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EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

BREMERTON, WA

Pastor's Message

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For Good Friday and Easter morning Service our eldest son and his family attended a Missouri Synod Lutheran Church that was twenty-five minutes away from their home. There is an evangelical Christian Church nearby they usually attend but our son complained that there was something missing from their service. "What is missing?" I inquired. "They only read the one Bible verse that is the subject of the sermon," he replied. In the Lutheran, Roman Catholic, Orthodox and Episcopalian traditions (and others too) we read an Old Testament lesson followed by a Psalm, then an Epistle or New Testament lesson and finally a reading from one of the four Gospels. Why do we read so much Scripture and how do we know which lessons to read?

I will be preaching a series of messages in the coming weeks to explain why we do what we do in our worship service. There are both historical and theological/Biblical reasons for why we do what we do. I will be teaching on these principles. And making life applications.

As an example, we have made the transition to a weekly celebration of Holy Communion. When I was young celebrated Communion monthly. My Mother remembers celebrating Communion quarterly. Why the changes?

What part does the Apostle's Creed play in our service? Many churches do not say it. Why do we?

Many churches also have no confession/absolution. So why do we have it?

Come and share in the teaching of God's Word as we learn why we do what we do in our Sunday morning liturgy.

On another subject, this week we said goodbye to Rose Schmidt. Monday, after Easter, I visited her and delivered an Easter azalea that had decorated our sanctuary. I shared the Scripture of Jesus' resurrection and prayed with her. I could see she had declined in health but was surprised the next morning to get a call from her daughter, Sandy, saying she had gone to be with the Lord. We commend her to Jesus and pray for God's peace for her family.

Pastor Tim Cartwright

In case of an Emergency

Please call
Pastor Tim
 on his cell
 phone
286-1090

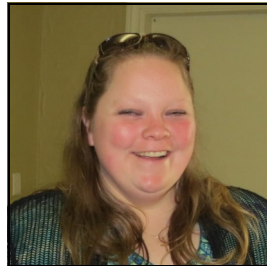


***Emmanuel Lutheran
Celebrates Easter***



Our annual Easter Breakfast was well attended. Thank you to all for the wonderful food.





JoEllen K. did an excellent job of coordinating our Easter Breakfast this year. Special thanks to her and all who helped with decorating, set up and clean up.



Special Thanks to Miki for the wonderful job of decorating our beautiful cross.

He is Risen !
He is Risen indeed !



Carol H. always does such a wonderful job of coordinating and arranging our Easter flowers



The children love to hear Pastor Tim's special Easter message just for them.

The occasional choir blessed us with the singing of "The Easter Song" under the guidance of our pianist/organist, Brian. Thank you, Brian, for all you do. Thank you choir for your hard work and practice.

This was our first performance with our wonderful new condenser microphones given to us from our dear members Kay Kannitzer and Mae McConnell.



A Rich HistoryChapter 25

1997 was a special year for the Steve and Judy Armstrong. Not only did they celebrate their Silver Anniversary on March 21st but their eldest child, Stephanie, graduated from Bremerton High School.



Steve and Judy's anniversary picture as it appeared in the Bremerton Sun.



Steve and Judy with Steve's parents, Bob and Liane

Emmanuel Lutheran Celebrates a 70th Anniversary in 2016

Next year our church will be celebrating 70 years that our church has been in existence. We would love for you to help with this celebration. If we all do a small part we can come together in one BIG celebration. I realize this is early but an event so important takes a lot of planning and preparation. I invite you to come to a planning meeting on the first Sunday in May. (May 3rd). We will gather in the sanctuary after you have had a chance to get a cup of coffee and something to eat. As you read in the February edition of the Wittenberg Door, the 60th anniversary was quite a celebration. Let's gather and organize another celebration of the same magnitude. It would be fun if we could try to contact as many previous pastors and members (past and present) to come and celebrate with us to the glory of God. **Mark Sunday, May 3rd, on your calendar to begin our planning for this event.**

Sharie Adrig -editor

Annual Meeting for Emmanuel Lutheran—April 26th

Please plan on attending our very important Annual Meeting on Sunday, April 26th following our worship service. We will need to elect three new members to serve on our council (Glen , Sharie and Steve 's terms are up). Also, we will be nominating and electing a new president and vice-president at this very important meeting. A new budget will need to be approved at this time for our next year.

"First Fruits" Sunday—May 3rd

Don't forget that Sally and Larry will delivering our monthly donations to the Food Bank on May 4th. Please bring your non-perishable foods or monetary donations by Sunday, May 3rd.

Did you Know? You can bring your food donations anytime. Just leave it on the table in the fellowship hall marking it for the food bank. Sally and Larry will see that it is put with the other donations. ***Also, if you would rather give a monetary donation PLEASE put it in the offering designating it for "First Fruits" ministry or Food Bank.*** We wouldn't want to loose any monetary donations in the food donation basket.



Special thanks to everyone for your donations on Easter Sunday. Forty-five pounds of food along with a \$10 donation were delivered to the Bremerton Food Bank.

Special thanks for Sally and Larry for coordinating this ministry each month.

Martha and Mary's Generation of Care Luncheon

Sunday, April 26, 2015 / Noon—3:30 PM

Kiana Lodge/ 14976 Sandy Hook Road / Poulsbo, WA

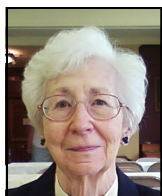
This luncheon includes a Live and Silent Auction. Some items included in the auction are a family of four trip to Great Wolf Lodge, A Sunriver, Oregon getaway for two, arts and sports packages including 5th Ave. and a Seahawks exhibition game and much more.

To claim your seat visit www.marthaandmary.org/events

Our Missionary ——— Marion Hungerford

Marion sends monthly newsletters that can be found on the table next to the front entry door. As we pray weekly for Marion at our worship services, please keep Marion in your daily prayers.

In Memory of Rose Schmidt



On Tuesday, April 7th, our dear member, Rose Schmidt, went to be with the Lord. She was a member of Emmanuel for many years and raised her family in the church. Many remember her as a delightful, lovely person. She was very active with the Lydia Circle and never missed a meeting. She was known for her wonderful quilting. Rose and her husband owned a cabin at Diamond Point. Each year she hosted a luncheon for all the quilters. Carol H remembers driving a car load of women every year. Rose had a love for antiques. Carol H. shared that Rose was such a help preparing for the Annual Church Bazaars. Carol remembers Rose and Mary W. staying long after the rest of them had left to make sure that the clothing donations were organized and displayed professionally. On April 4, 2012 Rose suddenly lost her son, Steven. She has 3 daughters, Mary, Sandra and Nancy and a son, Robert. Our prayers are with the family during this difficult time.

News from Our Childcare Center—April 2015

Although the Bremerton School District was closed from April 2nd—April 10th our daycare was open and busy. During that week they had ***Spirit Week***. Friday was the Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Monday was Karaoke and a dance contest, Tuesday was Sports Day, Wednesday was Wild West Day, Thursday was Color Wars and Friday they wore book character costumes and ate popcorn and



watched a movie. On Sports Day they wore their favorite sports team or themed clothes. On Color War day they dressed in either Red, White or Blue. On Friday, Book Character Day, they dressed up as their favorite character from a book.

The preschool and prekindergarten classes will be baking confetti sugar cookies on April 15th. They are also working on their math skills this month. Parents are encouraged to practice counting forwards and backwards with their children. They are also encouraged to count objects at home and even go on a scavenger hunt for numbers in the grocery store.

April 22nd is Earth Day. During this week the childcare center will be planting their starter seeds in the playground, they will work on their recycling and sorting, make lots on wonderful art projects and will watch and read Dr. Seuss' famous book, "The Lorax".



The children
hunted for Easter
Eggs at their
Annual Easter Egg
Hunt





April Birthdays

- 4Parker Cartwright
- 5.....Richard Boyce
- 10.....Carolyn Cartwright
- 11JoEllen Klempan
- 12Gail Campbell
- 15Glen Adrig
- 17Judy Armstrong
- 17Lamonte James
- 20Marialis Jurges
- 22 Keri Bjornemo Roberts
- 22Ida Ficca
- 23Norm Lund
- 28Ward Erickson III

May Birthdays

- 1Bill Erickson
- 2Stephanie Johnson
- 3 Jim Mace
- 16Sally Farner
- 16Nancy Alcantra
- 21 Maurine Simons

May Anniversaries

- 1Bob & JoEllen Klempan
- 21 Loyal & Gail Campbell
- 30 Mark & Bonnie Stouffer

If I have printed the wrong information or have left someone's name off the list please let me know.

Sharie Adrig—Editor

Members serving in April

Altar GuildJoEllen Klempan
Bonnie Mace

ReaderMiki Turwoski

Members serving in May

Altar GuildSharie Adrig
Sally Farner

ReaderMarialis Jurges

Sunday School

Children'sJudy Armstrong
Chelette Williams
Carolyn Cartwright

AdultBob & Cheryl Fox

Our Wednesday evening Bible study will begin on April 15th at 6:30 PM

Friday Women's Bible Study ..Judy A.

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

Thank you to Carol Reece for being our coordinator for coffee hour.

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