

The light shines in the darkness... John 1:5



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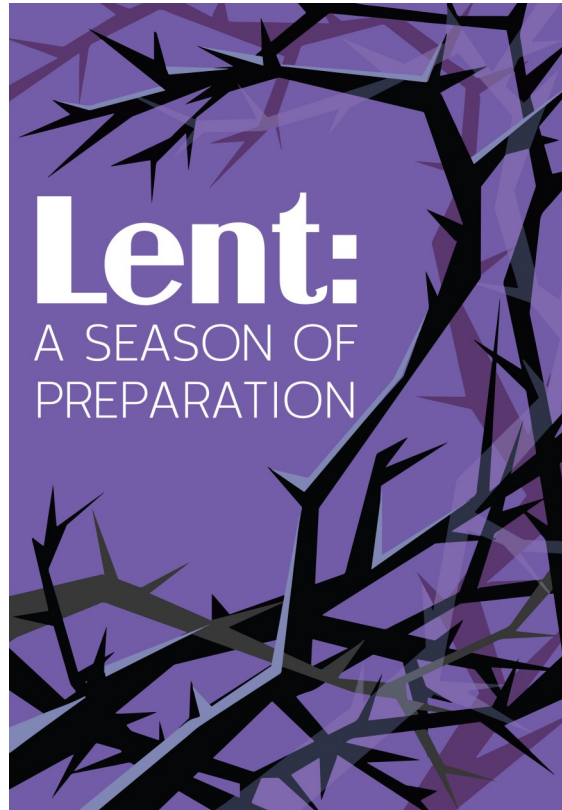
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<https://www.lutheransnw.org/news/the-spirit>

OHLC's website:

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# Pastor's Page:

## The Most Epic Council Meeting Ever

**2025** marks the 1700<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the most epic church council meeting ever. This council meeting didn't debate the color of the carpet in the sanctuary or what kind of coffee to serve for fellowship time. This council meeting was called to sort out what is perhaps the most perennially urgent theological issue in Christianity: Who is Jesus, really? This council meeting went on for an entire month, from mid-May to mid-June in the year 325. (I've been to some council meetings that seemed that long.) Their endurance paid off. It is no exaggeration to say that, after the Bible, this council meeting produced the most important Christian text ever written. We know it today as the Nicene Creed.

What prompted Emperor Constantine to convene this council meeting of elders from across the Christian church was a small but growing misunderstanding about Jesus. A pastor in Alexandria, Egypt, named Arius was teaching that Jesus was something less than truly God. Contrary to clear statements in scripture about the full divinity of Christ, including Jesus' own statement that "the Father and I are one" (John 10:30), Arius started flirting with the platonic philosophy popular in his day, which led him to begin describing Jesus as a creation of God, of a different substance from the true God. This gets very esoteric very quickly, but the essence of the problem was that by using this language, Jesus was getting downgraded to something less than scripture says he is.

The impact of this misunderstanding was to turn Christians into pagans, worshipping a created thing. Christians worship Jesus as Lord, as God, and if Jesus is something less than fully God, Christians are worshipping an idol. Whether or not Constantine understood all the theological implications at stake, he could see that Arius' teaching was causing much confusion and consternation among Christians, and so he called for a meeting to be held in the city of Nicaea (in modern day Turkey) to sort it all out.

You've probably heard the old joke that "a camel is a horse designed by a committee." It is often true that committees aren't the most effective route to excellence, but this was not the case here. Far from it. The Council of Nicaea produced a statement not only of great theological precision, but also of great beauty, describing Jesus as "eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father." The Nicene Creed expanded upon the Apostles' Creed, using this magnificent language describing the divinity of Christ to state explicitly what is

implicit in the older, shorter creed. It also took the "I believe" from the Apostles' Creed, which arose as a baptismal statement for adult converts, and changed it to "We believe," to make it a confession of faith for the whole Christian church to celebrate and affirm together. The "we" stuck. 1700 years later, the Nicene Creed is the most widely used confession of faith in the Christian church. To this day, it is recited regularly in worship by the vast majority of Christians across the globe. In our Lutheran tradition, we recite the Nicene Creed during Advent and Christmas, throughout the Easter season, and on festival Sundays.

In steering the church away from the misunderstandings of Arius, the Council of Nicaea produced a summary statement of the Christian faith which continues to serve the church well today. It provides a cornerstone of Christian unity which transcends many of our denominational lines. Regular recitation of the creed provides an inoculation of sorts for Christians against the pervasive misleading philosophies of our own day, which are still always trying to downgrade Jesus. The Nicene Creed perpetually calls the church back to the essence of who Christ is and what he has done "for us and for our salvation."

In celebration of the 1700<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the most epic church council meeting ever, we will be focusing on the Nicene Creed this Lent, both for our Sunday morning Adult Education and our midweek services. Come learn more about who Jesus really is, and what he has done for you. Come worship the One who is really, truly, and fully God.

- Pastor Jeffrey R. Spencer





## ASH WEDNESDAY

We mark the beginning of Lent on March 5 with Ash Wednesday services at Noon and 7pm. Services include the imposition of ashes and Holy Communion. Please note there will be no soup meal following this service.

## MIDWEEK LENTEN WORSHIP & SOUP SUPPERS

After Ash Wednesday, we will continue with Wednesday gatherings for worship and soup suppers. Services will be held at Noon and 6pm beginning March 12 and continuing through April 9. Soup suppers will follow immediately. Sign-up sheets for bringing soup or bread and/or helping with set up and/or clean-up will be in the narthex.

The theme for our midweek Lenten services this year is:

## TRUE GOD FROM TRUE GOD

*The 1700<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Nicene Creed*



As the church throughout the world marks the 1700<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Nicene Creed, this Lent we will turn our attention to the great truths of scripture conveyed through this important confession of faith. This will be our focus both on Wednesdays for worship and Sundays for adult education. Here are our topics:

- Lent 1** (March 9 & 12) – The Father Almighty, Maker of All That Is
- Lent 2** (March 16 & 19) – Jesus: Of One Being with the Father
- Lent 3** (March 23 & 26) – The Holy Spirit, Giver of Life
- Lent 4** (March 30 & April 2) – The Church: One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic
- Lent 5** (April 6 & 9) – One Baptism for the Forgiveness of Sins
- Lent 6** (April 13) – The Resurrection and the Life to Come

## MARCH 9: YOUTH AND FAMILY NIGHT

## PRETZELS & PRAYER

Join us from 4pm-6pm as we make fresh, homemade pretzels and explore the relationship between pretzels, prayer, and the season of Lent.



We will also be serving chili for dinner. All are welcome! Join us for an evening of faith, fun, and fellowship!

## AFTERMATH OF THE “SNOWFALL”

The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Youth Indoor Snowball Fight was held Sunday, Feb 2. (The harbinger of real snow!) Congratulations to all our competitors, our winning team, the voted MVPs, and to those sneaky individuals who added to the chaos from the sidelines. Fun, fellowship, and pizza were enjoyed by all. Our “snowballs” – hand-crafted from trimmings from Blanket Workshop quilt batting – have gone back to storage. They’ll be out again next winter, and the



**Winning team:** Ava Lesetmoe; Audrey, Isaac, and Garrett Gibbons

**MVPs:** Everyone!  
(An MVP could not be decided so as a group our competitors donated the prize to Help House)

*Photos by Beth Stephens*

# OHLC News

## OHLC TO CELEBRATE PI(E) DAY ON MARCH 16!

Join us after our 10:30 service on Sunday, March 16 as we celebrate Pi(e) Day! What is Pi(e) Day? Pi is a mathematical term which refers to the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter: 3.1415. When March 14 rolls around each year (3/14), people use it as an excuse to eat pie.



We'll be celebrating Pi(e) Day a couple days late this year, on the 16<sup>th</sup>, but as we do so we'll be giving thanks to God our Creator, who brought into existence both pi and pie!

Pie bakers are encouraged to sign up via the Connection Card to bring pie; we'll also need some help with serving and clean up. All are welcome to join us. Thanks to Rita Cline for keeping this tasty OHLC tradition going!



## SCHOLARSHIPS

### DEADLINE APPROACHES FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS!

Oak Harbor Lutheran Church's Theresa Ferguson Memorial Scholarship offers *\$1,000-per-year renewable scholarships for any type of post-secondary education.*

The **deadline for applications** for the 2025-26 school year is **Thursday, May 1**. Application forms are available in the church office, or contact Roshel Donwen, 360-929-0136, [roshel@3sistersbeef.com](mailto:roshel@3sistersbeef.com).

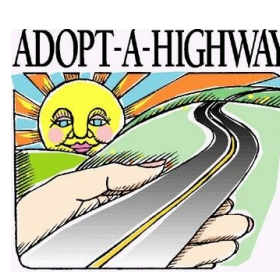
## ALTAR GUILD VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Altar Guild is looking for volunteers to clear communion after 10:30 service. Training is provided. We encourage both long-term attendees and new members (and youth!) to consider serving the church through Altar Guild. Anyone who has washed dishes will find it easy to learn!

Contact Mary Brock at 360-672-8966 or Peg Fosnaugh at 360-929-1653 to learn more.



## ROADSIDE CLEAN-UP SET FOR MARCH 22



Volunteers are needed for our roadside clean-up ministry as we collect trash along our adopted stretch of HWY 20. We will meet at the church on Sat., March 22, at 8:30AM for a safety briefing and to carpool to the site.

Can you help us? Call the church office (360-679-1561), email Jeff Margraf ([jeffmargraf@aol.com](mailto:jeffmargraf@aol.com)), or sign up via the Connection Card.

## Library News

### Lent, Easter and Spring are coming soon!

We have selected offerings from our library on display in the narthex and in the library itself. Treat yourself to deepening renewal and inspiration for this holy season!

Your Library Team,  
Kathy Holroyd  
Colleen Pedlar



## A Message From The Deckers

Dear OHLC Friends,

*Jay and I so appreciated the loving send off, but you have meant so much more to us than we could ever really thank you for. Your years of caring, study, service, chats, hugs, worship, and friendship truly made OHLC our home and family. You will be missed. THANK YOU!*

*We would love to keep in touch. Our new address is available in the church office for anyone who requests it. Our phone # is 360-720-4177. E-mails remain the same: [tldwhidbey@aol.com](mailto:tldwhidbey@aol.com), [revjdecke@aol.com](mailto:revjdecke@aol.com)*

*Blessings on continuing your loving ministry,  
Trudy and Jay*

# Flowers for Service

Thank you to all our flower sponsors for signing up for Chancel/organ flowers. One reminder from Pastor Jeff in announcements and the month of March was full. (Thank you Pastor!)

We are blessed to enjoy beautiful, fresh flowers during our worship services. You may take them home after the 10:30 service for your own enjoyment or give to a friend, or leave them in the church office to brighten the coming week.

Please check the flower chart outside Pastor Jeff's office door and find a Sunday you'd be willing to sponsor. (March may be full but there are still openings through the rest of the year!) I'll contact you regarding your choice of colors and the wording you'd like listed in the bulletin.

Peg Fosnaugh

## Easter 2025

On Easter morning, April 20, we would like to adorn our sanctuary with flowers in celebration of Jesus' resurrection. This year we will place a special order from the church office for **begonias**. We invite you to reserve one or more plants in memory or in honor of loved ones. **Although donations may be made in any amount, the suggested donation for one plant is \$24.95.**



**The deadline for orders is Sunday, April 6.** Order forms will be available as a bulletin insert during the latter part of March, or contact Janis in the church office, 360-679-1561, or you may use this page from the newsletter.

**A bulletin insert on Easter will list names of those being honored or remembered. Please include the following information:**

My Name \_\_\_\_\_

(circle one) In Memory of / In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

**Please note:** Make a check out to OHLC or place cash in a pew offering envelope along with this form. Thank you! You may take your plant(s) home after the 10:30 AM service on Easter Sunday, April 20.

# OHLC Women

Opportunities for Fellowship, Study & Service

## BLANKET WORKSHOP:

You're invited to join, **Tuesday & Wednesday, March 4 & 5, 9:30 AM** in the fellowship hall. Sewing experience isn't a requirement, and new helpers are always appreciated.



## CIRCLES IN MARCH

**Deborah Circle** meets each Thursday at 1PM in the Library. All are welcome! Questions? Contact Gaye Rodriguey at @tobysuds.com

- March 6** "Faithfulness," Session one, page 20, "Faith where you are: Ruth and Naomi," Jan/Feb 2025 **Gather** magazine.
- March 13** **Grateful Gatherings**, "*Grief and Gratefulness*".
- March 20** "Faithfulness," Session two, page 28, "Faith in the depths: Psalm 22", Jan/Feb 2025 **Gather** magazine,
- March 27** "Faithfulness," Session two, page 30, Jan/Feb 2025 **Gather** magazine

**Lydia Circle** meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 5:30 PM in the Prayer Room. Lydia Circle is starting a new book: *Psalms: Prayers of the Heart* (LifeGuide Bible Series) by Eugene H. Peterson. Free Copies still available! All are welcome! Contact Peg Fosnaugh at 360-929-1653 if you have any questions.

- Mar 4** Chapter 1, Psalm 1: Praying Our Inattention
- Mar 18** Chapter 2, Psalm 2: Praying Our Intimidation

# His Kids Preschool

A Ministry of Oak Harbor Lutheran Church

February is a short month but that doesn't mean short on fun or learning for our students. The classroom continues to learn about community helpers and start lessons on the 5 senses.

In class, students held their Valentine's party, full of yummy treats and valentines to share. Students made special mail truck Valentine's boxes to tote all their goodies home in. Another annual event was the tasting party! Families brought in a variety of foods and snacks for students to try and put their knowledge of the taste sense of the 5 senses to work.

Also putting our taste buds to work was our field trip to Amaya's Bakery in the Loft downtown and the delicious cupcakes that came back to class as a special treat. Students got to tour the bakery, meet the baker, and ask all sorts of wonderful

questions. We are so thankful to Amaya's Bakery for having us this year, it was so wonderful to have them excited to meet us too. Check them out for your quick goodie, or sweets orders; they also carry gluten-free, diabetic-friendly goodies and are expanding their allergy-free items to include dairy and egg-free too.



Sara H. joined us in class to teach the kids about dental health, the dentist, and model how to take good care of our teeth. This presentation is an important one, and as a pre-k mom, I know firsthand the excitement they come home with having learned more about flossing and brushing. It seems necessary they hear it from someone other than their caregivers sometimes, reminding the kids that their parents know a few things about life.

Star student continues this month with Abby F., Liam B., and Branch R. We celebrate all the unique things that make them who they are, put up their About Me posters, and they are tasked with special jobs: such as line leader, flag holder, and sending out any mail.

**Registration for 2025-2026** will begin in person on March 4<sup>th</sup>, 9 AM-11 AM for current students, siblings, and church members. Online registration for the above and for the public will open up March 7<sup>th</sup>, with an in-person registration day for the community scheduled March 18<sup>th</sup>, 9 AM-11AM. We appreciate any help in spreading the word about His Kids and filling these classes up.



Here's how some of our students finished the sentence, "Love is ..."

**Maren:** Toothless, Bumble, Maddie, Daddy, Momma, Auntie Sara, Auntie Willow, and hearts

**Lennox:** my mom and my dog

**Harper:** smelling chicken nuggets

**Theo:** eating cupcakes

**Abby:** my mom and dad

**Mylo:** running fast like a cheetah and jumping on a trampoline

**Branch:** heart, presents

**Everett:** my family

**Liam:** smelling flowers

**Sadie:** mommy

**Hannah:** my kitten Misty

**Karter:** my mom

**Rylan:** my dad and mom because they got me a trampoline and a Play-doh set

**Colton:** mommy



Stay Warm,

Ms. Jasmine, Ms. Michelle, Ms. Elva & Ms. Debbie

## March Mentions

- \* **Included in this newsletter** are *Prayer Ventures* and *The Spirit* for March.
- \* OHLC's card makers, the **Church Mice Stampers**, meet on Tuesdays, **March 11 & 25**, starting at 10:00 AM in the library.
- \* **The Brotherhood of St. Bernard**, OHLC's men's Bible study fellowship, meets Tuesdays, **March 11 & 25**, at noon in the fellowship hall.
- \* **The One Thing Book Group** is reading *The Nightingale* by Kristen Hannah this month.
- \* **Stephen Ministry** will meet on Thursday, **March 13** at 4pm in the Library. The group will be discussing the book, *Caring Assertiveness*, chapters 6-11.
- \* **Munchy Monday** will not meet on Monday, **March 17**.
- \* **The deadline for articles** for the April 2025 newsletter is Monday, **March 17**.

# Compassion Ministry

**MINISTRY OF  
THE MONTH:**

**50**  
years



**OHLC**'s ministry of the month for March and April, to coincide with Lent, is the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) World Hunger Appeal. As always, our contributions throughout these two months will be donated to the organization. We appreciate any contribution you can make to this most important cause. Please make your contribution to OHLC, with ELCA Hunger on the memo line.

*For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me.*  
– Matthew 25:35

God richly provides for daily bread — the earth can produce enough food for everyone. Yet, many of our sisters and brothers still go hungry.

By providing immediate relief to those who are hungry, we meet basic needs and recognize the universal human right to food. But ending hunger is about more than food. By connecting people with the resources they need to produce food and gain access to clean water, education, health care and sources of income, long-term, sustainable change can be accomplished.

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES WITH OAK HARBOR SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**OHLC** is an official Community Partner with Hillcrest Elementary!

Check out <https://www.ohsd.net/volunteer> to fill out a volunteer application and see upcoming volunteer opportunities at the school.

Contact Beth in the church office, 360-679-1561 ([beth@oakharborlutheran.org](mailto:beth@oakharborlutheran.org)) to learn more about our partnership.



## **JOSEPHINE CARING COMMUNITY**

### **Birdseed Fund**



Many Josephine residents relate to the sacred through nature, including birdwatching. About 33 residents have birdfeeders outside of their windows. They would greatly appreciate cash or check donations of any amount to help keep these feeders filled.

### **PLEASE NO BIRDSEED DONATIONS**

We now have a model “birdfeeder” for donation collection in the narthex. Make out any checks to OHLC with “Josephine birdseed” on the memo line.

The residents are deeply grateful for whatever we may provide!

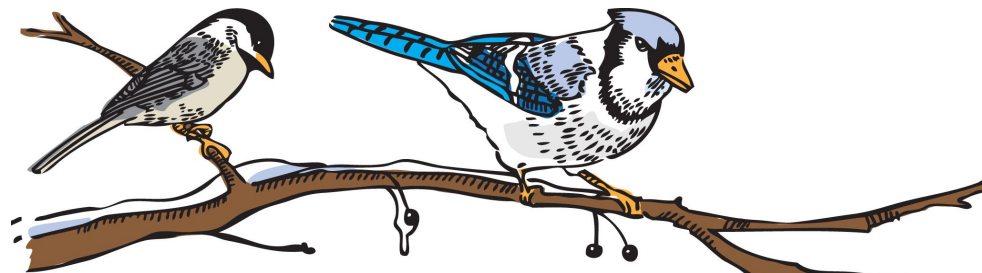
### **Volunteers Needed!**

Josephine is also in need of volunteers to help fill the feeders for a couple hours a month. If you are interested please contact Pastor Eileen Burdick at Josephine ([eileenb@josephinecc.com](mailto:eileenb@josephinecc.com)) for more details.

Thank you for your consideration and generosity!

OHLC Josephine Delagates

Kathy Holroyd



# Loving Your Neighbor

- With Gaye Rodriguey

**“SING ALOUD A SONG OF THANKSGIVING,  
AND TELLING ALL YOUR WONDROUS DEEDS”**

(Psalm 26: 7-8)

Whether the voices are loud or soft, on pitch or out of tune, children’s singing brings music to my heart. Their enthusiasm for the lyrics and the beat is irresistible and joy-filled! You can hear that “they love the house in which the Lord dwells and the place where God’s glory abides”(Psalm 26: 8). I can even feel God smiling. Music was always my favorite part of His Kids Preschool chapel time.

Like each of those kids’ voices has its own uniqueness, each of us was created by God as “mysteriously complex, marvelously breathtaking, and simply amazing” (Psalm 139: 14, The Passion Translation). God thoroughly knows everyone in our congregation, in our neighborhood, in our community, in our country and in our world.

Take a moment as you go about your day to “see” (really see!) the complexity and marvelousness of each of our neighbors, near and far, as an amazing and mighty miracle created lovingly by our God. Then, raise your voice in a song of thanksgiving and praise for this incredible gift of creation that God shares with us and with the world.

**Reflect:** What is your favorite chapel or worship song? (My favorite is “This Little Light of Mine”-the jazzy version)

**Pray:** Thank you God, for the gift of music and song. Bless each voice as it is lifted in praise and thanksgiving to you. *Amen.*



# The Power of the Word

We frequently find ourselves in the dilemma of a person who has set out for an unfamiliar destination and has forgotten the map. We confront daily challenges, puzzles where we are uncertain of the best response.

If we have the biblical message firmly in mind and heart, it offers the reassurance of a mental map. “Ah, yes! There’s the grocery store where I should turn right!” parallels “Because this is how Christ acted, this is how I should act.”

— Kathy Coffey  
in *Becoming a Better Prayer This Lent*

*ChurchArtPro*, Nov. 1996

## LIVE Project Online Course

~NW Washington Synod

### Learning Love: Lenten Journey with bell hooks

6-week course each Thursday evening, 7-8:30pm during Lent  
(Mar 6- Apr 10)



This year’s installment of LiVE’s Lenten “Gospel & Culture” series. This Lent, we journey with bell hooks’ book *All About Love* with a focus on love as a transformative spiritual practice. We’ll gather with participants across congregations for a communal exploration of hooks’ ideas about love. We’ll then seek to integrate her ideas into our Lenten practices of self-examination, repentance, and preparation for Easter. Each session will include a spiritual practice to be taken up during the week, with an emphasis on love in action.

Individual registrations are \$50. Register **HERE** (new link:<https://nwasynod.regfox.com/lives-learning-love-with-bell-hooks-lenten-course>)

Upon registering, you’ll receive an invitation to our **Online Learning Platform** for course material, zoom links, and online discussion.



# Worship Assistants

March 2		
8:00 AM	<b>Assisting Minister:</b> Sheila Ryan <b>Acolyte:</b> Abby Gray <b>Healing Prayer:</b> F. Leukhardt & M. Stroud	<b>Computer:</b> Donna Aspery <b>Organ/Piano:</b> Verna Morgan
10:30 AM	<b>Assisting Minister:</b> Moira Bartrand <b>Communion Asst.:</b> Kerri Totten <b>Healing Prayer:</b> D. Myers & C. Reafs	<b>Computer:</b> Ted Smith <b>Organ/Piano:</b> Verna Morgan
March 9		
8:00 AM	<b>Assisting Minister:</b> Tom Carey <b>Acolyte:</b> Anna Richards	<b>Computer:</b> Sam Richards <b>Organ/Piano:</b> Verna Morgan
10:30 AM	<b>Assisting Minister:</b> Gaylen Smith <b>Communion Asst.:</b> Steve Ellis	<b>Computer:</b> Totten <b>Organ/Piano:</b> Verna Morgan
March 16		
8:00 AM	<b>Assisting Minister:</b> Jeff Margraf <b>Acolyte.:</b> Matthew Richards	<b>Computer:</b> Lisa Margraf <b>Organ/Piano:</b> Sue Stroud
10:30 AM	<b>Assisting Minister:</b> Carol Reafs <b>Communion Asst.:</b> Leslie Improtta	<b>Computer:</b> Ted Smith <b>Organ/Piano:</b> Sue Stroud
March 23		
8:00 AM	<b>Assisting Minister:</b> Tom Piper <b>Acolyte.:</b> Elizabeth Richards	<b>Computer:</b> Lucas Stone <b>Organ/Piano:</b> Verna Morgan
10:30 AM	<b>Assisting Minister:</b> Mike Dilley <b>Communion Asst.:</b> Rita Carter	<b>Computer:</b> Totten <b>Organ/Piano:</b> Verna Morgan
March 30		
8:00 AM	<b>Assisting Minister:</b> Marty Leukhardt <b>Acolyte.:</b>	<b>Computer:</b> Emma Norman <b>Organ/Piano:</b> Sue Stroud
10:30 AM	<b>Assisting Minister:</b> Bobbi Miller <b>Communion Asst.:</b> Laurie Johnson	<b>Computer:</b> Ted Smith <b>Organ/Piano:</b> Sue Stroud

**Little Lutheran bags in March: Sara Hogarth**

*Thank you to Donna Aspery for February!*

This month's decorative font is : **Boister Black**

# Financial Report

January

	January	Year to date
Income	\$ 37,965	\$ 37,965
Outgo	<u>32,336</u>	<u>32,336</u>
	\$ 5,629	\$ 5,629

# Worship Attendance

February

Date	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Feb 2	36	83
Feb 9	47	91
Feb 16	41	81
Feb 23	44	83 101
<b>Avg. Att.</b>	42	85

Average Sunday attendance: 127



# Lesser Festivals and Commemorations

March

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| 1 George Herbert, hymnwriter, 1633                                  | 22 Jonathan Edwards, teacher, missionary to American Indians, 1758 |
| 2 John Wesley, 1791; Charles Wesley, 1788, renewers of the Church   | 24 Oscar Romero, bishop of El Salvador, martyr, 1980               |
| 7 Perpetua, Felicity, and companions, martyrs at Carthage, 202      | 25 The Annunciation of our Lord                                    |
| 10 Harriet Tubman, 1913; Sojourner Truth, 1883, renewers of society | 29 Hans Nielsen Hauge, re-nearer of the church, 1824               |
| 12 Gregory the Great, Bishop of Rome, 604                           | 31 John Donne, poet, 1631  |
| 17 Patrick, bishop, missionary to Ireland, 461                      |  |
| 19 Joseph, guardian of our Lord                                     |  |
| 21 Thomas Cranmer, bishop of  |  |

# March

2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>2</p> <p><b>Worship</b> 8:00 Sunday School 9:15 Adult Ed. 9:15 <b>Worship</b> 10:30</p> <p>Girl Scouts 46518 4:00 CA/library 7:30</p>	<p>3</p> <p>12:30 M.M. set-up 1:30 Munchy Monday</p> <p>6:00 WIYS, till 9 PM 6:00 North Whidbey NA/ Library</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:30 Blanket Workshop</p> <p>His Kids Preschool (<b>returning</b>) In-person Registration 9-11 AM, library</p> <p>5:00 Brass Rehearsal 5:30 Lydia Circle 5:30 Al Anon</p>	<p>5 <b>Ash Wednesday</b></p> <p>9:30 Blanket Workshop</p> <p><b>12:00 Worship service</b></p> <p>5:00 Chancel Choir</p> <p><b>7:00 Worship service</b></p>	<p>6</p> <p>1:00 Deborah Circle</p> <p>7:00 NA</p>	<p>7</p> <p>3:00 QUEST CLUB</p>	<p>1</p> <p>8 Wildcats Robotics Spaghetti Dinner 3-8 PM</p> 
<p>9 <b>Lent 1</b></p> <p><b>Worship</b> 8:00 Sunday School 9:15 Adult Ed. 9:15 <b>Worship</b> 10:30</p> <p>Y&amp;F Pretzel Night ! 4:00 Confirmation 6:00 CA/library 7:30</p>	<p>10</p> <p>12:30 M.M. set-up 1:30 Munchy Monday</p> <p>6:00 WIYS, till 9 PM 6:00 North Whidbey NA/ library</p>	<p>11</p> <p>10:00 Church Mice Stampers 12:00 Brotherhood of St. Bernard 3:00 SPiN B.O.D.</p> <p>5:00 Brass Rehearsal 5:30 Al Anon</p>	<p>12</p> <p><b>12:00 Midweek Worship</b> 12:30 Soup &amp; bread</p> <p>4:00 Chancel Choir</p> <p><b>6:00 Midweek Worship</b> 6:30 Soup &amp; bread</p>	<p>13</p> <p>1:00 Deborah Circle</p> <p>4:00 Stephen Ministry 6:00 Council 7:00 NA</p>	<p>14</p> <p>15</p> <div style="border: 1px solid purple; padding: 10px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"> <p>WA State Music Teachers' Association Recital &amp; Testing</p> </div>	
<p>16 <b>Lent 2</b></p> <p><b>Worship</b> 8:00 Sunday School 9:15 Adult Ed. 9:15 <b>Worship</b> 10:30 Pi(e) Day coffee hr 11:45</p> <p>Girl Scouts 46518 4:00 CA/library 7:30</p>	<p>17 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i></p> <p><b>No Munchy Monday</b></p> <p>6:30 WIYS 7:00 North Whidbey NA/ library</p>	<p>18</p> <p>His Kids Preschool (<b>PUBLIC</b>) In-person Registration 9-11 AM, library</p> <p>5:00 Brass Rehearsal 5:30 Lydia Circle 5:30 Al Anon</p>	<p>19</p> <p><b>12:00 Midweek Worship</b> 12:30 Soup &amp; bread</p> <p>4:00 Chancel Choir</p> <p><b>6:00 Midweek Worship</b> 6:30 Soup &amp; bread</p>	<p>20</p> <p>1:00 Deborah Circle</p> <p>7:00 NA</p>	<p>21</p> <p>4 PM-8 PM 4H public presentations education wing</p> <p>6:00 Piano Recital-Viljoen</p>	<p>22</p> <p>8:30 Roadside Clean-up; meet at OHLC to carpool!</p> <p>9 AM -2 PM 4H public presentations education wing</p>
<p>23 <b>Lent 3</b></p> <p><b>Worship</b> 8:00 Sunday School 9:15 Adult Ed. 9:15 <b>Worship</b> 10:30</p> <p>QUEST CLUB 4:00 CA/library 7:30</p>	<p>24</p> <p>12:30 M.M. set-up 1:30 Munchy Monday</p> <p>5:00 Brass Concert: WIYS follows</p> <p>7:00 North Whidbey NA/ library</p>	<p>25</p> <p>10:00 Church Mice Stampers 12:00 Brotherhood of St. Bernard</p> <p>5:00 Brass Rehearsal 5:30 Al Anon</p>	<p>26</p> <p><b>12:00 Midweek Worship</b> 12:30 Soup &amp; bread</p> <p>4:00 Chancel Choir</p> <p><b>6:00 Midweek Worship</b> 6:30 Soup &amp; bread</p>	<p>27</p> <p>7:30 Cultural Homestay Int'l, lib./ed wing, to 3 pm</p> <p>9:00 Newsletter Assembly</p> <p>1:00 Deborah Circle</p> <p>7:00 NA</p>	<p>28</p> <p>7:30 Cultural Homestay Int'l, lib./ed wing, to noon</p>	<p>29</p>
<p>30 <b>Lent 4</b></p> <p><b>Worship</b> 8:00 Sunday School 9:15 Adult Ed. 9:15 <b>Worship</b> 10:30</p> <p>Girl Scouts 46518 4:00 CA/library 7:30</p>	<p>31</p> <p>7:30 Cultural Homestay Int'l, lib./ed wing, to noon</p> <p>12:30 M.M. set-up 1:30 Munchy Monday</p> <p>6:30 WIYS5</p>	 <p>Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.</p> <p>Psalm 51:10</p>			<p><b>HIS KIDS PRESCHOOL</b> <b>M,T,W,TH, F</b> 9:00 AM – 12:15 PM <b>Registration begins for 2025-26!!</b> <b>In-person: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM</b> <b>Mar. 4</b>, for current students, &amp; church members <b>Mar. 7</b>, Online registration opens to the public <b>Mar. 18</b>, In-person registration opens to public</p>	