

RELIGION BRIEFS

Pacific Unitarian Universalist
Rev. Denise M. Cawley began her ministry at the Pacific Unitarian Universalist Fellowship on Sept. 1. Cawley, who is a resident of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, will serve the congregation remotely during the pandemic, as the congregation is not meeting in person yet.

Cawley comes from a nonprofit management career. She did a chaplaincy for Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin for two years. She is also an artist, has led anti-oppression workshops, has knowledge of numerous theologies, and a long history of fundraising, membership and strategic leadership.

“Ministry is a way for me to combine my greatest loves of advocacy, social justice, art, reading and writing into my life’s calling, to inspire people to love while weaving our faith into the fabric of the community,” Cawley said. “We can’t do this work alone. We need each other.”

Astoria Christian Church
For service information and updates, go to astoriachristian.org or bit.ly/AstoriaChristian, call 503-325-2591 or email Astoria-Christian@gmail.com.



Rev. Denise M. Cawley

Astoria First United Methodist Church
For livestream service information and updates, email the church office at office@unitedmethodistastoria.org or call 503-325-5454.

Grace Episcopal Church
The annual Blessing of Animals at Grace Episcopal Church, 1545 Franklin Ave., takes place during the 10 a.m. service on Sunday. Due to the coronavirus, no pets are permitted.

Photos received of pets with their owners will be part of the in-person service, as well as the live broadcast via Facebook. Those attend-

ing are invited to bring photos of pets.

For updates, food pantry hours and in-person and livestream service information, call the church at 503-325-4691, email graceastoria4691@gmail.com or go to graceastoria.org or fb.me/GraceAstoria.

Peace-First Lutheran
The newly merged congregations of Peace Lutheran and First Lutheran churches offer online worship and Holy Communion each Sunday. Go to astoriafirstlutheran.com under “Worship & Music/Videos & Resources” or bit.ly/FLCAstoria.

To receive a DVD of the

services and bulletin, call the office at 503-325-6252 and leave a message.

On Thursdays, at the Peace Lutheran campus, 565 12th St., there are two offerings for study, prayer and meditation.

At 10:30 a.m., a Bible study series is offered: “Dialogues on Race.” To purchase a book, send a donation of \$9.99 to the church or bring a donation to the meeting.

At noon, “Prayer Around the Cross” is offered, along with the litany “For the Healing of the Nations.” All are welcome. Masks are required and social distancing is observed.

For information, contact Steve Kienberger, pastor, at 503-325-6252.

Pioneer Presbyterian Church
WARRENTON — For service information, call the church at 503-861-2421 or go to pioneerchurchpcusa.org.

St. Mary, Star of the Sea Parish
For information about the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry hours, and service and livestreaming information at both the Astoria church and Hammond mission, call 503-325-3671, email office@stmaryastoria.com or go to stmaryastoria.com or bit.ly/stmaryastoria.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Assistance League offers Pandemic Porch Parade

Due to the coronavirus pandemic the Assistance League of the Columbia Pacific’s annual Home and Chef Tour is being replaced by a stay-in-your-car Pandemic Porch Parade, a driving tour of the outside of homes decorated for the fall. There is also a trivia contest and scavenger hunt with prizes.

Tickets cost \$10 for adults; those younger than 18 are free. There are prizes for every child, prize drawings for adults and refreshments. Purchase tickets at the starting point, 725 Niagara Ave., or at bit.ly/FBPorchParade or assistanceleaguecp.org

DAR announces student contests

The Astoria Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution has distributed information to area schools for this year’s student contests.

The Good Citizen contest, for high school seniors, also includes the opportunity to enter a scholarship contest at the local, district, state and national level. One student chosen from each high school has the option to submit an essay.

The theme for this year’s American History essay contest is “The Boston Massacre.” This contest is open to students in grades five through eight and home-schooled students in those grades.

The Junior American Citizens contest is for all children, pre-school through grade 12, and has three different categories for each grade level. The theme is “The 400th Anniversary of the Mayflower: Rise and Shine for New Opportunities in a New Land.” Judging is by grade level, and by criteria of gifted, general and special needs students.

For information, contact the student’s school or call Sue Glen at 503-861-0574.

Washington State Parks hold free day Oct. 10

ILWACO, Wash. — In honor of World Mental Health Day, a free day is being offered Oct. 10 by the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission. This means visitors to state parks will not need a Discover Pass for a day-use visit.

The Discover Pass is still required to access lands managed by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Department of Natural Resources. For information, go to parks.state.wa.us

Talking Tombstones canceled

Talking Tombstones is going 6 feet under due to social distancing as the Clatsop County Historical Society has canceled the event this year.

For 16 years, Talking Tombstones has entertained and educated audiences, typically of more than 500 each year, with graveside tales about some of the region’s most prominent and not-so-prominent citizens.

Talking Tombstones returns in October 2021. For information, call 503-325-2203 or email cchs@astoriamuseums.org

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SELF-HELP GROUPS

Al-Anon (Astoria) — For information, call 503-325-1087.

Al-Anon (Clatskanie) — For information, call 503-728-3351.

Al-Anon (Nehalem) — For information, call 503-368-8255.

Al-Anon (Seaside) — For information, call 503-810-5196 for information.

Al-Anon (Tillamook) — For information, call 503-842-5094 or 503-730-5863.

Al-Anon Family Groups information — Oregon Area Al-Anon website, oregonal-anon.org.

Alateen (Tillamook) — For information, call 503-730-5863.

Alcoholics Anonymous — To find a meeting in Clatsop County, call 971-601-9220, in Tillamook County, call 503-739-4856, or go to aa-oregon.org.

Celebrate Recovery — Faith-based 12-step recovery

from hurts, habits and hang ups. For information, call 503-738-7453.

Sexual Purity Recovery Group — Part of the Pure Life Alliance (purelifealliance.org) in Portland. For information, call the confidential voicemail at 503-750-0817 and leave a message.

Narcotics Anonymous — For full schedule details, as well as upcoming special events, call the helpline at 503-717-3702, or go to na.org.

Overeaters Anonymous (Astoria) — For information, call 425-287-0806.

Overeaters Anonymous (Seaside) — For information, call 503-738-0307.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) (Astoria) — For information, call Trisha Hayrynen at 503-298-9058.

TOPS (Seaside) — For information, call 509-910-0354.

TOPS (Warrenton) — For information, call Cheryl Nitz at 503-338-2132.



LATSOP HEALTH & LIFE
INSURANCE AGENCY

Is Your Medicare Advantage Plan Being Discontinued?
You MUST Take Action to Avoid Losing Coverage

Open enrollment for Medicare Advantage plans begins
October 15th and runs through December 7th.

If you are losing your Medicare Advantage plan, or just turning 65, then you’re eligible to enroll
in either a Medicare Supplement or Medicare Advantage plan. Clatsop Health & Life Insurance
Agency can help you navigate all your options.

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thirty day window that allows you to review your supplement options and change plans,
starting on your birthday.

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always have someone to meet with, face to face, should any questions or concerns arise.

Call Candi Vanderburg or Hamil Brown at 503 325 0154 to set an appointment.

There’s no obligation and no additional charge for our services.

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