

April 28, 2024- Volume 4 - Edition 17

THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Sunday, May 5

9:30 AM – Worship, Sanctuary
10:00 AM – Resident Worship, Julian Estates
10:45 AM – Coffee Hour and Fellowship
11:00 AM – 12:15 AM Choir Rehearsal
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM Confirmation Class
1:30 PM – Resident Worship, Bonaventure
5:00 PM* –Worship, YouTube

Tuesday, May 7

10:00 AM – Worship and Music Committee Meeting

Wednesday, May 8

12:00 PM – Prayer @ Noon

Song Links

Here is a link to the praise song for this week, "Breathe":

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0MuP1Kog-Gw>

Out of the Office

Pastor Eric will be away from the office for part of next Tuesday, May 7 thru Thursday, May 9. However, he can still be reached by phone.

Sunday, May 12 **Mother's Day**

9:30 AM – Worship, Sanctuary
10:00 AM – Resident Worship, Julian Estates
10:45 AM – Coffee Hour and Fellowship
1:30 PM – Resident Worship, Bonaventure
5:00 PM* –Worship, YouTube

Tuesday, May 14

10:00 AM – Women's Ministry Meeting
6:30 PM – Church Board Meeting

Wednesday, May 15

12:00 PM – Prayer @ Noon
6:00 PM – New Date – Happening Now Film;
Fellowship Hall

***Always the goal, but may be impacted by technology issues beyond our control**

The Office Phone

The phone line is still out, but **we have the ability to retrieve voicemail**, so you can call the office phone and leave a voice message. We will check for messages periodically during offices hours Tuesday – Thursday.

Other ways to contact us:

Pastor Eric (253) 370-4651 (mobile)

pastor@LivingWordLutheranChurch.org

Dan (206) 719-7884 (mobile)

office@LivingWordLutheranChurch.org



*That there is a security person who remains by the front doors before and during all worship services? They are responsible for monitoring the parking lot, walking through the building checking doors, placing visitor parking signs in the parking lot, advising the nursery attendants of communion, and notifying the congregation of emergencies. There is an airhorn on the usher's table in the narthex that the security person will use when there is an emergency affecting the congregation. **One blast - shelter in place; Two blasts - exit the building.** Don Brennan chairs the Usher/Security Committee.*

That there is an emergency exit floor plan on the wall of each room in the church? It is specific to each room of the church and indicates where to exit in case of an emergency.

That there is a greeter/usher at the front door distributing the Order of Service, Pastor's sermon notes, and the Lifeline before worship? That they also pass the offering plates during the service, and usher people to participate in communion?

That the confirmands are now included in serving as greeters, acolytes, lectors, and assisting with communion preparation? They are a welcome addition to our worship service and we appreciate them very much!

THE WOMEN'S MINISTRY BAKE SALE was a huge success! Thanks to all who brought baked goods, participated in the set-up and purchased baked goods! The total monies raised was \$392.00. This will go toward church needs.

MEMORIAL GARDEN UPDATE

Last Saturday we were thrilled and blessed to receive a gift of 43 yards of premium soil for the Memorial Garden. Once the weather cooperates, the topsoil will be spread to accommodate lawn sod. Please let Dennis Krumwiede or Ron Johnson know if you can help rake soil!

Designs are being established for the location of shrubs and plants, along with a 9' steel cross to be installed to the East of the arbor that is already in place. Two benches are planned for the cement pad under the arbor. The door exiting from the narthex to the garden is a "work in progress".

Please contact a committee member with questions: Nancy Martin, Ron or Sharon Johnson, Dennis or Judy Krumwiede, Lorraine Stargel, Ardis Kilber.

CHANCEL FLOWERS You don't need a special occasion or spend a lot of money to bring flowers. Please sign up on the chart in the narthex or call the church office (253-846-1276) if you wish to fill one (or more) of the empty slots on the flower chart. Thank you!

Upcoming Lectionary Readings

Full Lectionary for May 5, 2024; 6th Sunday of Easter (**Note:** we will be celebrating the Ascension of Our Lord on this Day, using the Ascension Day readings. These)

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| First Reading | Acts 10:44-48 | |
| Psalm | Psalm 98 | |
| Second Reading | 1 John 5:1-6 | |
| Gospel | John 15:9-17 | Parament Color: White |

Ascension Day is an ancient church celebration of both Eastern and Western traditions. It commemorates Jesus Rising up into heaven (Acts 1:9-11). The original designated day was 40 days after Easter (Acts 1:3) and ten days before Pentecost. This puts it always on a Thursday. Catholic dioceses may observe it on a Sunday (and many do) if permission is granted from the Vatican. Many Protestant denominations have moved the celebration day to a Sunday.

Full Lectionary for May 9, 2024; The Ascension of our Lord

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| First Reading | Acts 1:1-11 | |
| Psalm | Psalm 47 or Psalm 93 | |
| Second Reading | Ephesians 1:15-23 | |
| Gospel | Luke 24:44-53 | Parament Color: White |

Full Lectionary for May 12, 2024; 7th Sunday of Easter

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| First Reading | Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 | |
| Psalm | Psalm 1 | |
| Second Reading | 1 John 5:9-13 | |
| Gospel | John 17:6-19 | Parament Color: White |

Full Lectionary for May 19, 2024; Day of Pentecost

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| First Reading | Acts 2:1-21 or Ezekiel 37:1-14 | |
| Psalm | Psalm 104:24-34, 35b | |
| Second Reading | Romans 8:22-27 | |
| Gospel | John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15 | Parament Color: Red |

PRAYER ROOM

“Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise.”
James 3:18 (ESV)

Watch over those who put themselves in harm’s way to protect us and grant peace of mind to the families who love and miss them. We praise you for continuing to protect:

Andrew Thompson (Griswold)
Josh Jepsen, USAF Utah
Richy Vollmer (Vollmer)
Evan Gregory Blodgett
Devlin Durkin (McKenzie)
Elijah Lundberg, USMC Yuma, AZ

Seth Hearl
Michael Elliott
Chris Berentson
Ivan Daubenspeck, USMC Okinawa (Owen)
Owen Daubenspeck, USAF Spokane (Owen)

Comfort those who are bereaved, having lost loved ones recently:

Family of Bill Harder
Family of Sue Anderson

Relieve pain for all who suffer in any way and restore them to good health of body, mind, and spirit. Encourage them and strengthen their caregivers:

Maurice Hedlund
Jon Zavadil
Jeff Brennan
Terry (and caregiver Ron)
Bill and ErrolLynne Marsh
Ron Heilman

Harold Lawrence
Darlene Luberts
Carolyn Martin
Richard Mitchell (and caregiver Raeanne)
Duane and Valerie Claibornes’ niece
Kaye Sims

Rosalynn Gallagher
Amy Cruver
Larry Vollmer

Grant discernment, wisdom, and courage to leaders within the church and world. Raise servants to accomplish Your will. May Your will be evident in all decisions and actions.

Living Word Members
Victims of War in Ukraine and Israel

Living Word Leaders
Elected Government Officials

Persecuted Christians

Prayer and praise for healing and continued recovery:

Katie
Steve Vonderau

Al Luberts
Amy Braafladt

Bonnie Socey

Debbi Zavadil

Thank you, LORD, for hearing and answering our prayers – even when you do so differently than we would prefer. We pray in the holy and mighty name of Jesus, our LORD. Amen

Names in Bold are new additions. Please let the office know if you wish your request to remain on the list. Otherwise requests are removed after a month.
