



Lamplighter Weekly

14th Sunday after Pentecost, August 26, 2018

Spanaway Lutheran Church

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Our Week at a Glance

Sunday + 08-26-18

Contemporary Worship	10:00 am
Food for Families	11:10 am
Adelphos Worship	12:30 pm
Adelphos Fellowship	2:00 pm
Leon/Williams Wedding Service	3:00 pm
12-Step Meeting	6:00 pm

Monday + 08-27-18

Boy Scout Troop #679	7:00 pm
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Tuesday + 08-28-18

Men's Breakfast	6:30 am
Adelphos Siloam Bible Study	10:00 am
Pastor's Bible Study	10:00 am
Food Bank Face Lift Meeting	3:00 pm
Jim Lesson, M. Kusche	3:15 pm
Council Meeting	6:00 pm

Wednesday + 08-29-18

TOPS Meeting	6:00 pm
Adelphos Siloam Worship	7:00 pm

Thursday + 08-30-18

BASE Graduation/Carnival	
Adelphos Siloam Bible Study	10:00 am
Jim Lesson, M. Kusche	12:30 pm

Friday + 08-31-18

BASE CLOSED	
Fourth Friday Fellowship	6:00 pm

Saturday + 09-01-18

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

Sunday + 09-02-18

Women's Bible Study	9:00 am
Classic Worship	10:00 am
Food for Families	11:10 am
Health Fiesta Meeting	11:30 am
Adelphos Worship	12:30 pm
Adelphos Fellowship	2:00 pm
12-Step Meeting	6:00 pm

BASE Hours M – Th 5:30 am – 6:00 pm
Preschool –Summer Break

Food for Families Volunteers

Sep 1	Pick-Up	Steve Blacksten
Sep 1	Set-Up	Glen & Judy
Sep 2	Distribution	SLC Volunteers
Sep 2	Clean-Up	SLC Volunteers

Attention Pick-up Volunteers! Please make sure to bring our ice chest from church when you pick up at the Empowerment Center during the summer months. For questions contact Louise.

Readings for September 2nd, 2018

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

God's law: a sign of a great nation

Psalms 15

LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? (Ps. 15:1)

James 1:17-27

Be doers of the word, not hearers only

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Authentic religion

Happy Anniversary

Gail and Randy Bohannon

55 Years

August 31, 2018



Al Broeckel	August 26
Nancy Vignec	August 26
Marianne Goff	August 27
Steve Blacksten	August 28
Corky Margeson	August 29
Steven Rivera	August 29
Maxine Coberly	August 30
Carolyn Hagel	August 31
Manuela Simone	September 1

Join us on Tuesday, **September 18th** at 11:45 am at the Gateway Cottage as we celebrate our monthly birthdays with a lunch!



This year's **Christmas Pageant** is only 119 days away and we are starting to plan, plot, prepare and practice!

Would you like to be part of a Task Force to help us put it all together? Everyone can help!

Our first Christmas Pageant Task Force Meeting will be on **September 30th**, right after worship in the conference room and you are invited!

For more info, please contact Cheryl Drewes or Stefanie DeZarn. Thank You.

Catechumenate

Becoming the Story We Tell...

On **September 16th** at noon, we invite you to join an informative meeting on Catechumenate and how we will implement it into our daily church life and life at home. Our desire is to start a **Catechumenate Task Force** to help us apply all the teachings Pastor and a few others got to enjoy last summer at Phinney Ridge in Seattle.

If you are interested in being a part of this group to help us with ways to welcome seekers and newcomers to the church, then please come and find out how you can help!
A simple lunch will be served!

~submitted by Office Manager

Attention Youth!!!!

The summer is coming to an end and we are preparing for a new school year.

Catechism Class is starting up again on **September 17th** at 5 pm in the Conference Room, followed by **CONNECT Youth Group** at 6 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church's Fireside Room.

~submitted by Office Manager

Operation "Food Bank Face Lift"

We have assembled a team of representatives from all four churches who are involved with our Food Bank.

Our desire is to renovate/rebuild the Food Bank building and we are meeting on **August 28th** at **3 pm** here at **Spanaway Lutheran Church** to discuss and brainstorm our possibilities.

If you would like to be part of this team of volunteers to achieve this goal, or if you would just like to hear what is being said, please join us!

God's Work – Our Hands **++ Save the Date ++**

On **September 9th, 2018**, right after worship, we will participate in the ELCA wide event by working outside to beautify our church grounds and by painting the Food Bank.

Please set time aside and help us give our property a much needed face-lift.

If you would like to participate please let our office know, so we can put you on the list.

Questions? Call the office for more info!!

Preschool is on its way!

*We are so thrilled to start up our new school year on **September 5th** at 9 am.*

Our open house is on August 30th at 6 pm and you are invited to meet our new students!

~submitted by Office Manager for Ellen McCracken

School Supplies needed!

We are collecting the following items for distribution at our Health Resource Fiesta on September 15th:

**Pencils * Ballpoint Pens *
Crayons * Notebook Paper *
Spiral Notebooks * Elmers
Glue * Children's Scissors *
Composition Books * Dry
Erase Markers * Backpacks**

A collection box is located in the Narthex and we gladly accept your donations. Thank You.

~submitted by Office Manager for Jeris Ockfen



Spanaway Lutheran Completes its 28th Home for Paint Tacoma-Pierce Beautiful

This year, 23 people volunteered over 210 hours as SLC painted its 28th home. We literally embodied God's Work, Our Hands by painting for Marilyn Steen, a retired Bon employee who grew up in this home built in 1900. The house turned out beautiful and amazed Marilyn and her cousins who live with her. As we started packing up late Saturday afternoon, Marilyn said, "I think I will get up tomorrow morning, sit outside and admire my house."

Mary and John Herem thank the SLC team for their dedication and excellent work. We know the crew will show up each year and do selfless work without complaints. SLC members included Iver Eliason, Dale Dillinger, Steve Howe, Laurie Howe, Suzanne Gayda, Ron Morris, Glen Ruediger, Lani Briehl, John Briehl, Kaylin Aponte, Dustin Willoughby, Elois Macdonald, Sharon Tupa Blacksten, Steve Blacksten, Pastor John Schier-Hanson, Mary Herem and John Herem. Non-SLC team members included Marilyn Steen, Jenny Laycock (BASE), Jocelyn Frazier (Jenny's daughter), Rick Ward, Pat Ward, John Adams and Alex Dillinger Norberg (Dale and Sharon Dillinger's grandson).

Please keep your calendar clear next July/August and join us. Questions? Contact John or Mary Herem at herem@comcast.net or 253-847-0778.



Announcement

We are very sad to announce that our Sister in Christ, Lori Nelson died peacefully on August 20th.

Please pray for comfort and strength for Lori's family and friends, as they mourn their loss.

We will inform you about the memorial service as soon as details become available to us.

Announcement

We are very sad to announce that Pastor Don Melchert passed away on August 21st. Pastor Melchert was a Pastor here at Spanaway Lutheran Church.

Please pray for comfort and strength for Pastor Melchert's family as they mourn their loss.

Who Can Accept It?

"This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" (John 6:60). Jesus' teaching about eating his flesh and drinking his blood isn't something we can figure out and accept on our own. In his explanation of the third article of the Apostles' Creed, Martin Luther writes these often-quoted and memorized words: "I believe that by my own understanding or strength I cannot believe in Jesus Christ my Lord or come to him." The question of accepting Jesus' difficult teachings gets turned on its head. No one can accept it. The good news of Jesus is too radical, unsettling, and illogical for us to accept. Through the grace of God and the work of the Holy Spirit we are able to echo Peter's profession of faith: "You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God" (John 6:68-69). Like Peter, we have come to believe—despite our doubts and weakness of faith—through the Spirit's work in the word.



We are praying for...

Maxine Coberly, congregation member - Dementia, at Pioneer Place Memory Haven

Amanda Billings, daughter-in-law of Paula Oty – Stage four breast cancer, new round of meds with hopefully minimal side effects

June Broeckel, congregation member – continuous health issues, doing well, is getting weaker

Gail Bohannon, congregation member – brain tumor, health is declining

Kim Cleveland, sister of Angela Aponte – return of lung cancer and new diagnosis of MS, in stable condition

Burton Nasset, congregation member – continuing health issues, complete hip replacement surgery on August 30th

Genevieve Hovey, congregation member – health issues, doing well

Dave Pearcy, friend of the Hedlunds, Doyles and Herems – Parkinsons

Dianna Kennedy-Svec, congregation member – Melanoma, is facing more surgery

Audrey Charles, friend of Anne Briehl – Mesothelioma, currently in treatment

Tillie Wolf, aunt of Laurie Howe – serious health issues, full time care at home

Cheryl Drewes, our Director of Music Ministries – breast cancer, radiation treatment

Elena Hember, Kit Modahl's 18 yo granddaughter – NH Lymphoma, completed 2nd round of chemo, 4 to go. She is doing ok. PET scan was great!

Sam Castaneda, friend of Edna Coonc – heart issues, on waiting list for a heart transplant @ Univ. of WA Medical Center

Arlene Simmons, friend of Charlotte Surridge – cancer, chemo isn't working this time

Frank Wise, congregation member – health issues, Angioplasty on August 31st

Marilyn Goddard, sister-in-law of Jeris Ockfen – water on lungs, on oxygen

Daniel Lutt, son of Elizabeth Jones – hoping for a good nursing home

Dane Shaffer, friend of the Surridge Family – in a coma after a motorcycle accident

Paul Blacksten, relative of Steven and Sharon Blacksten – lung infection, in Seattle VA hospital

Yvonne Maki, sister of Ealane Wollin – in ICU in Minnesota with intestinal infection and cellulitis

Kendal Hagel, daughter-in-law of Leroy and Carolyn Hagel – having heart surgery

Sally Walters, sister of Aletta Alford – is losing memory, awaiting diagnosis

Family of Jay Allison, Associated Ministries, Paint Tacoma Pierce Beautiful – Jay died last week

Family of Pastor Don Melchert, former Pastor at SLC – Pastor died on August 21st

Family of Lori Nelson, daughter-in-law of Chuck Nelson – Lori died on August 19th

Family of Lenora Longfellow, Lenora died peacefully on Wednesday morning, August 8th

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.

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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 September 2nd, 2018

Assisting Minister

Dale Kraus

Lector

Ron Jorgenson

Communion Assistants

Sharon Wildfang & Jim Halmo

Acolyte

Volunteer

Children's Sermon

Jeris Ockfen

Altar Guild

Ron Morris & Sarah Briehl

Ushers

Volunteers

Greeters

Volunteers

Control Booth

John Herem & Rob DeZarn

Coffee Hour

Women's Bible Study (Marjie Schulze)