FOCUS Vol. 27 No. 2 Our Savior Lutheran Church C U S GROWING TO SERVE

The mission of Our Savior Lutheran Church is to live God's love in Jesus Christ through word and sacraments, worship and prayer, Christian nurture and fellowship, service and outreach.

Our Savior Lutheran Church

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Sunday Worship Services:

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School: 9:45 – 10:45 a.m.

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Maybe Prayer is Believing

Janet Heck, Parish Administrator

So I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer; believe that you have received (or are receiving) it, and it will be yours. Mark 11:24

Maybe prayer is believing. And maybe I need to do a better job of believing in prayer—not only mine but those of the many who pray for me, for Mike. When 2011 came to a close, I thought that, in my repertoire of years past, this one will most likely go down as one of the worst productions. The curtain just could not go down soon enough. As my husband, Mike, and I were discussing how glad we were to be saying good-bye to 2011, I mused on the fact that for some reason we tend to think that a new year means a clean, new slate, as though the troubles of the old year won't carry over into the next. This is a pleasant thought but I don't think there is enough solid evidence to support it. This reality sort of puts a damper on those happy new year's thoughts and dreams.

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Announcing the return of the OSLC Men's Chorus

The return of the Women's Retreat means the return of the OSLC's Men's Chorus! Men are welcome to sing in the Men's Chorus on Sunday, February 5. There will be one more brief practice on Wednesday evening, February 1st beginning at 8:15 p.m. (at the end of Chancel Choir rehearsals). If you have any questions, please contact Scott Hafso at (425) 392-4169 ext. 103.



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Mike and I both know that we are entering 2012 with the smoldering remains of damage done by brain cancer. Praise the Lord that Mike has regained his mobility, his independence, his sense of humor and charm; although he still longs to gain the muscle tone so that he can serve a volleyball overhand or go out for a run! As we enter 2012 we do so with much concern over our health care benefits (I pray OSLC can provide medical coverage for me in the next budget year) and, of course, our ever present medical bills. We remain hopeful that the worst of our troubles are behind us and we can embrace the new year.

Recently I was reading a newsletter from a neighboring Lutheran church, and came across an article that referenced Mark 11. In the article they referenced a piece written about prayer by Rev. Duke Tufty of a Unity church in Missouri. In it, Tufty refers to the passage in Mark 11 and writes: "I don't believe he meant that in a material sense where we could pray for a new car, believe we have received it and see it show up in our driveway. Prayer is of a spiritual nature and provides in a spiritual way. If you are going through difficult times, in your prayers affirm you have the strength to make it through, and that strength will be yours." Reading this reintroduced me to those words from Jesus and inspired me to rethink prayer just a bit. I was also reminded of the saying, "prayer doesn't change things; prayer changes me."

Prayer is believing. This is definitely something positive to do for the new year. Praise be to God!



Ash Wednesday and Mid-Week Lenten Worship, and Lenten Dinners

OSLC's Mid-week Lenten Series begins on Ash Wednesday, February 22, at 7:00 p.m. Our Lenten theme for 2012 is *Being Church in Mission*.

During our midweek Lenten services (Wednesday evenings beginning February 29 @ 7:00 p.m.) we will be visited by five different guest preachers. Three of them come from ministry settings that are outside of our faith community (Luther's Table in Renton, Synod Evangelism Director and the Church of Steadfast Love in Seattle) and two are members of our congregation who have served in unique ministry settings. Through their presence and preaching, we will gain a stronger sense of the diversity and unity that together we call *Being Church in Mission*. Our worship life is the foundation for the many ministries that we are called to. Join us!

Wednesday night Lenten dinners will begin on February 29 at 5:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall and will continue through Wednesday, March 28th.



Camp Lutherwood Elementary Retreat March 23-24, 2012

Pastor Ryan is currently organizing families with elementary school children that might be interested in attending this year's Elementary Retreat at Camp Lutherwood in Bellingham. OSLC has attended in the past and it is a great opportunity for kids and families to get a taste of camp and the many things that outdoor ministries have to offer. The cost of the retreat is \$35.00/child. Contact Pastor Ryan (rdfletcher@oslcissaquah.org) for more information or to sign up!





Upcoming OSLC Children/ Youth Events

January 29 & February 5
Pizza Sampler Day & Superbowl Pizza
Fundraiser

March

Camp Lutherwood Elementary Retreat

March/April
Youth Whirlyball Event

May

Holden Youth Weekend

Pizza Fundraiser to support Youth Attending the 2012 ELCA National Youth Gathering in New Orleans

Pizza Samples: Sunday, January 29th Pizza Pick-up Date: Sunday, February 5th

Enjoy some Costco pizza on Superbowl Sunday and support the youth trip to New Orleans for the 2012 ELCA National Youth Gathering! On Sunday, January 29th after each service, we will have samples to taste of the available pizzas. At that time you can order the pizza(s) that you would like for Sunday, February 5th. Pizza prices will be \$15 each. Pizzas are the take and bake pizzas from Costco. Only preorders on the 29th will be available for pick up on February 5th. Pick up on the 5th will be after 10:30 a.m. at church. If you have any questions please contact Kimberly Montague at 425-277-1093 or mkmontague@hotmail.com.

Christian Education & Small Group Ministries



Come to Sunday School

Sunday School

9:45 to 10:45 a.m. Preschool—Grade 6

Sunday school for ages preschool through sixth grade are tied to the Sunday morning readings that we hear each week in worship. For more information on our Sunday school curriculum, visit www.activatefaith.org or contact Pastor Fletcher at rdfletcher@oslcissagh.org.



Middle School & High School Java Talk

For students in grades seven through twelve, we offer an on campus program geared towards conversation and relationship building. Each Sun-

day, students meet in the new upstairs youth room for Java Talk, a program geared towards conversation and relationship building.

Family Game Event

Sunday, February 26th—12:30 p.m.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, February 26 at 12:30 p.m. We'll provide pizza and popcorn. Bring a snack to share, and drinks for your crew. We'll have a couple of Wii's set up and lots of board games for the very young to the young at heart. Invite a friend or another family. RSVP to Jennifer Tolo (425-898-8517 or jennifer@tolo.org) as it would be helpful to get an idea of how many pizzas to order.

Thursday Morning Bible Study



This study will resume on February 2nd. While Pastor Thomas is on sabbatical, the leaders will be Rev. Jane Shen and Dr. John Stamm. The text for the study is *The Gospel According to St. John*. Copies of our text, John For Everyone (Part 1 -Chapters 1-10) by N.T. Wright is available from a variety of on-line vendors. Class meets on Thursday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the OSLC Library.

OSLC's Book Club

Raven's Books-In Gilman Village, Issaquah 7:30 p.m.



Please join us at our new location, Ravens Books in Gilman Village. Our very own locally owned book store right here in Issaquah. changed our starting time to 7:30 p.m. We'll meet on March 12th, May 21st and September 17th. Everyone is asked to bring one idea for a book and we'll vote for our May 21st selection, take the summer off and vote on our September book so we can read it over the summer.

March 12, 2012: Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Sckloot

Please join us and read some great books and join in our lively discussions. For more information contact please Marilyn Larson, marilyn.larson@gmail.com or call her at (425) 392 -6594.

Hope Circle

Friday, February 17 9:30 a.m.

Hope Circle will meet Friday, February 17, 2012 at the home of Jean Chaney. For more information on Hope Circle or for carpooling information, please contact Sandy Aldworth at (425) 837-1233 or mtnlady@comcast.net.



A Deeper Well

January 31 & February 28 8:00 p.m.

A Deeper Well is a time to talk about faith and life and experience some refreshment for both body and soul. We meet at Sunset Ale House on Front Street (20 Front Street, next to Flying Pie Pizzeria and Front Street Market) on the last Tuesday of each month. If you want more information about A Deeper Well, contact Pastor Ryan at rdfletcher@oslcissaquah.org, (425) 392-4169, ext. 105)

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting

February 5th 10:00 a.m.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet between services on Sunday, February 5 at 10:00 a.m. at the back closet in Anderson Hall to bless newly completed shawls. If you knit or crochet, please come and join us! If you need yarn, contact Muriel Brown or Karen Hansen or help yourself from the yarn in the closet. Help provide *HUGS* for people who need them.

New knitters and crotchetiers are welcome. Contact Karen Hansen or Muriel Brown for more information.

Faith Circle Monday, February 20

Monday, February 2 7:30 p.m.

On February 20, 2012, Faith Circle will meet at the home of Evy Sneva and our leader will be Gwynn Wilkinson. Faith Circle meets on the third Monday of each month, from September to May, at 7:30 p.m., in different member's homes. (We break for the summer months – June through August.) We use the Bible study found in the Lutheran women's magazine, *Gather*. If you need more information or would like to join Faith Circle, please contact Rita Hansen at (425) 392-2108 or ritahansen@brigadoon.net.

Mid-Life Spirituality Group *The Screwtape Letters*

February 5th and 19th @ 7:00 p.m.

While mid-life means different things to different people, our mid-life group members are in their forties, fifties, sixties and seventies. This group meets on the first and third Sunday evenings in participant's homes beginning at 7:00 p.m. They are reading and discussing *The Screwtape Letters* by C.S. Lewis. Contact Marilyn Larson at (425) 392-6954 or marilyn.larson@gmail.com for more information about this group.

Mission Quilters

Join us Wednesday mornings from 9:30 a.m. until noon in Anderson Hall and assist us making quilts. The Mission Quilters make simple patchwork quilts that are donated to people in need.

Contact the church office for more information, 425-392-4169, ext. 100.



Social Concerns Committee Update

A Spiritual Voyage In A Blessed Sea By Margot Inman, Social Concerns Chair

November 2001. The Inman's were moving to Issaquah, closer to Mike's work, far from our neighbors and sisters and brothers from Edmonds Presbyterian Church where our sons, Mikey and Marshall, had been presented as newborns in 1999 and 2001. A bigger house and a bigger community to explore. Let me tell you I don't like to venture into new areas by myself and much less having to find addresses or getting lost on roads and freeways with two small kids and no husband in the car. But in the first few days of our move we were greeted by our lovely neighbors with a short visit and a "welcome to our neighborhood" gift. The new steep driveway took me a little longer to conquer by myself. It was a long drive to Edmonds so we decided to start searching for a new church. I had no clue where to go. Thank God for my computer genius husband, he googled some churches and we started visiting them. One church was so full it felt like we were at the mall on Christmas Eve. Forget it. I dreaded what the next one would be like if it was going to be like this last one. We were sort of nervous, with two little ones along and not a known person in sight but here we were at Our Savior Lutheran Church's parking lot. As we approached the front door, it was opened by such a friendly and welcoming lady, Vicky Thomas, Music Director. She kindly introduced us to some people in the narthex and the rest is history. We met Pastor Larry Thomas and also Reneé McNeal. The service went on and after the service we were invited to come and have coffee and snacks along with all the congregation members in Anderson Hall. So many new faces and names but all of them as welcoming as if we had been long time members. It felt like home, it felt like family welcoming you into their hearts, no strings attached, none at all. We came home so relieved and felt at ease and decided to call it our church from there on.

During this first year I received a call from Reneé inviting me to be part of the Social Concerns Committee. Me? What do I know about church committees? Nothing at all, but let's give it a try. Little by little we started meeting more sisters and brothers than ever before in my whole life as a churchgoer. What am I going to do? I remember faces but I am terrible at remembering names. (I still am! Oh, well, I guess nobody is perfect.) I just do what I can to help and go back home to my safety hideout a.s.a.p. Wrong again. As I started working on the many projects and different church events I started getting less worried about names and happier as a serving child of God.

What does all this have to do with Social Concerns Committee? Many would ask as you read this. Well, I have to say it has not always been a smooth ride trying to get the projects accomplished. Many brothers and sisters have come and gone from the committee but there has always been something present, the love, kindness, cooperation, help, and financial support of a congregation, pastors and staff, Boy Scouts Troop 676, Cub Scouts Pack 426, Girl Scouts Troop 52731, Issaquah Valley Elementary staff, students, and families, Issaquah Middle School students, staff, and families, Issaquah School District staff, Issaquah community businesses and families, and many more: that wherever I mention it I say, "it is the best congregation and community group of friends one could ever ask for." And this, my friends, is so true as there is a God that always knows our weaknesses and our strengths and is always present holding us in His tender and loving hands. Whenever there is a need in our congregation, in the community or in the world, there we are, joining hands and efforts to come and assist anyone. During the past 5+ years I have been the Social Concerns Committee Chair, fortunate and humbled by your generosity that this voyage has been one of love, learning, sharing, and growth.

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Now it's time to let someone else be the captain of this ship and enjoy the ride as much or more than I have during these past years. I want to thank Judi Case, Georgeanne Park, and Dianne Tanner who offered to be the co-captains of this amazing vessel and joined by Brian Humphries as Council Representative. The projects might be the same ones, new ones, or forgotten ones that will be revived, but none could be carried on without God's guidance and the congregation's and staff support. Pastor Ryan will continue to oversee this committee for which I am very thankful. Pastor Larry and Pastor Ryan have always been there for me and for all of us in need of a pair of really good ears and calmed spiritual guidance. We are not leaving this church, no way, no how. We are just taking it a little bit easier on our day-to-day lives. "We cannot hide in this town" as I always tell my family and friends. To close my last Focus article as Chair of the Social Concerns Committee I want to really say THANK YOU and GOD BLESS YOU for all your support, love, and generosity during my voyage as captain. My boat would have sunk without God and all of you riding in it. Let's embark in a new voyage and let God guide us all to safe ports of destinations where brothers and sisters can be as blessed and loved as we all are in His hands. January 2012. Amen, Amen, Amen!

Social Concerns Projects in the Past Year



Back to School Backpacks 2011:

Backpacks filled with supplies: 35. Empty Backpacks: 15. Boxes filled with school supplies: 12. Budget and Designated Funds used to purchase 50 backpacks and school supplies (not including the supplies purchased by the congregation to fill the backpacks or to fill up boxes of miscellaneous school supplies): \$1,038.48



Thanksgiving Food Baskets 2011:

Budget and Designated Funds: \$1,500. Chicken vs. Turkey Emergency Collection: \$1,500. Recipient Families: 38. Total Individuals: 110. Issaquah Food Bank: received 152 lbs. of non-perishable items. Tent City 4: received 57 lbs. of non-perishable items. Fire Station Meals Program: received 40 pounds of non-perishable items.



Christmas Giving Tree 2011:

Anonymous Donor Check: \$1,000. Budget and Designated Funds: \$1,500. Left over from the chicken vs. turkey collection: \$700. Gift Cards purchased by Congregation members: \$2,330. Total gift cards given out: \$5,530. Recipient Families: 34. Total Individuals: 102.



God Bless you for your giving kindness. You're in my prayers.

Thank you, Patricia H.

Dear Parishioners,

My family has been a recipient of your kind generosity this past year. We received the Thanksgiving turkey and food and the Christmas gift cards. We arrived here in Issaquah two years ago and my husband has been looking for work ever since. Things are a little tight, but we have been managing on our savings and his part time employment.

On behalf of him and our children, I want to thank you all so much for the helping hand. You are all so wonderful and I just want you all to know how much your kindness is appreciated.

Bless You, From a Grateful Mom

Still Fighting Like HECK!

OSLC Friends and Family:

We continue to Fight Like Heck! Since our last update, Mike has undergone gamma knife surgery (brain surgery without a knife) in September when we learned that his cancer had come back in three spots and the chemo he was taking had become resilient to it. He began a new chemo cocktail of infusion drugs in late October. Every fourteen days he goes to University of Washington Medical Center to be infused with two types of chemo drugs. It has become part of our monthly routine now. In December Mike had another MRI and it showed that the cancer spots had shrunk significantly and no new spots were present. I did the thankful dance right there in the doctor's office! So for 2012

Mike will continue with these chemo treatments. His body is handling all of this amazingly well as his lab reports are indicating. Some of our normal life has returned. We have resumed playing volleyball with our friends once a week. While Mike's court presence isn't what it once was, we are thrilled to be with him there on the court. And he recently enrolled in a gentle Yoga class! Thank you one and all for your prayers, cards, hugs and calls. You are such a blessing to both of us.

Our love to all of you. Janet & Mike Heck





Fall 2012 Preschool Registration

The preschool is currently taking registrations for the fall of 2012. We accept three, four and five year olds as well as a few older two year olds with permission of the director. Please check out our web site at www.oslpreschool.org, call (425) 392-1201 Ext. 4 or email Connie at preschool1201@hotmail.com to get your questions an-

swered. You can find information packets in the slots on the wall by the main church office. It is great fun for us to give tours of our classroom!

Connie VanHouten Preschool Director

Winter on the Website

If the weather gets nasty and traveling gets treacherous, you might wonder if an event or activity at Our Savior is "on as scheduled" or if it has been cancelled. During these times, the first place to check is the OSLC website (www.oslcissaquah.org). Important messages concerning emergency closures or changes in schedule will be listed on the home page.



You can also scroll over the website calendar with your cursor to get information about specific events. The website is an important place for you to keep updated on what is happening at OSLC, and we hope it will help you get the information that you need.

Treasurer's Update

Dec. 2011



We are 6 months (50%) through our fiscal year.

What has actually happened this year:

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We have received YTD - (98% of budget)	\$ 203,357
We have spent YTD - (94% of budget)	\$ 196,332
Surplus	\$ 7,025

Compared to what we budgeted:We are under budgeted giving by\$ 4,591We are under budgeted spending by\$ 11,598

Compared to last year's actual giving:
Our contributions were less than last year by
\$ 2,114

Respectfully, Randy Halter, Treasurer

2/1	Cassidy Rimmer	2/16	Michael Kraemer
,	Stephen Saunders	,	Sandy Aldworth
2/2	Lindy Downey		Scott Cron
	Tony Kraemer	2/19	Marie Foss
2/4	Jerry Welch	2/22	Ashley Montague
2/5	Bruce Byrkett		Bev Price
2/7	Rowan Hinds		Susan Hubly
	Susan Ferrarini	2/23	Kelleen Cummings
2/8	Diane Nelson		Marilyn Grette
	Nathan Gardner	2/24	David Derwin
2/9	Carolyn Tierney		Graham North
	Jocelyn Tierney		Randy Halter
	Ethan Yocom	2/25	David Wagner
2/10	Bill Suttmeier		Sarah Charleston
	Boyd Peterson	2/26	Jennifer Papp
	Joel Gilbertson		Larry Fry
2/12	Lori Ann Morrey		Chris Park
	Marilyn Carlson	2/27	Jasper Fuhs
2/13	Payton Kraemer	2/28	Hillary LeFever
	Anne Ellett		Sam Gillin
2/15	Ernie Whatley	2/29	Ryan Fletcher
	Laura Derwin		



2/12 Dag & Beth Garrison
2/19 Jon & Catina Piliaris
2/23 Michael & Margot Inman

Sunday morning worship services with Holy Communion begin at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School for all ages (preschool through high school) begins at 9:45 a.m.

Worship Schedule

Sun., February 5—5th Sunday after Epiphany

First Reading: Isaiah 40:21-31

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

Sun., February 12—6th Sunday after Epiphany

First Reading: 2 Kings 5:1-14

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:24-27

Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

Sun., February 19—Transfiguration of Our Lord

First Reading: 2 Kings 2:1-12 Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Gospel: Mark 9:2-9

Sun., February 26—1st Sunday in Lent

First Reading: Genesis 9:8-17
Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22
Gospel: Mark 1:9-15

February 2012						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			9:00AM—12:00 PM Byberg Preaching Workshop 12:00 PM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Boy Scout Troop 676 High Adventure Planning Meeting (Downstairs Room) 7:00 PM Confirmation Group Meeting (Youth Rm) 7:00 PM Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)	2 7:45 AM TOPS (Rooms 14, 17) 9:30 AM Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 10:00 AM Al-Anon (Room 7) 10:00 AM Bible Study (Library) 7:00 PM Memorial Bells (Sanctuary)	3 OSLC Women's Retreat	4 OSLC Women's Retreat
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We remember in prayer...



We remember in prayer OSLC members: Joe Acker; Sandy Aldworth; Chris Cummings; Gene Elfstrom; Barbara Extract; Marie Foss; Virginia Fraas; Carol Harbolt; Jeff Hendrickson; Gerald Hersey; Shelley Howe; Marian James; Josee Jordan; Florence Kinnune; Jeannie Lindquist; Jim Marshall; Carol McMurray; Jerry Nack; Jeannette Patterson; Kathi Perkins; Colleen Petersen; Nancy Peterson; Pastor Eldon 'Pick' Pickering; Don Rentschler; Jeff Saathoff; Steve Setterlund; Jane Shen; Mary Swanson; Frank and Tommie Troutman; Gwynn Wilkinson.

We ask for peace and comfort for those mourning the death of loved ones:

Wayne Lewis (uncle of Lyle Lewis); Roger Hansen (brother of Dar Boni and Dee Bakamus); Ruth Winzen (Wuest family); Paul Kohn uncle of Gerrie Hendrickson); Alfonso Marsh (Connie Fletcher); Janet Knowles (Dave and Marilyn Carlson)

We pray for expectant mothers: Leah Davey (Pam Moore); Devaney Bechler (Ann and Larry Thomas); Martina Collum (daughter of Paul and Bodil Isop); Lynitta Fricke (Mary Fricke); Laura Moynihan (Joyce Craig); Cloti Martinez Pisfil (Cheryl Hauser); Rachel Christopherson Snell; Nicole Marsh (Cheryl Neeb); Michele Hudy (Cheryl Neeb); Katie Yocom; Heidi Acker (granddaughter-in-law of Joe and Lucy Acker)

<u>We promise to nurture</u> Elin Carter Lundberg baptized December 18, 2011 (daughter of Kjell and Shari Lundberg); and, **Isabelle Cecilia Thao** baptized January 15, 2012 daughter of Jon and Alyssa Thao.

We pray for the safety of OSLC members and friends serving in the military here and abroad.

We pray for and give thanks for the ministry of Our Savior Lutheran Preschool.

We pray for a restful and renewing sabbatical for Pastor Thomas.

We pray for our missionaries and global missions: Henrik & Patty Christopherson; Rwanda Partners; Sister Congregations: St. Catherine's Lutheran Church in St. Petersburg, Russia and Mekelle Lutheran Church in Mekelle, Ethiopia; for the congregations in Chicalyo, Peru: Pepe at Las Brisas, Merci in San Antonio and Harold at Las Lomas. MaaSae Girls Lutheran Secondary School in Monduli, Tanzania..

We offer thanksgiving to God: That Barbara Extract's lymphoma is gone! That Skylar Monroe safely returned home from Afghanistan. (son of Randy and Kathi Monroe) For the following church council members who were installed January 8, 2012: David Carlson, Worship; Mark Cron, Building & Grounds; Connie Fletcher, Christian Education; Randy Halter, Treasurer; Gerrie Hendrickson, Youth; Mary Ann Hult, Financial Secretary, Brian Humphries, Social Concerns; Marilyn Larson, Fellowship; Sandy Nygaard, President; Paula Seeger, Vice President; John Stamm, Global Missions; Paul Timmerman, Administration/Personnel; Wendy Winslow, Stewardship; Jeff Ziegler, Secretary.

Prayer is putting our faith into action, and prayer is pleasing to God. Link up with our prayer chain if you have a need or if you want to share a thanksgiving or praise. Call Jill Naegle, (425) 392-0116.





Sunday Service	Date	Time	Greeters Mary Fricke 425-313-1582	Ushers Bill Suttmeier 425-392-1864	Lectors Church Office 425-392-4169	Communion Assistants Church Office 425-392-4169	Altar Guild/ Bread Bakers Judi Case 425-445-2803	Sound Engineer Marilyn Larson 425-392-6594
5th Sun day After Epiphany	February 5	8:30 a.m.	Connie Fletcher Mary Fricke	Don Robertson Jeff Lucas		Mary Fricke	Ralph Case (Intinction)	David Hersey
		11:00 a.m.	Don & Nancy Cumming	Jeff & Justin Hendrickson			Karen Hansen	Matt Saathoff
6th Sunday After Epiphany	February 12	8:30 a.m.	Diane Nelson Bonnie Brice	Craig Gillin Jon Smith	Connie Fletcher	Connie Fletcher	Judi Case Bread: Leslie Waltzer	Dave Park
		11:00 a.m.	Muriel Brown Vicky Jacobson	Christine & Larry Fry			Karen Hansen	Vince Smith
Transfiguration of Our Lord	February 19	8:30 a.m.	Don & Jean Chaney	Lena Schaper Marilyn Larson	Judi Case	Judi Case Ralph Case Mary Fricke	Jane Wuest Bread: Connie Fletcher	David Hersey
		11:00 a.m.	LaRue Nelson Bill H all	Richard Lock Bill Suttmeier			Rita Hansen	Marilyn Larson
1st Sunday in Lent	February 26	8:30 a.m.	Nancy Peterson Selma Thomp- son	Doug & Lindy Downey			Leslie Waltzer Bread: Jane Wuest	Dave Park
		11:00 a.m.	Jerry & Linda Nack	Paul & Robin Timmerman	Kimberly Montague	Kimberly, Marc and Ashley Montague	Marilyn Larson	David Hersey



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