



MEET RYAN!

My name is Ryan Murray and I'm originally from Overland Park, KS---a suburb of the Kansas City metropolitan area. I'm an ordained UCC minister and work full-time as a hospice chaplain. I have a passion for end-of-life spiritual care and am so glad to do the work that God has called and prepared me to do. In addition to "traditional" spiritual care, I frequently use music in my work.

I've been in the Pacific Northwest nearly three years and I moved here to be closer to my sister and her family, who moved to Portland in mid-2016. I love the outdoors and spend lots of time hiking and going to the coast, especially the Long Beach peninsula, which I have come to know and love. The Northwest is wonderful in that we have mountains, forests, and the ocean. All of that (along with the beautiful summers) makes the dreary winters worth enduring.

I'm a writer as well, currently working on a novel for high-school age readers. I play guitar and bass and am an avid cook and baker. I enjoy yoga and outdoor photography.

Lastly, after plenty of relationships that didn't ultimately work out, I'm still looking for the right woman to spend my life with....a never-ending quest, evidently.



RYAN MURRAY



<https://www.facebook.com/groups/Olynnials/>

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UPCOMING EVENTS



September

BOARD GAME NIGHT!

Friday, September 6th @ 6 pm – 9 pm

Location: Kuhns' Home – 704 N 6th Ave SW, Tumwater

Provided: Tacos, chips & salsa

Bring: Your own drinks, snacks, or sweets (completely optional)

Drop in for a fun night of socializing and board games! Feel free to bring a favorite game and we'll break up into groups and play whatever sounds fun!

Bring a friend and play some games! We'll have some tacos and chips & salsa and catch up with one another. If you have a favorite game, bring it! Otherwise we'll have plenty to choose from.

p.s. If you're coming to the retreat, this is good chance to bring your \$25 cash/check so you don't forget later on.

Olynnial Zip Lining Retreat!

ZIP LINING | CAMPING | FELLOWSHIP

SEPTEMBER 21ST + 22ND

\$25 COVERS FOOD, TRANSPORTATION, ZIP LINING, AND CAMPING!

See below for details on the retreat! I'll be coordinating packing lists and meal prep next week and will send out an email to those who have RSVP'd "yes" with this information. Stay tuned!

Summer Zip Line Retreat!



PLEASE EMAIL ME YOUR RSVP IF YOU HAVEN'T DONE SO – IT'S NOT TOO LATE! Save the date for **Saturday, 09/21 and Sunday, 09/22.**

We will spend the day taking a boat ride to Treehouse Island (1 hour south of Olympia) and zip lining through the forest! Then we'll camp out in tents together on the island. We'll enjoy making dinner together, walking on the trails, having meaningful discussions, playing games, making s'mores around the campfire pit, and slowing life down, even if it's just overnight ☺ Also, think about if there are any friends you'd like to invite so we can plan accordingly. **Please bring \$25 to me at Westminster or to our next gathering (cash or check). You can also pay online https://eservicepayments.com/cgi-bin/vanco_ver3.vps and record it under "General Fund." Under notes on the next page, add "Olynnial Retreat – YOUR NAME."** Want a sneak peek? Visit: www.thetreehouseisland.com



WHAT'S NEW?



Westminster Village Service Project

Saturday, Aug 24th @ 9:30 am: Save the date for our first ground-breaking work party! We will need laborers to spread gravel, remove plant debris, and to prepare the grounds for the first wave of tiny homes being brought into the village that were generously built by other congregations. If you are unable to provide physical labor but want to still help out that day, you could drop by with a snack for the crew! We'll be starting at 9:30, but come whenever you're available and we'll find a place for you! Bring work gloves and sturdy shoes!

Got a Name Idea? Submissions for naming the tiny home village are taking place now! If you have a good one, email Susan Harris ASAP at susanakin@comcast.net. Voting will be taking place soon!

p.s. if you have any questions regarding the tiny home village, shoot me an email and I'll find out the answer for ya!

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MONTHLY RECAP!

Wow! 16 of y'all made it to our last Monthly@Matchless! We talked about prayer and how we connect spiritually. Thank you for opening up and sharing your thoughts with the group. I know it can be intimidating and uncomfortable to speak up sometimes in a large group, especially on personal feelings and topics, but I'm hoping you're all starting to feel more trusting and connected to each other within this group – I know I am! The more we open up, the more we learn from one another, and that's an amazing opportunity to grow personally and socially.

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Reminder!

Facebook Posts

Just a reminder that our Olynnial Facebook group is completely open to our members to post in! I'd love to see more posts from each other!

Did you read an interesting article or funny meme our group might enjoy? Share it!

Heading out for a walk or grabbing coffee and want to invite others? Post it!

Have a request that one of us could help out with? Let us know! Whether you need a ride, to borrow something, to have someone water your plants while out-of-town, or even a prayer request for the group...let's be here for one another!