



Lamplighter Weekly

17th Sunday after Pentecost, October 6, 2019

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Our Week at a Glance

SUNDAY + 10-06-19
9:00am Women's Bible Study
10:00am Classic Worship
11:15am BASE Raffle Ticket Sales
11:15am Holy Ground
12:30pm Adelpnos Worship
2:00pm Adelpnos Fellowship
6:00pm NA Group Meeting

MONDAY + 10-07-19
9:00am Preschool
4:00pm Catechism
7:00pm Boy Scout Troop #679

TUESDAY + 10-08-19
6:30am Men's Breakfast
10:00am Adelpnos Siloam Bible Study
10:00am Pastor's Bible Study
11:45am Quiet Communion
5:00pm Worship & Music Committee
6:00pm Music Team Rehearsal
6:00pm Committee Meetings

WEDNESDAY + 10-09-19
9:00am Preschool
9:00am Quilters
9:00am Wednesday Warriors
6:00pm TOPS Meeting
7:00pm Choir Practice

THURSDAY + 10-10-19
9:00am BASE Committee Meeting
10:00am Adelpnos Siloam Bible Study
3:00pm Bible Study at the Wises
6:00pm Table Talk

FRIDAY + 10-11-19
9:00am Preschool
4:00pm Matt Kusche JiM Lessons

SATURDAY + 10-12-19
12:00pm Food for Families Pick Up
5:00pm SA Group Meeting

SUNDAY + 10-13-19
9:00am Women's Bible Study
10:00am Classic Worship
11:15am BASE Raffle Ticket Sales
11:15am Holy Ground
12:30pm Adelpnos Worship
2:00pm Adelpnos Fellowship
6:00pm NA Group Meeting

BASE Hours M – F 5:30 am – 6:00 pm
Preschool Hours M+W+F 9:00 am – 11:30 am

Food for Families Volunteers

Oct 12	Pick-Up	SLC Volunteers
Oct 12	Set-Up	SLC Volunteers
Oct 13	Set-Up	SLC Volunteers
Oct 13	Distribution & Clean-Up	SLC Volunteers

Readings for October 13, 2019

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c
Naaman washes in the Jordan and is cleansed

Psalms 111
I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart. (Ps. 111:1)

2 Timothy 2:8-15
If we die with Christ, we will live with Christ

Luke 17:11-19
One leper made clean by Jesus gives thanks to God

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Sunday: BASE Raffle Ticket Sales

Monday: Catechism, 4pm

Tuesday: Committee Mtgs., 6pm

Thursday: BASE Committee Mtg., 9am
Table Talk, 6pm



Dale Dillinger

October 10

Join us on Monday, **October 14th** at **NOON** at the **Bar Bistro** (1718- 99th St. E. Tacoma) as we celebrate our monthly birthdays with a lunch!

Trick-or-Table

BASE is hosting their Annual Trick-or-Table event on

Friday, October 18th
from 7 pm to 8 pm.

Trick-or-Table is an exciting event for everyone. This will lead us into the fun and festivities of the harvest season.

Our volunteers will decorate a table in the Fellowship Hall and hand out candy to the kids! The kids can dress in their costumes if they like, but it is not required (but please, nothing too scary!).

If you would like to decorate a table and hand out candy, or if you are unable to attend the event but would like to donate candy, please drop a note into our "Trick-or-Table" sign-up box in the office. Sign-up slips are available by the box. Thank You!

If you have any questions, call Treina Graves (event coordinator) at (253) 539-2273.



BASE's Annual Pumpkin Patch and Pancake Breakfast is just around the corner!

Come, and join in on the fun on

October 19th, 2019

Pancake Breakfast

9 am to 11 am

Pumpkin Patch

9 am to 2 pm

(unless pumpkins are sold out before then)

here at Spanaway Lutheran Church!

Bring your camera to take a family picture at our fall photo booth. Pick up your Halloween pumpkin for only \$2.00/any size.

Try your luck at winning a raffle basket; tickets are just \$1.00/each. We will start selling raffle tickets for some wonderful prizes on October 6th and October 13th, in the Narthex, right after worship.

Spread the news to your family, friends and neighbors to join us at our fall celebration!

There are plenty of volunteer opportunities to help out during this event. We will need individuals for unloading and setting up pumpkins, pancake breakfast, greeters and more.

Please contact the church office for more info or to sign up as a helper. Thank you.

Peace Lutheran Meal Serving

Wednesday, October 16th

Meet at SLC at 4pm or Peace at 4:30pm

Join in Spanaway Lutheran's long-standing tradition of serving meals to our sisters and brothers in Tacoma at Peace Lutheran Church. Open to the youth AND the young at heart!

Contact Laurel or Gregg Wright Osborn or Kaylin Aponte for more information.



Please join us for our weekly Table Talk dinner & bible study sessions!

We share a meal and fellowship, and we explore scripture in a relaxed setting.

Please join us on the
first THREE THURSDAYS
of October from 6pm to 8pm.

Though not necessary, our fellow Table Talkers are invited to bring a side dish or a dessert while the church provides the meat and the beverages.



To all committees, ministries and groups:

The Annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for **November 17th**.

Please start compiling your annual reports and submit them to Stefanie in the office. The preference is a digital copy for easier editing. Please email your reports to office@spanawaylutheran.org. Thank you.

Committees, ministries and groups who traditionally submit reports: BASE Committee, Church Life, Community Garden, Education, Facilities, Finance, Paint Tacoma Beautiful, Personnel, Preschool Committee, Stewardship, Worship & Music, Quilters, Women's Bible Study, Food for Families, Food Bank, Miriam Circle, Wednesday Warriors
(please let me know if I am forgetting someone)



We are praying for...

Gail Bohannon, Kim Cleveland, Dave Percy, Audrey Charles, Lenville Sutherland, Jim Taylor, Frances Myers, Janet Baldrige, Jonathan Mix, Homer Lowery, Angie Rivera, Paul Matthias, the Family of Rev. Len Ericksen, Eva Farkas



The Spirit Moves in My Heart

Why Pledge to Spanaway Lutheran Church

Pledge cards were mailed out to congregation members this past week as part of our annual pledge drive. Pledging financial support for our church may be easy for some, more difficult for others given their overall financial situation, and a conundrum to others on how to proceed. Time and talent also vary from member to member. We use the word *pledge*, rather than *tithe*, although pledging is based on the concept of tithe.

So what is a tithe? The English word tithe comes from the Old English root meaning 'one tenth.' In the Old Testament agricultural economy, tithes were not given in cash, gold or goods but in crops or livestock. The book of Leviticus addresses God's commandments:

"All tithes from the land, whether the seed from the ground or the fruit from the tree, are the LORD's; they are holy to the LORD." "All tithes of herd and flock, every tenth one that passes under the shepherd's staff, shall be holy to the LORD."

While the New Testament scriptures do not discuss tithing per se, our giving is to be done as the Lord has prospered and in accord with the working of the Spirit—never according to law. Giving is a matter of God's grace working in our heart. St. Paul stated:

"Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

In all of Jesus' parables, more than half of them talk about money. Why? Because it is important to us as human beings. God knows we are naturally inclined to want to keep our money. So while, yes, we should give cheerfully, sometimes we need to take another step and actually give regardless of our internal feelings. The act of giving allows God to change our hearts so that ultimately we end up doing so cheerfully.

So consider your finances for the year ahead, pray for guidance from the Lord, and submit your pledge card supporting our General Fund Giving on Sunday October 27th, or by mail, if you will not be present. Please note that members of the Stewardship Committee *never* see your actual pledge. All returned pledge cards go directly to the Finance Committee to ensure your privacy. That Committee uses the information in preparing next year's draft budget.

May the Spirit of God, the Helper, lead you in making your faithful decision to pledge and support the ongoing work of our congregation.

The Stewardship Committee

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Office Hours

Monday through Friday

9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Office is closed on:

New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, President's Day, Easter Monday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day, Friday after Thanksgiving, Christmas Day

Worship Assistants for NEXT Sunday 18th Sunday after Pentecost October 13, 2019

Assisting Minister

Elois Macdonald

Lector

Dale Kraus

Children's Sermon

Pastor John Schier-Hanson

Communion Assistants

Dulce and Bernd Lackemann

Acolyte

Hannah and Hayven Le'i

Altar Guild

Sharon Wildfang, Connie Carlson and

Cindy Boushack

Greeters

Volunteers

Ushers

Kay and Dale Schimke

Paula and Larry Oty

Control Booth

Rob DeZarn and Phil Aponte

Coffee Hour

Miriam Circle (Kay Schimke)

Holy Ground Leader

Pastor John Schier-Hanson