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CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE



Ron Johnson, Co-Chair of the Call Committee, updated the congregation of their activities on Sunday, May 15, 2022. Here is a brief recap:

The results of the Congregational Assessment are now available in the church office. There is a summary of the findings and the full report for those who want to see more details.

The Senior Pastor position has been re-posted on the Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ website. The Call Committee has received a few inquiries and is beginning the preliminary interviews soon.

The Call Committee appreciates the congregation's prayers as they continue to discern who God is preparing to lead this ministry.

THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Sunday, May 22

9:30 AM – Worship, Sanctuary

10:00 AM - Resident Worship, Julian Estates

10:45 AM - Coffee Fellowship, Narthex

11:00 AM - Choir Practice

1:30 PM - Resident Worship, Bonaventure

5:00 PM* - Worship, YouTube

Monday, May 23

10:00 AM - Pastor/Office Manager Meeting, Office

Tuesday, May 24

1:00 PM - Communications Team, Zoom

Wednesday, May 25

NOON – Cutoff for *Lifeline* Information

Thursday, May 26

10:30 AM - Bible Study with Pastor Jay, Zoom

Friday, May 27 - MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

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

Saturday, May 28

6:00 PM – Courageous Generation Worship, Multipurpose Room

Sunday, May 29

9:30 AM - Worship, Sanctuary

10:00 AM – Resident Worship, Julian Estates

10:45 AM - Coffee Fellowship, Narthex

11:00 AM - Choir Practice

1:30 PM - Resident Worship, Bonaventure

5:00 PM* - Worship, YouTube

Monday, May 30 - MEMORIAL DAY

Office Closed

Tuesday, May 31

1:00 PM - Communications Team, Zoom

Wednesday, June 1

NOON – Cutoff for *Lifeline* Information

Thursday, June 2

10:30 AM - Bible Study with Pastor Jay, Zoom

Friday, June 3

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

Saturday, June 4

6:00 PM – Courageous Generation Worship, Multipurpose Room

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



REMINDERS, REQUESTS, 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 lwlcoffice@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 <u>website</u>.
- Pastor Jay leads a study every Thursday at 10:30 AM via Zoom. On Wednesday, the Office Manager sends out the Zoom link and scripture to be studied. Please join us.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY

• If you want or need prayer, reach out to the church office at 253-846-1276, email lwlcoffice@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.
- **Do you have a favorite hymn?** If so, write the title down on the clipboard in the narthex so your favorite song can be included in future worship services.

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

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

Kendra Kinlock (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:

Barbara Griswold Dwight Griswold Tony Horne (Martin, Martin, Groce)

Larry VollmerSnookie PankratzChad Nasinec (Auge)Bill ZavadilRichard SoceyCarolyn MartinLiving Word Family Recovering from IllnessDarlene LubertsMorgan Olson

Toni Sherman Rick Fields Darci Baccetti-Weisperg (Brennan)

Jill West (Alvord) Lorelle Aarstad (Alvord) Kaye Sims

Mateo Born

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

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

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: Cecelia and Kevin Endicott, Safe Travel - Gayla Fenimore, Post-Op Healing

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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