

NEW TO ALDERWOOD?

→For Our Guests

- We're glad you are here! Stop by the Welcome Center in the lobby and pick up a **Guest Gift Bag**...includes a gift certificate for a beverage of your choice at the espresso stand in our lobby.
- Please fill out a Communication Card located in the chair pocket in front of you and place it in the offering plate later in the service, or drop it off at the Welcome Center.
- You are welcome to take one of the Bibles under the chairs as a gift from us.
- All of our worship services experience the same sermon but have distinct musical styles: the 8:30am service is a blend of hymns and contemporary worship songs, and may include Choir & Orchestra. The 10:00am and 11:30am services offers a modern, alternative worship style.
- We offer a supervised and secure nursery, a preschool aged program, and classes for adults and kids of all ages.
- If your baby becomes fussy during the worship service, feel free to take them to our Cry Room located in the East Hallway. (No sick children please.) The service will be on a TV monitor.
- If you need prayer, please come forward at the end of the service. We will have prayer team members there ready to pray with you.

→Our Mission Statement

To live and lead others to live as everyday followers of Jesus.

→Website

A wealth of useful information for newcomers and regular attendees is located on our church website, alderwood.cc which is updated on a regular basis with upcoming events, and sermons available on audio and video.

Large print editions of this bulletin are available on the usher's table at the back of the auditorium.



Join us on **The City**, our online network that is group-oriented and all about helping our attendees to stay engaged regularly as a church family. In **The City** you can set up a profile, use it as an online church directory, communicate with your service ministry, and more. To sign up for **The City**, or for more information, visit the Welcome Center today. **The City**...Where Church and Life Connect.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Message

Brad McConnaughey

We extend to you an invitation to come to the front of the auditorium following the service and talk with a prayer team member if you have questions of a spiritual nature.

SERMON OUTLINE

For electronic users:

What is this? Scan this QR Code with your tablet and download today's sermon outline. Don't have a QR Code reader? Search for "QR Code Reader" in your app store.



→Giving Update

11/26/17 Sunday Attendance	1,253
Last Week's Giving	\$34,112
Last Week's E-giving	\$16,721
Needed Weekly	\$60,945
Received Fiscal Year to Date	\$740,213
Needed Fiscal Year to Date	\$792,283

→Missions Giving

Last Week's Giving	\$4,095
Last Week's E-giving	\$1,722
Needed Weekly	\$7,230
Received Fiscal Year to Date	\$93,631
Needed Fiscal Year to Date	\$93,985

(Fiscal Year: Sept. 2017 thru Aug. 2018)

MISSIONARY UPDATE

→Arlene Sorenson
OMF International

Dear Alderwood Family:

Don't you love going to Christmas concerts and watching the conductor and the musicians as they make awesome music together? It is fascinating and enjoyable! In a way, they picture how God orchestrates the details of our lives and works in His Church around the world!

The word "orchestrate" means "to organize or plan something that is complicated." This word has come to mind often recently when I consider how the Lord has been working in my life, in my friends, and in our church.

Last month I was privileged to attend a conference in the UK where over 100 members of the team I serve with gathered for six days. We represented 13 different nationalities serving in 20 different countries. It was good to be together with my teammates who will receive the member care newsletters which I am assigned to write. Some are singles or couples working on their own without other teammates.

At conference I heard stories of God's orchestration in their lives. Some examples are: A German man met his Chinese wife at Bible college in Canada and are now reaching Chinese for Christ in Germany. The Lord is using an Asian couple in Kenya to lead Chinese businessmen to Christ. A retired British couple, who served in Thailand and Cambodia for many years, is now pouring their lives into Thai people all over the UK.

Another definition of orchestrate is "activity requiring action by more than one person." To me this speaks of our total dependence upon the Lord. As in an orchestra, each of us has a part to play but we are privileged to live under the direction of our Lord who is all-knowing and trustworthy. Our conference speaker taught on The Abundant Life (**John 15**) and reminded us of the importance of setting aside time to spend with God instead of always being busy for God. It is a privilege to be a part of Alderwood Community Church. Your support and fellowship in the Lord is much appreciated. He is our Strength and we share strength from Him as we fellowship together.

Let's encourage each other to keep watching for how He orchestrates the circumstances of our lives!
Sincerely,
Arlene



ALDERWOOD 
community church

Sunday worship: 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30am

Worship recordings and assistive listening devices are available at the Welcome Center.

Church office hours

Mon-Thurs 8:30-4:30 and Friday 8:30-3:30

Free WiFi: AlderwoodFamily
Password: genesis1:1

E-Giving available through
our website: alderwood.cc

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INFO & NEWS

→Christmas Production

Last Two Shows Today!

Tickets may still be available to the final two performances today at 3:30 and 6:30pm...stop by the Welcome Center/WILL CALL to see if there are tickets available.

→Christmas Assistance

If you are a regular attendee of Alderwood and in need of financial assistance for the holidays, please fill out a Christmas benevolence application available at the Welcome Center on Sundays.

December 17th is the deadline to apply.

Any requests where the applicant does not consistently attend ACC will be referred to local food banks. We ask that individuals only fill out requests for themselves or their immediate family.

→Art Scene

Artists, our next Art Scene meeting is this Thursday, **December 7th** at 6:30pm in E106. Even if you are a beginning artist, or just like to dabble, join us. You will find an amazing group who will help you on your journey. Join our group on The City: "Visual Arts Ministry" and our Facebook page: "Alderwood Community Church Art Scene". Questions? Email DeanHuberArt@gmail.com.

→Coffee Connection

Sunday, December 10th at 11:15am

An opportunity to connect with a pastor over a cup of coffee. Come personally meet some of our pastoral staff and learn more about Alderwood Community Church...plus a tour of the building! Held after second service.



→Silver & Gold Christmas Celebration

Senior adults! Plan to attend the Christmas Luncheon on Tuesday, **December 12th**, noon to 2:00pm, with Taproot Theatre presenting *Gift of the Magi*. Bring a food item (optional) for our buffet luncheon and enjoy!



→Christmas Services

Sunday, December 24th

Christmas Eve falls on Sunday this year, so we will have **four IDENTICAL services**...two in the morning and two in the evening. Childcare will be available through kindergarten. **Get free TICKETS for the service you want to attend in the West Hallway TODAY.**

SERVICE TIMES:

10:00am, 11:30am, 3:30pm, 5:00pm

→Housing Need

Good news! Our ACC Good Neighbor Team now has the tremendous opportunity to serve four African men who have arrived in the US and are in need of love, friendship, and practical help. We are seeking to help them rent a 2-bedroom house or apartment. If you have something that might work, please contact Pastor Steve.Brooks@amcc.org

→Wednesday Prayer Meeting

Held weekly in the Prayer Room, 11:30am-1:00pm. Come for all or just part of the time...join us in prayer for our missionaries, pastors and staff, our nation, and our families.

→Vision House Gift Card Drive

Alderwood would like to bless our friends at the local ministry of Vision House this Christmas with gift cards. Gift cards empower homeless parents at Vision House to purchase their own gifts and items consistent with their holiday traditions. Additional gift cards are used throughout the year as needs arise. Suggestions for gift cards are Safeway, Albertsons, QFC, Amazon, VISA or Mastercard, Starbucks, Subway, McDonald's, Coscto, Regal Cinemas, Chevron, Shell, Arco or 76. Please bring your gift cards to the West Hallway on **December 10th or 17th**.

→Made Known: A Community Gathering for Pregnancy and Infant Loss

Volunteer teams needed for an upcoming event for those who have experienced pregnancy and infant loss in our church and in our community. Please email Lisa.Schmidt@amcc.org or call 425.774.7766 if you are interested in helping.



→Life Group Sign-ups

Winter quarter *Life Groups* will begin soon! *Life Groups* are the answer to the question of how to really "connect" at ACC, and we encourage everyone to participate in one! Sign-ups begin December 31st.



→LifePaths Winter Quarter

Our new ten-week courses will begin in January. We're offering four wonderful courses this quarter! *Lifestyle by Jesus*, *Parenting*, *Apologetics*, and *Financial Peace*. Sign-ups begin on December 31st.

WOMEN

→Uplifters

Our Christmas Luncheon Buffet will be Thursday, **December 7th** at 12:30. Please RSVP by 12/4. We have special music and a special treat with Laurie Hauser-Treece speaking. If you have had cancer or are going through it now, please come and enjoy this Christmas celebration and support.

→FaithWorks (a ministry handwork group)

Meeting Friday **December 8th**, 9:30am-12:30pm at the Randall's home in Brier. Finished items and donations of yarn/needles can be left at the Welcome Center. Questions? Call Sue Randall at 425.673.0296.

→Widow's Might Christmas Brunch

Friday, **December 8th**, noon to 2pm in E104. Our speaker will be Pastor Ken Draper and we will have a carol sing and piano by Joanne Montgomery. Your RSVP is all you need to join us... Contact Carolee Ivers at optigal2@comcast.net or 425.774.7601.

→WMF Quilting

Service project volunteers needed **Dec. 5 & 19** anytime between 9am-2pm (bring a sack lunch for the noon break). No skill required! If you have an eye for color, the ability to tie knots or pin material, we need YOU! Some non-profit community groups are in real need of warm quilts. We recently donated 25 to the Snohomish County Domestic Violence Shelter and our supply is depleted. Donations being accepted: new or clean, gently used sheets (flat or fitted, all sizes) and fabric of all kinds and sizes. Questions: NoraMeissner@hotmail.com.

CHILDREN

→Dynamic Praise Kids

Registration is open now for our children's choir... 2nd-5th graders meet every Tuesday from 7:00-8:15pm beginning January 9th and going through the end of May. Registration and regular attendance is required. alderwood.cc/DPK

→Family Movie Night

Friday, December 8th, 6pm

Come join us for a free family movie night showing *Moana* in the Auditorium. There will be free popcorn and lemonade! Don't forget to bring blankets and pillows to get comfortable.

DECEMBER 17

Life Together Sunday

Our quarterly Life Together Sunday services include baptisms, communion, baby dedications, and recognition of new members during all three service times: 8:30, 10:00, and 11:30am. If you would like to be baptized or participate in a dedication for your child, please stop at the Welcome Center to pick up an information packet, or you may contact Lois.Harless@amcc.org to have an **electronic copy emailed to you.** **Application deadline, Tuesday, 12/12.**

STUDENTS

→ASM Middle School, 6-8 grade

- Sunday Worship at 10am in the Storm Cellar.
- Wednesday night, 6:30-8:30pm in the Storm Cellar. Feliz Navidad Christmas Bunco and Taco Bar Christmas Party **December 13th**, normal ASM time. Invite a friend!
- **WINTER CAMP** January 13-15 at Black Diamond Camp. Registration is open NOW! alderwood.cc/blackdiamond



→ASM High School, 9-12 grade

- Sunday Worship at 10am in the Manor.
- Wednesday night, 6:30-8:30pm in the Manor. Christmas Party Trivia Night & Dinner **December 13th**, normal ASM time. Invite a friend!
- **Albania 2018 Info Meeting** – Next Sunday, **December 10th**, 11:30am in the Manor. This meeting is for students and parents, and we would ask anyone even *thinking* about joining a 2018 Albania team to attend. Applications will be handed out at the meeting.
- **WINTER CAMP** February 9-11 at Tall Timber Camp. Registration is open NOW! alderwood.cc/talltimber

Daily Bible Reading

	READINGS	PSALMS OF PRAYER
12/3	Hebrews 5-6	Psalms 27
12/4	Hebrews 7-8	Psalms 28
12/5	Hebrews 9-10	Psalms 29
12/6	Hebrews 11-13	Psalms 30
12/7	James 1-3	Psalms 31
12/8	James 4-5	Psalms 32
12/9	1 Peter 1-2	Psalms 33
12/10	1 Peter 3-5	Psalms 34