



Lamplighter Weekly

7th Sunday of Easter, May 13th, 2018

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Week of May 13th

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

Sunday * 05-13-18

Women's Bible Study	9:00 am
Contemporary Worship	10:00 am
Food for Families	11:10 am
Sunday School	11:30 am
Adelphos Worship	12:30 pm
CONNECT Youth @ Trinity	12:30 pm
Adelphos Fellowship	2:00 pm
12-Step Meeting	6:00 pm

Monday * 05-14-18

Preschool	9:00 am
Executive Board Meeting	1:30 pm
Boy Scout Troop #679	7:00 pm
Miriam Circle	7:30 pm

Tuesday * 05-15-18

Men's Breakfast	6:30 am
Adelphos Bible Study	10:00 am
Pastor's Bible Study	10:00 am
Quiet Communion	11:45 am
Birthday Luncheon	11:45 am

Wednesday * 05-16-18

Preschool	9:00 am
Quilters	9:00 am
TOPS Meeting	6:00 pm
Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Adelphos Worship	7:00 pm

Thursday * 05-17-18

Adelphos Bible Study	10:00 am
Text Study at the Wisers	3:00 pm
Table Talk	6:00 pm

Friday * 05-18-18

Preschool	9:00 am
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Saturday * 05-19-18

Food for Families Pick Up	12:00 pm
12-Step Meeting	6:00 pm

Sunday * 05-20-18

Women's Bible Study	9:00 am
Classic Worship/Confirmation	10:00 am
Food for Families	11:10 am
Sunday School	11:30 am
Adelphos Worship	12:30 pm
last CONNECT Youth @ Trinity	12:30 pm
Adelphos Fellowship	2:00 pm
12-Step Meeting	6:00 pm

Worship Assistants for NEXT Sunday May 20th, 2018

Assisting Minister	Glen Ruediger
Lector	Steve Howe
Communion	Camille Eliason and Kathy Creso
Acolyte	Volunteer
Children's Sermon	Jeris Ockfen
Altar Guild	Connie Carlson
Ushers	Mary Herem and Doug & Anne Briehl
Greeters	Volunteers
Control Booth	Rob & Emily DeZarn
Coffee Hour	Congregational Life (Aletta Alford)

Readings for May 20th, 2018

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Life to dry bones

Psalms 104:24-34, 35b

Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth. (Ps. 104:30)

Acts 2:1-21

Filled with the Spirit to tell God's deeds

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Christ sends the Spirit of truth

Next Week's Food for Families Volunteers

May 19	Pick-Up	The Wright Osborns
May 19	Set-Up	Glen & Judy
May 20	Distribution	The Wright Osborns
May 20	Clean-Up	The Wright Osborns

Happy Mother's Day

Join us on Tuesday, **May 15**, at 11:45 am at the Gateway Cottage as we celebrate our birthday lunch!

This Week's Birthdays!



Rich Montoya
Ruth Briehl

May 15
May 17

Keoni Newman
Sierra Vaughn

May 18
May 18

A Note from Ealane

To Spanaway Lutheran Church:

Many, many thanks for all the prayers, support, dinners and rides to physical therapy.

My ongoing healing was made so much easier with all the concerns and support.

Mostly I know the prayers and encouragement help me keep a good attitude and not feel depressed.

The doctors and care givers were all excellent, I know they were supported and guided by the prayers.

I am planning to be back to strength and fully active by September ☺ ☺

Humbled, Ealane Wollin

Affirmation of Baptism

We are very pleased to announce that **KAYLA NEWMAN** has been approved by Council for Confirmation on Pentecost. We ask you to pray for Kayla in the upcoming weeks, as she prepares for her Affirmation of Baptism. We will celebrate Kayla on May 20th. Please remember to wear red!!

~submitted by Office Manager

Summer Garden Bible Series

It soon will be time again! The Summer Garden Bible Studies and luncheons with Marjie and Gayle will kick off sometime in June, and continue in July and August. We will be using the bible studies found in the Gather Magazine. Dates, times and whose gardens we will be visiting will be announced soon! We are looking forward to seeing all ladies there! Plan to make bible study part of your summer fun!

~submitted by Marjie Schulze

God's Work - Our Hands

On **September 9th, 2018** is **God's Work - Our Hands** Sunday and we would like to receive your input. Is there a project that you would like Spanaway Lutheran Church to do or to be part of? Now is your chance to submit your ideas!! Just email or call the office and we will collect your suggestions. Thank you.

~submitted by Office Manager

Table Talk

Not too late to join us!

We resume our Table Talk series in May and are meeting on

May 3rd May 10th May 17th

in the Fellowship Hall for a shared meal and a bible study. We will continue our study on "Conversations with Poppy". If you don't have a copy of the second portion of the book yet, come to the office and we'll make a copy for you. If you haven't been part of the first series of the study, no worries! You will be able to just continue with us on the new series!

~submitted by Office Manager

VBS is coming SOON!!

We are getting ready to invite all the little people back into our church for a wonderful fun-filled week of crafts, song, play, and bible stories. Our Vacation Bible School is taking place on Monday, **June 25th** through Friday, **June 29th** from **9 am to noon**.

Aaaand we need your **help!!** If you would like to help out with Registration, Bible Time, Crafts, Snack, Music, Supervision, Worship Time etc, then please speak with Stefanie in the office or email us at office@spanawaylutheran.org. Thank You.

~submitted by Stefanie DeZarn

A word from the Youth and Youth Ed Committee

The Youth and Youth Ed Committee would like to thank everyone who had already donated items and/or committed to donations for our Youth Auction. We appreciate your support and we apologize for any inconvenience this cancellation may have caused. As we cancelled this year's event, we decided to regroup and rethink and we will extend an invite to all of you to our next Youth Auction in February of 2019. We are working on the details soon and will keep you updated. Thank you again for your tireless support of our youth!

Peace, Stefanie



Mother's Day

Please join us **today** for a special Mother's Day Coffee Hour to celebrate all the wonderful women in our lives! Happy Mother's Day!

The red and white flowers on the altar today are "In Memory" and "In Honor" of all the women who have entered into our lives. It is because of them that we are who we have become.

~submitted by Congregational Life

Financials

	March	Budget	Actual	Budget
			Year-to-Date	
Income	23,115	26,332	65,715	78,996
Expense	25,204	26,181	71,603	78,543
Difference	(2,088)	151	(5,888)	453

Mortgage Update

As of 5-6-18 received \$1,040.00

Total received to date: \$123,886.81

Growing Crops or Weeds While Working in God's Garden

“The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it.” From the very beginning, we find God partners with man to work the land – to till it, to plant in it, to fertilize it, to care for the budding crops, to water them, to harvest, and to eat of the produce. Throughout the scripture, farming and agricultural references abound, with discussions about how the growing of crops is like our growth of faith.

Jesus said: “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself...” That mysterious seed, with its creative strength, allows for human needs. However, if the farmer does not plant the seed, till the soil, water it, or fertilize it, the plant may not reach full maturity.

So it is with our faith. Do we plant ‘seeds of faith’ or ‘seeds of doubt’? Do we allow the seeds to nurture with pure water or impure water? The types of seeds we plant in our hearts are important. We can also plant new bits of understanding by studying the Scripture. In so doing, may our faith continue to grow.

It's no wonder that Scripture encourages us to look to the farmer as an example. When Paul tells Timothy to be strong in the grace of Christ, he points specifically toward the hard-working farmer (2 Timothy 2:6). When he exhorts the Galatian churches toward endurance, he speaks of perennial planting and patient waiting for an inevitable harvest. (Galatians 6:9).

As God's stewards on this little planet earth, continue to ponder the relationship of our faith and the daily work of farmers. If you do not have a small garden plot, or even flower beds to work in, consider joining with other

church members in working in our community garden. Digging, planting, and working in the soil, and watching the vegetable growth from the efforts can be a constant reminder of how our faith can and should be nurtured.

The Stewardship Committee

ManeStage Theater

We are heading out to catch yet another great play at Sumner's ManeStage Theater called “Once Upon A Mattress” on May 20th, 2 pm.

We will meet at Fir Lane to carpool to Sumner. You will have to purchase your own ticket. If you would like to join us please be at Fir Lane by no later than 1 pm. We have to put traffic into consideration and have to leave promptly.

If you need more info, feel free to contact the office or Charlotte Surridge (253) 531-2287.

Thank You.

~submitted by Office Manager

Fiesta!

This year's **Annual Health and Wellness Fiesta** is coming soon!

WE NEED MANY HELPERS

...to collect school supplies for needy kids

...to connect people with medical and social organizations

...to provide information about Spanaway Lutheran Church

...to have a good time!

Now we are making our plans for this event – if you will be able to be a Fiesta worker let Jeris Ockfen (253-847-1784) know, or come to our first meeting – **SUNDAY, MAY 20**, after worship.

~submitted by Outreach Committee



<i>This week we are praying for...</i>	<i>Lord, hear our prayers about...</i>	<i>The latest update is...</i>	<i>The person is...</i>
Maxine Coberly	dementia	at Pioneer Place Memory Haven	a member of the congregation
Amanda Billings	Stage 4 breast cancer	Amanda received the news of clear margins all around!	Paula Oty's daughter-in-law
June Broeckel	continuous health issues	Walks, eats well, doing well	a member of the congregation
Lori Nelson	Cancer	Lori is in hospice care at home	a member of the congregation and Chuck Nelson's daughter-in-law
Gail Bohannon	brain tumor	health is declining	a member of the congregation
Helen Boyle	Pancreatic Cancer	in treatment	Friend of Doug and Anne Briehl
Kim Cleveland	return of lung cancer and new diagnosis of MS	in stable condition	Angela Aponte's sister
Burton Nessel	continuing health issues	doing well	a member of the congregation
Genevieve Hovey	health issues	memory loss and balance issues	a member of the congregation
Lenora Longfellow	injury	at Brookdale on 176th	a member of the congregation
Dave Percy	Parkinsons		Friend of Doug Hedlund
Diane Kennedy-Svec	Melanoma	is healing slowly	a member of the congregation
Don Septon	health issues	health issues due to Rheumatoid Arthritis	a member of the congregation
Ealane Wollin	broken knee cap	Ealane started PT 3 times a week and she is healing well	a member of the congregation
Audrey Charles	Mesothelioma	Currently in treatment	friend of Anne Briehl
Cora	Hodgkins Lymphoma		13 year old friend of the Luberts' granddaughter
Sally Walters	concussion	has a concussion from a fall at home	sister of Aletta Alford
Littlejohn Family	mourning the loss of Sharon	Sharon died in a car accident	neighbor of Kristen Nieto
Ohno Family	Twin Grandsons were born 9 weeks premature		friends of Kristen Nieto
Hannah Wright Osborn	1 year mission in Jerusalem	Hannah is doing well	a member of the congregation

If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please fill out a prayer request and hand it to an usher or contact the office during our office hours. Thank You.