

**MOUNT SI LUTHERAN
CHURCH**

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NORTH BEND, WA 98045

Mount Si's GOOD NEWSletter

November 2014

Special Points of Interest:

- Nov. 2nd—Daylight Savings Time Ends
- Nov. 16th—11:45AM Congregational Meeting —7PM The New Parish book discussion at SVA
- Nov. 27th & 28th—Happy Thanksgiving (offices closed)
- Nov. 30th—9:30AM First Sunday of Advent Worship —10:30AM Family Advent Festival



Advent Sunday
Nov. 30th
9:30AM
Worship
Family Advent
Festival
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From Pastor Mark's Desk.....

The elusive: Why....

In the face of serious tragedy there is a question that plagues our hearts and is perpetuated by media: why? After an airplane crashes or goes missing we indulge a national obsession to find answers and determine ultimately “why this happened.” “Was it pilot error? Was it faulty navigational equipment? And on and on...” After the hillside fell into the little community of Oso immediately after the initial shock we all turned to ask: why? Recently, in Marysville there was another shooting in a high school. Even as I write this article it grieves me to write “another.” It is an event that is becoming all too common. I listen to the radio and read the reporting on this tragedy and, as ever, we are consumed with: “why did this happen?”



There is a subtext; a question that echoes beneath our pursuit of ‘why.’ I think what we are longing to know is: “how can I be sure this won’t happen to me?” By chasing these reasons for tragedy, we reach conclusions that remove the possibility of this happening to us. We can safely avoid that airline, or trust that wise engineers have fixed the navigation issues on my airplane, rest assured we don’t live next to a hill that might slide into our home, send our kids to ‘good’ schools where things like that don’t happen. And in our heart of hearts, that place we seldom talk about, we know it’s not true. These ‘whys’ temporarily assuage our anxiety until the next crisis but we secretly know we are vulnerable.

Pursuing this eternal quest for ‘why’ distracts us from dwelling in the fact something horrible or tragic has happened. And we need to not be distracted; we need to acknowledge the horror and sadness that rests in our hearts. Children have been shot by another student in a place that they should be the safest. We have to let ourselves feel that; only then can we find reasonable way to react, grieve, and find solutions.

I am not suggesting that we take a fatalist attitude towards tragedies in life, throw up our hands and say “these things happen.” Rather I’m calling for a deeper response, a felt and lived response, not rooted in alleviating our personal anxieties.

One of Martin Luther’s favorite passages in Scripture was Psalm 46. It has become one of mine as well. It begins with “God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.” It concludes with “Be still, and know that I am God.”

Rather than be distracted by detailed scenarios and reasons for the elusive question, ‘why.’ Let’s acknowledge our pain and sadness, recognize that this life is both precious and precarious, and trust that God is our source of life. Even in, perhaps especially in, God promises to be with us in tragedy.

We begin November by celebrating All Saints Day. A day when we remember the saints who have gone before us that have been dear to our hearts. It is also a day when we remember the saints around us in this life that are dear to our hearts now. We close the month of November with the first Sunday in Advent. We look for the light of Christ breaking into the darkness. We long for the savior and welcome him into our hearts.



Welcome to the Book of Faith page. The purpose of this page is to share all things related to the Book of Faith focus at Mount Si Lutheran. Stay tuned each month, and prepare to share your input as we together do what the above tag line says, “Open Scripture and Join the Conversation”.

In a few short weeks, we will celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday. In the midst of our preparations for the “big meal”, let’s also be sure to spend some time with our eyes on God. Take time to *truly appreciate* all the gifts God has given us. *Acknowledge* that everything we have is a gift from God and not a result of our own efforts. Then let’s express our *profound gratitude* and *thanks* for all that God has given to us. God alone is worthy of our thanks and praise at all times, but especially on Thanksgiving Day. Below is a prayer you may want to use at your Thanksgiving table.

A PRAYER FOR THANKSGIVING

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.

We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

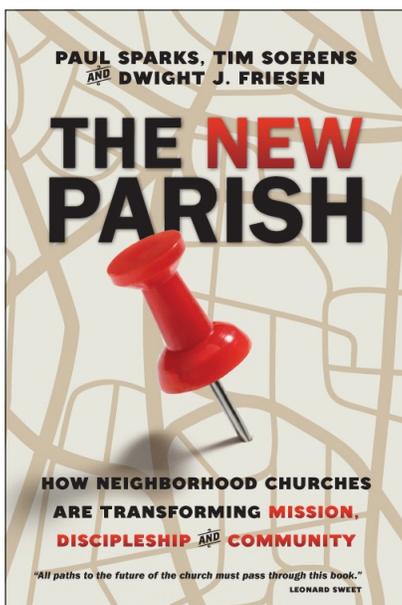
We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know him and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. *Amen*.

(From the “Book of Common Prayer”, http://bookofcommonprayer.net/prayers_and_thanksgivings.php#1)



Special Evening Event—Sunday, Nov. 16, 2014 at 7PM

*Mark your calendars. On November 16th at 7pm we are going to have an evening with the Rev. Dr. Dwight Friesen. We will be gathering at **Snoqualmie Valley Alliance Church** located at 36017 SE Fish Hatchery Rd., Fall City, WA. Dr. Friesen is one of the authors of the book we have been reading together, *The New Parish*. He will be joining us to talk about new ways of thinking about being a church together. He is on the leading edge of some exciting church conversations and I hope you join us as we learn together. If you have been reading the book along with us, you'll want to be there. If you haven't been reading the book with us, this will still be a great event for you to attend.*

Please speak to Pr. Mark Griffith if you have questions.

Parish Education News!

Our Sunday School season is under way. Come check us out! We have classes for ages 3-103, so there is sure to be something that will meet your needs! Check the schedule below:

- *Children's Sunday School is 9:30-10:30 AM
- *Teen Time Schedule: 9:45 Ready! 9:50 Set! 10:20 Go!
- *Adult Education Hour: 9:45-10:30 AM

Sunday School Staff for the 2014-2015 School Year:

- Opening Music—vacancy
- Preschool & Kindergarten— Nancy Flanagan/Rosemary Hanson
- 1st & 2nd grades—Debbie Jones/Dana Koukol
- 3rd & 4th grades—Anne Bartlett/Courtney Adams
- 5th & 6th grades—Kim & Mike Buckmaster/Joanne Chase
- Teen Time—James Mehring
- Adult Education Hour—Pastor Mark/Sue Shardelman

A Thank You & A Need

Earl Wildes has been leading the opening music for our Sunday School kids for many years. However, he has now retired from that role. Thank you, Earl, for your faithful service, your music, your enthusiasm, and your contagious love for the children in our Sunday School program. You will be missed!

Earl's retirement creates a vacancy in our Sunday School staff, and an opportunity for someone to step forward and fill the need. Do you enjoy playing music and singing with children? Do you remember those old Sunday School and camp songs? Then we need your talents. It only requires a few minutes of time each Sunday morning, but the rewards are priceless. Please see Courtney or Joanne for more information or to volunteer. Thank you!

Adult Class

The adult class is reading a new book together with members from several other churches in our community & ELCA cluster. The book is: The New Parish: How Neighborhood Churches Are Transforming Mission, Discipleship and Community, By: Paul Sparks, Tim Soerens, Dwight J. Friesen, Inter-Varsity Press, 2014, Paperback, ISBN: 9780830841158. Pastor Mark is leading these discussions. Grab a cup of coffee and join us in the library for lively conversation & fellowship. We meet at **9:45 am**.

Schedule Notes—Please Mark Your Calendars

- Nov. 30th—Advent Festival—No SS for all ages
- Dec. 7th & 14th—Regular SS schedule
- Dec. 21st & 28th—No SS for all ages
- Jan. 4, 2015—Classes resume



Sunday, Nov. 30th only one service at 9:30AM followed by Family Advent Festival at 10:30AM. Come make crafts, help decorate the church, and make your family Advent wreath. All ages will have plenty to do. It will be a church wide family event, and we hope everyone will participate. Don't miss it!



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD Kick-off Nov. 2nd

Christmas is all about giving. Once again, our church is providing you with an opportunity to share Jesus Christ with a needy child through Operation Christmas Child. This program brings joy and happiness to children in desperate situations around the world through gift-filled shoeboxes and the Good News of God's love. This year Mt. Si's collection deadline is Nov. 23rd. Informational brochures are available in the Fellowship Hall as well as Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. Take a shoebox or bring one of your own. Sample boxes will also be on display. Questions? Call Joanne Chase at 888-3170.



Senior Fellowship—Due to busy schedules for the balance of the year, Senior Fellowship's next get together will be **Jan. 19, 2015**. We are happy to have Jack Boller talk to us about Hanford which will be of interest to everyone. All are welcome to join us. If you have any suggestions for Senior Fellowship activities or programs, please call Joyce Ayers at 425 865-9853 or Genada Lynn at 425 292-3124.



LIBRARY NEWS—In November, please give thanks for our church library. We have a great selection of books for everyone. Check out our display table for new non-fiction books: 10 Days Without; Kisses From Katie, and The New Parish, which is being discussed in our Adult Sunday School class along with new Christian fiction. Also, the children's table has Thanksgiving books. "Enter into His gates with thanksgiving and into His gates with praise."

Psalm 100:4 If you have questions or would like to volunteer in our library, please speak with Connie Som 425 888-0727, Joyce Ayers 425 865-9853 or Sue Oster 425 888-4056.



Chronic Conditions Support Group for Women: Once a month, a group of women with various chronic health conditions meet together to study, share, encourage and support one another. We meet on the second Saturday of each month, 10 am - noon, in the library or fellowship hall. All women with chronic health conditions are welcome to join us. Please contact Sue Shardelman (888-0772) for further information. The meetings will be noted on the calendar as CCSG.



Connecting faith & finances for good.™

Now, with fall and harvest time drawing near, people start to reflect upon the things they are thankful for and how they can show their gratitude by supporting others. One way Thrivent members who are eligible to participate in the Thrivent Choice® Program can do this is by directing Choice Dollars® to their churches. The Choice Dollars grant funds your church

receives will help you continue to minister to others, strengthen communities and change lives. Since 2010, Thrivent Financial has distributed **more than \$140 million** in Choice Dollars grant funds to churches, including **nearly \$21.8 million** so far **this year**. We are uplifted by the good things churches have done with Choice Dollars grant funds and are excited to share your stories to help you to finish the year strong! By participating in this campaign, you can benefit in a big way and—in the process—help strengthen communities and change lives. For more information call: 800-THRIVENT (800-847-4836).



Sunshine Ministries—Mt. Si's new "Sunshine Lady" is **Debbie Spurling**. Thank you Debbie for volunteering to take the lead. Debbie said she loves making hand-made note cards and feels called to be part of this special ministry. Debbie will send a caring note and encouraging words to those who need it. If you know of someone who is hospitalized due to surgery or illness, celebrating the birth of a baby, suffering the loss of a loved one, experiencing health issues, or those home-bound and needing a friendly "How are you doing?", please contact Debbie Spurling at 425 831-2437 or email her

at angeltender@hotmail.com. You can also call Sheila Rodriguez, Administrative Assistant, at 425 888-1322 or email: mtsilutheran@mtsilutheran.org.



Calling all Singers!—It's time to begin practices for Mt. Si's Christmas Choir! If you are interested in joining our Christmas Choir, please call or email Suzy Schuba at 425 831-5169 or suzyschuba@comcast.net. Sue would like to get everyone together beginning **Wed., Nov. 5th at 8PM** following Wed. night worship. Choir is open to high school age kids and adults.



Community In Action

www.snoqualmievalleyfoodbank.org

Help us maintain a healthy community and provide food to our neighbors in need. Be part of a community in action.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION
Every Wednesday
9:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
No Appointment Necessary
122 E 3rd St
North Bend, WA 98045
Located next to the King County Library in North Bend

FOOD DONATIONS
Non-Perishable Donations
Monday & Tuesday 9 a.m.-11 a.m.
Wednesday from 9 a.m.- 6:30 p.m.
Perishable Foods
Monday & Tuesday 9 a.m.- 11 a.m.
Wednesday from 9 a.m.- 3 p.m.
Bring donation to food bank located at
122 E 3rd St North Bend, WA 98045

Meet your 2014 Council Members

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Debbie Spurling 2016 (1) Email: angeltender@hotmail.com	<h2 style="color: red; font-size: 2em; margin: 0;">Council Corner!</h2>		Kelly Luna 2016 (1) Email: ksluna@gmail.com

Submitted by Jack Boller, Church Council President

Greetings and peace to you all from your Church council.

Our annual Harvest Carnival has come and gone. It was well attended by our congregation as well as several friends and neighbors of the congregation. I hope all of you who attended had a good time.

It is now time to focus on some end of year business. Our Church Constitution and Bylaws specify that we are to have a congregational meeting in November to vote on the budget for the coming year. In compliance with that provision we will be holding a congregational meeting immediately following the second service on November 16 to vote on the budget. It is necessary for us to have a quorum of 40 members at this meeting to complete the budget process. If we don't get a quorum we will have to reschedule and try again during the holidays. I strongly encourage you to make an effort to attend this meeting.

The council decided to extend our collection for another month for our focused giving campaign to raise money for an industrial dishwasher for the kitchen in fellowship hall. To date we have collected just over \$2,000 of the \$5,500 we need. Purchase of the dishwasher will allow us to use the dishes and flatware we have on hand for any social events or dinners. In the long term, this will result in significant savings of money from not having to purchase paper plates and plastic ware. It will also greatly reduce the waste we generate and improve our stewardship of the earth. Please consider giving to this effort.

At our October council meeting we met with representatives of Congregations For the Homeless to discuss and ask questions about their plans for this year's winter shelter program. They are looking for two or three churches to share in hosting the shelter this winter. At the time of our meeting they were in contact with five churches in the Valley. We are considering how we might best participate in this effort and we plan to take some time at the congregational meeting on November 16 to get input from all of you.

We are still looking for candidates to fill at least two council vacancies. If you are interested and willing to serve in this capacity please let Pastor or one of the council members know. The council meets the third Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm and you would be expected to attend as many of these meetings as possible. This is one of many ways you can contribute your time and talents to the service of your church. You can also contribute by serving as an usher, counter, or service assistant or getting involved in one of our ministry committees. Any member of the congregation can join any of the committees. I urge you to give prayerful consideration to these opportunities and if you feel called to serve the church in any of these ways or have questions about what is involved in serving, contact any council member or Pastor.

All voting members are encouraged to attend so we have a quorum for voting on the budget and other items.



November 16, 2014
Congregational Meeting at 11:45AM

Don't forget, your council members are your elected officials that you have entrusted with the workings of your church. Feel free to contact them to discuss issues that you feel are pertinent to the life of your congregation.

F.Y.I.

Ladies—Save the Date!
Mt. Si Women of Christ Christmas Brunch
Saturday, Dec. 13 2014
10:30AM-12:30PM
More details coming soon!



HELP WANTED!

Do you love Christmas? Do you love to plan a party? Are you gifted in the area of tiny appetizers and table settings? Then we have a job for you! Women's ministry is looking for a few or a lot of creative, crafty women to help plan a women's Christmas event! Interested? Come join the fun! Contact Courtney Adams or Sheila Rodriguez today!

Thank You We want to thank everyone for their prayers and support during Connie's cancer treatment. She has completed Chemo and will begin Radiation Treatment on November 3 in Spokane. This treatment will last for 5 weeks. Please keep us in your prayers. Prayer is powerful!! ~Tom and Connie Som

You may contribute to the newsletter by submitting your articles to the church office by email, snail mail, or a simple phone call. The Deadline for submissions is the THIRD MONDAY of each month, except when earlier deadlines are required due to holidays, etc.



WINTER OF DREAMS 2014 EVENT DETAILS

Date: Saturday, November 15, 2014 Time: 6:30PM (plan on arriving around 6PM to preview items.)

Place: [Seattle Renaissance Hotel](#), 515 Madison St., Seattle, WA
Questions: 425.432.0433 or email jennifer@corneroflove.org or tia@corneroflove.org

Bible Study News...there's one for you!



Men's Saturday Breakfast Bible Study

Come join the men at 8AM and review the Sunday readings and lessons for that Sunday. All men are welcome. For more information, contact Paul Ritzenthaler at 425 888-5294. Location: Mt. Si Golf Course

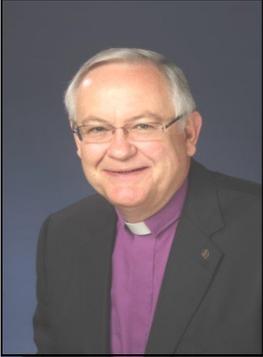
Bible Study for WOMEN

The Monday Women's Bible Study Group is studying the Book of Revelation. Please join us every Monday at 12:30PM in the Fellowship Hall. For more information contact Grace Culver at 425 222-7515 or Betty Shardelman at 425 888-0772.



The Spirit

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Discovering the Gift of Grace

by the Rev. Kirby Unti, Bishop, NWWA Synod

I was not born a Lutheran but discovered the Lutheran Church by going through the backdoor. I was in high school when a friend invited me to go to her church. I fell in love with the church because it was the first time in my life that I found the church to be a place that could embrace all of who I was without making me feel like I needed to pretend to be someone I wasn't. I didn't know then that I was discovering what it means to be covered in grace. What I did know is I couldn't get enough of this word. I just kept coming back for more and more. The truth is I am still coming back to wine and dine on God's generosity of acceptance.

Once I was hooked I had a compelling desire to be able to share this truth with others. It was this desire that caused me to pack up everything I owned, place it into the trunk and back seat of my 1969 Toyota Corolla and head off to Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary in Berkeley, CA.

I was completely outside of my comfort zone with hardly a clue about what I was in for. The only image I had of a seminarian was that of a monk. I was still struggling with being identified as a Christian let alone forming my identity as a pastor.

Seminary did not come easily for me. I didn't have great academic chops and I struggled with my professors who seemed so cut off from my world. The one class that breathed on the coal that was burning in my gut was Dr. Robert Goeser's class on Luther. I was in over my head but the scraps I was getting that fell from the table made for a great meal.

My classmates who grew up in the church were light years ahead of me in their knowledge of the scriptures, liturgy and theology. I would never be able to speak with the confidence many of them displayed. The pathway I chose was to quietly go about being a parish pastor hoping that my deficits in learning might go undiscovered. I had to rely upon my pastoral care skills and hope my passion for grace would carry me.

A turning point came for me when I met a guy by the name of Dan Erlander. I heard him speak at Holden Village and later would invite him to teach classes at the congregation I was serving. Dan was putting into words my deepest held beliefs about the faith. He had the academic pedigree to back up what he was saying. He too had a burning coal of grace in his gut.

It was from Dan I learned that you should always be able to spot a Lutheran because they are always mumbling under their breath grace, grace, grace. Grace, grace, grace became my mantra so much so that my oldest daughter took it upon herself to purchase a personalized license plate for my Mini Cooper - GRACEX3.

I wanted to devote this Spirit Article to Dan out of gratitude for the gift that he has been to me and to the whole church through his writings and teaching. It has meant the world to me to have a theologian of Dan's character provide me with access and understanding of what I think is the core teaching of what it means to see the world through a Lutheran lens. Thank you Dan for being my beloved Rabbi of grace, grace, grace.

Synod Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9am - 4pm
 Staff:
 Rev Kirby Unti, Bishop
 Rev Kathryn Buffum, Assistant to the Bishop
 Rev Jerry Buss, Assistant to the Bishop & Director for Evangelical Mission
 Rev Nancy Winder, Assistant to the Bishop
 Margaret Spatafore, Synod Office Administrator
 Susan Berg, Synod Relations Administrator

Stay in touch and in the know!
Have you checked out the Synod Website Calendar? www.lutheransnw.org/calendar
Do you receive the Weekly Update eNews?
www.lutheransnw.org/subscribe

Thought You'd Like to Know...

October 5, 2014, Mt. Si Lutheran Church joined Snoqualmie United Methodist Church, Fall City United Methodist Church, and St. Clare's Episcopal Church to celebrate a combined worship service in celebration of World Communion Sunday.

World Communion Sunday is a celebration observed by several Christian denominations, taking place on the first Sunday of every October, that promotes Christian unity and ecumenical cooperation.



WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

The Rev. Mark Griffith, Pastor at Mt. Si Lutheran Church in North Bend, WA; **The Rev. Patty Baker**, Pastor at St. Clare's Episcopal Church in Snoqualmie, WA; **The Rev. Darryn Hewson**, Pastor at Fall City United Methodist Church in Fall City, WA; **Pastor Kiran Wilson** at Tree of Life Church in Snoqualmie, WA; and **The Rev. Paul Mitchell**, Pastor at Snoqualmie United Methodist Church in Snoqualmie, WA.



James Mehring, Family & Youth Ministry Dir. gave the children's message at Snoqualmie United Methodist Church



Mt. Si Lutheran Church Presents 2014 Family Harvest Carnival

We had an amazing turn out this year for our Annual Harvest Carnival!! We were blessed to have a ton of visitors from our community stop by and see what community looks like at Mt. Si Lutheran Church. I want to thank everyone who supported this year's Harvest Carnival. Whether it was through donations, time, or you smiling presence at the event, it was greatly appreciated!! This year's awards went to: **Jane Benson**—Best carved pumpkin; **Vicki Wallentine**—Best chili (second year in a row!), **Lindsey Flanagan & Ella Gage**—Best costume.



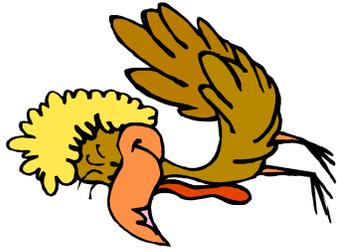
Family Harvest Carnival



Family Harvest Carnival



November 2014



Mount Si Lutheran Church Family and Youth Calendar

Schedule of Events!		Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Calendar Notes -Our 2nd Youth Book Discussion group will meet <u>Nov. 12th @ 5:30</u> in the Fellowship hall. Will be discussing Ch. 2 of "Almost Christian" by Kendra Dean. -All Youth interested in attending the National Youth Gathering next Summer need to be at the upcoming planning meeting on <u>Nov. 5th</u> . -Come join us after service on <u>Nov. 30th</u> for our annual Family Advent Festival! We will decorate the church and make personal advent wreaths! -We will be making a field trip for our Youth Group on <u>Nov. 16th</u> to hear the author of "The New Parish" at SVA Church. Please make sure you arrive to the church at 6:30pm sharp so that we can arrive by 7:00pm.	1 	2 Confirmation meeting Noon High School Youth Group 6:30-8:30	3 	4 	5 National Youth Gathering meeting 6:00 pm Midweek Service 7:00 pm 	6 	7	1 8
	9 High School Youth Group 6:30-8:30	10 P.E Meeting 7:00 pm	11 P.E Meeting 7:00 pm	12 Book Discussion Group 5:30 pm Midweek Service 7:00 pm 	13 	14	15	22
16 HS Youth Group Trip to SVA "The New Parish" 6:30-9:00 pm	17 	18 Council Meeting 7:00 pm	19 Midweek Service 7:00 pm 	20	21	22	29	
23 HS Youth Group 6:30-8:30 pm	24	25	26 	27 	28 Thanksgiving Holiday (offices closed)	29	*If you have any questions, feel free to contact me: jamesnmehring@gmail.com Or (262) 210-7392	
30 Family Advent Festival 10:30-noon  HS Youth Group 6:30-8:30pm	1	2	3 Midweek Service 7:00 pm 	25	26 	27 	28 Thanksgiving Holiday (offices closed)	29

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
		<h1>Mt. Si Lutheran</h1>					1 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> Daylight Savings Time Ends Nov. 2 Turn clocks back 1 hour before bed </div>
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Flower Chart for the Sanctuary



DATE	NAME	IN MEMORY OR HONOR OF
Nov. 2	Spurling Family	In Loving Memory of Debra's grandmother, Vila Burt
Nov. 9	Rodriguez Family	To God's Glory and In Honor of Veterans' Day
Nov. 16		
Nov. 23	Kay Boyle	In Loving Memory of Edna Jensen's birthday
Nov. 30		



If you would like to bring flowers for the altar for a special occasion in **2014**, please see the sign up chart in the Fellowship Hall for openings or call the church office at 425 888-1322.



Worship Assistants for Nov.

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE 8:15AM & 10:45AM	Nov. 2 All Saints Sunday/ Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost	Nov. 9 Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost	Nov. 16 Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost	Nov. 23 Christ the King Sunday	Nov. 30 First Sunday of Advent 9:30AM ONLY
Usher					
8:15AM	Paul & Laura Ritzenthaler	Herman Schlaht Mike Kober	Tom & Connie Som	Paul & Laura Ritzenthaler	Herman Schlaht Mike Kober
9:30AM	Sunday School & Coffee Hour Fellowship				
10:45AM	Tom Chase Mark Imsland	Mike Hanson Bob Bartlett	Ed & Jane Benson	Tom Chase Mark Imsland	
Counters	Bob Bartlett Kelly Luna	Bob Bartlett Kelly Luna	Courtney Adams	Ed Benson	
	-----Counters Needed-----				
Communion Assistants					
8:15AM	Courtney Adams	Inge Burnside	Dave Franson	Kay Boyle	9:30AM Joanne Chase
10:45AM	Joanne Chase	Rosemary Hanson	Debra Spurling	Ed Benson	
Lector					
8:15AM	Terry Adams	Tom Burnside	Suzie Franson	Pat Palmer	9:30AM Joan Guenther
10:45AM	Joan Guenther	Ed Benson	Linda Velebir	Suzy Cassidy	
Cantor	Jack Boller	Dave Spurling	John Cassidy	Jack Boller	Dave Spurling

Worship Assistants
If you are interested in assisting on Sunday mornings as Usher, Communion Assistant, Lector, or Acolyte, please call the office and speak to Sheila Rodriguez. She would be happy to add your name to the Worship Assistants list.

Please consider helping with the Sunday coffee hour at Mt. Si. It's a wonderful way to welcome and show fellowship to our members and guests. A sign up sheet is available during coffee hour.



November Birthdays!



NAME	DATE	NAME	DATE
Barbara Touchette	1	Paul Riley	15
Terry Adams	7	Katie Luna	16
Joanne Chase	7	Charles Lynch	17
Linda Luke	7	Bert Sievertson	20
Lori Murton	10	Lindsey Cassidy	23
Sheila Rodriguez	11	Mark Griffith	25
Tom Lee	13	Andy Velebir	29
Jace Lee	15		



Anniversaries!

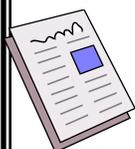


Curtis and Genada Lynn	Nov. 24
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Please call the church office at 888-1322 and let us know if we skip your special day.

Read All About it!!



If you have any questions regarding the newsletter, please call the office and speak with Sheila Rodriguez, Administrative Assistant at 425 888-1322, or via email at mtsilutheran@mtsilutheran.org. We would love to include special interest articles, i.e. awards & recognition for sports or academics, special events or gatherings, etc. The **GOOD NEWS**letter is your newsletter, so be sure to share your comments, suggestions, and articles! Visit our website: www.mtsilutheran.org.

Hospitality Coffee Hour Fellowship and Worship Assistants



We like to encourage a combined fellowship/coffee hour between services in the Fellowship Hall from 9:30-10:30. We need volunteers to sign up for hosting the coffee hour. There is always a sign up sheet at the coffee hour. Sue Oster is our coordinator for the coffee hour fellowship. If you would like to help with our coffee hour fellowship, please contact Sue at 425 888-4056 or sofficka@gmail.com. Also, if you are interested in being a worship assistant, please call the office at 888-1322. Mt. Si needs you!

Mount Si's Mission and Vision Statement

THE MISSION OF MOUNT SI LUTHERAN IS:

~SERVING~

Mount Si Lutheran is a Christ centered community in service to others.

~REACHING OUT~

We are following Christ's Great Commission, bringing others to Christ through our love, our faith, our hope and our actions.

~GROWING IN GRACE~

As we grow in understanding of God's unconditional acceptance and forgiveness, we encourage others to grow in the biblical principles of faith, hope and love.

THE VISION OF MOUNT SI LUTHERAN IS:

To develop ministries that encourage individual and group involvement in service, outreach and spiritual growth.

These ministries follow the Six Marks of Discipleship:

1.~Prayer

2.~Worship

3.~Reading the Bible

4.~Serving at and beyond Mount Si

5.~Spiritual Relationships

6.~Giving of our Time, Talents and Resources

We are a Christ Centered Community Located near Mount Si



Sunday Worship Schedule

8:15AM Traditional Service

9:15AM Fellowship/Coffee Hour

9:30-10:30AM Sunday School

9:45-10:30AM Adult Christian Ed

10:45AM Praise Service

Fifth Sunday of the Month will be Healing Sunday

7:00PM Wednesday Evening Worship w/Holy Communion

The Rev. G. Mark Griffith—Pastor

James Mehring—Family & Youth Ministry Director

Sheila Rodriguez—Administrative Assistant

Jack Boller—Council President

Andy Velebir and Carol Reitz—Worship & Music

Lori Murton, Abigail Grimstad, Rachel Combs—Piano

Joan Moe—Custodian

Paula Hower—Treasurer

Leslie Hatling/Joan Guenther—Financial Secretary

Church Office Hours: M-F 9AM-12Noon & 12:30-3:30 PM (office coverage may vary)

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