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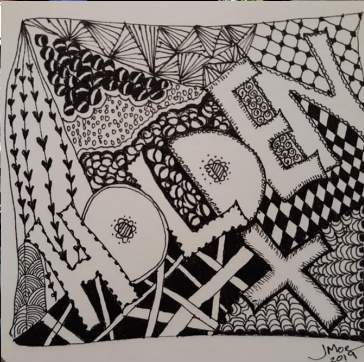
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Messenger

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All are welcome at Luther Memorial.



LMLC at Holden Village
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August 15 is the deadline for articles in the September issue.

PJ's Page

It's the middle of summer already and the world around us is inviting us to think about it's ending. Back To School! End of Season Clearance!

In the Church Office, we've begun planning in earnest for the upcoming program year, even as we trust our time away from committee meetings is proving to be a spiritual Sabbath from busy-ness.

When we were at Holden Village earlier this month, we were blessed to find ourselves in a daily posture of Sabbath keeping. Outside of designated meal times, we kept a very sparse schedule. Available to us every day were opportunities for learning, gathering, worship, and enjoying the glory of Creation around us. We could participate in whatever way we felt our spirits needed and our bodies were capable of. And that made all the difference. It invited us into a rhythm that accompanied our own journey.

My hope for you, as we see signs of summer's ending ahead, is that you find pockets of holy rest and renewal in your days and weeks and moments. That the breath of God would fill you and sustain you and that you might find places that feel filled with Sabbath.

This is a shorter reflection than I usually offer for the Messenger, but I'm going to let it be just that....shorter....so that I can go rest awhile with God.

Faithfully,

Pastor Julie Hutson+

IN MEMORIUM

The community at Luther Memorial gives thanks for the life of life of Susie McIntosh, whose faithfulness in worship serves as example for all of us. Susie died on July 17, 2019. Her funeral was held on July 27th at LMLC.

May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

WELCOME BACK TO LMLC MICHAEL TRICE!

Interns come and go, but they are never far from our hearts and prayers. On August 11th we are delighted to welcome Michael Trice to Luther Memorial as our preacher and presider for the day. Michael was a previous intern at LMLC and now teaches at the School for Theology and Ministry at Seattle University and is head of the Religica project. Welcome back, Michael!

Farewell, Vicar Laura! Hello Minister of Outreach & Community

On July 21st, we celebrated the successful and blessed completion of Vicar Laura Harris-Ferree's internship. What a joy and gift these two years have held.

While she is awaiting a first call, the Congregational Council has hired Laura to serve, part time, as our Minister of Outreach and Community. What does this mean?

This 25-30 hour per week position is created to help increase our participation in congregational life, gather information from members and friends, and help shore up our ministry of Outreach to the community.

Specific tasks will include, but not be limited to:

Meeting with individuals and small groups for conversation around their involvement in the life of the congregation, to answer questions, and to clarify any matters causing confusion.

Meeting with community partners and stakeholders to determine and discover ways we can deepen our partnerships.

Manage the Web Site, Reader Board, Social Media, and other modes of communication to the community at large.

Attend worship 2-3 times per month and participate in worship leadership. (Part time ministers do not attend worship every Sunday, although it is imagined that she will worship elsewhere when not at LMLC.)

Funding for this project comes from off budget funds set aside for additional staffing (specifically full time music staff).

If you are interested in learning more about what the Minister of Outreach and Community will be working on, please reach out to Laura! Outreach to our community is a call upon ALL of us who are disciples of Jesus.

LMLC News and Events



BACKPACKS FOR BROADVIEW (COMPASS BROADVIEW)

We have ordered backpacks for the kids at Compass Broadview at the incredible price of \$10 per backpack from Land's End. YOU are invited to purchase a backpack for a student living at Compass Broadview by giving to the display in the narthex, putting a check in the offering plate (marked as Backpack in the memo line) or mailing it to the Church office. The EASIEST WAY to donate is through the website! www.luthermemorialsattle.com.

Happy August Birthdays!

6 Lilia Bannister

9 Gail Stern

18 Marjorie Skrinde

21 Marilee Heuchert

7 Morgan Brassfield

14 Marlys Carlson

18 Phyllis Swenson

31 Lorraine Gibbs

Kristina Culmer

17 David Ter Hark

19 Ethan Bannister

Happy Anniversary!

Les & Steph Bloom

August 8

Katy & Mike Sarff

August 10

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THANK YOU!

Thanks to everyone who helped make Day Camp another wonderful year of learning more about Jesus and the stories of our faith. The counselors from Lutherhaven led the programming and a large number of LMLC folks provided support with food, meals, helping hands, and a lively ministry of presence.

A special thanks to Donna Smith for her faithfulness in organizing this wonderful event for the children of this community. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!



Operation Brown Bag

Lunches are handed out Monday-Friday, 10 am—Noon to anyone who is hungry. Our volunteers prepare a well-rounded sack lunch for this program.

The following items are typical of what goes into the sack lunches:

- **Proteins** - Small can of Vienna sausage, packet of tuna or salmon, a tuna or chicken salad lunch and cracker kit. (Must be able to be opened without a can opener).
- **Fruit** - Fruit cup, applesauce or raisins.
- **Drink** - Juice box or pouch. Additional bottle of water, when available.
- **Dessert** - Pudding cup, gelatin cup or small pack of cookies.
- **Grains** - Small bag of chips, package of crackers, and/or a granola bar.
- **Care Items** - We always hand out individually wrapped hand wipes i.e. Wet-Ones. In warmer weather, spring/summer we give out sunscreen, lip balm, and extra water if we have them available.

If you'd like to donate supplies, please drop them off at the church. If you'd like to ASSEMBLE lunches, please email/call the office to get starting directions. Lunches can be made at any time that you have time available to volunteer!

THANK YOU to all the current volunteers and those donating items!!! This ministry wouldn't be possible without YOU!

LMLC News

CARPOOL/SHARE A RIDE TO CHURCH!

Interested in helping others get to church? Would you like to share a ride on Sunday mornings? See the info at Sign-Up Central. Willing drivers, please put your name, ZIP code and phone number, so that those who would like a ride can find someone near them.

PARKING

Please note that there is AMPLE parking in the Luther Memorial parking lot and on the south side of the building in the spaces marked as Foss Only On Weekdays and Luther Memorial Only on Sunday.

Also, work on the earthquake retrograde at Broadview Thomson School has begun and we are being asked NOT to park there! Happily, we don't need those spaces any longer.

FACILITIES USE

Are you wondering how community groups are scheduled to use the space at Luther Memorial? Detailed information and request forms are available on the website and that is the first place to look or direct interested people or groups. Mary Chamberlin in the office is in charge of ALL scheduling, payments, and other arrangements. Remember, even LMLC groups need to schedule through Mary so we avoid double scheduling a room. It's also helpful to know at the outset that we have very limited storage available and none of it is locked or secured.

The facilities at LMLC are beautiful and functional. If you know of someone who might be interested in meeting here, please refer them to the website (under the What We Do tab) or to Mary in the office.

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Support Young Children and Families

Luther Memorial participates in the *Kaleidoscope Play and Learn Program*.

Tuesday mornings from 10:00—11:30.

Play and Learn is a 90 minute facilitated play group for young children and their parents and/or family, friend and neighbor caregivers. A free of charge, drop in opportunity to play, sing and dance, engage in art activities and connect with other adults about supporting the child's growth and development. Parents and caregivers play an important role in a child's development, early learning and school readiness.

If you have, or care for a child Birth to 5, please consider joining us.

If you know of someone who you feel would enjoy participating, please invite!

Marilyn Enloe, Facilitator



BEFORE SUMMER RAIN

*Suddenly, from all the green around you,
something—you don't know what—has disappeared;
you feel it creeping closer to the window,
in total silence. From the nearby wood*

*you hear the urgent whistling of a plover,
reminding you of someone's Saint Jerome:
so much solitude and passion come
from that one voice, whose fierce request the downpour*

*will grant. The walls, with their ancient portraits, glide
away from us, cautiously, as though
they weren't supposed to hear what we are saying.*

*And reflected on the faded tapestries now;
the chill, uncertain sunlight of those long
childhood hours when you were so afraid.*

Ranier Maria Rilke

ELCA Prayer Ventures



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

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.

1 Give thanks for the 12 young-adult summer interns serving in the ELCA churchwide office, who are helping our church carry out its mission through sharing generously of their gifts, skills and faith.

2 June 30 marked the successful completion of *Always Being Made New: The Campaign for the ELCA*. Give thanks to God for the generosity of ELCA members and congregations, which makes a difference in the lives of people around the world; pray that we continue to grow and support ministries that serve our neighbor, share the gospel, equip leaders and grow the church.

3 Lift up in prayer farmers, ranchers and agricultural workers who have been adversely impacted by this year's heavy rains, persistent flooding and, in some regions, heat and drought. Pray that they will find the support and assistance they need, be able to maintain their livelihoods, and be encouraged by our gratitude and awareness of how their work helps sustain and feed the world.

4 Ask God to grant us the wisdom and humility to understand that our true identity and value lie not in earthly possessions, property, financial assets or positions of power and influence but in a life and faith centered in God's love, word and ways.

5 *ELCA Churchwide Assembly* Pray for voting members, leaders, pastors and guests gathered in Milwaukee for the 2019 Churchwide Assembly: "We are church." Pray that the Spirit will guide and energize their spiritual discernment, discussions and decisions, on behalf of the entire church, about how we can do God's work in the world — together.

6 Ask the Holy Spirit to dwell in us and to inspire us as people of faith, transformed by the love of God we experience in Jesus Christ; ask that we might rid ourselves of greed, impurity, anger, hatred, lies and abusive language and instead reflect the image of our creator.

7 Pray for all those engaged in the ELCA Churchwide Assembly as they work together, with the Holy Spirit in their midst, to make decisions that will help guide the work and mission of our church now and in the future.

8 Pray that God will energize and sustain our ecumenical and interreligious work, advocacy and prayers to prevent gun violence, and to respond to people and communities

affected by this violence with support, care and concern for as long as they are needed.

9 Pray that, without boasting or fear, we will speak God's wisdom and truth to all people in every place and circumstance.

10 Pray for congregational leaders and volunteers as they prepare for fall Christian education programs serving all ages; give thanks for their commitment, faith, creativity and service.

11 Pray that, with a spirit of generosity and compassion, we will share all we have received from God with our neighbor, especially those in critical need who long for hope, loving care and relief from suffering.

12 Ask God to bless and extend the impact of ELCA members and congregations as they use the ELCA Good Gifts Catalog to donate generously to specific needs, programs and priorities in communities around the world.

13 Give thanks for the work and ministry of nurses who give of themselves without partiality or hesitation as they tend to the well-being, health and healing of people in congregations, clinics, hospitals, schools, the military and community agencies.

14 Remember in prayer the work and witness of our ELCA missionaries and the seven young people serving in the ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission program in Israel, Jerusalem/West Bank, Jordan and Palestine.

15 Give thanks and praise for God's attentiveness, help and steadfast love for all humankind.

16 Our church is always prayerfully seeking guidance for the mission, work and witness of the ELCA in this rapidly changing world. Pray that the Holy Spirit will equip and energize us to meet the shifting challenges we face in sharing the gospel and in doing God's work of bringing hope, reconciliation and healing to the world.

17 Pray for the ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission program as it prepares young adults, ages 21-29, for a yearlong journey of service and witness alongside our global companions and churches in nine countries around the world.

18 Pray that our baptism, the work of the Holy Spirit and

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the teachings and example of our brothers and sisters in Christ might equip us for the challenges and difficulties we encounter as we follow Jesus, share the gospel, serve our neighbor and strive to live each day according to God's ways and desires for humankind.

19 Give thanks to God for our church and for our ecumenical and interreligious partners as they work for the humane treatment of all who present themselves at our borders seeking asylum. Give thanks for our agencies and faith communities that have welcomed, engaged and served migrant families. And pray for those migrants, who have arrived in the United States seeking safety, justice, reconnection with families and relatives, and the opportunity to build new lives without fear.

20 Ask God to dispel the fear, anxiety and hopelessness that children and youth internalize as a result of gun violence and threats in our communities, schools and public gathering places. Pray that we might become bearers of hope and concern for them, and fearless agents of change and peace in our nation and the world.

21 Pray that students, parents and teachers will be renewed for the coming academic year and that students in need of school supplies or tuition assistance will be provided with what they need to ease their concerns and further their educations.

22 Pray that our hearts will be filled with the biblical stories of people of faith, that we will recognize and give thanks for the "cloud of witnesses" surrounding us today, and that we will look to Jesus' teachings and example to guide and encourage our faith.

23 Pray that the new ELCA resource "A 60-Day Journey Toward Justice in a Culture of Gun Violence" will invite readers to face the painful truth of gun violence and to work for its prevention as people of God who strive for justice and peace.

24 Pray for coaches and student athletes of all abilities as they train for upcoming sports seasons. Pray that they will be safe from injury, experience joy and confidence in their physical activities, and have positive, caring people in their lives to help them cope with the challenges they might face — personal, family, spiritual, social, academic and athletic.

25 Ask God to grant us the wisdom, boldness and compassion to care for our neighbors in need, even when doing so is inconvenient, interrupts our routines

or forces us to reconsider traditions, laws, rules and practices of society and the church.

26 Many of our ELCA outdoor ministry staff are ending their summer of service and transitioning back to school, new employment or other service opportunities in the church. As they work to discern their vocations and futures, ask the Holy Spirit to guide, inspire and equip them to share their faith and gifts with the church and society and to respond to God's call to service and ministry.

27 Pray that we will respect and affirm how God calls and equips children and youth to share the gospel, serve as leaders and examples in the church, and do God's work in the world together with people of all ages and abilities.

28 Remember in prayer our ELCA missionaries serving in China, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Thailand, Nepal, Singapore and South Korea. Give thanks for their service and witness as they accompany our global companions in ministries of theological education, teaching, counseling, communications and parish ministry.

29 Pray for seasonal summer employees and staff across our nation who worry about finding new employment and housing in the months to come, and pray that our congregations will be communities of faith where people in transition are welcomed and supported.

30 Remember in prayer students who are beginning or continuing their seminary education in response to God's call to leadership and service. Pray that God will equip them to share their faith and wisdom, serve their neighbor, manage and guide the work of congregations for the sake of mission, and inspire others to bold witness in an ever-changing world.

31 Give thanks and praise to God, who is "merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love."

Synod News

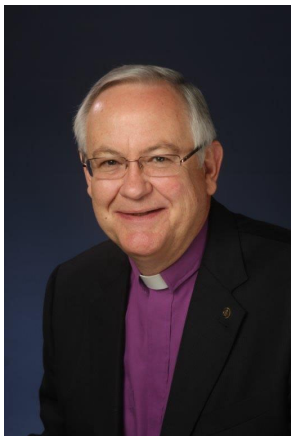
The Spirit

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Saying goodbye isn't easy

By the Rev. Kirby Unti, Bishop, NW Washington Synod / ELCA



As a little boy, I learned that saying goodbye is not easy. We had visited cousins in Michigan for the first time. It was an exciting week meeting new family members and playing with our cousin. When it was time to go we packed everything into our 1960 Oldsmobile and then stood outside to say our goodbyes. I was not prepared for the flood of emotions that came over me. I discovered what it meant to become "choked up" and I was fighting back the tears. What was this all about?

What I didn't know then, but I have discovered in life's journey, is leaving is a constant pattern. It begins with labor and leaving our mother's womb as we enter the world with that first born-ing cry. Crying crafted for the purpose of breathing in our first breaths of our new world. For the fortunate, we settle into the comfort of our parent's loving arms where we are feed, nurtured and strengthened for what will lie ahead. It will not be the last time we are birthed.

There would be a smattering of miniature leavings - like mom going to the grocery store without me or being left in the care of a babysitter. I don't doubt these leavings came with labor for mom and tears for me.

The big leaving would happen when it came time to head off for kindergarten. I went to Mr. & Mrs. Black's Kindergarten in Jamestown, North Dakota. It was hosted in their home and we each had our little rug for nap time. The coolest part is we were picked up by Mr. Black in his big station wagon that had a favored seat all the way in the back. While my memories are fond, I am told I did not go easily. Remember leaving involves labor and tears and I was leaving as a five-year-old into an unknown world.

Leaving is always preparation for the next time of leaving and there would be many all filled with anticipation, anxiety and joy. One of the hardest was heading off to Kenmore Junior High School. I had been warned by my older brother's friends of all the horrors that awaited me. The most joy-filled leaving was when I drove away at sixteen for the first time, sporting my own driver's license.

The constant of leaving would include heading off to college, seminary, single to married, parenthood, and the cycle starts over again accompanying our children through their leavings. Then there is death. My most powerful leaving experience. A sacred time of labor and crying. A sacred time of grief and joy.

In death, I discovered that a person's life becomes magnified. All that they stood for and shared is now seen and heard more clearly.

Jesus, put it this way, **"I did not tell you this from the beginning because I was with you, but now I am going to him who sent me. None of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' Rather, you are filled with grief because I have said these things. But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you."**

How often I have learned this lesson – that Spirit comes in the experience of leaving.

I will miss you and I will miss my monthly Spirit article which has given me a chance to share with you how I see God at work in our world.

Come, Holy Spirit!!!

Worship

Readings for August

August 4 8th Sunday after Pentecost Ordinary Time

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23
Psalm 49:1-12
Colossians 3:1-11
Luke 12:13-21

August 11 9th Sunday after Pentecost Ordinary Time

Genesis 15:1-6
Psalm 33:12-22
Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
Luke 12:32-40

August 18 10th Sunday after Pentecost Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 23:23-29
Psalm 82
Hebrews 11:29-12:2
Luke 12:49-56

August 25 11th Sunday after Pentecost Ordinary Time

Isaiah 58:9b-14
Psalm 103:1-8
Hebrews 12:18-29
Luke 13:10-17



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Worship servers are scheduled on the 15th of the preceding month by Pastor Julie. If you have dates when you do NOT wish to be scheduled, please let her or the office know before the 15th. If there is a scheduling conflict, please find a substitute from among the additional names on the schedule.

	8/4	8/11	8/18	8/25
Assisting Minister	Steve Olson	Laura Harris-Ferree	Steve Olson	Laura Harris-Ferree
Lector	Donna Smith	Andrew Wesley	Julie Moe	Cathy Fransson
Acolyte	Jed TerHark	Joshua Lingappaiah	Payton Johnson	Lillian Long
Communion /Altar	Beverly Mueller			
Greeters and Ushers	Bill & Laurie Meade	Lollie Ellingson Lynne Greenup	Ardene Adams & Cathy Fransson	Mary Hinderliter & Eric Zoekler
Song Leader	Julie Moe		Julie Moe	
Musician	Chrade Younkin			
Closer	Bill Meade	Raj Lingappaiah	Donna Smith	Bruce Hutson

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>August 2019</h1> <p>See our live calendar online for any changes or updates: www.luthermemorialsseattle.com/calendar</p>						
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