
Dungeness Valley Lutheran *Currents*



August 2016

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Pastor's Notes

"Time to Sing a New Song!"

"Blessed be your glorious name, and may it be exalted above all blessing and praise. You alone are the LORD. You made the heavens, even the highest heavens, and all their starry host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them. You give life to everything, and the multitudes of heaven worship you."

Nehemiah 9:6

So sang the Levites in the time of Ezra the scribe. And they invited the remnant of Israel who had gathered to rededicate themselves to join in. "Stand up!" they cried. "Praise the LORD your God, who is from everlasting to everlasting!"

That same invitation has come down to the faithful for generation upon generation, right down to the present day and to us. Each Sunday (and hopefully at other times and places!?) we, too, stand to lift up our voices in song and praise to the One who has created us, giving us life and this good earth to be our home. It seems fitting, doesn't it, to respond with heartfelt praise to God? What could be more natural than to thank God for so many wonderful blessings!

Creative musicians and songwriters help us give voice to the powerful emotions we feel when we acknowledge our gratitude to God in worship. We have these artists to thank for the wide variety of hymns and liturgies from which we choose to speak and sing. I am especially pleased with the setting we are currently singing. I always get goosebumps when I hear you all singing together – especially since we have all been gathered together at one time!

Yet even the best music tends to lose its appeal if sung endlessly. The tunes get tired; the words lose their meaning. Hence, the oft-repeated admonition of the Psalmist: Sing to the LORD a new song!

I believe we have reached a point in the worship life of our congregation where just such a new song is needed. After checking many resources, I haven't found anything compelling to try next. So why not make one ourselves? To that end, I have invited Michael Rivers and a few others to collaborate on a brand new liturgical setting. Though Christian in essence, it will be crafted to be inviting to all people of faith who acknowledge God as Creator and Sustainer.

I am very excited to begin this good work. But if it is to go forward, help will be needed. In particular, financial help. Money will be needed to compensate Michael for his time and expertise. The price tag is going to be several thousand dollars.

Now I know that that's a lot of money. But I am hoping that we can "Bernie Sanders" this one. If all or most of us were to make a modest donation, and were joined by a few who were able to generously pitch in a big contribution, I believe we can easily get there.

So if you want to contribute - and I hope you will! - please make your gift out to DVLC, and designate it for the "New Church Service" Project. We'll let you know how the fundraising is going.

Thank you in advance for your contribution to our very own new song!

Pastor Jack ☺

Congregational Meeting, August 28, 10:30 am.

The purpose of the meeting is to vote on proposed changes to the DVLC Constitution and Bylaws. Please stay after worship service to attend.

Church Council Highlights for July

- Discussion on the upcoming tailgate party following the 9:30am service on September 11.
- Congregational Meeting set for August 28, bylaws.
- Discussion on the personnel manual.
- Pastor Jack cleaned out the fountain, the pump needed to be replaced.
- Possible book study, The Story of God narrated by Morgan Freeman.
- Need to schedule a fall cleanup day.
- Update Adopt a plot.

Pastor's Report – June 2016

26 – Meetings	0 – Hospital Visits
0 – Funerals	2 – Classes
10 – Home Visits	0 – Weddings
6 – Office Visits	1 – Baptisms
0 – Confirmations	

AVERAGE ATTENDANCE:

Average Sunday Attendance for

June 2016: 98

June 2015: 102

Thanks So Much!

I just wanted to say thank you for the lovely retirement party and all the thoughtful cards. I enjoyed myself at the potluck...and that I didn't have to cook. It's been gratifying serving Dungeness Valley Lutheran for the past 25 years as the pianist and enjoying all the wonderful friendships.

I will continue to be around and play dominoes with the gals, not retiring from that.

Thank you,
Shirley Eaton

IN OUR PRAYERS



ILLNESS/SURGERY RECOVERY MEMBERS

Les and Ruth Skogman; Loren Kreutner;
Annette Lindamood; Ginger Little;
Tracy Williams; Bob Hardy; Lee Raymond;
Mark & Rosemary Freed,
Duane Little, Sue Stauffer, Jack Brown

Friends or Relatives of DVLC Members

Carl Skogman (Les and Ruth Skogman);
Bernie (Judy Green);
Anita Little (Duane and Nancy Little);
Alexis & Ari (Jolie Will);
Gladys (Gordon Zander);
Mike Pierce (Sue Pierce);
Anne (daughter of Sue Pierce);
Karen and Felix (Jolie Will);
Christine (LaNice Korus); **Jan** (Sue Pierce);
Marsha & Lee Richard (LaNice Korus);
Barbara Wixon (Jolie Will); **Tami** (LaNice
Korus); **Larry** (Bob Green); **Pat Van Gerpen**
(Diane Isaac); **Amanda Neff** (Kathy
Lohrman); **Ida Fintel** (Brenda Jennings);
Lois and Lorne Kennedy (Donna
McMillen); **Pastor Richard Hermstad**
(Jennifer Schroeder); **Kathy Hart** (Sue
Pierce); **Sharon and Glenn Jones** (Jim and
Sandy Jones); **Rebekah Geiger and David
Wilkerson** (Ruth Geiger); **Hayden "Jade"
Webb** (Jan Webb), **Doug Wood** (Betty
Zander); **Jane** (Jim and Sandy Jones);
Jerri Gowdy (Myrna Juergens);
Gerry Harris (Brenda Jennings)

OUTREACH PRAYERS

All those serving in the military; Sunshine
Ministries in Vietnam;
Lutheran Community Services; The Dream
Center; The Living Stones Ministry; LWR
Water Project; Risen Faith Fellowship;
Panama



CELEBRATE SERVICE WITH A PICNIC!

JOIN WITH TRINITY UNITED
METHODIST AND ST. LUKE'S
EPISCOPAL FOR A PICNIC ON
AUGUST 21, 11:30am
at TUMC, 100 Blake Ave.

**A TIME TO SHARE YOUR
DAY OF SERVICE STORIES!**

**DVLC BRINGS DESSERTS!
SIGN-UP IN THE NARTHEX**

Service Helpers for August

Thank you for your participation in our
worship life here at DVLC! Your service
is an asset to our members.

9:30 - one service for the summer

Lectors: Aug. 7	Ted Foster
Aug. 14	Christie Foster
Aug. 21	Donna McMillen
Aug. 28	Ray Dangman

Ushers: Chris and Myrna Juergens

Greeter: Marian Needham

Communion Assistants:

Aug. 7 Mary Deckebach,
Betty Zander, Sherry Wright

Aug. 21 Jan Boyungs,
Gloria Virak, Ruth Geiger

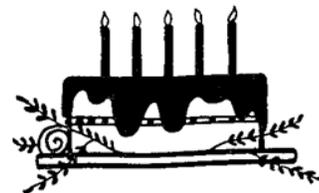
DVLC Birthday Corner

Birthday celebrations for August:

- 1 – Karin Anderson
- 1 – Mary Massey
- 1 – Jan Bock
- 1 – Rian Pope
- 2 – Doris Norton
- 9 – Donna McMillen
- 10 – Dana Cowan
- 10 – Gene Middleton
- 12 – Maria Grant
- 15 – Jeff Boyd
- 15 – Jerry Enzenauer
- 15 – Jim Macki
- 16 – Emily Webb
- 17 – Rikki Lynn
- 17 – Marian Needham
- 18 – Soren Olsen
- 20 – Diane Isaac
- 21 – Barbara Enzenauer
- 23 – Amanda Beitzel
- 27 – Paul Wessel

Happy Birthday to all!

By the way, please let us know if we
have reported your birthday incorrectly or
omitted it. If we have, we apologize.



The Reflections Group

The Reflections Group Bible study,
led by Pastor Ruth Geiger, will meet on
August 17, 1:15 pm at the home of one of
the group's members. They will be
discussing Job chapters 38 and 39. Contact
Pastor Ruth at 206-349-4082 for more info

God's work. Our hands.

I hope we never get tired of hearing this phrase because it is who we are in this world!

This title "God's work. Our hands." is the tag line of our national church's DAY OF SERVICE. The church chooses a Sunday in September which doesn't usually work for us so our day of service this year is on

AUGUST 20.

We serve not only our members but the community at large. This year we have 14 projects! The last time we did this event we had over 60 volunteers so we need a lot of projects.

See the list below with a description and be ready to sign-up. Most of them are from about 9 – 12 on that Saturday, some need some preparation on a day prior, one is from 9 – 3 and there are a variety of services with varying degrees of physical exertion.

CHECK OUT THE SIGN-UP LISTS IN THE NARTHEX

Projects and # of volunteers needed:

- * **Preparing school kits for world relief.** Inserting cords in drawstring bags, filling with needed items, packing for shipment. - 5-
- * **Deep clean church kitchen** -4-
- * **Assemble Baby Care Kits** for World Relief -5-
- * **Replace lamp and mail box post** for Shirley Eaton -2- requires pre-service day preparation
- * **Make cards for Sherwood Assisted Living residents** – any number
- ***Power wash gable end and paint, power wash gutters, re-attach gutter to fascia board** at Ruth Geiger/Brenda Jennings home -2-4- requires pre-service day power washing.

* **Mow Grass and Weed-Eat** at Loren Kreutner's home in Joyce -2-4- this is a 45 minute drive from church, need weed-eater equipment. Church has a weed-eater.

***Paint Food Bank box** (may be a kid's project) -2-

***Habitat for Humanity home building** in Port Angeles -8-10-

***Sequim Food Bank:** Clean out gutters, trim landscaping, re-attach small loose plastic siding piece. 2-4

* **New Sequim YMCA preparation.** Spread landscaping mulch, help cut down some trees, general landscaping. Bring gloves. - 10

***Sequim Boys and Girls Club** – painting rooms and general landscaping (rose bushes hanging over the sidewalk type landscaping). 10 - 12

AUGUST 13 PROJECTS

* **Shop for school supplies for local district** -2- take funds raised prior, purchase list items. The distribution date is August 20 so needs to be done ahead of time.

***Police Department Canine training equipment refurbishing at Sequim Dog Park.** Repair equipment, sand, paint, begins at 10 am, bring paint brushes. Up to 12 people, 6 pieces of equipment.

Jan Webb is in coordinator of this event, see her if you have questions.



**WOW! Working On Wellness
Free Community Lecture
for August**

The program is *Active Isolated Stretching*, presented by Kevin Pedrey, LMP, CCT, CFT, Owner of Sequim Gym

**Wednesday, August 10, 2:30 – 3:30 pm
at Trinity United Methodist Church**

Active Isolated Stretching has the benefits of improving flexibility and aiding recovery from injuries including back pain, hip pain and many others. AIS is also used as a whole body stretching system that can prevent injury, improve performance, and provide the body with better circulation and overall balance.

Kevin Pedrey graduated from the Humanities School of Massage in Pinellas Park, Florida, where his studies included Trigger Point Therapy, Myofascial Release, Muscle Energy Techniques and Neuro-Kinetic Therapy. Kevin focuses on Active Isolated Stretching in most of his treatments because it's about client involvement and education, which he believes leads to the most effective treatment outcome.

Upcoming Programs:

September 14 - *How to Stay Healthy in Cold & Flu Season*

October 12 - *Open Enrollment Tips to Save You Time and Money*

November 9 - *Dynamic Balance Ideas*

December 14 - *When to Call 911 and What to Do*

"Working on Wellness" is a program of the Dungeness Valley Health & Wellness Clinic



Clinic Fun Walk & Wellness Fair

Join the Akaloo Team at the Dungeness Valley Health & Wellness Clinic Fun Walk – September 10, 8:30 am registration, 9 am Walk – followed by the Health Fair

June Financial Results

In June Operating Fund income totaled **\$2 1,761** which is **\$2,572 lower than our monthly budget** and **\$1,034 lower than our actual expenses for the month**. As a result, Operating Fund income for the first half of 2016 totaled **\$142,801** which is **\$3,209 lower than our YTD Budget** but **\$648 higher than our actual expenses**. The Operating Fund is summarized below.

Operating Fund

	June	Year-to-date
Planned Income	\$24,333	\$146,010
Actual Income	21,761	142,801
Actual vs.		
Planned Income	(2,572)	(3,209)
Planned Expenses	24,444	146,772
Actual Expenses	22,795	142,153
Actual Income vs.		
Actual Expenses	(1,034)	648

Finance Committee



Serving Our Neighbors.
Through ministries near and far

**God's Work
Our Hands**

**August 13
& 20**