

## RELIGION BRIEFS

**Anchor Baptist Church**

The congregation meets at the Astoria Christian Church, 1151 Harrison Ave. On Sundays, the service starts at 1 p.m.; Bible study is at 7 p.m. Thursdays. For information, email anchorbaptistastoria@gmail.com

**Astoria Christian Church**

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

**Astoria First Baptist Church**

First Baptist Church, 349 Seventh St., holds a worship service at 10:45 a.m. Sunday. The service is also broadcast at fb.me/astoriafirstbaptist. There is also a Hispanic worship service, Iglesia Christiana Vida en Cristo, that begins at 10 a.m. in the church basement. Sunday school starts at 9:30 a.m. There is no child care, but children are encouraged to join the service. For information, call the church office at 503-325-1761.

**Astoria First Presbyterian Church**

Astoria First Presbyterian Church, 1103 Grand Ave., holds a worship service at 10 a.m. Sunday. The Clatsop Emergency Food Bank, in the basement at 1103 Grand, is open from 3 to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, except on holidays. The church office hours are from 9 a.m. to noon Monday through Thursday. For information, call 503-325-1702, email office@fpcastoria.org or go to business.facebook.com/fpcastoria

**Astoria First United Methodist Church**

Worship on Sundays is at 10:30 a.m. in person at 1076 Franklin Ave. and via Zoom. For livestream service information, email the church at office@astoriaunitedmethodist.com or call 503-325-5454.

**Bethany Free Lutheran Church**

On Sundays at Bethany Free Lutheran Church, 451 34th St., Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m., and the service is at 11 a.m. "Glad Tidings" is at 8:40 a.m. on KAST 1370 AM. On Mondays, confirmation is at 6 p.m.; Brown Bags is at 1:30 p.m. Tuesdays; and the Bethany Sew-

ing Mission is at 10 a.m. Thursdays. The Women's Missionary Federation meets at 11 a.m. on the second Thursday of the month. For information, go to bethanyfree.com or call 503-325-2925.

**Calvary Episcopal Church**

SEASIDE — Calvary Episcopal Church, 503 N. Holladay Drive, offers the Holy Eucharist on Sunday at 9:30 a.m. For information, call 503-738-5773.

**Common Ground Interspiritual Fellowship**

Common Ground Interspiritual Fellowship holds a service from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Sunday, via Zoom, which is open to all belief systems, including the spiritual but not religious. For information, go to cgifellowship.org. For the Zoom link, email info@cgifellowship.org

**First Church of Christ, Scientist**

Sunday morning services and Sunday school at the Christian Science Church, 632 11th St., are held at 10 a.m.; enter on 11th Street. Wednesday evening testimony meetings are at 7 p.m. Those wishing to attend by phone can get details by calling 971-320-0294. The Reading Room hours are 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, except holidays; enter on Franklin Avenue.

**Grace Episcopal Church**

Grace Episcopal Church, 1545 Franklin Ave., holds a single Sunday service at 10 a.m., also livestreamed on Facebook and YouTube. There are weekday Evening Prayer services at 5 p.m., and on Wednesdays the service includes contemplative music by Jennifer Goodenberger, which is livestreamed. The Grace Food Pantry is open from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday. Church office hours are from 10 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday. For information, call 503-325-4691 or go to graceastoria.org

**Olney Community Church**

The non-denominational Olney Community Church, 89351 Oregon Highway 202, meets at 9:30 a.m. Sunday for breakfast. Sunday school is at 10 a.m., and the worship service is at 11 a.m. All are welcome. A Wednesday Prayer Meet-

ing is at 2 p.m. For information call the church at 503-325-3394 or Ed Hortsch, pastor, at 503-791-4475.

**Pacific Unitarian Universalist**

The Pacific Unitarian Universalist Fellowship now meets in person at noon Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church, 1103 Grand Ave. The sanctuary entrance is on 11th Street between Grand and Harrison avenues. The service is also held via Zoom; for information, go to pacuuf.org

**Peace First Lutheran**

Peace First Lutheran Church holds Sunday services at 8:30 and 11 a.m. at 725 33rd St. The 8:30am service is also streamed live at bit.ly/3rckrMd. Wednesday Bible Study is at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m., with noon-time prayers following the first session, at 565 12th St. For Bible Study Zoom links, email the church office. Church office hours are Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. For information, call 503-325-6252, email office@peacefirstlutheran.com or go to peacefirstlutheran.com

**Pioneer Presbyterian Church**

WARRENTON — For service information, call the church at 503-861-2421 or go to pioneerchurch-cusa.org

**St. Brendan the Navigator Orthodox Church**

St. Brendan the Navigator Orthodox Church, 820 Alameda Ave. holds Vespers is at 5 p.m. Saturday. Light snacks follow in the Community Hall. On Sunday, Rev. Sergey Kakorin, priest-in-charge, leads the congregation through Matins beginning at 8:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy begins at 10 a.m., followed by a potluck in the Community Hall. Masks are optional. For questions, or to learn more about the Orthodox faith, contact Rev. Kakorin at 360-904-7794 or sergeykakorin@gmail.com or go to orthodoxastoria.org

**St. Mary, Star of the Sea Parish**

For information about services at both the Astoria church or the Hammond Mission, or about the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, call 503-325-3671, email office@stmaryastoria.com or go to stmaryastoria.com

## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

**Columbia Memorial Hospital invests in education for nurses**

Clatsop Community College graduated 18 nursing students this year, and all but one have accepted positions at local facilities, including seven at Columbia Memorial Hospital in Astoria.

The hospital has been a consistent supporter of the college's nursing program, and for several years has invested in the nursing faculty with a financial donation through the college foundation, which supports the salary of one full-time nursing instructor.

The gift from Columbia Memorial for the 2021-22 nursing program academic year was \$80,000.

Beyond financial gifts, the hospital and its foundation also provide a wide range of support, including clinical opportunities for students within the hospital and clinics, and participation on college advisory committees.

**Community input invited for Heritage Square survey**

To help shape the development of Heritage Square, a survey is being hosted online by Citizens for Astoria Oregon for 90 days to get as much commu-

nity input as possible.

The goal is to develop Heritage Square into a community space for all. All input from the survey will help the committee establish a plan framework for the pathway forward.

The survey can be found at citizensforastoriaoregon.org. For information, email info@citizensforastoriaoregon.org

**Pickleball lessons offered in Astoria, Gearhart**

Local pickleball enthusiast Meyer Freeman has announced the launch of Playful Pickleball, offering pickleball lessons for beginners and intermediate players in Astoria and Gearhart.

Freeman began playing pickleball two years ago in Gearhart. Last year, he teamed with Richard Marshall, of Seaside, to win the men's 4.0 doubles gold medal at the 2021 Dinko de Mayo tournament in Long Beach, Washington.

"I am hoping to introduce more people on the North Coast to the joys of America's fastest-growing sport," he said. "I absolutely love playing pickleball, and believe it has a truly unique ability to bring people together."

For information, go to GoPlayPickle.com or call 503-916-4153.

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## COMMUNITY NOTES

**FRIDAY**

**Senior Lunch To Go** — Pick up a hot lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., Bob Chisholm Community Center, 1225 Ave. A, Seaside. Drive up to Avenue B to pick up at back door. For information, call Suzanne Bjaranson at 503-861-4202; for new Meals on Wheels inquiries, call 503-304-3420.

**Columbia Senior Dinners** — Full Meals \$6: Delivered to seniors or pickup available at the Astoria Senior Center kitchen door, 1111 Exchange St.

For information, or meal delivery, call 503-325-9693 before 10 a.m.

**Seaside Bridge Club** — All bridge players, players with partners, welcome. Proof of vaccination and booster and masks required. For information, call 503-325-0029 or 503-791-9745.

**Better Breathers Club** — Sessions offer support, ways and techniques to cope with COPD, asthma, pulmonary fibrosis and other respiratory issues. Caregivers also welcome. For information, call 800-562-8964.

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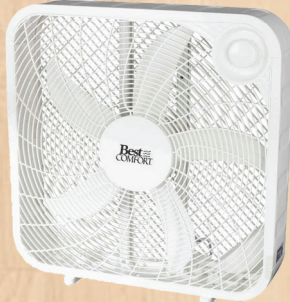


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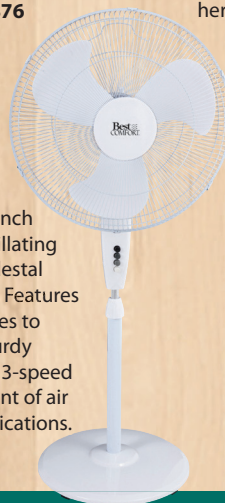
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