# FOCUS Vol. 30 No. 7 Our Savior Lutheran Church C U S GROWING TO SERVE

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# Services: 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

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(September-May) 9:45 a.m.

#### Summer Worship Time:

(May 17 – September 6, 2015)

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## **Disciples**

By Pastor Dick Christensen

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Pastors are infamous for telling the sisters and brothers to be disciples without ever providing suggestions about how. I will try to be better.

Evangelism is high on the "to do" list for disciples. It is not a four letter word, but Lutherans act like it is. Evangelism is the Church's word for telling others about the good news of life in Christ.

We are sure we don't like how others of our sisters and brothers do evangelism. "Are you saved" is seldom spoken among us, and rarely turns out to be a conversation starter if it is. But, silence is not the alternative.

There are other "jump starts" to begin an evangelical conversation. Chief among them is to report what OSLC is doing in ministry and waiting if any curiosity is expressed.

"I am really proud of our high school people at OSLC. They are raising money to purchase diapers to be shared with the poor when the young people attend the ELCA youth gathering." Nothing threatening there. Folks might like to know more about how we care for the poor.

"The music at OSLC last Sunday was great. We have wonderful musicians who use a variety of forms. I am always delighted." People might be drawn into a conversation about what meant so much to you.

"The liturgy at OSLC respects the best that tradition offers and is infused with contemporary thought and expression." There are lots of folks who are looking for an experience in God's presence that is not faddish or cute. Good liturgy is speaking to more and more young adults.

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"Communication at OSLC is marvelous. A week never goes by without an e-mail about special events. The monthly 'Focus' describes the whole range of ministries. Face book and the Web Site provide tons of information." People who want to be in the loop of a Parish may be shocked that we are up to date.

"I have to go to OSLC today because we are preparing meals for the hungry. I am also in the quilting group. Several hundred quilts are crafted every year for local and world-wide use." Some want to know about hands on work that is done for the needy.

"It is an exciting time at OSLC. The congregation is getting ready to call a new Pastor. That promises to open up a new chapter of our life as Jesus' people." People may want to know what a call is, or what a Pastor is expected to do. And how members of the Parish are integrated into ministry along with the Pastor.

"The facilities at OSLC are used by a whole group of people who need space to meet. AA. Al-Anon. TOPS. OA. Boy Scouts. Support groups. And now six parking spaces will be available for use by homeless people who are surviving by living in their cars." We not only care for ourselves, we care for others. That may come as a surprise to people who don't know us. They might ask questions.

"Sermons focus on Biblical truths. Good News is spoken each Sunday. People are not belittled or badgered." That will be a shock to many who grew up with 'old time religion' which was heavy on guilt and light on grace.

"There is always time for coffee and conversation on Sunday morning. We enjoy one another, share our stories, laugh, and cry with one another." That is a huge gift that many seek. They might be wanting exactly that in their lives.

These "jump start" ideas are just a few possible ones. With your agile minds you may think of many more.

My hope is that you will become more and more able to share stories of our life together with the clear notion that others are welcome to come and enjoy the life we have in Christ - the life we have with one another.

God's peace, R. L. Christensen

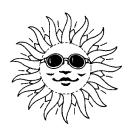


# Summer Sunday Morning Worship Services @ 9:30 a.m.

We are on our summer worship schedule with one worship service at 9:30 a.m. through Sunday, September 6, 2015.

#### Summertime at OSLC

It's summer time. We come, we go. Trips, travel, vacations, get-a-ways.. Office hours are sometimes limited during the days of summer. This summer, if you are unable to reach the staff members at the church office, please feel free to leave a voice mail message. Remember these extension numbers: Pastor Christensen, ext. 106; Janet Heck, ext. 100. They will make every effort to return your call as soon as possible. Pastor Christensen can also be reached on his cell phone, (425) 749-0848.





# **Midweek Community Campfires**

Wednesday Evenings, July 22-August 26 @ 6:30 PM 4405 E. Lake Sammamish Parkway S.E., Issaguah, WA 98029

There is nothing quite like gathering around a campfire on a cool summer evening. Each Wednesday evening from July 22 through August 26, OSLC will hold a series of community campfires on the shores of Lake Sammamish. Music, games, hot dogs, condiments, water and SMORES will be provided. Participants are welcome to bring some food item to share. And, don't forget a friend, and something to sit on. We gather beginning at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday. All are welcome.

Midweek Community Campfires are jointly sponsored by Our Savior Lutheran Church and Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church of Issaquah. Together, we celebrate the good gifts of our Creator and nurture God's hope-filled promises in our lives. Summer is a time to celebrate and a time to grow. We hope you choose to participate in the events that we have planned. And, we hope you invite others.

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#### The Transition Team to Date - June 2015

Report to OSLC Council and Congregation

The Transition Team has focused primarily this month on creating Survey #2 which identifies the gifts, skills, and ministry priorities of the pastor we would like to see leading OSLC.

One of our concerns is that the MSP list of gifts and skills does not include all that we might consider crucial. We did include an area that allows for additional comments related to qualities we seek in a pastor in our OSLC survey, but on the MSP there is no specific area in which to do so.

<u>Survey #2</u>: We are now completing the second survey, having reviewed the related MSP questions, MSP submissions from other churches, and the results of Survey #1. We will also incorporate some interesting ideas submitted earlier from a few parishioners into the results for Survey #2. Having gone through several revisions, all put straight into Google Forms live, we are about ready to distribute.

We have drafted an introduction to set the context for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Survey, incorporating key findings from the 1<sup>st</sup> Survey and demographic information from OSLC and our surrounding community.

Announcements were made at both services on May 5, 2015 to encourage participation.

The <u>Bulletin Board</u> continues to provide updates of the Transition Team progress via posting of Reports to Council, meeting summary notes, the Comments Box, electronic photos, and church history documents.

OSLC Website: The Transition Team discussed the fact that the website is out of date and could be an influencing factor when candidates for our open position review it, as they consider accepting a call at OSLC. Vince has been working on the website since Pr. Ryan left and keeping it minimally up to date. He has offered to spend more time on it, pulling information from the Focus onto the Events page, etc.

He also mentioned that there has been talk of a Website Oversite Committee (with John Hansen). The Transition Team would strongly encourage the establishment of this committee.

<u>Call Committee</u>: The Bishop's office explained that once the Transition Team has completed its work on the MSP, there is typically another 6 to 8 months before a new pastor is called. To keep this timeline at a minimum (some people are asking, "When?!"), they advised that Council form a Call Committee as soon as possible to get started on their tasks related to completing the MSP. That way, they'll expedite the process of the Bishop's office sending candidates to interview.

That's it for now... still working!

The Transition Team wants to hear your thoughts and comments on what you want to see happen at OSLC. Please place your suggestions in:

The Comments Box (Fellowship Hall) or send to transitionteam@oslcissaquah.org.

Your input is critical to our future!

Yours faithfully, The Transition Team <u>transitionteam@oslcissaquah.org</u>

### Volunteering, It May be Easy But . . . .

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace ~I Peter 4:10

By: Judi Case, Council President

At our congregational meeting in June, our Stewardship team asked us to fill out a new Immediate Volunteer Opportunities sheet. This form allows us to have visibility into your gifts, that we might use them to serve Our Savior. Many of the responses we received indicated volunteerism that you are currently doing. Some of you added to the opportunities, others did not. One or two responses were new – Social Concerns team interest, offers to usher (much needed)! I must say we did not receive an overwhelming number of work sheets back. We are grateful for those who took the time to do so. I encourage you all to fill these sheets out – and to stretch yourselves in sharing your gifts. I see volunteerism at OSLC as more than it is, I believe it is one way to gift our congregation. I see it as Paul did, an opportunity to do something good and helpful for others, in His name.

Why are we asking for more volunteers? It is simple. As Paul writes to the Galatians: *So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.* 

Our household is in need of communion assistants, assisting ministers, acolytes, ushers – a whole host of opportunities to help in our weekly worship. We need to share of our gifts, and thus enrich worship and our lives together in faith.

The older wing of our building is in disrepair. Carpeting is stained, threadbare. Our Sunday school children attend classes in rooms that, despite the creativity and hard work of our teachers, still need updating. We are in need of volunteers to help us bring a new face to this wing. Recently our interim pastor asked Building and Grounds Chair Jerry Thomas to relocate several rooms within our building, to accommodate ministry work and adult and youth education. As we all toured the older wing, it was very obvious what is needed: carpeting, painting, relocation of furniture - new faces to old spaces!

As co-owners of Our Savior, we are all called to invest in this building - our 'household of faith.' We can't depend upon the few to do the work of the many - it just isn't productive or helpful. While we have duly elected council chairs to assist us with our worship life, we sometimes forget that these people are in need of help. This time it is Building and Grounds. As you know, the Stewardship monthly focus for June was Building and Grounds. I hope all of you have taken a hand out and read of the work that is done, and work that is needed. Helping Building and Grounds is an opportunity to share our gifts and maintain our household, our place of worship. The need to update our older space is real.

This is a time for us to rise to help our Building and Grounds as this small but mighty team struggles to meet the demands of an aging space. We are in need of volunteers, members, to help with relocation, painting, and planning as we attempt to bring the older part of our building up to date. We must not let Jerry and his team down!

In the near future, you will be asked to volunteer of your time and talents, as each of you have been given, to give assistance with updating our older wing, to help with worship and thus improve Our Savior's worship place. Whether it be for help in the physical or spiritual sense, I pray that you all take the time to ask yourself how you might share of your talents as we continue to grow in community and His faith. If you are willing to help with any of the areas mentioned, please reach out to Jerry Thomas, Judi Case or Wendy Winslow, or call the church office!

# **Congregational Business**

# **Treasurer's Update**

May 2015

We are 11 months through our 2014/2015 fiscal year.

#### What has actually happened this year:

 We have received YTD - (91% of operations budget)
 \$ 417,493.95

 We have spent YTD - (83% of operations budget)
 \$ 383,795.38

 Surplus
 \$ 33,698.57



We are under budgeted giving by \$ 43,506.88 We are under budgeted spending by \$ 77,205.45

# Compared to last year's actual giving:

Our contributions are **\$10,002.23 above** last year.

Respectfully,

Jeff Ziegler, OSLC Church Council Treasurer

Oslc\_treasurer@hotmail.com

#### **Chancel Choir Welcomes New Members**

Currently on a well-earned summer hiatus, the Chancel Choir will be welcoming new voices in the fall. The choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings (7:00pm in the sanctuary), beginning after Labor Day. If you've ever considered adding your voice to the Song of the People, or would welcome a mid-week oasis of music, laughter and community, consider joining us. Questions? Please contact Scott Hafso (bellevuer@gmail.com).

# 2015 ELCA National Youth Gathering

July 15-19, 2015

OSLC youth Taylor Usselman and Jordan Usselman and Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church youth James Radek along with adult guides Glenna Usselman and Pastor Deborah Boyce will be traveling to Detroit, Michigan in July to attend the 2015 ELCA National Youth Gathering. The gathering will help young people understand that to

know Jesus through his death is to know Jesus as the fullness of God's love, and that they are called, through their baptism, to follow Jesus' way of the cross. Please keep the youth and adult guides in your prayers as they travel and serve.





#### **OSLC's Social Concerns Committee**

July/August 2015

Did you know that the average rent for East King County in 2014 is \$1,474, up from \$1026 in 2001, and that 38% of East King County renters are "high housing cost burdened," which means they must spend more than 30% of their income on rent?

What if you could end homelessness for one person...one family? Through *One Home*, a Landlord Partnership, you could help end homelessness one unit at a time. The One Home campaign is a Committee to End Homelessness effort to foster new partnerships between nonprofits and landlords, resulting in expanded housing options for formerly homeless individuals and families. Landlords are key partners in making homelessness *rare*, *brief and one-time*. Visit <a href="www.OneHomeKC.org">www.OneHomeKC.org</a> to learn more, and sign up to be part of the campaign.



**SUMMER READING PROGRAM:** OSLC will host a summer reading program for English Language Learners in our pre-school space beginning on July 9th. If you would like to volunteer or provide snacks for this Thursday afternoon program, please let us know.

**SAFE PARKING:** Many thanks to our OSLC congregation for their unanimous approval of the Safe Parking six month pilot program. Thanks to your support, up to six homeless families who must live in their cars will have a safe and legal place to park for the night. A special thanks to OSLC members Kate and Les Gagnon, both retired social workers, for their willingness to do the intake procedures necessary to screen and register our guests and connect them with community services. We are encouraged by the availability of willing partners, like Congregations for the Homeless, in this important work.



**TOOLS FOR SCHOOLS:** OSLC is a sponsor of the Issaquah Schools Foundation Tools for Schools drive. We have pledged our support at the \$1,000 level. Your contributions over the summer will help us meet that obligation. Last year over 1,000 Issaquah School District children were provided with backpacks filled with school essentials. The need is growing, as poverty is growing. Help us

meet our goal with your generous contributions.

If you have any questions or desire more information about any of these programs, contact Connie Fletcher at fletch501c@aol.com.

# **Christian Education & Small Group Ministries**

#### **OSLC's Book Club**

Issaquah Barnes and Noble Bookstore Monday, July 13th @ 7:30 p.m.

Our next gathering will be Monday, July 13th at Issaquah's Barnes and Noble Bookstore at 7:30 p.m. to discuss the book, *Olive Kitteridge* by Elizabeth Strout. At times stern, at other times patient, at times perceptive, at other times in sad denial, Olive Kitteridge, a retired school-



teacher, deplores the changes in her little town of Crosby, Maine, and in the world at large, but she doesn't always recognize the changes in those around her: a lounge musician haunted by a past romance; a former student who has lost the will to live; Olive's own adult child, who feels tyrannized by her irrational sensitivities; and her husband, Henry, who finds his loyalty to his marriage both a blessing and a curse. Contact Marilyn Larson if you have questions, marilyn.larson@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.

Last year a total of 202 quilts were donated to Lutheran World Relief. Quilts are sent all over the world, frequently to countries following natural disasters such as earthquakes and hurricanes. Quilts are also given to OSLC graduating seniors and to Compass Housing Alliance. Our neighbors at Issaquah Nursing and Rehabilitation Center were given 15 lap quilts in time for Christmas last year.

The Mission Quilters welcome new members. It is not necessary to know how to sew or quilt to participate in this ministry. The group welcomes donations of fabric (preferably cotton) and clean used sheets. Donations to help with the cost of shipping and to buy supplies are also greatly appreciated.

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

Editor Note: Mission Quilters will not be meeting for quilting in August this year.

## **New-Life Spirituality Group**

July 12th @ 5:00 PM

The next 'official' gathering of the New-Life Spirituality group will be at the home of Jan Setterlund on Sunday, July 12th. They will start off with a potluck at 5:00 p.m. Following dinner they will begin discussing the book *The Lord is My Shepherd* by Harold Koshner.

If you'd like to more information or have questions, e-mail Don and Carole Miller at Mr.don.miller@gmail.com or Cbowers22@yahoo.com.

Women's Circles

**Circles** Hope and Faith Circles are monthly women's Bible study groups that meet in participants homes. The study focus for both studies is from the Lutheran Magazine, *Gather*.

# **Hope Circle**

Friday, September 18th

Hope Circle meets in participant's homes on the third Friday of each month at 9:30 a.m. This study is currently in recess until September 18th. For more information on Hope Circle, please contact Sandy Aldworth at (425) 837-1233 or mtnlady@comcast.net.

#### **Faith Circle**

Monday, September 21st

Faith Circle meets on the third Monday of each month at 1:30 p.m. in participant's homes. from September to May. If you'd like more information or would like to join Faith Circle, please contact Rita Hansen at (425) 392-2108 or ritahansen@brigadoon.net.

# Save The Date! Women's Retreat 2016

February 12-14, 2016 @ Rainbow Lodge, North Bend

If you'd like to be a part of the planning team for the 2016 Women's Retreat, or, if you have any feedback or suggestions for next year's retreat, please let Joan Friel know at frielj4@comcast.net.





June 18, 2015

It has been a long season of disquiet in our country. From Ferguson to Baltimore, simmering racial tensions have boiled over into violence. But this ... the fatal shooting of nine African Americans in a church is a stark, raw manifestation of the sin that is racism. The church was desecrated. The people of that congregation were desecrated. The aspiration voiced in the Pledge of Allegiance that we are "one nation under God" was desecrated.

Mother Emanuel AME's pastor, the Rev. Clementa Pinckney, was a graduate of the Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary, as was the Rev. Daniel Simmons, associate pastor at Mother Emanuel. The suspected shooter is a member of an ELCA congregation. All of a sudden and for all of us, this is an intensely personal tragedy. One of our own is alleged to have shot and killed two who adopted us as their own.

We might say that this was an isolated act by a deeply disturbed man. But we know that is not the whole truth. It is not an isolated event. And even if the shooter was unstable, the framework upon which he built his vision of race is not. Racism is a fact in American culture. Denial and avoidance of this fact are deadly. The Rev. Mr. Pinckney leaves a wife and children. The other eight victims leave grieving families. The family of the suspected killer and two congregations are broken. When will this end?

The nine dead in Charleston are not the first innocent victims killed by violence. Our only hope rests in the innocent One, who was violently executed on Good Friday. Emmanuel, God with us, carried our grief and sorrow – the grief and sorrow of Mother Emanuel AME church – and he was wounded for our transgressions – the deadly sin of racism.

I urge all of us to spend a day in repentance and mourning. And then we need to get to work. Each of us and all of us need to examine ourselves, our church and our communities. We need to be honest about the reality of racism within us and around us. We need to talk and we need to listen, but we also need to act. No stereotype or racial slur is justified. Speak out against inequity. Look with newly opened eyes at the many subtle and overt ways that we and our communities see people of color as being of less worth. Above all pray – for insight, for forgiveness, for courage.

Kyrie Eleison.

The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton Presiding Bishop Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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# **July Worship Readings**

Sun., July 5—6th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Ezekiel 2:1-5

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Gospel: Mark 6:1-13

Sun., July 12—7th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Amos 7:7-15
Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14
Gospel: Mark 6:14-29

Sun., July 19—8th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6
Second Reading: Ephesians 2:11-22
Gospel: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Sun., July 26—9th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: 2 Kings 4:42-44 Second Reading: Ephesians 3:14-21

Gospel: John 6:1-21

# **August Worship Readings**

Sun., August 2—10th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15
Second Reading: Ephesians 4:1-16
Gospel: John 6:24-35

Sun., August 9—11th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:4-8
Second Reading: Ephesians 4:25 – 5:2
Gospel: John 6:35, 41-51

Sun., August 16—12th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Proverbs 9:1-6
Second Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20
Gospel: John 6:51-58

Sun., August 23—13th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18 Second Reading: Ephesians 6:10-20 Gospel: John 6:56-69

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Sun., August 30—14th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

Second Reading: James 1:17-27

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23





#### a Birthday!

# July & August Birthdays & Anniversaries



7/3	Sandy Nygaard	8/3	Carol Bergsma	7/11 7/15	Stan & Jeannette Patterson Don & Darlene Tatley
7/4	Dave Taylor		Katie Yocom	7/17	Jeff & Marcy Wood
	Kristen Wood	8/5	Margit Welch	,	Randy & Joanna Wood
7/6	Grayson Gillin		Sydney Yocom	7/19	John & Helen Nychay
7/7	Joanna Wood	8/6	Amanda	7/20	Don & Lorna Robertson
	John Fatland		Loudermilk		Doug & Lori Downey
	Reidar Geraci	8/9	Jeff Ziegler	7/23	Scott Leitch & Stacey Hesterly
7/8	Micah Howe		Jim Veevaert	7/24	Peter & Jane Shen
7/10	Carla Geraci	8/10	Caden	7/25	John & Elaine Stamm
7/11	Gwynn Wilkinson		Loudermilk	7/26	John & April LaLanne
	Helen Nychay	8/11	Bea Lucas	7/29	Jeff & Kathy Ziegler
7/12	John Kneepkens	•	Marilyn Larson		
•	Manuela Moreria	8/12	Mary Fricke	8/1	Donald & Jean Chaney
	Wayne Price	8/16	Nancy Cumming	·	Jeff & Gerrie Hendrickson
7/14	Gerald Hersey	,	Poppy Buchanan	8/2	Ziedonis & Jessica Liepins
,	Jared Kincaid	8/17	Chuck Bachman	8/5	Martin & Heidi Fuhs
7/15	Dianne Kleingartner	8/18	Andrew Craig	8/7	Tom & Jennifer Gardner
7/17	Mary Wuest	-,	Doug Downey	8/8	Vern & Jeannie Lindquist
7/20	Alice Lewis	8/19	Ray Harbolt	8/9	Justin & Katy Ulland
7/27	Justin Hendrickson	-/	Wyatt Diaz	8/10	Jeff & Sandy Saathoff
, , _,	Selma Thompson	8/21	Andy DeVogel	8/14	Rollie & Sherry Kiefel
7/28	Becky Mogensen	8/22	Bill Bergsma	8/16	Stephen & Gay Saunders Lewis & Cheryl Landers
7/29	Megan Friel	0/ 22	Ethan Diaz	8/20	Douglas & Dianne Tanner
1 / 2	Rachel Craig Smith	8/24	Paul Geraci	0, 20	Mark & Tami Cron
	Scott Hafso	8/25	Jill Naegle	8/25	Jon & Becky Mogensen
	Scott Haiso	0/ 23	Lisa DeVogel	8/26	Nathan & Katie Yocom
			Olaf Grette	·	Scott & Peggy Coyle
		8/26	Leslie Waltzer	8/27	Donald & Eloise Peters
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# We remember in prayer...



#### We remember in prayer OSLC members:

Sandy Aldworth; Marilyn Carlson, Judi Case, Jean Chaney; Maury Clark; Gene Elfstrom; Sandy Fish; Les Gagnon; Carol Harbolt; Ray Harbolt; Jeff Hendrickson; Margot Inman; Josee Jordan; Jeanne Kuipers; Florence Kinnune; Jeannie Lindquist; Vern Lindquist; Jim Marshall; Carole Miller; Jerry Nack; John Pass; Doug Patur; Eloise Peters; Glenn Smith; Kristina Steffen; Randi Strom; Selma Thompson; Dave Walters; Gwynn Wilkinson; Shirley Witsoe

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

Ellen Tremlin (daughter of Dag and Beth Garrison); Mason Smith (John and Rita Hansen); Jeremy Noble and family (Ron Sordahl); Betty Lech (aunt of Kathy Ziegler); Diane Fowler (cousin of Judi Case); Terry Lee (Dave and Marilyn Carlson); Scott Phillips (nephew of Evy Sneva); Fred Kramer (step-father of Stacy Smith); Judy Ness (Rollie and Sherry Kiefel); Ritchy (Jordan Usselman); Jack Smith (Pr. Christensen)

#### We pray for expectant mothers:

Candace Lyle (granddaughter of Sandy Aldworth); Ali Egerton (Doug and Lori Downey); Doralyn (Cheryl Neeb); Heidi Acker (granddaughter of Lucy Acker)

We pray for members and friends serving in the Military; Fire and Police Department personnel; Emergency Room personnel.

#### We pray for OSLC's Transition Team Members:

Randy Baseler, Marilyn Carlson, Lori Downey, Barbara Extract, Mark Mummy, Vince Smith.

We pray for the 2015 ELCA Youth Gathering Team: Taylor Usselman, James Radek, Jordan Usselman, Glenna Usselman, Pr. Deborah Boyce attending the 2015 ELCA National Youth Gathering in Detroit, Michigan.

#### We offer thanksgiving to God:

For the joyous birth of Luke Miller son of Tim and Shawna Miller. (Cheryl Neeb)

For **Bob's** successful surgery. (Karen Hansen)

For the June 20, 2015 marriage of Justin Hendrickson and Charisse Haved.

(son of Jeff and Gerrie Hendrickson)

For **John Butler's** graduation from Seattle University's Law School and for **Jessica Nelson's** graduation from the University of Washington with a degree in accounting. (Bill and Carol Bergsma)

#### We pray for our missionaries and global missions:

Henrik & Patty Christopherson; 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.

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.

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Date/ Time	July 5 9:30 a.m.	July 12 9:30 a.m.	July 19 9:30 a.m.	July 26 9:30 a.m.	August 2 9:30 a.m.	August 9 9:30 a.m.	August 16 9:30 a.m.	August 23 9:30 a.m.	August 30 9:30 a.m.
Service	6th Sunday After Pentecost	7th Sunday After Pentecost	8th Sunday After Pentecost	9th Sunday After Pentecost	10th Sunday After Pentecost	11th Sunday After Pentecost	12th Sunday After Pentecost	13th Sunday After Pentecost	14th Sunday After Pentecost



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