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# Dungeness Valley Lutheran *Currents*

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## **Pastor's Notes**

### ***"One Good Story Deserves Another"***

This is to be my last DVLC newsletter article. So I guess I had better try to get it right this time!

Thinking about the time I have been with you, the name Scheherazade comes to mind. In case you may have forgotten, Scheherazade is both a character and the story-teller in the book, *"One Thousand and One Nights."*

According to that unimpeachable source of wisdom, Wikipedia, Scheherazade's story goes this way:

"One day King Shahryar found out that his first wife was unfaithful to him. Therefore, he resolved to marry a new virgin each day as well as behead the previous day's wife, so that she would have no chance to be unfaithful to him. He had killed 1,000 such women by the time he was introduced to Scheherazade, the vizier's daughter.

Now, Scheherazade had perused the books, annals and legends of preceding Kings, and the stories, examples and instances of bygone men and things; indeed it was said that she had collected a thousand books of histories relating to antique races and departed rulers. She had perused the works of the poets and knew them by heart; she had studied philosophy and the sciences, arts and accomplishments; and she was pleasant and polite, wise and witty, well read and well bred.

Against her father's wishes, Scheherazade volunteered to spend one night with the king. Once in the king's chambers, Scheherazade asked if she might bid one last farewell to her beloved sister, Dunyazade, who had secretly been

prepared to ask Scheherazade to tell a story during the long night. The king lay awake and listened with awe as Scheherazade told her first story. The night passed by, and Scheherazade stopped in the middle of the story. The king asked her to finish, but Scheherazade said there was no time, as dawn was breaking. So, the king spared her life for one day to finish the story the next night. The next night, Scheherazade finished the story and then began a second, even more exciting tale, which she again stopped halfway through at dawn. Again, the king spared her life for one more day so she could finish the second story.

And so the king kept Scheherazade alive day by day, as he eagerly anticipated the finishing of the previous night's story. At the end of 1,001 nights, and 1,000 stories, Scheherazade told the king that she had no more tales to tell him. During these 1,001 nights, the king had fallen in love with Scheherazade. He spared her life, and made her his queen."

It seems to me that in a non-threatening sort of way, you have allowed me to become your Scheherazade, and I thank you for it. But now I have only a few more stories to tell you, before another story-teller comes along.

If you are as kind and compassionate to your new Scheherazade as you have been to me and my family, they will be very lucky indeed.

God bless you one and all,

**Pastor Jack** ☺

P.S. I have invited your interim pastor (i.e. story-teller), Beth Orling, to introduce herself in the next edition of *Currents*. May your time together with her be blessed!

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## **Church Council Highlights**

### **New Business**

- **Paul Wessel presented the latest with the Homeless Shelter committee**  
**Motion #1** Pastor Jack made a motion to accept the proposal – allow to move to next step – formalize committee to do list and recommendations.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Gail Schwab Action: Motion passed
- Discussion on updating the photo directory and photo wall. Jan Webb and Sandy Jones, take photos. Set up space on Sundays for photos to be taken.
- Instead of purchasing a new computer for the pastor's office, it was proposed to use the \$400 budgeted funds to purchase a new computer for the admin. Admin's computer will then be wiped clean and replace the current computer in the Pastor's office. Duane Little is searching for a good deal. Ted Foster said he'd donate a larger monitor for the admin.
- New Member dinner rescheduled to May 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Susie Herrick spoke about the Light Lunch program at St Luke's will end in June 2017.

### **Old Business**

- Pastor Beth our interim will start June 1.
- Treasurers Report – in the black

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### **Pastor's Report – March 2017**

<b>38</b> – Meetings	<b>0</b> – Hospital Visits
<b>0</b> – Funerals	<b>14</b> – Classes
<b>7</b> – Home Visits	<b>1</b> – Wedding
<b>7</b> – Office Visits	<b>0</b> – Baptisms

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### **AVERAGE ATTENDANCE:**

Average Sunday Attendance for

**March 2017: 106**

**March 2016: 130**

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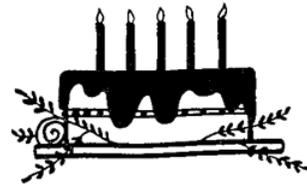
## **DVLC Birthday Corner**

### **Birthday celebrations for May:**

5 – Jeff Kenyon  
6 – Henry Fischer  
10 – Nathan Needham  
13 – Fred Velpel  
17 – Brenda Jennings  
19 – Carol Pope  
21 – Christie Foster  
22 – Ken Olin  
26 – Jim Hallett  
27 – John Beitzel  
27 – Loren Kreutner  
27 – Sharon Grant  
29 – Eileen Larsen  
29 – Darel Tenhoff  
31 – Carynn Grant

### ***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.



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## **The Reflections Group**

The Reflections Group Bible study, led by Pastor Ruth Geiger, will be May 10, 1 pm at the home of one of their members. They will be discussing I Kings 19:4-15. Contact Pastor Ruth for more information, [206-349-4082](tel:206-349-4082).

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## **The Northwest Women's Chorale**

invites you to their annual Spring Concert, celebrating 10 years in this "place", and singing of places blest, yearned for, and enjoyed! The chorale will be enhanced by orchestral accompaniment. Two locations...7 pm Friday, May 5, at Dungeness Valley Lutheran, and 7 pm Monday, May 8 at Holy Trinity Lutheran in Port Angeles.

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## **IN OUR PRAYERS**



### **ILLNESS/SURGERY RECOVERY MEMBERS**

Les and Ruth Skogman; Loren Kreutner;  
Janet Hintermayr; Lee Raymond;  
Mary Longstaff, Ginger Little;  
Tracy Williams; Bob Hardy;  
Mark & Rosemary Freed; Duane Little

### **Friends or Relatives of DVLC Members**

**Carl Skogman** (Les and Ruth Skogman);  
**Bernie** (Judy Green);  
**Anita Little** (Duane and Nancy Little);  
**Gladys** (Gordon Zander);  
**Mike Pierce** (Sue Pierce);  
**Anne** (daughter of Sue Pierce);  
**Christine** (LaNice Korus);  
**Marsha & Lee Richard** (LaNice Korus);  
**Tami** (LaNice Korus); **Larry** (Bob Green);  
**Lois and Lorne Kennedy** (Donna  
McMillen); **Kathy Hart** (Sue Pierce);  
**Karl** (Jerry Behrens);  
**Josh Moan** (Gail Schwab);  
**Debbie Moore** (Ruth Geiger);  
**Caroline & family** (Jan Webb);  
**Rebekah, Patience, Parker and Joeigh**  
(Ruth Geiger),  
**Kirk Jennings** (Brenda Jennings);  
**Vanessa** (Randi Cooper),  
**Rick and Julia Piglowski** (Paul and Gwyn);  
**June Wright** (Sherry Wright);  
**Eleanor** (Bev Horan)  
**Mike** (Ruth Geiger's son in law)

### **OUTREACH PRAYERS**

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

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## **Summer worship hours:**

**May 7 – September 4**

**One service, 10:00 am**

With Adult Christian Education at 9:15 am

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## ***Transition Committee Survey Results***

Thank you for completing the surveys.  
102 people filled them out and returned  
mostly on time. We spent several hours  
complying the results and here they are.

The 5 Ministry Tasks: indicated the  
most interest.

Preaching Pastoral Care  
Music/Worship/Arts Christian  
Education Community Outreach.  
Gifts For Ministry: being most  
important.

1. Help people develop their spiritual life
2. Be an effective communicator
3. Be an effective teacher
4. Provide nurture and care
5. Build a sense of community among the  
people with whom he/she works
6. Bring joy and humor to relationships
7. Be able to share leadership and work in a  
team
8. Be an effective administrator
9. Have a strong commitment and loyalty to  
the Lutheran Church
10. Help people understand and act upon  
issues of social justice

The specific results and breakdown will be  
posted on the kiosk in the narthex.

We will have small group meetings  
beginning in June. Watch for more  
information.

Again thank you for your support with  
this portion of the call process.

***DVLC Transition Team***

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## **Homeless Shelter Proposed at DVLC**

For three months an ad hoc homeless shelter committee has been gathering information about the need for a homeless shelter in Sequim. The results have been reported informally to the Church Council. On April 11 a more complete summary was reported to the council along with recommendations to proceed toward construction of such a facility on DVLC's property. A simple notional sketch of such a facility formed the basis for much of the discussion.

The first recommendation is that the informal ad hoc committee be established as the DVLC Homeless Shelter Development Committee (HSDC). It would be tasked to:

- Develop a refined plan based on input from organizations active in housing the homeless.
- Identify organizations that might be interested in contracting for operation and management of such a facility.
- Develop construction cost estimates based on the refined plan.

The HSDC would report regularly to the council and, as needed, to the congregation. Council action requested that the committee become a chartered standing committee under the constitution and bylaws of the congregation. That will require a congregational meeting and amendment of the bylaws.

Following approval by the congregation the HSDC would proceed with fund-raising. This may include "seed" money from members of the congregation, appeals to other churches, local foundations and other sources. The HSDC would manage contracting for construction of the facility. It would also seek a contractor to manage and operate the facility.

There are many financial, legal and political questions that will have to be addressed as the project moves forward. The council and congregation will be kept informed as such issues arise.

## **Service Helpers for May**

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

### **Pianists:**

May 7	George Lindamood
May 14	Brenda Jennings
May 21	Brenda Jennings
May 28	Brenda Jennings

### **Lectors:**

May 7	Ted Foster
May 14	Ray Dangman
May 21	Ted Foster
May 28	Christie Foster

### **Greeters:**

May 7	Orlin Trandahl
May 14	Ray Dangman
May 21	Carleen Bensen
May 28	Judy Lynn

### **Ushers:**

May 7	Orlin Trandahl
May 14	Jim and Sandy Jones
May 21	Carleen Bensen and Ted Johnson
May 28	Judy Lynn

### **Communion**

May 7	Mary Deckebach, Gail Schwab
May 21	Betty Zander, Gail Schwab, Louise Lemley

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## **WOW! Working On Wellness Free Community Lecture for May**

The program is *The Mental Well-Being Challenges of Living Longer*, presented by Dr. Joshua Jones, CPO/Olympic Medical Physicians  
**Wednesday, May 10, 2:30 – 3:30 pm  
at Trinity United Methodist Church**

### **Next Month's Program:**

**June 14 - Fight the Fall - Strategies and  
Exercise to Improve Balance,  
Safety and Fitness**

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

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## Thanks so Much...

Thanks to your generosity, those who scavenge in the Mazatlan dump will have protection for their hands, and their children will no longer go barefoot on the broken glass.



Look what you have done:

70 pairs shoes	170 pairs of gloves
842 bandaids	512 pencils
36 ink pens	80 toothbrushes
12 gluesticks	100 pencil erasers
28 boxes prenatal vitamins	
20 boxes children's vitamins	
5 boxes of crayons of 24 each	
5 pkg hair bands (30 in a pkg.)	
3 pkg hair bands (80 in a pkg.)	

Check out their web site: [vineyardmcm.org](http://vineyardmcm.org). If you are ever going to Mazatlan, and want to help out, give us a call. Ruth [206-349-4082](tel:206-349-4082) or Brenda [206-353-2698](tel:206-353-2698).

To the members of the Dungeness Valley Lutheran Church:  
From the Vineyard Ministries of Central Mexico:

We thank you for your generous donation of shoes, clothing, school supplies, and medical supplies. You can be assured that all of your donations will be given to those most in need.

Your generosity allows us to help the poorest of the poor here in Mazatlan and to extend our ministry's reach. We appreciate you and pray blessings for you.

Thank you again!  
In HIS Service,  
Janice Edgeron  
Vineyard Volunteer

To Dungeness Valley Lutheran Church,  
The gift of quarters from the congregation at DVLC has been a staple of support to families and individuals here at Lutheran Community Services NW. The challenges in finding resources to wash laundry, pay for gas or catch a bus in an emergency or pay for an immediate need is virtually nonexistent in our community.

Your support allows us to tailor our offerings to the most critical need that someone presents to us. It often is a "beginning" conversation with someone about their overall functioning and needs through your gift. Some of the things that we have been able to provide individuals through your gift have included laundry, gas, bus tickets, prescriptions, perishable food items (milk, eggs, bread), showers at the Y or City pool.

We are greatly appreciative of your ongoing support to families and individuals for health, hope and justice.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Lyon, Program Manager  
Lutheran Community Services NW  
2634 S. Francis, Port Angeles  
[\(360\) 452-5437](tel:360-452-5437) / [llyon@lcsnw.org](mailto:llyon@lcsnw.org)  
[lcsnw.org/parentline](http://lcsnw.org/parentline)

## May 2017 Financial Results

For the first three months of 2017 our receipts have exceeded our Budget by **\$644** also exceeded our expenses by **\$3,170**. Operating Fund receipts in March were **\$25,140** which is **\$1** lower than our **monthly budget** and **\$594** lower than our **actual March expenses**. The Operating Fund is summarized below.

	<u>Operating Fund</u>	
	<u>March</u>	<u>2017 YTD</u>
Planned Receipts	\$25,139	75,436
Actual Receipts	25,138	76,080
Actual vs.		
Planned Receipts	(1)	644
Planned Expenses	24,879	74,728
Actual Expenses	25,732	72,910
Actual Receipts vs.		
Actual Expenses	(594)	3,170

**Finance Committee**

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Here's your opportunity to find your

**"Perfect Fit"**

**Sunday, May 7, 2017  
Before and After Service**

# Ministry Fair

Here's your time to find your "perfect fit"  
and an opportunity to  
show off and highlight our ministries here

at  
**Dungeness Valley Lutheran Church**



## OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND!

Congregational council

Education

Evangelism

Facility Use committee

Fellowship committee

Finance

Library

Memorial garden

Mission Concerns

Personnel Committee

Property Management

Worship and Music

Sunday Service Participation

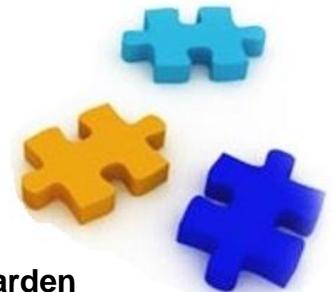
Organizations (MORE/WELCA)

Church Activities

Serving Each Other

Kitchen

And More!



We believe we are called by the Holy Spirit to value the gifts of grace of each person and to share our gifts with others. The Ministry Fair is a great time to check out all we do here at DVLC and choose an interest and share your gifts!

Watch the bulletin and table in narthex for more info.

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# DVLC Texas BBQ & Welcome!



**June 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**5:00pm**



**Tickets on sale starting Sunday, June 4th!**  
**Adults: \$10 each**  
**Kids under twelve: \$5 each**

## **EXERCISE AND FUN**



Yes, they do go together! Monday & Thursday mornings from 9:30 - 10:45 a group of ladies meet to exercise because they all know they won't do it by themselves. We come for the enjoyment of being together and sharing stories etc. One does hear a lot of laughter as well as a few grunts and groans. We stretch from head to toes, use weights (1# - 5 #) and bands, walk in different ways to work on balance and breathing, practice agility, and do many exercises to work on our core. Some comments from our members are "I went to the DR. and he wanted to see how easily I could get up and down from a chair, I passed with a wow", that's one thing we work on. Another comment was "I go to the gym then come here because the gym doesn't work on all my muscles like we do here". We would love to share our good times for your health's sake. At the end of exercise class we agree that it felt so good. Come join us and we will help you ease into our routines. Everyone works at their own pace.