



Lamplighter Weekly

All Saints Sunday, November 4, 2018

Spanaway Lutheran Church

16001 A St. South – PO Box 1300

Spanaway, WA 98387

(253) 531-7000

office@spanawaylutheran.org

Our Week at a Glance

Sunday + 11-04-18

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

Monday + 11-05-18

Preschool	9:00 am
JIM Lesson, Stephanie (1hr.)	3:15 pm
Catechism	5:00 pm
Boy Scout Troop #679	7:00 pm

Tuesday + 11-06-18

Men's Breakfast	6:30 am
Pastor's Bible Study	10:00 am
Quiet Communion	11:45 am
Music Team	6:00 pm
Ladies' Bible Study	6:00 pm

Wednesday + 11-07-18

Preschool	9:00 am
Quilters	9:00 am
Journey with Jesus	3:30 pm
JIM Lesson, Storm (2 hrs.)	4:30 pm
Preschool Board Mtg. @ 208	4:30 pm
Journey with Jesus	5:30 pm
TOPS Meeting	6:00 pm
Choir Practice	7:00 pm

Thursday + 11-08-18

BASE Program Committee Meeting	9:30 am
Adelphos Siloam Bible Study	10:00 am
Text Study at the Wises	3:00 pm
Table Talk	6:00 pm

Friday + 11-09-18

Preschool	9:00 am
Preschool Family Math Game Night	6:00 pm

Saturday + 11-10-18

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

Sunday + 11-11-18

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

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

Nov 10	Pick-Up	SLC Volunteers
Nov 10	Set-Up	The Luberts
Nov 11	Distribution	SLC Volunteers
Nov 11	Clean-Up	SLC Volunteers

Readings for November 11th, 2018

1 Kings 17:8-16

God feeds Elijah and the widow at Zarephath

Psalms 146

The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down. (Ps. 146:8)

Hebrews 9:24-28

The once for all sacrifice of Christ

Mark 12:38-44

A widow's generosity reveals the hypocrisy of the scribes

New November and December Calendars are ready to go home with you!

Pick up your copy from any of our usher tables in the narthex.

For questions or calendar corrections, please contact Stefanie at office@spanawaylutheran.org or call (253) 531-7000.

Thank you.



Vanesa Boros	November 4
Natalie Winkler	November 5
June Broeckel	November 6
Connie Carlson	November 7
Thomas Oberkirsch	November 7
Travis Oberkirsch	November 7
Phil Aponte	November 8
Jonathan Mix	November 9

Join us on Tuesday, **November 20th** at 11:45 am at the Gateway Cottage as we celebrate our monthly birthdays with a lunch!

Tis' the season to give back!



You are invited to help BASE kids to pack shoeboxes on

November 12th

12:30 – 1:30 pm

Don't miss the **HOLIDAY FUN!**

~submitted by BASE



Our Food Bank needs HELP!

The Food Bank needs volunteers, both for interviewing and handing out the food. It involves 2 hrs. of your time every 4 weeks.

Contact Gayle Halmo if you can help. Thank you.

~submitted by Office Manager



SAVE THE DATE!

Annual Fall Clean-Up at
Spanaway Lutheran Church

on November 17th

from 9 am to noon.

Let's make this place sparkle
and shine!

~submitted by Office Manager

Please join us and let's give thanks!

Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Wednesday, November 21st, 2018

7:00 pm

~"Everything Pumpkin" Reception to follow~

If you would like to donate a pumpkin treat for the reception, please contact Stef in the office. Thank you.



If you would like to gift the church with flowers on any given Sunday, please sign up on our Flower Chart, located on the bulletin board in the Narthex, or simply call the office and we will get you all set up. Remember, this is a beautiful way to celebrate and honor a loved one.



faith and finances

Mortgage Update

10-28-18 received \$310.00

Total received to date: \$144,961.81

According to Thrivent statement dated 10-07-18 (the latest), balance owing is: **\$263,202.89**

Financials

	September Budget		Actual	Budget
			Year-to-Date	
Income	\$26,177	\$26,332	\$223,818	\$236,988
Expense	\$25,815	\$26,181	\$218,526	\$235,629
Difference	\$361	\$151	\$5,292	\$1,359



The BASE Program is interested in the book series "An Elephant & Piggie Book" by the Author Mo Willems.

The series is appropriate for the children and they enjoy it a lot. If you are able to donate new and/or used books from the series, the BASE kids would really appreciate your consideration. Thank you!

~Office Manager for BASE

Youth Auction



Save the date!
February 9th, 2019 at 6 pm

Tickets will be available starting December 30.

WE NEED OUR CONGREGATION'S HELP!!!

If you would like to help organize and plan or if you would like to contribute towards items, talents and/or services to be auction off, please speak with any of the Youth and Youth Ed Committee Members (Gregg Wright Osborn, Laurel Wright Osborn, Kaylin Aponte, Jennifer Newman, Sara Schier-Hanson, Ellen McCracken, Marlys Nessel, Rob DeZarn, Stefanie DeZarn, Pastor Schier-Hanson).

Please stay tuned, as we will share more info in the weeks to come.

Thank you all for supporting our Youth!

~submitted by Stefanie DeZarn for the Youth and Youth Ed Committee

JOURNEY WITH JESUS

(FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE WAY)

Come and be a part of an opportunity to deepen your faith, to share your faith stories with others and become part of our new member integration process while learning about "Lectio Divina" (transl. Divine Reading).

We will offer various sessions throughout the month of November on different days, at different times to accommodate a broader participation.

There is no obligation and no experience necessary. Give us and yourself an hour to open yourself to this ancient practice, you wouldn't want to miss this!

Session Schedule:	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4
Sundays at noon	Nov. 4	Nov. 11	Nov. 18	Nov. 25
Wednesdays at 3:30 pm	Nov. 7	Nov. 14	Nov. 21	Nov. 28
Wednesdays at 5:30 pm	Nov. 7	Nov. 14	Nov. 21	Nov. 28

If you have questions, comments or concerns, please don't hesitate to call the office. Thank you.

Becoming What We Sing –Five Centuries Removed From the Reformation

In the 16th Century church renewal was spurred on by Martin Luther. In our technological 21st Century, one wonders if another religious reformation of the church is needed. Today some type of renewal focusing on the words of Jesus the Christ to treat our neighbors as ourselves may be in order. Consider our church service. Think about what we sing every Sunday in this church. Where does our singing lead us?

Look at our Sunday printed liturgy, the series of songs sung by the congregation and the choir and the music team. First, and most importantly, the words help us to offer our strong heartfelt praise to our God and to our Savior, Jesus the Christ. But also there are words of action, words of how we help our neighbors in need.

Take, for example, “*Christ Be Our Light* (Hymn #715). We sang it only two Sundays ago. With Christ as our light we can recognize the human needs surrounding us and unite our gifts and passionate hearts to serve one another. In singing *Be Thou My Vision* (Hymn # 793), our voices make us look to our God as the source of all goodness, light, power and wisdom – far above our money and human pride. Not to be forgotten, this is All Saints Sunday. As *Saints of Old* (Hymn #695) reminds us how those Saints now departed gave themselves and their possessions to God’s mission in the world. We likewise are called to share in love what we have.

Many of our hymns continue to speak to us across time and space. Can we find renewed appreciation for the power of these hymns? Absolutely. We sing about our neighbors. The hymns speak to us. They console us, they warm us, and they give us strength to do God’s work here in Spanaway. And maybe, the words sung before come to mind that very moment when we are confronted by a neighbor in need. And in that very moment, the answer to that call for help will be obvious, for we have the Christ to guide us.

The Stewardship Committee

SAVE THE DATE!

December 13th, 2018

7:00 pm

We are looking for volunteers to fill roles such as Joseph, the Wise Men, other speaking roles, prop makers, costume assistants, readers, bakers, and more! Please pray if you can assist us with your time and talents in any way. For more info, please speak with Cheryl Drewes, Kathy Olsen or Stefanie DeZarn. Thank you.

~submitted by Stefanie DeZarn





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 Nessel, congregation member – continuing health issues

Genevieve Hovey, congregation member – health issues, doing well

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

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

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

Elena Hember, Kit Modahl's 18 yo granddaughter – NH Lymphoma, finished chemo treatments; is feeling good; PET scan on Oct. 23rd.

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

Lola Ellestad, aunt of Gayle Halmo – recovering from back surgery, at Nursing Home

Steven Alford, son of Aletta Alford – recovering from quadruple bypass surgery in Texas

John Briehl, congregation member – recovering at home from back surgery

Dan Pupo, nephew of Charlotte Surridge – in intensive care in Spokane, having kidney tests done

Jon Hovde, Vietnam Vet, motivational speaker, author, friend of Diane Parsons – in hospice care with pancreatic cancer

Diane Kraus, congregation member – at Madigan JBLM with ongoing medical issues, awaiting answers

Neil Scovells, friend of Ealane Wollin – has prostate cancer

Training Your Faith

When people train for a marathon they do best when they set a goal and make a training plan. While that may lead to success for the event, what about the rest of life? Few people have the capacity to sustain the kind of intense and focused training required for marathons for the rest of their lives. After the race, new goals need to be set and new training plans made that can become a long-term lifestyle.

People of faith are called to follow a similar path, because the life of faith is not about preparing for a single event. Faith is a lifelong journey. This journey is shaped by a commitment to pray, worship, learn, give, and serve.

The *Shema* (Deut. 6:4-5) talks about loving the Lord totally. This teaching is central to both the Jewish and the Christian faiths. The great commandment is the foundation under which Jesus teaches. "Love God totally. Love others as you love yourself." How do these commandments become part of a lifestyle on a daily basis? In the reading from Hebrews we are reminded that Jesus is the one who makes us pure and holy through his suffering, dying, and rising. Made holy by Jesus, the people of God are called to live differently, to treat one another differently, and to be gracious and loving to one another.

Many debates and conflicts that can consume time and energy in the Christian community would be resolved if they were measured against these two commandments. Are proposed actions going to help people know and carry out these commandments? Are today's followers getting the training necessary to know how to love the Lord totally and love others as themselves?

Spanaway Lutheran Church

Contacts:

Pastor

John Schier-Hanson
pastor@spanawaylutheran.org

Office Manager

Stefanie DeZarn
office@spanawaylutheran.org

Director of Music Ministries

Cheryl Drewes
music@spanawaylutheran.org

Preschool Director

Ellen McCracken
preschool@spanawaylutheran.org

BASE Director

Kathy Olsen
BASE@spanawaylutheran.org

Council

Gregg Wright Osborn, President
Gregg_S_Wright_Osborn@msn.com

John Briehl, Vice President
jbriehl@hotmail.com

Louise Luberts, Secretary
llub253@comcast.net

Mary Herem, Treasurer
herem@comcast.net

Rob DeZarn
dman5757@live.com

Nancy Vignec
vignecland@msn.com

Doug Hedlund
soleduck12@comcast.net

Anne Briehl
annebriehl@comcast.net

Angela Aponte
aaponte00@yahoomcom

Glen Ruediger
glynnmcg9@gmail.com

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 NOVEMBER 11, 2018

Assisting Minister

Mary Herem

Lector

Dick Wollin

Communion Assistants

Donna Septon and Kathy Creso

Acolyte

Sophie Rutkosky

Children's Sermon

Pastor John Schier-Hanson

Altar Guild

Connie Carlson and Sharon Wildfang

Ushers

Dulce and Bernd Lackemann

Bonnie and Mike Doyle

Greeters

Charlotte Surridge

Control Booth

Jill Olson and Phil Aponte

Coffee Hour

Congregational Life (Aletta Alford)