

SEPTEMBER 2019

FOOD BANK OPEN THURSDAYS 11-1PM

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Labor Day!	3 1030a Chuckwagon 4p HGC Trustees	4 9a TOPS 9:30a Prayer 10a Art Class 12p Loaves/Fishes Central Baptist	5 1030a Chuckwagon	6 1030a Chuckwagon	7 WOSM Lumpia Fundraiser Dinner! 4pm, SUMC Gym
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THE HEART BEAT

SERVING PEOPLE FROM THE HEART OF SILVERDALE

Serving Jesus, Loving people, Living His Word

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upcoming EVENTS

September

- Sept 3—Trustees
- Sept 7 — WOSM Lumpia Fundraiser!
- Sept 8 — Sunday School Begins
- Sept 11—Finance
- Sept 13 — Senior Saints
- Sept 18—SPR
- Sept 25—Church Council




It is with great sadness and much excitement that I come to you today. After 8 awesome years of working with and loving SUMC it is time for Alan and me to leave Washington. When I first moved here from Ohio, I was lost. I knew no one, and had a very new marriage in a new place, and didn't have my security blanket of my family around. The military lifestyle should have given me built in friendships, but I had been warned that it may not be the

best start.

To my surprise Alan drug me out of bed and took me to a worship service at SUMC. Unbeknownst to me, I would start friendships with so many of you. I started going to a bible study at Carol Frost's home, where I had a bunch of mothers to help with my transition to living out here so far away from my own mom. Through this church I met many other friends, and God led me to the position of church office manager!

In so many ways this position has led me closer to Jesus, to have a deeper relationship with my savior and taught me to love people better. It has also given me a stronger backbone and I have gained more experience in ways I could never have imagined. I have been loved so faithfully and cared for so well while Alan has been home and deployed. I don't know what I am going to do without my support system. (What is Kinley going to do without all her grandparents?!) I have poured my heart and soul into working here and loving the people that come in those double red office doors. I have joyfully served and intentionally prayed for the people of this congregation.



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This is a new season of life for Alan and me, we have a beautiful baby girl that I want to give all of my attention. Because of this huge blessing, I will be taking a small step back and will be working very part time for now, so I can focus on raising little miss Kinley. As it stands we will be leaving in January 2020.

Official date to come soon, but if you are in need of a dose of vitamin D plan to come take a cruise out of Cape Canaveral and visit us! We would also really appreciate your prayers as we prepare for this big move.



I leave you with my favorite scripture. “

That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.”

2 Corinthians 12:10

With love, hugs and gratefulness,

Kerri Topp



In August we served over 453 meals!



We are in need of Cans of Peas and Oatmeal packets In August (Thursdays) our Food bank served 34 people!

A lot of the breads and pastries are given out Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday!



August: OVER 100 people served!

We are in need of men's clothing.

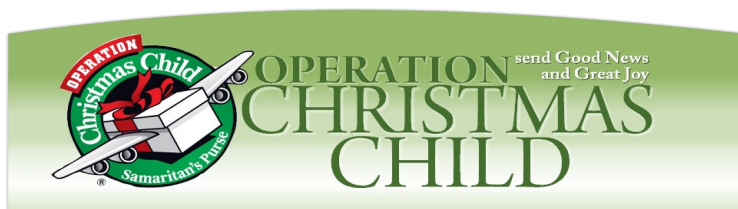


It is September and time to start back to Sunday School!

Parents can register students either by completing a registration form when they bring students to class on September 8th. Classes will be from 9:00 - 10:15 Sunday mornings in room 105 (preschool through kindergarten) or up in room 201 (1st grade through 5th grade). Youth group is grades 6 and up and has a different program meeting in room 205 upstairs. Be sure to turn in the Sunday School registration forms to either the classroom teachers or to Marion Mosher, Linda Macareag, or Gail Smith. They can also be turned in to the church office if that's more convenient.

We will start out this year learning about how much we must rely on God the Holy Spirit to produce the "fruit of the Spirit" (see Galatians 5:22-23: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control) in our lives. Zechariah 4:6 reminds us, "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit says the LORD." We need to be filled with God the Holy Spirit! Later this fall we'll spend some time learning "The Lord's Prayer".

Our children are becoming disciples of Christ, and it is our duty and privilege as parents and teachers to teach them, show them good examples, and pray for them. Please pray for all our Sunday School teachers, helpers, leaders, and students so that the Word of God, the Bible, is taught and learned faithfully and well and so that we will all be filled with the Spirit.



Thank you so much for your generosity of the school supplies donations. What we are REALLY short of is erasers, pencils, pencil sharpeners, and scissors.

Please bring in your sewn pencil bags, as the Youth & Sunday School Kids will begin packing them during the church Service for the next 3-4 Sundays in Room 204.

The Community Packing Party is being held in our gym on Sunday, October 27th from 12-3pm. We get to host this ever year, so please tell your friends and invite them to come! If they have supplies they would like to donate, they can drop them off in the church office, preferably by mid October.

Thank you!! Gloria Lee 360-509-9105



It's time to begin our Griefshare support group meetings!

We're sure that everyone has had a great summer and ready to get back to our special time with one another. This month, September, we will have a change of meeting dates because of Labor Day weekend falling on the 1st Sunday in September. We will meet for our Social time at Donna's home on Sunday, September 8th, after our worship service. Again, please bring some finger food to share. Our 2nd meeting in September will be on Sunday, September 22nd, after worship service in Room 104. Please stop in Social Hall to get some refreshments and bring them with you to the meeting. We will have a GriefShare video to share.

In October we will resume our normal meeting dates on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month.

We are looking forward to seeing you at the Social at Donna's home.



Thanks to everyone who donated school supplies for the backpacks!

We were able to fill and distribute 42 backpacks to children ages kindergarten through grade 8.



September 4 — Grant & Sally Bosshardt, 37 years!

September 30 — John & Jennifer Weston, 29 years!

Filipino Fundraising Dinner & Silent Auction
~ Saturday, Sept. 7 @ 4pm ~
Silverdale United Methodist Church Gym



Hosted by Wind of the Spirit Ministries
Featuring UNITED IN PRAISE

Purpose: Support the Medical Mission Team and Youth Ministry serving areas in Davao, Quezon City and Cavite, Philippines

Tracy Martello: 360-328-3234; Nenita Arcega 271-3595; Beatriz Chen 990-9429; Christina Hipolito 710-5267 or Amivic Clark 265-6802

we are worshipping Almighty God in accordance with His Word. Note well, Paul is speaking here of a "collection for the saints" - this is giving by the Church to the Church for the Church. Did you realize that giving is a part of worship? Is your worship in this area abundant or inhibited? Is giving to the Church a priority with you? **6. The Bible teaches that Christian giving should be done in light of the incarnation.** Many Christians argue about whether the tithe (10% of our income) is still the standard for our giving to the Church (disputants usually want to show that less than 10% is fine). Paul scuttles the whole debate in one verse. He says: "For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich" ([2 Corinthians 8:9](#)). Christ's self-giving is now the standard for our giving! We begin from the base of the tithe and aim for emulation of His self-sacrifice. Our giving is to be inspired and instructed by Christ's inexpressible gift. In light of such a challenge, who could possibly satisfy himself with asking "how little a percentage is acceptable for me to give?" **Do you try to get by with giving as little as possible to the Lord, or do you give in view of the Lord's costly sacrifice?**

7. The Bible teaches that Christian giving should be done in accordance with our means. Paul is quite clear on this: "For if the readiness is present, it is acceptable according to what a person has, not according to what he does not have" ([2 Corinthians 8:12](#)). Put another way Paul is saying that you should give in proportion to what God has given you. He said it this way in [1 Corinthians 16:2](#), "each one of you is to put aside and save, as he may prosper." This means at least two things: (1) since we are all supposed to give proportionately, those who have more money are expected to give more [we who are particularly blessed materially must remember this], and (2) the Lord never asks us to give what we do not have, or contribute beyond our means. **Are you really giving in proportion to the material blessings that the Lord has given you?**

8. The Bible teaches that the liberality of God's blessings to us is connected to the liberality of our Christian giving. Though it may seem strange, both Jesus and Paul emphasize that there is a relation between our giving to the Lord and the Lord's giving to us. As Paul says in [2 Corinthians 9:6](#) "Now this I say, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully." About this matter J.A. Beet once said: "They who in giving think, not how little they can give, as they would if self-enrichment were the aim, but of benefits to be conferred, will receive back on the same principle. As they do to others, so God will act to them." Jesus reminds us of this in [Matthew 6:4](#), where He teaches that our reward in giving comes from our heavenly Father. As someone once said: "The desire to be generous and the means to be generous both come from God." **Do you realize that the Lord has given you much, so that you can give much?**

9. The Bible teaches that Christian giving must be willing giving, free giving. We learn this in [2 Corinthians 9:7](#) "Each one must do just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion." But doesn't this contradict what we learned under the first principle, that Christian giving is not optional? The answer is, of course, no. True Christian giving is both mandatory and voluntary. It is required by God, but always willingly given by the believer. **Is your giving to the Church something you do wholeheartedly, or indifferently, or grudgingly?**

10. The Bible teaches that Christian giving ought to be cheerful giving. As Paul says "God loves a cheerful giver." This is a truly amazing assertion. Paul assures us here that the Lord takes a special delight in

those who are joyful, energetic, merry givers. **Is there joy in your heart as you give? Can you truly be characterized as a "cheerful giver"?**

We have not come close to reaching our potential for giving. Won't you pray that we will give as we ought? That we will give for the right motives? That we will give joyously? And that we will give extravagantly.

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OUR UNSUNG HEROES

As you prepare for church each Sunday, take time to give thanks for our van drivers who wake up early each week to begin their route to pick up our people who need a ride. In order to cover their route they need to make two separate trips. At the end of church they repeat it all again. By the time they arrive at home, they have spent about 7 hours—for others. Take time to thank them for their service—all done cheerfully. Our drivers Al White, Scott Miller & Ernie Shriner.



Meditation from Tonia J Johnson on Leviticus 17:11

For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it for you on the altar to make atonement for your souls, for it is the blood that makes atonement by the life.

A round patch of burned carpet showed what happened: children have been playing with matches and burned the carpet in their playroom. They cannot cover up what had happened. They cannot pour anything on, scrub, brush, or vacuum that spot to restore the melted fibers to their original condition. The Israelites were in a similar situation. There was nothing that they could do, say, or make that would bring atonement God. They were dead in their sins and without help. We are dead in our sins and without help.

Blood was the answer for the Israelites. Blood had a divine purpose and use. It was life-giving and this could be used in atonement. The blood of animals and birds could be used to bring atonement for the Israelites. The Israelites acted out an event yet to come: the death Of Jesus and the shedding of his innocent blood for the sins of the world. Blood is the answer for us: atonement through Holy Baptism and Holy Communion. Jesus Christ intervenes and restores us to the Father. His blood is our Mediation.

Prayer: *We praise you, Lord Jesus, for shutting your blood for us. Help us to share this life-giving news with others. Amen.*



Senior Saints

Friday, September 13th

9:00am * \$7

SUMC VISION STATEMENT

We are a body of believers who, through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit are devoted to...

- **SCRIPTURAL TEACHING**
- **FELLOWSHIP & THE BREAKING OF BREAD**

(2 Timothy 3:16, Psalm 1)

(Matthew 18:20, Hebrews 10:24-25, Proverbs 27:17)

- **PRAYER**
- **ONE ANOTHER**

(Philippians 4:6-7, Colossians 4:2)

- **PRAISE AND WORSHIP OF GOD**

(Psalm 146: 1-2, Hebrews 13:15)

...so that as we reach the lost both locally & internationally the Lord will add to His church those who are being saved.

Save
The
Date

October 25 & 26—WOSM Motivational Gifts Seminar
November 22—Annual Charge Conference meeting—
more information to come soon. Get started on your reports now!



ADULT DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES*

These are the classes & Bible studies being offered this fall

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN!

SUNDAY

DISCIPLESHIP-WALKING OUT OUR FAITH: Walking the Talk

(All are Welcome)

Facilitator: Pastor Larry Eddings
Contact Number: 360-550-2422
Time: 9:00am-10:00am
Location: SUMC Room 104
Begins: September 8

THE POWER OF PRAYING FOR YOUR ADULT CHILDREN

by Stormie Omartian (All are Welcome)

Facilitator: Laura Gilger
Contact Number: 360-620-8791
Time: 9:00am-10:00am
Location: SUMC Emma Linn Room
Begins: October 13

WIDOWS & WIDOWERS Grief Share (1st & 3rd Sundays)

Contact: Shirley Thiel
Contact Number: 360-698-0567
Time: Following Worship
Location: SUMC Room 104
Begins: September 8th @ Donna Kirkpatrick's home. (please bring a finger food to share).
The second September meeting will be the 22nd in room 104.
October will resume normal meeting dates on 1st & 3rd Sun days.

MONDAY

COLOSSIANS & THESSALONIANS (Women's Group)

Facilitator: Judy Glenn
Host: Ruth Browne
Contact Number: 360-692-1536 (Ruth)
Time: 10:00am-12noon
Location: Ruth Browne's Home
Begins: Ongoing

TBA (Men's Group)

(The topic for study and discussion will be decided at the first meeting.)
Facilitators: Don Cosner & Larry Eyer
Contact Numbers: 360-792-2603(D), 360-377-3610 (L)
Time: 6:30pm
Location: SUMC Library (room 102)
Begins: September 9

MONDAY

SURVEY OF THE NEW TESTAMENT (All are Welcome)

by Dr. David Platt
Facilitator: Jan Rosas
Contact Number: 360-698-4678
Time: 6:30pm-8:30pm
Location: SUMC Emma Linn Room
Begins: September 9@5:30pm Potluck in the Social Hall.
The following Monday (SEPT 16) we will meet at 6:30pm in the Emma Linn Room.
Description: The study will be Survey of the New Testament by Dr. David Platt. He will explain the literary, historical and theological dimension of the New Testament and show how it fulfills what was anticipated in the Old Testament, shining a light on Jesus and the gospel of His kingdom. Study guides will be provided at no cost.

TUESDAY

SURVEY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT (Women's Group)

by Dr. David Platt
Facilitator: Jan Rosas
Contact Number: 360-698-4678
Time: 10:00am-12noon
Location: SUMC Room 104
Begins: September 10
Description: We will study Survey of the Old Testament By Dr. David Platt. Study guides will be provided at no cost. Survey of the New Testament will follow.

WEDNESDAY

R.C. SPROUL MATERIALS (Men's Group)

Facilitator: Ernie Shriner
Contact Number: 360-377-2256
Time: 7:30am-9:00am
Location: SUMC Emma Linn room
Begins: Ongoing drop-ins welcome

HOSEA (Women's Group)

Facilitator: Becky Twiss
Host: Carol Frost
Contact Number: 360-692-6080 (Carol)
Time: 6:30pm-8:30pm
Location: Carol Frost's home
Begins: September 11 (This group follows the school calendar for holidays and breaks for the summer.)

THURSDAY

SURVEY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT (Women's Group)

by Dr. David Platt
Facilitator: Jan Rosas
Contact Number: 360-698-4678
Time: 10:00am-12noon
Location: SUMC Room 104
Begins: September 12
Description: We will study Survey of the Old Testament By Dr. David Platt. Study guides will be provided at no cost. Survey of the New Testament will follow.

SATURDAY

SERMON DISCUSSION

Facilitator: Jesse Banaga & Nitz Arcega
Contact Number: 360-479-2552(J), 360-271-3595(N)
Time: 7:00pm
Location: Island Flavors (2901 Perry Ave, Bremerton)
Begins: Ongoing - Meets 1st Saturday of each month
Description: Group discussion about the sermon topics from the previous month.



10 Essential Truths about Christian Giving

Article by Dr. J. Ligon Duncan III, Wednesday, January 21, 2015

Very often, people ask or wonder "what are the basic biblical principles for Christian giving?" As we seek God's answer to that question and as we contemplate our own giving to the Lord's church in response to the clear teaching of His Word, perhaps it would be wise and helpful to review those principles here.

First, let us go to the Word of God itself, without comment: Matthew 6:1-4 *Beware of practicing your righteousness before men to be noticed by them; otherwise you have no reward with your Father who is in heaven. So when you give to the poor, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be honored by men. Truly I say to you, they have their reward in full. But when you give to the poor, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving will be in secret; and your Father who sees what is done in secret will reward you.* 1 Corinthians 16:1-2 *Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I directed the churches of Galatia, so do you also. On the first day of every week each one of you is to put aside and save, as he may prosper, so that no collections be made when I come.*

2 Corinthians 8:9-15 *For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich. I give my opinion in this matter, for this is to your advantage, who were the first to begin a year ago not only to do this, but also to desire to do it. But now finish doing it also, so that just as there was the readiness to desire it, so there may be also the completion of it by your ability. For if the readiness is present, it is acceptable according to what a person has, not according to what he does not have. For this is not for the ease of others and for your affliction, but by way of equality - at this present*

time your abundance being a supply for their need, so that their abundance also may become a supply for your need, that there may be equality; as it is written, "HE WHO gathered MUCH DID NOT HAVE TOO MUCH, AND HE WHO gathered LITTLE HAD NO LACK."

2 Corinthians 9:6-7 *Now this I say, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*

10 Principles of Christian Giving

In our review of these four New Testament passages, we find at least ten principles for Christian giving.

1. The Lord Jesus expects and requires us to give. Jesus said to His disciples, "when you give" not "if you give" (Matthew 6:2)! Hence, Christian giving is not optional, but rather essential. We often hear folks say: "in the Old Testament they had to give, but not in the New - now we only give if we want to." This is clearly not Jesus' teaching. He expected all His followers to be givers. Christians will give. **Are you giving?**

2. The Lord Jesus wants us to give for the right reasons. Jesus warned His disciples not to give for the sake of being admired by men. "Beware of practicing your righteousness before men to be noticed by them," He said (Matthew 6:1). When we give, we must be careful to examine our motives. We ought to give for the glory of God and the good of His people. We must desire His approval of our giving, rather than the praise and admiration of people. **Are you giving for God's praise or man's?**

3. The Lord Jesus wants us to practice benevolent or charitable giving. Jesus said "When you give to the poor ..." (Matthew 6:2-3). Jesus is specifically teaching about "alms" in this passage: aid, charity, or benevolent offerings for the needy. **Do you give amply enough to the Church that she can be generous in benevolent giving?**

4. The Lord Jesus reminds us that our giving is ultimately to the all-seeing heavenly Father. Jesus said "When you give . . . ; your Father who sees what is done in secret will reward you" (Matthew 6:3-4). When we give, we are not simply adding to the Church budget, we are giving up a thank offering to the Father Himself. Thus, we must all give "as unto the Lord." Our ultimate goal in giving is to please Him. **Are you conscious of the fact that your giving is to the Lord and seen by the Lord?**

5. The Bible teaches that Christian giving is an act of worship. In connection with the previous point, we see this truth stressed in another way in Paul's word's "On the first day of every week each one of you is to put aside and save" (1 Corinthians 16:2). Paul here teaches the Corinthians that their taking up of the collection is an act of worship which is to be a part of their regular Lord's Day worship. When we put our money in the plate,