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Summer Worship Times:

June 9 – September 1, 2013
9:30 a.m.

Regular Sunday Worship Services:

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
(September 8, 2013 – May)

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New Beginnings

New Beginnings and Fresh Starts: It's a New World Every Morning by Pastor Larry Thomas

"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness." (Lamentations 3:22)

"What does baptism mean for daily living? It means that our sinful self, with all its evil deeds and desires, should be drowned through daily repentance; and that day after day a new self should arise to live with God in righteousness and purity forever." (The Sacrament of Holy Baptism, Martin Luther, The Small Catechism)

"Abba Poeman said regarding Abba Prior that every day he made a new beginning." (The Sayings of the Desert Fathers)

"It's a new world every morning." I love that line. I read it in a book set on a ranch in Eastern Oregon. Those words of wisdom were spoken by an old cowboy to a young man. For years I wrote those words on the cover of my journals and at the top of my daily to do lists. "It's a new world every morning" are words of gospel promise and renewal.

Those words remind me of other timeless truths: the author of *Lamentations* lamenting the devastation and destruction of Jerusalem and the deportation of all of

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September 2013 Sunday Worship Schedule:

Sunday, September 1st: One Service @ 9:30 a.m.
Worship services @ 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. resume on September 8th.



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her residents to Babylon in the 6th Century B.C. manages by God's grace to find light in the darkness: "God's mercies are new every morning." Martin Luther, explaining the daily gift of baptism and inviting believers to daily repentance and to day by day claim our new life promise in Christ to a new-self daily resurrection. One church father reporting on the spiritual practice of his brother in Christ who made a new beginning every day. All of these insights express the daily promise of "It's a new world every morning."

I love the promise of new beginnings and fresh starts. My challenge is being mindful and attentive to all the possibilities for starting over and beginning again that are presented to me each day and in every moment. A new day is as rich with promise as a new year. Like the clean slate calendar of a new year, each and every day is wide open to fresh starts and new beginnings, new experiences and new learnings.

I know. That sounds like a pretty tall order. Living life attentively, intentionally, attuned to and aware of what's going on around us and inside us moment by moment and day by day is not our natural default. And, it's getting harder and harder which means it's more and more important. Mindful of the possibility and promise of each new moment and each new day, is a grace and gift that is there for the asking. So, ask, seek, and knock, and the door will be opened to you. Each and every moment; each and every day; is a grace-filled opportunity for a fresh start and a new beginning. It's a new world every morning! *"Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, O Lord, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days."* (Psalm 90:14)



New Beginnings Sunday: September 8, 2013

Sunday morning worship services at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Pancake Breakfast served in Anderson Hall: 9:30-10:45 a.m.

Dedication of the New Kitchen: 10:15 a.m.

Please join us!

Each year at OSLC, there are an abundance of opportunities for families to grow in faith and in relationship with others. Our desire is to partner with you, as you live out your calling to further the love of God revealed in Jesus in each new generation. To help you plan well and build up faith in your family, we are now sending out a letter two times each year (one leading into the Fall and one leading into the Summer) that is designed to make you aware of opportunities and to invite you to participate. Please take the time to read over the information included and discover something new for your family at OSLC in the seasons ahead!!

In Peace,
Pr. Ryan Fletcher



Sunday School 2013 / 2014

Sunday School classes for children and youth (Birth - Grade 12) begin on Sunday, September 15, 2013 (9:45-10:45 a.m.) Whether or not you have previously been involved, families are invited to come and meet the teachers and take a tour of the classrooms. There is an "OSLC Sunday School Student Information Form" available for you to complete that will help teachers and staff in keeping you informed and responding to any questions that you might have. Families will also be receiving welcome letters that include the Sunday School calendar for the year, as well as lots of information on great family events. Updated information is also published to the Sunday School page on our church website (www.oslcissaquah.org) under the Christian Education tab.

Sunday School for Infants, Toddlers & Their Families

This year at OSLC, we are adding a Sunday School class for infants, toddlers, and their families. The class takes place the fourth Sunday of each month in the OSLC Nursery. Parents, grandparents, or caregivers should attend the class with their little ones. Each month, this class will include songs, story, and play time and opportunities for the adults to get to know one another. The first class takes place on September 29, 2013 (9:45-10:45 a.m.) Questions? Contact Pastor Ryan (rdfletcher@oslcissaquah.org).

OSLC Wants to Give You a Subscription to the Little Lutheran

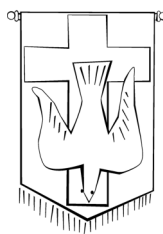
Starting this fall, OSLC will be providing active families at OSLC with children ages 5 and under with a subscription to *The Little Lutheran* magazine. *The Little Lutheran* is published by the ELCA ten times a year and is a wonderful resource for families to build faith at home. If you have a child age 5 or under in your family or know of someone who would like to be included, please help us out by letting us know (office@oslcissaquah.org). For more information on *The Little Lutheran*, visit www.thelittlelutheran.org.



Sep. 8 – New Beginnings Sunday
 Sep. 15 – First Day of Sunday School classes
 Sep. 22 – Sunday School
 Sep. 29 – Sunday School + Infant/Toddler Class
 Oct. 6 – Sunday School
 Oct. 13 – Sunday School
 Oct. 20 – Sunday School
 Oct. 27 – Sunday School + Infant/Toddler Class
 Nov. 3 – Sunday School
 Nov. 10 – Sunday School & Bible Presentation Sunday
 Nov. 17 – **No Sunday School** (Cong. Meeting)
 Nov. 24 – Sunday School + Infant/Toddler Class
 Dec. 1 – **No Sunday School** (Thanksgiving Break)
 Dec. 8 – Sunday School
 Dec. 15 – Sunday School Rehearsal for Christmas Program
 (Christmas Program takes place during 11:00 AM worship)
 Dec. 22 – **No Sunday School** (Christmas Break)
 Dec. 29 – **No Sunday School** (Christmas Break)
 Jan. 5 – Sunday School
 Jan. 12 – Sunday School
 Jan. 19 – Sunday School
 Jan. 26 – Sunday School + Infant/Toddler Class
 Feb. 2 – Sunday School
 Feb. 9 – Sunday School
 Feb. 16 – **No Sunday School** (ISD Second Winter Break)
 Feb. 23 – Sunday School + Infant/Toddler Class
 March 2 – Sunday School
 March 9 – Sunday School
 March 16 – Sunday School
 March 23 – Sunday School + Infant/Toddler Class & Communion Education
 March 30 – Sunday School & Communion Education
 April 6 – **No Sunday School** (ISD Spring Break)
 April 13 – Sunday School & Communion Celebration
 April 20 – **No Sunday School** (Easter Sunday)
 April 27 – Sunday School + Infant/Toddler Class
 May 4 – Sunday School
 May 11 – Last Day of Sunday School classes
 May 18 – Teacher Appreciation Sunday & Confirmation

My Church Photo Album

On Sunday, September 22, 2013 between 9:45 and 10:45 a.m., children at OSLC will have the opportunity to participate in the My Church Photo Album project. This project consists of a scavenger hunt where kids visit different parts of the building on Sunday morning and have their pictures taken with people and places around their church home. In the following weeks, they will receive a My Church Photo Album that they get to take home as a reminder of the many ways they are a part of our life at OSLC. To participate in this fun project, children and their parents should simply go to the Sunday School classroom for their age group where the scavenger hunt begins. Questions? Contact Pastor Ryan (rdfletcher@oslcissaquah.org).

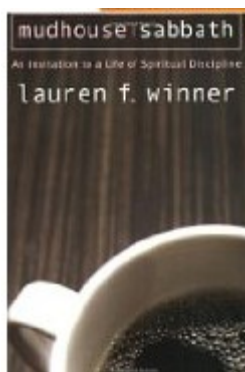


Confirmation Orientation for Parents

Wednesday, September 18 @ 7:00-8:30 p.m.

First Group Meeting, Wednesday, October 2 @ 7:00 p.m.

Pastor Fletcher will host a confirmation orientation for parents of seventh, eighth, and ninth grade participants in our confirmation program on Wednesday evening, September 18 @ 7:00 p.m. In addition to discussing the confirmation program, curriculum, and activities, parents will complete the registration forms and pay the confirmation fees. (If you have not received a confirmation mailing, please contact the church office.) Questions? Call Pr. Fletcher or the church office at (425) 392-4169, ext. 100.



Sunday Morning Adult Class

Mudhouse Sabbath - Begins September 29

Mudhouse Sabbath is book by Lauren F. Winner that explores eleven spiritual practices inspired by Judaism and the life of Jesus. Following her conversion from Orthodox Judaism to Christianity, Lauren Winner found that her life was indelibly marked by the rich traditions and spiritual practices of Judaism. She set out to discover how she could incorporate some of these practices into her new faith.

In her book, *Mudhouse Sabbath*, Dr. Winner, who teaches at Duke Divinity School, presents eleven Jewish spiritual practices that can transform the way Christians view the world, and God. Whether discussing attentive eating, marking the days while grieving, candle-lighting or the differences between the Jewish Sabbath and a Sunday spent at the Mudhouse, her favorite coffee shop, Dr. Winner writes with grace and insight, illuminating personal rituals and practices that are both faithful and life giving.

Weekly sessions will include a presentation by Lauren Winner (via DVD) and discussion. Copies of the book, *Mudhouse Sabbath*, are available in the church office for \$10.00. Themes and topics for this seven week class are:

- September 29: Judaism and Christianity
- October 6: Sabbath Keeping
- October 13: Hospitality and Eating Food
- October 20: Jewish and Christian Prayer
- October 27: Fasting
- November 3: Grief and Mourning Well
- November 10: Doorposts.



Small Group Ministries

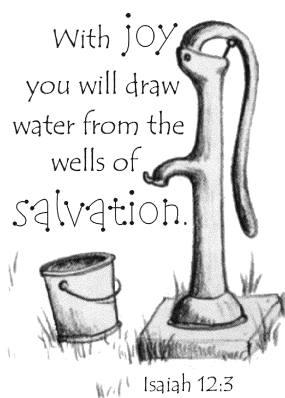
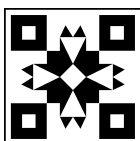
Mid-Life Spirituality Group

September 8 @ 6:00 p.m.

The first meeting this fall will be Sunday, September 8th at the home of Ann and Larry Thomas. (170 5th Ave. N.E., Issaquah) We will start with a potluck supper at 6:00 p.m. A vegetarian rice and bean dish and beverages (soft drinks) will be provided. Participants are asked to bring whatever you'd like to round out the meal. This will be a good time to reconnect and to welcome newcomers. The only agenda for the evening is to choose the first book to read together this year. (The regular meeting schedule of the first and third Sundays of the month will begin on October 6th.) Questions? Contact Ann Thomas at annlthomas@gmail.com.

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.



A Deeper Well

Sunset Ale House

Tuesday, September 24—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. Join us for our next installment on Tuesday, September 24th. If you have questions, contact Pastor Ryan at (425) 392-4169, ext. 105 or rdfletcher@oslcissaquah.org.

OSLC's Book Club

Barnes & Noble Bookstore,
Issaquah

October 14th at 7:30 p.m.



Our next gathering will take place on Monday, October 14th. We will discuss the book, *Beautiful Ruins* by Jess Walter. *Beautiful Ruins* is the story of an almost-love affair that begins on the Italian coast in 1962 and is rekindled in Hollywood fifty years later. Grab the book, read it and join us! Contact Marilyn Larson, marilyn.larson@gmail.com for more information.

Thursday Morning Bible Study

1 & 2 Samuel

September 26th 10:00 a.m.



Pastor Thomas leads the Thursday morning Bible study. We meet at 10:00 a.m. in the church library. Our study focus is the Old Testament book of 2 Samuel. Our primary text is *1 & 2 Samuel for Everyone*, by John Goldingay. Another (optional Text) is *First and Second Samuel* by Eugene H. Peterson. (Westminster Bible Companion.) Copies are available from a variety of on-line vendors. Class begins on Thursday, September 26th.

Hope Circle

Friday, September 20
9:30 a.m.

Hope Circle will meet Friday, September 21, 2012 at the home of Mary Fricke. Our leader will be Nancy Anderson. For more information on Hope Circle or for carpooling information, please contact Sandy Aldworth at (425) 837-1233 or mtnlady@comcast.net.



Faith Circle

Monday, September 16
1:30 p.m.

On September 16th Faith Circle will meet at the home of Audrey Ellingson and our leader will be Karen Hansen. This study follows the Lutheran women's magazine, *Gather*. Faith Circle meets on the third Monday of each month, from September to May, at 1:30 p.m., in different member's homes. (We break for the summer months – June through August.) Contact Rita Hansen at ritahansen@brigadoon.net or (425) 392-2108 if you

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting



The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet between services on September 15 for our fall kickoff. This year we want to add caps, scarves, mittens and other small warm things to our knitting and crocheting projects. We'll give them to local charities. Your IDEAS for projects and charities are welcome. Yarn is available. Some patterns are available. More can be gotten. Please join us.

Interested in Serving on Altar Guild??

If you would like to experience what it means to be a member of the Altar Guild, please reach out to Judi Case (judirussell56@gmail.com), or stop by the Sacristy after services, to chat with members of the Altar Guild. Commitment is small, usually two services per month. We also welcome new bread bakers, and if that is your talent, please let us know!

African Mission Summit

Saturday, October 5, St. Andrew's Lutheran Church

Any and everyone who cares about or wants to learn more about missions in Africa is invited to attend the African Missions Summit at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church in Bellevue on Saturday, October 5, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This summit is jointly sponsored by the Northwest Washington Synod and the Southwestern Washington Synods, ELCA.

The keynote speaker for the African Summit is Pastor Anna Eva Makyao. Pastor Anna is the pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania's Ngaruma Parish in the town of Marangu, located at the base of Mt. Kilimanjaro. Pastor Anna's parish has been a beneficiary of malaria treatment and prevention programs funded by the Lutheran Malaria Initiative and she is a tireless advocate for the work of the Lutheran Malaria Initiative in her community and in Tanzania. In addition to serving as the pastor of the day, Pastor Anna will speak about "Healthy Development Support" and participate in a workshop on Malaria.

Speaking of workshops, there will be two workshop sessions on a variety of topics including Lutheran World Relief/ Malaria, education, agriculture, medical care, water and community development. In addition, congregations involved in mission activities and partnerships in Africa, have been invited to share displays illustrating their work.

The cost of registration, including lunch, is \$10. Participants are encouraged to register online at www.lutheransnw.org/africansummit by September 30th to assure a lunch reservation.



Lift Your Voice: Chancel Choir begins September 4th

OSLC's Chancel Choir resumes rehearsals on Wednesday, September 4th, from 7:00pm – 8:30p.m. in the sanctuary. If having a mid-week oasis of singing God's praise amid hard work and laughter sounds intriguing, consider joining us. The Choir sings a wide variety of repertoire, three out of four Sundays, on average, and is welcoming members in all sections. Questions? Please contact Scott Hafso at bellevuer@gmail.com.

A Call to OSLC Instrumentalists

If you play an instrument and would consider sharing your musical gifts in worship, please contact Interim Choir Director and Worship Coordinator Scott Hafso at bellevuer@gmail.com.



Memorial Bells Resume

September 5th, 7:00 p.m.

As fall arrives again, so does a fresh start with our music groups at Our Savior Lutheran. Memorial Bells welcomes any potential ringer to give it a try. We begin regular rehearsals on Thursday, September 5, 7:00-8:30 p.m. All that is needed is a basic understanding of music – no previous handbell experience required. If you have ever played an instrument of any kind at any level, you will pickup bell ringing in a jiffy. The first two weeks (September 5 and 12) a special introduction session will take place at 6:30 p.m., before the general practice begins. Interested? Contact Alice at 425 432 0366, or the church office for further information.



Treasurer's Update

June 2013

We have completed the 2012/2013 fiscal year.

What has actually happened this year:

We have received YTD – (110% of budget)	\$467,426
We have spent YTD – (99.8% of budget)	<u>\$444,628</u>
Surplus	\$ 22,798

We are over budgeted giving by	\$ 43,593
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We are under budgeted spending by	\$ 817
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Compared to last year's actual giving, our contributions were \$65,727 more than last year. We have also been blessed by contributions of \$198,385 for specific designated projects, e.g., the kitchen, new furnaces and may other wonderful designated projects

Respectfully submitted, Randy Halter, Treasurer



OSLC's Social Concerns Committee

It's Fall! Time to renew and get involved!

Did you know that OSLC's Social Concerns teams are actively involved in supporting multiple community services organizations? Through our annual budget funds and individual contributions we support the following:

Eastside Baby Corner. We selected a Summer Fun theme for this drive. Donations included summer activities needs such as sunscreen & bug spray, Little Swimmers, sun glasses and beach toys. Items were delivered in early July.

Issaquah Food and Clothing Bank. This organization provides several avenues of community services, and OSLC has been supporting them for years. In addition to the food, clothing and household items we have gathered and donated, OSLC has assisted with the recent Tools 4Schools backpack supply drive. OSLC donated 46 backpacks to IFCB. IFCB has served over 400 families a week this summer. Many in our congregation volunteer by providing food clothing and personal time. If you are interested, please contact the social concerns team.

This fall we will adopt an Issaquah school to provide breakfast bars to be given to students who are in need of a breakfast during school hours. Our IFCB contact will send a list of needy schools to adopt. Once we select the school, they will contact our social concerns liaison and let us know how many cases of bars they will need on a monthly basis. Social concerns will then purchase and deliver the bars to the school.

The off shoot **Nourishing Network** is a multi- organizational group who meet monthly to establish additional community services such as the Fruit Tree Gleaning program, where locally grown produce and fruit available in Issaquah is put to good use. The fruit is gathered and distributed to families at the local food bank center. Community and private gardens donate food as well. Nourishing Network also brings people and projects together, such as providing lunches to Tiger Mountain High School. Contact Judi Case or Connie Fletcher for more information.

Issaquah Meals Program This organization coordinates local churches and other organizations as they provide a hot meal on weeknights. Additional meals on weekends are often provided by other local benefactors. We typically deliver meals on the second Tuesday of every month. It only takes three volunteers to prepare and deliver a meal at the Issaquah fire station's community room. Attendance varies by season, but is usually around 36 - 40 people. Our population consists of teens, families with small children, adults (both employed and unemployed) and many marginalized individuals who need a sense of community and a good meal to stretch their budgets. Please consider volunteering! Contact Judi Case for more information.

Compassion House This organization offers families a home and social services as they rebuild lives and recover from major life challenges. Donations have been made from social concerns funds to furnish household items and other necessities.

Our annual **Thanksgiving food basket reverse donation** will take place in November. We will solicit food items and grocery store gift cards/cash donations. Our **Christmas ornament gift selection** will also take place in early December. Watch for more updates as we approach these seasons.





Lutherwood is a camp for kids to enjoy away from home while trying new things with friends and celebrating being Lutheran. There are many types of programs at the camp to participate in.

Just a few weeks ago, I was at Lutherwood in Bellingham. That time I chose to one of the camp's unique programs, OAP (Outdoor Adventure Program). The part of the program I did was high adventure, which is very new at Lutherwood. Like all the other choices for camp we had to stay in a group with a counselor for a week singing songs, playing games, and enjoying being with others. The special thing I liked about high adventure is the rock climbing.

The counselors teach you how to tie safe knots for good climbing. They use the experience not just for a rock wall but for a real cliff. Another part of high adventure, I think is wonderful, is the backpacking and camping. Staying out in a tent one night with the group was a special moment. I would recommend having hiking and camping gear for this camp.

Three weeks later I went to Lutherwood again. I did a different OAP program, the H2O camp. It was the same as the other camps with the counselors and events. This camp was fantastic as well. Our group went on the water wake boarding and knee boarding about four to five hours every day. I started this camp with no skill at all in water sports and ended up being able to stand up on the board and enjoy the ride. This camp is good for many ages since your ability at the beginning will always improve at the end. I would really support, when going to H2O camp, to bring at least two towels since you are on the water so often. Lutherwood has a boatshed with all the useful tools for a fun and professional ride.

Those are just two of the camps I went to this year. Lutherwood offers many more. Each camp is special in their own way. When your kids go to Lutherwood, find the right camp for them. They can always come back next year for a chance to try another program.



Submitted by, Tommy Zhu-Sordahl



Mission Trip

OSLC 2013 Senior High Youth Trip to San Francisco (July 20-28, 2013)

The youth trip to San Francisco and Oakland went exceptionally well. The five youth that attended from OSLC (Korye Skaare, Lacey Murff-Renninger, Taylor Usselman, Vince Smith, Ryan Saathoff) participated in a wonderful diversity of service and learning opportunities in the Bay Area. Our partnership with St. Matthew's Lutheran Church (Renton, WA) was a huge success. The youth and leaders are actively planning more joint events in the coming months.



Northwest Washington Synod
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God's work. Our hands.

From Bishop-Elect Brian Kirby Unti:

The Northwest Washington Voting Members knew we were witnessing history take place when we attended this year's Churchwide Assembly in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The theme, *Always Being Made New*, took on a palpable reality in the election of The Reverend Elizabeth Eaton as Presiding Bishop. Her election was a clear statement that a new chapter has begun in of our life together as the ELCA. This gracious transition was marked by multiple standing ovations in gratitude for the leadership of Bishop Mark Hanson over the past twelve years.

The excitement continued to rise for our Voting Members when the Northwest's very own Reverend Wm. Chris Boerger was elected to the Office of Secretary of the ELCA. It did not go unnoticed that this is the second secretary in a row to come out of the Northwest. David Swartling will complete his term having been awarded the Servus Dei Medal.

We celebrated the gifts of those who were completing their service on the Church Council of the ELCA, including our own Mark Johnson, whose skills and dedication are greatly appreciated.

We in the Northwest may be far removed from the center of the ELCA but you would have never known this as Gethsemane, Gift of Grace, Grace Chinese and El Camino de Emaus were featured ministries of the Assembly.

Yes friends there is a renewed spirit blowing across the ELCA and we in Northwest Washington are a big part of the breeze. Let's continue to keep our eyes open to how God is reshaping the church in new and vital ways.

Grace Always, Kirby

Bishop Unti Installation

Sunday, September 15th @ St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral, Seattle

The Northwest Washington Synod of the ELCA, requests your prayers and presence as the Reverend Brian Kirby Unti is installed as Bishop of the Synod in an Eucharistic Service of Worship beginning at 2:00 p.m. at St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral (1245 Tenth Avenue South, Seattle, WA). ELCA Presiding Bishop Mark Hanson will be the Preaching and Presiding Minister.

The Reverend Kathryn Buffum, The Reverend Jerry Buss, and the Reverend Nancy Winder will be installed as Assistants to the Bishop during this service.

There will be a reception immediately following the service in Bloedel Hall at St. Mark's Cathedral. Directions and parking instruction can be found at www.saintmarks.org/About/directions.php.

Worship Schedule

September 2013 Sunday Worship Schedule:

**Sunday, September 1,
One Service @ 9:30 a.m.**

**Worship services @ 8:30
and 11:00 a.m. resume on
Sunday, September 8**

Sun., Sept. 1—15th Sunday After Pentecost

First Reading: I Corinthians 12:4-7

Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14

Sun., Sept. 8—16th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Second Reading: Philemon 1-21

Gospel: Luke 14:27-33

Sun., Sept. 15—17th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Exodus 32:7-14

Second Reading: I Timothy 1:12-17

Gospel: Luke 15:1-10

Sun., Sept. 22—18th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Amos 8:4-7

Second Reading: I Timothy 2:1-7

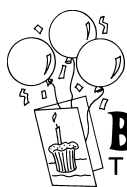
Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

Sun., Sept. 29—19th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Second Reading: I Timothy 6:6-19

Gospel: Luke: 16:19-31





BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

9/2	Garrett Steffan	9/20	Don Cumming
	Vincent Smith	9/21	Nancy Peterson
9/4	Darlene Boni	9/22	Jan Shen
	Dee Bakamus		Paul Craig
	Heather Curtis	9/23	Jeanne Kuipers
	Jeff Wood	9/24	Ian DeVogel
9/7	George Kuipers	9/25	Erik Fabricius
9/8	Dick Christensen		Linda Mummy
9/10	Emily Gacek	9/26	Stephen Gacek
9/11	Miranda Smith	9/27	Dawson Loudermilk
9/14	Jordan Usselman		Jenna Suttmeier
9/15	Amy Mogensen	9/29	Stacey Hesterly
	Craig Gillin	9/30	Michael Sladek
	Jennifer Hendrickson		
9/16	Henrik Christopherson		
9/17	Jan Sieler		
	Mikey Cron		



9/2	Chawn & Amanda Loudermilk
9/3	David & Laura Derwin
	Paul & Joyce Craig
9/6	Doug & Sue Friddell
	David & Carol McMurray
9/7	Gene & Alla Elfstrom
	Paul & Jennifer Tolo
9/10	Jim & Ruth Peters
9/11	Paul & Robin Timmerman
9/16	Don & Gwynn Wilkinson
9/20	Shawn & Karen Quinn
9/21	Jonathan & Stacy Smith
9/22	Todd & Joni Zink
9/24	Alec & Delores Bakamus
9/25	Mike & Sandy Nygaard
9/30	Jeff Youngstrom & Becky Brooks

September 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:30 AM Worship	2 OSLC Office Closed Labor Day Holiday 	3 7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall) 7:00 PM Youth Ministry Committee Meeting (Library)	4 9:30 AM Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 10:00 AM Staff Meeting (Narthex) 6:00 pm Pilgrim Journey Rehearsal 7:00 PM Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)	5 <i>7:45 AM TOPS (Rms 14, 17)</i> <i>10:00 AM Al Anon (AH)</i> 4:00 PM Stewardship Committee (Narthex) 6:00 PM Long Range Planning Committee (Narthex) 7:00 PM Memorial Bells (Sanctuary) 7:00 PM Nominating Committee (Library)	6	7
8 New Kitchen Dedication/ Pancake Breakfast 8:30 AM Worship/New Beginning Sunday 10:15 AM New Kitchen Dedication 11:00 AM Worship 6:00 PM Mid-Life Spirituality Group Potluck Dinner @ the home of Ann & Larry Thomas	9 <i>9:30 AM Avant Designer's Guild (Anderson Hall)</i> <i>10:00 AM OA (Downstairs Classroom)</i> <i>1:00 PM Lutheran Counseling Network (Pastor's Office)</i> <i>2:00 PM Parkinson's Support Group (Sanctuary)</i> <i>7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)</i>	10 <i>5:30 PM Issaquah Meal Program @ Fire Station</i> 6:00 PM Executive Committee 7:00 PM Council Meeting <i>7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall, Downstairs Classroom)</i>	11 9:30 AM Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 10:00 AM Staff Meeting (Narthex) 6:00 pm Pilgrim Journey Rehearsal 7:00 PM Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)	12 <i>7:45 AM TOPS (Rms 14, 17)</i> <i>10:00 AM Al Anon (AH)</i> 7:00 PM Memorial Bells (Sanctuary)	13	14 <i>8:00 AM—1:00 PM AA District 35 Workshop (Anderson Hall)</i>
15 <i>Newsletter DEADLINE</i> <i>5:30 AM Hammond House Breakfast</i> 8:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School 9:45 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry (Anderson Hall) 11:00 AM Worship 12:00 PM October Focus Newsletter Deadline 2:00 PM Bishop Elect Kirby Unti Installed @ St. Mark's Cathedral, Seattle	16 <i>10:00 AM OA (Downstairs Classroom)</i> <i>1:00 PM Lutheran Counseling Network (Pastor's Office)</i> 1:30 PM Faith Circle @ the home of Audrey Ellingson <i>5:30 PM Girl Scouts (AH)</i> <i>7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)</i>	17 7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall & Downstairs Classroom)	18 9:30 AM Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 12:00 PM Staff Meeting (Narthex) 6:00 pm Pilgrim Journey Rehearsal 7:00 Confirmation Orientation for Students & Parents 7:00 PM Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)	19 <i>7:45 AM TOPS (Rms 14, 17)</i> <i>10:00 AM Al Anon (AH)</i> 6:00 PM Global Missions Committee (Narthex) 7:00 PM Memorial Bells (Sanctuary)	20 9:30 AM Hope Circle @ the home of Mary Fricke	21
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We remember in prayer...



We remember in prayer OSLC members:

Sandy Aldworth; Maury Clark; Gene Elfstrom; Barbara Extract; Marie Foss; Virginia Fraas; Steve Gacek; Beth Garrison; Carla Geraci; Bernell Guthmiller; Carol Harbolt; Jeff Hendrickson; Margot Inman; Marian James; Knut Johansen; Josee Jordan; Florence Kinnune; Ann Kofol; Jeannie Lindquist; Vern Lindquist; Jim Marshall; Jerry Nack; Cheryl Neeb; Colleen Petersen; Pastor Eldon 'Pick' Pickering; Mary Swanson; Selma Thompson; Tommie Troutman; Gwynn Wilkinson

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

Bob Watson (Becky Mogensen); **Janice Unti** (mother of Bishop-elect Kirby Unti); **David Harper** (Dave and Marilyn Carlson); **Richard Clough** (Sabrina Wick-Jensen); **Arnold Hafso** (uncle of Scott Hafso); **Benji** (Margot Inman); **Milan Ramirez** (Margot Inman); **José R. Latoni** (Margot Inman); **Evelyn Ahrenius** (Sandy Aldworth); **Marion Condit** (Sandy Aldworth); **Scott Bronner** (Cheryl Hauser); **Mary Jarvis** (Dave and Marilyn Carlson); **Paul Schneider** (Maury Clark); **Sarah Clyatt** (Cron Family)

We pray for expectant mothers:

Laura Suttmeier (daughter-in-law of Bill and Joanne Suttmeier); **Erin Garman** (niece of Vicki LeFever)

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

We pray for safety for The Master's Group, their sub-contractors, workers and OSLC volunteers completing the kitchen remodel; and, SNC Lavalin Constructors as they work on the Issaquah Creek restoration project.

We pray for our missionaries and global missions:

Henrik & Patty Christopherson; St. Catherine's Lutheran Church in St. Petersburg, Russia; for the congregations in Chiclayo, 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:

For the joyous birth of **Jack Anderson Bechler** son of Kevin and Rachel and great-nephew of Ann and Larry Thomas. For the 65th wedding anniversary of **George and Terry Lee** on August 24th. (uncle and aunt of Ron Sordahl) For the August 10th marriage of **Kevin Farnam and Sarrah Biggs**. (Pr. Thomas); and, for the August 24th marriage of **Scott Timmerman and Rie Tamura**. (son of Paul and Robin Timmerman) For **Nancy Slater's** successful cancer treatment. (Sandy Aldworth) That **Chris Mayer-Bacon** had a safe bike ride from Maryland to Portland for cancer awareness. (Dave and Marilyn Carlson)

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 Shirley Witsoe, (425) 413-6754

September Worship Assistants

Sunday Service	Date	Time	Greeters	Ushers	Lectors	Communion Assistants	Altar Guild/Bread Bakers	Sound Engineers
Pentecost 15	September 1	9:30 a.m.	Mary Fricke 425-313-1582	Bill Suttmeier 425-392-1864	Shari Lundberg 425-392-4169, Ext. 111	Shari Lundberg 425-392-4169, Ext. 111	Judi Case 425-445-2803	Marilyn Larson 425-392-6594
Pentecost 16	September 9	8:30 a.m.	John & Rita Hansen	Jeff Lucas Don Robertson	Rowan Hinds	Mary Fricke Mary Ann Hult Jane Shen	Robin Timmerman	
	September 9	8:30 a.m.	Don & Jean Chaney	Don Chaney George Kuipers	Sam Shrimpton	Lori Downey Mary Ann Hult Jane Shen Sam Shrimpton	Judi Case <i>Bread:</i> Kathy Ziegler	
	September 9	11:00 a.m.	Muriel Brown Vicky Jacobson	Larry & Christine Fry	Joan Friel	Lori Downey Karen Hansen Kimberly Montague 1 CA needed	Karen Hansen	
Pentecost 17	September 15	8:30 a.m.	Bonnie Brice Diane Nelson	Mark & Tami Cron	Judi Case	Ralph & Judi Case Rita Hansen 1 CA needed	Mary Fricke <i>Bread:</i> Connie Fletcher	
	September 15	11:00 a.m.	Bill Hall LaRue Nelson	Bill Suttmeier	Maury Clark	Karen Hansen Rita Hansen 2 CA's needed	Rita Hansen	
Pentecost 18	September 22	8:30 a.m.	Jeannie Lindquist Selma Thompson	Dave & Georgeanne Park	Shari Lundberg	Mary Ann Hult Shari Lundberg 2 CA's needed	Jane Wuest <i>Bread:</i> Jane Wuest	
	September 22	11:00 a.m.	Jerry & Linda Nack	Jim & Leslie Kramer	Karen Hansen	Karen Hansen 3 CA's needed	Karen Hansen	
Pentecost 19	September 29	8:30 a.m.		Ernie & Jane Hughes	Laura Halter	Laura & Randy Halter 2 CA's needed	Leslie Waltzer <i>Bread:</i> Leslie Waltzer	
	September 29	11:00 a.m.	David & Carrie Ann Berry	Ralph & Connor Case	Judy Johansen	Muriel Brown Del Elliott Mary Fricke Judy Johansen	Jane Wuest	



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