

Our Savior Lutheran Church

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TO SERVE



December 2024-
January 2025

Our Savior
Lutheran Church
745 Front Street S
Issaquah, WA



Pastor's Pen

By Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann

We are now entering the first quarter of the church year, defined by the seasons of Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany.

In Advent, we anticipate the arrival of the Christ Child in hope and joy. We make use of this season for self-reflection and renewal of our faith. In Christmas, we remember the birth of the Christ Child. We celebrate with gratitude our God, who became human, just like us, so that we can participate in eternal life. In Epiphany, we examine moments in Jesus' life which reveal his Godly nature.

Throughout these church seasons, we invite you, your families, friends, and neighbors, to experience *Hygge* at Our Savior Lutheran Church. *Hygge* is a Northern European concept which aims to uplift coziness, contentment, comfort, and conviviality.

Especially after the bomb cyclone which brought so much damage to our area in November, it is good to gather in community and to find joy in doing simple things. One opportunity for this will be our weekly knit-ins every Monday, 4-6 p.m. in December and January. You are welcome, even if you don't knit. This is meant to be a time of rest and relaxation.

But if you do knit or crochet, the knit-ins provide opportunity to produce covers for the tall trees in the front of our property. One by one, we are aiming to transform half of the trees into signs of color, coziness, and warmth by "Yarn bombing" them. Yarn bombing is a form of street art that employs colorful displays of yarn and fiber art in public spaces. The other trees will be illuminated by strings of light. This project is a partnership between the church and Issaquah Arts.

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More partnerships bring life and special events to Our Savior:

On Sunday, December 8, Anderson Hall was full of many families and youth building creative graham cracker houses. On Tuesday, December 17, the second annual festive "Beer and Carols" gathering occurred at Formula Brewing in Issaquah.



Graham cracker creations



On Saturday, December 21 at 7 p.m., we are planning a musical event in the sanctuary, featuring the Sound Bowl artists who enriched our Fall Labyrinth experience.

And on Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24 at 7 p.m., we'll be glad to have special music by the Issaquah Suzuki Strings at our candlelight service. (Details on page 3.)

You'll see the Issaquah Suzuki Strings and other String Teachers and their students around more often in the months to come, as they have lost their teaching space at Hammond Ashley Violins because of the bomb cyclone. They're teaching in the classrooms in our basement.

May we all be blessed by the gifts the seasons of Advent, Christmas and Epiphany bring!

Pr. Kristin-Luana



Sound bowl players at the labyrinth

KAMI SOUL HEALING + OM WITH NATE
**SOUND BATH
IN THE SANCTUARY**
SOLSTICE SOUND HEALING FEATURING
CRYSTAL SINGING BOWLS
745 FRONT STREET SOUTH, ISSAQUAH
SATURDAY, DEC 21ST, 7-9PM
ISSAQUAH ARTS
OUR SAVIOR

Our Savior Community

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Tuesday, December 24, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

Please mark your calendars to worship with us at OSLC. This traditional Christmas Eve service tells the story of Jesus' birth in word and song. The highlight is the singing of "Silent Night" illuminated by candlelight. Musicians from Issaquah Suzuki Strings will play during the service. Hope you can make it!

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

Christmas CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

Issaquah Suzuki Strings

Our Savior Lutheran Church,
745 Front St S, Issaquah WA 98027

TUESDAY
DECEMBER
24 7 PM
OUR SAVIOR
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CHURCH

ALL ARE WELCOME!

For more information, please call us
425-392-4169 or visit
www.oslcissaquah.org

Celebrate the season with us and let your heart be filled with light!

Our Savior Community

Recent Photos

Knit-In, December 16



Thank You and Recognition upon Completion of Service for Dianne & Doug T., November 3



First Men's Group Gathering, H & H Saloon, December 16



Welcoming New Members:
Cecilia K., Wayne H., and Kent P.



Our Savior Community

Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting

Thank you to the many members who attended the Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting last Sunday, December 15. Below are photos of some attendees.

Election of Council and Officers:

Welcome, new Secretary Lana G. and Member-at-Large Gary H. Thank you to Marilyn C. (outgoing Secretary) and Jane W. (outgoing Member-at-Large) for your years of faithful service.

Council Roster (as of January 1, 2025):

John M., Co-President
Connie F., Vice President
Lana G., Secretary
Chris A., Member-at-Large
Anne E., Member-at-Large

Barbara F.-S., Co-President
Wendy W., Treasurer
Jeff J., Member-at-Large
Holly H., Member-at-Large
Gary H., Member-at-Large



Our Savior Community

Announcements

Thank You from the Community Outreach Committee

Thank you all for your generous support of our Giving Tree. We collected \$1,060 in gift cards for Vine Maple Place parents to give their youth for Christmas. The organization helps families in need of shelter, mainly women and children. We collected \$750.00 in gift cards to use when church members need assistance and when people stop by the church office to ask for assistance with gas and groceries.



The Community Outreach Committee donated \$1,500 in designated funds to the Issaquah Food Bank in November. Designated funds are funds that members have given just for community outreach purposes. The Food Bank will use the funds to purchase gift cards for their Holiday Gift Barn. Clients will use the gift cards to shop for their children. We also donated \$1,000 in designated funds to Issaquah Community Services. They use the funds to support clients in need of rent and utility assistance.

Again, thank you for your generosity. These gifts will be actively helping people in our community!

Communion Services at Timber Ridge

Here are the upcoming dates for the services at Timber Ridge Retirement Community:

- **Thursday, January 2, 2:00 p.m.**, led by SALC at Timber Ridge
- **Thursday, February 6, 2:00 p.m.**, led by OSLC at Timber Ridge

You're Invited to the Memorial Service for Jerry Nack

Jerry Nack passed away on November 19. Jerry's memorial service will be on **Saturday, January 4 at 2:00 p.m.** at Holy Spirit Lutheran Church (10021 NE 124th in Kirkland). Jerry's wife Linda wrote to share memorial details and invite all to attend. Linda noted that she and Jerry were OSLC members for 18 years.

Blue Christmas:
An Advent Worship for
Beginnings and Endings

Thursday, Dec. 19th 7 p.m.

Spirit of Peace UCC Worship Space
(Behind Our Savior Lutheran Church)
745 Front St S, Issaquah, WA 98027

The holidays can bring both joy and sorrow, but sometimes it can feel like there isn't room for the sorrow amidst all the hustle and bustle. Blue Christmas is a worship experience especially cultivated to hold what feels heavy and hard this season. Light candles, offer prayers, sing hymns, receive Communion, and open yourself to God's loving presence.

Our Savior Community

“WANDERING AND WONDERING WITH GOD” 2025 Women’s Retreat

Mark your calendars for March 7-9, 2025 for our annual retreat! Our speakers will be Jean Wahlstrom and Jane Prestbye. Here’s what they have to say about their topic:

“Wandering and wondering is the essence of pilgrimage and pilgrimage is a fitting metaphor of one’s whole life journey with God. Not everyone can go on physical pilgrimage, but everyone can have the mind of the nomad disciple. Pilgrimage involves doing something with whatever faith you have, and faith like muscle likes being worked. We will explore Christian pilgrimage as a faith walk with Jesus. (Jeremiah 6:16a and Luke 24:15)”

Jean and Jane recently did some wandering themselves on the Camino Santiago de Compostela and are sure to have some insights to share from that experience as well as others.

More details to come, and registration will open after the holidays. Don’t miss out—get it on your calendar now!



Come Worship with Us



Sunday, December 22: Fourth Sunday of Advent

**Tuesday, December 24, 7:00 p.m.: Christmas Eve
Candlelight Service**

Sunday, December 29: First Sunday of Christmas

Sunday, January 5: Second Sunday of Christmas

Sunday, January 12: Baptism of Our Lord

Sunday, January 19: Second Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday, January 26: Third Sunday after Epiphany

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. **The Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be live-streamed at 7:00 p.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.



OSLC Office Closed: December 25-January 1

The Parish Administrator's office will be closed from Christmas through New Year's Day. Cynthia will return to work on Thursday, January 2. If you need immediate assistance or emergency pastoral care, please contact Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann at 360-912-1245 or Pr. Olaf Baumann at 360-912-1830. Wishing you and your loved ones a Merry Christmas and a great start to 2025!

Northwest Washington Synod

The Spirit: December 2024



Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee

From the Bishop:

Dear Beloveds,

This is but the beginning of the birth pangs. Mark 13:8

There are a lot of stories about women and pregnancy and motherhood in the Bible. To list some of these women off the top of my head, and in no particular order: Hannah, Sarah, Elizabeth, Mary, Eve, Hagar, Rebekah, Jochebed, Rachel, Tamar, Bathsheba, Ruth, and all those unnamed women—Manoah’s wife, the Shunammite woman, the widow of Zarephath, and more, I’m sure.

I think that there is a tendency to over-spiritualize these women’s stories—or, honestly, to just pass over them because we know the outcome of their pregnancies (and so often we memorize their sons’ stories instead of theirs). We know Hannah had Samuel the prophet . . . but we might forget she fiercely prayed and wrestled with God for a child. We know that Jochebed had Moses . . . but we might forget how she gave him away (actually placed him in a basket and sailed him down a river) to save him and then pretended to be someone else in order to raise him. We know that Bathsheba had Solomon . . . but we might forget the messiness and horror that came before his birth—how she became pregnant with her first son and how he died early in life and later how she maneuvered to get Solomon on the throne.

And then there are the two pregnancies in Advent:

- Elizabeth. Old menopausal wrinkled-up Elizabeth who is surprisingly with child. Elizabeth who gets both startled and assured when her baby kicks for the first time as she greets expectant Mary on her doorstep.
- Mary. Young Mary who is so often depicted in art and literature and even theology as being passive and demure. As being above such things as having spinach between her teeth or toilet paper stuck to her shoe or anything that goes along with being human. We don’t hear of her having cravings or swollen ankles or heartburn or a growing belly. But, surely, she did. How could she not as she carried our Savior within her?

Advent is sometimes depicted as a waiting time. As a time when we are anticipating something coming towards us. We often say that “Christmas is coming” or “Christ will come again.”

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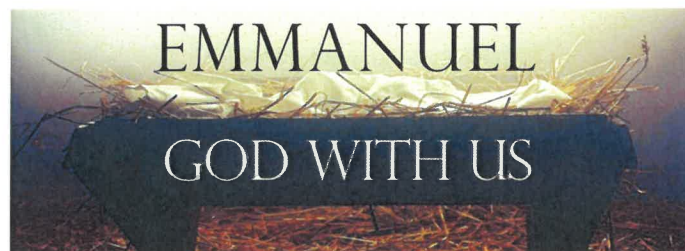
But isn't Advent also a movement time. A time that changes and expands, stretches and swells. A time when there is kicking and motion. A time that is exciting but also terrifying. A time that is anticipatory but also unknown. A time when something is growing inside but cannot be seen . . . yet.

As I write this, the 2024 election happened a week ago. For half of the country, the outcome was devastating. For the other half, it was welcomed. Personally, I am trying to understand what this means for so many. Truly, I am concerned and broken-hearted when I think of the campaign promises that were made and the potential actions to so many vulnerable communities. The possible scenarios can make you stop and weep and fall on your knees exhausted.

But here's the thing: Regardless of the outcome of the election, we are an Advent people. Like Hannah, we pray to God. Like Jochebed, we act to save those whose very lives are at risk. Like Bathsheba, we name and work for the well-being of those we love. Like Elizabeth, we clasp our bellies and feel the Spirit moving within us. Like Mary, we lift our heads high and we cry out against injustice and tyranny and we lift up those who are marginalized, hated, and oppressed.

In this Advent / Pregnant / Gestation time, as we wait and act, grow and stretch, move and expect, as we deeply yearn for this new life that is coming, may these women's stories fill us with fortitude and courage, and may Jesus—the Word made flesh, Emmanuel, God With Us—bring the promises of hope, peace, joy, and love to completion in this beautiful and broken world. May these birth pangs bring a new world into being.

✝ Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee
bishop@lutheransnw.org



Northwest Washington Synod

The Spirit: January 2025



Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee

From the Bishop:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might . . . Isaiah 6:3

Do you hear a song, or maybe a multitude of songs, when you read the words above? We know these words in hymnody – in traditional songs, in praise songs, as part of the Eucharistic liturgy, and more. These words are deep in the bones of the Church. Of course, like so many lyrics that we sing in church, they weren't created out of thin air. We first hear these words from seraphs during the strange and grand vision that Isaiah had when he entered the holiest of holy places in the Temple – the place that housed the ark of God, the place revered as God's earthly throne, the place where God was simultaneously present in the heavenly realm and within the fabric of the world. We hear these words in Isaiah's call story in Isaiah 6:1-8. (Go ahead . . . read the Isaiah story now before reading the rest of this article.)

As Isaiah enters into the Holy of Holies, God grants Isaiah a glimpse into God's celestial throne room. God is so magnificent and big that the hem of God's robe fills the temple. God is attended by fierce and fiery creatures – scary flying snakes with six wings called seraphim. These were not the cute cherubs holding flutes and harps. These were sea serpent-sized creatures singing (shrieking, screaming) in loud, ear-piercing voices, "*Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty . . .*"

Isaiah is overcome. He falls on his knees and cries, "Woe is me!" Isaiah knows, in that moment, who the Creator of the universe is and what this Creator can do. Isaiah knows he could be destroyed in the flash of a second.

It needs to be said, of course, that Isaiah's vision didn't happen in a vacuum. Isaiah entered the holy of holies when the Assyrians were attacking and the people of Jerusalem were trying to barricade themselves against this most formidable army. Outside of the Temple it was a dark and scary time. For Isaiah, and the rest of the Judeans, the world felt frightening and terrifying and out-of-control.

Do you know this feeling? This feeling of being so small and powerless in a world that seems so big and overwhelming. This feeling of the world being topsy-turvy and unpredictable. This feeling of not knowing what to do next because everything seems like too much to bear.

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For Isaiah, the next thing that happens in his vision is that a huge seraph comes at him with a piece of burning coal and presses it to his lips. The pain must have been brutal. But when the coal touches Isaiah's lips, things are clarified for him – he is cleansed and he is prepared for what is coming next and he instantly pledges to God, "Here I am. Send me." And Isaiah becomes God's prophet. (If only things could be made this clear for all of us.)

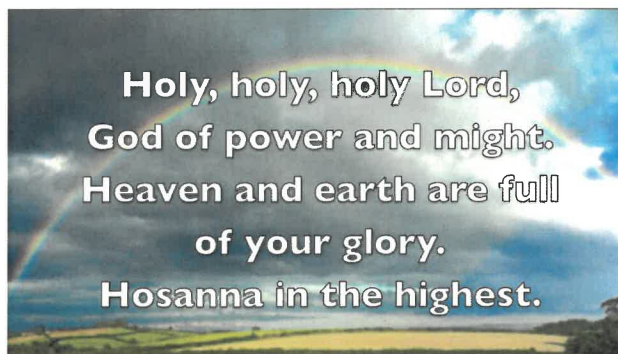
In any case, what do we do with this strange and beautiful story? What does Isaiah's call story mean for us today? Please know that I cannot wrap this story up in a tidy bow – nor do I want to – because this isn't how life works. (Also, Isaiah couldn't either. As much as Isaiah pledged to follow God, if you read Isaiah 6:9-11 you'll hear Isaiah crying out, "How long, O Lord?") But this is where I seize hope.

Above all things, God is God and we are not. God is wholly other. We cannot know the mind of God. And yet, in this extraordinary story, there are glimpses beyond majesty and awe. God is fearful to behold and God holds us as a mother holds a child to her breast. The touch of God burns and yet it is with life-giving fire. God towers above and God embraces us in inexplicable and earth-shattering tenderness and forgiveness. The One who creates all things also lives in the dirt and muck of life.

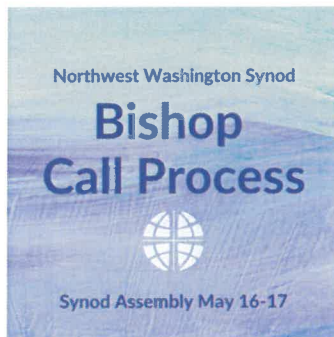
Dear Beloveds, may you always know and trust through all things: God is God. Almighty and Always. The One who shepherds you in life also tenderly holds you into death and beyond. The One who created the universe is as close as your next breath. For God gave you life, named you, and holds you near. Forever. *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.*

Amen.

✠Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee
bishop@lutheransnw.org



Announcement from Northwest Washington Synod



Dear Friends in Christ in the Northwest Washington Synod,

Preparations are underway for electing a bishop at the 2025 Synod Assembly, which will be held May 16-17. Information regarding the nomination and election processes and the important responsibilities of a synod bishop can be found on the Synod's website at this link: www.lutheransnw.org/pages/bishop-call-process

The nomination period **begins on January 15, 2025**, and closes February 16, 2025. (Nominations received outside of these dates will not be considered.)

Electronic nomination:

[Download this fillable nomination](#)

Save to your computer, complete form, save again, email to: bishopnominations@lutheransnw.org

Paper nomination:

[Print this form](#) (You'll find a nomination form included on the next page.)

or request a paper copy from the synod office: office@Lutheransnw.org or call (206) 783-9292. Complete form and mail to synod office (instructions on form).

Any member of a congregation in the Northwest Washington Synod may make only one nomination. The nominee must be on the ELCA roster of ministers of Word and Sacrament though the nominee does not need to be a pastor in this synod. A person may not self-nominate. Instructions on how to submit the nomination are included on the form.

Please help us ensure that information regarding the bishop nomination and election processes is shared with your congregation. As you reflect on the upcoming bishop's election, please remember that the Northwest Washington Synod is engaged in a call process; and keep the Synod, its leadership, nominees, voting members, and everyone involved in ministry in your prayers.

Peace,

Pastor Gail S. Rautmann, Chair

Bishop Call Process Task Force

pastorgail@gloria-dei-lutheran.org

Task Force Members: John Bumanglag, Deacon Janet Cederberg, Pastor Kristy Daniels, Pastor Paul Eldred, Bill Salen, and Kasey Shultz

NOMINATION FORM

Northwest Washington Synod – 2025 Bishop Election

Nominations will be accepted ONLY from January 15 until February 16, 2025.

For more information, visit the Synod website:

<https://www.lutheransnw.org/bishop-call-process>

Nominator:

(person making the nomination)

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Congregational Membership: _____

(Note: The person making a nomination for bishop must be a member of a congregation in the Northwest Washington Synod. A nominator may make only one nomination, and a person may not self-nominate.)

Nominee:

(person nominated for position of bishop)

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Is the nominee a minister of Word and Sacrament (i.e., a pastor) of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, as required by section S8.11 of the *Constitution and Bylaws of the Northwest Washington Synod*? (check one)

Yes _____ No _____ Unsure _____

Has the nominee been advised of this nomination? (check one)

Yes _____ No _____ Unsure _____

Date: _____

Nominations must be submitted via email or regular mail to:

bishopnominations@lutheransnw.org *or*

Bishop Nominations, c/o Northwest Washington Synod, 5519 Phinney Ave N, Seattle, WA 98103

Lutheran Counseling Network

Faith and Everyday Life December 2024

“Somewhere in the din of it all
Beneath the rubble of our discontent
There lies in the heart of the world
In the soul of each of us—
A tender village

How shall we remember?”

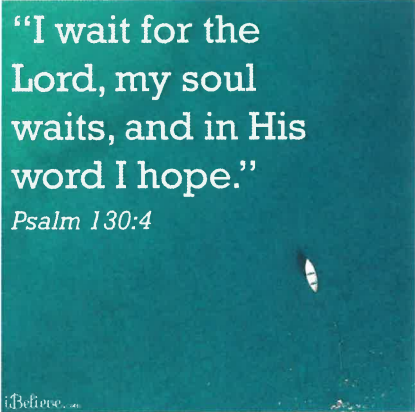
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I think about the village that lies in the soul of each of us as I read 1 John 4:7-12. I am heartened. John reminds us: “God lives in us and his love is perfected in us.” I’m also enlivened by the idea of lying still as the village sometimes must.

For so many of us this season, we struggle to love as God would have us love and to operate out of the village within that can act as manger for our God. This is the central message of Advent, isn’t it? We prepare ourselves to greet God and to remember that He came into the world to baptize it. God confirms for us the grace of creation—so good, He chose to live in it with us.

And let’s face it; it takes a village to love as we think God would have us love. Love often looks strong and challenging; sometimes, tender and soft. It calls upon all parts of the created good—all parts of the village within—to see, know, name, and serve our sisters and brothers. When we struggle in this season, it is good to take heart in the promise of Bethlehem. Lying still, awaiting God.

*Written by a staff member of
Lutheran Counseling Network*



“I wait for the
Lord, my soul
waits, and in His
word I hope.”

Psalm 130:4

OSLC in Our Community

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



BOY SCOUTS
OF AMERICA®



Spirit of Peace
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



**ISSAQUAH
ARTS**



*MASTER CHORUS
EASTSIDE*
Feed Your Soul



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



We remember in prayer . . .

Evy S., who is in hospice; **Doris H.**, who was recently diagnosed with brain cancer (cousin's wife of Duane J.); **Mary F.**, for encouragement, strength, and healing; **Bob J.**, who is receiving treatment for cancer, **and his family**; **Dianne T.**, for healing, strength, and peace through her ongoing treatment; **Guests of the Community Meals Program**; **all affected by COVID-19.**

Mourning the death of loved ones: **Jerry Nack**; **Nancy** (mother of Ron S.'s sister-in-law Dana); **Bob Beck.**

Healing and peace of mind: **Shelley H.**; **John & Helen N.**; **Diane M.**; **Lyle L.**; **Henrik & Patty C.**; **Vern L.**; **Katie M.**; **Margot I.**; **Dorothy S.**; **Jeanne K.**; **Florence K.**; **Sandy A.**; **Jen W.**; **Larry P.**

Undergoing cancer treatment: **Kim A.** (dear friend of Shelley H.); **Melinda N.** (daughter of Cheryl & Lou N.); **Jared K.** (nephew of Jane W.); **Suzanne L.** (daughter-in-law of Lyle & Alice L.); **Mary F.**; **Lou L.** (Dianne T.); **Baby Jack** (nephew of Bill S.); **Treasure H.** (daughter of Rowan and Barbara H.); **Bob J.**; **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@oslclissaquah.org. Thank you.



Worship Readings for Sundays

Sunday, December 22: Fourth Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Micah 5:2-5a

Psalm: Luke 1:46b-55

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10

Gospel: Luke 1:39-45

Sunday, December 29: First Sunday of Christmas

First Reading: 1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26

Psalm 148

Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-17

Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

Sunday, January 5: Second Sunday of Christmas

First Reading: Sirach 24:1-12

Psalm: Wisdom of Solomon 10:15-21

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14

Gospel: John 1:[1-9] 10-18

Sunday, January 12: Baptism of Our Lord

First Reading: Isaiah 43:1-7

Psalm 29

Second Reading: Acts 8:14-17

Gospel: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Sunday, January 19: Second Sunday after Epiphany

First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

Psalm 36:5-10

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Gospel: John 2:1-11

Sunday, January 26: Third Sunday after Epiphany

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Psalm 19

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Gospel: Luke 4:14-21

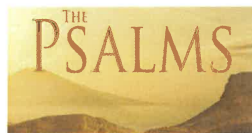


Worship Assistants for Sunday Services at 10:00 a.m.
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 7:00 p.m.

Dates & Services	Assisting Minister	Usher	Altar Guild	Sound & Videography
December 22: Fourth Sunday of Advent	Connie F.	Larry T. and Don R.	Jane W.	Jon S. and Tom K.
December 24, 7:00 p.m.: Christmas Eve Candlelight Service	Connie F.	Larry T. and Ken K.	Jane W.	Jon S.
Sunday, December 29: First Sunday of Christmas	Lori D.	Ken K. and Bill S.	Holly H.	Jon S. and Gabby G.
Sunday, January 5: Second Sunday of Christmas	Anne E.	Carl and Judy B.	Jane W.	Jon S.
Sunday, January 12: Baptism of Our Lord	Jen W.	Anne E. and Mike A.	Brenda K. and Randy W.	Jon S. and Tom K.
January 19: Second Sunday after Epiphany	Joan F.	Anne E. and Mike A.	Holly H.	Jon S.
January 26: Third Sunday after Epiphany	Connie F.	Larry T. and Don R.	Barbara F.-S.	Jon S. and Gabby G.

Psalm Cantors

December 22: Lori D.
January 12: TBD
January 19: TBD
January 26: TBD



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.

December and January Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

12/2 Caleb C.
12/3 Stan P.
12/5 McKenzie H.
12/6 Lori D.
12/10 Frankie T.
12/11 Wayne H.
12/13 Judy B.
Joyce C.
12/16 Delaney C.
12/30 Sue F.
1/1 Ginny A.
1/2 Rob G.
1/4 Patty C.
1/5 Margot I.
1/7 Becky B.
1/10 Gary H.
Paula S.
1/13 Judith B.
1/18 Rick W.
1/19 Ken D.
1/22 David G.
Wendy W.
1/24 Donald R.
1/25 Bill C.
David H.
1/26 Jean K.
1/27 Barbara F.-S.
1/28 LaRue N.
1/30 Jen W.

Anniversaries

12/14 Linda B. & Randolph S.
1/2 Debra & Arthur Z.
1/4 Lisa T. & David G.



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!

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Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Dec 29	30	31	Jan 1, 25	2	3	4
5 9:30am Spirit of Peace Worship (SOP) 10:00am Worship 11:00am Coffee & 12:30pm New Creation	6 10:30am Congregational 3:00pm Companions 4:00pm Knit-Ins 7:00pm Master Chorus 7:00pm Boy Scout Troop	7 7:45pm AA (Anderson Hall)	8 9:30am Issaquah Garden Club (Anderson Hall, Kitchen)	9 9:30am Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 10:00am Al-Anon (Ed Room)	10	11
12 9:30am Spirit of Peace 10:00am Worship 11:00am Coffee & 12:00pm Zadinsky Violin 12:30pm New Creation	13 3:00pm Companions Bible Study (online) 4:00pm Knit-Ins 7:00pm Master Chorus 7:00pm Boy Scout Troop	14 1:00pm Community Meal Prep (Kitchen) 7:45pm AA (Anderson Hall)	15 7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 676 PLC (Anderson Hall)	16 9:30am Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 10:00am Al-Anon (Ed Room) 1:00pm Community 7:00pm Finance	17	18 3:00pm Carlin Ma Piano Recital (Sanctuary)
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