



**WILSON MEMORIAL CHAPEL
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March 2017

Dear Friends:

This coming summer marks the 100th anniversary of the Wilson Memorial Chapel. According to Chapel records, the first service was held in August 1917, after Reverend Wilson had completed construction of the Chapel in memory of his wife, Janet Wilson.

We have some special activities planned for this coming summer, to commemorate the 100th anniversary, and we hope that you will be able to join us. In addition to this letter, details will be published in the Boothbay *Register* and on our website – more about that below – by early summer.

The weekend of July 15-16, we will celebrate the 95th occasion of a visit to Ocean Point and the Chapel, from the Maine Seacoast Mission. The *Sunbeam* will be brought down to the Boothbay Harbor area (built at Washburn & Doughty in 1995, the *Sunbeam* will be returning home!). Residents and visitors will be able to tour the boat and learn first-hand about the *Sunbeam*'s mission and capabilities, and how the boat and her crew provide support to residents of many Maine islands, as well as many people living on the mainland. Tours will be on Sunday, the 16th, from 11:00 – 1:00 via boat shuttles from the Card Cove dock. The Maine Seacoast Mission will also have its own event on July 15.

On Sunday, August 6, we will have a commemorative service at 1:30 p.m., followed by a reception starting at 2:30 and open to all Ocean Pointers and friends, and their guests. The service will provide a brief retrospective of the Chapel over the last 100 years, and honor the many who have served faithfully in the Chapel's mission. The reception will be a wonderful celebration, with refreshments, for all comers.

Regular Sunday services at 9:30 a.m. will start on June 25 and continue to September 3. Whether at one, or both, of the special events, or on any summer Sunday, we hope that you will join us as we celebrate 100 years of the Chapel's ministry and history, and look forward to the next 100 years.

Our new website will be live shortly; please visit www.WilsonMemorialChapel.org. Details of the 100th anniversary celebration will be shared and available on the website. And the Chapel will be included in the Boothbay Region Garden Club Home and Garden Tour on July 21.

We cannot send this letter out without mentioning some very sad news. As many of you may have heard, Danny Beal, the Chapel's long-time organist and a well-known, universally-liked musician, died in January. Danny brought lots of joy, laughter and music wherever he went. We will miss him.

We hope to see you this summer.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stan Martin', written in a cursive style.

Stan Martin, President