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From the Desk of Pastor Vaswig

To all God's beloved Saints grace to you and peace.

On November the 7th it is indeed all Saints Sunday, with the 1st being All Saints Day. I have so enjoyed the Festival of All Saints Day over the years I think particularly because of the stories every Saint gone before us encompasses. When you consider the day and the lives of the Saints past and present it truly is a wonder to witness the story of God's beloved on the face of the earth. Every year I of course remember the more obvious stories in my own life, that particularly of my Mom and Dad but I ponder the many saints gone before us who I have been privileged to pastor over the years.

A few weeks back I attended the Memorial service for one Lucille Dahl, a ninety-five year old Saint of God whom I had pastored for some twenty-one years. As I sat in the back of a sanctuary where I was more accustomed to being in front I listened to a life unfolding, a life dedicated to the cause of Christ and His church. As I pondered my own granddaughter being named after this woman of faith I considered how remarkable her life had been especially given some very challenging initial years on the face of the earth. Lucille lived for the cause of Christ as spouse to Art, mother of three, Sunday School teacher, Bible study leader, quilter, neighbor, and lover of humanity. Many might call her life ordinary. She was not an award winner, she hated the limelight, she simply quietly went about her business for the cause of Christ, an ordinary saint.

In my life in the church as a member and pastor I have found most of the extraordinary saints to be ordinary saints. While it does seem we have this notion of saintliness as beyond the norm or someone performing extraordinary deeds of mercy and love I find principally most saints to be, by worldly standards, pretty average, ordinary folks. However equipped with layers of humility and simply a deep seated desire to live out a saint



From the Pastor

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liness given to them in the waters of grace. It really is Saints such as these we honor on All Saints Day/Sunday. Saints plunged into the waters of forgiveness coming up from those waters with a firm desire to serve Christ and His church as an Ordinary Saint.

A blessed All Saints Day/Sunday.

Pastor Vaswig



Pacific Standard Time Begins

Sunday, November 7th

Remember to turn your clocks back
one hour before going to bed on
Saturday, November 6th!

Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting Has Been Moved to January 16, 2022



The Church Council has elected to move the semi-annual congregational meeting from November to January 16th, 2022, in order to allow more time for Shepherd of the Hills to discern and address their future direction.

Church Council

From the Council President



The Holidays are coming and there is nothing you can do to stop it. We are already hearing about possible gift shortages because of the container shipping issues. Buy now, hurry... I'm actually all for that. It doesn't lessen the holidays by getting your shopping and decorating done before Thanksgiving.

Pastor Vaswig is planning joint Wednesday Night Advent gatherings for both Our Savior and Shepherd of the Hills. I know, some of you are thinking, not something else to schedule. Come on, how many Hallmark Christmas movies are you going to watch? The Wednesday day and night sessions on Dietrich Bonhoeffer's Life Together have had really good turnouts. Spending time together in fellowship will enrich the Advent Season.

Speaking for the Council, we are very happy with all the work Pastor Vaswig has been doing in front and behind the scenes. In front, you've seen the hard to tackle sermons on death, divorce and wealth. Behind it, he has been working with council and others to rebuild the leadership after so many months apart. A big thanks to Ann Thomas and Debby Beck for getting the ball rolling on this. We have started leadership training using the story of Moses. I don't think I've read thru Exodus since I was in high school. Do you know Moses was 80 and his brother Aaron was 83 when God sent them back to Egypt to rescue his people? I hope I can be active and engaged in church work at 80. I know there are many in our congregation who are doing just that.

Normally we hold a semi-annual congregational meeting in November. We decided to push it back to January 16th, 2022. We hope Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church will vote in early January on whether to merge with Our Savior or just fold.

Keep the faith,
Chuck Bachman
Council President

Our Savior Life & Community

A Letter to the Congregation from Scott Hafso, Director of Worship & Music



Wednesday, October 27th, 2021

Beloved family in Christ,

The Church Year concludes next month as we gather to celebrate Christ the King Sunday on November 21st; our annual journey through the story of our faith and life together will draw to a close. November 21st will also be my last Sunday serving as OSLC's Director of Worship and Music.

These past twelve years, it has been my honor to walk alongside you as we sought to live out what it means to be children of God in this place and in these times. The gathering of God's people in worship, our songs and prayers, celebrations and struggles will remain in my heart as I leave this special place. So many happy memories: the steadfast and fearless service of the Chancel Choir -- and our laughter-filled Wednesday night rehearsals; the inventive can-do spirit of the Liturgical Arts Committee -- and images of All Saints Names Banners, Good Friday prayer bowls, Easter beams & a narthex full of red Pentecost balloons; the faithful service of our Altar Guild & Tech Team, Assisting Ministers, Cantors, soloists & instrumentalists; Music Festival Sundays -- made possible by our volunteer musicians and their dedicated leaders; the sincere privilege of working with the members of OSLC's talented staff over the years -- and the list goes on. I have been blessed indeed.

And the story continues. The season of Advent, beginning November 28th, ushers in a new Church Year. As I wrote in OSLC's 50th Anniversary hymn: "Sing of where we have journeyed, and sing of days yet to be... knowing that God goes before us; going wherever God leads." It will be exciting to see where the journey will lead this faith community.

Gratefully,
Scott

Our Savior Life & Community



Farewell & Godspeed Scott Hafso! Director of Worship & Music Sunday, November 21st

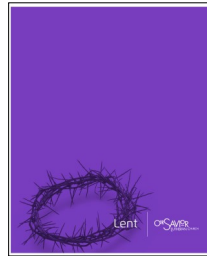
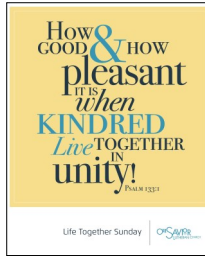
Join us in the fellowship hall after worship on Sunday, November 21st to say farewell and godspeed to Scott Hafso, Director of Worship & Music. We offer our thanks for his gracious leadership in music, worship planning, liturgical arts, community and much more at Our Savior for 16 years.

Worship Planning & Music



Our Savior Life & Community

Liturgical Arts



Stewardship

LIGHTING THE FLAME OF LEADERSHIP AT OSLC

NOVEMBER 20, 2021

AN EXCITING EVENT FOR ALL OSLC LEADERS AND THEIR TEAMS!

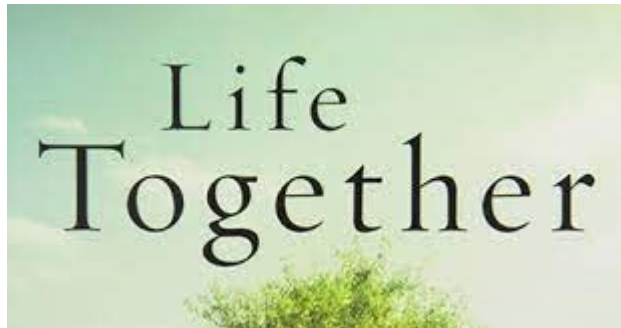


All Shepherd of the Hills (SOTH) and Our Savior Lutheran (OSLC) leaders and their team members are invited to participate in an energizing experience set to happen in Anderson Hall from 9:00 AM to Noon on Saturday, November 20, 2021. Come join us as we kick off the first-ever gathering for all council members, committee chairpersons and their ministry teams, small group leaders and their group's members, plus those who might want to explore their giftedness for leadership in Christ's church. Pastor John will share fresh perspectives on leadership and being key leaders, perspectives that provide us with new understandings to inspire, unite and empower us in common mission to help make God's transforming work happen in our church and world!

Save the date and join us at 9:00 AM sharp for "*Coffee and...*," followed by an exciting morning of stretching and flexing our spiritual selves. Psst, and our leadership assumptions, too!

Yours in Christ, Debby Beck

Christian Education



Life Together Wednesdays November 3rd — 17th Meal, Study & Song 12:00 noon and 5:45 pm

Gather with us as a community of faith in life. We Eat Together; Study Together and Sing Together. We provide two options for our time together each Wednesday, hoping to accommodate varying schedules and seasons of life. Masks are required at all times, except when eating or drinking.

Each gathering begins with a meal & fellowship, followed by a study of Dietrich Bonhoeffer's *Life Together*, led by Pastor John. For the luncheon meeting bring your own brown bag lunch. In the evening, a meal will be provided by the church, followed by study and Singing the Song.



We hope you will ponder and accept this opportunity to deepen our fellowship together. There's no need to sign up. All are welcome.

Choose Your Life Together Gathering:

12 noon Meal & Fellowship Together – bring your own brown bag lunch
Fellowship & Study Together

Or

5:45 pm Meal & Fellowship Together – a meal will be provided

6:30 pm Study Together

7:30 pm Sing Together

Many Thanks the members and friends who have agreed to organize a meal:
Marilyn Carlson, Connie Fletcher, Cheryl Leiter, Dianne Tanner, and Rick & Jan West.

Worship



Join Us Each Sunday In-Person or Live On-Line at 10:00am

Join us for worship in-person in the sanctuary, or view the service live-streamed online every Sunday.

In-Person: We are privileged to be in worship with one another; a privilege we hope to maintain. Per Washington State's most recent announcement, **masks are now required indoors in all public spaces** regardless of vaccination status. **Please mask up, vaccinated or not.** And please continue to be sensitive to physical distancing needs of others. Pastor John will discuss communion procedures at the start of each worship service. Thank you for your attention and service to others as we navigate this phase in our life together.

On-line: Worship services are broadcast live from our sanctuary at 10:00 am, with the prelude preceding. A link to the service is published weekly, or you can click here: [Worship Live](#). If you try the link prior to 10:00 am each Sunday, you may see a message "video unavailable."

Services are recorded and posted to the [Our Savior YouTube Channel](#). If needed, pull down the menu under "Uploads," then click on "Past Live Streams." You can also find links on our website www.oslcissaquah.org

Small Group Ministries

This holiday, make a difference while you shop

Shop for holiday gifts and supplies at smile.amazon.com and Amazon donates

You shop. Amazon donates.




Did you know your holiday and day-to-day purchases can make a difference at Our Savior? AmazonSmile donates to Our Savior Lutheran Church when you do your shopping at smile.amazon.com/ch/91-0878553. Just enter the link and follow the prompts. The link will also be provided in the weekly congregational email.



Need a little extra support during the holidays? Lutheran Counseling Network is a coalition of licensed pastoral counselors with offices in the Issaquah area.

To make an appointment call: 425-455-2960

Find out more at: Lutherancounseling.net

Small Group Ministries



Mission Quilters

Join the Fun & Fellowship

OSLC Mission Quilters have been meeting for 34 years! According to records kept since 1987, 4200 quilts have been donated to Lutheran World Relief. Another 100 quilts will be ready to ship to LWR in November. An additional 580 quilts have been donated to other individuals and organizations including OSLC high school graduates, the

Issaquah Food and Clothing Bank, Vine Maple, Eastside Baby Corner, ministries in Russia and Africa, Issaquah Nursing and Rehab, Compass Housing Alliance and Passage Point. There are lap quilts ready for Veterans once the Puget Sound Honor flights resume.

Mission Quilters meet in Anderson Hall on Thursday mornings from 9:30 until noon to pin quilt edges and tie the quilts together. We'd love to have you join us for ministry and fellowship; *no experience needed!* There are also ways for you to be involved in this ministry. If you'd like to talk with one of the Mission Quilters, please contact Sue Friddell at (425) 392-9730 or email fridsd@aol.com.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

The prayer shawl ministry provides knitted or crocheted shawls to those who are hospitalized, sick or just need a hug!

Yarn and patterns are available. No experience necessary.

If you are interested in participating in this ministry, or, learning how to knit or crochet, contact Wendy Winslow at wendywinslow@hotmail.com.

Small Group Ministries



In the World Questions?

How many times have you asked, or heard, an “in the world” question during these tumultuous times? *What* in the world happened? *Where* in the world did it happen? *Who* in the world can change this situation for the better? *How*, in the world, does this impact me? *When* in the world would I ever have the time or resources to help change things? *Why* in the world should I even care?

The Global Mission Committee address OSLC’s response to what, where, who, how, when, and why “in the world” questions in response to the Great Commission to *go into all the world* and manifest the Gospels good news of healing, justice, peace, and reconciliation.

You are cordially invited to be part of the Global Mission Committee’s commitment to craft OSLC’s response to the Great Commission. No special expertise is needed. All that is needed is an interest in, and commitment to, exploring a variety of global ministry needs, options, opportunities and advocating for the congregation’s financial support.

Currently, Global Commission Committee meetings are conducted via Zoom. The committee typically meets monthly and meeting times and dates are flexible. When Covid19 restrictions and health protocols permit, meetings will be in person and can be coupled with Zoom.

Please send any questions you have about the work of the Global Missions Committee and, *especially*, your interest in being part of its work to: John Stamm – drjmstamm@aol.com.



Missionaries in Japan



Scholarship recipient to
the Arusha Medical
Center School of Nursing

Giving & Offerings



**The GivePlus Mobile App
Has Moved to
Vanco Mobile!**



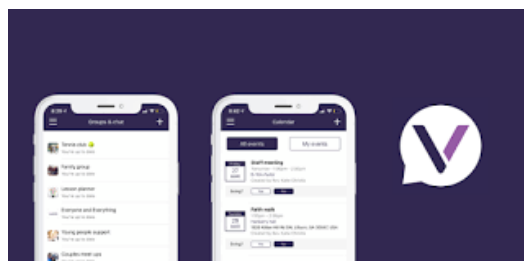
**Download the New
Vanco Mobile App Now
To Replace It**

We are excited to share our new e-giving app [Vanco Mobile](#)! (Previously, we used the Give+ app, which is being retired). You can download the Vanco Mobile app from the app store on your device. If you had previously set up an account on Give+, that info will also work in Vanco Mobile and it will bring over any recurring giving you set up.

- ⇒ Securely and conveniently manage donations using fingerprint or password.
- ⇒ Make one-time donations as a guest user
- ⇒ Or make recurring donations by logging in and using your debit/credit card or checking/savings account.

Questions? Contact Financial Secretary, Lena Schaper by email at oslc_financialsecretary@hotmail.com.

We thank all givers for supporting the mission and ministry of Our Savior Lutheran Church.



Giving & Offerings



NOW IS THE TIME! YOUR GUIDE TO YEAR-END GIVING**

Fall is the time to review charitable giving and make plans to achieve your goals for 2022. Planning ahead may allow you to leverage your giving in a ways that will reduce your tax bill while benefiting Our Savior. Everyone wins!

Donate appreciated stock held long-term. You can deduct the value of the stock and avoid the capital gains tax on the appreciation. Keep in mind that your broker may need several days to facilitate a transfer. Calling your broker on December 31 may be too late for a 2021 deduction.

Designate a portion (or all) of your IRA required minimum distributions. The amount donated will not be taxed. This is especially advantageous for those who don't itemize deductions and therefore can't otherwise deduct charitable donations.

Consider a donor advised fund (DAF). A donation to a DAF is immediately tax deductible, but the donor can request charitable disbursements from the fund over time. This is a good vehicle for anyone with a lump sum donation, but wants more time to decide which charities to give to - just remember to include Our Savior! Your investment advisor can give you more information on these funds.

Good old-fashioned checks and cash. Those who itemize can deduct their contributions on their tax returns.

The above listing is focused on year-end planning, but also consider the many long - term opportunities such as naming Our Savior as a life insurance or IRA beneficiary, a bequest in a will, or as a memorial. However you choose to do it, gifts to both the general fund and the Endowment fund of Our Savior will further our vision of following Jesus.



**Tax law could change before the end of the year or some methods may work better than others depending on individual circumstances. Contact your tax or investment advisor before implementing any of these techniques.

Presented by:
The OSLC Endowment Fund Committee

Northwest Washington Synod

The Spirit

From the Bishop: What is Our Purpose?

The ELCA's Statement of Purpose is found in every congregation constitution, every synod constitution and in the ELCA Constitution. In the ELCA Constitution (4.01) we read: "The Church is a people created by God in Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit, called and sent to bear witness to God's creative, redeeming, and sanctifying activity in the world." This same Statement of Purpose is found in the NWWA Synod Constitution S6.01 and in the Model Constitution for Congregations C4.01. I encourage you to read ELCA's entire Statement of Purpose. It is beautiful and energizing. (Find the constitutions here: <https://www.lutheransnw.org/resources/constitutions>)



Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee

When I read the Statement of Purpose, it helps me remember who and whose I am and what I am called to do and to be. You see, sometimes we forget. Sometimes we forget what it means to be children of God, redeemed by Christ, and sent into the world. Sometimes we get caught up in finances or building maintenance, we get lost in petty disagreements and who should do what and so many other things, that we forget that we are created, empowered, called, and sent by God – by *GOD* – to live into and to share what God is already doing in the world – in God's creative, redeeming, and sanctifying work in and for the world.

How do we live into this Statement of Purpose?

Below I propose three ways that we can (there are many more but I only have so much space).

Relationship: There are so many people in this world who are lonely, who are discouraged, who are anxious, who are tired. There are so many who feel unloved, unwelcomed, unwanted. They are living in your neighborhood, they are shopping at your grocery store, they have kids in school with your kids or grandkids, they are walking by your church every day. They are looking for relationship and for friendship. In a 2019 survey by CIGNA, 61% of working people identified as lonely. Did you catch that? Over half of people who are working are lonely. And this survey was taken before the pandemic. I can only surmise that the number is higher after 18 months of COVID life. Other studies I have read state that loneliness and isolation lead to physical and emotional difficulties as well as societal polarization. This is obviously a problem in this country. So, how do we have deep meaningful conversations so that people feel welcome and heard? Have connection and deep friendship? How does this fit with our Statement of Purpose?

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Impact: There are so many people in this world who are looking to do something meaningful, to change the world for the better. There are so many people who wonder how they can make a difference, how they can positively influence their communities locally, nationally, and globally. These people are living in your neighborhood, they are shopping at your grocery store, they have kids in school with your kids or grandkids, they are walking by your church every day. They are looking for impact in this world. How can they be our partners in the ministries we are already doing and in the ministries they are doing? How can we listen to them to hear what other ideas might come through the Holy Spirit working in them and through their innovation? What partners do we need to multiply the impact of your ministry site in your neighborhood? How does this fit with our Statement of Purpose?

Transformation: There are so many people in this world who are looking for transformation, for new life, for a new path. There are so many people who have lost hope in institutions, in the church, in their lives. These people are living in your neighborhood, they are shopping at your grocery store, they have kids in school with your kids or grandkids, they are walking by your church every day. They are looking for resurrection. How is your ministry site set up to not only welcome those searching, but honoring who they are? How do they know that their story is welcome? How is the good news shared with those who have never heard it and are desperate to hear? How does this fit with our Statement of Purpose?

I invite you to look at ELCA's Statement of Purpose – or your own congregation Statement of Purpose and discuss in your councils, Adult Forums, small groups, and elsewhere. What other questions or thoughts come out of what you read?

Together may we live drenched in God's love and sent out to share the Good News. For we are created, redeemed, called, and sent to live into and share in God's creative, redeeming, and sanctifying activity in the world.

+Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee

bishop@lutheransnw.org



NW Washington Synod



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PLU Lecture The 16th Annual David & Marilyn Knutson Lecture

Tuesday, November 2, at 7:00pm via Zoom

"Bonhoeffer, the Church, and the Climate Question"

Featuring Rev. Dr. James Martin-Schramm '81

Where virulent anti-Semitism was the most important issue facing the church in Bonhoeffer's day, Martin-Schramm argues Bonhoeffer would have grave concerns about the impacts of climate change on present and future generations. The lecture explores tensions between patriotism and resistance and considers how God is at work in the world today among all who are striving for climate justice. For more information and to register, visit plu.edu/religion/events/knutson-lecture.

Giving Thanks in the Holy Land for Land, Rain, and Food

Saturday, November 13
7:30am-8:30am PST via Zoom

You are invited to join this webinar from [Opportunity Palestine](https://www.opportunitypalestine.org) - working to sustain the educational institutions of the [Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land](https://www.evangelicallutheranchurchinjordanandtheholylan.org) (ELCJHL) through development and awareness raising in the United States. They support four K-12 Lutheran schools in Palestine.

Come hear from current students on how their cultural identities cultivate them to become Palestine's next generation of peacebuilders. [Register here for the Zoom webinar](#)

**Giving Thanks in the Holy Land
for Land, Rain, and Food**

Zoom Webinar

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Sandra Awad
Dar Al Kalima

Rafid Awad
ELS Beit Sahour

Marcel Isid
ELS Beit Sahour

Malak Abuekhair
School of Hope

Saturday, November 13, 2021
9:30-10:30AM Central Time/5:30-6:30PM Jerusalem

Register now!

Current students will share how their cultural identities cultivate them to become Palestine's next generation of peacebuilders.

Streamed on our Facebook page
[@opportunitypalestine.org](https://www.facebook.com/opportunitypalestine.org)

Opportunity Palestine
Supporting Lutheran Schools and
Educational Programs in Palestine

Northwest Washington Synod



Communal Spiritual Practices

The SECOND fall Community Retreat from
the LiVE Project – open to all!

Saturday, November 20, 9am-1pm

in person at Advent Lutheran Church in Mill Creek

The second of our Fall retreats introduce participants to spiritual practices as a central place from which to create responsible social action in our world. We will experience and reflect on how 'the exam' spiritual practices of Ignatius of Loyola, and *lectio Divina* offer communities of faith support and accountability to being present in Christ for the life of the world. If the central call of vocation, in Christ, is learning to discover our lives in and for our neighbors, and not merely in the individualizing peace that it creates for our own spirits, we must reframe spiritual practices as communal in order to engage peace and justice through the Spirit in our broader neighborhoods, and world.

How to register -

If you are part of the 2021-2022 cohort, the cost of this retreat is included in your fee! Simply RSVP to the event on the LiVE Network (mighty network site)

OR email Dr. David Hahn and let him know that you will be attending: david@lutheransnw.org.

If you are **NOT** part of the cohort, you are most welcome to attend! Please register and pay the \$50 fee [ONLINE HERE](#). (note - YAGMs, use your discount code and get 50% off!)



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Read more & learn how to register here: <https://www.reconcilingworks.org/trainings/>

Northwest Washington Synod



Health & Wellness Coaching for Ministry Leaders

Synod Wellness Grant with Living Well

Lay and rostered leaders in the synod have reported exhaustion, physical decline, depletion of resources, less joy, inability to filter non-constructive feedback, lack of confidence, and dwindling creativity. Due to these reports, the Synod has partnered with Living Well, a holistic wellness coaching organization.

Monthly Ministry Leadership Wellness Webinars will be offered for all synod rostered and lay leaders on the 4th Tuesday of every month at 1:00pm. Webinar dates are Nov. 23, Dec. 28, Jan. 25, and Feb. 22. The interactive webinars will be designed to implement specific holistic wellness strategies within the ministry setting as a way to assist with stress management, maximize engagement, self-care, and self-compassion. Find more info and Zoom link [here on our website](#).

[Click HERE](#) for more detailed information about the Living Well partnership.

*If you identify as black, indigenous, or other person of color you are eligible for full funding of this program. Individuals participating in the cohort can use continuing education funds, FSA/HSA, or personal fund.



Supporting the vaccination effort, caring for our neighbors

In the race to vaccinate the entire United States population, faith leaders across the country, including ELCA leaders, are leading by example, receiving the vaccine, advocating on behalf of its equitable distribution, and mobilizing their congregations to support vaccination administration.

Faiths4Vaccines is connecting and supporting faith communities in these life-saving efforts.

Learn more here: <https://faiths4vaccines.org/>

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Faith and Everyday Life

November 2021

For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.

Jeremiah 28:11



In this verse, Jeremiah reassures the people of Israel, who are in captivity in Babylon, that God has a plan for them. But if we read the verse out of context, we can miss the real point of it. Earlier in this chapter, the false prophet Hananiah gives the Israelites the fake promise that God will free them from captivity in Babylon after just two years.

Jeremiah assures the Israelites that God has good things in mind for them, but in a different way than they expect. It's not all about going home, about being delivered from adversity, says God. Instead, God directs the Israelites to "seek the peace and the prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper." (29:7)

God eventually delivers the Israelites from captivity. But not for another generation. God's plan is for this generation to stay put and help prosper the nation that holds them captive. Instead of removing them from their suffering, God promises to be with them in their adversity, and to help them transform it, for the good of all.

It's this way for us as well. We may wish God would free us from suffering. Instead, God promises to be with us in our suffering, giving us a future with hope, and providing us the tools we need to create change, not just for ourselves, but for our children, our neighborhoods, our communities, our world.

Written by a staff member of Lutheran Counseling Network

Pastoral Care & Visitation



Emergency Pastoral Care

For emergency pastoral care, please contact
OSLC Transition Pastor John Vaswig at:
253-677-4515 (mobile)
JLVaswig@gmail.com

Pastor John's Office Hours:
Tuesday 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Thursday 10:00 am – 12:00 pm



Pr. John Vaswig



Lay Visitation Ministry

Do you know of someone who may be home-bound, in senior care, or otherwise would like a phone call from our Visitation Ministry, and is not currently receiving visits? If so, please pass their name along to Kate Gagnon, OSLC's Lay Visitation Minister at kjgagnon@yahoo.com, or 425-200-0481.



We remember in prayer...

Ryan Steffen, Scott Hafso, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, Marlene Pickering, Kelsey, Yuelisse, Maravi's mom, Margarita, ASJ Class of 1980, Masons, family in Puerto Rico, US and S. America; Mike, Mikey & Margot Inman; Safety and peace for communities; Guests of the Community Meals Program; all affected by COVID.

Expectant Mothers: Hannah Ham (daughter to Chuck & Wendy Bachman); **Elsa Walker** (daughter to Chuck & Wendy Bachman)

We pray for members and friends serving in the Military; Fire and Police Department personnel; Emergency Room personnel. We prayer for safety and strength to those living in the wake of all disasters, and all who serve as first responders.

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

Douglass Mandt (brother to Mary Ann Hult & Lorna Robertson); **Jerry Lange** (brother-in-law to Connie Fletcher).

Healing and peace of mind: Steve & Emily Gacek; Josee Jordan; Lucy Acker, Nicole DeCamp; Rachel (Marilyn Carlson); **Henrik & Patty Christopherson** (Dianne Tanner); **Vern Lindquist; Mary Fricke, Jerry & Linda Nack, Marian James; Doug Patur; Katie Moeller; Margot Inman; Taufik Hidayut** (Ken Konigsmark); **Rebecca Thomas; Tanisha Foote** (Marilyn Carlson); **Dorothy Soland; Randi Strom; Jeanne Kuipers; John Pass; Florence Kinnune; Ray & Carol Harbolt; Bernice Jensen, Margit Welch, Sandy Aldworth; Jen Winslow; Larry Pruitt.**

Undergoing cancer treatment: Kip Hauser (father of Cheryl Hauser); **Vernell Johnson** (Shelley & Mark Howe); **Roger Stanley** (Alice Lewis); **Tim Rutten** (cousin of Mark Howe); **Carol Howe** (cousin of Mark Howe); **Tom Killoran** (Shelley Howe); **Les Carlson** (father of Dave Carlson); **Chris Howe** (brother of Mark Howe); **Peggy Scalise** (cousin of Mark Howe); **Eileen Letts** (cousin of Mark Howe); **Keith DeCamp** (brother of Ken DeCamp); **Doug McVety** (Helen Nychay); **Larry Harbolt** (Ray Harbolt).

Living with cancer: Harold Mandt (brother of Mary Ann Hult / Lorna Robertson); **Sonja** (Dianne Tanner); **Jeannie Lindquist; Gerald Welch** (Vern and Jeannie Lindquist); **Liz Kidd** (Bob Beck); **Duane Jacobson; Mary Lewis** (sister-in-law of Lyle and Alice Lewis); **Barbara Krogh Jarvis** (sister of Steve Krogh); **Suzanne Lewis** (daughter-in-law of Lyle & Alice Lewis); **Greg Petersen** (Wes Collum); **Barbara Jones** (mother of Ron Sordahl); **Al Batt** (Connie Fletcher)

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.



November Worship Readings

Sunday, November 7 — All Saints Sunday

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9
Psalm: 24
Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-6a
Gospel: John 11:32-44

Sunday, November 14 — Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Daniel 12:1-3
Psalm: 16
Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25
Gospel: Mark 13:1-8

Sunday, November 21 — Christ the King Sunday

First Reading: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14
Psalm: 93
Second Reading: Revelation 1:4b-8
Gospel: John 18:33-37

Sunday, November 28 — First Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16
Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13
Gospel: Luke 21:25-36



Worship Assistants – November & December 2021

Service Time: 10:00 am

(unless otherwise noted)

Date & Service	Assisting Minister	Usher	Altar Guild & Bread Baker
November 7 All Saints	Jen Winslow	Jonathan Smith	Jane Shen
November 14 Pentecost 25	Joan Friel	Sang-Beom Shim	Stacy Smith
November 21 Christ the King	Scott Hafso	Bill Suttmeier	Jean Pass Delaney Cash
November 28 Advent 1	Sue Johnson	Don Robertson	Jane Wuest
December 5 Advent 2	Jen Winslow	Jonathan Smith	Jane Shen
December 12 Advent 3	Debby Beck	Sang-Beom Shim	Jane Shen
December 19 Advent 4	Joan Friel	Bill Suttmeier	Stacy Smith
Friday December 24 *7:00 pm Christmas Eve	Mary Ann Hult	<i>Open</i>	<i>Open</i>
December 26 Christmas 1	Sue Johnson	Don Robertson	Jane Wuest

November 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Oct 31	Nov 1	2	3	4	5	6
	<div>6:30pm Master Chorus Eastside (Sanctuary)</div> <div>7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 676 Meeting</div>	<div>5:00pm Encompass NW (Encompass Room)</div> <div>7:00pm AA (Anderson Hall))</div>	<div>10:00am Staff Meeting (Narthex)</div> <div>12:00pm LIFE TOGETHER WEDNESDAYS</div> <div>2:00pm Quilters - Packing quilts for Lutheran</div> <div>5:45pm LIFE TOGETHER</div>	<div>Quilting Boxes in Anderson Hall</div> <div>8:00am TOPS (Ed. Room)</div> <div>9:30am Mission Quilters (Hall)</div> <div>10:00am Al Anon (Ed. Room)</div> <div>7:00pm Stewardship Committee</div>	<div>Quilting Boxes in Anderson Hall</div> <div>10:00am Dave Waggoner - pick up quilting boxes</div>	<div>Quilting Boxes in Anderson Hall</div>
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
<div>10:00am WORSHIP</div>	<div>6:30pm Master Chorus Eastside (Sanctuary)</div> <div>7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 676 Meeting</div>	<div>3:00pm Issaquah Meal Program (Issaquah Fire Station)</div> <div>7:00pm Endowment Committee (Narthex)</div> <div>7:00pm AA (Anderson Hall))</div>	<div>10:00am Staff Meeting (Narthex)</div> <div>12:00pm LIFE TOGETHER WEDNESDAYS</div> <div>2:00pm Issaquah Garden Club - Fellowship Hall</div> <div>5:45pm LIFE TOGETHER</div>	<div>8:00am TOPS (Ed. Room)</div> <div>9:30am Mission Quilters (Hall)</div> <div>10:00am Al Anon (Ed. Room)</div> <div>7:00pm Finance Committee (Narthex)</div>		
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
<div>10:00am WORSHIP - Guest Preacher: Pr. Larry Thomas</div>	<div>9:30am Smith Fire Kitchen Hood Fire Safety Test</div> <div>12:00pm Focus Deadline</div> <div>6:30pm Master Chorus Eastside</div> <div>7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 676 Meeting</div>	<div>7:00pm Church Council (Narthex)</div> <div>7:00pm AA (Anderson Hall))</div>	<div>10:00am Staff Meeting (Narthex)</div> <div>12:00pm LIFE TOGETHER WEDNESDAYS (Fellowship)</div> <div>5:45pm LIFE TOGETHER WEDNESDAYS (Fellowship)</div>	<div>8:00am TOPS (Ed. Room)</div> <div>9:30am Mission Quilters (Hall)</div> <div>10:00am Al Anon (Ed. Room)</div> <div>3:00pm Issaquah Meals Program (Issaquah Fire Station) (Kitchen)</div>		<div>9:00am IGNITE: Our Savior Leadership Gathering Hosted by the Stewardship</div> <div>4:00pm Shepherd of the Hills Congregationa I Meeting (Fellowship)</div>
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
<div>10:00am WORSHIP</div> <div>11:00am Farewell & Godspeed to Scott Hafso (Fellowship Hall)</div>	<div>6:30pm Master Chorus Eastside (Sanctuary)</div> <div>7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 676 Meeting</div>	<div>7:00pm AA (Anderson Hall))</div>	<div>10:00am Staff Meeting (Narthex)</div>	<div>THANKSGIVING - Office Closed</div> <div>8:00am TOPS (Ed. Room)</div> <div>10:00am Al Anon (Ed. Room)</div>		<div>Altar Guild Advent Decorating Work Party</div>
28	29	30	Dec 1	2	3	4
<div>10:00am WORSHIP - Advent 1</div>	<div>6:30pm Master Chorus Eastside (Sanctuary)</div> <div>7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 676 Meeting</div>	<div>7:00pm AA (Anderson Hall))</div>				

November Birthdays & Anniversaries



11/6 Bodil Isop
Darlene Tatley
Lyle Lewis
11/8 Mary Ann Hult
11/9 Florence Kinnune
Ron Mantei
11/13 Michael Inman

11/20 Don Robertson
11/21 Patty Gerde
11/24 Gerrie Hendrickson
Matt Saathoff
11/26 Cheryl Hauser
11/27 Kathy Guthmiller

Anniversaries

11/21 Mark & Shelley Howe
Paul & Joyce Craig





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