



What a morning!

In our Church history there have been events that have defined who we are and what we are about. These are the occasions that cause us to say, "Remember when...." I think of Tent City, Mary's Place sheltering, Christmas Eve pageants, Easter breakfasts, etc.. And now I add the May 23 baptism and confirmation Sunday to the list of memorable times.



Last Sunday was a gray day. But the air was full of warmth and excitement at Calkins Landing where surrounded by several members of our congregation and led by Pastor John and Reverend Carol, four of our youth were baptized by immersion in Lake Washington, and two more waded into the water to remember their baptism. What a moment!

Later in the morning during the worship service Winston, Grace, Karen, Julie, and John all shared their faith journey with the congregation, expressing gratitude for our Church family and what the Confirmation/Baptism curriculum has meant to them. Their poise and heart-felt messages were truly inspirational. We are honored to have these young people as part of our Church., and I thank God for each one of them.

Linda Hodge, Lay Leader

WHAT IS COMING UP?

Sermon Titles in the Month of June



June 6	"Being renewed day by day"	2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1
June 13	"Live by faith, not by sight"	2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17
June 20	"In the Holy Spirit and in sincere love"	2 Corinthians 6:1-13
June 27	"Excel in everything"	2 Corinthians 8:7-15

An online Live streaming worship service link is provided to the congregation by email at 10:45am each Sunday. Please contact the church office @ 206.232.3044, or miumc@hotmail.com if you need any assistance to join virtually in worship. The link is also available on <https://www.facebook.com/mercerislandumc/>

The Month of June

June 1st	In-Person Ad Council Meeting @ 11am in the Church Library
June 6th	The Holy Communion Service @ 11am
June 8-9th	Annual Conference on Zoom
June 20th	Father's Day
June 27th	Sunday morning worship with a Guest Speaker

Every Sunday 9:30 am - 10:30 am Adult Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall

Every Tuesday 7:00 am - 8:00 am Telios Bible Study through Zoom

Every Tuesday 9:30 am -10:30 am In-Person Tuesday Fellowships for Women in the Kitchen and Men in the Library

Every Wednesday 9:30 am - 10:30 am Wednesday Weeders @ the Church Garden

WHAT HAPPENED?

Baptisms and a Confirmation was held at Calkins Landing on Pentecost Sunday



Thanksgiving over the water
by Rev. Carol Mariano



All mentors and members of the church, we are very thankful for your prayers, support and presence.

Congratulations to
Winston, Karen, Julie &
(little) John for their
baptisms!

“The Holy Spirit work within
you, that being born
through water and Spirit,
you may be a faithful
disciple of Jesus Christ.”

Amen.



Congratulations to Grace for
her confirmation!

“Remember your baptism
and be thankful!” **Amen.**







Mission u 2021

There's Far More Here THAN MEETS THE EYE

So we're not giving up. How could we! Even though on the outside it often looks like things are falling apart on us, on the inside, where God is making new life, not a day goes by without [God's] unfolding grace. [...] There's far more here than meets the eye. The things we see now are here today, gone tomorrow. But the things we can't see now will last forever.

2 Corinthians 4:16-18, (MSG)

We have known and felt what it is like when “things are falling apart on us.” We have experienced a great unraveling that has shifted, quite literally, everything.

Could there be, as 2 Corinthians put it, “far more here than meets the eye”?

Mission u, like many activities in our lives, has moved online. While virtual, we are still creating spaces for spiritual community, lifelong friendships, lessons that change us and our communities, and spiritual practices that arrive when we need them most. In a time when it looks like things are falling apart on us, God's grace is still unfolding and life is being made new.

Indeed: There's far more here than meets the eye. Will you join us?

At our upcoming Mission u, we will examine anxiety, the culture of violence that impacts children in and out of schools, and how we as God's people can deepen our moral witness and respond faithfully.

Our 2021 Mission u in the Pacific Northwest Conference will offer the following studies

Thursday through Saturday, July 29-31, online via Zoom, 4 hours each day:

Spirituality Study: *Finding Peace in an Anxious World*, edited by Erin James-Brown,
Taught by Rev. Joanne Coleman Campbell

Issues Study: *Pushout: The Criminalization of Black Girls in Schools* by Monique Morris,
Taught by Donna Farrell, Nica Sy and Angela Reed

Youth Study: *Becoming Peacemakers in a Culture of Violence: A Curriculum for Youth Leaders* by Jay Godfrey, Taught by Abby Niehaus

Children's Study: *Responding to Violence: A Curriculum for Children's Facilitators*
by Sue Raymond, Taught by Rudilyn Rush

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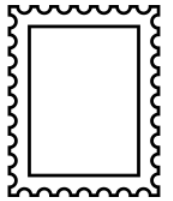
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