



Messenger

July and August 2013

Actively Sharing Christ's Love in Community

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**All are welcome at Luther Memorial.
Come join us for worship every Sunday at 10 am!**



**Luther Memorial joins
Camp Lutherwood for
Summer Day Camp at
LMLC!**

August 12-15



**Luther Memorial welcomes the staff from Camp Lutherwood for "God is Here!" - a day camp for children ages 6 - entering 6th grade. See pages 7-10 and the website for more information:
www.luthermemoralseattle.com/daycamp**



On Sunday June 16, Luther Memorial had a *Senior Send-off* for our High School graduates.

Congratulations to all that have graduated this year!

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August 15 is the deadline for articles in the **September** issue.

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Bill Meade, Congregation Council President
Paul Olsen, Choir Director
Vicar Inge Williams, Intern
Kate Nelson-Penland, Office Administrator

PJ's Page

For many, many years my life has rotated around an academic calendar. When my children (and I!) were in school and when we were not shaped the way our days and weeks looked. When the children were little, our days were filled with lots of summer time activities, including Vacation Bible School. I often taught VBS and the kids loved going. For me, VBS smells like glue and popsicles, which are surely signs of God's love for us!

This year, our Vacation Bible School experience at Luther Memorial is expanding to be four full days of Day Camp, staffed with our volunteers and the traveling counselors from Camp Lutherwood in Bellingham, a camp of the NW Washington Synod of the ELCA. There are many needs for volunteers, food, and support that are outlined elsewhere in this newsletter. I hope you will find the best way that you can support this ministry AND that you will invite a child (Grades 1-6) that you know. The cost is only \$20 and scholarships are available.

Summer also invites us to a slower pace. Even the liturgical season is called Ordinary Time, that time when we rest rather than being restless and when we breathe into the longer days.



It is my hope, during these summer days, to pay attention to connections. I would love to get together with you...to hear about what's happening in your life, to swap stories, to share a cup of coffee or tea (or a Diet Coke!) or to enjoy a walk. Won't you invite me for an hour? Relationships within the community of faith are vitally important to our health as a congregation and our well being as fellow

members of the Body of Christ.

Along those lines, if you see someone in worship that you haven't seen in awhile, or you know of someone who has been absent from our fellowship, why not reach out and make that connection with them? Say Hello to someone you don't

know well on Sunday morning and do some of that story sharing.

It is a gift to be your pastor, to serve with and among you, this beloved community. Enjoy these summer days....invite a child to Day Camp, support it with your prayers and resources, get together with a friend or make a new one.

With thanksgiving,

Pastor Juli Hobart

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GOD BE WITH YOU, VICAR INGE!

Parting is such sweet sorrow. It's true. And this month we will say goodbye to Vicar Inge, sending her on her way back to Trinity Lutheran Seminary with our prayers, our love, and a year's worth of new experiences in both ministry and life. We will look forward to hearing of her graduation from seminary and her ordination – her first call adventures and how the Holy Spirit continues to use her to

share the Gospel in the world.

I am so proud of the work Inge has done on internship. She has grown in her pastoral identity. She has tried new things and learned from them. She has introduced us to new things and we are better for it! Her reflection on ministry has been thoughtful and faithful. She has reminded us through her own example of the call we have to steward and care for God's marvelous Creation.

I hope you will join us on July 21st, for Inge's final Sunday with us and the celebration that will take place following worship. Please bring either a side dish or a salad to share for our pot luck lunch together. Luther Memorial will provide the meat, drinks, and dessert. And of course, there will be blessed fellowship and maybe even some entertainment!

During these final weeks, I hope that you will take the time to tell Vicar Inge goodbye in a personal way. I know that some of you have already made a point of doing this. Please tell her of the ways she has made a difference here, and remind her that the God who has called her to this vocation has equipped her well for this work. ~PJ+



Intern News

After Vicar Inge's final Sunday (July 21) we will have a bit of a break before we welcome Vicar Anja to Luther Memorial on September 8. During these summer months, Vicar Anja is doing her clinical rotation, called Clinical Pastoral Education, or CPE. This is a requirement for ordination in the ELCA and is often a strenuous time of preparation. Please hold Anja in your prayers as she learns and serves in this way.

Some of you have asked about future contact information for Vicar Inge. As a part of enabling good transitions and keeping good boundaries, it is the expectation of the ELCA that communication between the former interns and their internship sites are appropriate in scope and nature. This allows interns that follow to have an easier transition as they find their way in the life of the congregation.

We look forward to updates to the congregation from Vicar Inge as she is approved, assigned to a synod for first call, and is finally called and ordained into ordained ministry.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to let me know. ~PJ+

Devotion

Every month at the LMLC Church Council Meeting, one member is in charge of finding a devotion to share at the start. For the June meeting Steve Olson shared the following, that he authored himself. We thank him for sharing his time and talents with us, and to allow us to print it in our newsletter.

If you have a devotion that you would like to share, please send it to the office.

Romans 8: 38-39: For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Hurrying through the comments on Facebook one day I saw a post from a friend; she was "... celebrating the true wideness of God's love, the joy in the diversity of the Creation, and the radical inclusivity of the Gospel! "Well, no one would argue with that but of course I read too quickly and my brain saw wildness, not wideness and it was too late to correct my mistake because I'd already imagined this wild God flinging love around Creation like a Pike Place Fish Monger. I like wideness; it certainly depicts the God who loved the world so much that He gave His only son so that we might have life. The crazy thing is, I like wildness just that much more.

Free Spirited Grandmother, twirling in a sunlit meadow, skirts, children, grandchildren caught up in her whirlwind of love.

River crashing over rocks and slipping off the edge of a mountain, the spray tossed about in random droplets, lit into a rainbow of love

Winds tossing a tree top violently against a purple bruise of a sky; that same wind whispering fall leaves into a flashing kaleidoscope of love

Toddler face red against the salt spray, delightedly throwing stones; some which hit the water, some which fall behind him on the beach, and then a wild God tickles the toes of his green duck boots and the child squeals with delight and God hears, Sing to the Lord a New Song!; and God is so delighted that he flings more foam at tiny toes just to hear the song again, it sounds like love

Patient weathered hands, stitching cast off fragments of cloth into a covering of love for a person far away that God touches with wild love

A voice proclaiming "I LOVE THIS CHURCH!," because he has just been loved

A crew cut woman in a leather jacket, spiked hair and a nose ring, a confused teen, greeted with warmth and told "All are welcome", because of God's wild love

Devotion

God wild even in a quiet church, empty casserole dishes, mothers and children in a safe warm place for the night and covered in love.

Grey wisp hair, she smiles in gratitude for the kindness shown by a stranger she has known fifty years and the trace of tears on the stranger's cheek is nothing less than God's wild love

Love wild enough to view with disdain the gallows in Germany, the bullet in Memphis, the cross on Calvary, love without fear.

A Jackson Pollock God, flinging love in hues we cannot imagine at a canvas so large our minds cannot conceive edges which even if they existed God would ignore caring little where love lands, smiling, humming Bach and happy in His work and Creativity.

This wildly loving God stands splashing in a pool, tossing water everywhere. We try so hard to keep ourselves dry; She enthusiastically invites us to get wet.

God is wide, but depth, height, or width cannot contain God's wild love.

Standing on a shore this abstract and radical Creator is still splashing love hues against the evening sky and all I can think is:

Amen is not quite enough, so, Far Out!



Steve Olson

Kate asked for a bio but most of you already know me and my story. So I'll tell you what you don't know, things even my kids don't know. I love to write. In college I loved to write term papers, weird as that sounds.

Researching term papers makes you look in all sorts of obscure places for tidbits of long forgotten knowledge. I have an insatiable curiosity and I love the journey, and then I like to share what I've found. One of the places I love

exploring is the land of God's Radical Love for us. That Good News can never be shared enough and I like to put my unique stamp on it. Hopefully it will strike a chord, and even if it strikes differently for you than it does me, I would love to hear about it. That is just another path for me to explore; now its time for the shameless self promotion. I have three blogs, which admittedly I need to be better about keeping.

<http://viewfromtheleftpew.wordpress.com/>

<http://soqymountainbreakdown.wordpress.com/>

<http://purpleprose79.wordpress.com/>

LMLC News and Events

Thank you, Merci, Gracias...

- * Thank you to everyone who helped serve for Mel Hollister's Memorial Service and reception! ~Randi Jacobs
- * Thank you to the congregation for stepping into the role of teachers, mentors and examples to our intern. I was certain that this would be a healthy place for an intern to try on what it means to be a pastor, and I was right! You all are amazing! ~PJ+
- * I wanted to thank everyone for all the help while we were hosting Mary's Place. I really had a good time getting to know some of the families. It is so rewarding. I hope all of you were able to spend some good time with these folks. I could not have done it without all of your help. Thanks especially to Sam for filling in as a van driver. You were a life saver. ~Karen Olsen
- * Thank you to everyone who helped with the June Work Day! Many hands did make light work! ~Vicki Cook
- * Dear Luther Memorial friends,
Thank you for the beautiful quilt! I know that I'll enjoy it as I head off to Seattle University in the Fall. ~Taylor Martin



Membership Has Its Privileges

At least that's what a credit card company likes to tell us. Membership at Luther Memorial means that you are "officially" counted among us. It also means that you are entitled to vote at annual meetings and to serve on Church Council, which is actually a whole lot of fun! If you are interested in becoming a member at Luther Memorial, please speak to Pastor Julie.

Our Blessings to...

- * Becky (Olsen) and Mike Grady, who were married by Pastor Julie on May 11th.
- * Mackenzie Culmer, who was baptized at Luther Memorial in May.
- * Brooklyn Greenway and Bruce Nybold (Brooklyn's grandfather) who were baptized at Luther Memorial in June.
- * Lucas Keeney, great grandson of Archie Arnold, who was baptized at Luther Memorial in June.

Storage Still 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.

LMLC News and Events

Office Notes

The church office will be closed July 4 - 5. If you have a pastoral emergency either day, please call Pastor Julie's cell phone.

Kate Nelson-Penland (soon to be Katy Sarff), our fabulous Office Administrator, will be out of the office the week of August 12, on her honeymoon! We wish Kate and Mike every joy and happiness and hope they have a fabulous time away! To that end, however, volunteers and Pastor Julie will staff the office that week, so extra grace may be required.

Please remember that this Messenger is for both July and August. We will have the next Messenger available at the end of August, for September. Please get any materials for the September Messenger to the office by August 15. Thank you, and have a great summer!



Simple Summer Breakfasts 2013 - *Keep It Simple* Sundays in the Fellowship Hall

We have begun our Simple Summer Breakfasts, held each Sunday June 23 through September 1 at 9 - 9:45 am, in the Fellowship Hall. There will be three Potluck Breakfasts throughout the summer on July 7, August 4 and September 1. So sign up and help us make this another successful Fellowship time! Any questions, contact the church office.

Vacation Bible School 2013

It is never too early to plan ahead!

Mark on your calendars August 12-15, 2013 for a very special Vacation Bible School! This summer we will have a team of young people from Lutherwood Bible Camp led our VBS for children ages 6, up to children entering the 6th grade. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall Monday through Thursday, 9:30 am to 3:30 pm. Lunch and two snacks will be provided. The cost will be \$20 per student. Scholarships are available. Flyers and registration forms are on the following page, in the Narthex at church, and on our website.

How can the congregation help?

We will always need cookies during the week of classes. There are donation envelopes next to the registration forms to help defray the costs and for scholarships. If you could open up your home to provide an evening meal for the four team members would be greatly appreciated. If you are able to give two to four hours of your time between 9:30 am and 3:30 pm on any day Monday through Thursday, please contact Donna Smith or the church office. Invite your neighbors, friends or your young people

Let's make this a great experience for our young people! See you in August!!



Summer Day Camp 20

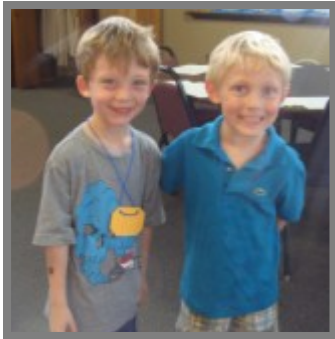
August 12-1

Cost: \$20 (lunch

www.lutherwood.org

Luther Memorial is pleased to welcome the traveling staff from Camp Lutherwood this summer! Lutherwood Counselors will lead 4 days of awesome day camp for children ages 6, up to children entering the 6th grade. Lunch is provided each day.

Join us at Luther Memorial for a week of summer fun!



Crafts ★ Games ★ Music ★ Stories

Many fun and exciting activities with the kids that attend in our neighborhood!

Day Camp from Lutherwood and Luther

Memorial offers the chance of a camp experience for all those in our area. Children can learn more about their faith - in a fun, safe, and inclusive environment!



Lutherwood Day Camp

Lutherwood's Congregational Day program is a unique blend of outdoor and congregational ministry.

The Counselors lead Bible studies, worship, songs, games, team building activities and crafts! Day Camp will be 4 days of great fun!

Counselors are all 18 or older, certified in First Aid, and spend their whole summer working with children.

www.camp_lutherwood.org



2013 - **Lutherwood's** *God is Here!*

August 5, 2013 | 9:30 am-3:30 pm

(Lunch provided each day, scholarships available)

luthermemoralseattle.com/daycamp2013

Day Camp Pre-Registration

Please return to Luther Memorial by August 1, 2013

Health/Registration forms can be picked up at the church or found online:

www.luthermemoralseattle.com/daycamp2013.

Child

Age Birthdate Grade completed

Food allergies Medical concerns

Siblings attending Day Camp

Parent or Guardian

Email

Home address

Primary phone Alternate phone

Emergency contact

Phone Relationship to child

Please send completed paperwork to Luther Memorial by August 1, 2013.

Forms can be sent by mail, email: daycamp2013@luthermemoralseattle.com, or brought to Luther Memorial during office hours. We look forward to seeing you in August!

Vicar's View

One of the many gifts for me about this internship with you has been living in the city of Seattle, where there is so much to do I could hardly get a handle on it. One of the opportunities I have been able to take advantage of is the chance to hear a few speakers at The Well, hosted by Queen Anne United Methodist Church. Last month, Norman Wirzba was there, a gentle man who grew up on the Canadian prairie and now teaches at Duke Divinity School. He spoke poetically about the creation story in Genesis 2, explaining that God plays in the dirt on hands and knees to create humanity, and tends everything in the garden so that there is plenty of food to eat and water to drink for all. The oldest picture of God in scripture, then, is of "God the gardener," creating and tending a world in great love. For God to be a gardener means that God makes room for other things to grow and come fully into themselves- to bear fruit. Thus the aim of our lives is to participate in this hospitable work of the "gardening God," to make room for others to flourish.

There is no better metaphor to me of what this internship has been for me as your



Vicar. In taking on an intern, you made space for me to grow, and to flourish in my pastoral role. You were hospitable- you welcomed me with great fervor on that first Sunday's "pounding," you gave me feedback when my sermons were too soft, you encouraged me on the way out the door on Sunday morning, you greeted me with smiles and welcomed me into your lives- both at difficult and joyful moments. Through that hospitality, I found a place where I could take root and grow into my role as Vicar, strengthened for the journey ahead to one day hold the role of Pastor.

Because we did lay down roots in our relationship, it will be difficult to say goodbye, but I go so very grateful for the ways we have seen God in this year together. I think about the joy of Vacation Bible school when I first arrived, the interfaith

services I participated in, our Advent Taizé services in the candlelight, Maundy Thursday's glimpse of the upside-down nature of the kingdom of God, the way music often captivated our hearts in worship, watching the garden plots fill up with great delight, the meals shared in house and with our neighbors where God's love was made manifest (and

Vicar's View

delicious!). I have joined you in “actively sharing Christ’s love in community.” My prayer for you at Luther Memorial is that you continue God’s work of hospitality as you have for me, making room for others to thrive: for the gardeners who tend your land, for those who need shelter, for our neighbors who come to your doors hungering for God in many ways, for Vicar Anja in September and interns to come!

A few special thanks are in order, first to the members of the Vicar Care Team this year: Dorothy Lundahl, Selma Johnson, Ben Smith, Paul Olsen, Robert Martin, Tara Terhark and Diane Chapman, who acted as chairperson. For their warmth, their patience as we figured out what we were supposed to be doing, and for their work on my evaluations, thank you! To Kate Nelson-Penland, for her flexibility, competence, and fun presence as co-worker in the office (and kingdom), I am grateful! And finally, I have valued Pastor Julie so much as a supervisor: from day one, she treated me with respect and saw gifts in me that I didn’t see in myself. Her encouragement has helped to build me up in love and strengthened me for this vocation for the years to come. So for all you’ve done this year, Julie, thank you.

There is a song sung by Simeon in the Gospel of Luke, when he holds Jesus in his arms for the first time, which we call the Nunc dimittis, “Now let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples.” Sometimes sung at the end of worship services, I can sing this

song at the end of my time as your intern. I go in peace, knowing that God’s saving work is active among you and in me, for the sake of God’s beloved creation. This is indeed good news.

With Christ’s love,

Vicar Inge Williams

“Vicar Inge, what happens after you leave Seattle?”

In late August, I will go back to Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Columbus, Ohio, for a final year of study. (Almost done!) During that time, various pieces will take place on the path toward ordination: a long essay to write, an interview in Michigan, forms to fill out. In February and March of next year, I will find out what part of the country I’ve been assigned to, then begin conversation with that particular Synod. I graduate from seminary in mid May, and ordination could follow as quickly as that summer! We will keep you posted as things come together.

Community News and Events

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.

to register.



St. Mark's Choir School Summer Camp

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Community News and Events

Tips for a Safer, Cooler Summer - From the I&A Passport July 2013



Summer months will bring heat waves across the country. As the temperature rises, so does the risk of heat-related illness.

The elderly, those with chronic medical conditions and young children are those most susceptible to excessive heat. Heat-related illness occurs when the body is unable to compensate and effectively cool itself. When this occurs, body temperature can rise rapidly, causing Heat Exhaustion or Heat Stroke.

Air conditioning (AC) is the number one way to prevent heat-related illness, but many people, especially in King County, do not have AC. If you do not have AC, go to a location such as a mall or designated cooling center in your area. If you are not able to leave your home, use fans, dress lightly and avoid heavy meals. If you are feeling too hot, try taking a cool (not cold) shower and keep a spray bottle handy to cool your skin. Open the windows late at night and in the morning to let cool air in. When it gets hot, close the doors, windows and curtains to prevent the sun from heating your home. Try to spend most of your time in the coolest room of the house. Minimize the use of appliances that generate heat.

Stay hydrated by drinking cool, nonalcoholic and caffeine-free beverages throughout the day. Do not wait until you are thirsty to drink.

Additionally, heavy sweating can cause a loss of electrolytes (salt and minerals) in the body. Drinking a sports beverage or juice will help replace these vital electrolytes.

Be sure to check on elderly neighbors and friends. According to the Centers for Disease Control, people age 65 and over may not compensate for heat stress efficiently and are less likely to sense and respond to temperature changes. The signs and symptoms of Heat Exhaustion include heavy sweating, muscle cramps, weakness, dizziness, headache, nausea and vomiting.

If left unchecked, Heat Exhaustion can lead to Heat Stroke. Heat Stroke symptoms include a body temperature above 103°F, red, hot, and dry skin (no sweating), throbbing headache, dizziness, nausea, confusion and unconsciousness. **Heat Stroke is a life-threatening emergency. If you suspect someone has Heat Stroke, call 911 immediately.** Cool the person off by any methods available (cool location, ice packs, etc.) until the paramedics arrive.

Ensure that your pets have plenty of fresh water, shade and limited exercise. In extreme heat, keep pets indoors and never leave them unattended in a parked car.

For more information or to find a nearby Cooling Center, call Senior Information and Assistance at **206-448-3110**.

Lutheran Volunteer Corps Alum to climb Mt. Rainier



Lutheran Volunteer Corps
BUILDING COMMUNITY, WORKING FOR JUSTICE, LIVING SIMPLY AND SUSTAINABLY

Sarah Ervin, a recent alumni of Lutheran Volunteer Corps, will climb Mt. Rainier this August. The climb is part of a fundraiser for LVC, and she hopes to raise \$4,300. To find out more about

her climb, and fundraising efforts, see her website:

www.firstgiving.com/fundraiser/SarahErvin/climb-for-peace-with-justice.

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AURORA CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Aurora Avenue North is among the most heavily used transportation corridors in King County. It connects neighborhoods and serves as a major thoroughfare for commuters traveling daily to and from work.

As part of King County Metro's RapidRide E Line project, the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) is recommending traffic signal timing improvements for all lanes and the implementation of peak period Business Access and Transit (BAT) lanes between N. 38th Street and N. 115th Street.

SDOT Recommendations

- Retime traffic signals for all lanes to keep vehicles moving.
- Allow traffic signals to detect approaching transit and extend a green light or end the red light early.
- Implement Peak Period BAT Lanes: AM (6-9 a.m.) and PM (3-7 p.m.)

BAT LANE LOCATION	DIRECTION	TIME
N. 38th St. to N. 115th St.	Northbound	AM/PM PEAK
N. 115th St. to N. 38th St.*	Southbound	AM/PM PEAK

* Recommendation concerning southbound PM BAT lane between N. 77th St. and N. 72nd St. is pending evaluation of implementation options.

Aurora Corridor Improvement Benefits

- Reduce travel times for all users
- Manage traffic growth within constrained space
- Keep buses moving, even in heavy traffic

Recommended Schedule

- **Fall 2013** – Retime traffic signals. Add signage and lane striping to create northbound and southbound AM and PM peak period BAT lanes as described in the above table. Evaluate benefits of southbound PM BAT lane between N. 77th St. and N. 72nd St., where parking options are limited.
- **February 2014** – Start RapidRide E Line service, with possible addition of peak period BAT lane between N. 77th St. and N. 72nd St.

Cost and Funding

- Cost to implement BAT lanes is estimated at \$600,000, funded by a federal grant.
- Funding for transit service provided by King County Metro through a mix of local and federal funds.



Synod and ELCA News



Each \$10 gift brings hope to families in Africa and brings us closer to the end Malaria by 2015. More than 15,000 families (about the same number of families in our synod) are being helped. There are already astounding improvements as a result of ongoing education by trained pastors who are trusted leaders:

- Some areas had no deaths from malaria for 2 years
- Family incomes are increasing
- Malaria as cause of death for children under 5 dropped from number 2 to number 9
- Training for Clinical workers; and clinics were supplied with medications and rapid diagnostic tests



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

On behalf of the Northwest Washington Synod, we want to thank you for your generous support of our End Malaria initiative.

As of this date, we have raised more than \$160,000! You were an essential part in exceeding our goal. More than 50 congregations and countless individuals contributed.

*Thanks for letting the light of Christ shine and for bringing hope to families in Africa!
 Thank you!*

Did you know the Northwest Washington Synod supports the following ongoing mission efforts?

From left to right, top to bottom 1) Fourteen new congregations in the territory of the synod, with plans to start one or two more every year. 2) Call processes when congregations are seeking a new pastor. 3) Evangelism and stewardship education. 4) Re-vitalizing congregations. 5) Youth ministry. 6) Region 1 Office. 7) TEEM: Theological Education for Emerging Ministries (another way to educate and train pastors for specific communities, often ethnic). 8) Candidacy: how people are prepared for approval for any of the ministry rosters of the ELCA. 9) Lutheran Public Policy Office/FAN. 10) Consultation to Clergy. 11) Maritime Ministry. 12) Russian and Ethiopian Companion Synods. 13) Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary. 14) Luther Seminary. 15) Pacific Lutheran University. 16) University of Washington and Western Washington University campus ministries. 17) Lutheran Community Services. 18) Compass Housing Alliance. 19) The Church of Steadfast Love. 20) Lutheran Planned Giving Consortium.



Synod and ELCA News

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Always
being made
New.
25 YEARS TOGETHER IN CHRIST

The Spirit

Thank You!

by The Rev. Wm Chris Boerger, Bishop



I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. (Phi 1:3-6)

Thank you does not seem to do it. I keep saying it and the reality of all that we have done together means I need to say it again. I do appreciate the variety of the expressions of love and thanksgiving that were part of the Synod Assembly. The event on Thursday evening was memorable and much appreciated. To see the variety of people from various places around the synod and the church makes me appreciate the unique view which this office has granted me to see what God is up to in this synod.

My memories of that night will always contain the singing of the choir and the congregation. Lutherans do know how to sing. When we get together the joyful noise of God's people gives hope and joy to those who experience the richness of the music.

Several friends noticed my pause and concentration on the final benediction at worship on Thursday. I did reflect on the privilege and the power of being able to speak God's blessing on God's people gathered as the Northwest Washington Synod. I may have been the one speaking the words, but the benediction that night was a blessing to me that I will treasure.

One of the joys and comforts of this office has been the knowledge that you, as individuals and as congregations pray for your bishops each week. Being in congregations and hearing that we are praying for our bishops, Mark and Chris, continues to be a source of strength and comfort as the work presents itself. I ask you to include bishop-elect Kirby in that petition and on August 1st to pray regularly for Bishop Unti and all that he will face in the coming years.

The July Synod Council meeting will be my last one after 20 years. I served two terms as a member of the council and two terms as bishop. It has been a privilege to serve Christ's church in this way.

You are in my prayers in the days ahead. In that prayer I will continue to give thanks for you knowing that the good work begun among you will be brought to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God.

The installation of Bishop-Elect Kirby Unti will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 15, at St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral, 1245 Tenth Ave. East, Seattle 98102. (206.323.0300; www.saintmarks.org) Unti will be installed by ELCA Presiding Bishop Mark Hanson. All are welcome.

Synod and ELCA News

Here 'n There

- **Gethsemane Lutheran in Seattle** was highlighted as one of the 75 reasons to love the West in the June issue of Sunset Magazine. The reason is because of the luminous mosaic of colored glass in the chapel on a busy downtown street. Sunset says, "...it is a gift to the city."
- Linda Callender, **Christ Lutheran in Bellingham** shared that members and friends, working together on the Thousand Quilts project, have made more than 2,712 quilts for the homeless and needy in Whatcom County since 2005--not to mention the many quilts made by the LWR quilters.
- On May 19 members of **Salem Lutheran in Mount Vernon** gathered together to remember the roots of the congregation--100 years young. On that same Sunday, **Bethany Lutheran on Bainbridge Island** also celebrated 100 years. **Oak Harbor Lutheran in Oak Harbor** will be celebrating their 75th anniversary on September 29.
- **Immanuel Lutheran in Everson** was synod to ship more than 100 quilts to Lutheran World Relief (LWR).
- The Labyrinth is becoming a reality at **Christ Lutheran in Ferndale**. This summer members will break ground to build the labyrinth and memorial garden.
- Youth fund raiser a success at **University Lutheran in Seattle**--During the University District Street Fair on May 18 the youth provided parking services in the church parking lot. All proceeds will help curb the costs for their mission trip this summer to Ailanga.
- Members of **Kent Lutheran in Kent** are planning an Inter-Generational Africa Mission Trip for 2014. They will be visiting the Maasae Girls School, Monduli, Tanzania, where they will lead a two-week program of educational activities with the girls in Form One.
- The Sunday School children at **Gloria Dei Lutheran in Alderwood Manor** raised more than \$700 during the school year. What are going to do with the money? They are purchasing a family farm through Lutheran World Relief (LWR) for a family in need. The family farm includes chicks, ducks, goats, pigs and farm tools. The family will also be taught how to care for and use these animals.
- Kids Are Central (KAC), a program at **Central Lutheran in Seattle**, is encouraging members to keep

an eye out for crosses that are representative of the culture they are visiting. And, if the person is so moved, to purchase a cross. The hope is that these crosses, to be displayed in the Sunday School classrooms, will provide not only sacred art to sacred spaces, but also provide a point of interest and conversation with the children.

- There is a new wall hanging in the narthex at **St. John United, Seattle**. Using photos and words Intern Jill Rode shares the story of St. John.



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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.

JULY 2013

1 Pray for those who are still recovering from devastating storms and tornadoes, including the residents of Moore, Okla., and the surrounding area who mourn the deaths of loved ones.

2 Pray for the new ELCA synod bishops who were elected in May: the Rev. Craig Alan Satterlee of the ELCA North/West Lower Michigan Synod, the Rev. Brian Kirby Unti of the ELCA Northwest Washington Synod, the Rev. Robert G. Schaefer of the ELCA Florida-Bahamas Synod and the Rev. R. Guy Erwin of the ELCA Southwest California Synod. Remember also the bishops re-elected in May: the Rev. Michael W. Rinehart of the ELCA Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast Synod and the Rev. David H. Brauer-Rieke of the ELCA Oregon Synod.

3 Thomas, Apostle

Pray for Samantha Berglund, an ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission volunteer serving in the United Kingdom as an activity center instructor.

4 Independence Day

On this Independence Day, pray that the ideals of the Declaration of Independence — that all are created equal — will someday become a reality around the world.

5 Pray for the new ELCA synod bishops elected in June, including: the Rev. Steven H. Delzer of the ELCA Southeastern Minnesota Synod, the Rev. Richard E. Jaech of the ELCA Southwestern Washington Synod, and the Rev. Suzanne Darcy Dillahunt of the ELCA Southern Ohio Synod.

6 Remember in your prayers ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission volunteer Caitlyn Melillo, who is serving in parish ministry in Cheshire, United Kingdom.

7 Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

God of peace, we give thanks for the people of Jordan and the Holy Land and their congregations'

relationships with ELCA companion synods. Watch over them with your love and grant them strength as they walk in your way.

8 Pray for the Rev. Deborah and Joseph Troester, ELCA missionaries in Central African Republic, and their work in theological education and water management.

9 Pray that with God's guidance the many summer camps of Lutheran Outdoor Ministries will have a lasting impact on those who attend them and the staffs that serve them.

10 Include in your prayers ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission volunteer Kristen Wall and her service in congregational ministry and outreach in Nyiregyhaza, Hungary.

11 Pray for ELCA missionaries the Rev. Ron and Yvonne Rentner and their parish ministry at the International Church of Copenhagen in Denmark.

12 Pray that the seeds sown in new ELCA synodically authorized worshiping communities, such as Off the Grid in northwest Wisconsin, will flourish and bear fruit.

13 Remember in your prayers ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission volunteer Luke Stappler and his work in environmental education in Ambovombe, Madagascar.

14 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Gracious and loving God, bring healing to the people who are living with economic and political wounds. Grant them the peace and protection of your warm embrace.

15 Remember in your prayers Stephen Deal and Marta Julia Giron, ELCA missionaries in Costa Rica. Stephen is the global mission regional representative for Central America.

16 Include in your prayers ELCA Young Adults in

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Global Mission volunteer Rachel Hunstad and her service in HIV and AIDS ministry and her work with children in Mabopane, South Africa.

17 Pray for the work of ELCA Poverty Ministries, which is grounded in God's commitment to those who are poor and oppressed.

18 Pray for ELCA missionary Sandra Braasch, who is serving in Guatemala City, Guatemala, in the area of disaster preparedness and response.

19 Pray for the ELCA bishops elected in June, including: the Rev. Tracie L. Bartholomew of the ELCA New Jersey Synod, the Rev. Roger R. Gustafson of the ELCA Central States Synod and the Rev. Richard N. Hoyme of the ELCA Northwest Synod of Wisconsin. Remember also the bishops re-elected in June: the Rev. Jessica R. Crist of the ELCA Montana Synod, the Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton of the ELCA Northeastern Ohio Synod and the Rev. Wayne N. Miller of the ELCA Metropolitan Chicago Synod.

20 Include in your prayers ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission volunteer Pamela Swanson and her service at an adult care center in Edinburgh, Scotland.

21 Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

God of justice and love, bring to the people of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Liberia and Zimbabwe the hope and truth that you give to all your children. We pray especially for those living in poverty.

22 Pray that the ELCA Summer Missionary Conference, which begins today at Carthage College in Kenosha, Wis., will be an uplifting and inspiring experience for all who attend.

23 Remember in your prayers the theological education ministry of the Rev. Christa von Zychlin and the Rev. Wayne Nieminen, ELCA missionaries in Hong Kong.

24 Include in your prayers ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission volunteer Kjerstin Sanden and her work

in refugee and human rights ministry in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

25 Pray for the 64 new participants in the ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission program who will begin their year of service abroad this summer.

26 Pray for ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission volunteer Hannah Harman and her service in healthcare and education in Mahajanga, Madagascar.

27 Remember in your prayers the service of ELCA missionary in Haiti Bernhard Gianoli.

28 Johann Sebastian Bach, died 1750; George Frederick Handel, died 1759

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

We make a joyful noise to you, O Lord. We lift our voice in your praise and song. We give thanks for all church musicians who offer their time and talent to your church. Be with them as they teach and lead congregations today and always. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

29 Mary, Martha, and Lazarus of Bethany

Pray for ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission volunteer Casey Sweeney and his work in developing ecological sanitation in Morelos, Mexico.

30 Pray for the increasing number of people who are or will soon be transitioning to retirement that they will find fulfillment in this new phase of life.

31 Include in your prayers the service of Megan Ross, an ELCA missionary teaching in North Sumatra, Indonesia.

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Worship Leaders

July

	July 7	July 14	July 21	July 28
Assisting Minister	Vicar Inge	Kate Nelson-Penland	Pastor Julie	Paul Olsen
Lector	Steve Olson	Dave Cederberg	Kate Nelson-Penland	Karen Olsen
Acolyte	Kyle Gough	Donna Smith	Jackson Terhark	Gordon Trombley
Altar and Communion Care	Lollie Ellingson			
Greeters and Ushers	Bjorg Hansen Lollie Ellingson	Bill Meade Laurie Meade	Donna Smith Diane Chapman	Ben Smith Leia Smith
Song Leaders	Vicki Cook	Paul Olsen	Heidi Gough	Kathy Nelson
Children's Time	Pastor Julie	Heidi Gough	Vicar Inge	Heidi Gough
Musician	Lennon Aldort		Vincent Ford	

August

	August 4	August 11	August 18	August 25
Assisting Minister	Steve Olson	Paul Olsen	Gordon Trombley	Kate Nelson-Penland
Lector	Bob Greenhow	Elaine Hardin	Steve Olson	Donna Smith
Acolyte	Sandy Jamieson	Kyle Gough	Jackson Terhark	Gordon Trombley
Altar and Communion Care	Diane MacKechnie			
Greeters and Ushers	Donna Smith Lollie Ellingson	Gordon Trombley Steve Olson	Bill Meade Laurie Meade	Heidi, Kyle, and Gavin Gough
Song Leaders	Julie Moe Janice Sherlock	Kris Johansson	Heidi Gough	Paul Olsen
Children's Time	Heidi Gough	Pastor Julie	Heidi Gough	Pastor Julie
Musician	TBD			

Readings

SUNDAYS AND SEASONS YEAR C 2013

July

July 7|

Lectionary 14

Isaiah 66:10-14

Psalms 66:1-9

Galatians 6:1-10

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

July 14|

Lectionary 15

Deuteronomy 30:9-14

Psalms 25:1-10

Colossians 1:1-14

Luke 10:25-37

July 21|

Lectionary 16

Genesis 18:1-10a

Psalms 15

Colossians 1:15-28

Luke 10:38-42

July 28|

Lectionary 17

Genesis 18:20-32

Psalms 138

Colossians 2:6-15

Luke 11:1-13

August

August 4|

Lectionary 18

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

Psalms 49:1-12

Colossians 3:1-11

Luke 12:13-21

August 11|

Lectionary 19

Genesis 15:1-6

Psalms 33:12-22

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Luke 12:32-40

August 18|

Lectionary 20

Jeremiah 23:23-29

Psalms 82

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Luke 12:49-56

August 25|

Lectionary 21

Isaiah 58:9b-14

Psalms 103:1-8

Hebrews 12:18-29

Luke 13:10-17

Ordinary Time - The Season of Rest

Following Holy Trinity Sunday, the Church enters the season of Ordinary Time. During this long "green" season (the liturgical color is green) there are no major festival days. We are invited, then, to rest in the rhythms of worship – Gathering together, hearing the Word, feasting on the Meal, and Sending the disciples forth into the world for service to others in Christ's name.

Celebrations

Summer Birthdays

July

2	Leanne Hanley	11	Don Bannister	17	Eunice Moe	21	Laurie Brassfield
	Ellie Long		Kay Brassfield	18	Kathy Nelson		Dr. Mitchell Stern
	Mary Smith	12	Kris Johansson			29	Gladys Huebner
5	Bob Senior		Diane Chapman	19	Darryl Rogers		Mark Chapman
		14		20	Janet Reiman	30	

August

2	Henry Gibbs	7	Morgan Brassfield Jr.	18	Phyllis Swenson	24	Jeff Swenson
	Bjorg Hansen		Kristina Culmer				
4	Dianna Blom	10	Alexis Duncan Swenson	19	Ethan Bannister	25	Logan Sallaway
	Phil Cherry		Marlys Carlson	21	Dick Greenwood	27	Rev. Bill Waring
	Margaret Harris	14			Marilee Heuchert		
6	Lilia Bannister	15	Yvonne Steinmetz	23	Alice Lewis	31	Lorraine Gibbs

Summer Anniversaries

July

3	Heidi & John Gough	15	Karen Hoven & Robert Johnson
11	Byron Johnson & Lioudmila Popova	23	Cheryl & Mark Stief
	28	Pastor Julie & Bruce Hutson	

August

5	Bill & Winnie Ramstad	21	Rev. Stuart & Dorothy Lundahl
12	Gustavo & Stina Pena	26	Jennings & Nancy Hanseth
19	Janice & Brian Sherlock	29	Mel & Katy Olsen-Tiglao

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

Luther Memorial Lutheran Church Calendar


July 2013

* Bold indicates evenings

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Our live calendar can be found online at www.luthermemorialsseattle.com/calendar</p>	<p>1 Pastor and Vicar's Sabbath</p>	<p>2 7 Early Ford V-8 Club</p>	<p>3 5:30 AI-Anon</p>	<p>4 Independence Day</p>		
<p>7 9 Simple Summer Breakfast 10 Worship 11:30 Fellowship</p>	<p>8 Pastor and Vicar's Sabbath 1:30 Book Brigade 6:30 Broadview Prepares</p>	<p>9 6 LMLC Church Council</p>	<p>10 9:30 Seekers 5:30 AI-Anon</p>	<p>11 6:30 Youth Justice</p>		
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<p>21 Vicar Inge's Final Sunday 9 Simple Summer Breakfast 10 Worship 11:30 Fellowship Farewell Celebration for Vicar Inge Williams</p>	<p>22 Pastor Julie's Sabbath</p>	<p>23 7 Spiritual Growth Meeting</p>	<p>24 9:30 Seekers 5:30 AI-Anon</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28 9 Simple Summer Breakfast 10 Worship 11:30 Fellowship</p>	<p>29 Pastor Julie's Sabbath</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31 9:30 Seekers 5:30 AI-Anon</p>			



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11 9 Simple Summer Breakfast 10 Worship 11:30 Fellowship	12 Pastor Julie's Sabbath	13 LMLC and Lutherwood Day Camp/Vacation Bible School (August 12-15)	14 9:30 Seekers 5:30 AI-Anon	15	16	17
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