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Actively Sharing Christ's Love in Community

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The LMLC Giving Garden was blessed on April 21. The children helped bless with rain water!

Our garden is used by community members in the surrounding Greenwood area.



**All are welcome at Luther Memorial!
Join us Sundays at 10 am for worship as we
*Actively Share Christ's Love in Community.***

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May 15 is the deadline for articles in the **June** issue.

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PJ's Page

As I look at the LMLC calendar for May, I am drawn to two particular events. On the surface they seem unrelated, but the more I consider them, the more convinced I am of how one is a reminder to us of another.

On May 19, the Feast of Pentecost, we will baptize Mackenzie Culmer into the priesthood of believers, the family of God. This precious child will be water washed and sealed with the Spirit, as a reminder that she is Christ's own forever.



Each one of us has also had that water poured onto our foreheads. Or maybe you were

actually immersed in a larger body of water! But whatever the method and whenever the time in our lives, we were baptized in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Named and claimed by the One who created us and loved us.

Having been given so great a gift...new life....how might we respond?

Matthew 25 gives us a good idea:

Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just

as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'

On May 28th members of Christ's family will come into our midst in search of refuge and shelter. They have nothing – nothing to drink or eat or wear. At least not as much as we enjoy. Life for them has become suddenly and unimaginably difficult. Perhaps they are homeless because they lost a job or fled – who knows. And Jesus doesn't care. Jesus says to us, *'just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'*

Beloved community, the family of Jesus Christ and the family of God, precious sisters and brothers, are coming to dwell in our midst for a mere week. I believe that it is in response to our baptismal callings that we reach out to them. This is how these two events connect – we have been given the greatest gift of all and our response is to reach out to others as though we were reaching out to Christ.

Maybe it is helpful to re-frame the question:

If Jesus were coming to Luther Memorial for a week, how would we respond?



In service with you,

Pastor Juli Hubert

LMLC News and Events

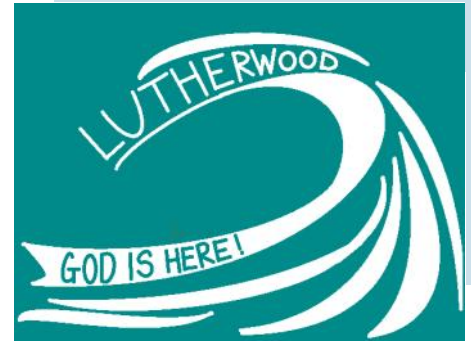
Luther Memorial Hosts Lutherwood Day Camp

This summer Luther Memorial is pleased to welcome the traveling staff from Camp Lutherwood for "God is Here!" five days of awesome day camp for grades 1-5. We will also have a pre-school age class staffed by LMLC teachers.

This is going to be an amazing opportunity for these young people to learn more about their faith. We will be opening this up to our neighbors and friends as well and hope that you will invite yours!

Date: August 12-16 Cost: \$20 (scholarships are available)

We need YOUR support! First and foremost – pray for the staff of Camp Lutherwood as they prepare and for our leaders at LMLC. Watch for opportunities to serve as volunteers, hosts, and to offer your financial support!



Intern News

TRINITY
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SEMINARY

It hardly seems possible that Vicar Inge is in her final quarter with us! Time has flown since that first (very warm!) Sunday when we welcomed her to Luther Memorial! While we intend to enjoy every day that she is here – worshipping, serving our neighbors, singing, laughing, learning, planting, etc.... it is helpful to us to recall that her time with us is only for a year. Her final Sunday with us will be July 21, then she will head back to seminary for her Senior year.

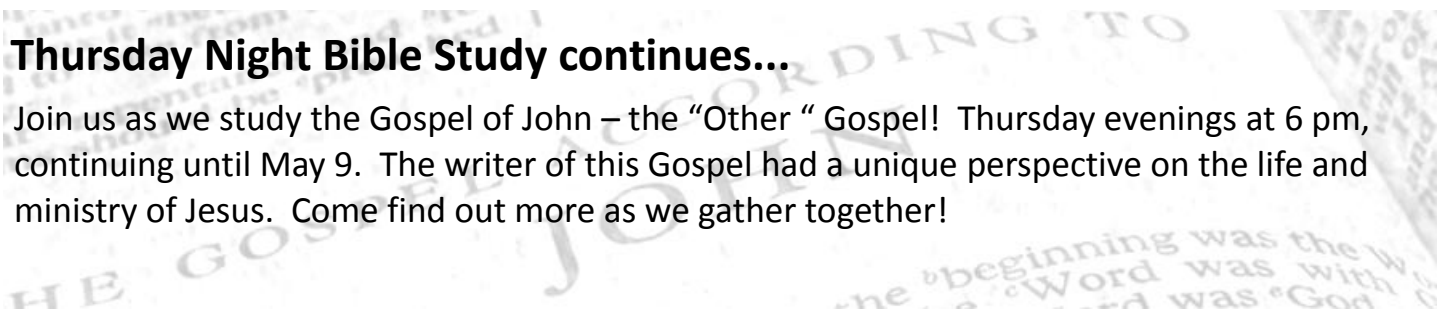
In September, we will welcome our next intern, Anja Helmon, who is a student at Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary in Berkeley, CA. Anja did two years of her seminary study at Seattle University School of Theology and Ministry. Anja lives with her husband in Kirkland, so she will continue to live at home while serving as our intern for the 2013-2014 year.



We will learn more about Anja in the weeks and months ahead, even as we prepare to say goodbye to Vicar Inge. Please continue to keep Inge, Anja, and all those preparing for rostered leadership in your prayers.

Thursday Night Bible Study continues...

Join us as we study the Gospel of John – the "Other" Gospel! Thursday evenings at 6 pm, continuing until May 9. The writer of this Gospel had a unique perspective on the life and ministry of Jesus. Come find out more as we gather together!



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Upcoming First Sunday Faith Forums

May 5 at 9 am: Eva Mader will be coming to speak to us about the Lutheran Churches in Russia. If anyone has specific questions or concerns, or a particular area of interest, please let Sherri Russo know so that she can pass them on to Eva.

June 2 at 9 am: Mark Brumbaugh, from the Greenwood Food Bank will tell us more about the work of this important ministry partner.

Luther Memorial Concert Series Continues on May 5!

Luther Memorial 2013 Concert Series Schedule

May 5, 2013 | 4 pm

The Works of Brahms - *free will offering*

Awilda Verdejo sings eight of his beautiful songs, followed by the energetic and melodious second Piano Trio, op. 87

Awilda Verdejo, soprano, Anita McEntyre, violin, Ron Welch, cello, and Hartwig Eichberg, piano

May 19, 2013 | 4 pm

Norwegian Ladies Chorus of Seattle - *more information to follow*

A Celebration of Norwegian Independence Day

Julie Svendsen, Director

June 2, 2013 | 4 pm

Cello and Piano Recital - *free will offering*

Sonatas for cello and piano: in G by Johann Sebastian Bach and in A by César Franck

Ron Welch, cello and Hartwig Eichberg, piano



**MARY'S
PLACE**

Mary's Place is Coming to Luther Memorial

LMLC will once again host the women and children from Mary's Place Shelter from Tuesday, May 28-Tuesday, June 4. As always, many hands will be needed to support this very important ministry. Karen Olsen is our organizer and looks forward to hearing from lots of volunteers!

Storage Needed

Luther Memorial needs to find a garage, outbuilding, basement or spare room in which to store some furniture from the current intern apartment and possibly a few spare pews. If anyone has such a space available, please let Pastor Julie, Vicar Inge, or the office know.

Member Updates

We have had more address updates from members, and will have an update sheet available at the end of May. Please pick one up and keep it with your 2012 Directory.

Last October, Mary Douglas transferred her membership to The Church of Steadfast Love, located in The Compass Center in downtown Seattle. We apologize for the inadvertent delay in the publication of this transfer.

LMLC News and Events

Bishop's Election Information



Northwest Washington Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
 God's work. Our hands.

We continue to hold in prayer those whose names have been placed in nomination for Bishop, and the congregations and agencies they currently serve. Those nominated are: Kathleen Anderson, Wayne Bacus, Chris Berry, Karen Bloomquist, Ruben Duran, Eric Finsand, Julie Hutson, Rick Jaech, Marvin Jonasen, Ron Moe-Lobeda, David Parks, Jane Prestbye, Jeff Russell, Paul Sundberg, Kirby Unti, and Deanna Wildermuth.

Anyone interested in hearing from the candidates is invited to attend a Nominee Forum on: Saturday, May 4 from 2 to 4 pm at Salem Lutheran Church, 2529 North Laventure Road, Mount Vernon; 360-336-3600; www.sclcmv.com

Sunday, May 5 from 2 to 4 pm at Grace Lutheran Church, 9625 NE Eighth Street, Bellevue; 425-454-4344; www.bellgrace.org

The election of the bishop will take place during our synod assembly, May 16, 17, and 18. Luther Memorial will be represented by our voting lay delegates Phyllis and Norman Swenson and by our voting clergy delegate Pastor Julie Hutson.

Celebration of Kathy Nelson's Retirement and Music Ministry

On April 28 we offered our thanksgiving for the music ministry of Kathy Nelson as she has served as a musician at Luther Memorial for many decades. Family and friends old and new gathered in for a pot luck lunch following our worship. Special music was provided during worship by Audrey Long, Julie Moe, and Hartwig Eichberg.

Thank you to all that were able to join in this celebration.



Blessing of the Quilts and Layettes

Also on April 28, we blessed the quilts and layettes that were made by members of our congregation. These beautiful contributions are sent to Lutheran World Relief, who distributes them all over the world to those in need.

A special thank you to Jean Rizer and Diane Chapman for all their hard work on making and sending 31 quilts!



Vicar's View

I love turning my office calendar to May. Generally, I can expect to see a picture of a gorgeous blooming flower, or a meadow clothed in fresh spring green. May is the month of new things springing up all around us; in the church, we are usually still in the glorious Easter season, singing our alleluias and rejoicing in Christ's victory over death. In the month of May, the earth itself sings praise to God in colors and bird song, and we are able to find such joy in the new life of spring. God is always at work doing a new thing, but during the spring, we see it most clearly.

This May, we will also celebrate Pentecost, that day when the Spirit of God is poured out on Jesus' disciples and all the Baptized. We will

see the Holy Spirit at work, creating new life out of death, in the church itself. On Pentecost Sunday, Mackenzie will be baptized into the community of saints through this congregation, marked with the cross of Christ forever and sealed with the Holy Spirit. As she grows, she will be surrounded by the promises of God and a community who will love and encourage her as she takes part in God's redeeming, healing work in the world.

This Synod will meet for its assembly May 16-18, and, through much prayer and discernment, will elect a new Bishop, who will bring a new sense of vision and direction. Not only the Northwest Washington Synod, but the Southwest Washington Synod, my home synod, and the synod where my seminary is

located (among others!) will elect new leadership, as well. The Holy Spirit is indeed at work in the world, calling forth a new creation, leading us where we cannot see. The church is participating in this time of great transition, leaning on God's promised presence to guide us.

Spring is a bold time- the colors of May flowers are rarely inconspicuous. My prayer is that the decisions we make will not be based on the path of least resistance, but that we step out boldly in faith. Risk-taking is not



something I would consider myself adept at, and change is generally uncomfortable, but the truth of God's presence in our lives is that it takes us to places we never could have anticipated. May we find

courage in the stories of those first Apostles, whose friendship with the Holy Spirit "turned the world upside down" (Acts 17).

I've been here nine months now, and will prepare to make my transition back to the Midwest at the end of July. As I look toward the future, I am reminded of the bold presence of the Holy Spirit, who has promised to lead and guide us along the way. Your participation in my internship through the many opportunities to learn and grow into my pastoral skin has been a gift and visible sign of God's grace.

With gratitude for the presence of the Holy Spirit among us,

Vicar Anne Williams

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The Gift of Unconditional Love - from ReconcilingWorks' Spring Concord

Emily Eastwood - ReconcilingWorks Executive Director

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In January, I spoke at the annual conference of the Gay Christian Network, a mostly online group of 20,000 individuals worldwide. GCN's annual conferences take on the excitement of family reunions as people who know each other by their online chat names meet in person for the first time. Many then come year after year to renew friendships, delighting in each other's presence in a place where they are safe and welcomed in the fullness of who they are.

I spoke on the conference theme, "Oasis," which was appropriate since the conference center was sitting in a dry Arizona

environment. I knew that, for many, this event was itself an oasis of sorts, a place and time of respite and living water where thirst might be quenched, questions answered, and loneliness replaced at least for a while by a community gathered in Christ's name.

After my speech, I led a workshop that was loosely labeled "Q&A." Some attendees were having a great deal of trouble accepting themselves, believing they would not "inherit the kingdom" unless they were celibate. A man who had traveled from a distant continent struggled aloud. We worked through the Bible bullets, the passages used against us, as well as through texts of promise. We heard story after story of rejection by families and churches in the name of God. I told stories of hope from our RIC community, from the faithful witness that members of ReconcilingWorks have given

in church and society, from our work for change within the ELCA. There had been laughter, intense discussion, and some tears for over two hours when finally we closed in prayer.

After the formal workshop time, the real work began as numerous individuals and two couples stayed behind to continue more personal conversations with me. Eventually, there was only one older man remaining. We sat together as he poured out the story of his life. Unlike most in the room, he had been

I pray that RIC congregations are indeed teaching parents how to raise all children as the gifts of God that they are.

raised by his parents without rejection in a Christian household, but as

the family moved around they changed churches, and sometimes denominations, as they went. In an era when gays were not allowed in the military, he had served with the support of his outfit. He had been excommunicated by a conservative denomination while he was in the military. However, he took that action as a gift, because it brought him to realize his previous anxieties over that church had been well-founded. He would simply look for another. He had found a partner, and they had lived happily together for many years. He was healthy and now retired. He had had a wonderful life.

Tears came as he asked me why God had spared him the horrible things that so many in that workshop had endured. I listened in amazement. He was sincere and genuinely troubled. Why was it that God had treated him

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differently and better than so many? Why did he deserve a good life? He needed to know.

I can honestly say that no LGBT person had ever asked me that question. It took me a little by surprise, but the answer was clear from his own story. The gift that he was given was not that he was somehow spared, but that he was taught acceptance and resilience. He had had various rejections in his life, but they had not affected him in the same way that they would have affected others. He had been loved unconditionally from birth in a household that exposed him to a breadth of experience. He knew what it was to be wholly loved by God though the example of his parents. He saw the glass as half full, even as others might have seen it half or nearly empty. His life was an adventure because of his resilience.

I will never forget this man, not because of his question, but because of his story and the lessons within it. His parents and God had gifted him with life. His parents had loved him as God would have us love. He was given a capacity and an early education for resilience

that served him for a lifetime.

Disappointments became opportunities. He was truly happy and troubled only by the misfortune of others in relief against his own life.

What lifetime-affecting differences do we make every day when we love as Jesus loved? What gifts do we give when we ourselves choose faithful resilience over despair, opportunity and adventure over submission to the will of unwelcoming societies, churches, pastors or bishops?

I pray that the RIC congregations are indeed teaching parents how to raise all children as the gifts of God that they are, and through our example, LGBT children, youth, and young adults will receive the gifts of Christ's unconditional love and human resilience. May the oasis of the RIC communities be extended throughout the church and beyond so that none may fear alienation, abuse or rejection for who they are or whom they love. Amen.

NW Chamber Chorus 2013 Spring Benefit Auction - *The Chorus Rocks!*



Join Music Director Mark Kloepper, the Chorus, and Auctioneer Tim Leahy for a memorable evening of food, music, friendship, and fun. The benefit will be at the Mount Baker Community Club on Saturday, May 11 at 6 pm.

- Enjoy wine or soft drinks and delicious appetizers — all included in the \$60 admission.
- Host a table, or join singers/friends at their table.
- Compete for the dessert of your dreams in the dessert dash.
- Hear the Chorus in a cameo performance.
- Support the Chorus by bidding on a wide array of unique and fun auction items.

For tickets and more information go to their website: www.northwestchamberchorus.org

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PhinneyWood ArtWalk: The BIG One - May 10 and 11

Originally a stand-alone annual event, the BIG One is now the centerpiece of the monthly Art Up Chow Down art walks. This year, the BIG One will feature work from over 150 area artists in 80 businesses in Phinney-Greenwood. Over the years, this hugely popular event has turned into a neighborhood party with musical performances in participating businesses and churches, street performers, chalk art and activities for children. Maps and additional information will be available online and at participating sites the week of the Art Walk.



The PhinneyWood Art Walk is organized by the Greenwood Arts Council, an all-volunteer organization, in collaboration with the Phinney Neighborhood Association. For additional information, contact the Arts Council by calling 206.783.2244 or email ann@phinneycenter.org.

St. Mark's Cathedral Choir School Summer Camp - July 8-12

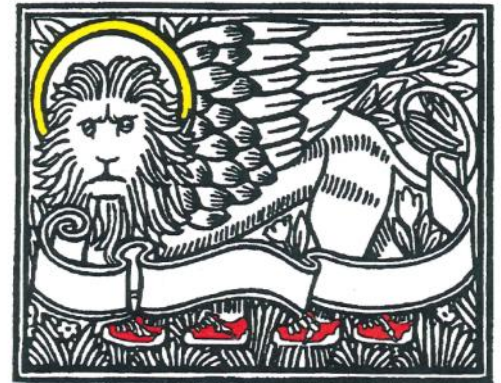
Ages: Children rising 3rd grade-8th grades

Times: 9 am - 4 pm. Before/after-care is available.

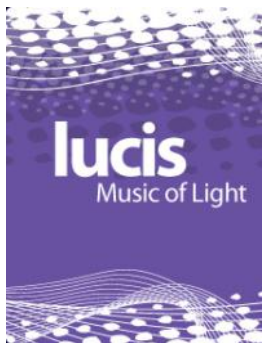
Tuition: \$150 Scholarships are available.

- Exposure to outstanding choral repertoire
- Daily guests specializing in art, percussion, and composition
- Sight singing fun and rhythm games
- Daily morning prayer
- Visual arts projects, field trips, and outdoor activities

Campers will lead an Evensong service on Friday, July 12 at 4 pm and will sing for the Sunday morning liturgy on Sunday, July 14. www.saintmarks.org to register.



St. Mark's Choir School Summer Camp



Seattle Pro Musica: *Lucis - Music of Light* May 18 and 19

Immerse yourself in the sound of contemporary classics – 20th and 21st century works written for a reverberant cathedral acoustic, and expressing humanity's connection to the divine and to each other. The featured work is *Canticum calamitatis maritimae* by Finnish composer Jaakko Mantjarvi – written to commemorate a tragic 1994 shipwreck.

Also included are the luminous *Lucis creator optime* by the Latvian composer Vytautis Miskinis, Penderecki's *Song of the Cherubim*, A drop in the ocean by Estonian composer Eriks Esenvald, and Herbert Howells' touching *Take him, earth, for cherishing*, dedicated to the memory of JFK.

Saturday and Sunday, May 18 and 19, 2013 - 8 pm

St. James Cathedral, 9th & Marion, Seattle

For ticket information go to: www.seattlepromusica.com

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The Spirit

In Christ The Future Is Known

by The Rev. Wm Chris Boerger, Bishop



Always being made New, this phrase will serve as the theme of our Synod Assembly and of the 25th Anniversary commemoration of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. We know that we are in a time of rapid transition.

Much of the ways we used to function as a congregation, synod or Churchwide Organization is under question today. Can we still do it that way? What will the church look like in the future?

This year, as we elect a new bishop, makes this theme very real for this synod. We will have a new leader. We will still be the same people. We still live in the same communities. Much of our world is changing. We had hoped that the church would be a place where we could count on the sameness of the past. But God does not work that way.

As followers of Jesus we should recognize that the gospel turns the old world upside down. We are being

made new each day. Our reality as Lutherans is that we seemed surprised when this new thing happens. God is at work in our lives and in the world to do a new thing. God uses grace to build a community of faith. God calls us to share this newness not just for ourselves but also for the neighbor. We are forgiven not by our being good, but by God's grace apart from our goodness.

I want to propose that we should expect new things to happen among God's people, in church. We ought to provoke each other into living new lives. The old constant in our lives and in the church's life is that we are being made new. Even in the face of death we are given new life. That is the reality of our world in Christ.

Much of our anxiety is due to our fear of the unknown. In Christ the future is known in this promise that we will be a new creation. I don't know all of what that means. I do know that the future is in God's hands. That is the newness that gives life and hope to the world. That is the work of God through the church. God is doing a new thing. That would be you.

You Are Invited

A Thank You Celebration For Bishop Chris Boerger

Trinity Lutheran Church, 6215 196th St SW, Lynnwood

Thursday, May 16, 2013

5 pm - Hors d'Oeuvres Buffet

6 pm - Thank You Program

7 pm - Worship

ELCA Presiding Bishop Mark Hanson Preaching; Bishop Chris Boerger Presiding

NW WA Synod News

Upcoming Events In Our Synod

■ The 2013 Northwest Washington Synod

Assembly will take place Thursday, May 14, through Saturday, May 18, at the Lynnwood Convention Center in Lynnwood. On-line registration is now open. Please register before Friday, May 10, at www.lutheransnw.org/assembly2013. Materials are being added weekly, so be sure to check back on a regular basis to familiarize yourself the documents. Please share the information about the event on Thursday, May 16, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Lynnwood. This event is to thank Bishop Boerger for his ministry as Bishop of Northwest Washington Synod and includes a worship service with Presiding Bishop Mark Hanson. All are welcome. (See first page of this publication.)

■ Registration is now open for the event **Joining With God In Our Neighborhoods and Communities** with Alex Roxburgh. Alan has dedicated his life to helping churches find their way in a time of great disorientation and disruption. This event is a special opportunity for your congregation to begin a process of discovery and engagement with what God is doing

in the neighborhoods where you live. This day will introduce you to mission habits and practices, not to strategic plans and procedures. This event will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 1, at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 3030 Bellevue Way NE, Bellevue. Cost is \$20 and includes lunch. For questions contact Debra Caldwell at debrarcaldwell@gmail.com or Jerry Buss at jerry.buss34@gmail.com. Register today at www.lutheransnw.org/roxburgh.

■ **The Women of Region 1** (Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and Montana) will gather together for a weekend of fun, fellowship and learning from June 21 through June 23 at the Healthman Lodge, 7801 NE Greenwood Dr, Vancouver, WA. Keynote Speaker is author Jane Kirkpatrick (to learn more about Jane visit www.jkbooks.com). An introduction to the fall *Gather* magazine Bible Study by author Bishop Kay Ward. Registration begins at 3 p.m. on June 21, with dinner at 6 p.m. The event ends at noon on Sunday, June 23. Need more information? Contact Nancy Quale at 425-746-6559 or email her at nquale@comcast.net.

Go! Night A Success

by Becky Cole, Director Children & Family Ministries, Holy Spirit Lutheran Church, Kirkland

On March 8, 150 youth and 40 adults from 17 congregations throughout the synod attended our Junior High/Middle School *GO! Night*. We started the night at Holy Spirit Lutheran Church in Kirkland and Camp Lutherwood led our *Living it up* with a Lutherwood style opening. Pr. Katy McCallum Sachse led us in Holden Evening Prayer for worship. We jumped on trampolines and ate pizza at midnight at Sky Mania, Kirkland, before heading to Kingsgate Ice Arena for ice skating, hot chocolate, coffee and cookies. At 2:45 a.m., we were all back at Holy Spirit. Some people watched a movie, others played board games, some slept, and others found the photo booth and inflatables irresistible. We wrapped it up with breakfast before heading home Saturday morning.

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ELCA Prayer Ventures

These petitions are offered as guides to prayer for the global, social and outreach ministries of the church. Thank you for your continued prayers for the life and mission of this church.



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

1 Philip and James, Apostles

Pray for Krystle Moraska and her work as an ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission coordinator in Argentina and Uruguay.

2 Remember in your prayers the delegates of the Pacifica Synod, Rocky Mountain Synod and the Sierra Pacific Synod as they begin their assemblies. Also remember the Florida-Bahamas Synod, which will be electing a bishop at their assembly.

3 As the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod, the Arkansas-Oklahoma Synod, the Northeastern Minnesota Synod and the Southwestern Texas Synod begin their assemblies today, remember the important work of their delegates in your prayers.

4 Pray for the delegates of the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin as they begin their assembly today and prepare to elect a bishop.

5 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Living God, we lift up to you the leaders and people of Kenya, Sudan and Uganda. Renew them with hope and strength and bring them your peace that passes all understanding.

6 Remember in your prayers Anne and Willie Langdji, ELCA regional representatives for West Africa, and their missionary work in health and sustainable development in Cameroon.

7 Pray for ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission participant Jessica Obrecht and her service of differently abled care in Tawau, Malaysia.

8 Julian of Norwich

Pray for the Rev. Mark and Linda Nygard and their ministry in theological education as ELCA missionaries in Cairo, Egypt.

9 Ascension of Our Lord

Pray for the continued strong relationship and cooperation between the ELCA and the

Malagasy Lutheran Church, The churches have signed an agreement that reflects "our deep commitment to growing together in Christ and our witness to God's mission for the life of the world," said ELCA Presiding Bishop Mark S. Hanson.

10 Give thanks for the many creative ways that ELCA congregations have found to raise money for the ELCA Malaria Campaign and its goal of containing the disease in Africa. Among those congregations is First Lutheran in Minot, N.D., which sponsored a frozen-yogurt fundraising night that inspired other businesses to join the effort.

11 Remember in your prayers the Rev. Rosanne Swanson, an ELCA missionary in Ethiopia, and her work in theological education.

12 Seventh Sunday of Easter (Mother's Day)

Loving God, we remember today all of those who care for and protect your children. Grant them patience and understanding in all that they do.

13 Pray for the work of ELCA World Hunger that is helping to bring clean water to the many areas of the world where unsanitary water is a threat to public health. One out of seven people in the world don't have access to clean water.

14 Pray for Alicia Hillar as she serves with the ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission program helping youth in Mexico.

15 Pray for the Rev. John and Barbara LeMond, ELCA missionaries in Hong Kong working in leadership development.

16 Pray for the work of the Northern Great Lakes Synod as it begins its Synod Assembly today. Also remember the Northwest Washington Synod and the Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast Synod, which have

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electing a bishop on their assembly agendas.

17 Pray for God's guidance for the delegates of the Northwestern Ohio Synod, the Saint Paul Area Synod and the Southeast Michigan Synod as they begin their assemblies today. Also remember the North/West Lower Michigan Synod and Oregon Synod delegates

as they meet in assembly to elect bishops.

18 Include in your prayers the Rev. Phillip Baker, an ELCA missionary who is the regional representative in Indonesia.

19 Day of Pentecost

Alleluia! O Lord, we give you praise for the joyful witness that the churches of Tanzania bring to the world. We join our voices in rejoicing. Come, Holy Spirit!

20 Pray for the spring graduates of ELCA colleges and universities that, despite the still sluggish economy, they will be able to start careers as the leaders of tomorrow.

21 Pray for Lucas Chatelain, an ELCA missionary in Tokyo who is teaching English as a second language.

22 Give thanks for the generous support of Lutheran Disaster Response by ELCA members and congregations, support that makes possible immediate aid to those in need when disasters strike or political violence takes its toll.

23 Remember in your prayers Alex Clark as he serves for a year with the ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission program working with young people in Masaelama, South Africa.

24 Pray for Daniel Walther and his service in the United Kingdom as a participant in the ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission program.

25 Remember in your prayers the Rev. Bradn and

Natasha Buerkle and their parish ministry as ELCA missionaries in Novosibirsk, Russia.

26 The Holy Trinity/First Sunday after Pentecost
Triune God, give strength to the churches of Malawi and Zambia as they feed the hungry and announce the good news of eternal life through Jesus Christ.

27 Memorial Day

Remember in your prayers this Memorial Day the generations past and present that have served our country in the armed forces and especially those who have given their lives in that service.

28 Pray for ELCA missionaries Dr. Stephen and Bethany Friberg and their work in health care in Tanzania.

29 Remember in your prayers Jennifer Jepsen and her service at a youth center in Cape Town, South Africa, as part of her year with the ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission program.

30 Pray for the delegates of the Delaware-Maryland Synod, who begin their Synod Assembly today, and the delegates of the Southwest California Synod, who will meet in assembly to elect a bishop.

31 Visit of Mary to Elizabeth

Pray for the Metropolitan New York, the Minneapolis Area, the North Carolina, the Southeastern Iowa, the West Virginia-Western Maryland, the Greater Milwaukee and the Nebraska synods as they begin their Synod Assemblies today. Also remember the Metropolitan Chicago, the Northeastern Ohio, the Montana and the Southeastern synods as they meet in assembly to elect bishops.

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Worship Leaders

	May 5	May 12	May 19	May 26
Assisting Minister	Steve Olson	Vicar Inge Williams	Vicar Inge Williams	Gordon Trombley
Lector	Dave Cederberg	Vicki Cook	Kate Nelson-Penland	Bob Greenhow
Acolyte	Gordon Trombley	Sandy Jamieson	Jackson Terhark	Kyle Gough
Altar Care	Shirley Yandl and Marlys Carlson			
Communion Care	Karen Senior			
Greeters and Ushers	Donna Smith Ryan and Leia Smith	Steve Olson Bjorg Hansen	Laurie Meade Lollie Ellingson	Heidi and Gavin Gough Gordon Trombley
Song Leaders	Heidi Gough	Julie Moe Janice Sherlock	Paul Olsen	Kris Johansson
Musicians	Dean Jamieson	Dean Jamieson	Hartwig Eichberg	Hartwig Eichberg
Children's Time	Pastor Julie Hutson	Heidi Gough	Vicar Inge Williams	Heidi Gough
Nursery		Ellie Long	Kelsey Stever	
		Crucifer	Gordon Trombley	

*Thank you to all that volunteer to help lead worship.
If you are interested in leading worship, please let Pastor Julie know!*

Readings and Celebrations

May Lectionary Readings

May 5 | Easter 6

Acts 16:9-15

Psalms 67

Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

John 14:23-29

May 12 | Easter 7

Acts 16:16-34

Psalms 97

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

John 17:20-26

May 19 | Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21

Psalms 104:24-34, 35b

Romans 8:14-17

John 14:8-17[25-27]

May 26 | The Holy Trinity

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

Psalms 8

Romans 5:1-5

John 16:12-15

Happy May Birthdays!

1 Kaitlyn Ebeling

4 Kate Nelson-Penland

6 Cindy Foster

9 Laurie Meade

10 Steven Elliott
Donna Smith

11 Kelsey Stever
Stina Peña

13 Jeff Elliott

19 Diane MacKechnie

21 Marilyn Eden

23 Elsie Norman

24 Payton Johnson
Winnie Ramstad

25 Jean Moomey

26 Mel Hollister

27 Dave Cederberg

28 Carla Burgason
Bill Kuklenski

30 Jonathan Martinez

Congrats to our May Anniversaries!


3 Larry & Vicki Cook

8 Karlyne & Mike Noriega

9 Bill & Laurie Meade

23 Jonathan & Pam Stever

Let us remember these fellow members on their special days by rejoicing and celebrating together.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div><div>LUTHER MEMORIAL lutheran church</div><p>Our live calendar can be found online at www.luthermemorialseattle.com/calendar</p></div>						
5 9 First Sunday Faith Forum, Fruits of the Spirit Breakfast and Sunday School 10 Worship 11:30 Fellowship 3:30 Lilla Spelmanslag Rehearsal 4 Luther Memorial 2013 Concert Series IV - The Works of Brahms	6 Pastor and Vicar's Sabbath	7 7 Early Ford V-8 Club	8 9:30 Seekers 5:30 AI-Anon	9 6 Bible Study - Gospel of John 6:30 Youth Justice	10 6 Cub Scouts - Webelos I	11
12 Mother's Day 8:30 Choir Rehearsal 9 Fruits of the Spirit Breakfast and Sunday School 10 Worship 11:30 Fellowship	13 Pastor and Vicar's Sabbath 10 North End Bible Study 1:30 Book Brigade	14 9 Retired Firefighters of Seattle 6 LMLC Church Council 6:30 Cub Scouts - Bears	15 9:30 Seekers 5:30 AI-Anon	16 6:30 Youth Justice	17	18
19 Pentecost 8:30 Choir Rehearsal 9 Fruits of the Spirit Breakfast and Sunday School 10 Worship Baptism of Mackenzie Culmer 11:30 Fellowship 3:30 Lilla Spelmanslag Rehearsal 4 Luther Memorial 2013 Concert Series V - Norwegian Ladies Chorus of Seattle	20 Pastor and Vicar's Sabbath	21 6:30 BCC Board Meeting	22 9:30 Seekers 5:30 AI-Anon	23 7 Broadview Prepares SNAP Training	24	25
26 8:30 Choir Rehearsal 9 Fruits of the Spirit Breakfast and Sunday School 10 Worship 11:30 Fellowship	27 Pastor and Vicar's Sabbath Memorial Day Office Closed	28 7 Spiritual Growth Committee	29 9:30 Seekers 5:30 AI-Anon	30	31	
Mary's Place at LMLC (May 28-June 4)						

NW Washington Synod Assembly in Lynnwood, WA (May 16-18)