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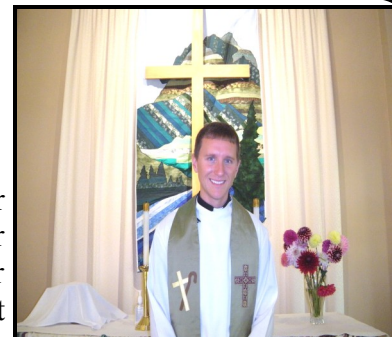
- May 5th & 12th—New Member Orientation
- May 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th, 7PM Wednesday Worship
- May 10th—Mother's Day
- May 12th—6PM All Committee Night
- May 15th & 16th—ELCA NWWA Synod Assembly
- May 16th—11AM-2PM CROP Walk Car Wash
- May 17th—Sundae Sunday —New Member Sunday —12:30PM CROP Walk
- May 25th—Memorial Day Holiday (offices closed)
- May 31st—Sunday School Teacher Appreciation/Last Day of Sunday School
- June 1st—Aug. 31st Pr. Mark begins Sabbatical

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From Pastor Mark's Desk.....

Sabbatical Time



On June 1st I will begin a three month sabbatical. For most of us this will be a new experience. I have never had a sabbatical and most of you have never had a pastor go on sabbatical. The goal for this time is a bit paradoxical. It's a time of rest and growth. Now how does one rest and at the same time grow? Having a time away or a time apart from the regular rhythm of my vocation will allow me to rest and find a new creative space. In that time and from that time I will be able to explore new ways of thinking about life and ministry together. Sabbatical is not a three month vacation or paid time off. It is time of intentional rest, but more than that it is an alternate rhythm for three months that allows us all time and space to grow in new ways.

Jesus offers a beautiful metaphor for a life of discipleship in John 15:5 He says, "I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing." Sabbatical is an abiding time and a looking to be fruitful time.

During this precious sabbatical time I will be writing my doctoral dissertation. My hope is to get a solid first draft during these three months. I will then be able to spend the rest of the year, editing and fussing with it until it is just right. Upon my return from sabbatical you will have an opportunity to hear and share in what I've done. I intentionally planned the beginning of my doctoral program around the anticipation of taking sabbatical this summer and focusing on writing. When I made that plan this seemed like a far off future and I'm amazed it's here already.

Heather, the girls, and I will be staying here. I will be around the community and you will more than likely see me at the coffee shop staring at my laptop. It's a time apart but we won't be strangers.

While I am away you will be in good hands. One of the pastors I respect the most in this world is going to be preaching on Sundays and providing pastoral care as needed. Pastor Larry Thomas will be with you the thirteen Sundays from June until the end of August. He is an excellent preacher and a great pastor and I know you will enjoy your time with him. Pastor Larry will proclaim to you the good news of Jesus Christ, challenge you to be better followers, and empower you to live your faith out in the world.

One of the last projects I'm working on before I leave is a new member orientation. We will have a new member orientation reception on May 17th between the services. Please look forward to welcoming the new members into our midst. We have, as always, a terrific group of people who desire to become formal members of our congregation.



Welcome to the Book of Faith page. The purpose of this page is to share all things related to the Book of Faith focus at Mount Si Lutheran. Stay tuned each month, and prepare to share your input as we together do what the above tag line says, “Open Scripture and Join the Conversation”.

GET INTO GOD’S WORD

“The Word became flesh and dwelt among us” (John 1:14, NKJV)

Throughout the Old Testament God routinely spoke to people. In these thirty-nine books He gave them instructions and promises with conditions. Some people understood what He was saying, others didn’t. Some tried to live by it with varying degrees of success, while others rejected it and decided to do their own thing. Then God did something truly incredible: “The Word became flesh and blood, and moved into the neighborhood. We saw the glory with our own eyes, the one-of-a-kind glory, like Father, like Son, generous inside and out, true from start to finish” (v. 14, The Message). Jesus was a living Bible! John tells us, “The Word was God” (v. 1, NKJV), so the more you get into the Word and get it into you, the more of *God* you’re depositing within you. You say, “But sometimes I don’t get much out of reading the Bible.” A word to the wise: When you start studying the Bible, don’t do it to find some new truth nobody else has ever seen. Do it with the attitude, “Lord, what are You saying to *me*?” The problem most of us have isn’t interpreting the difficult passages; it’s obeying the ones we already understand! The Word of God provides you with two things: 1) *Protection*. The Psalmist said, “Unless your law had been my delight, I would then have perished in my affliction. I will never forget your precepts, for by them you have given me life” (Ps. 119:92-93 NKJV). 2) *Direction*. “Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my life” (v. 105 NKJV). Need direction? Need protection? Get into God’s word.

(From: *The Word for You Today* devotional, entry for January 6, 2015.)



Wednesday Evening Worship at 7PM

This is a contemporary, contemplative worship with Holy Communion. Join us and see what all the enthusiasm is about!

→ Please Note: No Wednesday Worship during the summer months of June, July & August



God’s Work, Our Hands—Day of Service Sunday, Sept. 14th

If you are interested in helping plan this awesome day - see Courtney Adams!

Parish Education News!

The Sunday School season is drawing to a close, but there is still time to come check us out! We have classes for ages 3-103, so there is sure to be something that will meet your needs! Check the schedule below:

***Children's Sunday School is 9:30-10:30 AM**
***Teen Time Schedule: 9:45 Ready! 9:50 Set! 10:20 Go!**
***Adult Education Hour: 9:45-10:30 AM**

Sunday School Staff for the 2014-2015 School Year:

Opening Music—vacancy
Preschool & Kindergarten— Nancy Flanagan/Rosemary Hanson
1st & 2nd grades—Debbie Jones/Dana Koukol
3rd & 4th grades—Ann Bartlett/Courtney Adams
5th & 6th grades—Kim & Mike Buckmaster/Joanne Chase
Teen Time—James Mehring
Adult Education Hour—Pastor Mark/Sue Shardelman

Adult Class

How did Jesus proclaim and demonstrate the Kingdom of God? What key aspects of the Kingdom, and which attributes of Jesus, do we notice in the Gospels and Acts? Jesus talked about, explained and modeled the Kingdom of Heaven while he was on earth with us. How can we use his example to more fully live out the Kingdom of God in our present day?

This is the focus of our “Word & World Series” of discussions which will continue through the month of May. Using the Book of James this month, we will read a chapter from the Bible, and talk about what we learn from Jesus in these Scriptures. Then we will apply what we find to current local and global news headlines. Pastor Mark will lead these discussions. Bring your Bible, grab a cup of coffee, and join us in the library for lively conversation! We start at **9:45 am**.

Schedule Notes

May 17th: Sundae Sunday
May 24th: Memorial Day weekend—no SS
May 31st: Last day of SS for this year/Sunday School Teacher Appreciation
July 26th– 30th: VBS—Mark your calendar now so you don't miss out on “Everest”
September 7th: Labor Day
September 13th: “God's Work, Our Hands” Day of Service
September 20th: First day of SS for the new school year



Sundae Sunday May 17th at 9:30AM

I Scream! You Scream! We all Scream for Ice cream! What an exciting year we've had! We will celebrate on May 17th with a short lesson and ice cream Sundaes and all the fixings during the Sunday School hour. We hope to see all the kids there! Our last day of Sunday School for the summer will be Sunday, May 31st! Sept. 20th will be the first day of Sunday School classes for the Fall quarter.



Sunday School Teacher Recognition and Appreciation Sunday, May 31st

Please join us as we recognize the following Sunday School Teachers for another wonderful year of faithful service. **Nancy Flanagan, Rosemary Hanson, Debbie Jones, Dana Koukol, Ann Bartlett, Courtney Adams, Mike & Kim Buckmaster, Joanne Chase, James Mehring, Sue Shardelman, and Pr. Mark Griffith.** Special thanks to Courtney Adams and Joanne Chase for co-leading the Sunday School for many years now. God bless you all for providing our children a full faith experience with **Grow, Proclaim, Serve!** and helping the children to develop the skills to unlock the Bible and grow their faith by leaps and bounds!



LIBRARY NEWS—The Library is featuring books for CHILDREN and YOUTH. Please come and see what we have. Check out the FREE Book Cart! If you have questions or would like to volunteer in our library, please speak with Connie Som 425 888-0727, Joyce Ayers 425 865-9853 or Sue Oster 425 888-4056.



Chronic Conditions Support Group for Women: Once a month, a group of women with various chronic health conditions meet together to study, share, encourage and support one another. We meet on the second Saturday of each month, 10 am - noon, in the library or fellowship hall. All women with chronic health conditions are welcome to join us.

Please contact Sue Shardelman (888-0772) for further information. The meetings will be noted on the calendar as CCSG.



Sunday, May 17th—Please join us as we welcome the newest members to join Mt. Si Lutheran Church. Council is hosting the reception during coffee hour fellowship. All are invited!



Snoqualmie Valley CROP Hunger Walk—May 17, 2015

Impact your community and the world. Walk with us!

Local details:

Location: Meadowbrook Farm Interpretive Center, 1711 Boalch Ave., North Bend

Walk: 12:30 p.m.

Community BBQ to follow

Participating churches are: Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church, Mount Si Lutheran (ELCA), Snoqualmie United Methodist Church, & St. Clare's Episcopal Church.

If interested in walking and getting pledges, please speak to Pr. Mark or James Mehring

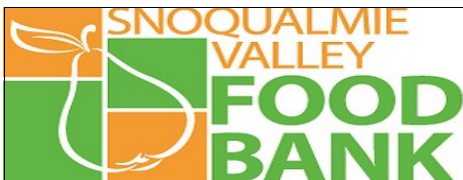


CROP Hunger Walk Car Wash—Date: Sat., May 16th Time: 11AM-2PM

Place: Les Schwab in North Bend

Please come out to support this effort to raise funds at the car wash!

If you would like to buy a Mt. Si Lutheran t-shirt to wear at the car wash or CROP Walk, Contact James Mehring. T-shirts are \$10 each (sizes limited)



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 2015 Council Members

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Submitted by Jack Boller, Church Council President

Greetings and peace to you all from your Church council.

As we move through spring toward summer a number of things are happening. Pastor is beginning a new members class for several families new to our congregation. These classes will run to the middle of May. On May 17th the Council will host a new member brunch between services. This will be an excellent opportunity for you to join us in welcoming the new members into the Mt. Si church family.

As you should already know Pastor Mark will be beginning a three month sabbatical beginning June 1. We are happy to have Pastor Larry Thomas coming on each Sunday to deliver the sermon and provide pastoral care as needed while Pastor Mark is away. Pastor Mark will be returning the first Sunday in September. Because of this, we have decided to have May 31 be the last Sunday for Sunday School. We will begin our summer service schedule with one service at 9:00AM on June 7th. Following that service the Council will be hosting a reception for Pastor Larry. We have also decided to suspend the Wednesday services through the summer, resuming them in September.

Our monthly Committee Night meetings are going well so far. They are offering us an opportunity to have discussions of issues that affect multiple committees. If you have been thinking about joining a committee but weren't sure how to get started, just show up at the Committee Night meeting. This will give you the opportunity to see what each of the committees does and decide what the best fit for you will be. Families are welcome. We start with pizza at 6:00 and business begins at 6:30. Our next meeting will be May 12th.

Our Budget and Finance work group has been making progress. Our goal is to have a proposal to present to the Council at the June Council meeting. We are looking at our fixed operating costs, salaries, and ministries. We are working on a plan that will allow us to strategically plan and prioritize to best use our resources to meet our mission.

On May 17th we will be participating in the annual Crop Walk event. Please watch the bulletins for more details. As we move into the summer please watch the newsletter and bulletins for opportunities to participate in other congregational activities. We will be having VBS in July, our youth will be taking a mission trip to Portland, and we will have our traditional progressive dinner in August as well as a congregational camping trip.

2015 Synod Assembly—thank you to Sue Shardelman and Tom Som for serving as our Synod Assembly Reps



May 15 & 16 at the Lynnwood Convention Center

Check-in & fellowship begin at 8am on Friday & Saturday
 Schedule: Friday 9:30am-6pm and Saturday 8:30am-5pm

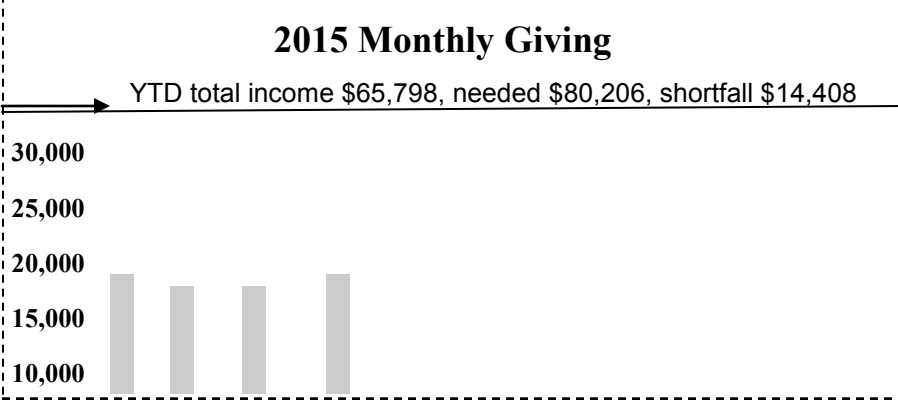
Our THEME:

Can We Talk: Exploring together the art of respectful conversation

Our AGENDA:

In addition to worship, discussions, displays and business items, we will be welcoming three wonderful presenters. We look forward to hearing from Pastor Mark Branson from The Missional Network & Fuller Seminary; Dr. Cynthia Moe-Lobeda from Seattle University; and Ms. Christina Jackson-Skelton, Executive Director, ELCA Mission Advancement.

You may contribute to the newsletter by submitting your articles to the church office by email, snail mail, or a simple phone call. The Deadline for submissions is the **THIRD MONDAY** of each month, except when earlier deadlines are required due to holidays, etc.



There will be limited office coverage the week of May 1-8.

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.



July/August Newsletter Deadline is Mon., June 15th

Opportunities to Serve, Reach Out and Grow in Grace

All Committees will meet on the second Tues. of each month at 6PM to share a meal and discuss church goals with other ministries, then break into their individual committees. Anyone interested in hearing more about a committee is welcome to come and check it out. A free will offering is taken to go towards the meal.

Council meets at 7PM the third Tues. of the month.

Summer Worship Schedule at Mt. Si Lutheran Begins--June 7th, 9:00AM Worship

On June 7th, we will begin our Summer Worship schedule with one worship service at 9:00a.m. followed by coffee hour/fellowship time. This is an exciting opportunity to have our entire congregation worship together. The change will take place from June 7th through Sept. 13th, so come to church at 9:00a.m. and join us in the fellowship hall afterwards for coffee and fellowship. Please give a warm welcome to Pastor Larry Thomas who will lead our summer worship while Pastor Mark Griffith is on sabbatical.

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 Ritzenhaller at 425 888-5294. **Location: Mt. Si Golf Course**

Bible Study for WOMEN

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



2015 Graduates Recognized on Sunday, June 14th

This summer, Mount Si Lutheran recognizes our 2015 graduates who have worked hard to accomplish their goals. On Sunday, June 14th, we will celebrate the achievements of seven high school graduates and four college graduates.

We are thankful to God for guiding these wonderful saints in their journey and for leading them on to what's ahead.

Listed below are the names of those who will be recognized on June 14th.

The Graduate families will host a reception during coffee hour immediately following worship.

All are welcome.

Alex Adams from Mount Si High School

Gretchen Chase from Mount Si High School

Kaitlyn Lilleberg from Mount Si High School—*Kaitlyn will be attending Washington State University*

Sam Luna from Mount Si High School—*Sam will be attending Renton Technical College*

Hallie Lynn from Mount Si High School—*Hallie will be attending Abilene Christian University*

Elizabeth Prewitt from Mount Si High School

Joshua Stone from Mount Si High School—*Joshua will be attending Central Washington University*

Edwin Benson from University of Wisconsin -Whitewater—*Edwin's degree is a B.A. in Business Administration in General Management and is graduating Magna Cum Laude.*

Following graduation, Edwin has accepted a full time job at Aurora Hospital in Milwaukee, WI

Haley Chase from Gonzaga University—*Haley's degree is a B.S. in Psychology with a minor in Mathematics*

Nate Chase from Gonzaga University—*Nate's degree is a B.S. in History with a minor in Mathematics*

Ben Luna from Washington State University—*Ben's degree is a B.S. in Integrated Plant Sciences with a major in Turfgrass Management. He will be completing an internship at Gamble Sands Golf Course (near Chelan) as an Assistant Superintendent*



Baccalaureate Service

HIGH SCHOOL BACCALAUREATE

JUNE 7, 2015 at 6:00PM

Sunday, June 7th at 6:00PM, the High School Baccalaureate will be held at Snoqualmie Valley Alliance Church at 36017 SE Fish Hatchery Rd Fall City, WA. This program is a religious celebration honoring our seniors' commencement. All parents and graduating seniors, families & friends are invited to participate.



Youth Mission Trip to Portland, Oregon—July 7th-11th

Mt. Si Lutheran Church Youth Group is headed down to Portland July 7th-11th for our Summer Youth Mission Trip. We will be joining with two other local Lutheran Church's to have a unique and impactful experience. We will serve the local community in a multitude of ways as well as have some fun experiencing the uniqueness of Portland.

If you are interested in being involved contact:
James Mehring, Family & Youth Ministry Director!!!



The Spirit

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Not a Meeting Guy

by the Rev. Kirby Unti, NWWA Bishop



I am an ENFP on the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator personality inventory. This is code language for “you will find such characters roaming the halls at Synod Convention and rarely present in the assembly itself.”

Truth be known, the first Synod Assembly that I was present for from start to finish was last year's. You may remember the year I was elected all the nominees were cloistered so I can't even count 2013. In fact there is very little of the 2013 Assembly that I remember.

Needless to say, now that I serve in the Office of Bishop I am expected to not only attend the Synod Assembly but to be present in the Plenary Hall when the sessions are in order. This has caused me more than a little heartburn. It is right up there with being asked to go out on the dance floor knowing I have no sense of rhythm whatsoever.

Not only am I expected to be present, I am expected to “chair” the meeting which means I am supposed to have some understanding of Robert's Rules of Order. Bless Robert's heart but his rules have never been my thing. And bless former ELCA Secretary David Swartling's heart because he took me on last year as his “parliamentarian project.” Little did he know how inept his student was!

The last guy to serve in this office is so in love with Robert's Rules that he now is the Secretary of the ELCA. He prides himself in being one of the first to purchase the latest edition and can hardly wait to read it from cover to cover. You can see the bar is set really high in this Synod.

So this year when we gather at the Lynnwood Convention Center under the theme “Can We Talk,” I will do what I have done all my life: I will ask of God the Moses question, “Who am I that I should go?” I will take comfort in knowing that the Bible is full of reluctant leaders from Moses, to David, to Paul. Some might even argue Jesus. And, I will stand before the Assembly trusting that the Spirit will provide all that I need for that which the Spirit has called me to do.

And I will pray that those who gather will be as gracious as those who gathered last year and together we will experience the joy of what it means to be the church together. I trust we will worship well, laugh often, enter into deeply respectful conversation and conduct the work of this Synod - to dish up God's grace for a hungry world.






You will delight in journeying with our very own theologian and Biblical Guide Cynthia Moe-Lobeda who will offer us a Lutheran lens on what it means to value the other. Presenter Mark Lau Branson will help us see how the use of Appreciative Inquiry can set the table to engage our neighbors in the pressing conversations of our times. This year breakout sessions and an Open Space setting will provide you with the opportunity to learn critical listening skills while exploring challenging conversations into which we are called.

See you at Assembly! I will be the guy up front with the wooden hammer!

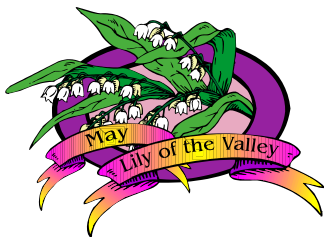
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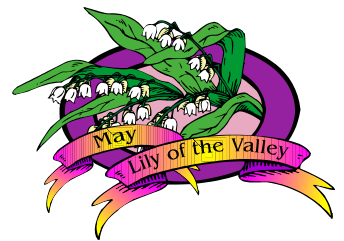
Mount Si Lutheran Church Family and Youth Calendar

Schedule of Events!	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><u>Calendar Notes</u></p> <p>-This Year's Crop Walk is on May 17th. The walk starts 12:30 pm. If you can, please wear your Mt. Si Lutheran Church t-shirt, if you need one we are selling them for \$10.</p> <p>-The day BEFORE the Crop Walk Saturday May 16th, we will be running a car wash at Les Schwab from 11-2pm. I will be looking for helpers who can come help raise awareness and donations towards for the Crop Walk.</p> <p>-REMEMBER we have our Ministry Night on Tuesday May 12th. Meal at 6 pm, Family and Youth meeting starts at 6:30 pm.</p> <p>-Look for VBS decoration work parties. We don't have any scheduled yet but they will be happening and we will appreciate help!!!</p>	<p>*If you have and questions, feel free to contact me:</p> <p>jamesmehring@gmail.com Or (262) 210-7392</p>					1	2
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<p>10</p> 	<p>11</p> 	<p>12</p> <p>All Ministries meet for meal and Discussions 6:00 pm</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Confirmation 6:00 pm Evening Service 7:00 pm</p> <p>†</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p> 	<p>16</p> <p>Crop Walk Car-Wash 11am-2pm</p>	
<p>17</p> <p>Crop Walk 12:30 pm</p> 	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Council Meeting 7:00 pm</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Confirmation 6:00 pm Evening Service 7:00 pm</p> <p>†</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	
<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> 	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Evening Service 7:00 pm</p> <p>†</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	
<p>31</p>	<p>James is away May 21-27</p>						<p>30</p>

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		<h1>Mt. Si Lutheran</h1>			1	2
3 Fifth Sunday of Easter 8:15AM Traditional Worship & 10:45AM Praise Worship 9:30-10:30AM Sunday School & Fellowship Coffee Hour	4 12:30PM Women's Bible Study 5:45-7:45PM GS Tr. #43665	5 7PM New Member Orientation Class	6 7PM Worship 	7	8 12:45-2:45PM GS Tr. #42385	9 8AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study @ Mt. Si Golf Course 2PM Memorial for Laurie Orcutt Wheeler
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17 Seventh Sunday of Easter Sundae Sunday and New Member Reception 8:15AM Traditional Worship & 10:45AM Praise Worship 9:30-10:30AM Sunday School & Fellowship Coffee Hour 12:30PM CROP Hunger Walk 	18 12:30PM Women's Bible Study 5:45-7:45PM GS Tr. #43665	19 7PM Council meeting	20 7PM Worship 	21 Noon ELCA Pastors' Study 7PM AA	22 12:45-2:45PM GS Tr. #42385	23 8AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study @ Mt. Si Golf Course
24 Day of Pentecost 8:15AM Traditional Worship & 10:45AM Praise Worship 9:30-10:30AM Fellowship Coffee Hour	25 HOLIDAY (offices closed) <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> 12:30PM Women's Bible Study	26 6:30-7:30PM Boy Scout Den #4	27 7PM Worship 	28 Noon ELCA Pastors' Study 7PM AA	29	30 8AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study @ Mt. Si Golf Course 11AM Teen Closet Sorting
31 The Holy Trinity 8:15AM Traditional Worship & 10:45AM Praise Worship 9:30-10:30AM Last Day of Sunday School & Fellowship Coffee Hour Sunday School Teacher Recognition and Appreciation Reception during coffee hour <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>	June 1 12:30PM Women's Bible Study 5:45-7:45PM GS Tr. #43665	2	3	4 Noon ELCA Pastors' Study 7PM AA	5 12:45-2:45PM GS Tr. #42385	6 8AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study @ Mt. Si Golf Course



Flower Chart for the Sanctuary

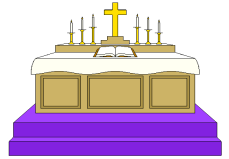


DATE	NAME	IN MEMORY OR HONOR OF
May 3	Lenard & Joy Benson	In Loving Memory of their son, Carl
May 10	Terry & Courtney Adams	In Honor of Alex's 18th birthday
May 17		
May 24		
May 31		



If you would like to bring flowers for the altar for a special occasion in **2015**, please see the sign up chart in the Fellowship Hall for openings or call the church office at 425 888-1322.

Worship Assistants for May



SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE 8:15AM & 10:45AM	May 3 Fifth Sunday of Easter	May 10 Sixth Sunday of Easter Mother's Day	May 17 Seventh Sunday of Easter	May 24 Day of Pentecost	May 31 The Holy Trinity
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8:15AM	Herman Schlaht Mike Kober	Koukol Family	Tom & Connie Som	Herman Schlaht Mike Kober	Paul & Laura Ritzenthaler
9:30AM	Sunday School & Coffee Hour Fellowship				
10:45AM	Mark Imsland Bob Bartlett	Tom Chase Mike Hanson	Mark Imsland Bob Bartlett	Tom Chase Mike Hanson	Ed & Jane Benson
Counters	Kay Boyle Nancy Flanagan	Ed Benson Debbie Spurling		Kelly Luna Ann Bartlett	
Communion Assistants					
8:15AM	Courtney Adams	Dave Franson	Inge Burnside	Kay Boyle	Inge Burnside
10:45AM	Debra Spurling	Joanne Chase	Debra Spurling	Rosemary Hanson	Joanne Chase
Lector					
8:15AM	Terry Adams	Suzie Franson	Tom Burnside	Pat Palmer	Tom Burnside
10:45AM	Linda Velebir	Joan Guenther	Suzy Cassidy	Linda Velebir	Joan Guenther
8:15 Cantor Music	John Cassidy Lori Murton	Dave Spurling Abbie Grimstad	Jack Boller Rachel Combs	Dave Spurling Lori Murton	John Cassidy Lori Murton

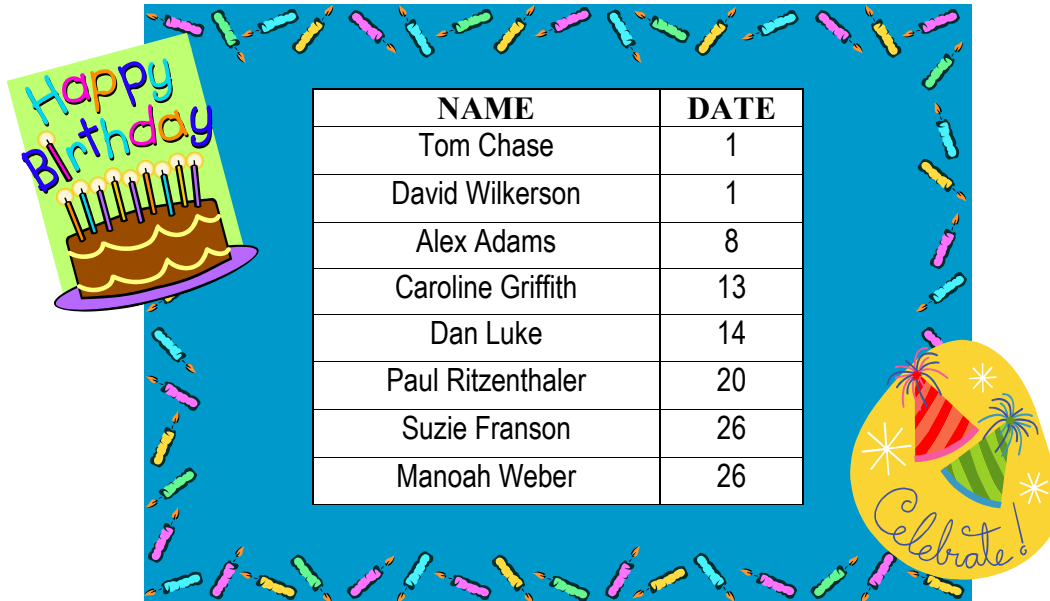
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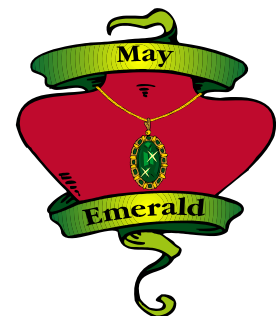


NAME	DATE
Tom Chase	1
David Wilkerson	1
Alex Adams	8
Caroline Griffith	13
Dan Luke	14
Paul Ritzenthaler	20
Suzie Franson	26
Manoah Weber	26

Anniversaries!




Mike & Kim Buckmaster	May 1
Dan & Linda Luke	May 1
Paul & Etta Katocs	May 9
Charles & Pat Thomas	May 19
Ed & Jane Benson	May 26
Kelly & Beth Luna	May 28



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June 2015



Mount Si Lutheran Church Family and Youth Calendar

Schedule of Events!	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><u>Calendar Notes</u></p> <p>-Come join us on June 14th while we honor our senior's graduating from high school as well as college graduates.</p> <p>-We will be running a craft table at the Snoqualmie Valley Food Bank on June 24th to help put out the word on our VBS. If you are interested in helping please let me know!!</p> <p>-Mt. Si Lutheran is going to see the Tacoma Rainiers. The game is in Tacoma on June 28th at 1:30 p.m.</p> <p>-REMEMBER we have our Ministry Night on Tuesday, June 9th. Meal at 6 pm, Family and Youth meeting starts at 6:30 pm.</p> <p>-Look for VBS decoration work parties. We don't have any scheduled yet but they will be happening and we will appreciate help!!!</p> <p>-The Portland Mission Trip is right around the corner (July 7th-11th)! We will be having information for those going coming out soon!</p>		1	2	3	4	5	6
	7	8	9 All Ministries meet for meal and Discussions 6:00 pm	10	11	12	13
	14 Grad's Sunday 9:00am 	15	16 Council Meeting 7:00pm	17	18	19	20
	21 HAPPY FATHER'S DAY 	22	23	24 Craft booth @ Food Bank 11am-1pm 	25	26	27
	28 Rainiers Game 1:30pm 	29	30				
	*If you have any questions, feel free to contact me: jamesmehring@gmail.com Or (262) 210-7392						

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <h1 style="font-size: 4em; color: green; text-decoration: underline;">Mt. Si Lutheran</h1>						
	1 12:30PM Women's Bible Study 5:45-7:45PM GS Troop #43665	2	3 4-6PM Teen Closet	4 Noon ELCA Pastors' study 7PM AA	5 (offices closed) 12:45-2:45PM GS Tr. #42385	6 8AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study @ Mt. Si Golf Course
7 Second Sunday after Pentecost 9:00AM Worship 10AM Fellowship Coffee Hour Reception to welcome Pr. Larry Thomas 6PM High School Baccalaureate at SVA 	8 12:30PM Women's Bible Study 7PM SVFB meeting	9 6:30-7:30PM Boy Scout Den #4 6:00PM All Ministries meet for meal and group discussions	10	11 Noon ELCA Pastors' Study 7PM AA	12 (offices closed)	13 8AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study @ Mt. Si Golf Course 10AM-Noon CCSG
14 Third Sunday after Pentecost 9:00AM Worship & Graduate Recognition Sunday 10AM Fellowship Coffee Hour Graduate Reception 	15 12:30PM Women's Bible Study 5:45-7:45PM GS Troop #43665 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 	16 7PM Council meeting	17	18 Noon ELCA Pastors' Study 7PM AA	19 (offices closed)	20 8AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study @ Mt. Si Golf Course
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Flower Chart for the Sanctuary

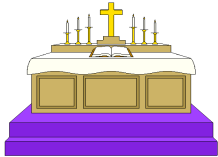


DATE	NAME	IN MEMORY OR HONOR OF
June 7		
June 14		
June 21	Kay & Larry Boyle	In Honor of their 51st wedding anniversary
June 28		



If you would like to bring flowers for the altar for a special occasion in **2015**, please see the sign up chart in the Fellowship Hall for openings or call the church office at 425 888-1322.

Worship Assistants for June



SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE 9:00AM	June 7 Second Sunday after Pentecost <small>Summer Worship</small>	June 14 Third Sunday after Pentecost <small>Graduate Sunday Summer Worship</small>	June 21 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost <small>Father's Day Summer Worship</small>	June 28 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost <small>Summer Worship</small>
Usher	9:00AM Only	9:00AM Only	9:00AM Only	9:00AM Only
9:00AM	Tom & Connie Som	-----Ushers needed-----		
10:00AM	Coffee Hour Fellowship			
Counters	Kay Boyle Ann Bartlett	Ed Benson Dan Luke	---Counters Needed---	
Communion Assistants				
9:00AM	Vicki Wallentine	-----Helpers needed-----		
Lector				
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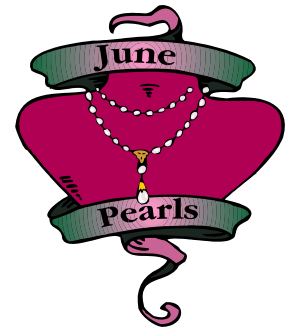
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Ian Auxter	2	Emma O'Brien	20
Darlene Lockwood	2	Michael Kober	21
Ann Bartlett	7	Tiana Graciidis	22
Sadie Griffith	7	Grady Guenther	24
Inge Burnside	9	Julie Imsland	25
Heather Griffith	9	Susan Schuba	30
Herman Schlaht	11	Megan Stone	30
Elizabeth Prewitt	13		



Anniversaries!




Rick & Sue Van Gerpen	June 6
Tom & Connie Som	June 8
Joe & Denise Stone	June 14
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Easter Breakfast

Thank You!

What a wonderful Easter Season we had. I want to give a special thank you to all who help participate with Easter Breakfast. It's amazing to have a congregation this willing to donate food, money, and time to put this event together. The Easter Egg Hunt was a lot of fun for the smaller ones! This year we raised \$612 dollars to be split between the 2015 Portland Youth Mission Trip and 2015 ELCA "Walk for Water" Campaign.

What a Blessed Easter!

James Mehring, Director of Family & Youth Ministry



2015 V.B.S.



**VBS Dates—Sun.-Thurs.,
July 26-30**

6:00-8:00PM

Volunteer sign-up sheet coming soon!

Contact James Mehring

**Watch our website for registration
information**

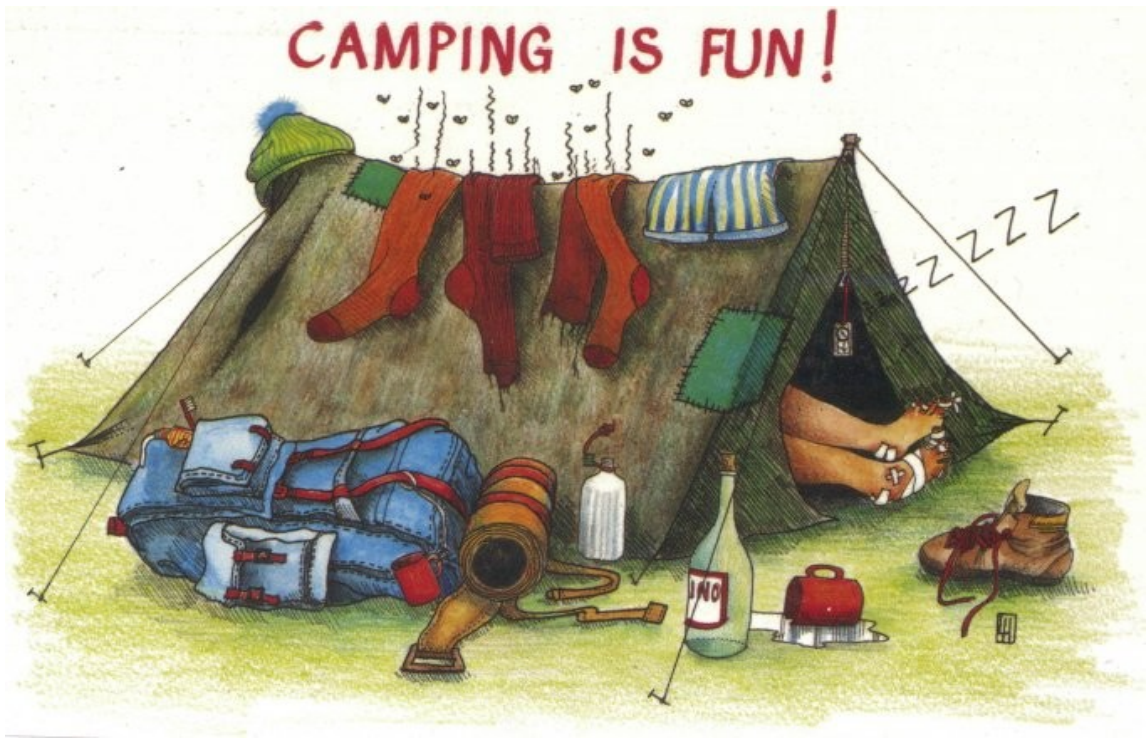
Upcoming Summer Events!

PROGRESSIVE DINNER



Like Drive-Thru, but not really!

Save the Date!
Sat., Aug. 15th
Progressive Dinner



Family Camping Weekend Aug. 20-23

Please plan to join us at Salmon La Sac Campground on Thursday-Sunday, August 20-23. We have 2 campsites reserved for Thursday night, and 4 campsites for Friday-Saturday nights. This is a great campground 1 ¾ hours from North Bend just over the Cascades in Central WA. Put this on your calendar, and plan on a great weekend of family camping, hiking, and water play. We'll share Saturday breakfast and dinner meals plus have a Saturday Evening service. Salmon La Sac is close enough, that even if you don't camp, it will be a great day/evening trip to come over for Saturday dinner and evening service!! What?—don't have a tent? Let us know because there are certainly some spare tents and other camping gear others will be happy to share. Look for more details and sign-up sheet in coming months. Contact Bob Bartlett for questions.

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

Sunday Worship Schedule

8:15AM Traditional Service

9:15AM Fellowship/Coffee Hour

9:30-10:30AM Sunday School

9:45-10:30AM Adult Christian Ed

10:45AM Praise Service

Fifth Sunday of the Month will be Healing Sunday

7:00PM Wednesday Evening Worship w/Holy Communion

Summer Sunday Worship Schedule (June 7-Sept. 13)

9:00AM Worship

10:00 Fellowship/Coffee Hour

The Rev. G. Mark Griffith—Pastor

Supply Pastor—The Rev. Larry Thomas

James Mehring—Family & Youth Ministry Director

Sheila Rodriguez—Administrative Assistant

Jack Boller—Council President

Andy Velebir and Carol Reitz—Worship & Music

Lori Murton, Abigail Grimstad & Rachel Combs—Piano

Sue Oster—Custodian

Lori Murton—Treasurer

Leslie Hatling—Financial Secretary

Church Office Hours: M-F 9AM-12Noon & 12:30-3:30 PM (office coverage may vary)

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