

**MOUNT SI LUTHERAN
CHURCH**

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NORTH BEND, WA 98045

Special Points of Interest:

- Sept. 4th—Labor Day Holiday (office closed)
- Sept. 10th—God’s Work, Our Hands Service Sunday
- Sept. 12th—6PM All Committee Night/7PM Council
- Sept. 17th—Return to two Worship services 8:15AM & 10:45AM. Farewell blessings to Carol Reitz
- Sept. 17th—9:30AM Children’s Sunday School & Adult Education Returns
- Sept. 30th—10AM-12Noon Emergency Preparedness Workshop

**Summer Worship
9:00AM
through Sept. 10th
Return to Two Worship
Services—Sept. 17th**

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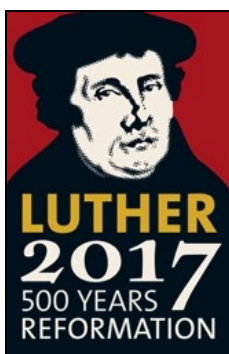
Mount Si’s GOOD NEWSletter

September 2017

From Pastor Larry’s Desk.....

Celebrating the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation

by Larry E. Thomas, Interim Pastor



On Reformation Sunday, 1967, I attended a Los Angeles area Sunday afternoon celebration of the 450th Anniversary of the Reformation. The pews were packed and the worship was spirited and joyous. There was a multi-congregational choir featuring the jazz vocalist Nancy Wilson and the preacher was the Rev. Nelson Trout. It was a wonderful celebration of the life and legacy of Martin Luther and his passion for the good news of Jesus Christ. St. Paul sums up the heart of Luther’s Reformation message: “For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—not the result of works, so that no one may boast.” (Ephesians 2:8-9)

Mt. Si Lutherans, East King County ELCA congregations, the Northwest Washington Synod of the ELCA and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America have been hard at work preparing to celebrate this milestone anniversary. Keep reading and you’ll learn about a variety of opportunities for worship, learning and celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Reformation in September and October.

**“Martin Luther: The Idea That Changed the World,” KCTS, Channel 9
Tuesday, September 12 @ 8:00 pm, KCTS, Channel 9**

In October of 1517, Martin Luther posted a diatribe denouncing the corruption of the medieval world’s most powerful institution: The Roman Catholic Church. This film chronicles the battle of ideas that followed, ideas that profoundly changed Western thinking and sparked the rise of individualism, education and religious freedom.

**“This Changed Everything: A History of the Reformation”
The Sunday morning adult forum begins Sunday Sept. 17th @ 9:45 am**

“This Changed Everything” tells the story of the people, places, and events that shaped the Reformation. This video series celebrates the fruit of the Reformation even as it grapples with difficult questions about its legacy of division. Dan Luke and Pastor Thomas will team lead this series of adult forums. Each week we’ll view a 25/30 minute segment and discuss the content.

**Jesus Christ: Yesterday, Today and Forever with the National Lutheran Choir
Friday, September 29 at 7:30pm at St. Mark’s Episcopal Cathedral, Seattle**

The National Lutheran Choir leads an evening of singing in commemoration of the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. This program, featuring the National Lutheran Choir, a massed choir of singers from local choirs, and the congregation, will celebrate the rich treasury of music - from early hymns to new works - expressing the journey of the Church. The concert is free and open to the public. A free-will offering will be received the night of the concert to support Compass Housing Alliance and Imagine Housing.

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500th Anniversary

Katie Luther, the Musical

October 20 and 21, 2017 @ St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, Bellevue

Pastor Sara Yoos together with the members and friends of St. Andrew's Lutheran Church will perform, "Katie Luther, The Musical" a play about the life of Martin Luther's wife, Katharine. Watch for more details in the October GOOD NEWSletter.

Reformation Sunday, October 29, 2017 at Mt. Si Lutheran Church

One Worship Service @ 9:30 a.m. / Potluck at 11:00 a.m.

Followed by a screening of "Martin Luther" with Joseph Fiennes

Mount Si Lutheran Church members and friends will gather together in the sanctuary for one festive worship service in celebration of the October 31, 2017 500th anniversary of the Reformation. The worship service will be followed by a church potluck concluding with a screening of the 2003 film, "Martin Luther," starring Joseph Fiennes.

Reformation Commemoration Vespers: Sunday, October 29 @ 3:00 pm

St. James Cathedral, Seattle

Seattle Archbishop J. Peter Sartain and Bishop B. Kirby Unti will lead a joint Roman Catholic-Lutheran worship service marking this milestone anniversary. More information will be available soon.

Eastside Celebration of the Reformation, Sunday, October 29 @ 5:30 p.m.

St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Bellevue

Following the Reformation Commemoration Vespers at St. James Cathedral, you are invited to attend a hops and hymns fest at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Bellevue. St. Luke's Brewing team will provide the beer and Sammamish Hills Lutheran Church will grill the bratwurst. Congregations are encouraged to invite their own home brewers to bring beer and to bring side dishes.

Looking Back & Called Forward: ELCA 500, Tuesday, October 31

Washington, D.C. and Live Streamed

You are invited to join ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton as she co-hosts a commemoration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. The event, which will include speakers and a worship service, will be at the Lutheran Church of the Reformation on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. Bishop Eaton will be joined by co-hosts Indiana-Kentucky Synod Bishop Bill Gafkjen, ELCA Vice President Bill Horne and Metropolitan Washington, D.C., Synod Bishop Dick Graham. The event is open to the public and will be available online via live-stream. All are invited to participate and honor the Reformation anniversary as we bear public witness to Christ, who frees us to love and serve our neighbor, and as we look to the future to which God is calling us. More details will be available soon.



Fall Sunday Schedule will begin on September 17th as follows:

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| 8:15-9:15AM | Traditional Worship |
| 9:15AM | Coffee and Fellowship Time/ Transition Time |
| 9:30-10:30AM | Sunday School/ 9:45AM Adult Forum |
| 10:45-11:45AM | Contemporary Praise Worship |



The Northwest Washington Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America requests your prayers & presence as

the Reverend Shelley Marie Bryan Wee

is installed as the Assistant to the Bishop on Saturday, Sept. 23, 2017 at 3:00PM at St. John United Lutheran Church 5515 Phinney Avenue North, Seattle, WA

Parish Education News!

Sunday School is Back!

Beginning on September 17th - Let's Go Deep Blue! Join us as we dive deep into the Bible. This weekly adventure teaches kids to be Jesus' disciples with exciting animated videos, new music & worship, active games and more. We will help children discover what it means to follow Jesus today!

We are excited to begin a new class for our 6th through teen age classes called Submerge! In this class young people will dig into the Bible and be encouraged to make connections between what they are discussing and their everyday lives.

We are on the lookout for a new person to lead our music opening, new teachers, and always need volunteers for special projects or as substitutes! If you feel you are being called to serve God by serving and leading his very special children see Debbie Jones or Courtney Adams!

*The Sunday school department is in need of a medium sized light weight television (that we can hang-up) and also a dvd player!

We are looking forward to a great year! Check out the schedule below:

- *Children's Sunday School 9:30-10:30 AM
- *Submerge Teen Time: 9:45 Ready! 9:50 Set! 10:30 Go!
- *Adult Education Hour: 9:45-10:30 AM

Sunday School Staff for the 2017-2018 School Year:

- Preschool—Nancy Flanagan/Rosemary Hanson
- Kindergarten/First grade—Debbie Jones
- Second/Third grades—Courtney Adams/Lisa Sampson
- Fourth/Fifth grades—Kim Buckmaster/Joanne Chase
- Submerge Teen Time—Erik and Jenna Rhyne
- Adult Education Hour—Pastor Larry/Dan Luke

Schedule Notes

September 3rd: Labor Day Weekend

September 10th: "God's Work, Our Hands" Day of Service

September 17th: Resume two worship services. First day of Sunday School for children.

The adult forum begins at 9:45AM: **"This Changed Everything: A History of the Reformation"** "This Changed Everything" tells the story of the people, places, and events that shaped the Reformation. This video series celebrates the fruit of the Reformation even as it grapples with difficult questions about its legacy of division. Dan Luke and Pastor Thomas will team lead this series of adult forums. Each week we'll view a 25/30 minute segment and discuss the content.



 9:00AM Worship followed by potluck & service projects. Watch for sign up sheets on how you can help with this amazing day of service! T-shirts are available for \$7.50 . Wear your bright yellow t-shirt to worship. Questions: Speak to Courtney, Adams, Coordinator

HERE'S THE NEWS



Office Volunteers: We will have limited office coverage with volunteers **Sept. 5th-14th (probably 9AM-Noon)**. Thank you to those who have signed up to volunteer. Phone system is in the process of being upgraded. Please be patient while we deal with some issues beyond our control. **The church office is closed on Fridays Sept. 8th & 15th.**



On Sunday, Sept. 17th—we bid farewell blessings to Carol Reitz

Carol has been a beloved member since 2000 and has blessed Mt. Si in so many ways: Praise Team, Accompanist, Prayer Shawl Ministry, Evangelism, Global Missions, Transition Team, Children's Christmas Programs, special events and more! Her daughter, Emilie, was a sound tech for many years while in middle school/high school. Carol, and her husband, Jim, bought a home and are moving to Bainbridge Island. We will truly miss Carol and send our heartfelt thank you for her service. Jim has also helped over the years with Children's Christmas programs, other events, and his computer/internet expertise has been priceless! We will truly miss each of them and wish all a blessed move to their new home.



8:15AM Pianist Needed: Mt. Si Lutheran Church is looking for a pianist to play for the 8:15AM traditional worship service. If interested, or know of someone, please speak to Larry Thomas, Interim Pastor, or contact Pastor Larry at ledgarthomas@gmail.com. **A HUGE THANK YOU to Steve and Sandy Kangas for donating the beautiful Walter piano for worship.**



Dear Friends at Mt. Si Lutheran: Thank you so very much for the wonderful send-off on June 4th. Your friendship, fellowship, and prayers on our behalf have all been precious to us over the years. It was so difficult to say farewell. Thank you as well for the lovely and thoughtful gifts. We think of you often and pray for God's continued blessings on Mt. Si Lutheran. Tom, Connie Som



Emergency Preparedness Workshop Opportunity—SAVE THE DATE!

Join us Saturday, September 30th 10AM-12Noon at Mt Si Lutheran Church in North Bend for this community workshop to learn the basics of all hazards preparedness - simple steps to address disaster situations that may impact you and your family. Register today on Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/personal-preparedness-basics-workshop-tickets-37475819184>. This opportunity is offered, as a courtesy, by a North Bend resident that is a certified FEMA/Red Cross Train-the-Trainer, CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) Instructor and American Red Cross Instructor and Community Educator. She has been active in Emergency Management and Preparedness for almost a decade.

Personal Care Kits



Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits We are going to prepare personal care kits to send to Lutheran World Relief in honor of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. The kits are sent out nationally and worldwide when disasters strike. The kits contain a bath towel, soap, toothbrush, sturdy comb, and a nail clipper. Please donate these items or funds to purchase them. There will be a box and a donation jar in the narthex during September and October. We will plan to put the kits together on **October 15th after the 10:45 service**. Questions? contact Janey Benson



Community In Action

www.snoqualmievalleyfoodbank.org

Help us maintain a healthy community and provide food to our neighbors in need. Be part of a community in action.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION
Every Wednesday
9:00 a.m.- 6:30 p.m.
No Appointment Necessary
122 E 3rd St
North Bend, WA 98045
Located next to the King County Library in North Bend

FOOD DONATIONS
Non-Perishable Donations
Monday & Tuesday 9 a.m.-11 a.m.
Wednesday from 9 a.m.- 6:30 p.m.
Perishable Foods
Monday & Tuesday 9 a.m.- 11 a.m.
Wednesday from 9 a.m.- 3 p.m.
Bring donation to food bank located at
122 E 3rd St North Bend, WA 98045

Meet your 2017 Council Members

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Submitted by Jack Boller, Church Council Vice President

Greetings and peace to you all from your Church Council.

As summer winds down and we head into fall, activity is picking up. We are developing our budget for next year, we are anticipating a decision by the call committee to put forth a pastoral candidate for council's approval, and we are preparing for the start-up of Sunday School and the return to two worship services in September.

The Building and Grounds Committee reported that they were able to get the plumbing and the septic system in the parsonage functioning so the house is livable again in case our new pastor would choose to live there. The total cost was less than \$1,000. There is other work that should be done, but is not necessary to make the house livable.

Worship and Music reported that a high-quality piano has been donated by Steve and Sandy Kangas to the church. It will be placed in the sanctuary and we will be getting rid of two older pianos. We are willing to donate them to someone. If you know of anyone interested in taking them, let Andy Velebir or someone on the Worship and Music Committee know.

Because we are in a state of transition and are not sure when a new pastor will be installed, the council decided not to participate in the World Communion Sunday worship with the other Valley churches this year.

The Homeless Shelter Liaison Committee presented a proposal for Mt. Si Lutheran to take a year off from hosting the homeless shelter and explore other ways to support the mission. This proposal was drafted due to safety concerns for our staff and congregation; and management issues. After a lengthy and emotional discussion, the council agreed to present the proposal to the congregation. A congregational meeting was held on August 20th and, after another long and emotional discussion, the congregation approved the proposal by a vote of 45 to 3. We will stay engaged with the homeless shelter management to find ways we can support their mission such as providing more meals to the churches that will be hosting the shelter. We will not be hosting the homeless shelter this winter.

We have a vacancy on the council due to Ann Bartlett moving to Wenatchee. If you are interested in filling this vacancy let Pastor Larry or anyone on the council know and we can install you. We will be needing to fill at least two other vacancies next year. Please prayerfully consider serving and let us know if you are interested. The Church Council meets the second Tuesday of the month. You would need to be available to attend most meetings.

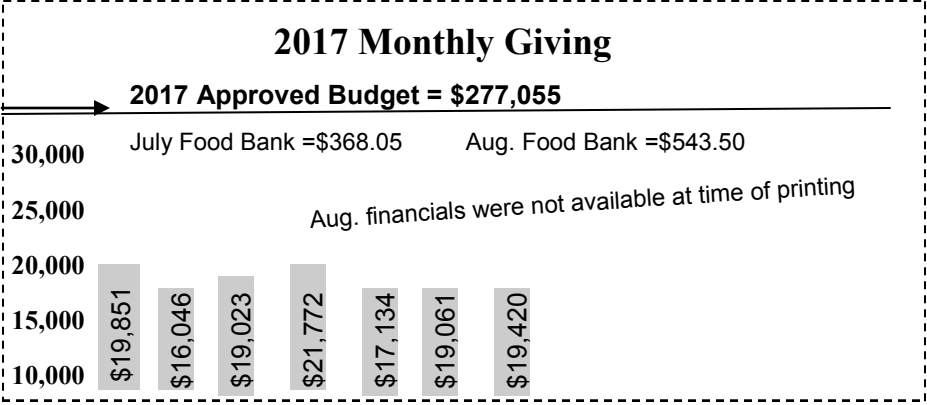
Call Committee Update

Greetings and Grace to you all. Your Call Committee has completed the interview portion of the process. After deep discernment, the Call Committee has recommended a candidate for Call. As the candidate's current congregation is not aware that their pastor has entered the call process, we are not able to reveal their name at present. The candidate feels that their current church is "in a good place" following an extremely difficult merger (a lot to ask of a first-call pastor!) and believes that the newly "merged" church should start with a new pastor to move forward with their new identity. During the month of September, Council will be working with the Personnel Committee to prepare a compensation package that the congregation will vote on in October. The candidate has 30 days to accept the Letter of Call. It's too early to predict a start date at this time, but we are hopeful it would be in time for Advent. Please keep this process in your prayers. Blessings to you all.

Your Call Committee: Ed Benson, John Cassidy, Riley Buckmaster, Erica Haycox, Tom Som, Leslie Hatling, Sue Shardelman, Tom Burnside, and Lisa Sampson.

F.Y.I.

You may contribute to the newsletter by submitting your articles to the church office by email or a simple phone call. The Deadline for submissions is the 3RD MONDAY of each month, except when earlier deadlines are required due to holidays, etc. Call 425 888-1322



Automate Your Giving

Are you interested in automating your giving to the church? Through the Simply Giving program your gifts are made through a pre-authorized withdrawal from your bank account or credit card. Forms are available in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall or contact the office. Forms should be returned to the church office with Attn: Financial Secretary.



Volunteer Opportunities

Is Serving as Worship Assistant Really a Ministry? Absolutely!

Ushering is a public ministry of hospitality and evangelism. In a real and vital way, ushers are the “welcoming committee” here at MSLC.

The Lector is the minister who brings the Word of God to life for all to hear. This calling requires preparation so that the readings can become a vehicle for sharing the Word with God’s people.

Communion Helper also serves a vital and holy ministry. They assist the Pastor with distributing the “bread” and “wine” to those wishing to receive Holy Communion.

Acolyte is an ancient Greek word meaning helper or follower. Acolytes help shape the worship experience by lighting and extinguishing (putting out) the altar candles.

Those wanting to assist as Usher, Communion Helper, Lector, or Acolyte, will need some instructions. Please contact the church office if interested in being trained.

Corrections/changes:

<p>Rosemary Stethem 770 Gage Blvd. Richland, WA 99359</p> <p>Bob and Ann Bartlett 2251 Ashley Brooke Wenatchee, WA 98801 (509) 888-7991 bobbartlett1@outlook.com</p> <p>Carol & Jim Reitz Effective September 12 1031 Winslow Way East Bainbridge Island, WA 98110 Cell: 425-765-9284</p>	<p>Bert Sievertson Red Oak Residence 650 E. North Bend Way, #203 North Bend, WA 98045</p> <p>Shelley & Mike Harding 9002 381st Ave SE Snoqualmie, WA 98065 (425) 736-9151</p> <p>Jim & Nancy Flanagan (425) 891-2210</p>
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Bible Study News...there's one for you!



Men's Saturday Breakfast Bible Study

Come join the men at 8AM and review the Sunday readings and lessons for that Sunday. All men are welcome. For more information, contact Paul Ritzenthaler at 425 888-5294.

Bible Study for WOMEN

Monday Women's Bible Study Group. Please join us every Monday at 12:30PM in the Fellowship Hall. For more information contact Grace Culver at 425 222-7515 or Betty Shardelman at 425 888-0772.

OFFICIAL ACTS

Memorial and Holy Baptism

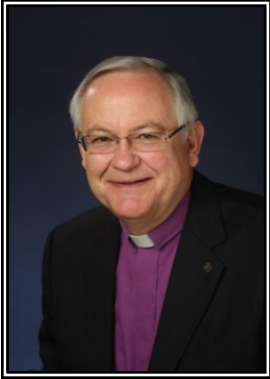
July 17, 2017—Memorial for Mae McLean, member. Mae passed away June 28, 2017.

Aug. 20, 2017—Ernest Jay Pyle was welcomed into membership though Holy Baptism.



The Spirit

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Be Willing to Try and Fail....and Try Again

By the Rev. Kirby Unti, Bishop, NWWA Synod

We are living in a time when change takes place so quickly that even the best laid plans can fail. One of my classic experiences of this reality took place when we did a \$1 million expansion at the church I was serving. The expansion included a new nursery - complete with sink and running water, separate play areas for infants and toddlers, as well as a crib and nursing rooms.

We were filled with pride and delight the day we opened the new nursery hoping it would send a clear message to families with young children that they were valued by the faith community. The truth was we were attracting young families and our Sunday school was bursting at the seams.

So, what went wrong? Two new trends were gaining traction. The first was an invention. The all-in-one baby carrier. You know, the bucket-like object that parents carry their babies in? The kind that also serves as a car seat and stroller seat. This allows a parent to remove their child from the car and carry them right into the church. Before long the worship space was filled with small children rocking in their bucket seats while the nursery was barely in use.

The second trend that was unfolding was a growing comfort about nursing in public. Combine the two trends and the need for our state of the art nursery was greatly lessened. Should we have seen it coming? Could we have seen it coming? Perhaps, if we were really tuned in.

What we were tuned into was all the information about how important a state of the art nursery was to young families. The problem was by the time we completed our nursery based on the best current information the world around us had changed.

The truth is this is happening all over the world. Talk to Kodak about film, Blockbusters about video, Swiss watch makers, brick and mortar stores, and Ma & Pa Grocery Stores. All once successful enterprises, they have gone the way of the dinosaurs.

The Living Local Movement that our synod is engaged in takes adapting to change seriously. We believe that God is always up to something new. What we are trying to do by dwelling in God's word is to develop the eyes and ears to see how God is working in our day and time. "Behold I am doing something new. Do you not see it?"

Because we are never 100% sure what God is up to we must probe new ideas, new expressions of what it means to be church, new ways to share the gospel. It isn't that gospel that changes. What changes is how we engage it.

Back to the nursery, the lesson we were learning was in order to engage young families we needed to make worship "kid friendly." Welcoming the occasional cry of a baby is to embrace life. Young families often want a more hands-on experience in worship where they are able to worship God through mediums like music, art and dance. Children find joy in being involved in all aspects of the church. Soft toys and coloring pages representing images of the Bible Story can be a big hit.

And that "state of the art" nursery? What did we do with it? It continued to be modified and used by those for whom it was still of value. Today it is being remodeled one more time to respond to the growing needs of a population of children with special needs. It will once again be sacred space set aside to respond with love and support to the cry of God's children.

I want to encourage all our congregations to be more willing to TRY, FAIL and TRY AGAIN.

Sno-Valley Teen Closet

August 15, 2017

Heidi Dukich, Church Council President
Mount Si Lutheran Church
PO Box 487
North Bend, WA 98045

Dear Heidi,

We are writing to inform you that we are closing the Sno-Valley Teen Closet. After 6 years of organizing and running the free clothing bank for local teens, we are excited to start new chapters in our lives.

We are deeply grateful to Mount Si Lutheran Church for your support of the Teen Closet!! You welcomed us into your faith home – providing much needed space for hosting Teen Closet events, and storing clothing donations! We had an idea about offering a community service to local children in need, and the Council, Staff and Congregation of Mount Si Lutheran Church made it possible. Thank you!!!

We would like to extend a special thank you to Sheila – who graciously, and patiently assisted us with coordinating dates and times, answered questions from people wanting information about the Teen Closet, and accepting clothing donations. Thank you, Sheila!!

The Sno-Valley Teen Closet closed effective August 15, 2017. We will contact Sheila to arrange the removal of items from the closet. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact Joan at joan.guenther@comcast.net or 425-922-6998.

With great appreciation and gratitude,
Monica Rutherford and Joan Guenther



Joan Guenther and Monica Rutherford
Sno-Valley Teen Closet Co-leaders



Mount Si High School National Honor Society
students help sort clothing donations



Monica thanking long-time Sno-Valley Teen Closet
volunteers Danine Dover and Robin Dennis.

V.B.S.

We had a wonderful time during this year's VBS-Passport to Peru. During this cross-cultural experience real kids in Peru shared their culture and faith through video. We explored life in Peru through interactive experiences, and each day we heard and acted out stories from the Bible. Add to this, great songs, snacks and games and you have one great time! This year we also participated in an Operation Kid-to-Kid™ mission project that gives kids the opportunity to help children in remote villages of Peru have access to safe, clean drinking water, and we were able to raise \$185! A huge thank you to all of the volunteers, especially to Vicki Wallentine for her fabulous decorations! ~Debbie Jones



V.B.S.



Backpack/School Supply Drive

Our backpack project was a huge success! We received donations from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, Costco, Mt Si Lutheran Church, Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church, Cascade Covenant Church, Saint Clare's Episcopal Church, and Snoqualmie United Methodist Church. We also received funds from Walmart and discounts from Big Lots and Fred Myers. We filled 260 backpacks for children in the Snoqualmie Valley school district. The backpacks were distributed at the Snoqualmie Valley Food Bank on Aug. 16th & 23rd. The children were so excited to have a new backpacks with supplies to start the new school year. Thanks to everyone who participated with this project and all of those who donated school supplies and funds to purchase them. Thanks for assisting me with this ministry for the children in need from our community. ~Janey Benson



What's New?



July 16th—Mt. Si commissioned the Guatemala Thrivent Builds/Habitat for Humanity mission trip team:

Courtney & Terry Adams, Inge & Tom Burnside, Peggy Halferty, Leslie Hatling, John Keiser, Jennifer & Erik Rhyne, and David Van Handel.

On Aug. 27th—The Guatemala Mission Team treated Mt. Si to a presentation from their 9 day trip. They shared how this mission trip was a blessing getting to know the people of Guatemala and building homes for their families. We got to taste a delicious Guatemalan punch and watched a few videos from the team's travels.

Thank you Jennifer and Erik for shepherding 25 people on the Guatemala Mission Trip, including members from First Lutheran Church in Greensboro, NC (their former church).






On July 16th, Mt. Si bid farewell and God's blessings to long-time members, Bob and Ann Bartlett. Bob and Ann have moved to Wenatchee, WA after living 21 years in North Bend as active members of Mt. Si Lutheran Church. Both Bob and Ann have served in many capacities. Bob has served as Council member, Council President, Personnel Committee, and Stewardship & Finance. Ann has faithfully served as co-leader of Mt. Si Women of Faith Ministry, Sunday School Teacher, Praise Team, Shelter Liaison Committee, and Council member. Both have faithfully served as worship assistants and ushers, as well as organizers of our progressive dinners and family camping trips over the years! They will surely be missed by all and we look forward to them visiting us when they can.

During worship, Pastor Larry blessed Bob and

Ann and thanked them for their commitments to this church and congregation. A farewell reception followed worship where we presented Bob and Ann with a beautiful framed picture of Mt. Si Lutheran Church with Psalm 121 on the picture (church photo by Terry Adams). Members and friends wrote inspirational messages on rocks as keepsakes for Bob and Ann to display at their new home. They were both presented with a beautiful hand-painted ceramic cross.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 Mt. Si Lutheran						
					1 (office closed)	2 8AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study @ Mt. Si Golf Course
3 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:00AM Worship 10:00AM Fellowship Coffee Hour 	4 LABOR DAY HOLIDAY (OFFICE CLOSED) Labor Day  12:30PM Women's Study	5 9:30AM Quilters	6	7 6-8PM AA	8 (office closed)	9 8AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study @ Mt. Si Golf Course
10 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:00AM Worship ELCA Day of Service Potluck & Service Projects  	11 12:30PM Women's Bible Study 6:15-7:45PM Boy Scout Den #5	12 9:30AM Quilters 6PM All Committee Night 7PM Council Mtg.	13	14 6-8PM AA	15 (office closed)	16 8AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study @ Mt. Si Golf Course
17 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost <div style="background-color: #90EE90; padding: 5px; border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; margin-bottom: 5px;"> Back to two worship services and Sunday School Returns </div> 8:15AM Traditional Worship 9:30-10:30AM Sunday School & Fellowship Coffee Hour Farewell Blessings for Carol Reitz 10:45AM Praise Worship	18 12:30PM Women's Bible Study Newsletter Deadline 	19 9:30AM Quilters	20	21 6-8PM AA	22	23 8AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study @ Mt. Si Golf Course
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Flower Chart for the Altar

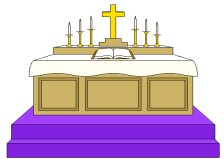


DATE	NAME	IN MEMORY OR HONOR OF
Sept. 3	Kay Boyle	In Loving Memory of her father, Les Stroming
Sept. 10	Courtney Adams	God's Work, Our Hands Sunday
Sept. 17	Sue Oster	From Mt. Si Lutheran In Honor of Carol Reitz
Sept. 24		FLOWERS NEEDED



If you would like to bring flowers for the altar for a special occasion in **2017**, please see the sign up chart in the Fellowship Hall for openings or call the church office at 425 888-1322.

Worship Assistants for Sept.



SUNDAY SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE 9:00AM	Sept. 3 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Sept. 10 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost	SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE 8:15AM & 10:45AM	Sept. 17 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Sept. 24 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Usher	Summer Worship 9:00AM Only	Summer Worship 9:00AM Only	Usher		
9:00AM	Mike Kober Herman Schlaht	Erik & Jennifer Rhyne Family	8:15AM	Tom Chase	NEEDED
10:00AM	Coffee Hour Fellowship	Potluck & ELCA Day of Service MSLC Projects	9:15AM	Coffee Hour Fellowship & Sunday School	
			10:45AM	Ed & Janey Benson	Mike Hanson Mark Imsland
Counters		Janey Benson	Counters	Ed Benson	
-----Counters needed-----					
Communion Assistants			Communion Assistants		
9:00AM	Courtney Adams	Janey Benson	8:15AM	Joanne Chase	Kay Boyle
			10:45AM	Rosemary Hanson	Debbie Spurling
Lector			Lector		
9:00AM	Terry Adams	Ed Benson	8:15AM	Anne Keiser	John Keiser
			10:45AM	Suzy Cassidy	Linda Velebir
Music Leader	Andy, Carol, Dave	Dave, Carol, John	8:15 Cantor/ Music Leader	John Cassidy Carol Reitz	Dave Spurling Suzy Schuba

Worship Assistants
If you are interested in assisting on Sunday mornings as Usher, Communion Assistant, Lector, or Acolyte, please call the office and speak to Sheila Rodriguez. She would be happy to add your name to the Worship Assistants list.

Please consider helping with the Sunday coffee hour at Mt. Si. It's a wonderful way to welcome and show fellowship to our members and guests. A sign up sheet is available during coffee hour.



Sept. Birthdays!



NAME	DATE	NAME	DATE
Declan Haycox	2	Patricia Prewitt	18
Alisha Karren	3	Sam Luna	19
Bob Bartlett	6	Rose Wildes	20
Alice Donohue	8	Lenard Benson	25
Alysa Lilleberg	8	Kim Buckmaster	25
Stefan Van Handel	8	Kyley Anna Hayes	26
Keira Booth-Risner	9	Rodney Thompson	27
Kailie Graciidis	11	Lorraine Wilkerson	27
Heidi Dukich	12	Abbey LeAnn Walker	29
Jane Benson	14		



Anniversaries!



David Scott-Risner & Susan Olds	Sept. 2
Chris & Lisa Sampson	Sept. 2
Stephen & Tammy Lilleberg	Sept. 4
Paul & Heidi Dukich	Sept. 8
Charles & Jenny Lynch	Sept. 22
John & Erica Haycox	Sept. 25
Jim & Carol Reitz	Sept. 29



Please call the church office at 888-1322 and let us know if we skip your special day.



Read All About it!!

If you have any questions regarding the newsletter, please call the office and speak with Sheila Rodriguez, Administrative Assistant at 425 888-1322, or via email at mtsilutheran@mtsilutheran.org. We would love to include special interest articles, i.e. awards & recognition for sports or academics, special events or gatherings, etc. The **GOOD NEWSletter** is your newsletter, so be sure to share your comments, suggestions, and articles! Visit our website: www.mtsilutheran.org.

Hospitality Coffee Hour: Fellowship and Worship Assistants



We like to encourage a combined fellowship/coffee hour between services in the Fellowship Hall from 9:15-10:30.AM We need volunteers to sign up for hosting the coffee hour. There is always a sign up sheet at the coffee hour. Sue Oster is our coordinator for the coffee hour fellowship. If you would like to help with our coffee hour fellowship, please contact Sue at 425 888-4056 or soflicka@gmail.com Also, if you are interested in being a worship assistant, please call the office at 888-1322. Mt. Si needs you!

Mount Si's Mission and Vision Statement

THE MISSION OF MOUNT SI LUTHERAN IS:

~SERVING~

Mount Si Lutheran is a Christ centered community in service to others.

~REACHING OUT~

We are following Christ's Great Commission, bringing others to Christ through our love, our faith, our hope and our actions.

~GROWING IN GRACE~

As we grow in understanding of God's unconditional acceptance and forgiveness, we encourage others to grow in the biblical principles of faith, hope and love.

THE VISION OF MOUNT SI LUTHERAN IS:

To develop ministries that encourage individual and group involvement in service, outreach and spiritual growth. These ministries follow the Six Marks of Discipleship:

1.~Prayer

2.~Worship

3.~Reading the Bible

4.~Serving at and beyond Mount Si

5.~Spiritual Relationships

6.~Giving of our Time, Talents and Resources

We are a Christ Centered Community Located near Mount Si

Summer Worship Schedule at 9:00AM
May 28th-Sept. 10th



Sunday Worship Schedule begins
Sept. 17th

- 8:15AM Traditional Service
- 9:15AM Fellowship/Coffee Hour
- 9:35AM Confirmation Class
- 9:35-10:30AM Sunday School
- 9:45-10:30AM Adult Christian Ed
- 10:45AM Praise Service

- Larry Thomas—Interim Pastor
- Pastor's email: ledgarthomas@gmail.com
- Pastor's phone: (425) 802-1212
- Sheila Rodriguez—Administrative Assistant
- Heidi Dukich—Council President
- Andy Velebir and Carol Reitz—Worship & Music
- Carol Reitz and Suzy Schuba—Piano
- Sue Oster—Custodian
- Jeff King—Treasurer
- Leslie Hatling—Financial Secretary

Summer Office Hours: M-Th 9AM-12:30PM & 1:00-3:30PM
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Mount Si's GOOD NEWSletter

