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Sunday Worship

Service:

10:00 a.m.

Sunday School

(September-May) 9:00 a.m.

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Write Back!

By: Pastor Dick Christensen

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

For the last 18 months I have used this space to share something of the faith that animates my life and conversation. It was a privilege to do so.

This month the space is blank. I would like to hear from you about the faith that animates your life and conversation. Write back.

God's peace,

Dick Christensen
Pastor for the Interim





President's Update

By: Judi Case, Council President

Recently, our Vice President Justin Ulland encouraged all of us to join in planning for our future. With the event of receiving a candidate nearly upon us, I want to add my voice and personal excitement to this time of renewal. OSLC is on the verge of something grace filled and great! We all need to do our part in planning for the future of our congregational life. Each one of us will receive a personal blessing in the form of a new pastor. Each one of us needs to return this gift by giving of our prayers and support. We will promise to uphold the new pastor through prayer, lay ministry and financial support. The days ahead will bring the chance to meet our candidate, and culminate in a special congregational meeting to vote on calling the candidate as well as voting on the compensation package. The call committee has been hard at work interviewing and selecting the candidate. I want to extend my personal thanks and blessings to these loving people who have worked so hard to discern and affirm their selection: Manda Schoen, Cheryl Hauser, Craig Gillin, Chuck Bachman, Mark Cron, Joan Friel, Ralph Case.

Council and the call committee will present the candidate at a reception to be held on Saturday, May 14th, from 2:00—4:00 p.m. in Anderson Hall. This will be your opportunity to meet and welcome the candidate. A special congregational meeting must be called in order to vote on calling the pastor, and also to vote on the compensation package. This meeting will be scheduled for Sunday, May 22nd, after morning worship is concluded. I expect that everyone who is able will come to this very important meeting, and share thoughts and their votes. We need a quorum to begin the meeting, and a two-thirds majority vote to approve the two motions. Let's show our enthusiasm and support by attending and participating. The future of OSLC is bright, and we all need to join together in sharing this.

As we near the special congregational meeting, council will share the Letter of Call, which includes compensation, so that each of you may understand and comment on our intent for the new pastor. So watch the bulletin, email and posted notices! Due process and confidentiality prohibit council and the call committee from naming the candidate at this time, but once all pro forma has been concluded, we will do so prior to the reception on May 14th.

Once again, I am feeling the love of, and am blessed by, this congregation and all who give tirelessly to support it! OSLC has some of the very best in its lay ministers, volunteers, teachers, librarians, singers and musicians, staff and youth participants. We have a lot to offer to our new pastor—let's get planning!

Searching
for a **New**
Pastor



Call Committee Update

The Call Committee has had a busy month of Skype interviews with five new candidates. This was an exciting and diverse group of candidates and we learned something from each of them. We ultimately felt two of the five were worth further consideration, but one clearly stood out to us. We invited this candidate back for a lengthy second interview and are working through the appropriate processes with Council in the hopes of finalizing the candidate. OSLC Council will be notifying the congregation of the next steps at the appropriate time.

Manda Schoen
Our Savior Lutheran Church Call Committee Chair



Planning For The Future of OSLC

A Request to Members from Justin Ulland, OSLC Vice President

Members of OSLC, we are on the threshold of a new and I believe exciting time in the life of OSLC. As a member of the council I'm asking for you to prayerfully consider what you hope for the future of OSLC, and then to use the commitment slip below to tell us on the council how we should plan the 2016/2017 budget.

I'd like to share with you the perspective from our family. Katy and I joined in 2009 as a family of two, soon to be three. We saw then and now that God's presence is strong with the community here and are incredibly grateful for how our three children have been welcomed and nurtured in their faith for the last seven years. While we don't know who will be leading us as the next chapter of OSLC unfolds, we see the momentum building with young families in our services and events, we see the incredible strength and constancy of our Worship, our Music, our Global Missions, our Social Concerns, and like our bright newly refinished education wing, we see 2016/2017 as a bright and pivotal chapter for OSLC. We are taking it on faith that God will help us build on the momentum and provide the necessary leadership from within our membership and through our pastoral call process.

From the council perspective, we are reaching the end of the current budget year, and we see that financial contributions are falling. As we set the next budget and prepare to call a pastor, I am, as Vice President of the council, asking the congregation to help us decide how we should plan. If we listen to the recent financial giving trends, the message seems to be:

"Pull back, wait and see what our new pastor brings."

I personally hope to hear a message from the congregation more like this:

"We are excited about the future and are committed to providing a solid financial foundation for where God takes us next year!"

With hopeful anticipation, I look forward to your response and thank you for providing additional information for us to use in our planning.

Please return this slip in the offering plate or directly to Bill Cash, Financial Secretary, (oslc_financialsecretary@hotmail.com) no later than May 3rd.

2016 / 2017 Commitment: Name / Household _____

As council sets the next budget and prepares to call a pastor, plan on me / us to:

(☐) Increase giving by _____ (% or \$) compared to last fiscal year

(☐) Keep giving the same as last fiscal year

(☐) Reduce giving by _____ (% or \$) compared to last fiscal year



Congregational Business

Meet the Pastoral Candidate

Saturday, May 14 @ 2:00—4:00 p.m.

Special Congregational Meeting

Sunday, May 22 @ 11:45 a.m.

On Saturday, May 14th from 2:00—4:00 p.m. council and the call committee will present the pastoral candidate at a reception in Anderson Hall. This is your opportunity to meet and greet the candidate.

On Sunday, May 22nd, after morning worship is concluded, there will be a special congregational meeting held. The purpose will be to vote on calling the pastoral candidate and also to vote on the compensation package. This is a very important meeting. Come and share your thoughts and cast your vote. A 2/3 majority vote is needed to approve the two motions.

Church Council Budget Forums

Sunday, May 15, 2016 @ 9:15 & 11:15 a.m.

In preparation for the June 12 congregational meeting, members of the church council will host two congregational budget forums on Sunday, May 15th. The forums will be held at 9:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. in the upstairs education classroom. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Annual Congregational Meeting

Sunday, June 12, 2016 @ 11:00 a.m.

On Sunday, June 12, 2016, following the 10:00 a.m. worship service, the church council will host the annual congregational meeting. The agenda will include the presentation of the 2016/2017 OSLC Mission and Ministry budget for congregational review and approval.



Treasurer's Update

March 2016

We have completed 9 months of the 2015/2016 fiscal year.

What has actually happened this year:

We have received YTD - (76% of budget) \$279,073.50

We have spent YTD - (85% of budget) \$302,538.73

Deficit: \$ (23,465.23)

Compared to what we budgeted:

We are under budgeted giving by \$ (90,001.50)

We are under budgeted spending by \$ (55,373.70)

Compared to last year's actual giving, our contributions are \$62,471.07 below last year.

Respectfully,

Wendy Winslow, Treasurer

oslc_treasurer@hotmail.com

Throughout the year, many of you already support the congregation with your time, talent and financial contributions but greater participation is always welcome. We encourage you to look into our electronic giving program. It takes just a few minutes to set up a recurring giving plan. Visit the church website (www.oslcissaquah.org) and locate the donate now link or complete a paper authorization form which is located on the table in the narthex.



Social Concerns Committee

By Connie Fletcher

The last few months saw the beginning of new social concerns ministries and the continuation of others:

- **Lunch for the Break** was again hosted by OSLC. **Nearly 350 boxes of food were donated by members of our community and received by needy families in the Issaquah School District.** Judi Case lead this effort for spring break on our behalf and, together with Lucy Acker, Bob Brezing, Ralph Case, Juli Bodell, Ken DeCamp , Cheryl Leiter, Sue Friddell, Les Gagnon, Don Robertson, Kathy Ziegler, Mark Mummy and Marshall and Mikey Inman, lots was accomplished. Great helpers indeed! We will rest awhile before taking this project up again prior to the Christmas Break. However, **if you would like to help with the Issaquah Food and Clothing Bank's Summer Lunch Program, please feel free to donate food or funds.** Bags of lunch fixings will be distributed at the Community Center lawn each week during the summer. We are also exploring the feasibility of "**Issaquah Power Packs,**" a program to provide weekend food to the children most in need during the school year. Pilot programs are being planned for Liberty High School and Clark Elementary. If you are interested in participating in the development of this program, please contact me.
- **Passage Point**, the transitional housing program for parents who have been incarcerated and are being reunited with their children, has called on OSLC to help provide **Welcome Baskets** for new residents. These baskets contain the essentials to set up housekeeping and go with the families when they re-locate to permanent housing. Last month, members of our congregation provided supplies that helped eight families get settled into their new homes. Well done!!
- The City of Issaquah permit for our **Safe Parking Program** was renewed for another six months. In a meeting with the Chief of Police, we learned that no complaints have been received, and that while it has taken longer to get off the ground than we had anticipated, we are providing a safe place for two single women who would otherwise be in a more difficult situation. Thanks to Kate and Les Gagnon for their leadership in this ministry.
- Although the start of the next school year is a way off, planning for the **Tools for Schools** drive is underway. OSLC has again been asked to be a sponsor for this important program. Cash or checks contributed through OSLC and designated for **Tools for Schools** will help over 1,000 children in our Issaquah Community who need school supplies to start the year. Volunteers are also needed to help package the supplies, which are ordered in bulk. Let me know if you would like to help with this packaging project which will take place in July.
- OSLC has been called upon to help fill gaps in the **Community Meals Program** several times in the past couple of months. Some of the groups that have provided meals once per month over the years have dropped out due to the more restrictive food preparation requirements now being enforced. Members of our congregation have responded to the urgent, last minute requests for meals. Thanks to our members, we have both the kitchen and the experienced volunteers to respond on short notice. Our happy crew includes: chef Chuck Doty, Yumio Doty, Vicky Jacobson, Don and Lorna Robertson, Lucy Acker, Kathy Guthmiller, Judi Case, Colae Migge, Kathy Ziegler, Dianne Tanner, Jean Pass and Les and Kate Gagnon.

THANKS TO ALL FOR YOUR GENEROUS HEARTS AND LOVING SPIRITS!





Global Missions: God's Work. Our Hands.

Explore the Lutheran World of Mission

The Global Mission Committee wants to learn more about the “global engagement” of OSLC members and the questions and interests members have relative to global mission educational opportunities. Members receiving the *Focus* via email will receive a questionnaire with two short questions. For those not receiving the *Focus* via email, a hard copy of the questionnaire will be available in the narthex. Your timely response is needed and greatly appreciated!

To complete the survey online, here is the link for the Global Missions survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KXWXD85>



Global Mission Committee Questionnaire

Background

The Global Mission Committee (GMC) is interested in learning more about the “global engagement” of members of Our Savior Lutheran Church (OSLC). For the purposes of this questionnaire, “global engagement” is defined as financially supporting organizations that provide money, services and/or goods to people and agencies in countries around the world. *The GMC is also interested in learning about your questions and interests relative to global mission educational opportunities.* Your feedback will be used to organize classes and educational forums.

Global Engagement

For example, if apart from financial support provided by OSLC for global mission work you contribute to the work of organizations such as Lutheran World Relief, the Global Mission Fund of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), Operation Bootstrap Africa (i.e., MaaSAE Girls Lutheran Secondary School) or the work of the Lutheran World Federation you are “globally engaged.” Similarly, if you financially support non-Lutheran or non-faith based charities such as Bread for the World, Doctors Without Borders, the Heifer Project, Refugees International, or other charities that work outside of the United States, you are “globally engaged.” In the space below, please list the charities you support apart from those support provided through OSLC:

Global Mission Education

Jesus charges His disciples to be globally engaged (Great Commission, Matthew 28). The world today presents extreme challenges and opportunities for the propagation of the Christian Gospel. As a congregation, we are committed to making God's healing, peace and justice a reality for those who experience poverty, war and terrorism, discrimination, suffer from starvation and disease or lack educational opportunities. In order to better discern our personal and congregational commitments and opportunities for greater global engagement, *the GMC invites your recommendations for educational forums and classes.* For example, educational opportunities might include learning more about Islam and the challenges of radical Islam, how to “work locally” for international peace through the efforts of Lutheran Peace Fellowship, discerning our role in ecumenically supporting peace and promoting democracy and eliminating hunger and disease in emerging countries. In the space provided below, please list topics and issues that you would be interested in pursuing through forums or a series of classes:

On behalf of the Global Mission Committee, thank you for your thoughtful response to our questionnaire.



Chiclayo, Peru Scholarship Fund @ OSLC

The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Chiclayo (IELCH), in Chiclayo, Peru, consists of the three congregations of San Antonio, Las Brisas, and Las Lomas. OSLC has had an ongoing relationship with IELCH since our first youth mission trip in 2001. With our most recent youth mission trip in July 2014, these bonds are stronger than ever.

During our recent mission trip, Henrik Christopherson identified three young women in need of financial support for post-secondary education. These three young women – Miriam Gomez of San Antonio, Suzie Llantop of Las Lomas, and Priscilla Tirado Bensus of Las Brisas – are active in their congregations, and have interacted with OSLC mission trips since they were young girls in 2001.



Miriam, Suzie, and Priscilla are pictured from left to right above. Miriam is the daughter of Pastor Merci of San Antonio. She would like to earn a degree in Psychology. Suzie is the daughter of Pastor Harold of Las Lomas. She is halfway through a course in Accounting. Priscilla is the daughter of Rebecca Bensus, a pivotal figure in the Last Brisas congregation. Priscilla is as yet undecided on her area of study. All three of these young women were actively involved in our recent mission trip.

Beginning in January 2015, OSLC set up a Peru Scholarship Fund to sponsor each of these young women with a \$70 per month educational scholarship. This is the going rate for university studies in Chiclayo. For each student, this scholarship would be renewable in 2016 and 2017, if they continue in their studies. This represents a grand total of \$7560 over three years. We are very excited about getting this scholarship program going. It will serve to further strengthen the bonds between OSLC and IELCH, and it will give hope and opportunity to three deserving young women – and perhaps to other deserving students in the future!

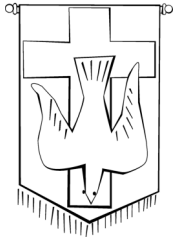
You can make donations to the Peru Scholarship Fund by following these instructions. Make checks payable to OSLC and put in the memo line “Peru Scholarship Fund.” You can place your donation in the offering plate or mail it to:

OSLC Peru Scholarship Fund
745 Front Street South
Issaquah, WA 98027

If you desire more information about this scholarship opportunity, contact Mark Mummy at markmummy55@gmail.com or Glenna Usselman at glennausselman@aol.com



Christian Education & Small Group Ministries



Confirmation Sunday & Teacher Appreciation Sunday May 22@ 10:00 a.m.

Congratulations to this year's confirmation students, **Garrett Steffen and Emma Anfinson** who will affirm their baptism at the 10:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, May 22.

Sunday, May 22nd is also Teacher Appreciation Sunday. We give thanks to all of our Sunday school teachers and adult education leaders for their leadership this year: **Lisa Thomassen, Jennifer Tolo, Les and Kate Gagnon, Cheryl Hauser, Bill Cash, Jacki Marx, Paul Tolo, Pr. Christensen, Pr. Jane Shen.**

The last day of Sunday School for the 2015/2016 year is Sunday, May 22nd.

Sunday School 9:00 to 9:45 a.m.

Preschool—Grade 5

Sunday School classes for children and youth from preschool through fifth grade meets on Sunday mornings from 9:00–9:45 a.m. in the downstairs Sunday school classrooms.

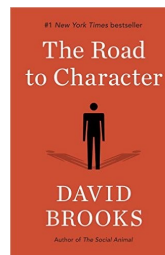
Grades 6-12

Students in Grades 6–12 meet in youth room on the lower floor of the education wing on Sunday mornings from 9:00–9:45 a.m. Pastor Christensen is leading a study of the Ten Commandments. This Sunday morning opportunity is also the Confirmation program. All middle school students should attend.

Thursday Morning Bible Study Thursday Mornings @ 10:00 a.m.



Interim Pastor Dick Christensen leads a Thursday morning Bible study. The study focus is on upcoming gospel readings that are used on Sunday mornings in worship. Class begins at 10:00 a.m. in the library. All are welcome!



New-Life Spirituality Group

Sunday, May 1st @ 6:30 p.m.

This month, the New-Life Spirituality Group will meet on Sunday, May 1st at the home of Jan Setterlund beginning at 6:30 p.m. They are reading and discussing the book *The Road to Character* by David Brooks. If you'd like to more information or have questions, e-mail Don Miller at Mr.don.miller@gmail.com.



OSLC's Book Club

May 9th @ 7:30 p.m.
@ Barnes and Noble Bookstore

The book club will meet on Monday, May 9th at 7:30 p.m. at the Issaquah Barnes and Noble bookstore to discuss the book, *The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah. With courage, grace and powerful insight, bestselling author Kristin Hannah takes her talented pen to the epic panorama of WWII and illuminates an intimate part of history seldom seen: the women's war. *The Nightingale* tells the stories of two sisters, separated by years and experience, by ideals, passion and circumstance, each embarking on her own dangerous path toward survival, love, and freedom in German-occupied, war-torn France—a heartbreakingly beautiful novel that celebrates the resilience of the human spirit and the durability of women. Contact Sandy Nygaard if you'd like more information, sknygaard@comcast.net.

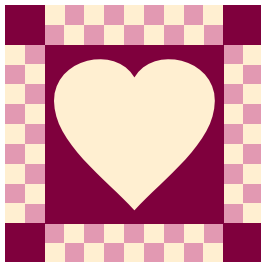
Mission Quilters

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.

On Sunday, May 1st quilts will be blessed prior to being sent and/or donated. Last year 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 presented to OSLC graduating seniors and to Compass Housing Alliance. Our neighbors at Issaquah Nursing and Rehabilitation Center were also given lap quilts at Christmas.

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.



Moms with Young Kids *Saturday, May 14 @ 9:30 a.m.*

Moms with young kids will be meeting at the Issaquah Coffee Company in Gilman Village on Saturday, May 14th at 9:30 a.m. This will be an informal gathering to get to know some of the other moms in the congregation. Kids are welcome. Contact Manda Schoen manda.schoen@gmail.com with questions.



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*.

Faith Circle, *Monday, May 16, 1:30 p.m.*

Faith Circle will meet on Monday, May 16th at the home of Evy Sneva at 1:30 p.m. Faith Circle meets on the third Monday of each month, from September to May. If you need more information or would like to join Faith Circle, please contact Gwynn Wilkinson at (425) 392-1893 or Gwynnlw@gmail.com.

Hope Circle, *Friday, May 20, 9:30 a.m.*

Hope Circle will meet Friday, May 20, 2016 at the home of Lucy Acker. For more information on Hope Circle or for carpooling information, please contact Sandy Aldworth at (425) 837-1233 or mtnlady@comcast.net.



grat·i·tude

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noun

the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness

Dear OSLC Friends,

Thank you so very much for your prayers, caring, loving concerns, and the many, many cards, emails you sent us during the time of Peter's surgery and recovery. We deeply felt the love and support from you all, and we thank God for you, our loving, caring OSLC family.

~Peter and Jane Shen

Dear Our Savior Lutheran Church,

On behalf of the Issaquah Food and Clothing Bank, we would like to show our gratitude for your donation in the amount of \$3,120.10 for general community support. Our mission is to provide basic needs to our community members in order to promote self-sufficiency. Thank you for joining our mission!

~Cori Walters, Executive Director, Issaquah Food and Clothing Bank

Today, a little boy in our community is happily playing with toys that are new to him, after a good night's sleep in his pack-n-play crib, and breakfast of toddler cereal in his high chair, using his own set of Disney dishes. Later he will ride in his car seat to day care, dressed in warm clothes and bringing with him diapers and a change of clothes. Oh, yes, he will also have his special blanket with him.

This day is thanks to you. Your donations mean that this little boy and almost 700 other children each week are sleeping better, are safer, warmer and are able to just be kids.

We gratefully acknowledge your donation of goods for children. Thank you for your generous and kind support of Eastside Baby Corner's work and for the children in our community.

~Helen Banks Routon, Director of Development and Community Relations, Eastside Baby Corner

Our Savior Lutheran Church,

On behalf of Passage Point and the residents, we wanted to thank you for your support and generous donations with the clothing closet. Due to your help, our clothing closet has become a huge success and we are thankful. There were new families that came in and were very excited to see that we could provide for them in their time of need. It could not have been done if it were not for your church. I cannot express it enough, but thank you on behalf of Passage Point and our residences.

~Torkeshia Johnson, Passage Point Clothing Closet Coordinator





May 14:

Pastoral Candidate Reception 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Anderson Hall

OSLC @ Mariner's Game 6:10 p.m.

May 15:

2016/2017 Budget Forums @ 9:15 a.m. and

11:15 a.m., upstairs education room

May 22:

Confirmation Sunday & Teacher Appreciation
Sunday

Sunday School Play @ 9:30 a.m.

Special Congregational Meeting following
worship

June 5:

Music Festival Sunday

June 12:

OSLC High School Graduate Recognition

Sunday

Annual Congregational Meeting

Mid July – Late August:

Wednesday Midweek Community Campfires
on Lake Sammamish @ 6:30 p.m.

Worship Schedule

Sun., May 1—6th Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 16:9-15

Second Reading: Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

Gospel: John 14:23-29

Sun., May 8—7th Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 16:16-34

Second Reading: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

Gospel: John 17:20-26

Sun., May 15—Day of Pentecost

First Reading Acts 2:1-21

Second Reading Romans 8:14-17

Gospel John 14:8-17

Sun., May 22—The Holy Trinity

First Reading: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-5

Gospel: John 16:12-15

Sun., May 29—2nd Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: I Kings 8:22-23, 41-43

Second Reading: Galatians 1:1-12

Gospel: Luke 7:1-10



5/2	David Carlson	5/18	Manda Schoen
	Ernie Hughes		Betty Evans
5/3	Karen Gerde		Joan Schlemlein
5/4	Carina Nygaard		Mikey Inman
	Karen Quinn	5/19	Russell FitzGerald
	Kirsten Olshausen	5/20	Ralph Case
5/5	Robin Timmerman	5/23	Joan Friel
5/6	Emily Waltzer		Lucille Hersey
5/7	Mark Cron	5/26	Brook Buchanan
5/8	Marcy Wood	5/27	Alexander Ulland
5/9	Lisa Thomasson	5/28	Alaina Irving
5/10	Muriel Brown		Jeff Hendrickson
5/13	Gene Elfstrom	5/30	Joanne Suttmeier
	Jo Hess	5/31	Brad Marx
5/15	Marshall Inman		
5/17	Ken Konigsmark		
	Scott Irving		



5/10	Henrik & Patty Christopherson
5/15	Bill & Carol Bergsma Scott & Debbie Irving
5/18	James & Glenna Usselman
5/20	Bill & Shannon Small
5/21	Mike & Lisa DeVogel
5/27	Gerald & Lucille Hersey

May 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8:45 AM Adult Education Class (Library) 9:00 AM Christian Education Hour 10:00 Worship / Blessing of Quilts 11:15 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry (Anderson Hall) 6:30 PM New Life Spirituality Group @ the home of Jan Setterlund	2 12:00 PM OA (Upstairs Education Classroom) 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)	3 7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall) 7:00 PM Jubilate Rehearsal (Sanctuary)	4 9:30 AM Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)	5 7:45 AM TOPS (Upstairs Education Classroom) 10:00 AM AI Anon (Upstairs Education Classroom) 10:00 AM Bible Study (Library) 6:15 PM Lego League (Anderson Hall)	6 Youth Mission Fundraiser/Flower Basket Delivery (Anderson Hall) Deadline for Annual Reports	7 9:45 AM Scandinavian Folk Dance Group (Anderson Hall) 12:00 PM Girl Scouts Troop 42735 (Anderson Hall)
8 8:45 AM Adult Education Class (Library) 9:00 AM Christian Education Hour 10:00 Worship	9 9:30 AM Avant Designer's Guild (Anderson Hall) 12:00 PM OA (Upstairs Education Classroom) 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 Bookstore	10 5:30 PM Issaquah Meal Program @ Fire Station 6:00 PM Executive Committee 7:00 PM Council Meeting (Narthex) 7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall)	11 9:30 AM Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 6:00 PM Pilgrim Journey Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)	12 7:45 AM TOPS (Upstairs Education Classroom) 10:00 AM AI Anon (Upstairs Education Classroom) 10:00 AM Bible Study (Library) 6:15 PM Lego League (Anderson Hall)	13	14 9:30 AM Mom's Group @ Issaquah Coffee Company 2:00—4:00 PM Pastoral Candidate Reception (Anderson Hall) 6:10 PM OSLC @ the Seattle Mariner's Game
15 Pentecost Sunday 8:45 AM Adult Education Class (Library) 9:00 AM Christian Education Hour 9:15 AM Budget Forum 10:00 AM Worship 11:15 AM Budget Forum 11:30 AM Youth Committee Meeting (Youth Room) 11:30 AM Pilgrim Journey Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 12:30 PM Youth Mission Trip Meeting (Anderson Hall)	16 12:00 PM OA (Upstairs Education Classroom) 12:00 PM June Newsletter Deadline 1:30 PM Faith Circle @ the home of Evy Sneva 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)	17 11:00 AM Global Missions Committee Meeting (Narthex) 3:00 PM Nourishing Network Meeting (Anderson Hall) 7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall) 7:00 PM Jubilate Rehearsal (Sanctuary)	18 9:30 AM Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 6:00 PM Pilgrim Journey Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)	19 7:45 AM TOPS (Upstairs Education Classroom) 10:00 AM AI Anon (Upstairs Education Classroom) 10:00 AM Bible Study (Library)	20 9:30 AM Hope Circle @ the home of Lucy Acker Northwest Washington	21 Noon—4:00 PM AA District 35 Workshop (Anderson Hall) Confirmation Rehearsal & Dinner Synod Assembly
22 Confirmation / Teacher Appreciation Sunday 8:45 AM Adult Education Class (Library) 9:00 AM Christian Education Hour 9:30 AM Sunday School Play (Anderson Hall) 10:00 AM Worship / Rite of Confirmation 11:45 AM Special Congregational Meeting	23 12:00 PM OA (Upstairs Education Classroom) 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)	24 7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall)	25 9:30 AM Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 6:00 PM Pilgrim Journey Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)	26 7:45 AM TOPS (Upstairs Education Classroom) 10:00 AM AI Anon (Upstairs Education Classroom) 10:00 AM Bible Study (Library)	27	28
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We remember in prayer...



We remember in prayer OSLC members:

Sandy Aldworth; Marilyn Carlson; Judi Case; Maury Clark; Gene Elfstrom; Barbara Extract; Sandy Fish; Emily Gacek; Steve Gacek; Les Gagnon; Bev Geary; Carol Harbolt; Ray Harbolt; Jeff Hendrickson; Margot Inman; Duane Jacobson; Marian James; Talton Johnson; Josee Jordan; Jeanne Kuipers; Florence Kinnune; Jeannie Lindquist; Vern Lindquist; Jim Marshall; Jerry Nack; John Pass; Doug Patur; Genevieve Schoen and family; Peter Shen; Glenn Smith; Randi Strom; Selma Thompson; Gwynn Wilkinson.

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

Rolly Opsol (Jeff and Kathy Ziegler); Shirley Wisch (Ray Harbolt); Jim Theofolis (Sandy Aldworth); Bill Batstone (Sandy Aldworth); Randy Allgire (Sandy Aldworth); Inger Bodga (Scott Hafso); Marcella Guay (John and Diane Fatland); Carole Miller; Gordon James (Marian James)

We pray for expectant mothers: Carrie Rothman (daughter of Bruce and Norma Byrckett); Katerina Selland (Jeff Ziegler); Eda Trinidad (Jeff Ziegler)

We pray for members and friends serving in the Military; Fire and Police Department personnel; Emergency Room personnel, and OSLC member Karen Gerde, serving as a pharmacist on the African Mercy Ship off the coast of Madagascar January – May, 2016.

We pray for OSLC's Call Committee Members:

Manda Schoen, Chairperson, Cheryl Hauser, Secretary, Chuck Bachman, Joan Friel, Craig Gillin, Visual Communications, Mark Cron, Ralph Case.

We promise to nurture new members received April 3, 2016: Robert Carn; Ken DeCamp and Cheryl Leiter; Kirsten Olshausen.

We offer blessings to: John and Rita Hansen who transferred their membership to Zion Lutheran Church, Redmond, Oregon.

We offer thanksgiving to God:

For the marriage of Jared and Alyssa Saavedra. (grandson of Cheryl Neeb)
That Gwynn Wilkinson is now pain free!

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.

May 2016 Worship Assistants

Sunday Service	Date	Time	Greeters	Ushers	Assisting Ministers	Communion Assistants	Altar Guild / Bread Bakers	Sound Engineers
6 Easter	May 1	10:00 a.m.	Mary Fricke 425-313-1582	Bill Suttmeier 425-392-1864	Mary Ann Hult 425-392-4169	Sue Friddell Les & Kate Gagnon Mary Ann Hult 1 CA needed	Mary Fricke <i>Bread:</i> Kathy Ziegler	David Hersey
7 Easter	May 8	10:00 a.m.	Jerry & Linda Nack		Kimberly Montague	Lori Downey Joan Friel Les & Kate Gagnon Kimberly Montague	Judi Case <i>Bread:</i> Connie Fletcher	Miranda Smith
Day of Pentecost	May 15	10:00 a.m.	Sandy Aldworth Vicky Jacobson		Judi Case	Judi Case Mary Fricke Joan Friel Leslie Waltzer 1 CA needed	Karen Hansen <i>Bread:</i> Jane Wuest	Myles Cash
The Holy Trinity Confirmation/ Education Appreciation	May 22	10:00 a.m.	Paul & Nilvane Swanson		Karen Hansen	Del Elliott Karen Hansen Stacy Smith Glenna Usselman 1 CA needed	Jane Wuest <i>Bread:</i> Leslie Waltzer	Vince Smith
Pentecost 2 Memorial Day Weekend	May 29	10:00 a.m.	Bill Hall LaRue Nelson		Bill Bergsma	Bill Bergsma Muriel Brown Mary Fricke Sue Friddell 1 CA needed	Robin Timmerman <i>Bread:</i> Leslie Waltzer	Jon Smith





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