

# September News!



Pastor Trista has been working with community members, Jaykob Wood and Mallory Gruben to rejuvenate our church garden and feed our new neighbors!



## The Garden of Eat'n is Growing again!



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## TUMC News: September 2021

Join us at St John's UCC  
for shared worship with the  
**Tillamook Ecumenical Community**  
this Sunday, 29 August 2021  
**@ 10:30 AM!**

Worship will be in-person (masked) and available online.

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**Dear ones in Christ,**



As we cautiously move back towards in-person gathering, we invite the Spirit of Grace and Courage to be upon us. We will begin a new **sermon series in September** entitled, "[Stories by the Sea](#)".

Jesus often told parables, mini stories, to illustrate complex theological points about the ways His followers were being called to live, and the ways the Kingdom and the Spirit of God were being revealed in their midst. What do these stories have to teach us today? And what is the significance of water in the Scriptures?

We will explore these together through the month of September.

Join us in-person, (masked) or online through the button below, Sundays in September at 11 AM.

[Worship Live Link – www.facebook.com/TillamookUMC](https://www.facebook.com/TillamookUMC)

My beloved congregants,

I have been so blessed to meet many of you in these few weeks since arriving here in Tillamook at the end of June. These COVID times have not been particularly kind to many of us, and have prevented us from having the meet-and-greet we were so excited for upon our initial settling in. However, we are cautiously optimistic that we can plan for a gathering at the end of September so that I can meet more of you in person.



**Pastor Trista Wynne**

Until then, you may want to get to know me through a phone call, or a one-on-one meeting in the entryway of the church. We have some lovely benches out front to sit on! I want to express my deep desire to get to know you as well as my value in keeping my family healthy to the best of my capacity. My husband and I care for my father-in-law who lives with us and has some medical complexities. Many of you are caregivers as well, and you understand this value. I appreciate your understanding.

For those of you who have not yet met me, please allow me to introduce myself a little bit through this letter.

My father was a farmer by trade, in his childhood and youth. Many of you know the shift in farming techniques that came about in the 60s which drove many family farms to close down and young people to need to seek employment in the city. My father was among that group, and moved from the Chehalis, WA area to Portland, seeking employment and financial stability in the tech realm. Although it did provide a stable environment for my older siblings to have their early years, the realm of technology certainly had its growing pains. And, as computers moved from being as big as a room in a typical home to being personal sized, known as the PC, those who had been trained in the “old school” no longer had a place. So, once again, my father made a choice to shift his focus.

To care for his family and maintain our stability in location, he established himself as a yard maintenance worker, a custodian of church grounds and began studying to become a Master Gardener. For all of my late childhood and youth years, I worked together with him, with my younger brother, and with my nephews and nieces who had then entered the picture as we cared



for many people's gardens and yards. I am a salt-of-the-earth kind of person. Although born in the city, I never really found myself fitting there.

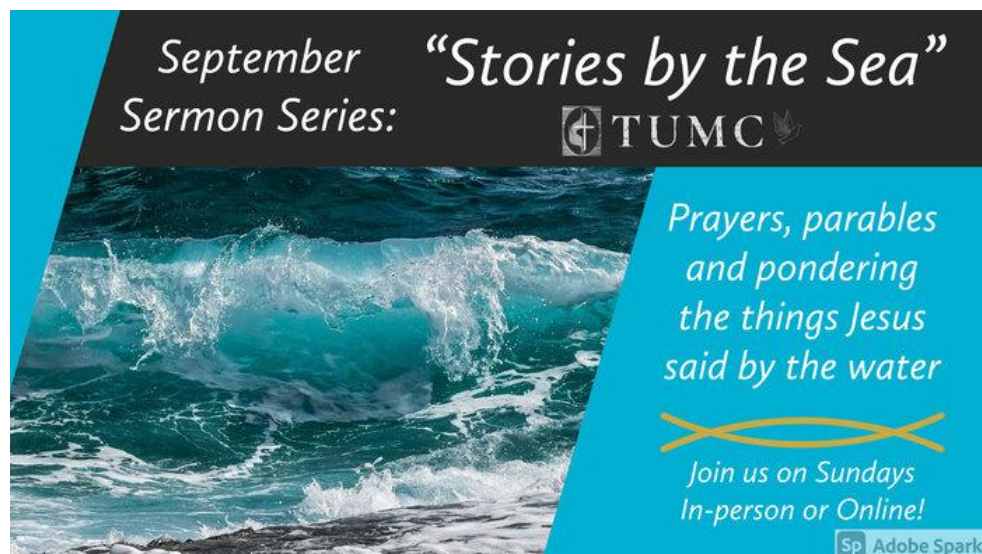
So, it is with great delight that I received my calling to this area of open country. I have not only been connected to the earth my whole life, finding God's presence in the natural world all around me from my youth, but I have also had a very deep relationship with the Ocean for as long as I can remember. This place seems like a perfect fit for me.

And so, I am at ease in these lands already. I was raised with tales from my father's time as a small family rancher, so looking out the parsonage window and into the eyes of the Jersey Swiss and Holstein ladies feels very familiar to me. I can sense my father's presence in the ways things unfolded with the calling that brought me to your homeland here in Tillamook.

I look forward to hearing your stories, too! I pray that our shared ministry here at Tillamook UMC will be a blessing to you, and that our relationship can unfold in a good way that leads to long-term partnership and dreaming together with the Spirit's guidance. I am excited to see what our beloved Christ desires to do in our midst as we grow together as the Family of God.

Grace to you and peace,

*Pastor Trista Wynne*





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## **Thank you Grub Club Volunteers!**

Grub Club worked this summer to fight off hunger in our community. We served over 5000 meals this summer. Volunteers came from all over the county, and from many different faiths. Some saw ads on Facebook and said I can do that. Other were recruited by current volunteers. While still more volunteers were long time

volunteers committed to feeding children. Grub club is also helped by community partners who drove lunches, and donated.

**Thank you so much for protecting children in our community from hunger!**



**Can you believe summer is almost over?**

**That means it's almost time for chimes!**

We are always looking to welcome new members into the chime choir. We currently have some vacant positions. If you have a basic understanding of music (have an understanding of note values and beats per measure), you can definitely play hand chimes!

Last year, we met at Tillamook UMC on Mondays from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Because of COVID restrictions, we recorded music which was used during online worship. This chime season, we are hoping for some in-person performances.

If you are interested in checking out the chimes, how they are played, and want some general information, please do not hesitate to contact me at my telephone number below. If you know of someone who may be interested in playing chimes, please pass this information on!

One last thing... we laugh as much as we play!

Debby Hendrickson  
Director, Pacific Chimes  
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**Online Giving:** We appreciate your continued support for our ministry in the world and in our Tillamook community!

You are welcome to donate through our online platform (click the "Give" button on our website navigation strip) or to mail your checks through USPS: 3808 12th St, Tillamook, OR 97141.

With your ongoing help and support, we continue our mission of Nourishing our Community with the Love of Christ.

**Give Online -- <https://www.tillamookumc.org/give>**

## **SAVE THE DATE: Meet the Wynne Family!**

Pastor Trista, Matthew and Earl Wynne are looking forward to meeting everyone!

We are tentatively scheduling a meet-and-greet for our community and neighbors to have an outside gathering with music and refreshments for  
**Sunday, September 26th @ 3:00 PM.**



Watch your online or USPS announcements for more details near the middle of the month and save the date!

## **Remember!**

On our website, [www.tillamookumc.org](http://www.tillamookumc.org) you can also **access our past services** which have been online, and if you scroll down the page a bit, you can listen to the audio recordings of Pastor Trista's first few sermons with us in July.

### **Directions to see our recorded online worship services:**

From our webpage, look at the top of the site where you will see "Home" "About Us" "Worship" "Events" "Ministries" "Give" and "Visit Us". Each of those navigation tabs will take you to a different part of our website. Clicking on "[Worship](#)" at the top of the screen will bring you to a page that contains our latest worship service as an embedded video which you can watch right there on the site.

As you scroll down, you will also see buttons which lead you to "[Our YouTube Channel](#)", and another that leads to our "[Worship Archive](#)" from our shared Zoom services with the Tillamook County Methodists United over the past several months. We are so glad to offer these services for the nourishment of your souls!

Until we are together in person again, may the Spirit of Grace support you, may the Love of Christ infuse you with hope, and may the Blessed Creator grant you sustenance and wisdom in how best to be the Body of Christ right where you are.

Blessings to you all!





## Faith Quilters



Mondays  
9 AM  
to Noon



Do you like to  
create?

Contact Cathie  
Favret to learn  
more about our  
Monday morning  
Faith Quilters!

Join Pastor Trista

For a time of

Contemplative

Prayer on

Wednesdays,

Beginning Sept 1<sup>st</sup>

at Noon

## Contemplative Prayer



Weds  
at  
Noon



## Praying through our Bodies!



Shibashi:  
Tuesdays  
at  
Noon



Join Pastor Trista

For Shibashi

Body Prayer on

Tuesdays,

Beginning Sept 7<sup>th</sup>

at Noon

Stretch your Soul!