

Salish Sea Fellowship Community Update



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**ALL ARE
WELCOME**



>>> 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.



**JOIN US IN
COMMUNITY**

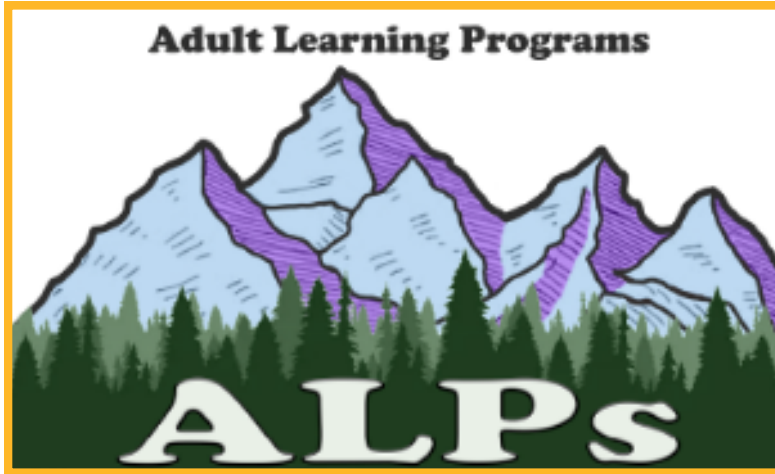
SUNDAY SERVICE



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." Join us as we welcome back Joseph to the pulpit!

ALPS NEWS!



The Fall ALPs season is right around the bend!
Check out the wide variety of offerings in the
2026 ALPs Fall Brochure [HERE](#).

Sign ups this Sunday on the Salish Sea Fellowship website page
[HERE](#) or keep your eyes posted for our next Community Update.

Please contact Joyce Francis at joyce.francis.pt@gmail.com
with any questions.

Expand your mind and create new connections this fall!



**FALL ALPS PROGRAMMING LAUNCHES THIS
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6!
SIGN UP ASAP AS SPACES FILL UP QUICKLY!**

COMMUNITY POTLUCK



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.

UPCOMING SUNDAY SERVICE

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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.

DONATE TO THE SSF!



Thank you to member, Paul Hinton, for setting us up so we may now safely and easily donate electronically! You may donate to our General Fund or our Community Outreach Fund on our SSF website **HERE!** Thanks again, Paul!

COMMUNITY OFFERING

Learn more about the
**Port Townsend Psychedelic
Society**
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 September: **Port Townsend Psychedelic Society**



Port Townsend Psychedelic Society aims to cultivate appreciation and respect for entheogens and their healing potentials within our community. We support decriminalization, a grow-gift-gather approach, and are committed to ensuring these medicines are equitably accessible. We seek to educate and empower our community members to engage with psychedelics in safe, respectful, and effective ways. We believe entheogens can help us cultivate a healthier community of individuals connected with themselves, one another, the more than human world, and spiritual well-being.

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

NAUA SUMMIT

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NAUA 2026 Summit,
Reimagining Liberal Education,
is Oct 2-4 via Zoom
Info & registration are available **HERE!**

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 this Fall

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Oct 4: Rev. Peter Morales, Former Pres. of the Unitarian Universalist Association

Oct 18: Dr. David Cycleback, Director, Center for Artifact Studies, and author of university textbooks in cognitive science and philosophy

Nov 1: Rev. Dr. Todd Eklof, Minister, Unitarian Universalist Church of Spokane

Nov 15: Rev. Dr. Barry Andrews, Minister Emeritus of the UU Congregation at Shelter Rock, Long Island and author of books on Emerson, Thoreau, and the Transcendentalists

Dec 6: Joseph Bednarik, speaker, author, and former co-publisher of the Copper Canyon Press

Dec 20: Red Pine (Bill Porter), writer and translator of Taoist and Buddhist Texts

Jan 3: Joseph Bednarik, speaker, author, and former co-publisher of the Copper Canyon Press

Jan 17: Holly Hughes, poet, essayist, editor and teacher, and co-publisher of the Empty Bowl Press

CUMC GENERAL STORE



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.

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



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.

