such as food, shelter, clothing, utilities, medical care, etc. This fund is for anyone in need, whether SSF members, friends or the general public of East Jefferson County.

If you or someone you know is in such need, please contact Karen Wamstad, our Caring and Concerns Coordinator, at kjmwamstad@gmail.com. *We belong to each other!*

SUNDAY SERVICES ON ZOOM

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Zoom Conversation Time

After each service, we invite you to stay connected through our post-service conversations, where you can share about your week, reflect on the service, and meet fellow participants who are also joining online. These warm, informal gatherings are led by a zoom host and are meant to create meaningful space beyond the service hours, ensuring that even those participating from home feel truly welcomed and included, regardless of where you might be located. Our Zoom conversation time is designed to offer a friendly pause, cultivating connections where community moves beyond spatial boundaries.

Our zoom host is Gail Sandlin, who has been a member of the Salish Sea Fellowship since its conception. Our zoom link is available **HERE**. After the service ends, stay online if you have time, to either just listen or join in the conversation. The Order of Service is posted by Lily Gold in the Zoom chat just prior to the start of service, so check that out if you would like to follow along with the readings and songs.

We hope to see you at the next service, either at CUMC or online!



Just as a reminder, here is our commitment to one another when we join:

**We have each separately chosen to be part of an independent community of free faith.
We have organized not only as a religious and charitable institution, but one offering
spiritual, growth oriented and community-building education.**

**We hope to be a center for liberal religion, growing out of unitarian and universalist
traditions while embracing the seven principles of unitarian universalism adopted in
1985.**

**As such, our objectives include the promotion of freedom of faith and the creation of a
forum in which reason will guide religious thought and expression.**

**In the pursuit of this, we will strive for an atmosphere of fellowship and a community of
mutual support.**

**We believe that if we hold each other in community and without judgement - with care,
respect and kindness - there should be no issue of our time that we can not take on.**

You may become a member of the Salish Sea Fellowship by simply filling out the application
form [HERE](#), and being approved by the Board. All membership applications have been
approved. **All are welcome!**



ASSISTIVE LISTENING AVAILABLE



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We are happy to announce that we have installed an Auracast™ transmitter at the CUMC to support our friends and members with hearing challenges. Those with the latest hearing aids can now receive clear sound broadcasts. We've also procured miniature receivers and neck loops so that those wearing T-coil equipped hearing aids can enjoy Auracast™ broadcasts, as well. Finally, we've purchased headphones equipped with an Auracast™ receiver so those without hearing aids can also enhance their hearing and understanding. Learn more about how Auracast™ may enhance your listening experience at the Salish Sea Fellowship [HERE](#).

Hearing Assistance

We now have Auracast hearing assistance operational in the Sanctuary and on the roll-around HDTV.

If you have Auracast compatible hearing aids, then use your smartphone app to select Auracast Broadcast and then choose:

Auracast - Sanctuary

Or

Auracast - HDTV.

We also have six Auracast receivers that can presently be used in the Sanctuary for those with hearing aids that can receive Telecoil audio. First, choose one of the neckloops in the left drawer next to the AV screen. Then, plug it into a receiver and set your hearing aids to "Telecoil".

If you could benefit from hearing assurance but don't have compatible hearing aids, we also have individual earbuds that also plug into a receiver. The earbuds are free for you to use. After use, take them home and use them again for as many times as they survive. Then just take a new set.

Auracast Compatible Hearing Aids:

(All require a smartphone app)

Belton: [Commence](#), [Envision](#), [Serene](#)

Bernafon: [Encanta](#) (APP version $\geq$ 1.6.1).

Cochlear: [Baha 7 Sound Processor](#)

GN: Danalogic Extend

Jabra: Enhance Pro 20, Enhance Pro 30, Enhance Select 500, Enhance Select 700

Nuear: Noble AI 24

Oticon: Intent (firmware $\geq$ 1.3.0 & with latest Companion app) , Zeal

Philips: Hearlink 9050 (firmware $\geq$ 1.3.0)

Resound: Enzo IA, [Nexia](#), [Savi](#), [Vivia](#)

Starkey: Edge AI, Omega AI

Widex: Allure (firmware $\geq$ 5.1.20)



RECYCLING AT CUMC



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Since the county no longer provides free recycling bins, we ask fellowship members with curbside recycling to take the church's recyclables home for disposal. Kindly inspect the storeroom adjacent to the kitchen, as well as the clearly marked recycling bins located in both the sanctuary and office. This will help us avoid the cost of our own curbside service.

CARING AND CONCERNS TEAM



Breakfast Club: Breakfast Club continues into the summer months!

Get together for good friends and lively conversation. Sarah, Karen, and others hang out on Wednesdays at 9:30 at the Bayview. **Join us, friends!**

ARCHIVE OF SUNDAY SERVICES

If you miss a Sunday Service, don't forget that we have a **Salish Sea Fellowship YouTube Channel** with a full archive of all of our Sunday Services! Access our YouTube Channel [HERE](#), or go through our webpage [HERE](#).

Attention, Home Chefs!

CUMC also runs a weekly soup kitchen, and Salish Sea provides the soup (a gallon of veggie and a gallon with meat) on the third Saturday of the month. If you would like to join the list of folks who provide soup and/or assist with set-up and clean-up in the future, **please contact Kate Madson at kmadson3of9@gmail.com or Kendra Golden at kendrajgolden@gmail.com**. Thank you so much to Kate and Kendra for their dedication to feeding our neighbors.

