

Salish Sea Fellowship

COMMUNITY UPDATE



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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.

UPDATE: OUR ZOOM LINK HAS CHANGED AS OF 2/10/25

Click [HERE](#) for our updated Zoom link for viewing our services, or go to Zoom and enter Meeting ID: 909 702 5487, Passcode: 338490.

JOIN US IN
COMMUNITY



Our May 4th Anniversary Celebration

May 4th marked one year since our first service as a spiritual community! We celebrated this milestone with a compelling sermon led by Gary Nelson. Afterward we enjoyed cake (thanks, Joannie Murphy & Paul Hinton) and bubbly (thanks, Joyce Francis), as members visited and signed our brand new official Membership Book. How far we've come! We're thankful to all of our members and friends as we look forward to the next season of the Salish Sea Fellowship!



Gary Nelson explored a Quest for Wholeness



The Salish Singers delighted

Read the **Salish Sea Fellowship** origin story as told by Board President, Nils Pedersen, on our website [HERE](#). It's also available on page 53 of the May edition of the UUnderWorld [Here](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS



JOSEPH BEDNARIK TASTING SALT: INSPIRING A NEW COMMUNION SUNDAY SERVICE, MAY 18, 4 PM AT CUMC

Unitarian Universalist congregations throughout the world celebrate a variety of communions, including water, flower, and compost. This Sunday we will co-create, improvise, and experience a new communion which focuses attention on our relationship to that most vital and tasty mineral covering vast areas of the planet: salt.

WHERE TO WATCH



Services you missed, are available **HERE**. Sunday services that are available include the sermon and readings. Also, we now have 23 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. **(Please note that our Zoom link has changed, bookmark this new link!)**

4TH SUNDAY: GAMES & SNACKS WITH FRIENDS



Come Gather Together with SSF Friends for Food, Fun, & Games!

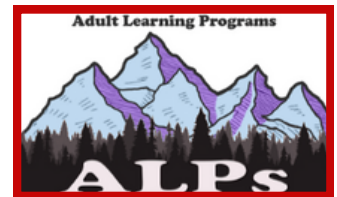
We are now meeting on the 4th Sunday of every month at 2 pm at CUMC in Port Hadlock for games and snacks with friends! Why not escape the cares of the world with a friendly (yet, competitive) game or two? This is primarily a social event without the need for great skill or long-term commitment, but you can put together a serious bridge foursome if you wish. And you can invite people not already in the SSF crowd.

Bring a game, a snack for sharing, your preferred beverage/glass and a sense of humor. And please think about ride-sharing possibilities. No need to respond; just show up for the fun!

See you at 2 pm on May 25th at CUMC!

Please contact Karen Wamstad at (call/text) 650-452-47210 with questions.

ALPs (Adult Learning Programs)



There is one final ALPs program to finish out the Spring term:

4 Wednesdays, May 7-28 -- Symposium on David Brooks's How to Know a Person with Joannie Murphy & Paul Hinton

See the ALPs Brochure with full descriptions of these programs, as well as signup information, at <https://salishseafellowship.org/other-activities-and-events/>.

SUMMER - Members and friends seemed luke-warm when polled about field trips over the summer, so we will not plan a formal program. However, anyone who plans an adventure -- a trip to Port Angeles to see a cultural event at the new Field Hall, a bike ride, an exploration of one of our many parks, etc. -- and wants to share the experience is warmly invited to send Lily a notice to post, offering specifics of the adventure and the person to contact. **Reach Lily at salishseafellowship@gmail.com.**

FALL - The next ALPs term will begin in September, and proposals will be due August 1. Watch for specific information in June/July.

Thanks so much to Joyce Francis for all of her hard work coordinating this engaging and community-building program. We appreciate you!



COMMUNITY OFFERING

Learn more about the
Jefferson County Food Bank Association
HERE!

Our Sunday Service offering is now taken in support of organizations doing good 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. For the offering, if you want to put money in the collection plate for any reason other than the Community Offering being supported on a particular Sunday (e.g. your pledge) you can do so by: 1. writing a check including instructions on where the money should go, or 2. If you want to give cash, placing it in one of the provided envelopes and write your name and instructions on the envelope. This allows us to credit you in our records.

Salish Sea Fellowship Community Offering for May 18:

Jefferson County Food Bank Association

Jefferson County Food Bank Association (JCFBA) is dedicated to alleviating food insecurity by providing nutritious meals and support to individuals and families in need. Through passionate volunteers and staff, they offer a welcoming environment and tailored assistance, fostering community connections and promoting self-sufficiency. JCFBA also empowers their community through educational programs, equipping individuals with the skills to improve their circumstances long-term.





Three recently-dead people are at the Pearly Gates. The angel asks the first, "What was your faith?" He says, "Catholic." "And did you go to confession?" "Oh, yes, every week." "Ok, go on in." The second is Jewish. "Did you make a pilgrimage to the Wailing Wall?" "Yes I did, just last year at last!" "Ok, enter." The last declares that they are Unitarian. The angel asks, "And did you bring a hot dish to share?"

CARING AND CONCERNS TEAM



Breakfast Club:

Breakfast Club meetings are back on! Sarah and Karen will hang out on Wednesdays (**ALL Wednesdays of the month**) at **9:30 AM** at the **Bay View Restaurant**. Join together for coffee, tea, breakfast or even pie! You could add ice cream (in the dairy group)!

Community Potluck:

Please join us to welcome in spring with lots of laughter, chatter, and yummy food! Community fills up our hearts during chaotic times. See this Community Update for specific details.

Carpooling to Events:

If you are interested in carpooling to events, please send an email to salishseafellowship@gmail.com. Tell us your preferred pickup location and phone number, and we will figure out a plan.

USHERS REQUESTED



We are looking to expand the ushers at SSF. Being an usher is an easy way to contribute to our community without being overtasked. Tasks are also easily accomplished within a couple of hours on a Sunday, and your work is surely appreciated. It is also an opportunity to meet others and get acquainted. **If interested, or if you have questions, please contact Rob Wamstad at wamstad.pt@gmail.com or call him at 360.344.2925.**



MEMBERSHIP

Membership Status: Consider Becoming a Member this Spring!

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. We value and welcome all our members, both old and new! Join today!

HELPING OUR NEIGHBORS



Want to help our neighbors be clothed and fed?

Our hosts, the Community United Methodist Church (CUMC) staff a free food pantry and clothes closet on **Saturdays from 10 to 1:00**. Donations of individual pull-tab cans of chili, stew, hash, and spam are exceptionally helpful, along with packets of hot chocolate, coffee and pasta with sauce. Clothes are also needed, but please give nothing that is not clean, in good condition and something you would wear yourself.



CUMC also runs a weekly soup kitchen, and Salish Sea provides the soup (a gallon of vegie 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.

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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.