

# Montesano Presbyterian Church Newsletter

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To know to love and  
serve Jesus Christ

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## Pastor's Perspective..

### Did you know.....

Mercedes Morrill, Outstanding Grays Harbor County Teen 2018, crowned her successor.



**Monte Pres Proud!**

We are now in the middle of the period known as Lent. Lent is a time of preparation - a time to get ready for an event so important, so monumental, so life-and world-changing, that almost 2000 years of church tradition dictates we take time to prepare ourselves for it. Of course, the event of which we speak is Easter - the day we celebrate the resurrection of God's Son from the dead. There is no other event in all of human history more significant than this one!

Built into the tail end of Lent is a shorter, more intense period of preparation called Holy Week. The power of this week is found in actually walking through it with Jesus, observing his triumph and realizing his suffering leading up to his crucifixion and resurrection. Historically, this has taken place in special commemorative services observed by the church. These are holy days - Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and of course, Easter Sunday - days set apart to remember, reflect, worship, and rededicate our lives in response to God's "incredible Gift" of his Son, Jesus the Christ.

Monte Pres. will once again keep these "holy days" by offering special services and events. We hope to have a good gathering in worship on Easter Sunday. That's great. But only those who have walked with Jesus through the first part of the week will fully know the significance of His

resurrection. Only those who have witnessed His love for the world, his agony in the garden, his betrayal by a trusted friend, his humiliating trials, and His torturous death, will be able to truly appreciate the power of His resurrection. Make a commitment to the Lord to attend at least one extra service during Holy Week. Make it a point to invite a friend to come along with you.

Yes, it is a personal sacrifice. But that's what Holy Week is all about.

### Holy Week 2019

#### *Palm Sunday - April 14th*

10:30 a.m. Worship: A Palm processional celebrates Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem.

#### *Maundy Thursday - April 18th*

7:00 p.m. Communion Service: Service will feature Bells & Choir, Singing, Communion by Intinction, Video presentation & message.

#### *Good Friday - April 19th*

7:00 p.m. Community Good Friday Service sponsored by Montesano Ministerial Association. Service will be held at Calvary Chapel @ 114 W. Marcy Ave. Come and worship with Christians from our community.

#### *Easter Sunday - April 21st*

10:30 a.m. Worship: Come and Celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord and his defeat over death. Inspiring Music, Choir, Bells, instrumental accompaniment, and resurrection message will help us to celebrate the greatest moment in all of history!

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**Betty Norquist Memorial**

**April 27<sup>th</sup> 11 a.m.**

**Montesano Presbyterian Church**

## Who's Doing What & When

### Welcome Team

April 07	S. & J Dameron
April 14	L. & T. Bullington
April 21	McCullough Family
April 28	K. Jarvis & S. Mcomb's
May 05	D. Chambers & R. Toyra
May 12	P. Hildreth & J Howell
May 19	J. Grenon & P. Willis
May 26	G. & M. Broughton

### Worship Leader

April 07	G. Dalan
April 14	J. Howell
April 21	J. Gillespie
April 28	P. Gillespie
May 05	P. Woodruff
May 12	L. Taylor
May 19	P. Hildreth
May 25	G. Dalan

### Coffee Hour

April 07	T. & D. Bingham
April 14	E. & B Meier
April 21	Easter Sunday
April 28	P. & D. Woodruff
May 05	J. Grenon & P. Willis
May 12	Mother's Day
May 19	P. Winkler
May 26	Open

### **Missions and Outreach**

We want to thank everyone for the great participation in our 'Blessed to be a Blessing' Uganda auction. Besides being a worthy ministry, the event is always a wonderful time of fellowship in the church. Our total is up to \$11,800. This year these funds will be used to purchase an at-risk church property at Kigaya, give much-needed medical support, and help with transportation. **Thanks again!**

## **FAMILY PROMISE MONTE PRES HOSTING DATES**

March 31 - April 7

June 9 - 16

September 1 - 8

\*November 3 -10 (correction)

Guests arrive around 5 PM and depart 7 AM.

\*Please note the correction from Oct to Nov.

## **From the President of the Board**

After almost three years Family Promise of Grays Harbor was hosting our first family, a single mother with a young girl. Boy what a difference a week makes. Yesterday The United Christian Church in Aberdeen opened their doors to 14 people from five families. Nine of those are children. What a blessing to be involved in program that positively impacts families in such need. It could of only happened through the efforts of so many. My heartfelt gratitude goes out to all of you. Our staff and volunteers are working hard to make this a life altering experience for the families we serve. Keep them in your prayers. This is just the beginning for these families and for Family Promise of Grays Harbor. The great support from churches, community groups, numerous foundations and so many private individuals has truly been an inspiration. Again thanks to each and everyone of you for all you do for our community.

Phil MacNealy, President

## **From the Board of Elders**

The Montesano Presbyterian Church congregation has always been a very giving congregation and you have always responded when there was a need. We have generally emphasized special needs, buildings, etc. over the operating budget; however, at this time, expenses are exceeding contributions. Without changes we will likely use the bulk of our financial reserves by year end. Given that we will be hiring a new pastor it is important that our financial situation be as robust as possible. Next year's budget and the new pastor's salary and other expenses will need to reflect actual giving in 2019 and anticipated giving in 2020. Members of the Board of Elders are prayerfully reconsidering their level of general fund giving. Please join us in considering your level of general fund giving during this most important year in the life of the Church. Estimated Average Monthly General Fund Giving \$13,761; Average Budgeted Monthly Expenses \$18,099.

Board of Elders

## **Did you know...**

Kenny Darst, Jay and Deb's foster son, went into the US Army Airborne Infantry on March 18<sup>th</sup>? He will appreciate letters and cards from home when he gets an address.

## **Presbyterian Women Invite You to Come Fill Your Cup**

The event will have a fun coffee theme  
With games, coffee/tea & treats,  
and

We will look at scripture to see how God wants to fill our cups  
Invite a friend and join us on

**April 8<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm**



## A special invitation

The Worship Committee has planned a special time of worship and participation for Monte Pres members. You can have the privilege of spending some time in concentrated prayer for the worship service on Easter Sunday. The classroom at the end of the main hall will be set aside as a Room for Prayer and will be open from 8 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. on Easter Sunday morning. They request that you quietly enter and pray for the services and prayer request slips which will be handed to you when you arrive. When you are finished praying you may go to the fellowship hall for coffee/tea, juice and refreshments. The purpose of this special time of prayer is to present all the preparation of the Word, music and outreach contacts to God for Him to use as He wants.

## Did you know.....

Emily Wills participated in the Missoula Children's Theater the week of March 17th?

Chris Wood is available for handyman work?

## Mission Meals

April 16

### Session Conduct Service

P, Hildreth	481-3514	Hot Dish
S, McCombs	249-3338	Hot Dish
P. Gillespie	245-5601	Hot Dish
C, Fischback	589-1755	Salad & Dressing for 20
J. Morrill	581-2551	Salad & Dressing for 20
S. Royce	249-4262	Salad & Dressing for 20
Linda Taylor furnishing dessert for 60		

May 21

### Deacons Conduct Services

J. Tanner	249-2074	Hot Dish
K. Jarvis	249-5502	Hot Dish
R. Toyra	249-5888	Hot Dish
K. Case	249-6392	Salad & Dressing for 20
N. Poyhonon	249-4625	Salad & Dressing for 20
S. Jobst	538-1128	Salad & Dressing for 20
Binghams furnishing dessert for 60		

Monte Pres always furnishes the meal on the **third Tuesday of each month.**

If you have an item for the Newsletter you can email me [earlenec422@gmail.com](mailto:earlenec422@gmail.com) or call 508-2798

## Life Group

Monte 1 will meet April 8 & 22 at 6:30 pm

Monte 2 will meet on April 1 & 15 at 7 pm

Elma Group will meet on April 3 & 17 at 6 pm

S.A.F.E meets every Thursday at 7 pm

## Other Scheduled Activities

* No Awana Spg Brk		
Deacons	April 4	7 pm
*Choir/Bell Choir	April 7	6 pm
PW Come Fill Your C	April 8	1:30 pm
Women's Bible Study	April 9	10 am
*Awana	April 9	6-8 pm
Session	April 11	7 pm
Prayer Shawl Min.	April 11	1 pm
Women Bible Study	April 23	10 am
Game Day	April 25	1 pm
Schuh Piano Recital	April 26	7 pm
<b>FAMILY PROMISE WEEK March 31 - April 7</b>		

\*Indicates group meets weekly

## Office Hours

Monday (closed)

Tuesday & Thursday 10 am - 4 pm

Wednesday & Friday 10 am - 5 pm

(Susan is in the office Wednesday & Friday)

## Maunder Thursday

The Bible records several important moments from Maunday Thursday. The first is the demonstration of servant leadership as Jesus washed the disciple's feet. The second is the demonstration of intimate fellowship as Jesus institutes Communion at the Last Supper. The Third demonstrates the emotional cost Christ paid to go to the cross for our sins as we see Him agonizing prayer and the kiss of betrayal.

On April 18<sup>th</sup> we will remember these great demonstrations through scripture, song and art. You can expect to hear from the choir, bells, our keyboard players as well as a visual presentation in dance and in other art forms. We will celebrate Communion together as well. I hope to see you there.

Jay Chambers & the Worship Committee

