## FOCUUS November 2014 Our Savior Lutheran Church GROWING TOSERVE

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### Sunday Worship Services:

8:30 & 11:00 a.m. (September – May)

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### The Brevity of Prayer and The Everlasting Twaddle

Pr. Larry E. Thomas

I'll keep this short. Question: What do Jesus, St. Benedict, Martin Luther and Anne Lamott have in common? Answer: All four are advocates of brevity in prayer. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus says, "When you are praying, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do; for they think that the will be heard because of their many words. Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him."

In his commentary on "The Sermon on the Mount," Luther writes: "The Christian's prayer is easy, and it does not cause hard work. For it proceeds in faith on the basis of the promise of God, and it presents its need from the heart. Faith quickly gets through telling what it wants; indeed, it does so with a sigh that the heart utters and that words can neither attain nor express...Because the Christian knows God is listening, she/he has no need of such everlasting twaddle. That is how the saints prayed in the Scriptures, like Elijah, Elisha, David and others – with brief but strong and powerful words."

In chapter twenty of "The Rule of Benedict," Benedict writes, "Prayer should be short and pure, unless perhaps it is prolonged under the inspiration of divine grace. In community, however, prayer should always be brief." In her book, "Help Thanks Wow: The Three Essential Prayers," Anne Lamott writes, "I do not know much about God and prayer, but I have come to believe, over the past twenty-five years, that there's something to be said about keeping prayer simple. Help. Thanks. Wow."

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I'll keep this short. Jesus was no admirer of long-winded prayers. "You're Father knows what you need even before you ask." Luther frowned on "the everlasting twaddle" of long wordy prayers. "Prayer should be brief," says St. Benedict. The point? Keep it short. Sweet. Pure: "Help. Thanks. Wow." When it comes to prayer, less is more.

As I conclude my pastoral ministry in your midst, I am mindful of the countless blessings that God has showered upon me, through you, during the years we have shared life in Christ together. Were I to try and pray all the prayers of gratitude for the countless blessings of God's grace bestowed upon me through you, the prayers would never ever end. So, I'll keep it short and sweet and borrow a prayer from St. Paul: "I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ." (Philippians 1:2b-6)

Sisters and brothers of Our Savior, you will always be in my prayers. I trust you will remember me in your prayers as well. When you do, keep it short, and, sweet.



### Sunday, November 16, 2014

### One Worship Service @ 9:30 a.m. The Congregational Meeting @ 11:00 a.m.

On Sunday, November 16, there will be one worship service at 9:30 a.m. followed by the congregational meeting at 11:00 a.m. The business at the congregational meeting will include the election of 2015 church council members, election of two voting members to the NW Washington Synod Assembly, and the election of the 2015 nominating committee.

### **Praying the Lord's Prayer**

Beginning November 30, 2-14, The First Sunday of Advent, we will be praying the "ecumenical" version of the Lord's Prayer on Sunday mornings. We will continue this practice through Pentecost Sunday, May 24, 2015. On May 31, 2015, the Sunday of The Holy Trinity, we will resume praying the traditional version of the Lord's Prayer. It has been our practice to pray both versions of the Lord's Prayer over the course of a year: approximately six months praying one version, and then, six months praying the other.



### CHURCH

### The Interim Pastor Roles and Responsibilities

Addressing the Needs of our Congregation in Transition

CHURCH The Ministry Site Profile (MSP): Why it is important to selfevaluate? By: Judi Case. Council President

### Welcoming Interim Pastor, Richard 'Dick' Christensen

We welcome our Interim Pastor Richard 'Dick' Christensen! Pastor Christensen will begin as Interim Pastor at OSLC on Monday, November 10, 2014. Pastor Christensen served as Interim Pastor for Phinney Ridge Lutheran Church in Seattle and prior to that he was Interim Pastor at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in Issaquah. Before specializing in interim ministry, Pastor Christensen served as Lead Pastor for 28 years at Faith Lutheran Church in Bellingham, retiring in 2010. Pastor Christensen transferred his membership to OSLC in December 2010.

We on council have submitted our responses to the Interim Assessment form, a requested step down the new path called transition. Collective thoughts, ideas and concerns were shared with Bishop Unti in order to best determine who our interim pastor would be. While this is a new path for us, we can take comfort in knowing that the pastoral transition process and the bishop's office are here to guide us. We have been given an experienced interim pastor to help us over this journey. Interim ministry is a specialized ministry, designed to be a link between our congregations' needs and the synod office. Pastor Christensen is very familiar with our congregation, and we are excited to work with him.

Just as we will say farewell to Pastor Thomas in a Liturgy of Ending, so will we welcome Pastor Christensen with a Liturgy of Beginning. Pastor Christensen will work closely with council, the transition team and the call committee. He will complete and share with the synod a monthly report, detailing our progress and any special concerns that may arise. We must be open and engage in communications with Pastor Christensen as we move forward on our path.

### Addressing the Needs of our Congregation

Together we will pray, support and encourage one another as we continue down this new path. As we take these first steps, we may encounter a wide range of emotions: fear, anxiety, anger, excitement – all are normal as we face change. Our interim pastor is well prepared to help us with these emotions and will address them as part of his ministry to OSLC. We may need to care for some who are struggling and look for ways to help each other. Forming new prayer groups, hosting a meal in your home, joining a new ministry – all are ways in which we can offer support and Christ's peace. In these ways we will face the needs of our fellow members, and help ourselves accept, and move forward on, this path.

### The Mission Site Profile (MSP)

The council will work to determine the selection process and appointment to the Transition Team. This team will lead us through the self-review process, gathering data, reflecting on mission and vision and even reviewing physical property and resource needs. At the end of this collection process, we will complete the MSP. This document will be given to the call committee for discernment as they give further input to the document before it is finalized.

These steps are critical as we discover, reclaim and renew ourselves for the future. Some may wish to speed up this time, yet we will counsel taking our time. Calling a pastor too soon does not allow for us to be more introspective, and may lead to a decision that, given more time, we may not have made. Grief may drive some to want an end to this time – to 'get over it'. We need time to work through any feelings of grief and loss, and to make clear choices with a glad heart. Working through the steps of the MSP will allow us the time needed, and may uncover new strengths and visions that will help us in our future together.

### **Treasurer's Update**

Sept. 2014

We have completed three months of the 2014/15 fiscal year.

What has actually happened this year:

We have received YTD - (96% of budget).....\$120,346

We have spent YTD - (96% of budget). . . . . . . . . <u>\$120,705</u>

We are under budgeted giving by...... \$ 5,382

We are under budgeted spending by.....\$ 4,500

Compared to last year's actual giving, our contributions are \$16,332 above last year.

Respectfully, Randy Halter, Treasurer



OSLC welcomes donations of stock. Donating appreciated stock that has been held long term can be a beneficial tax planning tool. Good for you; good for OSLC. If you are considering a donation of stock, contact Mary Ann Hult, financial secretary at 425-677-7942, or oslcfinsec@gmail.com for more information.



### Thanksgiving Food Basket Collection and Distribution

Food Basket Collection: Through Sunday, November 23, 2014

Food Basket Distribution: Monday, November 24, 2014

Do you know someone in our faith community who needs a little extra help to get by or who needs cheering up? Our Social Concerns ministry at OSLC is eager for you to let Janet Heck, our Parish Administrator know. She will keep these names in confi-

dence and let our Social Concerns ministry team know the number of people and the special needs they have. Together, our congregation can provide the makings of a special holiday dinner, essential supplies that may be unaffordable, or some special treats to make their days brighter.

Also, through November 23rd we will have our annual "reverse offering" to collect items that may be unaffordable or that will be included in the food baskets. Offering baskets containing slips of paper will be passed among the congregation. You are asked to take one or more slips, purchase the items and return these items to the tables and boxes in Anderson Hall by Sunday, November 23rd. Gift cards or cash donations are also welcome. (Please note social concerns food baskets on your check memo line.)

OSLC members who would like to be a part of this ministry, please contact Connie Fletcher fletch501c@aol.com. You may also call the church office, 425-392-4169.

As always, thank you for your generous donations.

OSLC's Social Concerns Committee





### **Christian Education & Small Group Ministries**

### Bible Presentation Sunday

November 16th @ 11:00 a.m.

When individuals join the church through waters of baptism, the faith community makes a commitment to place the holy scriptures in their hands and pass on the faith in Jesus. At OSLC, we fulfill one piece of this promise by taking time to recognize our second graders and give them the gift of a Bible. All second grade children, and, older children who have not previously received a Bible, are welcome to take part. For more information, contact the church office at office@oslcissaquah.org.

### **Sunday School**

9:45 to 10:45 a.m.

### Infants, Toddlers & Their Families

Again this year at OSLC, we have 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. Join us on November 30th!

### Preschool—Grade 5

For students in Preschool through Grade 5, our Sunday School programs 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 (rdfletcher@oslcissaquah.org.)



Grades 6—12 *Java Talk* 

For students in Grades 6–12 we offer an on campus program geared towards conversation and relationship building. Each Sunday, students meet in the youth room for JavaTalk, a program geared towards conversation and relationship building.

### **New Life Spirituality Group**

November 2 & 16 @ 6:30 p.m.

The New Life Spirituality Group will meet on Sunday, November 2nd from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the home of Connie Fletcher. (The November 16th meeting location TBD.) They are discussing the book, *Unbroken* by Laura Hillenbrand. Participants should read chapters 18-22 for the November 2nd meeting. The book is available from a variety of online vendors.

### **Grow Together in Faith**

New Women's Bible Study Forming

Ladies, are you wanting to meet with other OSLC women to grow in your faith?

We have five women who would like to start a new Circle. This group of women would like to meet in the evening. Circles meet once a month in one of the member's homes. The group studies the bible study from the ELCA women's magazine *Gather*.

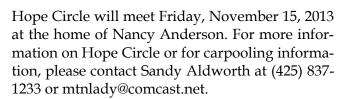
It is a great way to meet more wome of faith and to bond together to form a loving and supportive small community with Our Savior Lutheran Church.

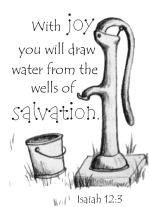
If you are interested, please contact Sandy Aldworth at 425-837-1233 or by email at mtnlady@comcast.net.



### **Hope Circle**

Friday, November 21 9:30 a.m.





### A Deeper Well

November 25 8:00 p.m.

Pastor Fletcher leads A Deeper Well, 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

Women's,

Circles

Front Street, next to Flying Pie Pizzeria and Front Street Market), on the last Tuesday of each month. Join us on Tuesday, November 25th beginning at 8:00 p.m. If you have questions, contact Pastor Ryan at (425) 392-4169, ext. 105 or rdfletcher@oslcissaquah.org.

### OSLC's Book Club

November 10th @ 7:30 p.m. Issaguah's Barnes & Noble



The next gathering for the Book Club will be on Monday, November 10th at 7:30 p.m. at the Issaquah Barnes and Noble Bookstore. The book club will discuss the book Pastrix: The Cranky, Beautiful Faith of a Sinner & Saint by Nadia Bolz-Weber. Bolz-Weber is the founding pastor of House for All Sinners and Saints, an ELCA mission church in Denver, Colorado. She takes no prisoners as she reclaims the term "pastrix" (pronounced "pas-tricks," a term used by some Christians who refuse to recognize female pastors) in her messy, beautiful, prayer-and-profanity laden narrative about an unconventional life of faith. If you have any questions or would like to know more about our book selections please contact Marilyn Larson, at marilyn.larson@gmail.com or call her at (425) 392 -6594.

### **Faith Circle**

Monday, November 17 1:30 p.m.

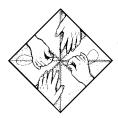
On November 18th Faith Circle will meet at the home of Rita Hansen and our leader will be Audrey Ellingson. Faith Circle meets on the third Monday of each month, from September to May, at 1:30 p.m., in different member's homes. (We break for the summer months - June through August.) We use the Bible study found in the Lutheran 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.



### Mission Quilters

Join us Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. 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.



### Help Make Quilts for the **Compass Center**

Wednesday, November 12th 6:00-7:30 p.m.

On Wednesday evening November 12th from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall, everyone is invited to help finish making quilts for the Compass Center. These quilts were started in October and now they are ready to be completed. No sewing experience is necessary, come and join us to see the process of quilt making!









### Join Us for the OSLC Women's Retreat Seasons of the Heart; Seasons of Prayer March 6—8, 2015 @ Rainbow Lodge, North Bend

The theme for this year's women's retreat is *Seasons of the Heart; Seasons of Prayer*. Pastor Karen Hanson will lead us in exploring the seasons and cycles of life with a diversity of prayer styles. All women are encouraged to attend! Pastor Karen was a former Associate Pastor at OSLC, and is now a Spiritual Director and Board Certified Chaplain with a love of Hospice ministry and Intentional Interim Pastor.

Registration forms will be available soon. Contact Joan Friel if you have questions at <a href="mailto:frielj4@comcast.net">frielj4@comcast.net</a> or 425-235-5727.

P.S. Scholarships will be available for the Women's Retreat as funds allow. The congregation is encouraged to contribute to the scholarship fund. Contributions are tax-deductible, so you could help someone attend in 2015 plus gain the tax benefit for 2014! . If you are interested in contributing to the scholarship fund, please make your check out to "OSLC Women's Ministries" with "Women's Retreat" on the subject line. Thank you.



Please consider this an invitation to you to visit your OSLC library during the holiday! Special holiday books and DVDs are now on display. You can find classic stories,

picture books, seasonal fiction, decoration and celebration ideas, recipe books and much more. Come in anytime to browse, check-out information is posted just inside the door-enrichment for your holidays is here!

Editor's note: The OSLC library is very well maintained and offers members and friends all kinds of opportunities for learning!



### Memorial Bells on Hiatus

After many years of faithful service, the Memorial Bell Choir is taking a "year of jubilee," and will be on hiatus through the spring of

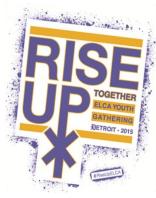
2015. This will be a time of rest and envisioning, as future plans for the group are considered. In the meantime, our heartfelt thanks to the ringers of the Memorial Bells, and to their director, Alice Lewis, who have blessed the OSLC community with their dedication and musical excellence throughout the years.



### **Children and Youth Ministries:**

The four key elements of youth ministry at OSLC:

- OSLC youth ministry is about building relationships: between youth, between youth and adults, and between adults with a passion for youth.
- OSLC youth ministry is everywhere: it is not a set of programs limited to one area of ministry but something that happens throughout the diverse life of the faith community and among all generations.
- OSLC youth ministry is family-based: the key to developing youth participation is in engaging whole families; this means building community and friendship among generations of young families and inviting them deeper into relationship with one another and the church.
- **OSLC youth ministry is community-oriented:** our programs and ministries need to focus not solely on our own youth but on youth throughout the wider community.



### 2015 ELCA National Youth Gathering

Every three years, 40,000 Lutheran youth and adults gather together for a huge event filled with music and speakers that inspire, daily service learning, games and activities and meaningful Bible studies. The dates are set for next summer in Detroit for July 15-19, 2015. The theme for the gathering is *Rise Up Together*. For more information about the Youth Gathering contact Pr. Fletcher at 425-392-4169, ext 105 or by email at rdfletcher@oslcissaquah.org.



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Thank you for so generously supporting the Church of Steadfast Love. Your facility is beautiful and your hearts even more so. It means a lot to me that we were so gra-

ciously welcomed in. Your great kindness and support helped us raise more than \$13,000!

Peace be with you, Pr. Kristy Daniels

Editor's Note: On October 11, 2014 OSLC was the host site for the Church of Steadfast Love's Mission Congregation Fundraiser.



Both Jean and I would like to thank Pastor Thomas, Pastor Fletcher and the OSLC congregation for the prayers and support you have given to us. Jean's knee replacement that was done several months back has healed nicely. I just had my knee replacement surgery and am now receiving physical therapy and continuing to improve. Your prayers and support helped us through the worst times and continue to help me heal so I can return to normal. We are so thankful to God and to you for your love and care.

Sincerely, Don Chaney





11/4	Tyler Irving
11/5	Georgeanne Park
11/6	Bodil Isop
	Darlene Tatley
	Kathy Ziegler
	Lyle Lewis
11/7	Jerry Thomas
	Olaf Grette
11/8	Benito Munoz
	Leslie Kramer
	Mary Ann Hult
	Melodie Humphries
	Scott Leitch
11/9	Connie Downey
	Florence Kinnune
	Ron Mantei
11/10	Amy Ziegler
11/12	T.J. Baseler
11/13	Michael Inman
	Tim Nygaard

Catherine Shure
Bob Brezing
Dick Shire
Alison Irving
Karen Hansen
Patty Gerde
Debbie Irving
Connor Small
Gerrie Hendrickson
Matt Saathoff
Jeanne Fabricius
Ruth Peters
Cheryl Hauser
Jacki Marx
David Mummy

Kathy Guthmiller

11/30 Don Robertson



11/10	Benito & Heidi Muñoz
11/14	Marc & Kimberly Montague
11/21	Mark & Shelley Howe
	Paul & Joyce Craig
11/15	Jim & Susan Hubly

### **Worship Schedule**

On November 2, 9, 23 and 30 Sunday morning worship services with Holy Communion begin at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

On Sunday, November 16th we will have one worship service beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School for all ages (preschool through adult) begins at 9:45 a.m. Sunday school will be in recess on November 16th.

Sun., Nov. 2—All Saints Sunday

Psalm: 34:1-10, 22 Reading: Revelation 7:9-17 Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

Sun., Nov. 9—22nd Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Isaiah 46:1-6
Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-17
Gospel: Mark 2:1-12

Sun., Nov. 16—23rd Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18
Second Reading: I Thessalonians 5:1-11
Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

Sun., Nov. 23—Christ the King Sunday

First Reading Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
Second Reading: Ephesians 1:15-23
Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

Sun., Nov. 30—First Sunday in Advent

First Reading Isaiah 64:1-9
Second Reading: I Corinthians 1:3-9
Gospel: Mark 13:24-37



### November 2014



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	OSLC facility use printed in bold. Community facility use printed in italics.					A FALL BACK
All Saints Sunday Pacific Standard Time Begins 8:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 6:30 PM New Life Spirituality Group @ the home of Connie Fletcher	3 12:00 PM OA (Downstairs classroom) 1:00 PM Lutheran Counseling Network 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall, Downstairs classroom)	4 12:00 PM Global Missions Committee (Narthex) 7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall, Downstairs Classroom) 7:00 PM Social Concerns (Library)	9:30 AM Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 12:00 PM Staff Meeting (Narthex) 6:00 PM Pilgrim Jour- ney Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 7:00 PM Chancel Choir (Sanctuary) 7:00 PM Confirmation	6 7:45 AM TOPS (Rms 14, 17) 10:00 AM AI Anon (Downstairs Classroom)	3:00 PM Social Concerns Committee Pie Making for Compassion House (Kitchen)	8 Compassion House Annual Benefit Fundraise @ Mystic Ranch
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30 First Sunday of Advent 8:30 AM Worship 11:00 AM Worship						



### We remember in prayer...



### We remember in prayer OSLC members:

Sandy Aldworth; Ralph Case; Don Chaney; Maury Clark; Gene Elfstrom; Barbara Extract; Emily Gacek; Steve Gacek; Carol Harbolt; Ray Harbolt; Jeff Hendrickson; Margot Inman; Marian James; Josee Jordan; Jeanne Kuipers; Florence Kinnune; Jeannie Lindquist; Vern Lindquist; Jim Marshall; Carole Miller; Kimberly Montague; Jerry Nack; Eloise Peters; Elaine Stamm; Glenn Smith; Dave Walters; Gwynn Wilkinson; Shirley Witsoe

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

Pat Millegan (Bill Bergsma); Rod Phillips (Ron Sordahl); John Lemire (Cheryl Neeb); Gordie Blume (Dave and Georgeanne Park); Stan Wood (Mark and Shelley Howe); Ellen Extract (sister-in-law of Barbara Extract); Orland Johnson (brother-in-law of Marian James); Gertrude Hansen (mother of Karen Hansen); Pat Lede (Scott Hafso); Murphy Grant (aunt of Dianne Tanner); Don Turin Davila (Margot Inman)

### We pray for expectant mothers:

**Shannon** (Jordan Usselman); **Katy Ulland; Jacki Marx; Christiana Nelson** (daughter of Randy and Linda Baseler); **Katie Garcia** (niece of Mark and Shelley Howe); **Trina Pomeroy** (niece of Mark and Shelley Howe)

### We promise to nurture new members received October 26, 2014:

John and Linda Diaz and their children Wyatt, Ethan and Lena; Les and Kate Gagnon; Roy and Louise Yockey.

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

### 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 ministry of Pastor Larry and Ann Thomas.



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.



# November Worship Assistants

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	1 Advent		Christ the King	23 Pentecost		22 Pentecost		All Saints Sunday	Sunday Service
	Nov. 30		Nov. 23	Nov. 16		Nov. 9		Nov. 2	Date
11:00 am	8:30 am	11:00 am	8:30 am	9:30 am	11:00 am	8:30 am	11:00 am	8:30 am	Time
Bill Hall LaRue Nelson	Craig & Lisa Gillin	Jerry & Linda Nack	Jeannie Lindquist Selma Thompson	Bonnie Brice Diane Nelson	Sandy Aldworth Vicky Jacobson	Don & Jean Chaney	Don & Nancy Cumming	Mary Fricke Robin Timmerman	Greeters Mary Fricke 425-313-1582
Bill Suttmeier	Open	Open	Dave & Georgeanne Park	Mark & Tami Cron	Larry & Christine Fry	George Kuipers Bill Suttmeier	Mike & Sandy Nygaard	Jeff Lucas Don Robertson	Ushers Bill Suttmeier 425-392-1864
Maury Clark	Shari Lundberg	Karen Hansen	Marilyn Carlson	Judi Case	Karen Hansen	Connie Fletcher	Sue Friddell	Joan Friel	Lectors Shari Lundberg 425-392-4169
Muriel Brown Del Elliott Sue Friddell	Mary Fricke Mary Ann Hult Shari Lundberg I CA needed	Karen Hansen Stacy Smith Leslie Waltzer I CA needed	Marilyn Carlson Alsice Lewis Jane Shen I CA needed	Ralph & Judi Case Mary Fricke Rita Hansen	Karen Hansen Rita Hansen Alice Lewis Leslie Waltzer	Lori Downey Connie Fletcher Jane Shen <i>I CA needed</i>	Sue Friddell Alice Lewis Leslie Waltzer <i>I CA needed</i>	Mary Fricke Joan Friel Jane Shen	Communion Assistants Shari Lundberg 425-392-4169
				Jane Wuest  **Bread: Jane Wuest	Karen Hansen	Mary Fricke <i>Bread:</i> Connie Fletcher	Jacki Marx	Robin Timmerman <i>Bread:</i> Kathy Ziegler	Altar Guild/ Bread Bakers Judi Case 425-445-2803
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