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FAITH FORWARD GIVING

The stewardship theme for 2022 is **FAITH FORWARD**. But this congregation has been doing that for years by designating 10% of offerings for benevolence. Each month in 2022, we will highlight one of the organizations Living Word supported in 2021.

The Puyallup Food Bank was founded by Bob and Evelyn Powers March 23, 1972. While serving at their church, Bob and Evelyn caught a vision to provide hunger relief to their neighbors throughout the Puyallup Valley. They launched the Puyallup Food Bank as part of the F.I.S.H. network (Friends In Service to Him). F.I.S.H. is a worldwide organization of people united to help other people in need. To celebrate 50 years of service to the community, the Food Bank set a goal to provide 50,000 meals to their neighbors through financial gifts and food donations. If you would like to be part of this historic event, or to explore other ways to help, visit their website, <https://pfb.org>.



THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Sunday, June 12

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

Monday, June 13

10:00 AM – Pastor/Office Manager Meeting

Tuesday, June 14

1:00 PM – Communications Team, Zoom

Wednesday, June 15

NOON – Cutoff for *Lifeline* Information

Thursday, June 16

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

Friday, June 17

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

Saturday, June 18

6:00 PM – Courageous Generation Worship, Multipurpose Room

Sunday, June 19 – Father’s Day

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

Monday, June 20

10:00 AM – Pastor/Office Manager Meeting

Tuesday, June 21

1:00 PM – Communications Team, Zoom

Wednesday, June 22

NOON – Cutoff for *Lifeline* Information

Thursday, June 23

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

Friday, June 24

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

Saturday, June 25

6:00 PM – Courageous Generation Worship, Multipurpose Room

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

*Starting Sunday, June 12 . . .

Coffee Fellowship will be in the Multipurpose Room instead of the Narthex. Tables and chairs will make it easier for everyone to visit and enjoy their coffee and goodies.

SEMI-ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Sunday, June 26, 2022
After the Worship Service
Election of New Board Members
Review of 2021-2022 Ministry

WELCOME



Amy Braafladt joined Living Word Lutheran Church as an associate member on Sunday, May 29. We are delighted to have Amy as a partner in ministry!

APPROACHING QUICKLY

Congregational Picnic – July 10
Pierce County Fair – August 11 - 14, 2022

CONGRATULATIONS



The next time you see Rachel Benjamin, she will be an alumna of Emerald Ridge High School in Puyallup. Be sure to congratulate her on this achievement and thank her for her faithfulness as a nursery attendant at Living Word Lutheran Church.



FAITH FORWARD is the stewardship initiative launched in January to help members embrace a future fueled by faith.

If you missed any of the monthly meditations, they are available on the website: [FAITH FORWARD – Living Word Lutheran Church](#)

FATHER'S DAY COOKIES

Did you sign up to bring three dozen cookies for the cookie bar on Father's Day? If so, you may leave them in the kitchen on or before Sunday morning. Also, please bring them in a container that does not have to be returned. If you have any questions, contact Linda Deas. Thank you for contributing to this special activity.

Here are a few scriptures I hope will be helpful when you're feeling frustrated:

1. **Ephesians 4:32** - *Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.*
2. **James 1:20** - *For the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God*
3. **Philippians 4:7** - *Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God*
4. **Colossians 3:2** - *Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.*

Contributed by Al Auge (original source unknown)

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 lwloffice@gmail.com or debbies.livingword@gmail.com directly.
- **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

- Pastor Mike writes the **Wednesday Word**, your mid-week encouragement. Watch your email each week for these inspirational messages. If you have missed them, they are available on the [website](#).
- Pastor Jay’s Bible study on Thursday morning has concluded for this year and will resume in September.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY

- **If you want or need prayer**, reach out to the church office at 253-846-1276, email lwloffice@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)
Evan Gregory Blodgett
Michael Elliott

Josh Jepsen
Devlin Durkin (McKenzie)
James Lee (Stankovich)

Richy Vollmer (Vollmer)
Seth Hearl
Chris Berentson

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

At Least 50 Members of St. Francis Catholic Church Slaughtered During Pentecost Worship in Nigeria
Lutheran Pastor Murdered in Africa

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:

Tony Horne (Martin, Martin, Groce)
Richard Socey
Morgan Olson
Lorelle Aarstad (Alvord)
Amy Braafladt

Snookie Pankratz
Carolyn Martin
Toni Sherman
Al Auge
Mike Stankovich

Chad Nasinec (Auge)
Darlene Luberts
Jill West (Alvord)
Sharlene Parker

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.

Upcoming Congregational Meeting
Living Word Leaders
Elected Government Officials

Call Committee
Persecuted Christians

Living Word Members
Victims of War on Ukraine

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

Darry Campbell in Hospice (Endicott)

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 REPORT: Kevin Endicott (protection in car accident), Al and Lydia Auge (safe travel)

**The Prayer Room is updated at the end of the month.
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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 – chaplainmike316@yahoo.com