

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



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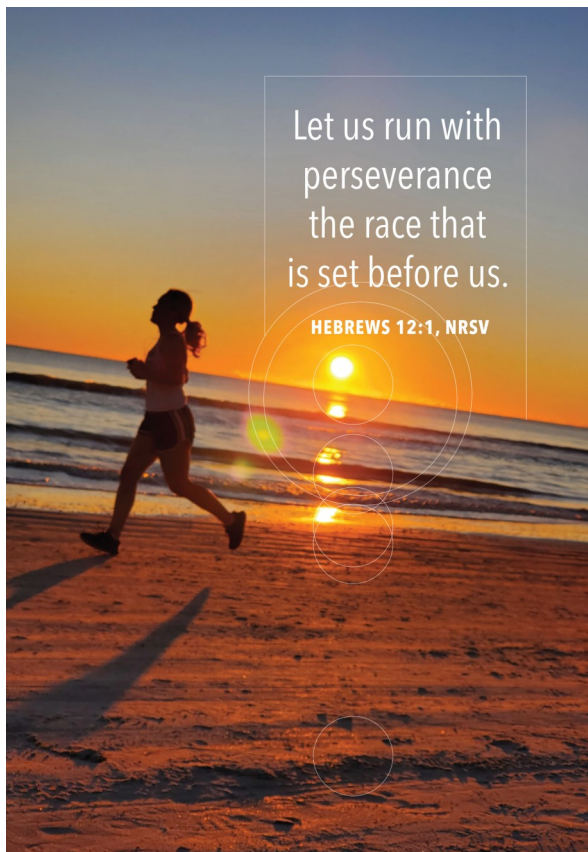
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Pastor's Page:

Reading the Bible This Summer

While Sunday school and adult Bible study go on hiatus over the summer, many like to include the Bible in their summer reading plans. In fact, Beth has been putting together a Bible “summer reading race” for both youth and adults with a schedule of Bible readings which will culminate in prizes, a Fun Run, and a BBQ next month. We might be on our summer schedule, but OHLC members will be in the word of God! Whether you participate in the summer reading race or will be exploring scripture in other ways, there are some things to keep in mind as you open up the Bible. What follows is far from an exhaustive set of principles for biblical interpretation, but I thought it might be helpful to give a few tips on how to read scripture in a more rewarding, edifying way.

First of all, a key distinction to make when reading scripture is whether a given passage is law or gospel. Law passages consist of demands or exhortations, while gospel passages convey promises. Law passages describe what God expects of us, while gospel passages proclaim what God has done for us. The purpose of the law passages is to reveal and restrain our sin and to show us that we need more than a behavioral coach – we need a savior! We need more than good advice; we need good news! The purpose of the gospel passages is to proclaim the good news of Christ’s saving work for us, delivering the goods of his promises, his forgiveness, his grace. Both are God’s word. Both are necessary. Both work in tandem. Both live in a necessary tension with the other. Martin Luther once said that the art of distinguishing law from gospel is what makes one a true theologian. This simple distinction can be hugely beneficial in making sense of how God speaks to us through the scriptures.

Secondly, keep in mind that all of scripture is ultimately about Jesus. Don’t take my word for it; this is what Jesus himself said. Jesus explained that the scriptures “testify about him” (John 5:39-40), and that he fulfills what is written in them (Luke 24:44). This can help bring valuable perspective to thorny passages such as Abraham being asked to sacrifice his son (Genesis 22) or the bloody means of making atonement laid out in Leviticus. When you understand that everything is foreshadowing or building towards Jesus’ sacrificial atonement for our salvation, these troubling or obscure passages often make more sense. As Sally Lloyd-Jones so beautifully subtitled her book, *The Jesus Storybook Bible*, “Every story whispers his name.” As you read the Bible, listen for the whisper!

That said, it is also true that some parts of scripture might not make sense to you immediately. I love how St. Peter acknowledges this when he says of St. Paul’s writings, “There are some things in them which are hard to understand” (2 Peter 3:16). Don’t be discouraged if you don’t understand something right away. You’re in good company!

A good study Bible or other Bible study resources can help a lot, but even then, some parts might take time to reveal their meaning to you.

And every single word in the Bible has meaning. As Paul wrote to Timothy, “All scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work” (2 Timothy 3:16). Some modern Lutherans are so enamored of critical scholarship and so eager to distance themselves from fundamentalists that they too easily dismiss the authority of scripture. Martin Luther would have a cow over this. While Lutheran biblical scholarship is good at nuance, matters of context, and giving some verses more interpretive weight than others, traditional Lutheran Christianity has a high view of the authority of scripture, and so none of it should be ignored by Lutheran readers. All of it is breathed out by God, who is trying to tell us something in every verse, whether we like it or understand it at the time or not. So take it all seriously.

In this way, it might be more accurate to say that we don’t read the Bible – the Bible reads us! As is written in Hebrews 4:12: “Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.” God’s word, including the written word of scripture, is a living word. It is not just a collection of ancient documents about God. Through these writings, God addresses us here and now. This should not be understood in a superstitious way. The Bible isn’t a big, long fortune cookie. Rather, God works on us through the written word of scripture to reveal the truth to us – the truth about us, and the truth about God. Let it work on you as a living word, and not just as letters on a page.

Finally, know that the Bible is ultimately a book of hope. As St. Paul writes, “For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope” (Romans 15:4). Reading scripture can be a challenge. It takes effort at times to distinguish law and gospel. Sometimes it can be difficult to find Jesus and hear the good news of the gospel. Some verses are confusing. Some verses are clear but convicting. However, St. Paul reminds us here that scripture has ultimately been given to us for our encouragement. By remaining steadfast in our study of it, we find hope.

Hope is something we could all use more of, so be sure to include the Bible in your summer reading plans!

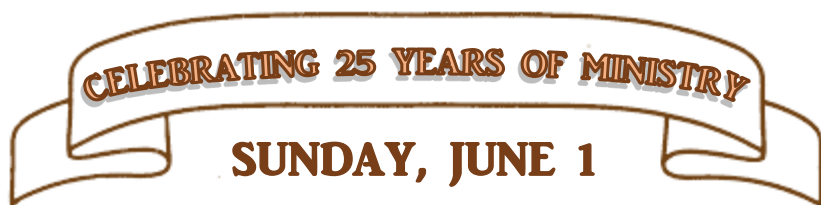


Pastor Jeffrey R. Spencer



SUMMER SCHEDULE TO BEGIN ON JUNE 1

We are moving to our summer worship schedule of **ONE SERVICE at 9:30AM beginning Sunday, June 1.** Please mark your calendars! We look forward to being together as one congregation through the summer months.



You are invited to join us on Sunday, June 1, as we celebrate the **25th anniversary of Pastor Spencer's ordination.** There will be a renewal of his ordination vows at the end of worship (remember, one service at 9:30!), along with a presentation, a reception following, and maybe a surprise thrown in. You are encouraged to bring cards to mark this important milestone expressing congratulations and blessings for his continued service. Come celebrate with us!



SUNDAY, JUNE 8: PENTECOST! CONFIRMATION!

Wear red to worship on Sunday, June 8 as we celebrate Pentecost! We will also be celebrating with Garrett Gibbons and Ava Lesetmoe as they affirm their baptism through the rite of confirmation. A special reception will be held after worship.

Youth & Family Pentecost Bonfire:

Join us at **4:00 PM, June 8th**, in celebrating Pentecost with a bonfire, cornhole (weather permitting), hot dogs, and s'mores! Sign up now on the Sunday connection card if you plan to attend! All ages welcome!



SUNDAY, JUNE 15: DONUTS WITH DADS

After worship on Sunday, June 15, we will celebrate all the dads of OHLC, past and present, with a special fellowship time featuring a variety of donuts. All are welcome as we keep the other half of the fourth commandment this month by honoring fathers.



BOOMERANG THOSE BABY BOTTLES!

For those who took home a baby bottle for the Whidbey Island Women's Clinic fundraiser, please remember to return them to the church office on or by Father's Day, Sunday, **June 15.** Thank you!

OHLC SHIRTS, OTHER MERCH NOW AVAILABLE!

Our online store at Ashley's Design in Oak Harbor is now live. All items are sold at cost. Visit www.ashleysdesign.com/ohlc to place an order for OHLC t-shirts, hoodies, and more! If you need help placing an order, please call the church office for assistance. Orders will be filled in mid-July.



JUNE 22: SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING & POTLUCK BRUNCH

Our next semi-annual meeting will be held after worship on Sunday, **June 22.** The meeting will convene shortly after worship, at 10:45. We will be electing new council members and hearing updates and reports. An agenda for our meeting will be available the Sunday prior, on June 15. All voting members are strongly encouraged to attend. ***Our meeting will be followed by a potluck brunch, so please bring a dish to share.***



Semi-annual Meeting

Youth and Family Ministry

MUNCHY MONDAY FINISHES ANOTHER GREAT YEAR

Munchy Monday, OHLC's early-release Monday outreach to Oak Harbor High School students will come to a close for the school year with our celebration of Grads on Monday, June 9.

Thank you so much for your support, enthusiasm, delicious homemade and store-bought donations, and the giving spirit that makes this all possible. A special thank you to the volunteers who so graciously gave their time and talents (and snacks) every week to make this a warm and welcoming sanctuary. In addition, a huge thanks to Deborah Circle for their ongoing support.



The High School kids appreciate this safe haven so much on early-release days; their smiles, gratitude, and positive energy liven up our hearts. It is a pleasure to provide this place of safety and fellowship.

See you all in the fall for the 2025-2026 school year of Munchy Monday!

QUEST CLUB CONTINUES THIS SUMMER!

QUEST CLUB is open to youth of all skill levels, age 12 and up. Join the Dead Sea Squirrels adventuring party in a TTRPG game based on Dungeons & Dragons 5E as they travel through the lands and time of the Bible on a quest to track down the missing Magi, combat demons, and discover more about a mysterious prophecy. For more info, contact Beth Stephens, bethasteph@gmail.com.



New Players: Sign-up ahead is preferred for character creation, but not required.

June's Quest Club meetings are Fridays, the 6th & 20th, from 3:00-5:00 PM in the education wing.

Looking ahead: Quest Club will meet July 11th, 18th, & 25th!

Summer Events: for all ages

SEATTLE MARINERS FAITH & FAMILY DAY – AUGUST 2



This month we will begin taking orders for tickets to the Faith & Family Day Mariners game on Saturday, August 2. Lydia Circle will be sponsoring a charter bus to get our group down there. We will be sitting at the main level this year. Discounted tickets are \$21.00 per person. Use the Connection Card in worship or visit the church office to reserve your spot and pay for your tickets.

YOUTH & FAMILY EVENTS THIS SUMMER!



This summer we are **Running the Race** with a summer reading race! Pick up your race map (aka reading plan) and “race” to finish before we cross the finish line at our Fun Run July 20th, 4 PM. Or take your time and complete at your own pace this summer. Prizes will be awarded along the way for reading milestones reached, and you can earn a Toppins gift card at reading race completion!

Reading Plans are available for both children and adults. Invite a friend or family member to “run” with you! (*reading race participation is NOT required for Fun Run participation*)

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events:

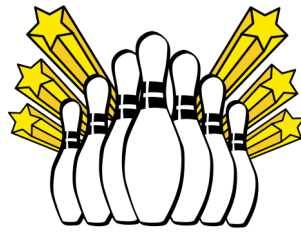
June	8	Pentecost Bonfire, 4 PM (<i>see pg 4 for more info</i>)
July	20	“Running the Race” Fun Run & BBQ, 4 PM
Aug	24	Paint & Sip (lemonade!), 4 PM

His Kids Preschool

A Ministry of Oak Harbor Lutheran Church

As we approach the end of the year, things really begin to get busy! Students stay busy in and outside of class, with extra field trips, family events, and even a full day of school on May 30th for our soon to be Kindergarteners!

On the evening of May 6th, the class had their annual bowling party. This year we had 14 preschool students attend, joined by their siblings, parents, and even some grandparents! We had over 34 bowling participants, and many more there to watch and enjoy the fun! We are so thankful to all who were able to join us, and to the bowling staff. We filled nearly half of the lanes that day!



The class also attended a field trip to Ms. Debbie's farm on May 20th. There they met her animals, asked a million questions, and got a special glimpse into the outside life of our favorite science teacher!

In class this month, students learned about the letters Y and Z, farm animals, Noah's ark, pond life, and summer fun. Students also watched the classroom lady bugs go through their life cycle, from larvae to adult. Ms. Martha gave a special presentation on eagles to the classroom, which the students adored!



A special chapel was held for the class May 21st to honor the end of the year as well as present certificates for attending!

Preschool Sunday, on May 18th, encouraged students and families to attend the 10:30 AM church service! Students and families as well as the history of the preschool were celebrated, not only with cake but with displays of photos over the years, artwork from the class, and of course songs from our students. Thank you for celebrating with us!

This month's special students were Sadie and Colton, who also happen to be the "littles" to our sibling pairs.

Here's how some of our students finished the sentence, "I love my Mom because..."

Liam: she takes me places

Abby: she gives me hugs and kisses

Theo: she snuggles me

Harper: she plays with me

Karter: she plays with me a lot

Hannah: she takes me to fun places and gives me food

Lennox: she gives me hugs and kisses

Branch: she takes me to McDonald's and I call it McDonnie's

Dallas: she takes me to the play place

Maren: she stayed in bed so we could do breakfast in bed

Everett: she gives me kisses

Wren: she gives me nice new toys

Colton: she plays games with me

Sadie: she loves me and she hugs me and kisses me

Rylan: she cooks me yummy food and takes me to Jungle Play Island and makes me mini hot dogs

Mylo: she took me to a bubble place with my friends

We look forward to having a bit more fun in the first few days of June but also look forward to summer! Looking forward to those warmer days, and some classroom preparation for next year!

Happy May and many blessings,

Ms. Jasmine, Ms. Elva, Ms. Michelle, and Ms. Debbie

Included in this newsletter are *Prayer Ventures* for June and *Running the Race: Summer Reading Plan*.

OHLC's card makers, the **Church Mice Stampers**, meet on Tuesdays, **June 10 & 24**, starting at 10:00 AM in the library.

The Brotherhood of St. Bernard, OHLC's men's Bible study fellowship, meets Tuesdays, **June 10 & 24**, at noon in the fellowship hall.

The One Thing Book Group meets at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, **June 17** at Jean's house (1427 SW Xavier), to consider *Dinners with Ruth: A Memoir on the Power of Friendships*, by Nina Totenberg

Stephen Ministry will meet on Thurs. **June 12** at 4 PM in the Library.

The deadline for articles for the July 2025 newsletter is Mon. **June 16**.

Let's Get Started!



OHLC Women

Opportunities for Fellowship, Study & Service

BLANKET WORKSHOP:

You're invited to join, **Tuesday & Wednesday, June 6 & 7, 9:30 AM in the fellowship hall.**

Sewing experience isn't a requirement, and new helpers are always appreciated.



CIRCLES IN JUNE

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

June 5 "Reviving the Spirit's flame," page 48, March/April/May 2025 **Gather** magazine.

June 12 *Grateful Gatherings*, "Well-being"

June 19 "Where two or more are gathered: Flourishing in relationships", June/July/August 2025 **Gather** magazine, Session one

June 26 "Relationships that form us: All in the family", June/July/August 2025 **Gather** magazine, Session one

Lydia Circle meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 5:30 PM in the Prayer Room. We continue in the book: *Psalms: Prayers of the Heart* (LifeGuide Bible Series) by Eugene H. Peterson. Starting in June additional meetings will be held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays to work on crafts for the annual Holiday Bazaar. All are welcome! Contact Peg Fosnaugh at 360-929-1653 if you have any questions.

June 3 Chapter 7, Psalm 23: Praying Our Fear

June 10 Crafts: bring a glue gun!

June 17 Chapter 8, Psalm 137: Praying Our Hate

June 24 Crafts

On the Library Shelf

Summer is coming and one of summer's joys can be reading for pleasure! The library is usually free for your use 9 AM– 3 PM, M-F and always on Sunday mornings. Check your bulletin, newsletter calendar, or call the office for open times.

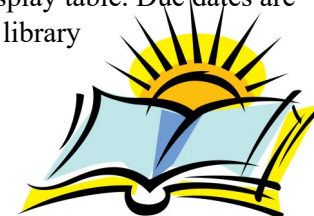
Come to see our wide variety of books. All shelves are labelled by genre and we have something for everyone. We have Bibles, and topics such as Old or New Testament studies, theology, Luther, Lutheran heritage, biographies, children's books from infants to middle readers, books for teens, family relationships, other faiths, current issues, poetry, a variety of fiction, arts and music, teacher's materials, Stephen Ministry and health matters, as well as many others.

The check-out procedure is spelled out on the display table. Due dates are several weeks to a month or more! Please return library materials to the gray box by the library door.

Thank you!

Your library team,

Kathy Holroyd, Colleen Pedlar, Carol Reafs



A Note of Thanks

An anonymous donor has purchased a new tarp for the children's playset and Dave Fosnaugh recently hung it. Check it out and many thanks! It is bee-you-tea-full

Flowers for Worship Services



Our sanctuary continues to be blessed with beautiful flowers for both the chancel and organ. Thank you to all our loving sponsors. Chancel flowers are \$45; organ flowers are \$35.

Please indicate the date the flowers are for on the check memo line. Sign up is located on the wall by Pastor's office. Thank you!

Peg Fosnaugh
360-929-1653

Compassion Ministry

JOSEPHINE HOME SAYS THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to everyone that contributed this spring to the Josephine Birdseed fund! We collected a total of \$511. Plus, Jennifer Jones has arranged for a monthly donation of seed from the Country Store in Stanwood. Residents, staff, and, of course, the birds, are most appreciative!

We are also very grateful for our sewers helping with the Hands of Hope project. They are Rita Carter, Vickie Chambers, and Karol Pulliam. Now residents can fill personal care kits needed for area shelters in their own community project.

Your Josephine Delegates,
Kathy Holroyd and Karol Pulliam



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.

If you have any questions contact Beth in the church office, 360-679-1561 to learn more about our partnership.

CAMP LUTHERWOOD'S SUMMER REGISTRATION IS OPEN

We have a wonderful Lutheran Bible camp right in our own backyard, on the shores of beautiful Lake Samish in Bellingham. Camp Lutherwood is currently taking registrations for summer campers! You can register online at www.camlutherwood.org. Through gifted funds from the OHLC Men's Group (The Brotherhood of St. Bernard) and other sources, **we're able to offer a limited number of camp scholarships.** Please contact Pastor Spencer if you are interested.



MINISTRY OF THE MONTH:

Mighty to Save
ministries

Mighty to Save Ministry, our Ministry of the Month for June, is a nonprofit organization based in Oak Harbor that began in 2011-12. Christina Bowling, founder and president, has authored this month's *Loving our Neighbors* page (see below). OHLC's Gaye Rodriguez is a board member.

Mighty to Save assists young adults transitioning from a lifestyle of addiction to a life of sobriety by providing discipleship, mentoring, counseling, group support and transitional assistance. In June 2019, Jake's House, with 2 in-house leaders, began providing 7 men with a place to live as they continue their journey of sobriety.

Information will be posted on the bulletin board in the narthex during June, and you'll have the opportunity to donate towards their Christ-centered, hope-filled outreach.

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. —Rom. 15:13

Loving our Neighbor

Jesus says in Matthew 22, "Love your neighbor." According to Jesus, this is the second great commandment after He tells us to love God with all our heart, soul and mind. This would lead me to believe that He considers this a pretty important instruction.

Living in community, such as the men and women do in our transitional programs, sometimes tolerating our neighbor is barely doable. How in the world are we suppose to love them? Does God see the messes they leave behind in the kitchen? This one never helps with the outdoor chores. I don't like the way he looks at me. The list of faults and faultfindings can go on and on.

When you have multiple people all living in the same space, who all come from different backgrounds and experiences and then put them all together, love doesn't just happen. Add in that most everyone is coming from addiction, homelessness, jail or treatment. Everyone has experienced some sort of trauma and everyone has different survival techniques they have relied on to "make it through". Mix these things all together and guess what... conflict comes out, not love.

So how do we manage these situations? How can we turn these conflicts into understanding and compassion where love has a chance to grow. It is easy to recite the fruits of the spirit, but let's be honest, how many mature Christians walk in those daily, let alone someone who is just beginning to explore a relationship with Jesus?

A couple of months ago in our men's program, we had a tough situation between two of our residents. Resident 1, a great young man who happens to be a little messy, and

Resident 2 brought up in a home where messes were not allowed. Two completely different backgrounds living together. On a Monday afternoon, R2 was cleaning the kitchen, which was his weekly chore. On the table was a group of 6 or so empty water bottles that had been sitting there for a few days continuing to grow. R2 picked up the empty water bottles and threw them in the trash. Moments later R1 comes in and sees the bottles in the trash. This angers him and he expresses to R2 that is not the proper way to dispose of them, they need to go into recycle, not the trash. As you can imagine, tempers driven by unknown fears and childhood survival techniques flare and words are exchanged. R1 says, “I am out of here!” and begins to pack his things. At this point there is no reasoning with him. He packs his belongings and is gone. R2 uses sarcasm and avoidance to blow things off and pretends to not care. I decide to let the dust settle and pick things up tomorrow. After all, this really is not about water bottles. Something more was laying under the surface.

On Tuesday, R1 comes to the office and we have a long conversation. He is free to express exactly how he is feeling and unloads a lot of emotion. I asked questions such as, “What could you have done differently?” “Why do you suppose R2 responded the way he did?” “Are you responsible for his behavior?” “Are you responsible for yours?” We talked about what it would look like to sit down with R2 and talk about what happened. R1 was certain this was a bad idea and that R2 would never be open to talking things out, taking responsibility for his actions and surely would never apologize. We prayed and I asked him to continue to have the conversation with God about what we should do next. To my amazement, a few hours later R1 texted and asked if he should go ahead and text R2 to apologize. My response was, “Let’s wait until we all sit down together. Let’s do this face to face.”

On Wednesday, I sat down with R2. I brought up things that he had never heard of or considered before, such as childhood survival techniques and how they may have worked for him as a child but, that they are actually getting in his way of being an adult. Why did he respond in anger so quickly? What was he believing? Turns out that underneath it all was a belief that the condition of the kitchen was a direct reflection on him and how others saw him since it was his chore. I asked him the same questions I asked R1, and we made a plan to all sit down together the next day. R2 was really having a difficult time with the process. He was more inclined to settle the matter quickly, while I was believing that God was working in everyone’s heart and that it was better to take it slow.

On Thursday, we invited one of our leaders, M, into the meeting and we decided to meet at our offices since I would have my granddaughter with me. I would settle her in my office while we would meet in another room. R1 had not returned to the house yet and had been staying with his family. On the drive to the office we saw R2 and M pull out behind us on the highway. I let them know we were making a pit stop by McDonalds for ice cream cones and asked if they wanted one. They pulled in behind us and we went in for ice cream. I ordered an extra for R1.

As we pulled into the office parking lot, R1 was waiting for us. I handed him his cone and we all walked up the stairs. As I settled my granddaughter into her space, I could hear the men beginning to talk. By the time I walked into the room R1 and R2 were

apologizing to each other. Each one taking responsibility for their part in the conflict. Each one considering the others view point and understanding where they were coming from and why they responded as they did. It was truly amazing. My heart was full and tears welled in our eyes. We stood together in a circle in the middle of the room and we prayed and gave thanks to God for the heart healing that had taken place.

Loving your neighbor is not easy. It often takes self reflection and a willingness to allow God access to our hearts. To heal our own false beliefs and to strip us of our survival techniques. We all learned that conflict, when we are willing, is an opportunity to heal and grow and that when you invite the Holy Spirit into the conversation, and add in ice cream, it makes it even sweeter.

1 Corinthians 13:4-7 TPT

Love is large and incredibly patient. Love is gentle and consistently kind to all. It refuses to be jealous when blessing comes to someone else. Love does not brag about one’s achievements nor inflate its own importance. Love does not traffic in shame and disrespect, nor selfishly seek its own honor. Love is not easily irritated or quick to take offense. Love joyfully celebrates honestly and finds no delight in what is wrong. Love is a safe place of shelter, for it never stops believing the best for others. Love never takes failure as defeat, for it never gives up.

OHLC family,
Blessings,
Christina Bowling
Mighty to Save Ministries

In Loving Memory

We mourn the passing of Mary Wonner who passed away May 5th at the age of 78. Mary and her husband Bill have been active OHLC members since 2012. We rejoice in the many years we had worshipping with her.

Mary took great comfort in God and his presence in her life. She desired the whole world to know her Lord Jesus as her personal savior.

Mary’s memorial service was held at OHLC on May 23rd.



Worship Assistants

June 1

9:30 AM	Assisting Minister: Moira Bartrand Communion Assistant: Mary Brock Acolyte: Abby Gray Healing Prayer: L. Improta & F. Leukhardt	Computer: Donna Aspery Organ/Piano: Verna Morgan Altar Guild: Teresa Butz
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June 8

9:30 AM	Assisting Minister: Tom Carey Communion Assistant: Rita Carter Acolyte: Anna Richards	Computer: Kale Totten Organ/Piano: Sue Stroud Altar Guild:
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June 15

9:30 AM	Assisting Minister: Jeff Margraf Communion Assistant: Leslie Improta Acolyte.: Matthew Richards	Computer: Lisa Margraf Organ/Piano: Jan Ernst Altar Guild: Lori Gayhart
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June 22

9:30 AM	Assisting Minister: Sheila Ryan Communion Assistant: Gaye Rodriguey Acolyte.: Elizabeth Richards	Computer: Sam Richards Organ/Piano: Sue Stroud Altar Guild:
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June 29

9:30 AM	Assisting Minister: Sharon Erikson Communion Assistant: Gaylen Smith Acolyte.: Alice Gray	Computer: Emma Norman Organ/Piano: Verna Morgan Altar Guild: Mary Brock
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Little Lutheran bags in June: Diane Macaluso

Thank you to Jan Kammenga for May!

This month's decorative font is :

Olympian



Financial Report

April

	<i>April</i>	<i>Year to date</i>
Income	\$ 32,757	\$ 136,148
Outgo	<u>47,607</u>	<u>160,732</u>
	\$ (14,850)	\$ (24,583)

Worship Attendance

May

Date	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
April 27	42	76
May 4	48	67
May 11	47	74
May 18	43	104
Avg. Att.	45	80

May 25 will be included in next months average
Average Sunday attendance: 125

Lesser Festivals & Commemorations

June

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| 1 Justin, martyr at Rome, c.165 | 21 Onesimos Nesib, translator, evangelist, 1931 |
| 3 The Martyrs of Uganda, 1886; | 24 The Nativity of John the Baptist |
| John XXIII, Bishop of Rome, 1963 | 25 Presentation of the Augsburg |
| 5 Boniface, Archbishop of Mainz, missionary to Germany, martyr, 754 | Confession, 1530; Philipp Melancthon, renewer of the Church, 1560 |
| 7 Seattle, chief of the Duwamish Confederacy, 1866 | 27 Cyril. bishop of Alexandria, theologian, 444 |
| 9 Columba, 597; Aidan, 651, Bede, 735, renewers of the church | 28 Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyons, c. 202 |
| 11 Barnabas, Apostle | 29 Peter & Paul, Apostles |
| 14 Basil the Great, Bishop of Caesarea, 379; Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa, c. 385 | |
| Gregory of Nanzianus, Bishop of | |

June



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Worship 9:30 Ordination Anniversary Reception 10:45 Piano Recital/Morgan 2:00	2 12:30 M.M. set-up 1:30 Munchy Monday 6:30 WIYS 7:00 North Whidbey NA/ library	3 9:30 Blanket Workshop 5:00 Brass Ensemble Concert 5:30 Lydia Circle- study 5:30 Al Anon	4 9:30 Blanket Workshop 11:30 OHLC Staff 2:00 Living with Loss 4:00 Chancel Choir 7:00 Jubilate Ringers	5 1:00 Deborah Circle 7:00 NA	6 3:00 QUEST CLUB	7
8 Pentecost Worship 9:30 Confirmation Reception 10:45 CA/library 7:30	9 12:30 M.M. set-up 1:30 Munchy Monday 5:00 Brass Studio Recital 6:30 WIYS 7:00 North Whidbey NA/ library	10 10:00 Church Mice Stampers 12:00 Brotherhood of St. Bernard 3:00 SPiN B.O.D. 5:30 Lydia Circle- crafts 5:30 Al Anon	11 11:30 OHLC Staff 4:00 Chancel Choir	12 1:00 Deborah Circle 3:00 She Sharps 4:00 Stephen Ministry 6:00 Council 7:00 NA	13	14 OHHS Graduation Overflow Parking Donuts with Dads set-up
15 Father's Day Worship 9:30 Donuts with Dads 10:45 Girl Scouts 46518 4:00 CA/library 7:30	16 Newsletter Deadline 12:30 M.M. set-up 1:30 Munchy Monday 7:00 North Whidbey NA/ library	17 5:00 Recital/Hendricks 5:30 Lydia Circle- study 5:30 Al Anon	18 11:30 OHLC Staff 4:00 Chancel Choir	19 1:00 Deborah Circle 3:00 She Sharps 5:30 NA PR meeting 7:00 NA	20 3:00 QUEST CLUB	21
22 Worship 9:30 Semi-Annual Meeting 10:45 CA/library 7:30	23 7:00 North Whidbey NA/ library	24 10:00 Church Mice Stampers 12:00 Brotherhood of St. Bernard 3:00 SPiN B.O.D. 5:30 Lydia Circle- crafts 5:30 Al Anon	25 11:30 OHLC Staff 4:00 Chancel Choir	26 9:00 newsletter assembly 1:00 Deborah Circle 3:00 She Sharps 7:00 NA	27	28
29 Worship 9:30 Girl Scouts 46518 4:00 CA/library 7:30	30 7:00 North Whidbey NA/ library	<div> <div> THANK YOU, <i>dads</i> </div> <div> Being a male species does not make a man a father, for a dad is a special blend of hero; disciplinarian; a friend; someone to look up to; someone to model ... someone with a touch of the "mother" in him; someone who is big enough to say, "The fault was mine" ... someone who lives the kind of life that makes you want to say, "I, too, shall follow him!" —Alton Kaul </div> </div>				