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EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

BREMERTON, WA

## *Pastor's Message*

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I very much enjoy the season of Lent. I enjoy the Gospel readings that are full of rich words from God for preaching and practicing our faith. "Lent" is the Anglo-Saxon word for "springtime." Like the season it refers to springtime growth but for our purposes it refers to moral and spiritual growth and restoration. It is during this time that we walk by faith with Jesus as He sets His course for Jerusalem and the Cross of Calvary, the way of sacrifice and servanthood. Employing Spiritual Disciplines we can also follow Jesus along the path of sacrifice and servanthood. Please check our website or the Ash Wednesday bulletin for suggestions for Spiritual Disciplines. Lent recalls the Cross and our mortality. We shall all one day leave this world. Jesus is the One who guides us through this journey and who leads us into eternity with God. We want to be attuned to His direction, which is a course of serving God and others.

During this season we gather for Wednesday Night Soup Suppers and Lenten Devotions (5:30 and 6:15 PM) in the Fellowship Hall. We emphasize singing, enjoying some of the favorite old hymns of the Cross and about the cleansing power of the Blood of Jesus. We also sing some new choruses that are appropriate to the season.

You are invited to sign up to bring soup, or bread and butter or fruit juice. Coffee and tea will be provided. We have had many fine soups and I am looking forward to more again this year.

May the Lord bless you in this 2014 Lenten season.

Pastor Tim Cartwright



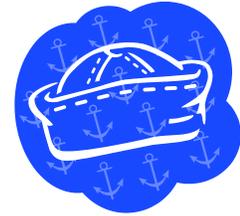
### In case of an Emergency

Please call  
Pastor Tim  
on his cell  
phone  
286-1090

## Ways To Help Our Neighbors

### Service to Single Sailors

When there is an opportunity to send mail, which is not very often, to the sailors on a submarine while they are deployed, spouses get notified and she puts together something for her sailor. However, the single sailors do not always have family in the area that can put something together for them, and there is not always time to have it sent in the mail. To ensure that every single sailor gets a goody bag with mail, and knows someone is still thinking of them, we put together bags for them as members of the family readiness group. We are always looking for items from simple **toiletries to candy and puzzle books**. For example, on average we have 70–90 single sailors on my husband's boat. This time, while they are out, we have 85 single sailors we can send a gallon size Ziploc bag to, and that is what we strive to fill for every single sailor. If you want to donate items to help with these bags, they are greatly appreciated. Because we never know when the mail drop is going to happen., we are always collecting to be ready.



Any help is greatly appreciated . Thank You. If you have any questions,

Please feel free to ask me!

Thank You, Maurine Simons



### First Fruits Update

125 pounds of food and hygiene items were donated to the Bremerton Foodline this month. Thank you so much for helping your friends and neighbors in need. Our next donation opportunity is **Sunday, April 6th**.

**Hi Ho, Way to Go Emmanuel !!!**

Thank you, Sally Farner, Coordinator

### Pregnancy Resource Dresser Ministry

We have a new (gently used) dresser waiting empty and ready to be filled. Great job on filling the last one. Remember to pick baby items that any new baby needs. For you seamstresses, knitters and crocheters, you can always bring in a hand made item. Also, if you have a gently used dresser that you would like to donate to this ministry, let Carol Reece know. Thank you for your continued support of this project.



### ***What's Happening At Our Childcare Center?***

Two St. Patrick's Day parties are planned. The preschool and prekindergarten children will celebrate at 10:00 AM and the school-aged children will do their celebrating at 4:00 PM. Don't forget to wear something green.

The preschool and pre-Kindergarten children are studying the letters S, T, and U. The numbers this month are 19, 20, 21, and 22. The shape is a Shamrock, of course and green is the color of the month. The first week they studied weather. The second week they will be learning about St. Patrick with Space for the third week. The fourth week they will learn about Zoo Animals and the fifth week will be Endangered Animals.

With Spring Break just around the corner (if you can believe that)..... many activities are planned, including, a Field day, Crazy Hat day, Pretzel Making, a field trip and picnic at the waterfront, making kites and flying them, following it up with a popcorn and movie day.

Wow! It sounds like a full month.

Thanks to our daycare staff for all the hard work they do for the children in our community !!!



#### ***Many Opportunities .....***

- Men's Group .....1st Saturdays .....8 AM
- Women's Bible Stdy 2nd&4th Fri.....10AM
- Bible Study ..... Each Wednesday....6:30 PM
- Bible Study .....Each Sunday .....9 AM
- Children's Sunday School .....9 AM

#### ***Easter Flowers***



Carol Henning is coordinating the flowers for our altar for Easter once again. If you would like to purchase an Easter Lily for \$8.50 or an Azalea for \$12.00 please see Carol before the 6th of April.

### ***Come Join Us for Lenten Soup Suppers and Devotions***



Starting on March 12th up to Easter we will be having soup suppers starting at 5:30 and our devotion time will be at 6:15. You may sign up to bring soup, bread and butter and juice. Or you are welcome just to come and enjoy the soup and be blessed by the time of devotions and fellowship. We look forward to seeing you and sharing.



***A Rich History of 66 years .....Chapter 19***

During the year 1992, Pastor Christensen encouraged members to be enthusiastic about their church and faith. Whether it be in “moments of clapping or moved emotionally by deep silence following a choir anthem, there is a place for laughter and shouting and perhaps even foot-stamping. We show our enthusiasm in different ways.”

That year the church bazaar raised \$2,704.75 which surpassed prior years. There was an annual Stewardship dinner followed by a movie. The Parish Education and the Youth Board committees combined this year. Members of this committee included Judy Armstrong and Larry Ficca. Chris Boyce was hired to work with teens and pre-teens. There were three Sunday School classes that would meet 3 times a month. The Sunday service would include a message from the Pastor just for the children, birthdays were recognized, and the children were dismissed for their classes. The Sunday School students made Easter and Christmas cards. These cards were purchased by the adults and the money was given to various charity groups. Some of the Sunday School activities included a Easter puppet show, helping with an Easter Breakfast, a Halloween Party, and trip to Seattle with Chris Boyce and the Pastor. There were a couple of Adult Bible studies and 4 young people went through confirmation classes.



Three of our current members in disguise at the 1992 Halloween party. Can you guess who they are?



The church had a Coat Bank. It sounded like the community was able to reap the benefits of this ministry.

The Altar Guild was an active part of the church. Not only did they prepare communion for Sundays but they met on a regular basis for a sack lunch and Bible study. They worked with the Beautification Committee in redoing the sanctuary. They made two new banners that year and sponsored an annual ice cream social in August, a Holiday Brunch in December and packed cookies for the shut-ins during the holidays. Their co-chairwoman was Sylvia Boyce and the secretary was Carol Henning.

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The Women of Emmanuel seemed to have endless energy. Just to name a few of their activities in 1992, they accomplished the following: supporting the daycare/preschool, Sunday school, Youth Ministry, Easter breakfast, Nursery, Library & book table, and beautification of the church. The quilter's made a beautiful "Love Quilt" wall hanging. (Is this the one that hangs today above our dresser for the Pregnancy Resource center?). New banners, communion assistants, floral duties, food bank, musicians, coffee hour hostesses, coat bank, the list goes on and on. Wow! In addition they also made personal kits to donate to the Alive Shelter.

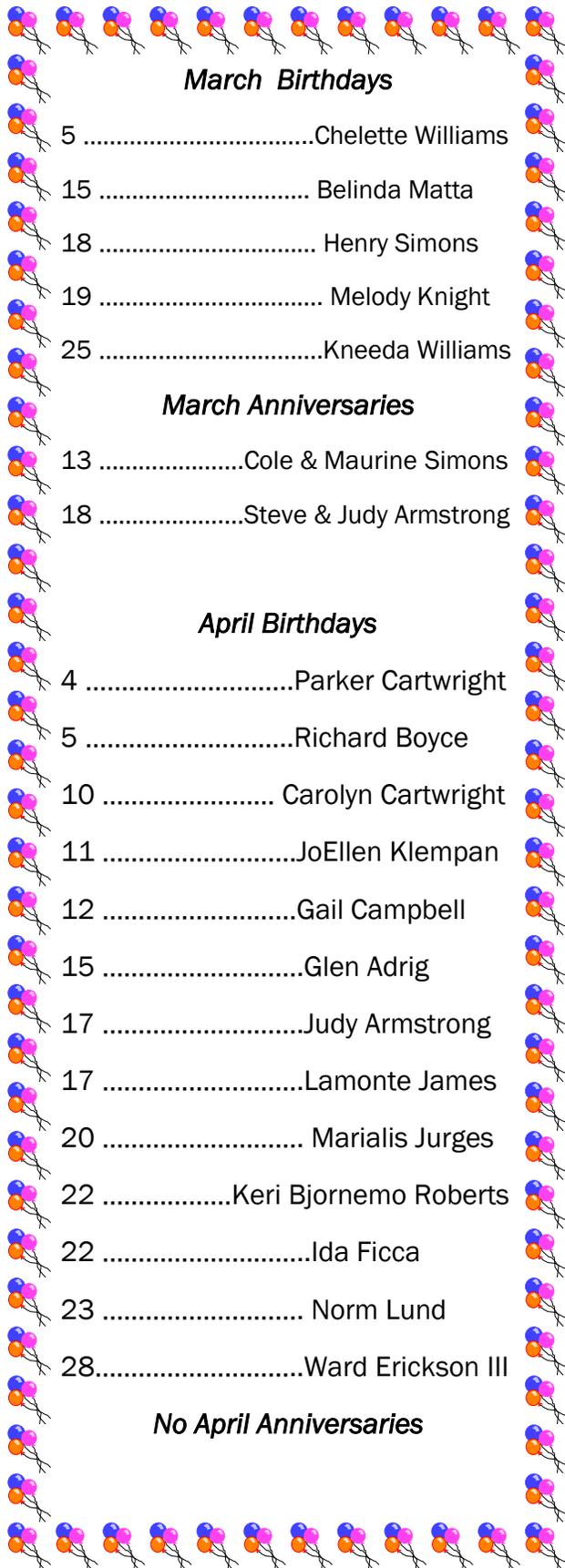
The daycare/preschool attained two important goals in 1992. They were able to purchase a copy machine and build a larger playground. The center held employee seminars and purchased educational materials. As a Halloween fundraiser, they had a haunted house that was open to the community. Judy Armstrong, Carol Henning, Richard Boyce and Karl Kannitzer were some of the members that devoted many hours to help make the daycare/preschool a success.

The Board of Property Committee had a busy year. Serving as chairman was Karl Kannitzer (Kay's husband) and Richard Boyce as a committee member. Some of the accomplishments this year were: 1. Moved and enlarged the daycare play area. 2. Restriped the parking area. 3. Refurbished the Fellowship Hall. 4. Removed most of the chimney from the old church furnace room, thereby stopping a major leak. 5. Moved the Pastor's office and Secretary's office to new locations. 6. Installed mailboxes for each member. 7. Started grounds beautification on the south side of the church. Vid Persaud volunteered his services a janitor.



It looks like the sanctuary got a fresh coat of paint in the summer of 1992. This was Karl Kannitzer. Apparently he painted the chancel on a 90 degree day in July of 1992. Now that is impressive. Obviously Karl didn't have a fear of heights. Well done!

<b>1992 Statistics</b>	
Baptized Members .....	276
Confirmed Members .....	230
Weddings .....	6
Baptisms .....	2
Families .....	135
Funerals .....	6
Average Attendance .....	95



**March Birthdays**

5 .....Chelette Williams

15 ..... Belinda Matta

18 ..... Henry Simons

19 ..... Melody Knight

25 .....Kneeda Williams

**March Anniversaries**

13 .....Cole & Maurine Simons

18 .....Steve & Judy Armstrong

**April Birthdays**

4 .....Parker Cartwright

5 .....Richard Boyce

10 ..... Carolyn Cartwright

11 .....JoEllen Klempan

12 .....Gail Campbell

15 .....Glen Adrig

17 .....Judy Armstrong

17 .....Lamonte James

20 ..... Marialis Jorges

22 .....Keri Bjornemo Roberts

22 .....Ida Ficca

23 ..... Norm Lund

28.....Ward Erickson III

**No April Anniversaries**

**Members serving in March**

Altar Guild .....Carol Henning

Reader.....Ida Ficca

Sunday School.....Carolyn Cartwright

Judy Armstrong

Chelette Williams

**Members serving in April**

Altar Guild .....JoEllen Klempan

Bonnie Mace

Reader .....Miki Turowski

Sunday School .....Carolyn Cartwright

Judy Armstrong

Chelette Williams

Substitutes for Sunday School

Mollie Erickson and Mary Moen

Thanks to all that are signing up to host coffee hour! If you are interested, the sign up sheet is on the counter in the fellowship hall!

*If you need to contact Pastor Tim Cartwright you can call-286-1090.*

*If you have a prayer request for the prayer chain call Sharie Adrig 377-2448 or Judy Armstrong 479-4892.*

*Any comments or questions about the newsletter call Sharie Adrig-377-2448*

*Check us out at .....*

<http://www.elcbremerton.org>