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THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Sunday, July 3

9:30 AM - Worship, Sanctuary

10:00 AM - Resident Worship, Julian Estates

10:45 AM - Coffee Fellowship, Fellowship Hall

1:30 PM - Resident Worship, Bonaventure

5:00 PM* - Worship, YouTube

Monday, July 4 - Independence Day

OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, July 5

1:00 PM - Communications Team, Zoom

Wednesday, July 6

NOON - Cutoff for Lifeline Information

Thursday, July 7

7:00 AM* - Thursday Thought on YouTube

10:30 AM– "The Bible as History" Forum, Zoom and Conference Room

1:00 PM – Pierce County Fair Booth Planning Meeting, Conference Room

Friday, July 8

9:30 AM – Finance Meeting, Conference Room 2:00 PM – Bonaventure Bible Study, Led by T. Deas

Saturday, July 9

6:00 PM – Courageous Generation Worship, Fellowship Hall



Sunday, July 10 - Church Picnic after Worship

9:30 AM - Worship, Sanctuary

10:00 AM - Resident Worship, Julian Estates

1:30 PM - Resident Worship, Bonaventure

5:00 PM* - Worship, YouTube

Tuesday, July 12

1:00 PM – Communications Team, Zoom 6:30 PM – Board Meeting, Conference Room

Wednesday, July 13

NOON - Cutoff for Lifeline Information

Thursday, July 14

7:00 AM* – *Thursday Thought* on YouTube 10:30 AM– "The Bible as History" Forum, Zoom and Conference Room

Friday, July 15

2:00 PM - Bonaventure Bible Study, Led by T. Deas

Saturday, July 16

6:00 PM – Courageous Generation Worship, Fellowship Hall

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

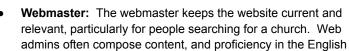
Thank you to the following individuals who have agreed to serve this congregation as Board members for 2022-2023. Your prayers for them are appreciated.

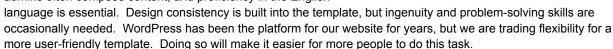
LIVING WORD LUTHERAN CHURCH BOARD

Lorraine Stargel, President Ron Johnson, Vice-President Sharon Johnson, Secretary Larry Vollmer, Treasurer Al Auge Lydia Auge Pastor Mike Byus Jim Gronhovd Dan Owen Mike Stankovich

COMMUNICATIONS TEAM OPENINGS

One of the 2022-2023 Communications Team's goals is to expand the team's size and develop leadership. The Team is looking for people to serve in a variety of roles. If you need a ministry that allows you to create from home, serving on the Communications Team may be where God is asking you to help. Here are some of the opportunities opening up soon:





- **Facebook Administrator:** Living Word Lutheran Church has an under-utilized Facebook page. This person regularly posts information about Church activities such as changes to worship services, special events, *Thursday Thought* or *Wednesday Word*, and anything else of interest to followers of our page. The administrator must have a personal Facebook account to serve in this role.
- **Graphics Designer:** The graphics used on the website, on Facebook, and in the *Lifeline* are created using Canva. The value of using graphics is the ability to communicate with people with a more visual approach. If you are intrigued, check out https://canva.com and experiment.
- YouTube Channel Managers: Volunteers are needed to upload recordings of weekly worship services. Ideally, whoever agrees to this task is in church on Sunday and can take the microdisk home to upload it in time for viewing at 5:00 PM.
- Lifeline Editor: The Lifeline is the weekly publication that includes a two-week calendar, announcements, a prayer
 room, and routine yet important reminders. The editor prepares a draft and sends it weekly to the Communication
 Team. Tuesday afternoon, the Team meets to review the draft and discuss other things to be included. Based on the
 outcome of the meeting, the editor updates the Lifeline and sends it to proofreaders for final review before
 distribution.

Please be praying about these opportunities. If you would like to learn more, please contact Debbie Stankovich at 509-521-0663 or debbies.livingword@amail.com or Peggy Byus at 253-653-1396 or anniebvus58@hotmail.com





REQUESTS, REMINDERS, AND REPORTS

OUTREACH MINISTRY

- In addition to advertising in the *Tacoma News Tribune*, Living Word is now increasing visibility with advertising in the Eatonville newspaper, the *Dispatch*, and working with KTDD 104.9, a Christian radio station in Eatonville.
- Sharon Johnson continues to write the articles for the *Tacoma News Tribune* twice a month on behalf of Living Word Lutheran Church. If you want copies of previous articles, they are available on the website.
- Living Word members conduct weekly **worship services** at **Julian Estates** and **Bonaventure**. Contact Ron Heilman or Pastor Mike (253-653-7428) for more information if you would like to help with this ministry.

SUPPORT MINISTRY

- Communications Team Meetings: One of the goals of the Communications Team for 2022-2023 is to expand the size of the team and develop leadership. If you are interested in learning more, the Team welcomes you to our meetings every Tuesday at 1:00 PM via Zoom. Contact debbies.livingword@gmail.com, and she will send the meeting link to you.
- **Ministry Leaders!** Make sure your committee information is included in the *Lifeline*. A "*Lifeline* Content" form asks pertinent questions, and the editor takes it from there. Lorraine Stargel shared the document with Board liaisons. You can still send information to wdw.wisenstargel shared the document with Board liaisons. You can still send information to wdw.wisenstargel shared the document with Board liaisons. You
- Congregational Board Meetings: Copies of Financial Reports and Board Meeting Minutes are available in the church office. Except for when the Board goes into executive session, Congregational members are welcome though voice and vote is for Board members only. If you are interested in attending via Zoom, contact Lydia Auge.
- Scheduling space and letting the office know of changes is more important than ever. Thank you for your cooperation.

GROWTH AND TEACHING MINISTRY

- Thursday Thought is Pastor Mike's new video message, set to debut in July. To ensure you receive a notification when videos are posted, subscribe to the Living Word Lutheran Church, Graham, WA YouTube channel
- Pastor Mike writes the Wednesday Word, your mid-week encouragement. In addition to being sent via email, the message is now being posted to our YouTube Channel and available for your morning devotions at 7:00 AM Wednesday morning. Previous copies are available on the website.
- Pastor Mike is leading "The Bible as History" on Thursday mornings at 10:30 AM. Come to the Conference Room at the Church or join via Zoom.



CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY

• If you want or need prayer, reach out to the church office at 253-846-1276, email www.lwcoffice@gmail.com, or fill out a prayer request form on the website. Your requests will be forwarded to the prayer chain, included in Lifeline, or handled in whatever way you prefer. The Prayer Room is updated at the end of the month. Please let the office know if you wish your request to remain on the list.

WORSHIP AND MUSIC MINISTRY

• The flower chart in the narthex has many openings. Providing flowers in honor or memory of a loved one is a special way to celebrate life while enhancing worship. Sign up on the flower chart in the narthex for a date that works for you.

THE 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:

Military personnel deployed to eastern Europe assisting with the impacts of the Russian war on Ukraine

Andrew Thompson (Griswold)

Josh Jepsen

Richy Vollmer (Vollmer)

Evan Gregory Blodgett Devlin Durkin (McKenzie) Seth Hearl
Michael Elliott James Lee (Stankovich) Chris Berentson

Ivan Daubenspeck (Owen) Owen Daubenspeck (Owen)

Comfort those who are bereaved, having lost the following loved ones recently.

Tony Horne (Martin, Martin, Groce) Rick Forsberg (Stankovich)

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:

Susan Frasier (Byus) Chad Nasinec (Auge) Jessica (Sturdivant)
Richard Socey Carolyn Martin Darlene Luberts

Marlie Johnson (Johnson) Bailey & Harry Harder (Sturdivant) Jack (Halverson Grandson)

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.

Call Committee Living Word Members Living Word Leaders

Persecuted Christians Victims of War on Ukraine Elected Government Officials

Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayers for these special requests:

Lydia Auge (Safe Travel) Snookie Pankratz (Hospice)

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

PRAISE: As we celebrate this Independence Day weekend, we thank God for our freedom:

"For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not turn your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but serve one another through love."



Galatians 5:13

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Pastor Mike Byus wants to support you spiritually! Keep his contact information close by and reach out when you need encouragement and prayer. Church: 253-846-1276 Cell: 253-653-7428 – <a href="mailto:chapter:chapt