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Reflections from Pastor Vidal

Vidal Mendoza



As we enter November, a season of thanksgiving, my heart is filled with gratitude for what God is doing in our church. From our successful bread-making class to our Care Groups and community outreach, we continue to see how God is using ordinary people to make an extraordinary difference. These activities are more than events; they are opportunities to build relationships, share hope, and reflect the love of Jesus. I am grateful for every member who faithfully gives their time, talents, and energy to serve others.

As we look ahead, I believe God is calling us to become a church that is even more intentional about its mission. This month, we will come together to prayerfully shape the future of our church, and every voice matters. My prayer is that we become a place where every generation feels loved, every member finds a purpose, and our community sees Jesus through us. As we celebrate Thanksgiving, let us thank God not only for what He has done, but also for what He is preparing to do through us.

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ARTISAN BREAD MAKING CLASS

Our bread making class on October 11 was a smashing success! With about 70 delightful community guests, a few member attendees and 15-18 church volunteers, it was animated, interesting and fun! A few of our guests had attended previous classes, and some came the following weekend for the neuroplasticity seminar. As always, Laurie's presentation and detailed notes could walk anyone successfully through the process. The small group, hands-on stations were a hit! Each group made a batch of dough, which was raffled off along with a beautiful dutch oven for baking bread. One of the survey responses summed things up pretty well- "The class was educational, family oriented, hands-on and fun". We closed out with a lovely, light soup and bread supper, with everyone getting to try the different variations of the bread that was made, and gave the chance to get acquainted with our guests. Thanks to all who came, to the volunteers for all their efforts, and the health ministries team. There's more coming… Denise Henry









CORN ROAST – OCTOBER 17

We gathered together for the church corn roast in the field behind our school building. It was a great evening of fellowship for the approximately 30 of us. We enjoyed corn on the cob as well as other food brought by all. We sat around the campfire and sang songs as well as marveled at the amazing sky that God created. We ended the evening with group prayer led by Pastor We hope to see more of you next year. Cari Trussell









OUTREACH MINISTRY REPORT - NOVEMBER 3

We have been working diligently toward becoming a Mission Driven Church over this past year and would like to share with you some of God's work here at the Enumclaw SDA church:

1) Our 2nd bread making class Sunday October 11 brought 70 or so people interested in a healthy lifestyle locally as well as from the entire Puget Sound from as far away as Seattle and Bellingham. After the class we got to sample some fresh baked bread and four different yummy homemade soups with the fellowship of our new community friends who attended the class.

2) Shirlee Crain, Pastor Vidal, and David Wienecke have been contacting 11 local community churches and we have several who have said they will join us for our Christmas program Friday December 18 with the entire community invited as we celebrate the birth of our Lord & Savior Christ Jesus. We are now in the final planning process to put together the Christmas program, so if you are interested in participating, we are ready to get those into our planning process.

3) As Lori Noel shared recently our community food donations to help give food insecure youth some badly needed help gave more than our target of soup for our October food drive.

4) Laura Duncan is doing a fantastic job with the community services for clothing, furniture, and other support for those in need. Donations are always welcome.

5) Our Board has embarked on a reading & discussion of the book Mission-Driven Church which is generating some really good discussions as we plan for our future to increase our community outreach & support to share God's love with our community. We just finished the chapter on mission, vision, & priorities and November 14 will finalize our thoughts so we can share with the church to get consensus on our priorities into 2027.

6) Each week we bring a mission spotlight to the church of what we are doing and invite you to join us with your ideas and Spirit guided thoughts of how best we can move forward as a Spirit led body of Christ. David Wienecke

Care Groups for this Fall:

Volleyball,	Thursday night at 7:00 pm	Gym	Darren Gronewold
Bible Study-1&2 Corinthians	Tuesday evening at 6:00 pm	Orting	Mark Richardson
Exercise - Aerobics	Sunday at 1:00 pm & Tuesday at 7:00 pm	Gym	Shirlee Crain
Exercise - Calisthenics	Wednesday & Friday at 8:00 AM	Fellowship Hall	Jonathan Sule
Ukuleles for Jesus	2nd & 4th Sabbath in November	Junior/Earliteen	Warren Sakaino
Bible Study-Romans	Tuesday at 6:00 pm	Auburn	Karen Hackett
Visiting	Going 2 by 2 to visit		Robin Gehring
Vespers	Friday at 6:30 pm	Fellowship Hall	David Wienecke
Safety	When determined	Enumclaw	Gary Raley
Journey to Wholeness	Monday at 6:00 pm		Chad Crain

AROUND THE CONFERENCE





BEYOND THE CONFERENCE





All six main presentations from the 2026 North Pacific Union Ministerial Convention are now available to listen to online!

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Upcoming Events

November 15: Men's Ministry Breakfast
November 28: Thanksgiving Potluck