

THE HEART BEAT

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upcoming EVENTS



January

- February 1—Trustees
- February 8—Finance Committee
- February 10—Senior Saints
- February 11—Homeowners Association
- February 11—Girl Scouts
- February 14—Worship Committee
- February 15—SPR
- February 20—Presidents Day, Office Closed
- February 22—Church Council
- February 23-25—WOSM Spiritual Gifts Seminar

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Staying Sharp

1 Peter 3:15 *And if you are asked about your Christian hope, always be ready to explain it.*

In the latter part of the first century, talking about your hope in Jesus was hard. You could lose your job. People might beat you up. Or kill you. The least that could go wrong was them laughing at you. Simple social rejection is probably the thing we fear the most when it comes to sharing our faith. Physical harm or major persecution is probably the furthest thing from our minds—even in America today. Still, Peter's words are a steady reminder to Christians who are conscious of finding opportunities to share their faith.

In Post Falls, I got to share my faith a lot. When you're trying to get a church off the ground, every person you meet is a possible future member—everyone is a potential child of God. So with the added pressure of building an institutional church, I took that seriously and carried that burden constantly. I got to know people who were far from God and despite our conversations, many continue to be far from God. But not all. Still, as a pastor, the thought often went through my mind, "Okay, we need new people if this is going to fly."

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Coming to Silverdale, we have a church that is very well established for more than a century now. Silverdale United Methodist Church has spawned two other congregations (one as a plant, another as a split) still functioning, and with the more recent merger with Christian Bible Fellowship, a Filipino-focused new church start, the now cross-cultural church is positioned again to grow and reach new people for Jesus Christ. And ramping down from seven intense years in Post Falls, I confess I have not been witnessing to anything that moves.

But Tuesday night, I took Sarah to a horseback riding lesson in Poulsbo and introduced myself to the young people working there and then bundled up and watched Sarah ride with a little continuing education reading on the side. At the end of the lesson, a guy shows up, standing behind the bench where I was seated. I wanted to get the lesson over, get Sarah home, and get out of the cold. I could almost hear a voice in my head: "Well, aren't you going to say hi to him?" A few minutes later, Greg and I were talking about our common love of running and how he and his wife decided to let their daughter start riding. I discovered that Jennifer had already talked to him, and I intentionally did NOT tell him about my job or about my God because I think I'll see him again and when you're a pastor, it's much easier to come on too strong to people. But should Greg and his family end up coming to church in a few months and you happen to meet them: play dumb. ☺

And in the meantime I am praying about my next meeting with Greg.

Pastor John



The Haiti missions team will be selling the platinum cards TODAY after church they are \$15 each. Many of your favorite restaurants are included in the discounts! Check it out!

The Haiti missions team will also be selling fudge and cookies on Sunday February 12 for Valentine's day. Be sure to buy your loved ones something sweet for Valentine's day!



"We have different gifts according to the grace given to us. If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do so cheerfully." -Romans 12:6-8

The Spiritual Gifts Seminar February 23-25. Tuition Fees: Individual \$75, Couple, \$125, Alumni 1/2 Price.

Registration is open 5pm Thursday Feb 23, Seminar begins at 7pm with Praise and Worship, 7:30-9pm teaching session. Friday and Saturday, Breakfast at 8am, Teaching sessions with breaks, closing at 8pm Friday and 5pm Saturday.

Contact WOSM for more information



I love my church! I love my church family! Wait, isn't that the same thing? Your children will soon find out! Gloria and silvery will be teaching the children all about what church is and what it means to be a part of God's team! All grades will be combined for this month. Children can be picked up from room 206 at the end of service. The last Sunday of the month will be the children's opportunity to experience worship service with their new knowledge so THERE WILL BE NO SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS. Children and their families are encouraged to experience worship together. Be willing to answer questions or point out your favorite part of worship.

Finally, thank you for reading the newsletter. It's our way of communicating with parents and other church members. You may also visit our information bulletin board across from room 107 where you can leave a prayer or take a prayer for your child. Either way, be sure to pray for them and for their future! If you have a child in Sunday school, send them to class with a heart of any kind for a prize!



February 15 — Ernie & Anne Shriner — 48 years!



New Women's Bible Study—Coming March 7/9th. You are invited to join us on Tuesday or Thursday as we begin another study by Priscilla Shirer—*Breathe*, making room for Sabbath, will help us set aside the activity and busy-ness that swallows up rest and peace. It's time for us to breathe and build time and space into our lives for God. Sabbath is the boundary God gave us to put around things so that we never become enslaved by them. Do you want/need what God created on the seventh day—tranquility, serenity, peace, and repose? Then join us on Tuesday or Thursday, March 7th or 9th in room 104, from 10am-12pm. Books available for \$11 from Jan Rosas. Call for more info at 360-698-4678



What: A Senior Saint Sponsored Cruise to Alaska
When: September 9-16, 2017
Via: Holland America's Eurodam
NOTE: You need not be a senior nor a saint to travel with us.
SEE: Alan or Judy Hunt for more information.



DON'T MISS OUT!!!

Register now while space is still available!!!

Come and Be Women's Retreat

April 7-8

Seabeck Conference Center

to register visit:

www.silverdale-umc.org

click: Women's Retreat

**paper registration packets are available in the narthex and the church office



Granola Bars, Styrofoam Cups, Cookies individually wrapped



Game Nights return to SUMC! Fun for all—potluck dinner (bring a food to share), bring a game or plan to play one that someone else brings, or just come for fellowship. These have been great fun in the past so you won't want to miss out. The next one is Friday, March. 10 at 5:30 in the SUMC Social Hall. Beverages are provided. Hope to see you there!



FOOD BANK NEWS

Deodorant: Mens & Womens & Toothbrushes

FEBRUARY 2017

FOOD BANK OPEN THURSDAYS 11-1PM

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | 1 Men's Bible Study TOPS 9-11am Prayer 9:30 am Art Class 10am Trustees 7pm Youth Group 7pm | 2 Chuckwagon 11am Women's Bible Study ALS 3pm Lib Praise Team 5:30 Cub Scouts 6:30pm | 3 Chuckwagon | 4 |
| 5 Baby Shower—SH NewLife—Gym | 6 Staff Meeting 9:15a HGC Food Prep 12pm NA—WW 6p m Al-Anon 6pm Bible Study 6:30pm | 7 Women's Bible Study Chuckwagon 11a HGC 4-5pm Venture Crew 6:30 | 8 Men's Bible Study TOPS 9-11am Prayer 9:30 am Art Class 10am Youth Group 7pm- Finance 7pm | 9 Chuckwagon 11am Women's Bible Study Praise Team 5:30 Cub Scouts 6:30pm | 10 Senior Saints 9am Chuckwagon 11am | 11 Homeowners associa- tion 10a-2p Girl Scouts 1p-5p NA Couples Group |
| 12 NewLife—Gym | 13 PEO 10am Staff 9:15am HGC Food Prep 12pm NA—WW 6pm Bible Study 6:30pm | 14 Women's Bible Study Chuckwagon 11am HGC 4-5pm Worship committee 6:30 | 15 MBS 7:30am TOPS 9-11am Prayer 9:30am Art Class 10am SPR 6:30pm Youth Group 7pm | 16 Women's Bible Study Chuckwagon 11am Praise team 5:30pm Cub Scouts 6:30pm | 17 Chuckwagon 11am Coffee Oasis prep NewLife Bible Study | 18 |
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