

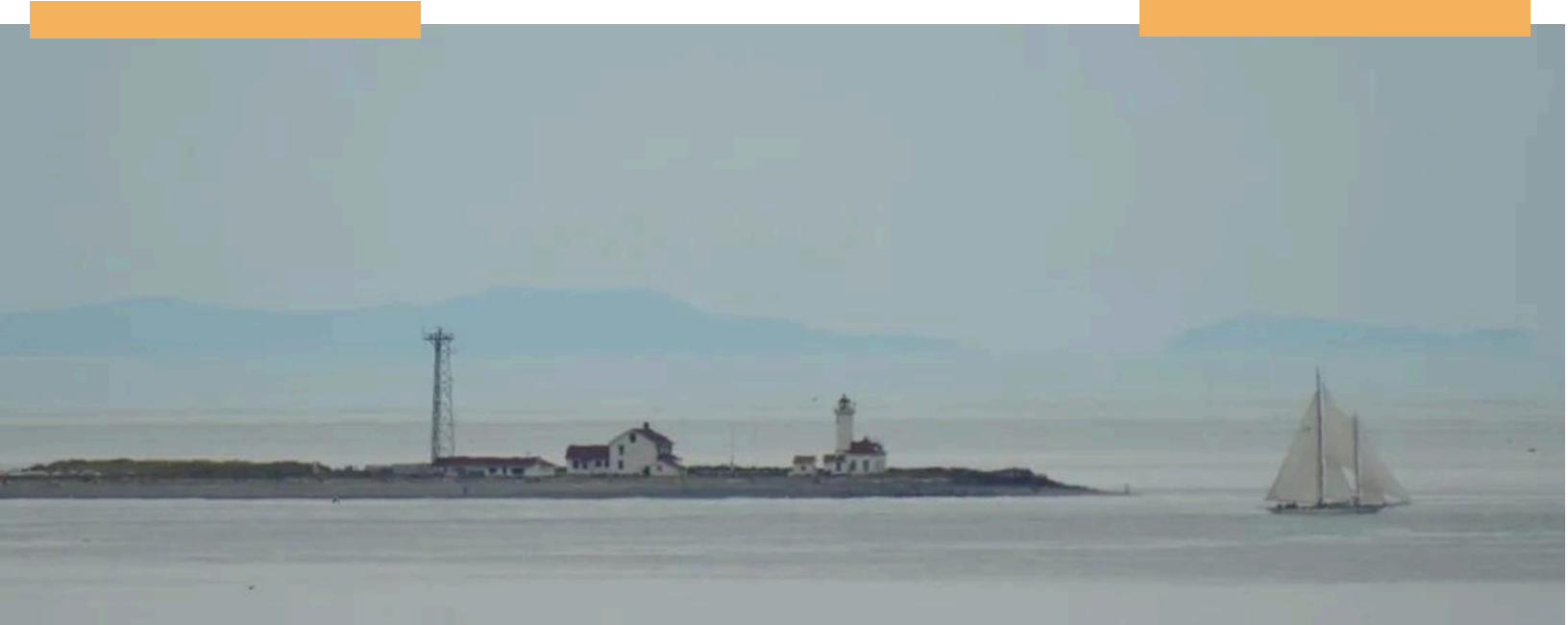
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COMMUNITY UPDATE

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SALISH SEA FELLOWSHIP

A Religious Community with Open Hearts and Open Minds



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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. You may also access the Sunday services online. Click [HERE](#) for our Zoom link for viewing our services, or go to Zoom and enter Meeting ID: 844 7353 7286, Passcode: 753350.

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UPCOMING EVENTS



CURTIS WHITE:

CURTIS WHITE IS A RETIRED PROFESSOR WITH AN INTEREST IN BUDDHISM, AND THE AUTHOR OF NUMEROUS BOOKS
1ST SUNDAY SERVICE, NOVEMBER 3RD, 4 PM AT CUMC

Curtis White is a novelist and social critic whose works include *Memories of My Father*, *Watching TV*, *The Middle Mind*, and, more recently, *The Science Delusion*, *We Robots*, and *Lacking Character*. His essays have appeared in *Harpers* and *Tricycle*. Curtis taught English at Illinois State University. To learn more about Curtis and his newest book, *Transcendent: Art and Dharma in a Time of Collapse*, you may read an article from the Port Townsend Leader [HERE](#).



SALISH SEA COMMUNITY POTLUCK

2ND SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 5 PM AT CUMC

Doors open at 4:30 to allow for more socializing. Please RSVP to salishseafellowship@gmail.com so we know how many to expect, and as always, bring your own beverages and table settings, as well as a dish to share.




WHERE TO WATCH



Services you missed, are available [HERE](#). Sunday services that are available include the sermon and readings. Also, we now have 16 subscribers to our YouTube channel! You may access our YouTube channel [HERE](#). Finally, you may also click [HERE](#) to access our Sunday services live on Zoom.



CARING AND CONCERNS TEAM

- We all have needs at one time or another! Sometimes a kind word or deed is enough, but we at SFF want to be able to organize for longer term health disruptions. Please reach out to **Karen Wamstad** via salishseafellowship@gmail.com to be on a list of helpers for specific tasks or to notify Karen of someone who wishes to receive personal contact/help from our Team. Names of people in need will never be used in **Joys & Sorrows** or in this newsletter without their explicit permission to do so.

FROM YOUR BOARD:

RON STRANGE, GARY NELSON, JUDY KING, ROB WAMSTAD & NILS PEDERSEN



Our next Board Meeting is:
Nov. 19th



Member and Friend Directory:

Our administrator, Lily Gold, is putting together a Member and Friend Directory of the Salish Sea Fellowship, which is something many of us have been missing. This directory will include the name and contact information of all members as provided in your membership application, and the name and email of all those on our emailing list that are not members. Our plan is to make the directory available to all members, with the understanding that there will be no distribution of the Directory to anyone outside the Fellowship by anyone in the Fellowship. We do not plan to put it on our website unless we can make it password-protected. If you do not want some or all of your information to appear in our directory, please let Lily Gold know at salishseafellowship@gmail.com by Friday, November 15th.

Membership Status:

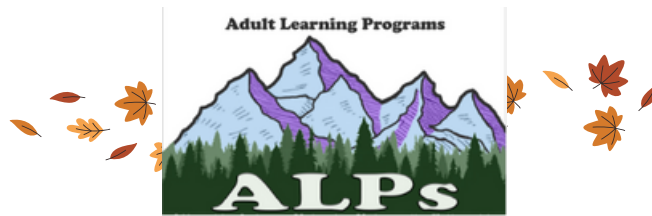
As you may know, you become a member of the Salish Sea Fellowship by filling out the application form (available [HERE](#)), and then being approved by the Board. All membership applications we have received have been approved by the Board, excepting one which we received at our last service which has yet to be approved. However, we have not had any formal, or even informal, welcome ceremony to the Fellowship. We do think, though, that we should have an open recognition and welcome of our new members, and we will figure out how to put this in place. We value and welcome all our members, and we certainly hope no one has felt neglected.



MEMBERSHIP

We welcome all those interested in our spiritual community. If you would like to join us, please simply fill out the application form [HERE](#) and return it to our Membership Chair, Judy McCutchen, at judy@eagleroost.net or by snail mail to 2775 Claremont Street, Port Townsend, WA 98368. Your contact information may be shared among members of the Fellowship, but will otherwise be kept confidential. You officially become a member once our board of directors approves the application.

ALPs (Adult Learning Programs)



The Fall **ALPs Program** is underway and includes a number of exciting classes and field trips. **Programs coming in November:**

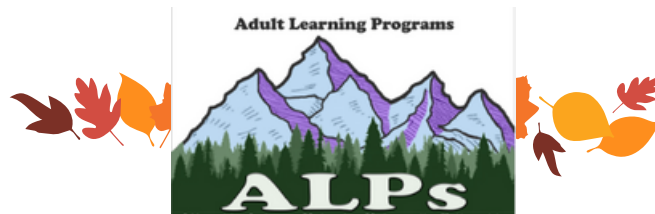
- Dec 5: **Port Townsend Water Plant Field Trip** with Rob Wamstad
- Nov 7 and continuing: **Political & Current Affairs Discussion** with Martha Moyer
- Nov 9: **Cooking with Chilies** with Judy King
- Nov 11 through Dec 9: **Comparative Cultures** with Ken Ing
- Nov 13 & 20: **The Race Amity Movement** with Kirit Bhansali & Joyce Francis
- Nov 15: **Making Beaded Flag Pins** with Joyce Francis

You may access the brochure with full descriptions and sign-up instructions on our website [HERE](#), or on SignUpGenius at <https://tinyurl.com/SSF-ALPs2024Fall>.

UPDATE:

We are looking forward to a Spring 2025 term, mid-January through May. Four programs have already been proposed. As always, we seek to provide an eclectic balance of programming, including presentations, classes, and field trips.

During November, we will be soliciting program proposals, so be thinking about any programs you -- or others you know -- might offer. The proposal link will be available in the next Community Update, so watch for it. Program presenters need not be affiliated with the Salish Sea Fellowship. ALPs is open to all. For more information or to discuss an idea for a program, contact **Joyce Francis** at joyce.francis.pt@gmail.com or 301-512-6815.



New date for the ALPs Trip to the EMILY CARR HOUSE in Victoria!

Join members of the Salish Sea Fellowship on **November 12th** for a private tour of the **Emily Carr House in Victoria, BC**. Trip participants will take the COHO from **Port Angeles to Victoria at 8:20 AM**. Upon arrival, they will walk to the Emily Carr House for the tour and refreshments.

- Emily Carr was a famous Canadian writer and painter. As the first female member of the “Canadian Seven” a group of Canada’s best artists, Emily was known for her naturalist paintings. Worried that the villages and history of Canada’s First Nation Tribes was being destroyed, Emily traveled by boat and in her caravan to preserve their heritage in her paintings.

After the tour, participants will have lunch at the nearby historical James Bay Inn. They will then have some time to explore Victoria’s shopping or the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria before the **4 PM return to Port Angeles on the COHO**. There are only a few places left on this tour. Register on SignUpGenius at:

<https://tinyurl.com/SSF-ALPs2024Fall>.

Participants will be responsible for their travel and lunch expenses and entrance to the Art Gallery. **For more information, please contact Martha Moyer at mmmoyer1913@hotmail.com.**



Would you like to spend **Thanksgiving (Nov. 28)** with SSF friends? CUMC is available that afternoon, and the SSF is hosting a potluck Thanksgiving dinner with traditional dishes (and vegetarian options), followed by an open mic for sharing stories, poems, and music. If you are interested, please let Elaine Nelson know via email **elaine.zynrgy@me.com** or phone 360-379-9949. She will contact you regarding what dish you would like to bring, how you can help, and open mic sign-up. What a beautiful offering for our community, Elaine.



➤➤➤ The Community United Methodist Church Bell Choir would like to invite any Salish Sea Fellowship members and friends to join them! The group meets at **10:30 on Tuesday mornings** in the conference room (beyond the nursery) at the church. They currently have 6 bell members and would love to add more! It is important to be able to ready music, but they can teach the rest, such as how to hold the bells, or ring them, and the different styles of ringing. They have a director, and just a lot of fun! Their group is currently beginning preparations for the Holiday Season. Please contact Kathi VanCamp at cumc@olympus.net to join along!



➤➤➤ Salish Sea Fellowship volunteers will provide soup and meal assistance at the Community United Methodist Church (CUMC) soup kitchen on **November 16th**. Now we are looking ahead to **December 21st**, and the **third Saturday of future months**. We need two folks to each deliver a gallon of soup (which you can make at home) to the church by 9:45. One soup needs to be veggie and the other can have meat. The church has crockpots to borrow, or you can bring soup in your own pot and transfer it or keep it warm on the stove. Help with set-up, serving, and clean-up is also valuable. Lori Oberlander of CUMC will be on hand to show volunteers what's needed. If you would like to be added to the list of folks who might provide soup and/or assist on a **future third Saturday between 10 and 1 or 1:30**, or if you have any questions, please contact Kate Madson at kmadson3of9@gmail.com or Kendra Golden at kendrajgolden@gmail.com.



➤➤➤ If you have announcements you'd like to make, suggestions for this Community Update, or anything else on your mind about our community, let us know at SalishSeaFellowship@gmail.com.