

Tracyton Tidings

TRACYTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

May 2013

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- **Prism** Meets Every Thursday at 6:00pm
- Tues May 7th-6:30pm Visitation/Nomination
- Tues May 14th-6:00pm Finance/Church council
- Thurs May 9th-2-4pm Prayer Shawl
- Tues May 21st-6:00pm SPRC
- Thurs May 16th-6:30pm Woman's Circle
- Sun May 19th-2-4pm Charity Knitting Group
- Tues May 28th-6:00pm Trustee

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thru	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	
5 Food Bank Sunday	6	7 6:30pm Visitation/ Nomination 7-9pmGreen Workshop	8	9 Prayer Shawl 2-4pm	10	11 Colby UMW 12 Noon
12 Mothers' Day	13	14 6:00pm Finance/ Church Council	15	16 Woman's Circle 6:30pm	17	18 Safety Officer Training 9-11am
19 UMW Knitting Group 2-4pm	20	21 6:00pm SPRC	22	23	24	25
26	27 Memorial Day	28 6:00pm Trustee	29	30	31	

Prism
Every Thu
6:00pm

Woman's
Circle
6:30pm

SPRC

“ ALWAYS YES ”

In Christ it was not ‘Yes and No’; but in him it is always ‘Yes’.

-- 2 Corinthians 1:19

Oh dear God, it sure does feel like No.

Just when we thought we had a chance at peace, rumors about Syrian nerve gas hit the media, the tensions in Korea increase, something explodes in Boston, and something huge explodes in tiny West, Texas. Crude oil boils out of a busted pipe in Arkansas. Where’s the Yes in all that?

Citizens send poisoned letters to protest gun regulation, and Christians use murder to protest abortion. Where’s the Yes in that?

Kids shoot each other in our own neighborhoods, and a man shoots a woman, then several witnesses who come to investigate or help. Where’s the Yes in that?

We live with malaria and AIDS. We live in the shadow of domestic violence. We have depression. We have racism and sexism and homophobia. We have poverty and hunger. Give us more time, God, and we’ll just write a longer list. We can pile up the No’s all year.

Is your Yes just pie-in-the-sky, Pollyanna-ish, positive-thinking, self-delusion? Where’s the Yes, amid our dreadful tangle of No’s?

Not in rooting out causes or assigning blame. Not in claiming for ourselves the Yes, and condemning others to No. Not in dividing the world into worthy and unworthy, heaven-bound and hell-bent, loved and unlovable. We do those things. That’s what we’ve learned. Perhaps it’s how we’re made. With us it is Yes and No. But with you, it’s always Yes.

With you, God, not even dying is the ultimate No. Your Yes of resurrection is stronger. With you, Christ, not even sin is the ultimate No. Your Yes of love and acceptance is broader. With you, Spirit of life, nothing, not even hate, not even despair, not even all the No’s the mind can mix can separate us from your great love.

You prove it on Easter. You confirm it on Pentecost. You prove it in our lives.

Be with us. And as you never, ever, give up on your children, may we never, ever, give up on one another or on this lovely, beloved, bent and bruised world.

Love,
Wes

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PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

We will be welcoming a new member this month. Prayer Shawl will meet May 9, at 4:00-5:00 P.M at the church. If anyone would like to join this rewarding ministry please contact me at 631-0488. If you are unable to make the meeting, you can make the Prayer Shawls at your home.

If you know of anyone in need of a Prayer Shawl please let Pastor or Debbie Atkinson know.

WAYS TO FIND AND CONTACT US:



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FREE DAHLIA BULBS

Katherine Smith has dahlia bulbs again this year for anyone who would like them. There is not a great variety, but they are free! Her phone number is 377-4301.



We've begun making hats, booties and blankets for the newborns at Harrison Hospital
See where we go from there!
Don't know how to knit!
We'll teach you!

Come and join us Sunday, May 19th, 2013 2pm-4pm
Questions: Ask or call Sally Klein 662-8964



Join Us At Brownsville UMC

Staff from Kitsap Co. Public Works-Solid Waste Division will show you how easy it is to reduce the use of toxic cleaners with some simple "greener" alternatives. A green cleaning kit, including samples of the cleaners we demonstrate, is provided to participants (Limit 30 Kits per workshop and 1 kit per family).

According to the WA State Dept. of Ecology the benefits of using green cleaning products include:

- Improved indoor air quality
- Better health for your family
- Fewer toxins down the drain and into the waterways

If you would like to attend this workshop or would like to form a group to go please let the office know so that we can maybe set up a carpool and let Brownsville UMC know how many people are interested.

Free Green Cleaning Workshop

Includes free cleaning kit By Kitsap Co.

Public Works at: Brownsville Church 8811 Illahee Rd NE Wed. May 1, 7-8 PM

RSVP: umcbrownsville@gmail.com

BE GREEN WHEN YOU CLEAN

--- WALKING AND TALKING IN MAY ---

Starting our 8th year of Summertime walking together

Enjoying those flowers that bloom in May and thru out the summer. Morning walks in our own church neighborhood start again at the last week of May. A time to stretch the legs, talk to the Tracyton neighbors, see and be seen as part of the community, not just passing in a car, in and out of our own pretty little church. The exercise is good too, on back streets and roads, up the hill, a little further each week, amazed how

quickly we can climb that long hill and join up with Riddell on the top. Getting strong and stronger after a winter of inactivity. Encouraging one another in exercise and in sharing a couple of extra hours together, talking about what we see, what we remember, and what we hope and dream about. Sort of tailoring each walk to the needs of those who show up and the weather that day. A pretty much fair weather group, usually declining a walk in a downpour, but sometimes catching a passing shower with-

out any harm. Stronger than we think we are, in the great outdoors, drinking in the beauty all around us. All are invited, no one is committed to being there each week, in fact it is fun

of our friends from other churches join us too, sometimes. We meet at the Church on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 and set out for about an hour and a half, some days a little shorter, and some days stretching it out



One of last years groups out enjoying the neighborhood as well as each others company

to see who will turn up on any given day. Katherine Smith and Marilyn Winterowd and Susie White are pretty regular, some

if the group is agreeable. Starting May 28th, all are invited who want to get out for a walk.

Submitted by Susie White



CHURCH SKIT AT THE TRACYTON GRANGE HALL

Directed by Irene Johanson and her daughter Phyllis.

Known members of cast from left to right include:

Back Row Irene Johanson, Phyllis Johanson, Lucretia Eddy, _____, Carol Johnson, and _____.

Row 3 Shirley Sackman, Joe Sackman, and _____.

Row 2 Joan Curia, _____ Meyers, Jack Davis.

Front Row Jeannie Goucher, Darrel Johnson and _____.

Photo submitted by Shirley Siegel, taken approx. 1950 or so

Can you help us fill in the blanks?

Do you remember this skit?

Do you have an old photo you would like to share?

TRACYTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Fellowship is an important part of worship, keeping in touch with old friends, meeting and welcoming new ones. And as shown below even the cleanup can be fun!



Who's turn is it anyway? "YOURS!"

FELLOWSHIP HOSPITALITY HOSTS NEEDED

Please consider signing up to be fellowship host. The church provides the coffee and there is crackers and cheese provided by donation from the congregation to be found in the kitchen. What is needed from a weekly "Host" is to put together and put out the trays and to make sure there are enough paper products available as well as clean up afterward. Maybe bring in some fresh items, like fruit or veggies or perhaps a baked good or two. Being a fellowship "Host" also affords you the opportunity to interact more personally with other members by making sure everyone has what they need. Partner up with a friend, double the fun but please do think about becoming a "Host" on Sunday.



Both Services could use donations of cookies and individually wrapped items, such as breakfast bars, nuts, fruit rollups, string cheese or anything you can think of that's easy to handle. We also need cheese and crackers.

Submitted by Abby Holte



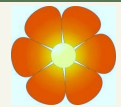
FOOD BANK SUNDAY IS THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

Food Bank contributions for the month of April are \$160 and 109 pounds of food. Total for the year is \$505 and 260 pounds of food. Your help for our community is greatly appreciated.

Submitted by Libby Correll



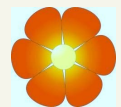
CK FOOD BANK PRESENTS NIGHT OF ALOHA



On Saturday, May 18th, the Central Kit-sap Food Bank will host their 6th annual "Bread Basket Bash" fundraiser. The night will include a silent auction and dinner

beginning at 6:45. The cost is \$50 per person. The event, "Night of Aloha", will take place at the Silverdale Beach Hotel. Dinner will a choice of baked seasoned salmon and Huli Huli chicken or a

vegetarian tofu stir fry. If we have ten people who would like to attend, we can reserve a table. Call Libby Correll (360) 698-1227 for further details.



MOTHERS' DAY PRAYERS

These prayers are offered in the spirit of our common experience - every one of us has been borne by a mother. Our mothers may be part of our everyday lives or live far away. Perhaps our communications are strained. Maybe our mother is no longer living. We may know of a young mother, living in the chaos of a newborn, who needs our prayers. Or one who lives in the darkness of dementia. These prayers from Creighton University are from the heart and are offered for mothers everywhere.

A MOTHERS' DAY PRAYER

I [we] thank you, Creator of us all, for my [our] mother[s].

I thank you that she gave me life and nurtured me all those years. She gave me my faith, helping me to know you and to know Jesus and his ways. She taught me how to love and how to sacrifice for others. She taught me that it was okay to cry and that I should always tell the truth. Bless her with the graces she needs and which you want to give her today. Help her to feel precious in your eyes today and to know that I love her. Give her strength and courage, compassion and peace.

Bless her this day with your love.

GRATITUDE FOR MY MOTHER

Dear Lord, today I turn to you to give you thanks for my mother.

With your own gift of life, she bore me in her womb and gave me life. She tenderly, patiently cared for me and taught me to walk and talk. She read to me and made me laugh. No one delighted in my successes more; no one could comfort me better in my failures. I am so grateful for how she mothered me and mentored me, and even disciplined me. Please bless her, Lord, and comfort her. Help her loving heart to continue to love and give of herself to others. Strengthen her when she is down and give her hope when she is discouraged.

Most of all, Lord, on this Mother's Day, give my mother the graces she most needs and desires today.

I ask you this, in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior forever and ever.

FOR WORKING MOTHERS

My Loving Creator,

You know how really tired I am. On days when things are really frantic, I consider how you made the world in seven days -- and then I try to remember that you aren't asking me to re-create that feat.

Please help me to remain a loving mother to my children and to keep some balance in my life. Help me to remember that you are with me in every packed hour of every day. As I am finishing a work project or planning dinner or buying the kids shoes, (sometimes all at the same time) help me to remember your loving care for me and let me sometimes stop for a moment and just wallow in that.

Most of all, my caring Father, let me remember to ask for help and to rely on you for strength when I have none left; for patience when mine is so often gone; and for the wisdom and endless well of compassion and love I need in my job as mother.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISPOSAL

"KEEP YOUR FAMILY AND THE ENVIRONMENT SAFE."

The Kitsap County Sheriff's Offices in Port Orchard and Silverdale now have safe medicine return boxes for outdated, unwanted and unused medicine. They will even take back your pet medicine.

The offices are open Monday through Fri-

day, from 9:00-12 & 1:00-4:30 pm.

The Silverdale office is located at 3951 NW Randall Way (next to the YMCA).

The Port Orchard office is located at 614 Division Street. Other take back locations include Bainbridge Island Police Department and the Suquamish Tribal Police Department.

Safe disposal of medicine reduces drug abuse and accidental poisoning, and please don't flush or throw your medicines away, it pollutes our environment.

You can keep the medicines in their container, mark out your name if you like, and no effort is made to identify participants.

The medicines are taken to an approved destruction facility where they are incinerated. Safe for you, safe for your family and safe for the environment. Any questions please call "360-337-7101."

Submitted by
Marsha Masters

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi: Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Amen.

WOMEN BUILD 2013!

It's time for Women Build 2013!! This one-day event is set for Saturday, May 4th, and celebrates National Women Build Week sponsored by Lowe's. Habitat for Humanity of Kitsap County is seeking participants to volunteer for a day at the Whittle Place construction

site. No prior construction experience is necessary! To come out and join us on site, or if you would like to find out about other ways you can help, such as providing lunch,

please call the Volunteer Coordinator at: 360-479-3853



Business is booming thanks to our new location and we need your help!!! We are

looking for volunteers with excellent customer service skills to help on the sales floor!

We also need some heavy lifters to help

keep the sales floor filled with materials! Our amazing customers are buying faster than we can restock so come help maintain the flow and earn our un-

wavering gratitude!

If you are interested in any of these opportunities please call Adam at: 360-479-3853

Designated Safety Officer (DSO) Training

Do you work with children, youth, or vulnerable adults?

This training is for you! Find out how to keep our youngest ones safe and protect yourself as a volunteer – plus learn our state’s reporting laws and have fun meeting others. Join trainers Al and Sharon Meeds on Saturday, May 18 from 9 to 11 a.m.

Light breakfast will be served. For more information, contact Sharon at sameeds@comcast.net

WE’VE BEEN INVITED!

The Colby United Methodist Women will be hosting a Spring Women's Luncheon at the church on May 11, 2013. We would like to invite your UMW group to join us for some food and friendship.

During the month of May, in honor of mothers everywhere, Colby church will be collecting items for UMCOR Birthing Kits.

After our lunch we will take a little time to assemble these kits and get them ready to mail. Your UMW group is invited to help as we lovingly put these kits together.

WHAT: Spring Women's Luncheon

WHERE: Colby United Methodist Church

2881 Harvey St. SE

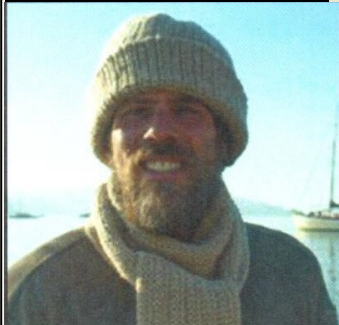
South Colby, WA

WHEN: Saturday, May 11, 2013

12:00Noon

**RSVP Please: Diane Bishop, Colby UMW Secretary
253-857-3309 or diane@wavecable.com**

**“Warm for Winter”
2013 campaign**



We will have a basket for your donations here at TUMC. Or you can drop off your hand-crafted items at PACIFIC FABRICS 4214 Wheaton Way through October 31st Also new or used items may be dropped off at BremertonUMC October 1—November1

Make it a project for your knitting group, engage your faith community or coworker, or just keep yourself busy this summer, creating (knit, crocheted, sew fleece) hats and scarves that will keep Kitsap’s homeless warm this winter.

We are also looking for donations of CLEAN, GENTLY USED, winter coats/hoodies, purchased hats, scarves, gloves and mittens.

All these items will be given out to local organizations that provide needed clothing to our homeless, and during the county-wide point in time count and project connect.

The first distribution of these items will be at the **“Blessing of the winter-wear”** at Bremerton UMC, 1150 Marine Dr. on Monday, Nov. 18th from Noon-1:30pm.

Homemade Chili and Cornbread will be served for lunch following the blessing.

We always need more than what we receive so feel free to do as much as you can.

This is part of the 2013

**Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week
November 17 through 23**

Questions? Email Sally at sally.santana@wavecable.com.

Presented by Performance Company in The Theatre Space

AND THEN THEY CAME FOR ME:

Remembering the World of Anne Frank

By James Still

Directed by Gwen Mansfield

Produced by Debbie Hamilton & Sherri Miller

April 26-28
May 3-5, 2013

Fridays 7:30 pm
Saturdays 7:30 pm
Sundays 2:00 pm

Tickets: 377-7700

Crosspoint 4012 Chico Way NW Bremerton WA 98312
A Gateway Christian School

Recommended for 7th grade and older. This is an intimate theatre space.
Distractions disturb both actors and audience; please, no babies or young children.
The Theatre Space doors open 30 minutes prior to curtain.

Ticket Prices

Adult: \$9.00

Senior/Student: \$7.00

Gateway Christian

School Student: \$5.00

Immediate Family Pass

\$26.00

Group of 10 or more:

\$7.00 each

Performances

Fri. May 3rd, 7:30pm

Sat. May 4th, 7:30pm

Sun. May 5th, 2:00pm

Please call 360-377-7700 to make reservations. Payment is due within 3 days of your phone reservation. Tickets require a payment for confirmation. We accept cash, check, MasterCard, Visa and Discover. Thank You.

Mission Statement

We seek to produce theatre of excellence, emphasizing themes of faith, family and concerns for our world. In the process of production, the cast and crew seek spiritual growth. We pray our audience and our volunteers will be touched by the power of God.

Thank you for supporting the arts by coming to our performances. Every spring the theatre department organizes an educational theatre trip for students and adults. This year we are returning to the Oregon Shakespeare Festival. Students have an opportunity to apply for a scholarship to assist with the cost of the trip. The scholarship program is funded by concession donations during the intermission of our performances. 100% of your donation goes to the fund. Thank you for enabling our performers and technicians to interface with one of the most professional theatre companies in America. Blessings, Performance Company

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Worship Times

8:30am Early Service

9:45am
Adult Sunday School

10:00am
Children's Sunday School

11:00am Late Service

*One Service only on the
Fifth Sunday of the month
at 10:00am followed by a
potluck luncheon.*

SHARING THE
LOVE OF GOD
AND MAKING
DISCIPLES
FOR THE
TRANSFORMATION
OF THE WORLD



Take a stroll thru our beautiful Farrar Park
located just across the street from the church.
Open to the public at all times.

A multi-generational
community growing together
in the grace, love and service
of God. Children are
welcome at all services.
Should you desire, a nursery
is available for children 5
years and under at the
11:00am service.