



# TRINITY TIMES



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**The mission of Trinity United Methodist Church of Port Townsend is to be a welcoming ministry, to nurture spiritual development, fellowship and outreach.**

## SPOTLIGHT: AL AND COLLEEN GAWLE

By Colleen Gawle

**A** I was born in Webster, MA. June 17, 1921. He was one of 14 children, two of whom died in infancy. His father and mother emigrated from Poland and Czechoslovakia. They became U.S. citizens and had fourteen children together. Al was number ten. He enlisted in the Navy in Nov. 1939, served in the North Atlantic and South Pacific areas and was discharged as a Chief Metalsmith in December 1945. Five of his brothers also served in the Army and Navy during WW II.



After discharge, Al went back to school and got his LLB (law degree) and JD from Northeastern University in 1952 and later was admitted to the Washington State Bar. His main career was employment by Boeing for 30 years as a contract administrator and negotiator. He retired in 1986. During that time, he did extensive traveling to many countries of the world. His two outstanding negotiations were the first airplane bought by Richard Branson, Virgin Airlines founder, and Air Force One, the President's airplane.

His hobbies over the 94 years of life included jogging, walking, swimming, fishing, shell fish harvesting, deer hunting in Montana with his brothers, cooking, golfing, gardening and reading. He still walks from 10 to 15 miles per week mostly with our Puggle dog, named Booster.

I (Colleen) was born in Seattle, WA, March 6, 1934. Four months later my father (Fred Neilan) passed away after surgery. My mother married Ed May about a year later, whom I had known while previously living in Idaho. My brother, Wally, was born in 1936. We lived there until 1940 then moved to Clarkston, WA where we lived until 1946. We had a small farm in Clarkston with a small swimming pool in the back yard, and always had many friends and good times there.

**In 1946 we moved to Port Townsend where my folks opened May's Variety. They** were very happy here, making many friends, and the business was well supported by people here. They closed the store and retired in 1966. We joined Trinity Methodist Church when we moved here, and I was baptized here (actually twice – recently by Pastor Tony). Mom and dad were very active here at Trinity.

My brother, Wally, and I both graduated from Port Townsend High School. Wally was in the same class as Marlene Colvin, and her mother worked for several years for Mom and Dad. Wally and I worked at the store on week-ends.

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## PASTOR'S LOG

By Pastor Tony Brown

The most remarkable parts about some of the hiking I did in Tennessee were the enormous caves. What's fascinating about the caves is that you know that you are coming up on one long before you ever arrive. You can feel the cool air from the cave cutting through the humid Tennessee summer day. One lucky backpacker had set up camp where the air from the cave literally air conditioned his site. It must have been 72 degrees at his site while others were setting up in 90 degree weather. I wanted to **return to the area and camp at one of these prime 'air conditioned' sites, but did not get to.**

When I would come upon a cave I would linger there because of how cool the air was. After 6 miles of hiking in 90 degree weather, a cool breeze was a welcome escape from the humidity and heat of the day. I would sit there for awhile, but eventually I had to get up and press on. As soon as I walked away from the entrance it was as if I hit a wall of oppression of heat and humidity. O, to sit in that cool space all day!

I hope that worship for you is a welcomed respite on your journey of the Christian life. You know, as well as I do, that the weeks can be brutal, life can be hot and humid, it can be downright oppressive. Yet, God has gifted us with moments of coolness and refreshment in our lives in the worship space on Sunday mornings.

I challenge you to learn more about the aspects of our liturgy and worship so that you could have a deeper and more meaningful experience with God on Sunday mornings. While reading about this online or in books would benefit you, simply paying attention to the words that we are singing can do for us what that cave did for me on my hike. Singing to and about God through the ancient and modern music of the church should

be a time when we receive that coolness from God that cuts through the brutal heat of life. If it is not, maybe we need to linger with the songs, the prayers, the scriptures, and the liturgy just a little bit longer. Maybe we need to not only go through the motions, but also discover the meaning behind all of it. Maybe we need to receive the bread and the juice with a sincere expectation that the risen Christ is present among us.

The best known Psalm of the Bible is Psalm 23. Often it is requested and read at funeral services. However, we need to discover that what this Psalm promises us is not only a future promise for heaven, but was **written in present tense for this life.** Verse 3 says, **"He (God) restores my soul"**. Another version translates it, **"God refreshes my soul"**. **Have you been refreshed by God lately in your journey of life? Maybe it's time to pitch a tent and spend some time in God's presence and in the knowledge of God's love for you. Times of refreshing will come!**

In Christ,  
Pastor Tony





## CANDLELIGHT CONCERT

Thursday, June 30, 7:00 PM

By Dan Purnell



# AN EVENING WITH JIM NYBY & FRIENDS

Jim Nyby will perform many of his favorite songs on Thursday, June 30<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 PM at Trinity **United Methodist Church's Candlelight Concert**. Nyby is one of Port Townsend's mainstays of music, having performed in this area for the past 16 years.

**The evening's performance will highlight Jim Nyby** on the Czechoslovakian Petrof Grand Piano singing solo vocals and several duets with his wife Kellie Nyby. **This year's program will be expanded to include instrumental support from a variety of Port Townsend's musical community.** The concert's program will be a mixture of music including, *Jazz Standards, Folk, Country, Blues and Gospel* songs accompanied by Jim's own signature style of piano. **Supporting Jim during the evening "jam session" will be** Bruce Cannavaro on bass; Kurt Munnich on drums; Joy Qualey on sax and Dave Mets on steel guitar. With tis array of talent supporting the distinctive voice of Nyby the evening is anticipated to be a memorable one!

Nyby began his musical career like many musically inclined individuals – just **"plunking around" on the family piano** at the early age of three. His mother was from the South and, though not a musician, had a deep passion for music. His early fondness for all kinds of **music was influenced by his family's musical tastes** along with their record collections and listening to popular music on the radio. Nyby says, *"One of my biggest influences has turned out to be American singer-songwriter and composer, Tom Waits. I could easily do an entire concert of just his songs.* Nyby goes on to **state, 'I don't compose songs myself, though I have tried. I'm just too distracted by the rich catalog of popular song that's already out there. Nothing excites me more than rediscovering an old forgotten song and attempting to breathe new life into it.'**

Nyby grew up in the Los Angeles area, and that is where he met his wife, Kellie, who had moved from Seattle to Hollywood to work in the film industry. In **1990 they moved back to Kellie's roots in the Pacific Northwest**, and settled in Port Townsend. Accustomed to the giant suburbs of Los Angeles, Nyby fell in love with the small town charm of Port Townsend and they settled here despite their original plan to live in Seattle. Jim and Kellie have three children, Nik, Clara and Ivan. Nyby has worked for the Jefferson County Library since 1992.

Once here in our rich music community, Nyby began attending and gradually participating in open mic's around town, singing and playing piano. He was a regular at the *Upstage* before its recent closure. In 2000 he began playing at the *Ajax Café*, and still **performs there frequently.** He's played in several bands here in town, including Joel Levy's jazz group *Café Combo*, and country stalwarts *The Steel Madronas*. In 2005, after hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans, Nyby formed his own band, *Jim Nyby & the F Street Band*, and organized a benefit show for the victims of this natural disaster.

**The concert will be performed at Port Townsend's oldest Victorian Church, Trinity United Methodist Church, 609 Taylor Street, across from the Community Center, Uptown.** Doors open at 6:30 PM. Admission is by a suggested \$10 donation (children admitted free) to benefit local Port Townsend charitable organizations and Trinity's music and historic Victorian Restoration programs. Refreshments will be served following the performance. Call: (360) 774-1644 for further information.





## PIPE ORGAN REPORT #59

By Stan Goddard

The big news is that the Silbermann Organ is now completed with the installation of the three rank Zymbeln mixture. The pipes range from the longest at about 12 inches down to the shortest at about 4 inches. The shortest ones can only be heard by younger people and dogs. In spite of that, they fill out the sound of longer pipes that they are often played with to create interesting combinations.

This organ now has a total of 32 ranks that provide it with the range and power to do justice to Bach's and Buxtehude's music as well as providing accompaniment to robust congregational singing.

This organ began in 2005 with the idea of enhancing the sound of the Mudler organ by adding some extra reed pipes that could be played from its keyboards. We looked into how this could be accomplished using light sensors to detect key motion and send an electronic signal to the supplemental system. This idea ran into a fundamental technical problem of connecting a mechanical system with variable delays between various keys. There appeared to be no easy way to tune the two systems together so that they "sang" together.

In 2006 we measured the space next to the Mudler to see if two full-sized wind chests (for a total of 8 ranks of pipes) could be located there as well as a blower, in a good looking enclosure. Very difficult! When the wind chests arrived it was apparent that this composite system was a bad idea. We were then made aware that a company located here in Washington State (Signetics, Inc.) manufactured a special computer that could be used to connect an organ console with all its controls, over a wire to pipes installed some distance away. Better yet, the organist was not required to know anything about computers!

Pastor Wendell Ankeny let it be known that we had all the "real estate that we were going to get" on the main floor. That's when the unused choir loft began to look intriguing. After much measuring of the space, especially the heights over the risers it began to look like a possibility. Clint Meadway, who was the brains behind this project, came up with the idea that it might be possible to create a "horizontal design" instead of the traditional stacking of the windchests to



Photo by Janet Wachter

create an interesting organ. Clint reviewed a book of Gottfried Silbermann's organs as a place to start. Beth Mackey and Stan Goddard had picked up the book when they were on an organ tour of eastern Germany, where they had been introduced to a number of Silbermann's organs, which were now classified as national treasures. Clint picked out the 1731 Reinhardtsgrimma organ as being quite suitable because of the similar size relative to Trinity.

The book "Die Orgeln Gottfried Silbermanns, by F.H. Gress, 2001" provided considerable technical details including the stops, the winding and special features. The stop names have been replicated in the original 18th century German in our organ. Our organ is not meant to be a copy, rather, a modern emulation by the original.

Many thanks to all the people who aided in the construction or have provided financial support. We especially thank Jim Stettner and Michael Way (of Puget Sound Pipe Organs) for properly finishing up the project and providing valued advice.

I wish to thank the people of the Trinity Congregation for their support and generosity in this long (10 years) project.



## STEEPLE PAINTING

By George Williams

The Trustees extend their gratitude to those who have donated to the Steeple Painting project. So far the donations total \$10,500.

However, this is less than half the needs for this project. The Steeple Painting project is critical to maintaining Trinity. A key part of this project is verifying the structural integrity of the steeple, cross and other areas of the church exterior.

I believe we should not proceed with desired additions to this building if we cannot ensure the continued maintenance of the current structure.

**PLEASE consider donating to the 'Steeple Painting' project so we can proceed this summer.**



## IN OUR PRAYERS



Please remember these people and their families in your prayers: Mike Abercrombie, Wendell Ankeny, Joyce Brown, Juanita Campbell, Karin Davis, Stephanie Hillman, Tim and Rebecca Janning, Trish Johnson, Betsy Jones, Heidi Lamprecht, Marvin Lamprecht, Rachel Munoz, Lorraine Newman, Phyllis Nielsen (Beth Mackey's sister), Seth Saxton, Randy Stillwell, and Patty Walters.

Please pray for healing and support for our Trinity family, friends, family members and all those who are lonely, grieving, in need, homeless or looking for work and for peace in our world.

Also, remember in our prayers all those in the military and pray for all in harm's way and for their families and all those who have lost loved ones to war.

Please pray for those innocents who have died and those affected by war and violence throughout the world.



## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

By Margaret Engle

Please join us for our June United Methodist Women get-together, on Thursday, June 9 at noon. Nancy Carter has graciously invited us to gather for a potluck lunch at the Common House for **Kimball Court, where Nancy has a condo. Nancy's address is 2910 Kimball Court #6**. This will be a fun opportunity to laugh, share stories and enjoy the beautiful gardens at Kimball Court. We suggest carpooling and do invite a friend!

**Don't forget to sign-up to help with the Y's Summer lunch/snack and Literacy Programs.** We have challenged the UMW to see which group can volunteer the most hours!

Also Marlene Colvin, our nominating chair, is looking for women to join the UMW Board and help with hospitality and lunches. Please consider how you might help. If you have not made a pledge to UMW and would like to, pledge envelopes are available in the church office or at the June meeting.

Thanks!





## JUNE HOLIDAYS

By Molly Jacobson

Here we are in June! No official federal holidays. Some people celebrate the start of summer on the longest day of the year, June 20, called the Summer Solstice. Flag Day falls on June 14 to honor the American flag and all it stands for, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all. **It's important!**

Don't forget fathers, current and 'fore', with **Father's Day June 19, the third Sunday in June.** We honor fathers, grandfathers, and great-grandfathers for their contribution in our world.



## TRINITY REACHES OUT

By Laurel Ankeny

Thanks to some of our Trinity family for recently working on a new Habitat for Humanity home in Port Townsend near Seaport Landing. The workers included: Bill Brock, Bill Metzger, Clint Webb, Penny Vorster, Ron Rivas, Scott Rosekrans, Gwen Howard, Kellie Nyby, Marlene Colvin and Don Olsen. Thanks also to Don for organizing and heading up this worthwhile effort.

That's our Trinity: putting love and goodness into action!



Photos by  
Laurel Ankeny

## Announcements

Trinity Times

Remember that our Trinity Times newsletter is taking the summer off, but our Weekly Announcements and online calendar can keep you informed of Trinity's events.

Wednesday Evenings

Our Wednesday night events are taking the summer off: Trinity Choir, Wednesday Night Dinners, and TNT. See you in September!

Taize/Evensong

Join us for Taize service the 2nd Sunday of each month at Trinity.

United Methodist Men meet at 8 AM on the second Saturday of each month for our monthly breakfast. We hope you can join us in the Fellowship Hall for food and fellowship. If you like, bring a Bible verse to share.

Wherever you are on Wednesdays at 9 pm, let's join together in prayer for our building project!

### Children's Church Classes

- ◆ 0-3ish in the Nursery
- ◆ 3ish-7ish downstairs in the Fellowship Hall
- ◆ 7ish and up in the Office
- ◆ They will be studying what the pastor's message is in a fun age appropriate learning environment.

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After graduation I attended Whitman College for a year. However, secretarial work was what I wanted to do, so I accepted a job offer in Richland, WA with the Atomic Energy Commission in 1953. I worked for them for 3 years, then worked for GE at Reactor B for 3 years. I enjoyed both jobs.

I joined Central United Protestant Church in Richland (Methodist sponsored) where there was a very active single adult group. We spent a lot of time together during the week and weekends, and also traveled on long week-ends together. We were asked to **help with a Sunday School at the Richland “Y”** whose families primarily lived in trailers of small homes. That was a great experience.

Then I moved to Seattle and worked for several companies, finally going to work for Boeing where I met Al. We were married in the University Congregational Church, which I had been attending for about 5 years.

We have two daughters, Macrina Lewis who, after attending nursing school at the UW, is a nurse here at Jefferson Healthcare. She and her husband Christopher (combined) have 3 children. Christopher has a daughter, Rachel (currently being treated for lymphoma) from his first marriage, who lives in CA with her husband, Michael, and young daughter, Edie. And together, Christopher and Macrina have Emilia (18) and Basil (11)

Our youngest daughter, Diana, lives in CA with her husband, Saum, and daughter, Lilly, a junior in high school. Their son, Alex, is a sophomore at the University of Oregon. Diana returned to college in CA about 8 years ago and is currently employed as a neuropsychologist at San Francisco VA Hospital.

I returned to Boeing at age 50 (1984) to put the girls through college, and retired in 1994! Macrina graduated from Wheaton College and Diana from UW.

We celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary last November 13th, and we were having lunch here with our daughter, Macrina, and her family at the **Belmont Hotel, when Al quietly said, “I think it is time for us to move to Port Townsend”!** What a surprise for me, but a wonderful one. And that is what brought us to Port Townsend..

It was not a hard decision to make even though we had a very active life in Seattle with family and friends there and we were very active at Haller Lake United Methodist Church where we had belonged for 43+ years. I worked in the office there, at times, was wedding hostess for 5 years (and that entailed several **“unique challenges” for me) and we participated in** various groups in the church, helping where needed in many ways.

We have traveled quite a bit: Hawaii, England, Ireland (where I kissed the blarney stone), Poland, Italy, Greece and several other Countries, as well as here in the states. We joined a trailer club group, enjoying many trips with them. And we went to 9 Mariner Spring Training games in Arizona, as well as many home games.

My hobbies over the years have been sewing, reading, knitting (we had a prayer shawl ministry at HLUMC), walking at Northgate Mall with friends and having coffee. Also going to movies when there was time.

Coming back to Port Townsend has been great, and returning to Trinity Church is inspiring. We enjoy Trinity very much, watching the young children, **Tony’s sermons and involvement by church members.** We are still getting settled in our new home. So many blessings in such a short time!

## BIBLE READINGS

June 5  
3rd Sunday after Pentecost  
1 Kings 17:8-24  
Psalm 146 (UMH 858)  
Galatians 1:11-24  
Luke 7:11-17

June 12  
4th Sunday after Pentecost  
1 Kings 21:1-21a  
Psalm 5:1-8 (UMH 742)  
Galatians 2:15-21  
Luke 7:36-8:3

June 19  
5th Sunday after Pentecost  
1 Kings 19:1-15a  
Psalm 42 (UMH 777)  
Galatians 3:23-29  
Luke 8:26-39

June 26  
6th Sunday after Pentecost  
2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14  
Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20 (UMH 798)  
Galatians 5:1, 13-25  
Luke 9:51-62







## CORNERSTONE CAMPAIGN CONTINUING COVERAGE...

By Jill Buhler, Cornerstone Campaign Spokesperson

**W**e've finally got a date! Well, kind of. The tentative date of our hearing is set for the week of June 13. At that time we will testify about our plans for our building, how it will help our community outreach programs and our efforts to mitigate the concerns of our neighbor.

Meanwhile, Bill Brock has written a very thoughtful and concise letter to City Senior Planner John McDonagh addressing the neighbor's issues and clarifying our proposed modifications:

1. Noise: We will move the heat pumps an additional 15-20' **further than the current 5' from the lot line**, which will also place it behind the garden shed. That should take care of it!
2. Aesthetics: We will use either stained or translucent glass in the 3 windows facing the **neighbor's property**.
3. Stormwater: We will add an impermeable barrier **on the neighbor's side of the runoff detention facility** located in the back yard of the parsonage.

Bill also included comments on the importance of our new building and its intended uses:

1. **Currently, there is limited room for children's Sunday School classes and Teen Night; and there is not enough storage for our music instruments and programs.**
2. The stairs to our Fellowship Hall create a hardship for seniors and those with disabilities; and the low ceiling makes for very poor acoustics; **it's nearly impossible to carry on a conversation.**
3. The new Fellowship Hall will allow us to greatly expand our Church mission and ministry and to collaborate with partners such as Dove House, the Food Bank and Olycap.
4. In our new kitchen, we can prepare meals for the homeless shelter and give food preparation classes for Food Bank users.

5. With two showers in the basement and the commercial kitchen, Trinity could be used as a secondary emergency shelter in times of crises.
6. Bill put it all together with his last comments: **"Trinity has given \$114,000 over the last 12 years to support a variety of local, national and international secular and religious organizations. From the local Food Bank to Jumping Mouse to Habitat for Humanities to Heifer International to adopting, supporting and transplanting a Muslim, Florida Hurricane victim family to Port Townsend. This new space will allow us to continue to expand our Church mission and vision to all."**

**At this point, we've done what we can and then some. It's a matter of waiting for judgment day on the week of June 13.**

As soon as we get the go-ahead, **we're ready to roll on construction.**

Don Olsen and Dan Purnell are in contact with Frederickson Electric, which is developing an electrical plan to be incorporated in the architectural plans. Seattle Lighting will then submit a lighting fixtures schedule after we have a committee discussion.

Don Campbell has the heating systems in line, depending on how we want to go. The perfect system is a combination of hot water (radiant) floor heat in the Fellowship Hall (even heat that warms everything, including the furniture, so no more cold metal chairs) and an air-to-water heat pump system for the rest of the building. We are also looking at solar panels; we could run lines throughout the new construction and add the panels later if need be. Don is contributing the labor and will provide the hardware at cost.

**Dale Kelley's fundraising team is poised to go as soon as the verdict comes in. If the examiner says OK, we'll send out requests for bids in early July and Dale will roll out the fundraising and matching grant campaigns at the same time.**

And you can help by crossing all your fingers and **toes this coming month...Lord knows we can use it.**

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The timeline follows:

1. We submit the completed CUP and Variance materials. *(Completed)*
2. March 7: Staff reviewed applications and determined them complete. *(Completed)*
3. March 9: the 20-day Public Notice began. The city sends notices to adjacent property owners, posts signage and publishes a legal ad in the local newspaper. All written comments are due to the City by 4:00 p.m. on March 29. *(Completed; on March 29 the neighbor filed another document protesting our project)*
4. April 12 or so: Public Hearing Date Announced: Approximately 2 weeks after the 20-day comment period, depending on the level of public comment or staff questions, the city will establish a public hearing date before a special hearing examiner who will rule on the merits of our case. *(Tentative date is set for week of June 13)*
5. Week 7-10: The public hearing is held. The **examiner's decision is issued within 10 working days** from the date the examiner closes the public hearing record *(Week of June 13: tentative)*.
6. **Appeals: Any appeal of the examiner's decision** must be filed with the Superior Court within 21 calendar days after the decision.
7. July 5 or earlier: A final decision must be made within 120 days of the date of the Determination of Completeness.

As always, we welcome your comments and questions. Trinity is your church, and the Cornerstone Campaign is your project. We hope to see you on Monday, June 13, 5:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

## SUMMER CAMPS

Summer Camps start soon, so if you're interested, all the info you need is at this website: <http://pnwcamps.org/>



## TRUSTEES' REPORT

By Harvey Crow

It has been a busy spring for the TUMC Trustees and summer is shaping up to "follow suit". Mary Hedberg's Sunday school truck garden, adjacent to the nursery has been cleared and is ready for planting. The steeple painting project is under way, but moving slowly as we struggle with ways to keep the cost down. Penny Vorster has modified and updated the Church Rental Agreement to reflect a better contract for community users. Lighting problems in the Narthex has been addressed by George Williams.

Another big project in early May was the Dale Nordlund Estate Sale. Spearheaded by Laurel Ankeny, with help from the Trustees and other TUMC groups, the sale was a grand success in that it helped the Nordlund family beneficially dispose of accumulated real property, which included everything from autos to books, and records to exotic tools. Laurel did a great job in executing the event.

I am happy to report that the "torch has been passed" and the TUMC Trustees have a new Chairperson. Penny Vorster has taken over the reins of our busy and happy little group and I will be stepping down as Trustee Chair this month, after 5 1/2 years.

Please remember that your recommendations and input to the Trustees is always welcome. God Bless!



Photo by Laurel Ankeny

Pentecost

THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS — YOU KEEP TRINITY VIBRANT!



VISIT OUR VOLUNTEER SIGNUP CORNER!

If you walk down the stairs you'll see signup clipboards on the wall. You can sign up here for Fellowship Friends, Childcare, Wednesday Night Dinners, and Worship Service. Thank YOU for all you do!

NURSERY CHILDCARE

- June 5—Beth Mackey
- June 12—Sheila Burrell
- June 19—Teresa Rosekrans
- June 26—Sally Helman

FELLOWSHIP FRIENDS

- June 5
- June 12
- June 19
- June 26

*Can you help with Fellowship Friends?*

*Signup sheets are in the Fellowship Hall.*

*Thank you-**YOU'RE AWESOME!***

SUNDAY SERVICE

- June 5
- Liturgist: Carlyn Stark
- Ushers: Dan and Donna Purnell
- Money counters: Marlene Colvin and Harvey Crow
- Acolyte: Devon Helman

- June 12
- Liturgist: Ed Jones
- Money counters: Sally Helman and Kellie Nyby
- Acolyte: Jeremy Allen

- June 19
- Liturgist: Scott Rosekrans
- Money counters: Teresa Rosekrans and Betty Prentice
- Acolyte: Aiden Hill

- June 26
- Greeters: Lil Tiller & Joan Buhr
- Money counters: Donna Abbott and George Williams
- Acolyte: Rejeana Drewery

CANDLELIGHT CONCERT

- Master of Ceremonies: Dan Purnell
- Money Counters: Marlene Colvin and George Williams
- Reception: Betty and Gene Prentice

# Celebrations!

## June Birthdays

- |    |                 |    |                    |    |                  |
|----|-----------------|----|--------------------|----|------------------|
| 1  | Bill Brown      | 14 | Kellie Nyby        | 21 | Wendell Ankeny   |
| 3  | Elmer Ramsey    | 15 | Sandy Litzler      | 21 | Lucas de Basilio |
| 6  | Dale Kelley     | 15 | Trish Pint-Johnson | 21 | Heather Foster   |
| 12 | Ray Grier       | 17 | Al Gawle           | 21 | Sue Gee          |
| 13 | Randy Stillwell | 19 | Pauline Masecar    | 24 | Jacob Hill       |
| 14 | Joyce Brown     | 19 | Ron McCullough     | 28 | Alessa Banta     |

## Anniversaries

- 16 Bill and Wendy Metzger
- 17 George and Shirley Williams, 1961
- 21 Clint & Pat Webb



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## July Birthdays

- |    |                      |    |                |
|----|----------------------|----|----------------|
| 8  | Jen Caldwell         | 21 | Molly Jacobson |
| 11 | Alejandro de Basilio | 21 | Patty Miller   |
| 13 | Miriam Brown         | 22 | Don Olsen      |
| 18 | Erik Allen           |    |                |

## Anniversaries

- 23 Bill and Joyce Brown, 1955

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## August Birthdays

- |    |                |    |                  |
|----|----------------|----|------------------|
| 1  | Mary Hedberg   | 16 | Cathy Colson     |
| 5  | Charlie Givens | 18 | Marian Kruse     |
| 6  | Lilly Hoye     | 25 | Teresa Rosekrans |
| 10 | Donna Abbott   | 22 | Harold Gruver    |
| 12 | Jenny Maxwell  | 27 | Sheila Burrell   |
| 13 | Jan Crow       | 30 | Rebecca Janning  |

## Anniversaries

- 15 Bill and Bonnie Brock
- 18 Dan and Donna Purnell



## UMC GENERAL CONFERENCE 2016

By Laurel Ankeny

The General Conference is the legislative body of the worldwide United Methodist Church. That entity met at the Portland, Oregon Convention Center for 10 days in early May. Wendell and I volunteered for 3 days and spent 2 additional days soaking up this multi-cultural event. We stayed in a hotel right across the street from the Convention Center, an easy commute. We also enjoyed spending some time outside of church with Tony.

Wendell worked in registration and greeted a number of UMs we know around the Pacific Northwest plus other delegates. I provided hospitality for the Central Conference made up of UMs from around the world. I particularly related to quantities of people from Africa and the Philippines. Around 200 interpreters were necessary to meet the needs of the large number of delegates and bishops from outside the U.S.

According to the Conference handbook there were 864 elected lay and clergy delegates and some 4,000 volunteers who served as greeters, registration help, hospitality, marshals, pages, guides, drivers, musicians, technicians, hosts for the airport, hotels, the prayer room, reporters and emergency responders. There were probably about 150 or so exhibitors in the cavernous exhibit hall.

After a procession of bishops was seated, the Conference was opened by a Native American ceremony, drumming, singing and greeting. Morning worship was a memorable experience each day. Choirs and music were celestial and the sermons provided by bishops were exceptional.

The messages we heard were about unity and inclusion, issues that would be challenges throughout the 10 official days of legislative committee meetings and plenary sessions. There appeared to be wide disagreement regarding stances on climate change, other environmental issues and sexuality.

The debate on sexuality and related language in the UM Book of Discipline will be explored by a special commission appointed by the Council of Bishops. This is the result of an unusual move by General Conference delegates who asked the bishops to consider this option as a way to avoid a split in our denomination over sexuality and other issues.

About a year ago, Tony preached a sermon that **challenged each of us to go out and “do”**. It was akin to Wendell's **“go out and move the world a little”**. I decided a year ago that I wanted to go to General Conference and advocate for equal rights for gay clergy. Although I did not get to march or picket in support of those rights as I envisioned (we left before that opportunity), I did wear an **“It's Time”** button and stayed up to date on discussions.

I am disappointed that we are not an inclusive denomination in word as evidenced by lack of changes to our Book of Discipline. I would like to live the UM motto: **“Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors”**.

I am encouraged and proud of our church for its prayers, advocacy and support of Tony, Starla and their family. I love that we are demonstrating openness and, most importantly, our love for them.



General Conference in Portland, Oregon with an estimated 5,000 United Methodists from around the world.



The hall where worship and Plenary sessions took place.

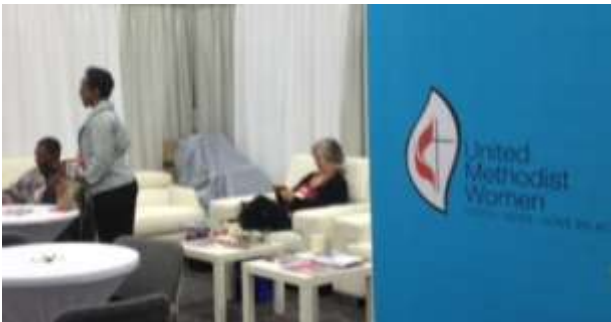




*The Bishops prepare to process at the opening of General Conference.*



*Many diverse choirs proved special music.*



*United Methodist Women's lounge in the Exhibit Hall.*



*The Central Conference, made up of UMs from non-US countries, at dinnertime.*



*A number of UMs from Africa had dresses and shirts made from fabrics displaying the UM cross and flame logo.*



*The Prayer Room with 2 labyrinths.*



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2016

By Tonya Brinkley

**VBS** is planned (tentatively) for August 8-12 from 9 to noon and this year's theme will be Superheroes for God. There will be tons of fun activities!

More information will be available soon, including requests for help!!

*Pentecost*  
*Cinco de Mayo*  
*Teen Night*


*Photos by Laurel Ankeny*





# JUNE 2016



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> 9-12 Office Open 9AM Wednesday Workers	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> Food Bank Offering Communion Sunday 10 Worship Service 11 Fellowship Time	<b>6</b> 8:30 Waffles w/Wendell 9-12 Office Open 12 Bible Study	<b>7</b> 9-12 Office Open	<b>7:30 NA Meeting</b> <b>8</b> 9-12 Office Open 9AM Wednesday Workers	<b>9</b> <i>Noon - offsite</i> <i>UMW Luncheon - see</i> <i>Trinity Times for location</i>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 8AM UMM Breakfast
<b>12</b> 10 Worship Service 11 Fellowship Time 11 Blood Pressure Check	<b>13</b> 8:30 Waffles w/Wendell 9-12 Office Open 12 Bible Study 5 Cornerstone Mtg	<b>14</b> 9-12 Office Open 3 Finance Mtg 4 Trustees	<b>7:30 NA Meeting</b> <b>15</b> 9-12 Office Open 9AM Wednesday Workers	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 9 Rummage Sale	<b>18</b> 9 Rummage Sale
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<b>26</b> 10 Worship Service 11 Fellowship Time Potluck!	<b>27</b> 8:30 Waffles w/Wendell 9-12 Office Open 12 Bible Study	<b>28</b> 9-12 Office Open	<b>7:30 NA Meeting</b> <b>29</b> 9-12 Office Open 9AM Wednesday Workers	<b>30</b>		
<i>PNW Annual Conf.</i>			<b>7:30 NA Meeting</b>			

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