

Our Savior Lutheran Church

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GROWING
TO SERVE



September 2024

Our Savior
Lutheran Church
745 Front Street S
Issaquah, WA



TO HOPE AND ACT WITH CREATION

SEASON OF CREATION 2024

The firstfruits of hope
(Rom 8:19-25)

Worldwide Movement

Each year from September 1 to October 4, the Christian family unites for this worldwide celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home. It is a special season where we celebrate God as Creator and acknowledge Creation as the divine continuing act that summons us to love and care for all that is created. We are co-creatures and part of all that God has made. Our well-being is interwoven with the well-being of the Earth.

This year the theme for the Season is "To hope and act with Creation." Amid the triple planetary crisis of climate change, biodiversity loss, and pollution, many are beginning to despair and suffer from eco-anxiety. As people of faith, we are called to uplift hope, the hope of renewed life, the hope of resurrection. This is not a hope without action, but one embodied in concrete actions of prayer and preaching, service and solidarity.

Projects for Issaquah, WA:

Labyrinth of Lanterns: A Community Art Installation

In Issaquah, Our Savior Lutheran Church (OSLC) and the non-profit Issaquah Arts have partnered up to provide opportunities to encourage hope and action for Christians and non-Christians alike. As a visible sign for hope, we will create a temporary labyrinth on the meadow in the back of the church building. Starting now, restaurants and businesses are

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invited to collect industrial-sized cans. In workshops offered all over Issaquah, these cans will be transformed into lanterns. The lanterns will be the joints of the labyrinth. The bones of the labyrinths will be shaped by garlands and foraged materials. Workshops will be offered in which people can learn how to make these out of locally sourced materials. All are invited to participate in creating the labyrinth. From Saturday, September 21 until Sunday, October 6, the labyrinth is accessible to all during daytime. The lanterns will be lit every night from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Walking the labyrinth is a meditative technique which helps us to quiet our minds. Oftentimes people focus on a spiritual question or a specific prayer. While walking towards the center of the labyrinth, we can practice focusing on the specific question or prayer. By walking out of the labyrinth, we can practice applying that specific question or prayer to our lives.

Resident Artist and Art Workshops

From September 4 to October 4, fiber artist Janice King will be resident artist in an atelier (art studio/workshop) in the OSLC building. She will be working on the project, *Trees of Memory Future*. King connects art with the natural elements of a place to deepen connection, understanding and experience in life. *Trees of Memory Future* imagines trees of the Northwest in the future—a future in which we have either managed to avert climate catastrophe, or in which climate catastrophe is threatening our very lives and the lives of our trees.

During this month, more artists will offer workshops with a focus on art rooted in nature. These workshops will provide us with fresh ideas about how we can respectfully connect with nature and make better use of many materials which we all too often classify as 'trash.'

Be part of the Season of Creation in Issaquah!

All events are open to the public; most are free of charge. There is a charge for the workshops requiring registration.



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Season of Creation Schedule of Events

Location: Our Savior Lutheran Church, 745 Front Street S, Issaquah, 98027

Wednesday, 9/4/2024

- Artist Residency Begins

Thursday, 9/5/2024

- Issaquah Arts Lantern-Making Workshop, Anderson Hall, 1:00-3:30 p.m.

Sunday, 9/8/2024

- Lantern Making after Coffee Hour, Anderson Hall, 11:00 a.m.

Sunday, 9/15/2024

- Artist Talk with Janice King at OSLC Coffee Hour, Anderson Hall, 11:00 a.m.
- Autumn Garland Workshop with Jess Buttermore, Anderson Hall, 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m., [registration required](#)

Tuesday, 9/17/2024

- Harvest Moon Celebration, Anderson Hall, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- Open Studio with Janice King, OSLC Atelier - Ground Floor, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Saturday, 9/21/2024

- **Autumn Equinox: Opening of the Labyrinth of Lanterns, 7:00-9:00 p.m.**
- Open Studio with Janice King, OSLC Atelier - Ground Floor, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, 9/24/2024

- Cyanotype Botanical Print Workshop, Anderson Hall, 1:00-3:30 p.m., [registration required](#)

Thursday, 9/26/2024

- Open Studio with Janice King, OSLC Atelier - Ground Floor, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Saturday, 9/28/2024

- Cyanotype Botanical Print Workshop, Anderson Hall, 1:00-3:30 p.m., [registration required](#)

Thursday, 10/3/2024

- Open Studio with Janice King, OSLC Atelier - Ground Floor, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Friday, 10/4/2024

- Family Workshop: Tree Collages with Janice King, OSLC Anderson Hall, 3:00-4:00 p.m.
- Closing Celebration - Artist Talk, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

****Saturday, 9/21/2024-Sunday, 10/6/2024: Labyrinth Open, OSLC Meadow****
Lantern illumination nightly from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Would you like to organize a lantern-making workshop? Learn more about upcoming events?
Email hello@issaquaharts.org.

THE ARTS SANCTUARY

LABYRINTH OF LANTERNS

A labyrinth is an ancient walking meditation that helps people find themselves and connect to the source of life, however you name this source. A labyrinth is not a maze. You cannot get lost. The labyrinth is a path that always leads you to its center.

There is no right or wrong way to walk a labyrinth. It's a journey that takes you from where you are to the center. You take the experience of the center with you as you walk out of the labyrinth again. Even though you end your journey at the same location, it is not the same place from where you started.

There are many metaphors for describing the practice of walking a labyrinth; spiritual journey, walking meditation, moving prayer, recharging the soul, agent of change, crucible of wisdom, well of inspiration, just to name a few.

TRY IT AND SEE WHAT IT MEANS TO YOU

BEFORE YOU ENTER

Take a moment to get ready for the journey. Ask your higher power for wisdom and courage to follow the path to the center. Slowly breathe in and out and explore the sensation of the power of life flowing into you, nourishing you and empowering you. As the breath leaves your body let it carry with it all that burdens and troubles you.

WALKING IN

Enter the labyrinth and explore the pace that feels right to you. Try to calm your mind as you walk. Be the step you take. Be the breath that feeds you and that cleanses you. Try to release the cacophony of noise that vies for your attention and walk toward the calm of the center. Oftentimes, your mind doesn't quiet at the first try. If you get distracted, release that thought and focus on your next steps and breaths again. Use the steps you take, the rhythm of your walk, as guide toward calmness.

CENTER

You have arrived at the center. Stay as long or as short as feels right. Listen to the world around you and the voices that come from deep within. Maybe a whisper brings words of wisdom to you. Maybe the wisdom lies in questions, rather than answers.

WALKING OUT

Explore the pace that feels right as you journey back into the world. Carry the experience of the center with you. Breathe in and let the experience connect you to the source of life. Exhale and as the air leaves your body let it carry with it all that separates you from the source of life.

EXIT

Be reborn as you take the last step and finish this journey. You have emerged from the labyrinth. Take a moment to recount the experience of walking toward the center and back. You have emerged changed. Explore the changes as you embrace daily life again.

Our Savior Community

Announcements from the Pastors

Congratulations!

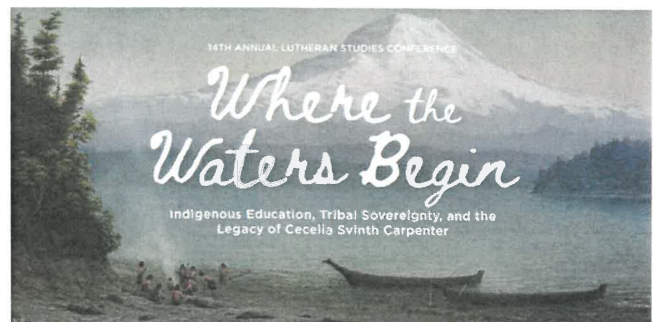
Congratulations to Pastor Kristin-Luana for winning second place in a writing contest for *Nevertheless She Preached*, a non-profit which elevates and centers female, queer, and BIPOC voices. The theme was “Liberate: Imagining Faith Decolonized.” Her essay “Salmon Woman and Tilapia Man: Decolonizing the Jesus Way of Life” will be published as one chapter in an upcoming book. *Nevertheless She Preached* has invited all prize winners to speak at their upcoming conference in Austin, Texas. The conference goes from Sunday, September 22-Tuesday, September 24, and Pr. Kristin-Luana will be traveling to attend. To learn more, go to <https://www.neverthelesshepreached.com/>.

The 14th Annual Lutheran Studies Conference, Thursday, September 26

“Where the Waters Begin: Indigenous Education, Tribal Sovereignty, and the Legacy of Cecelia Svinth Carpenter” will be held at Anderson University Center at Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma. **It is free and open to the public.** Pr. Kristin-Luana helped organize this conference honoring Cecelia Svinth Carpenter. Maybe you would like to attend? To learn more about the schedule and speakers, and to register, go to <https://www.plu.edu/lutheran-studies-conference/>.

From an email sent by PLU: “YOU’RE INVITED! The 2024 Lutheran Studies Conference celebrates the life, work, and commitments of PLU alumna **Cecelia Svinth Carpenter** '66, '71, connecting PLU’s past, present, and future with the Nisqually, Puyallup, and other Coast Salish people and tribes. Daughter of a Danish Lutheran pastor and a Nisqually woman, Svinth Carpenter received her undergraduate and graduate degrees in education from Pacific Lutheran University. She was a lifelong advocate for her own Nisqually people and other Salish tribes and a leader in advocating for Indigenous education, the preservation of Indigenous history, and the revitalization of Nisqually culture, spirituality, and arts.

2024 is a year of many celebrations and anniversaries: the 120th anniversary of the 1854 Medicine Creek Treaty, the 100th anniversary of the 1924 Native American Voting Rights Act, the 50th anniversary of the 1974 Boldt Decision, the 20th anniversary of the exoneration of Chief Leschi in 2004, and what would have been the 100th birthday of Nisqually historian and PLU alumna Cecelia Svinth Carpenter.”



Our Savior Community

Announcements from the Pastors

Save the Dates for Fall Education with Pr. Olaf!

"Paul's Letter to Philemon and the Early Church"

Thursdays in October and November, 12 p.m. in Anderson Hall and 7 p.m. on Zoom.

October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, November 7, 14, 21

More details will be forthcoming.

Communion Services at Timber Ridge:

Services at Timber Ridge Retirement Community are **always on the first Thursday of the month at 2:00 p.m.** One month is led by OSLC, and the next month by St. Andrew's Lutheran Church (SALC). Here are the upcoming dates:

- **September 5**, led by SALC at Timber Ridge
- **October 3**, led by OSLC at Timber Ridge
- **November 7**, led by SALC at Timber Ridge



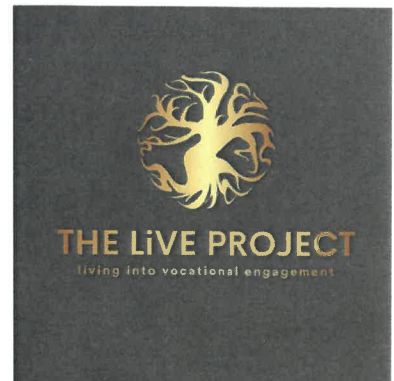
The LiVE Project: Living into Vocational Engagement

Have you heard about the LiVE Project? LiVE (rhymes with "give") is a project of the NW WA Synod, forming Christian leaders able to make sense of our place in God's world. It's a hybrid-style learning community including in-person retreats, courses, and cohorts via Zoom. The 2024-2025 schedule starts in the next few weeks, and registration is open now.

Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee dedicates her September Spirit article to it (pages 11-12). A LiVE Project Catalog is on pages 13-14. For complete details, check out the website: <https://www.lutheransnw.org/ministries/the-live-project>.

If you're interested in attending any LiVE events in-person or on Zoom, email Cynthia ASAP at office@oslcissaquah.org. We want to gauge whether OSLC should buy the Congregational Bundle for \$500 (instead of each person paying \$50 for each LiVE event).

From the NW WA Synod: "Once you register for a Congregational Bundle, your church office will be given a promo code so that anyone in your congregation can register for any LiVE course or retreat for FREE!"



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Issaquah Litter Clean Up Event

Please join us on Saturday, September 7 for the monthly Issaquah Litter Clean-up Event! Meet at 9:00 a.m. at the Post Office parking lot on NW Gilman Blvd. It will happen rain or shine.

Coffee and snacks will be provided.

- Use your own gloves and trash bags.
- Team up with a friend. Select an area to work, and then move out.
- Dispose of litter in municipal trash bins/dumpsters. Don't leave it.
- Use common sense and be safe.

Questions? Email Jon at jsmith1099@hotmail.com



Join our Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/611860370604097/>



Keep Up the Great Work with **Composting** and **Recycling!**

Thanks for your efforts to recycle and compost at OSLC so we reduce our amount of trash. It makes a big impact!

In addition to the bulletin board in Anderson Hall, you'll see more signs above the blue, green, and black bins around the church to make recycling, compost, and garbage as clear as possible. Green compost bins are also in the bathrooms for paper towels.



When in doubt, throw it out. Please note: plastic bags go in trash (not in recycling).

On Sunday, September 29, Lauren Herber, a Waste Zero Specialist from Recology King County, will be at coffee hour to offer education, flyers, handouts, and games for church members.

Our Savior Community

Faith, Fun, and Fellowship at Lake Sammamish

Thanks to Jane W. for sharing her photos from the three summer lakeside services, and thanks to all who attended.



Come Worship with Us at 10 a.m.



Sunday, September 1: First Sunday of Creation
Sunday, September 8: Second Sunday of Creation
Sunday, September 15: Third Sunday of Creation
Sunday, September 22: Fourth Sunday of Creation
Sunday, September 29: Fifth Sunday of Creation

In Person: Please continue to stay home if feeling sick, and receive Holy Communion in a safe manner.

Online: Sunday worship services are live-streamed at 10:00 a.m. A link to the service is published in the weekly email (sent with the bulletin), or you can click here: [Worship Live](#). If you try the link prior to 10:00 a.m. each Sunday, you may see the 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," or go to our website at www.oslcissaquah.org.



Gather with us for fellowship and coffee hour each Sunday following worship. Coffee hour hosts are needed. You can sign up to bake/bring treats only, help with coffee, or sign up for both.

The sign-up sheet is located in Anderson Hall next to the kitchen pass-through window, and there are several folks happy to partner with you or walk you through the kitchen and teach you how it all works.



The Blue Marble, the first complete photograph of Earth, taken during the Apollo 17 Flight on December 7, 1972

Northwest Washington Synod

The Spirit: September 2024



Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee

You might have noticed that we are in the middle of another election season. The rhetoric, the tone, the attempts to vilify and amplify are all around us - coming from candidates and superPACs and social media and neighbors and family and more.

You might wonder where does faith fit into all of this?

As Lutherans, we believe that God loves and values every single person. This means all are beloved of God - even those who we might not agree with or even like. All are God's children. This means that even those who are the farthest from our political views are humans and worthy of care. Further, as Martin Luther once said, we are called to be little Christs for one another. This means listening and wanting the best for one another.

In saying this, please know that loving one another is not the same as remaining quiet in the presence of hate speech or abusive actions. There are times to speak up and engage. As we know from the prophets and from Jesus, we are called to work and to speak out against powers and systems that have historically marginalized or silenced so many of God's beloved people.

So I ask again, where does faith fit into all of this?

Well ... If you are full of anxiety for this coming year, if you wonder how to engage with others on issues that you care about, if you want to help foster a sense of community and love, we invite you and your congregation to join Northwest Washington Synod's LiVE Project. This coming year LiVE is engaging faith and life with new classes, retreats, and cohorts. This year's theme is Faith Out Loud. The 2024-25 offerings are chosen explicitly to address how to engage faith and life. This fall there is a multi-week class on Faith in Public Life starting on September 18. On October 19 there is a one-day retreat on Christian Nationalism. And from October 21-November 9 there will be an election prayer vigil. Further out in the year there is a retreat on land use, embracing difference, and a Lenten Journey along with other cohorts and more.

Together with what is happening in each of the individual congregations throughout the synod, LiVE is providing ways for people to share their faith stories, listen to one another, and connect with God and with one another to live their faith out loud.

Northwest Washington Synod

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LiVE is a place where people from all over the synod and beyond engage in ways that foster growth, encourage conversation, provide mutual support, create community beyond difference, and ultimately connect one's faith in day-to-day life. With the different offerings, all are encouraged to participate in what God is calling us to be and to do – to cultivate empathy, love, justice, and service. To live faith out loud.

This coming year is full of possibilities to together live our faith out loud. If you have been part of LiVE in the past, we urge you to invite others. If you are interested, please talk with others in your congregation and form a group together. Find the list of upcoming courses on our synod website here: <https://www.lutheransnw.org/ministries/the-live-project>. If you have questions, please email live@lutheransnw.org

As you know, we are not called to an individual “me and Jesus” faith isolated from the world. Instead, faith is a communal journey where we celebrate our uniqueness as we walk in the unity of Christ. We learn, grow, support, challenge, and travel together in Christ as we live as God's beloved.

I am so grateful for the vision and leadership of synod staff members Rev. Dr. David Hahn and Ms. Mandy Neill, the LiVE Project Board, the professors and teachers, and all who have collaborated on the LiVE Project. Their work and the LiVE Project are truly gifts to this synod and to this church. Let us embrace God's love and let us live our faith out loud.

+Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee / bishop@lutheransnw.org



Love. Grow. Serve.

If you're interested in attending any 2024-2025 LiVE events in-person or on Zoom, please email Cynthia at office@oslccissaquah.org. If there is enough interest and demand, OSLC will buy the Congregational Bundle and then give you the promo code to register yourself for free. Thanks!



WHAT IS LIVE?


living into vocational engagement


/LiVE/ (rhymes with "give"): a lay ministry of the NW WA synod- ELCA, forming Christian leaders able to make sense of our place in God's world.


LIVE: is a hybrid-style learning community, including: in-person retreats, courses and cohorts via zoom.

LIVE: is theologically thoughtful, culturally responsive, and communally engaged.

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LIVE PROJECT CATALOG

Offerings and Events | 2024-25

"Faith Out Loud"

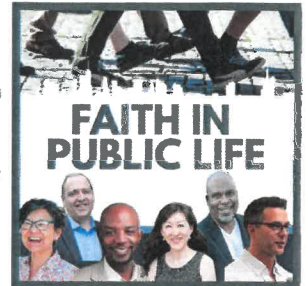
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FAITH IN PUBLIC LIFE

Various Guest-Faculty

Zoom Course | Wednesdays 7-8:30pm, Sept 18-Oct 30

What does it mean for us to be church in and with today's world? Through a variety of voices, disciplines, and topics we will explore what it means that God calls us in the Gospel to a public witness as people of faith today.



ELECTION PRAYER VIGIL

Daily Zoom | noon & 7pm, Oct 31- Nov 9

We are hearing God call us together for a shared time to gather online across the synod, leading up to and after the election, to pray for our country, our communities, the marginalized, and the life of the world.



FAITH AND FREEDOM:

Biblical Interpretation in an Age of Christian Nationalism

Dr. Angela Parker | One-day Retreat | Sat Oct 19

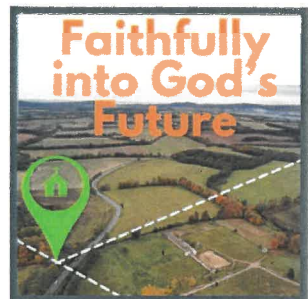
This year's "Bible in Culture & Community" series. How can we come together and address our assumptions about the Bible. Drawing on the book of Galatians, how do we make sense of God's Word in light of today's cultural challenges, especially Christian Nationalism?



FAITHFULLY INTO GOD'S FUTURE

Land, People, and Place One-Day Retreat | Nov 23

Many of us are seeking guidance as we faithfully move into God's preferred future as the church. Immersed in prayer and God's Word, we will explore practical ways to think about and steward our property, buildings and resources to better partner with our local communities.

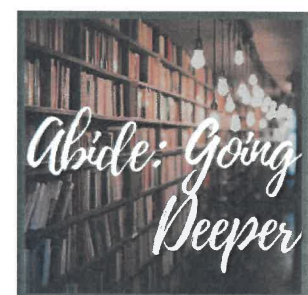


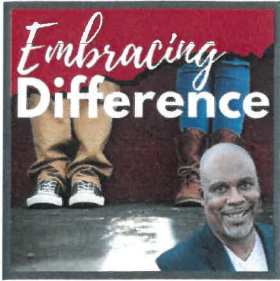
YEAR-ROUND BIBLE STUDY

ABIDE: GOING DEEPER

Tuesdays via zoom, 7-8pm | Synod-wide and FREE

We invite you to abide curiously in God's Word together. LiVE retreats and courses are not meant to be stand alone offerings. Go deeper into the Biblical grounding of course/retreat themes in the weekly synod-wide Bible Study via zoom. (free offering)





EMBRACING DIFFERENCE

One-Day Retreat Sat, Feb 5 with Fred Oduyoye,
Reachable Reconciliation Ministries

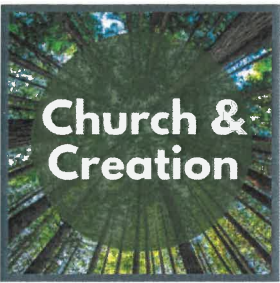
This retreat practically helps us to listen to ourselves, and to learn how to connect to one another across differences. Reachable Reconciliation is a collaborative effort to live into God's call of reconciled relationships.



LEARNING LOVE: LENTEN JOURNEY WITH BELL HOOKS

6-week course via zoom, Thurs at 7pm during Lent

Lenten "Gospel & Culture" series. In *All About Love*, bell hooks explores the transformative power of love through a commitment to personal growth, justice, and self-awareness. Come and deepen our calling to love.



CHURCH AND CREATION

Land, People, and Place One-Day Retreat | Apr 5

How is God's creation calling your church into a more expansive identity? Grounded in God's call to new creation in the book of Revelation, we explore the sacramental nature of the world and how we participate in it.

COHORTS



Within Cohorts, lay and rostered leaders, with similar affinities, compare notes and explore ministry practices together across congregational lines! Cohorts meet via zoom roughly once a month and are FREE.

CYF (CHILDREN, YOUTH, FAMILY)

For anyone engaging younger generations to come together to share ideas, experience, and resources in CYF ministry.

CHANGING CHURCH

For any lay leaders and pastors navigating how to reimagine a sustainable and vital church in a time of change and resource decline.

BECOMING AN ANTI-RACIST CHURCH

Discussion and anti-racial training to interrogate privilege and dismantle white supremacy culture in our congregational contexts.

WAYS OF ENGAGEMENT

A Variety of ways lay leaders can participate during the year

- 1. One-day Retreats & multi-week courses**
- 2. Synod-wide Bible Study**
Going deeper into Biblical Grounding of course/ retreat topics
- 3. Cohorts**
Groups that meet regularly around one of three affinities listed below...
- 4. Lay Ministry Formation (LMF)**
2-year cohort-based, certification program for lay leaders.

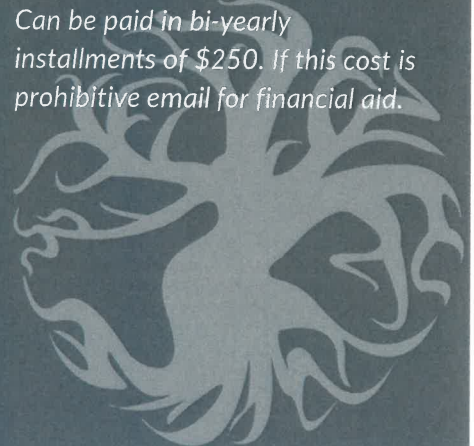
REGISTRATION:

Attend courses and retreats for \$50 each.

Participation in cohorts and the Synod-wide Bible study are open to anyone for free.

Congregational Bundle:

Unlimited members of the congregation can attend unlimited courses/retreats for only \$500 per congregation. *Can be paid in bi-yearly installments of \$250. If this cost is prohibitive email for financial aid.*



Lutheran Counseling Network

Faith and Everyday Life September 2024

Eugene Peterson's *The Message* presents the Great Commandment this way: "Love the Lord your God with all your passion and prayer and intelligence." I need passion? Sounds great, but for me, as an introvert, a Lutheran, and a person of Northern European extraction, it sounds a little outside my comfort zone. Passion is for the extroverts, the Evangelicals, those whose ancestors come from warmer climates.

But wait a minute. There are times when I do show passion; over an issue that's important to me; over a value I want my boys to learn, over the accomplishment of a friend or client. Maybe passion isn't a way of behaving; maybe it's more an attitude of the heart. When I think of it this way, I realize I do have passion for God; when I put God first, when I devote my time to church projects I care about, when I celebrate with my clients. These are all ways my passion for God shows through. Of course, there is always room for me to grow in my passion for God. I can approach prayer and devotion with more zest. I can think about inviting a neighbor to a church event. I can even talk about my faith to a friend or family member. This is where my passion for God can invite me out of my comfort zone.

Thanks be to God for the welcoming us all into relationship just as we are. And for inviting us to grow - in passion, in prayer, and in intelligence.

Written by a staff member of Lutheran Counseling Network



OSLC in Our Community

These are the community organizations that use our church building for meetings, rehearsals, and trainings:



BOY SCOUTS
OF AMERICA®



Spirit of Peace
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST


MASTER CHORUS
EASTSIDE
Feed Your Soul



New Creation Church
(Messenger Evangelistic Ministries Int'l.)





We remember in prayer . . .

Wendy W., who is recovering from surgery; **Mary F.**, for encouragement, strength, and healing; Prayers for healing for **Steve**, who needs to have surgery on September 5 (Nora T.); **Renee J.**, for healing (Connie F.); **Rich T.**, for health and comfort as he faces cancer (long-time friend of Lyle & Alice L.); **Ruben N.**, for healing of the burns on his foot (Connie F.); **Hunter S.**, for recovery following a bad motorcycle accident (Marilyn C.); **Jean R.**, who has terminal cancer (Lois D.); **Bob J.**, who is receiving treatment for cancer, **and his family**; **Dianne T.**, for healing, strength, and peace through her ongoing treatment; **Diane M.**, who is in a rehab center; **Guests of the Community Meals Program**; **all affected by COVID-19.**

Mourning the death of loved ones: Carl Nims.

Healing and peace of mind: Bob B.; Lyle L.; Henrik & Patty C.; Vern L.; Jerry & Linda N.; Marian J.; Katie M.; Margot I.; Dorothy S.; Jeanne K.; Florence K.; Sandy A.; Jen W.; Larry P.

Undergoing cancer treatment: Mary F.; Lou L. (Dianne T.); Baby Jack (nephew of Bill S.); Treasure H. (daughter of Rowan and Barbara H.); Bob J.; Gary H.; Dianne T.; John H. (Marilyn C.); Jim F. (son of Mary F.); Kirsten O.; Scott P. (Rowan H.); Kip H. (father of Cheryl H.); Richard (Debby B.).

Living with cancer: Mike (friend of Jane W.); Gene C. (cousin of Duane J.); Chris H. (brother of Mark H.); Peggy S. (cousin of Mark H.); Eileen L. (cousin of Mark H.); Sonja (Dianne T.); Gerald W. (Vern and Jeannie L.); Duane J.; Mary L. (sister-in-law of Lyle and Alice L.); Suzanne L. (daughter-in-law of Lyle & Alice L.).

If you have any prayer requests to be added (or you or your loved ones no longer need to be on this list), please reach out to office@oslcissaquah.org. Thank you.



Worship Readings for Sundays

Sunday, September 1: First Sunday of Creation

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

Psalm 15

Second Reading: Romans 8:18-25

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

Sunday, September 8: Second Sunday of Creation

First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7a

Psalm 146

Second Reading: James 2:1-10 [11-13] 14-17

Gospel: Mark 7:24-37

Sunday, September 15: Third Sunday of Creation

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm 116:1-9

Second Reading: James 3:1-12

Gospel: Mark 8:27-38

Sunday, September 22: Fourth Sunday of Creation

First Reading: Jeremiah 11:18-20

Psalm 54

Second Reading: James 3:13 – 4:3, 7-8a

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

Sunday, September 29: Fifth Sunday of Creation

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

Psalm 19:7-14

Second Reading: James 5:13-20

Gospel: Mark 9:38-50



Worship Assistants for Sunday Services: 10:00 a.m.

Dates & Services	Assisting Minister	Usher	Altar Guild	Sound & Videography
September 1	Jen W.	Carl and Judy B.	Stacy S.	Jon S.
September 8	Anne E.	Lois D. and Bill S.	Barbara F.-S.	TBD
September 15	Joan F.	Anne E. and Bill S.	Barbara F.-S.	TBD
September 22	Connie F.	Ken K. and Larry T.	Jean P. and Delaney C.	Anne E.
September 29	TBD	Don R. and Bill S.	Jane W.	Gabby G. and Jon S.



Volunteer Coordinators

We're thankful for all our volunteers and for those who coordinate them!

Altar Guild: Jane W.

Ushers: Bill S.

Memorial Bells: Alice L.

Choral Ensemble: Nora T.

Assisting Ministers: Cynthia D.

Sound & Videography: Jon S.

September Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

9/2 Irene C.
9/3 Vincent S.
9/12 Michael A.
9/13 Miranda S.
9/14 Sharon S.
9/22 Jane S.
Paul C.
9/24 Ian D.V.
9/30 Robyn J.
Randy W.

Anniversaries

9/3 Tim & Libbie F.G.
9/6 Doug & Sue F.
9/21 Jon & Stacy S.
Holly & Brian H.



If your name is missing
from the birthday or anniversary list,
please contact the church office
so we can update our records.
We want you to be included!

September 2024

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Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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October 2024

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Sep 1 9:30am SOP (Anderson Hall) 10:00am Worship: Start of Season of Creation (Sanctuary)	2 Labor Day--Church Office Closed 7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 676 Meeting (Anderson Hall)	3 7:45pm AA (Anderson Hall)	4 Janice King's Artist Residency Begins (OSLC Atelier, Ground Floor)	5 9:30am Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 10:00am AI-Anon (Ed) 12:30pm Autumn 1:00pm Lantern-Making	6 10:00am Cynthia's Meeting w/Jonathan, Pacific Office Automation (Office)	7
8 9:30am SOP (Anderson Hall) 10:00am Worship 11:00am Lantern 12:00pm Zadinsky Violin	9 10:30am Congregational Care Ministry (Library) 3:00pm Companions 7:00pm Master Chorus 7:00pm Boy Scout Troop	10 1:00pm Community Meal Prep (Kitchen) 7:45pm AA (Anderson Hall)	11	12 9:30am Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 10:00am AI-Anon (Ed Room) 12:30pm Autumn	13	14
15 9:30am SOP (Anderson Hall) 10:00am Worship 11:00am Coffee Hour 3:00pm Autumn Garland	16 3:00pm Companions Bible Study (online) 7:00pm Master Chorus Eastside (Sanctuary) 7:00pm Boy Scout Troop	17 7:00pm Council Executive Committee 7:00pm Harvest Moon 7:00pm Open Studio 7:45pm AA (Anderson)	18	19 9:30am Mission Quilters 10:00am AI-Anon (Ed) 1:00pm Community 7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 7:00pm Finance	20	21 7:00pm Autumn Equinox: Opening of the Labyrinth of 7:00pm Open Studio with Janice King
22 9:30am SOP (Anderson Hall) 10:00am Worship (Sanctuary)	23 10:30am Congregational Care Ministry (Library) 3:00pm Companions 7:00pm Master Chorus 7:00pm Boy Scout Troop	24 1:00pm Cyanotype Botanical Print 7:00pm Church Council (online) (Zoom) 7:45pm AA (Anderson)	25	26 9:30am Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 10:00am Open Studio with Janice King 10:00am AI-Anon (Ed)	27 10:30am Annual Fire and Life Safety Inspection by Smith Fire (Church)	28 1:00pm Cyanotype Botanical Print Workshop--registration required (Anderson Hall)
29 9:30am SOP (Anderson Hall) 10:00am Worship (Sanctuary) 11:00am Coffee Chat:	30 3:00pm Companions Bible Study (online) 7:00pm Master Chorus Eastside (Sanctuary) 7:00pm Boy Scout Troop	Oct 1	2	3	4	5

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