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Regular Sunday Worship Service: 10:00 a.m.

(September 13, 2015 – May)

Sunday School, Confir- mation and Adult Study: 9:00 a.m. (September-May)

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Something's Coming, Something Good, if I Can Wait!

By Pastor Dick Christensen

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

"West Side Story" is the marvelous re-working of Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet." Music is by Leonard Bernstein; lyrics by Stephen Sondheim. I fell in love with it the first time I saw the movie version.

Early in the work there is a song entitled, "Something's Coming." Included in the lyrics is the hopeful word, "Something's coming, something good, if I can wait."

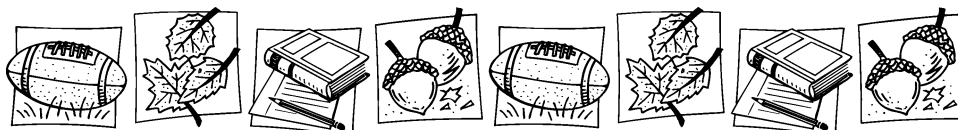
The lyrics came back to me while I was thinking about the "Focus" article for September. "Something's coming, something good, if I can wait" feels just right as the Parish begins another program year.

So much is coming that making a list requires effort. The new worship schedule. One service at 10:00 a.m. The education hour at 9:00 a.m. Regular classes and some surprises that are in the planning stage. Finishing the renovation project and enjoying new and inviting learning spaces. Safe Parking to start after necessary interviews. The return of the choir which graces us through the program year. The Transition Team completing its work and handing the torch to the Call Committee. Receiving new members who will add to our joy. New banners created for the worship space. Quilters back at work. Food being gathered for the hungry in our area. A mission and learning trip to Tanzania. A grief group for those who have suffered loss. An evening Bible study on Thursdays 7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. School children getting back packs with learning supplies. (If I have forgotten your favorite ministry, please forgive me.)

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September 2015 Sunday Worship Schedule:

Sunday, September 6th: One Service @ 9:30 a.m.
Worship service @ 10:00 a.m. beginning on September 13th.



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The hard part is "if I can wait." There are people who wait gracefully. I am not one of them. I would like everything good to happen yesterday. Alas!

The waiting time is hard, but it is a gift wrapped in a mystery. The waiting time can be used for good and not simply be a frustration.

Pray for the life of the Parish as another program year begins. Remind God of the ministries and the need for God's goodness and grace.

Pray for those who labor to make ministry happen. Some work is very public. A lot happens behind the scenes. All is important.

Pray for those who will be blessed by the ministries of OSLC. Those in the family. Those in the community. Those far removed from this geography.

What is coming will be good because God is generous and supportive of God's children who are engaged in ministry. Be confident.

"Something's coming; something good; if I can wait." Sondheim and Bernstein were not thinking of us when they did the music, but we can borrow their work for our own good.

"Something's coming; something good; if I can wait."

God's peace, Dick Christensen

New Beginnings Sunday—September 13, 2015

Education Hour @ 9:00 a.m.

Worship @ 10:00 a.m.

Cold Dish Potluck Lunch Following Worship in Anderson Hall



Join us for a joy-filled celebration of fresh starts and new beginnings. Sunday school teachers and the Call Committee will be installed and new members received during the 10:00 am worship service. Before worship at 9:00 a.m., children can visit the newly refurbished Sunday school rooms and meet their new Sunday school teachers. Following the worship service, we will also have a congregational cold dish potluck lunch in Anderson Hall. Bring your favorite dish and join in the company of others.

Sunday Morning Adult Class

Begins September 20 @ 9:00—9:30 a.m.

On Sunday mornings beginning September 20th, the adult education time will be from 9:00—9:30 a.m. in the newly painted and carpeted room just off Anderson Hall. For the first several weeks the accent will be on the why and how of worship. Presenters will be Pr. Christensen and Scott Hafso. That will be followed by other topics of interest. Global missions. Early learnings from the safe parking ministry. Topics identified by the people. Bring your coffee and join us for the discussions on Sunday mornings.



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.

Sunday School 2015 / 2016

Sunday School classes for children and youth (Birth - Grade 12) begin on Sunday, September 20, 2015 (9:00 – 9:45 a.m.) On September 13th, whether or not you have previously been involved, families are invited to come and meet the teachers and take a tour of the newly refurbished 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 soon receive a welcome letter that includes 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

Again this year at OSLC, we will 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. The first class takes place on September 27, 2015 (9:00-9:45 a.m.)

Sunday School/Confirmation Study for Middle and High School Youth

In an effort to engage more young people in study, there will be a film series in the newly painted and carpeted youth room on the lower floor of the education wing on Sunday mornings from 9:00 – 9:45 a.m. beginning on September 20th. The film series is *Jesus of Nazareth*. It was produced for television decades ago. Arguably it is the finest film presentation of the life and ministry of Jesus that has been done. The series lasts for 12 Sundays and involves 30 minutes with the film and 15 minutes with discussion led by lay persons. This Sunday morning opportunity is the Confirmation program for the Fall. All middle school students should plan to attend.

2015-2016 Sunday School & Confirmation Study Calendar

Sep. 13—New Beginnings Sunday
Sep. 20—First Day of Sunday School & Confirmation classes
Sep. 27—Sunday School, Confirmation + Infant/Toddler Class
Oct. 4—Sunday School, Confirmation
Oct. 11—Sunday School, Confirmation
Oct. 18—Sunday School, Confirmation
Oct. 25—Sunday School, Confirmation + Infant/Toddler Class
Nov. 1—Sunday School, Confirmation
Nov. 8—Sunday School, Confirmation & Bible Presentation Sunday
Nov. 15—Sunday School, Confirmation
Nov. 22—Sunday School, Confirmation + Infant/Toddler Class
Nov. 29—**No Sunday School** (Thanksgiving Break)
Dec. 6—Sunday School, Confirmation
Dec. 13—Sunday School, Confirmation
Dec. 20—Sunday School, Confirmation
Dec. 27 – **No Sunday School** (Christmas Break)
Jan. 3—Sunday School, Confirmation
Jan. 10—Sunday School, Confirmation
Jan. 17—Sunday School, Confirmation
Jan. 26—Sunday School, Confirmation
Jan. 31—Sunday School, Confirmation + Infant/Toddler Class
Feb. 7— Sunday School, Confirmation
Feb. 14—**No Sunday School** (ISD Second Winter Break)
Feb. 21—Sunday School, Confirmation
Feb. 28—Sunday School, Confirmation + Infant/Toddler Class
March 6—Sunday School, Confirmation
March 13—Sunday School, Confirmation & 1st Communion Education
March 20—Sunday School, Confirmation & 1st Communion Celebration
March 27—**No Sunday School** (Easter Sunday)
April 3—Sunday School, Confirmation
April 10—**No Sunday School** (ISD Spring Break)
April 17—Sunday School, Confirmation
April 24—Sunday School, Confirmation + Infant/Toddler Class
May 1—Sunday School, Confirmation
May 8—Sunday School, Confirmation
May 15—Last Day of Sunday School classes
May 15—Confirmation Sunday for 9th grade youth
May 22—Teacher Appreciation Sunday





Lift Your Voice: Chancel Choir begins September 9th

OSLC's Chancel Choir resumes rehearsals on Wednesday, September 9th from 7:00pm – 8:30 p.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.



Attention 2015 ELCA Youth Gathering Shareholders

Sunday, September 27th 2:00—4:00 PM @ Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

The 2015 ELCA Youth Gathering team would like to extend a special thank you to all the 2015 Youth Gathering shareholders on **Sunday, September 27th from 2:00—4:00 p.m. at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church** (24850 S.E. Issaquah-Fall City Road, Issaquah 98029.) The shareholder event will include dessert, mission team members sharing stories and experiences and a slide show featuring pictures from the trip to Detroit.

Please RSVP if you plan to attend and let us know how many will be attending with you. RSVP to Glenna Usselman via email glennausselman@aol.com by Friday, September 25th so we can make sure to have enough seats and desserts!

We hope to see you there.

2015 ELCA Youth Gathering Team Members,

Taylor Usselman, James Radek, Jordan Usselman, Pr. Debbie Boyce, Glenna Usselman

Cancellation of 2016 Women's Retreat @ Rainbow Lodge

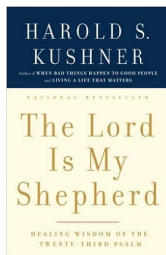
After polling members asking for their commitment to attend the 2016 OSLC Women's Retreat from February 12-14, 2016, it has been determined that there just wasn't enough interest, so with great regret, the reservation at the Rainbow Lodge has been cancelled for 2016.

Please prayerfully consider attending in 2017—we already have the weekend of March 3-5 reserved at Rainbow Lodge in North Bend, so hopefully we can resume this ministry in 2017.

Just because we are not having a full-weekend retreat at the lodge, it doesn't mean we can't have our own mini-retreat at the church! It could be just having a speaker for the day on Saturday, or maybe just a simple dessert potluck and game night! If you have ideas on how this might work for a Women's Retreat, please contact Joan Friel at frielj4@comcast.net or 425-235-5727. Thank you!

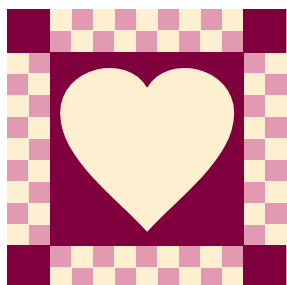


Small Group Ministries



New Life Spirituality Group *September 20 @ 5:30 p.m.*

The first meeting this fall will be Sunday, September 20th at the home of Don and Carole Miller. We will start with a potluck supper at 5:30 p.m. 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. Following dinner the group will discuss chapter one of the book, *The Lord is My Shepherd – Healing Wisdom of the Twenty-Third Psalm* by Harold S. Kushner. If you'd like more information or have questions, e-mail Don at Mr.don.miller@gmail.com or Carole at Cbowers22@yahoo.com.

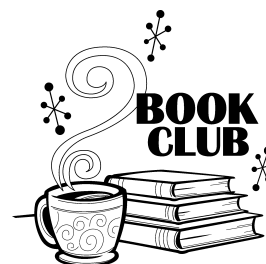


Mission Quilters

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.

OSLC's Book Club

Barnes & Noble Bookstore, Issaquah
September 14th 7:30 p.m.



Our next gathering will take place on Monday, September 14th. We will discuss the book, *Postmortem* (Kay Scarpetta Mysteries) by Patricia Cornwell. Under cover of night in Richmond, Virginia, a human monster strikes, leaving a gruesome trail of strangling that has paralyzed the city. Medical examiner Kay Scarpetta suspects the worst: a deliberate campaign by a brilliant serial killer whose signature offers precious few clues. With an unerring eye, she calls on the latest advances in forensic research to unmask the madman. But this investigation will test Kay like no other because it's being sabotaged from within—and someone wants her dead. Contact Marilyn Larson, marilyn.larson@gmail.com for more information.

Thursday Morning Bible Study

10:00 a.m.



Pastor Christensen leads the Thursday morning Bible study. We meet at 10:00 a.m. in the church library. Our study focus is on upcoming Gospel readings that are used on Sunday morning in worship. This is a great opportunity to dig deeper into these readings and prepare yourself for worship on Sunday mornings. All are welcome!



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 month they meet in the home of Lucy Acker on Friday, September 18th. For more information on Hope Circle, please contact Sandy Aldworth at (425) 837-1233 or mtnlady@comcast.net.

Faith Circle

Monday, September 28th

Faith Circle normally meets on the third Monday of each month at 1:30 p.m. in participant's homes. from September to May. This month, however, they will meet on September 28th at the home of Rita Hansen. 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.



President's Update

Judi Case, Council President

What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Christ has given us each talents. We are individually and wholly blessed when we share these talents. Over the past month or so Our Savior has benefitted from the many of our family who stepped up to offer their gifts in assisting us with the huge undertaking of refurbishing our education wing. Over three weekends, and during the weeks intervening, we have cleared, cleaned, stacked and prepared these spaces to receive a much needed facelift. As I sit here writing this, carpet installation has begun. Some may say that this time of transition, indeed chaos, as Pastor Dick mentioned in a recent sermon, make it difficult to invest in time and talents. Some fear that it will be impossible to get people to step up and share. I believe the opposite is true! Truly, what lies within us—our gifts, love of community and willingness to grow together as a congregation – are in evidence all around me. When asked, you have responded. New members and not so new – we have seen our faces and experienced your grace as together we have worked to renew our place of worship.

We are entering into the time of New Beginnings. Soon Sunday school, confirmation and adult education will resume in new spaces, with new faces. We will all enter into community with one another as we rededicate ourselves to learning His Word and sharing it with others.

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We are still in need of help. We will need to restore rooms with their furnishings, create new spaces for youth and in general prepare for a return to our spaces. Any offering of time and effort will be welcomed.

When Moses was instructed to build the peoples place of worship, God stirred the people to help:

The children of Israel brought a willing offering unto the LORD, every man and woman, whose heart made them willing to bring for all manner of work, which the LORD had commanded to be made by the hand of Moses.

Exodus 35:29

I have faith in the willingness of my family. I believe that each of us share in our gifts, and Our Savior thrives because of this. We have greatness within, and strength in community, through God's love and our willingness to support our church. I thank you all.

Blessings on your days.

The Transition Team Today

Report to OSLC Council and Congregation

The Transition Team is—at last—seeing light at the end of the tunnel. Still meeting frequently and working together via multiple daily e-mails, we have completed all the questions and prose essays required by the Bishop's MSP (Ministry Site Profile), submitted the entire work to Council for their review, and are now working on incorporating comments made by the Council members. The revised version will pass Council's scrutiny one last time and, if necessary, the Transition Team will submit the final tweaks and polishing for approval at Council's next meeting on September 8th.

A Call Committee has been selected. The Transition Team will meet with this new committee to review all the work that has been done and assist with their orientation to the process. At that point, the Call Committee will work with the Bishop's office to begin their portion of the process.

Then we wait for the resumes of candidates suited to the church that we are and the church we aspire to be in the near future. The Call Committee will interview these candidates, select one and, if the call is accepted, will negotiate salary, benefits, etc.

We've been told by the Bishop's office that the process can easily take another six months after the Transition Team has completed its work. So hang tight. Hang in. And raise your prayers to heaven for a successful choice.

Transition Team Members,

Randy Baseler, Chair; Marilyn Carlson, Secretary; Barbara Extract; Vince Smith; Mark Mummy; Lori Downey



Safe Parking Update:

Our City of Issaquah permit for our Safe Parking permit was granted on August 17th. What can we expect now that our Safe Parking, six month pilot program for families who are homeless and must sleep in their cars, is a reality?

- We have alerted the agencies that will refer families and single women to us – The Issaquah Food Bank, Issaquah Community Services, Congregations for the Homeless and the Issaquah Police Department, that we are open for business. We will keep these agencies up to date when our six parking spots have been filled and we are not able to accept new families. The license plates of our guests will be sent to the Issaquah Police Department so they know who has permission to stay in our parking lot.
- Kate and Les Gagnon, members of our congregation and both retired social workers, will conduct an intake interview with the families and run a criminal background check on anyone over 16. We will not accept anyone with an outstanding warrant and the police will be notified. If anyone is a sex offender, he/she will be turned away. Les and Kate report that the background check process, provided by our insurance company, is very quick and thorough. They also will be referring our guests to other social service agencies that can help the family address their challenges so that their lives can become stabilized.
- Safe Parking guests will be given a permit containing their license plate numbers to display in their car window. For the first few weeks, Brad Marx, a member of our congregation, will be checking to see that only registered guests use our parking lot. He will do this on an as-needed basis after that. *He will need back up occasionally, so if you can volunteer for this job, please let us know.* Our guests will also want to keep their families safe. As has been the case with other congregations, we expect that they will notify us if someone camps overnight in our parking lot that has not gone through the screening process and accepted as a guest. City of Issaquah Police will drive through to check, as well, when available.
- Guests will be required to agree to and sign a contract that spells out policies and rules that will serve to ensure the safety and success of the program. Violation of the rules will result in a loss of privileges or expulsion from the program. Periodic Sunday night suppers will be held in the church building to become acquainted with one another and resolve problems that may surface. We hope that members of the community, and our neighbors, will participate in these community building events. *If you would like to help in providing one of these meals, please let us know.*
- Guests will use the portable restroom that is now in our parking lot. It is handicapped accessible to accommodate a parent and child or an individual with mobility limitations. There is also a portable sink adjacent to the restroom for hand washing. *We will also be collecting baby-wipes and handi-wipes for our guest to use.*
- We hope that our Safe Parking guests, in addition to finding a safe place to stay, will become a part of our community by participating in our programs, ministries or worship opportunities, although this is not a requirement for participation in the program. *Please make them feel welcomed as honored guests of OSLC and beloved children of Christ.*

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Tools 4 School Drive:

Thanks to your generous contributions, our goal of \$1,000 was met. The money has already been sent to the Issaquah Schools Foundation for use in purchasing school supplies.

Mayors Month of Concern:

OSLC needs volunteers to collect donations of food and household essentials on Saturday, September 19th. Our church volunteers will be stationed at the Safeway on Gilman Boulevard. There is also a sign up sheet on the table in the narthex, or, you can contact Pastor Christensen if you can help.

Food and Clothing Collection Barrels:

Over the years OSLC has had food and clothing collection barrels in the hallway leading to the library. Currently there are two collection barrels for the Issaquah Food and Clothing Bank (IFCB). If you have unwanted clothing and/or nonperishable food items, they can be placed in these barrels and they will be delivered to IFCB by a member of the social concerns committee.

'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'
Mathew 25:40

Connie Fletcher
Social Concerns Council Representative

Outreach Committee Start-up

Submitted by Kirstin McLeod, OSLC Member

Back to School time brings both excitement and some anxiety for students and parents. As we go into a new school year students across the country are asking themselves questions of "Will they like me?" and "Will I have friends to sit next to at lunch or the bus?" I am going to urge us as members of the congregation and the larger community of faith when was the last time you invited someone new to sit next to you in the pew? The desire to have people ask us and invite us to be part of a community does not go away, we have community members that are waiting for you to ask whether they are regular church attendees or have not set foot in our congregation before.

The Outreach committee is getting underway to address work such as the invitation challenge and would love to have your help to discuss and plan outreach opportunities for the greater Issaquah area. If you are interested in joining the committee please express your interest via email to Kristin McLeod at krstnmcleod@gmail.com.



Thanks be to God for Mid-Week Campfire Worship

If you missed our Mid-Week Campfire Worship series this summer, don't fret it will return next summer! We thank Flintofts Funeral Home for providing the beautiful lakeside property for this campfire worship and to our brothers and sisters of Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church for co-sponsoring this series with OSLC. Worshipping and glorifying our Lord at the shore of a lake was a beautiful thing!

Dear Friends in Christ,

What an inspiring, energetic, worshipful experience it was to attend the 2015 ELCA Youth Gathering. Our group of five—Glenna, Taylor and Jordan from Our Savior Lutheran Church, and James and I from Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church—thoroughly enjoyed the event. I know I speak for all of us when I extend our deep gratitude for your support, encouragement and prayers as we prepared for, and participated in, the Gathering.

It's difficult to capture such an event-packed Gathering into a brief letter, much less a single sentence. Yet, that is exactly what I asked the youth to do while at the airport waiting to come home! They were allowed up to seven words to write a sentence that summarized their biggest take-away from the Gathering. I also gave them three more words that expressed other profound moments, reflections or events of the Gathering. Their responses made my heart smile and my eyes fill with tears of joy.

"Trip that lifted my faith up higher." Goosebumps / Astounding / Beautiful

"Experiences and stories that touched the heart." Patience / Welcoming / Heartfelt

"Detroit brings all people together as one." Love / Generosity / Community

As you can see from their responses, these young people were engaged and committed to the work and ministry of the Youth Gathering. It truly was a joy to share this trip with them. You can hear more about the Gathering at a dessert celebration, September 27, 2-4pm, at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church. There's so much to share about the Gathering, including some funny *and* poignant pictures, videos, yummy food, and more!

My heartfelt thanks to Glenna Usselman for her outstanding support and leadership. I look forward to future partnerships between the youth of our parishes as we proclaim the good news of Christ Jesus.

Grateful to be serving with you,
Pastor Debbie Boyce
Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church
24850 S.E. Issaquah-Fall City Road

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September 2015 Sunday Worship Schedule:

**Sunday, September 6th
worship @ 9:30 a.m.**

**Sunday morning worship
service @ 10:00 a.m.
begins on Sunday,
September 13th. We will
continue this schedule
throughout our interim
time.**

Worship Schedule

Sun., Sept. 6—15th Sunday After Pentecost

First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7a

Second Reading: James 2:1-10, 14-17

Gospel: Mark 7:24-37

Sun., Sept. 13—16th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a

Second Reading: James 3:1-12

Gospel: Mark 8:27-38

Sun., Sept. 20—17th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Jeremiah 11:18-20

Second Reading: James 3:13—4:3, 7-8a

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

Sun., Sept. 27—18th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

Second Reading: James 5:13-20

Gospel: Mark 9:38-50



BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

9/2	Irene Carn	9/22	Jane Shen
9/3	Garrett Steffen		Paul Criag
	Vincent Smith	9/23	Jeannie Kuipers
9/4	Dar Boni	9/24	Ian DeVogel
	Dee Bakamus	9/25	Erik Fabricius
	Jeff Wood		Linda Mummy
9/7	George Kuipers	9/26	Martin Fuhs
9/8	Dick Christensen		Steve Gacek
9/10	Emily Gacek	9/27	Dawson Loudermilk
9/13	Miranda Smith	9/28	Adam Schoen
9/14	Jordan Usselman		
9/15	Amy Mogensen		
	Craig Gillin		
	Jennifer Hendrickson		
9/16	Henrik Christopherson		
9/17	Mikey Cron		
9/20	Don Cumming		



9/2	Chawn & Amanda Loudermilk
9/6	Doug & Sue Friddell
9/7	Gene & Alla Elfstrom
	Paul & Jennifer Tolo
9/11	Paul & Robin Timmerman
9/16	Don & Gwynn Wilkinson
9/20	Shawn & Karen Quinn
9/21	Jon & Stacy Smith
9/22	Todd & Joni Zink
9/24	Alec & Dee Bakamus
9/25	Mike & Sandy Nygaard
9/30	Jeff Youngstrom & Becky Brooks

September 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<i>1</i> 7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall)	<i>2</i> 12:30 PM Staff Meeting	<i>3</i> 10:00 AM Al Anon (Room 7) 10:00 AM Bible Study w/ Pr. Christensen (Library)	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>6</i> 9:30 AM Worship	<i>7</i> Labor Day Holiday OSLC Office Closed 12:00 PM OA (Narthex) 	<i>8</i> 5:30 PM Issaquah Meal Program @ Fire Station 6:00 PM Executive Committee (Library) 7:00 PM Council Meeting (Narthex) 7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall)	<i>9</i> 12:30 PM Staff Meeting 5:00 PM Banner Committee Meeting (Narthex) 7:00 PM Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)	<i>10</i> 7:45 AM TOPS (Rms 14, 17) 10:00 AM Al Anon (Room 7) 10:00 AM Bible Study w/ Pr. Christensen (Library)	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i> 9:00 AM OSLC Work Party
<i>13</i> New Beginning Sunday New Members Received Sunday School Teacher Installation 10:00 AM Worship 11:15 AM Call Committee Meeting 11:30 AM All Congregation Cold Dish Potluck Lunch	<i>14</i> 9:30 AM Avant Designer's Guild (Anderson Hall) 12:00 PM OA (Room 7) 1:00 PM Lutheran Counseling Network (LCN Office) 1:30 PM Parkinson's Support Group (Sanctuary) 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall) 7:30 PM OSLC Book Club @ Issaquah Barnes and Noble	<i>15</i>  5:30 PM Issaquah Meal Program @ Fire Station 12:00 PM October Newsletter Deadline (Email articles to office@oslcissaquah.org) 7:00 PM Jubilate Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall)	<i>16</i> 9:30 AM Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 12:30 PM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)	<i>17</i> 7:45 AM TOPS (Rms 14, 17) 10:00 AM Al Anon (Room 7) 10:00 AM Bible Study w/ Pr. Christensen (Library)	<i>18</i> 9:30 AM Hope Circle @ the home of Lucy Acker	<i>19</i> 10:00 AM—3:00 PM Food Collection for Mayor's Day of Concern @ Issaquah Safeway on Gilman Blvd. 11:30 AM—4:00 PM District 35 AA Workshop (Anderson Hall)
<i>20</i> 5:45 AM Hammond House Breakfast 9:00 AM Sunday School, Confirmation Class and Adult Education Class 10:00 AM Worship 5:30 PM New Life Spirituality Group @ the home of Don and Carole Miller	<i>21</i> 12:00 PM OA (Room 7) 1:00 PM Lutheran Counseling Network (LCN Office) 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)	<i>22</i> 7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall)	<i>23</i> 9:30 AM Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 12:30 PM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)	<i>24</i> 7:45 AM TOPS (Rms 14, 17) 10:00 AM Al Anon (Room 7) 10:00 AM Bible Study w/ Pr. Christensen (Library)	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i>
<i>27</i> 9:00 AM Sunday School, Confirmation Class and Adult Education Class 10:00 AM Worship 2:00-4:00 PM ELCA Detroit Youth Gathering Shareholder Event @ Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church	<i>28</i> 12:00 PM OA (Room 7) 1:00 PM Lutheran Counseling Network (LCN Office) 1:30 PM Faith Circle @ the home of Rita Hansen 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)	<i>29</i> 7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall)	<i>30</i> 9:30 AM Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 12:30 PM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)		<div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">OSLC facility use printed in bold. <i>Community facility use printed in italics.</i></div>	

We remember in prayer...



We remember in prayer OSLC members:

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

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

Tom Cooper (Bill and Carol Bergsma); Lauren (Mary Fricke); Debbie (Linda Baseler); Sue Aho (Mary Fricke); Ann Johnson (Bill Bergsma); Orville and Myrna Doughty (Pr. Christensen); Jack Echternach (Connie Fletcher); Christine Cooley (Stacy Martin); Chuck Churchill (Ray Harbolt); Scott Soper (Chuck Bachman)

We pray for expectant mothers:

Doralyn (Cheryl Neeb); Heidi Acker (granddaughter of Lucy Acker); Chelsea Wilson (Janet Heck); Nicole Koenig (granddaughter of Sandy Aldworth); Wendy Jackson (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 OSLC's Call Committee Members:

Chuck Bachman, Joan Friel, Craig Gillin, Cheryl Hauser, Mark Cron, Amanda Schoen, Ralph Case.

We promise to nurture Sam Beckman Piethe baptized on August 9th, son of Brian and Lindsay.

We offer blessings to Keith Windham who transferred his membership to Christ Lutheran Church in Coolidge, Arizona.

We offer thanksgiving to God:

For 50 years of marriage for:

Peter and Jane Shen, July 24, 1965; **John and Elaine Stamm**, July 25, 1965; and,

Rollie and Sherrie Kiefel, August 14, 1965.

For the September 7th marriage of **Michael John Cron and Alexandra Joellen Clyatt**.

(son of Mark and Tami Cron)

For the joyous births of: **Cailyn Marie Lyle** daughter of Chris and Candace and

great-granddaughter of Sandy Aldworth; and, **Kinsley Wallace** daughter of Ali Egerton niece of Lori and Doug Downey.

We pray for our missionaries and global missions:

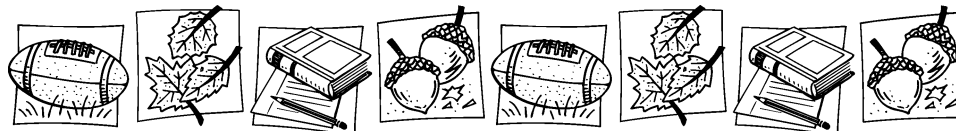
Henrik & Patty Christopherson; for the congregations in Chiclayo, Peru: **Pepe** at Las Brisas, **Merci** in San Antonio and **Harold** at Las Lomas. **MaaSae Girls Lutheran Secondary School** in Monduli, Tanzania.

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

September Worship Assistants

Sunday Service	Date	Time	Greeters	Ushers	Assisting Ministers	Communion Assistants	Altar Guild/Bread Bakers	Sound Engineers
Pentecost 15	September 6	9:30 a.m.	Mary Fricke 425-313-1582	Bill Suttmeier 425-392-1864	Sue Friddell Shari Lundberg 425-392-4169, Ext. 111	Sue Friddell Mary Fricke Mary Ann Hult	Judi Case 425-445-2803	Marilyn Larson 425-392-6594
Pentecost 16	September 13 New Beginning Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Don & Nancy Cumming	Don Chaney George Kuipers	Sue Friddell	Lori Downey Joan Friel Jane Shen Leslie Waltzer 1 CA needed	Jacki Marx Bread: n/a	Vince Smith
Pentecost 17	September 20	10:00 a.m.	Jerry & Linda Nack	Brad Marx Kirsten Olshausen	Joan Friel	Mary Fricke Jane Shen 3 CA's needed	Jane Wuest Bread: Kathy Ziegler	Open
Pentecost 18	September 27	10:00 a.m.	Sandy Aldworth Vicky Jacobson	Mark & Tami Cron	Maury Clark	Karen Hansen Stacy Smith Leslie Waltzer 2 CA's needed	Judi Case Bread: Jane Wuest	Open
			Paul & Nilvane Swanson	Jeff & Kathy Ziegler	Karen Hansen		Mary Fricke Bread: Connie Fletcher	Open

When you arrive, please sign-in on the worship sign-in sheet located in the sacristy.



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