UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF SITKA

SUNDAY AND BEYOND

Our Mission Statement:
To proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ, worship God passionately, foster spiritual growth, and provide Christian support and service.

This Week

October 14 – October 21, 2018

Sunday	**10:00 am**	**Worship Service, BeTween Bible Study**
	12:30pm	**Manna Mission led by partnering church***
Tuesday	**6:30 pm**	**Staff Parish Relations Committee**
Wednesday	**6:00 pm**	**Choir Practice**
	6:30 pm	**Bells Practice**
Thursday	**12:00pm**	**Books &Conversation at St. Peter's-by-the-Sea**
Sunday	**10:00 am**	**Worship Service**

**UMC prepares and serves food on the first Sunday of every month at the Lutheran Church as part of Manna Mission which is currently upheld by five local churches*

Ministers This Sunday

Fellowship Host: Colleen Carroll
Altar Flowers: Danny and Guada Nilo
Nursery: Brittany Michael
Pre-School Teacher: Marci Hirai
Elementary Teacher: Colleen Carroll

October 14th	***Kelly Gebler***
October 19th	***Aiden Lafriniere***
October 20th	***Max Cottrell***
October 21st	***Hal Spackman***

Special Upcoming Dates

Earth Care What is the relationship you want with the earth? UMC is hosting Conversation and Supper. Saturday, October 13th, 5:30-7:30pm. Please bring a dish to share. For more information please call 907.747.5985

BeTween Ministries
October 14th Bible Study on *Thoughts* with Mary Boose and Pastor Jojo during Fellowship time.

Books and Conversations Series begins Thursdays, 12:00-1:00pm at St. Peter's-by-the-Sea
Reading : On the Brink of Everything:
Grace, Gravity, and Getting Old by Parker J. Palmer

Alaska Day Healing & Reconciliation Ceremony: A mourning ceremony is taking place next week to acknowledge the trauma that began with the "transfer" of Alaska to the United States. Please join to sing, drum, and come together for healing and reconciliation. For more information, please contact Maggie G. at 907.623.8239

If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it
1 Corinthians 12:26-27

Joys and Concerns

- Jane Seesz's friend Chris
- Jane Seesz's sister, Katie, recovering from back surgery
- Family and Friends of Richard Anderson, on his passing
- Our Sitka Fisherfolks, for harvest provision as they fish
- Those affected by Hurricane Florence in the East Coast and Typhoon Mangkhut in South East Asia
- Roger Hames Jr.
- Bonnie and Max Cottrell's brother-in-law John
- Dwight and Marilyn as Marilyn copes with fibromyalgia
- Dan Jones, praying for success in stem-cell therapy as he was released from the hospital
- Christ and Rollo Pool's nephew, Jason Minor, awaiting kidney transplant
- Beth Haggerty, having new cancer treatment
- Kelly Gebler's Dad who has cancer
- Jim Kelly battling cancer
- Ada Honda for full recovery
- Mimi Goodwin, for healing
- Vicki Keele as she recovers from knee reconstruction*
- Scoot Ledge
- Chuck Bovee who went into skilled nursing care
- Tom and Joanne Ferris for strength and peace
- Marci's niece, Jessica, diagnosed with congestive heart failure
- Ed, Pastor Robert Hattle's friend
- Mary Purvis who suffered from a stroke and her husband Bob
- Jackie Neros's sister as she celebrates grandparenthood for the first time
- Paula Salte as she travels to Washington to care for her elderly aunt. She needs us to pray for calmness, patience and for her settling in and caring for her aunt.
- Mary and Bob Purvis. Mary had a stroke and is at Virginia Mason Hospital. Prayers for healing and recovery.
- Maria, Don Seesz' daughter and the family with the passing of Maria's mother,Pauline.
- Kathy and Andy's daughter,Sarah who will be having her 3rd (hopefully last) reconstructive surgery
- For all those who deal with the "Let Down" of the summer season.
- For Pastor Jojo as she travels to Anchorage this week for meetings.
- Jenny Grant and all of her family. Jenny and her Aunt flew to Colorado to take her mom Barb to her Aunt Diana's home after having hip surgery last week. Barb hasn't been fully awake since her surgery. Her family recently met with hospice care which was helpful.
- Jenny's cousin's 13-year-old daughter (Barb's sister Diana's granddaughter) committed suicide. Please hold them in your thoughts and prayers.

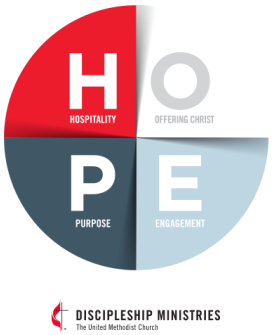
**Meal Train for Vicki Keele. Please take not of the email Marci Hirai sent out to support Vicki who is now at home. She has a short respite until her knee replacement operation. A visit is very welcome and meals, too! The site is www.takethemameal.com. Search: Keele / Password: church.*

Prayer focus this week: **Unalaska UMC**
Matt Reinders, Certified Lay Minister

Please pray with Unalaska.
Good God, you know what we need and when we need it. Thank you for guiding us to find the joy in life and your creation. Thank you for filling our minds and spirits with a sense of humor so we may endure as we do the serious work of Christ in our communities and our world. Fill us with your healing joy when we suffer our worldly burdens and let us be your healing love poured out through our service in Jesus name. Amen

Different kinds of service, but the same Lord (1 Corinthians 12:5-6)

On October 21st, we take time to celebrate the work of the lay people in our worship service. We rejoice in their meaningful contributions, not just in the church but in everyday life – in the community, schools and in the workplace. It is a good time to recognize our call as Christians to service. Julia Smith, our Lay Leader, will be our preacher. May God show us the many ways we can be in ministry!



On Prayer

"Our prayers may be awkward. Our attempts may be feeble. But since the power of prayer is in the one who hears it and not in the one who says it, our prayers do make a difference." - Max Lucado

"The reality is, my prayers don't change God. But, I am convinced prayer changes me. Praying boldly boots me out of that stale place of religious habit into authentic connection with God Himself." - Lysa TerKeurst

"I know that the Lord is always on the side of the right; but it is my constant anxiety and prayer that I and this nation may be on the Lord's side." - Abraham Lincoln

Fun Times with UMC Church Family

A-Z Potluck September 29, 2018

EARTH CARE

SATURDAY OCTOBER 13TH

Sitka United Methodist Church,
303 Kimsham Street
5:30-7:30pm
Bring a local dish to share

CONVERSATION & SUPPER

What is the relationship you want with the earth?

FOR MORE INFORMATION,
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