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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

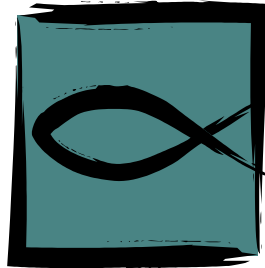
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We were newlyweds, I, a student at the Lutheran Seminary and Carolyn, a new teacher at the Christian school. I had prepared our budget and saw how tight it was. That was before I had set aside God's part of our income. Then the crunch time came! Through that crunch time the Lord taught us to be better money managers.

Summer is a time for relaxing. Pentecost, this season of the Church Year, is a time for spiritual growth. Growth often comes through the crunch times of our lives. Growth came for Jesus' disciples in the "desolate place" (Matthew 14) where they learned to trust Jesus to take their meager offerings (a few fish and loaves of bread) and with them feed a multitude.

When we are in a desolate place or a crunch time our first response is often to cry-out, "Lord, get me out of here!" But it may be God who has brought us to this time and place so that we may grow and mature in our spiritual nature.



Ask Him, "Lord, what can I learn from You here and now?"

Blessed Summer !

Pastor Tim

In case of an Emergency

Please call
Pastor Tim
 on his cell
 phone
286-1090

Did you see the picture of a determined Teddy Mills?

Teddy Mills participated in this years Whaling Day's Kid's Dash Race. The Kitsap Sun Photographer, Larry Steagall, captured the glorious moment well. We are so proud of you, Teddy.



Thanks to Members

It takes all of us to make the church run smoothly. The people I mentioned are just a few of the members that give of their time.

Thanks to: Lamont James for faithfully keeping our lawn mowed and for helping prepare craft projects for our VBS.

Sylvia Boyce for always making sure that we have coffee, tea and plenty of goodies for coffee hour.

Bob Fox for cleaning up the sidewalk and part of the yard on the “Perry Ave” side of the church. Also, thanks for helping out to by mowing the lawn. You have given us a real head-start on our work party for Aug.6th.

Brian Kenny for your wonderful music. We look forward to hearing you each Sunday.

A special thank you to all of you that participated in the work party on Saturday, Aug.6th. They included; **Pastor Tim, Gladys Willis, Carol Henning, Mark Stouffer, Samantha, Steve and Judy Armstrong and Glen and Sharie Adrig.**

Thank You to all of you for we know that there are so many of you that work to keep the church going!!!

What: Annual Church Picnic

Where: Lutherhaven

When: Sunday, August 21st,
following our worship service.

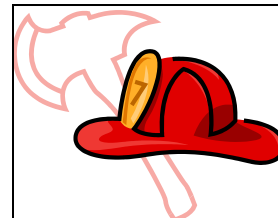
Who: You !!!!!!!

Let's make this a picnic to remember. We want everyone there. If transportation is a problem talk to Pastor Tim or Glen and we will work this out. A lifeguard will be present between 1:00—6:00 PM. It's a potluck so share your favorite dish. We will be there rain or shine !!!!

Childcare News

Emmanuel Lutheran Church Family,

Although summer is coming to an end, it has not slowed Emmanuel Lutheran Childcare down! We have so many activities planned for the children this month but perhaps the biggest event this month is our field trip to the Fair for Kids Day. While at the fair, they will be able to enjoy the animal attractions, various children's musicians and a very special kid's magic show.



The children of the childcare will also be participating in Vacation Bible School here at Emmanuel Lutheran



Childcare. The children are looking forward to the **"Big Jungle Adventure"** as well as the yummy snacks being provided by "Bobo's Banana Snack Hut". Our staff is also very excited about VBS as they will be participating as "Tribe Leaders." I think VBS will be a GREAT experience for everyone this year!

Other interesting /fun things going on this month include:

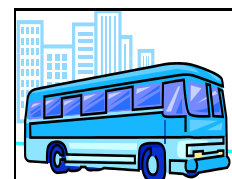
Guest Speakers- Theme of the month for August is **Community Jobs** !

August 9th at 10:30 am: Guest Speaker **Kitsap County Sheriff**, Schon Montague.

August 9th at 3 pm: Guest Speaker: from the **Kitsap County Fire Department**, Alaina Lamarse, she will be bring a fire truck for the children to see, touch and maybe climb on.

August 18th at 2:45: **Kitsap Transit Bus Driver**, Elton Livingston will speak to the children about driving a big bus and what is appropriate behavior while riding the bus.

August 29th at 3 pm: **Nurse**, Darcy Heims from Harrison Hospital will speak to the children about her daily duties as a nurse.



Other Events

August 26th at 6:30 pm to 8 pm: Our end of the Summer Potluck Dinner ! Of course no dinner is complete without a show...lol....so the children are preparing a music video to share with all who attend..should be a lot of fun. All church members are welcome ! Dinner will be held in the childcare dining room and the video presentation will be shown in the childcare big room. The childcare will provide hotdogs, juice, water and coffee. We are asking those with the last names between A-L to bring a dessert and those with M-Z a dish. One last note.....we will be having our Employee Picnic at Lutherhaven on August 13th from 11 am to 5 pm with swimming from 11:30 am-1:30 pm. There are a few of us that remember when the church was members of Lutherhaven several years ago. So we remember how beautiful it is, but there are many staff members that have not had the opportunity to visit Lutherhaven so they are very excited to visit and enjoy all the amenities Lutherhaven has to offer.

Well that's it for now! I pray that everyone has a blessed month! And thank you again for making it possible for us to provide care for the children in our community! **Chelette Williams** **God Bless Emmanuel !**

A Rich History of 65 years Chapter four

The church, with its large sanctuary, was now in the position to hold large functions for the community. Emmanuel Lutheran Women's Missionary Federation was able to host the 1957 Olympic Circuit Semi-Annual Convention in March of 1957. The federation also held a Mother/Daughter banquet for 150. The Federation catered for many weddings and dinners for civic events. With the money they earned they were able to purchase dishes for the church and complete the cupboards in the kitchen.

In October 1958 Pastor Gunsten transferred to Spokane and Pastor Dwight J. Boe came to Emmanuel from Seward, Alaska. Pastor Boe was not new to Kitsap County. Five years before he served as pastor at Port Madison Lutheran Church on Bainbridge Island. Emmanuel was his largest church, so far, with **800 members**.

In 1958 Emmanuel purchased a three-acre tract of land at Fir and Magnuson Way for additional parking. The land was purchased from the public housing administration for \$1,628. This year Evelyn Stouffer was elected as the Vice-President of the Women's Missionary federation.

Also, 1958 is the year that the ELCA and the American Lutheran Church merged. A huge rally for the Olympic Peninsula was held at Emmanuel. Lutheran Churches from all over came together at Emmanuel. Not only was Emmanuel used for church related functions but it was used by the community for large conferences. The Bremerton Council of Parents and Teachers (Bremerton PTA Council) held its annual conference at Emmanuel. Loyalty Dinners were held annually. Our Saviour's Womens group served at Emmanuel's dinners and vice versa Emmanuel would serve at Our Saviour's dinners.

From time to time the Boy Scouts would sponsor various church services. Again, in 1959, a Mother-Daughter Banquet was held. In the picture (taken in 1959) you may recognize a familiar face. Mae MacConnell, that attends with her daughter Miki Turowski, is 2nd from the right. Hazel Wuethrick (to Mae's left) is Miki's grandmother (Mae's Mom). Mae's Mom, Hazel, served as President of the Women's Missionary Federation for Emmanuel in 1959. Adeline Stouffer (far left) is of course, Mark Stouffer's Mom and Evelyn's sister-in-law and Mark's sister (Evelyn's niece), Noreen, is standing next to her mother. Evelyn tells me that she and Adeline came from the same little town in North Dakota. Check out the old fashioned toys that were used in the Mother-Daughter Banquet. The theme was "Enchantment, Land of Make-Believe." At the Mother-Daughter Banquets the men of the congregation served the meal. This sounds like a grand idea to me.

In 1959, Evelyn Stouffer was recognized by the Women's Missionary Federation for her dedication by giving her a Lifetime Membership pin.



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The following table was taken from the annual report of 1959.

	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959
Baptized Members	567	621	740	806	889
Confirmed Members	289	336	405	456	492

In 1959, 55 children received Catechetical instruction, 26 weddings were held and 15 funerals were held.

(My reason for including this chart is to show what can happen with prayer and faith. Good things are happening at Emmanuel, just like there were in 1959. I see Emmanuel growing again. Sharie Adrig—editor)

The History of Olympic Lutherhaven”In May of 1955 Emil Sunderland of Silverdale received a call from Mrs. Roseboom telling that she was offering her piece of lake property for sale. Located on the west end of beautiful Wildcat Lake in Kitsap County, between Bremerton and Silverdale, it consisted of 35 acres of wooded land including one thousand feet of waterfront. The total purchase price of \$22,500, if bought by the Church, would be less than half of what the property might bring on the open market.”

After many phone calls were made a meeting of all the ELC churches of the Olympic Circuit was called where a steering committee was formed. The representative from Emmanuel was Lloyd Valentine along with representatives from Our Saviour’s, Silverdale and First Lutheran of Poulsbo.

Eight congregations became charter members of Olympic Lutherhaven Bible Camp (Our Saviour’s of Bremerton, First Lutheran of Poulsbo, Emmanuel Lutheran of Bremerton, Bethany Lutheran of Port Orchard, Grace Lutheran of Poulsbo, Silverdale Lutheran of Silverdale, Vinland Lutheran of Poulsbo and First Lutheran of Port Orchard) with the first meeting of the Board of Directors being held on July 27, 1955. At that time the congregations made monthly contributions toward payment of the Bible Camp depending on the number of confirmed members.

“Plans were soon made to divide the property into three areas, such as picnic sites, Bible Camp, and Boy Scout areas. Financial gifts soon began to flow in from churches by way of direct contributions, in memoriam’s through special offering envelopes placed in the church pews of various churches. Soon a special Olympic Lutherhaven Sunday was set aside at which time special offerings were given.

With many hours of hard work (by the local churches membership) Lutherhaven was converted into a beautiful Bible Camp. “1958 is the banner year we have been waiting for. It saw the formal dedication of our bible Camp Property on July 20th and also marked the first two weeks of Bible Camp operation during which 113 children attended. This is really what we have been working for during the past two years. “ In a very short time dressing rooms were built, a pump house was roofed and lavatories were completed. Six dormitory cabins were built and equipped with double-decker bunks. An outdoor kitchen and chapel were constructed. Plus a gate, parking area cleared and temporary dining shelter with 12 picnic tables.

I felt I needed to include this bit of history since we have recently established our ties with Lutherhaven. With our church picnic scheduled for the 21st of August lets make it one of celebration and renewal.

President's Message

I hope that you are enjoying the newsletter articles about the history of our church and congregation as much as I have. We have a rich 65 year history in the Bremerton-Manette community, and Sharie is trying to “walk us through the years” to share stories of our church building, and how much the congregation participated in the growth of Emmanuel. This is only possible because someone took the time to record events and pictures, and then keep them as a historical record in binders. This has proved to be a valuable resource that has charted the course of our history, and it needs to continue for the future. We would really like to have someone (or some individuals acting as an informal team) help us to continue with this important mission. If you can help us out by putting together a church scrapbook or binder (we’ll provide the materials) as we conduct the business and celebrate events in our church, please contact either Pastor Tim or myself. It has been a very busy and productive year so far. We have many pictures and stories since the merge of Hope and Emmanuel Lutheran Churches took place and we’d like to see them placed in a new historical record book. We’ve charted a course for our future growth and have held events honoring our Daycare and Music staff, celebrated with our 90 year old (plus) members, held a Christmas Pageant, established a great new website, and much more. We have also put together a members pictorial church directory which has just been revised due to a growing congregation (and what a joy that was to do). We have reestablished our ties with Olympic Lutherhaven and will hold a church picnic there on Sunday August 21st, which was preceded by a renewed Vacation Bible School effort this year called The Big Jungle Adventure, a Faith Walk with Jesus. Yet left undone (but planned) is the re-striping of the church parking lot spaces and installation of a new roof on our sanctuary next year.

There are so many people making a difference here, and I am proud to be standing with you as a member of our growing Emmanuel Lutheran Church family. Thank you all. Glen Adrig

Just for a laugh!!!

These are “Bloopers” that actually appeared in Church Bulletins.

“The church will host an evening of fine dining, super entertainment and gracious hostility.”

“Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 pm. Please use the back door.”

Our missionary, Marian Hungerford, works for Wycliffe Bible Translators with the people living in Cameroon Africa. We, as a congregation, not only support her with monetary donations but support her in prayer as she faces daily challenges. We ask you to pray for Marian. Thank You!!!

Church Events



Our VBS starts on Monday, August 15th at 9:30 AM. It's not too late to help . If you find that you have some time to spare on August 15th through the 19th between the hours of 9:30–12:30, just stop in. Even if you are just curious and want to see what is going on, just stop in. Thank you for your generosity in donating items to help us in serving the children. The staff and children are looking forward to an exciting week at the **BIG JUNGLE ADVENTURE**.

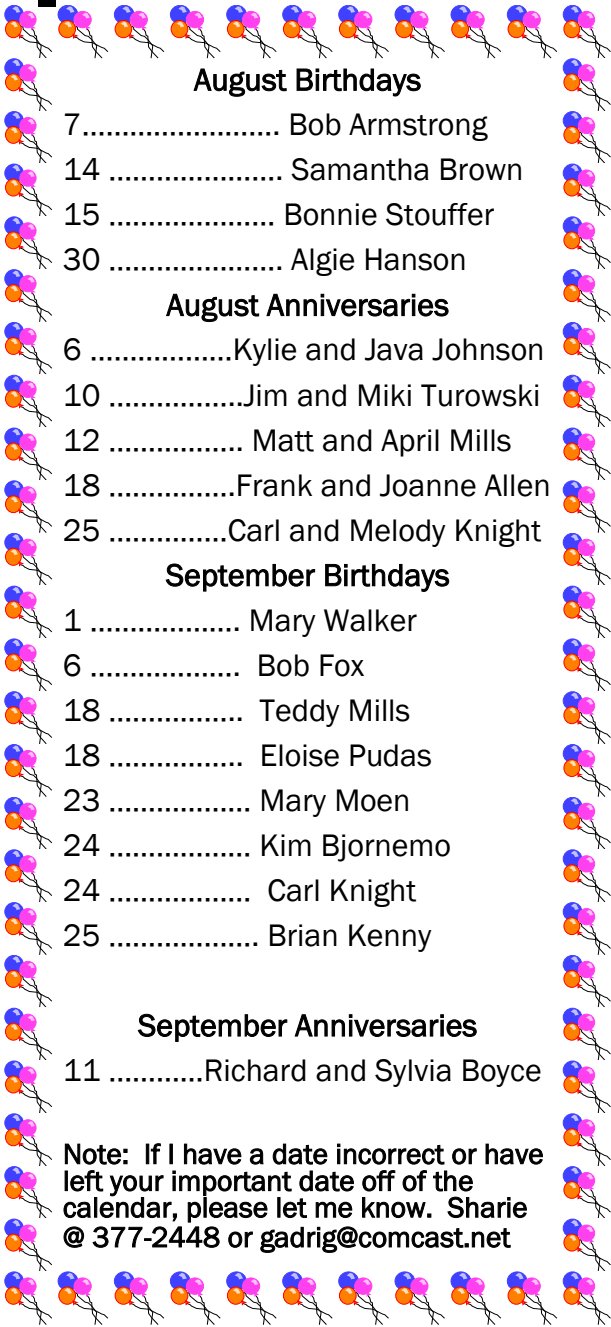
It's not too early to start thinking about **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**. As I see little in-expensive items that will fit into a shoebox, I have been picking them up. Right now you can find school supplies very in-expensively priced. Our church did an outstanding job last year. We sent off (I believe) 27 shoe boxes. I challenge you to fill 30 boxes this year. **REMEMBER!** Items **must be new**. They must be small enough to fit in a standard-sized shoebox. They **cannot** be liquid. If you buy candy, it must be wrapped. In early September I will come out with a more complete list and our collection box will appear every Sunday. **SO, LET'S FILL THOSE SHOE BOXES. !**



We are over half-way to completing our goal to re-roof our church. Thank you so much for your continued donations to the Capital fund.



The **Prayer Chain** is a group of people that pray and support those in need. If you would like to be a part of this group please let Pastor Tim know. We would love to add you to our list.



August Birthdays

7 Bob Armstrong
 14 Samantha Brown
 15 Bonnie Stouffer
 30 Algie Hanson

August Anniversaries

6Kylie and Java Johnson
 10Jim and Miki Turowski
 12 Matt and April Mills
 18Frank and Joanne Allen
 25Carl and Melody Knight

September Birthdays

1 Mary Walker
 6 Bob Fox
 18 Teddy Mills
 18 Eloise Pudas
 23 Mary Moen
 24 Kim Bjornemo
 24 Carl Knight
 25 Brian Kenny

September Anniversaries

11Richard and Sylvia Boyce

Note: If I have a date incorrect or have left your important date off of the calendar, please let me know. Sharie @ 377-2448 or gadrig@comcast.net

Members serving in August

Altar Guild	Jean Reed
Reader	Jean Reed

No Sunday School until September

Members serving in September

Altar Guild	Carolyn Cartwright
	Gladys Willis
Reader	Jay Johnson

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.

Check us out at
<http://www.elcbremerton.org>

Altar Guild is a ministry of the Church which prepares the Altar for worship by setting up for Holy Communion and Holy Baptism. The paraments, which decorate the Altar and the Chancel of the Church are also set up by the Altar Guild. After worship the Communion ware is cleaned and stored by those who serve on the Altar Guild. Altar Guild also handles the decorations for special seasons of the Church Year, such as Advent and Christmas. The Altar Guild has periodic classes, taught by Pastor Tim, explaining the meaning of what they do and how it is done. If you would like to serve on Altar Guild please sign up on the sign up sheet available in the sanctuary or fellowship hall.