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Mount Si Lutheran Church

To Serve To Reach Out To Grow In Grace

GOODNEWSletter

AUGUST 2025



Pastor's Note...

Grace and peace to you!

We had such a wonderful time at VBS this year! We had 23 kids attend our Splish, Splash: Water and God's Word curriculum that we wrote with folks from St. Luke's and Samm Hills.

We had a number of kids this year whose parents were not comfortable with photos - so you won't see a lot of pictures this year - but know that we had a blast thanks to all our dedication volunteers.

Thank you to Erica who helped coordinate VBS this year along with all of our station leaders: Jack B., Nellie S., Shelley H., Kim B., Courtney A., Kaelynn S. A big thanks to our group leaders: Laura C., Kelsey H., & Declan H.. And, thank you to our registration and floating volunteers: Janey B. and Erica H.

I also want to say thank you to everyone who stayed after on Sunday the 13th to help decorate the Fellowship Hall and buildings. It looked amazing!

It is a true joy to see all the hands coming together to make an event like VBS possible.

I commend to all of us the memory phrase we learned at VBS:

God has a plan for us: to take care of us, to protect us, to love us, to teach us and to be with us.

We saw this unfold in each Bible Story with Rebecca at the well, Moses in the basket, Jesus being baptized, Jesus teaching the disciples to fish for people and Jesus calming the storm.

We also focused on how God accomplishes this plan for us - a big way is to work through us - followers of Jesus - by the gift of the Holy Spirit - we learned that God invites us to care for, protect, love, teach and be there for others. During VBS we lived this out by packing school supplies and writing letters to Riley B. and her battalion serving overseas in the US Army.

Again - THANK YOU - to all who were able to take the time to share the Gospel with the kids who came for VBS. What a privilege!

- Peace, P. K.

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For Pastoral Emergencies July 25-Aug 5 Call:
Pr. Olaf 360-912-1830
Pr. Kristin-Luana 360-912-1245



Capital Fund Fundraiser-New computers for the church and several new windows for the Parsonage are urgently needed. Our goal \$20,000. Please write "Capital Fund" in the memo line of your check or provide a note with your donation so Leslie can accurately designate your contribution.

Special Events in August & September



EASTSIDE LUTHERAN CHURCH COMMUNITY Community Worship

Summer Water Worship Series -July 6-August 10

In preparation for VBS, Pr. Mark and Pr. Krista met to develop a six week worship series focused on water stories in the Bible.

August 17 - 10am Ebright Creek Park Worship

It is time again for our annual joint worship service with Lutheran congregations around the Sno Valley. Worship will be at **10am** at Ebright Creek Park in Sammamish.



Belize 2026 Mission Informational Meeting August 11, 6pm

You are welcome to come ask questions and hear more about the 2026 mission to Belize at Sammamish Hills on Aug. 11, 6pm. Tentative trip dates: Feb 14-22.



Backpack Distribution Aug 19-20

We anticipate handing out 500 backpacks this year and we need your help! Please talk with Erica or Janey about our distribution dates and how you can assist. THANK YOU!



Beach Church Aug. 6, 13, 20 - 6pm

We meet for potluck, grilled hotdogs, and smores; games and a swim; devotions and songs. This is an intergenerational event for members and friends of Issaquah and Eastside churches. Please bring a dish! Consider bringing your own table setting to reduce trash and recycle. And bring beach games, of course!

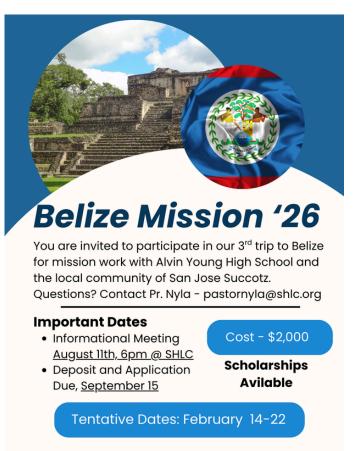
Directions: Drive West on E Lake Sammamish PKWY SE; just after Lake Sammamish Park Boat Loading Ramp Road, turn left on SE 44th St and drive to the Lakeshore.



Gods Work. Our Hands. Sunday!

Sunday, September 7 is God's Work. Our Hands. Sunday once again! Get ready for a fun filled worship centered on service with service projects following worship.

Our mission: to serve, reach out & grow in grace...



Next noisy offering for Belize -Sunday, August 3rd. Thank you for your gift of change!



Can you help distribute school supplies on Aug 19 or 20? Please talk to Erica or Janey to sign-up!



Mt Si members are asked to please bring your chair & desserts to share for the Aug. 17 Worship & Picnic.

MSLC Finance Update

Income from Jan-June: \$90,798 Expenses for Jan-June: \$88,633 Net Loss Jan-June: \$2,165

Please note - we have received two generous memorial gifts. The gifts total \$15,000. Council with guidance from the Finance Team will determine how to best direct these funds for the mission of Mt Si in the coming months. We are humbled by these generous gifts. Thank you.

Supporting one another in faith.....



Sunday Readings & Weekday Education Opportunities

AUGUST SUNDAY LESSONS

August 3

Exodus 15:1-21;Matt. 8:23-27;

Acts 27:6-11

August 10

Isaiah 55:1-5; Mark 1:4-11;

Acts 8:26-39; Rev. 22:1-6

August 17

N/A

(Outdoor Worship @ Park)

August 24

Isaiah 58:9b-14;

Luke 13:10-17

August 31

Psalm 112;

Luke 14:1, 7-14



Pat Palmer 1st

Rick Rodriguez 2nd

Katherine Yocom 3rd

Grace Culver 5th

Rosemary Hanson 5th

Sydney Yocom 5th

Erica Haycox 7th

Debbie Jones 10th

Joyce Hibma 13th

Jonathan Spurling 13th

Laura Ritzenthaler 16th

Virginia Williams 17th

Sue Oster 25th

Nick Adams 27th

Ralph Freeman 27th

Paul Dukich 31st

EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES IN AUGUST

Men's Bible Study - Saturdays, 9am @ Little Si Restaurant.

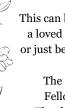
Women's Bible Study - is on their seasonal break. They will resume their study of Luke in the Fall.



Shelley & Michael Harding 6th
Dave & Debbie Spurling 7th
Jim & Nancy Flanagan 12th
Jeffrey & Valerie King 18th
Terry & Courtney Adams 19th
David & Lorraine Wilkerson 20th
Marcus & Lesia Tiongson 26th
Katherine & Nate Yocom 26th
Mark & Julie Imsland 27th

Flower Chart Sign-ups

Please consider signing up to bring flowers for our altar on Sunday morning.



This can be in honor or memory of a loved one or event in your life or just because you enjoy flowers!

The flower chart is in the Fellowship Hall hallway. Thank you for your offering! 2025

August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
For Pastoral Emergencies while Pastor is on Vacation - please call: Pr. Olaf 360-912-1830 Pr. Kristin-Luana 360-912-1245					Pastor on Vacation	Men's Bible Study, 9am Little Si Rest. Pastor on Vacation
Worship, 9:30am AA, 6-9pm Pastor on Vacation	4 MVP - 9-1pm Pastor on Vacation	5 MVP - 9-1pm PG, 9:30am Pastor on Vacation	6 MVP - 9-1pm Conference Meeting @ Parsonage, 12pm	7 MVP - 9-1pm FM, 4-8pm AA, 7-9pm	8 MVP - 9-1pm	9 Men's Bible Study, 9am Little Si Rest.
10 Worship, 9:30am AA, 6-9pm]] MVP - 9-1pm	12 MVP - 9-1pm PG, 9:30am	13 MVP - 9-1pm GS 4115, 5-7pm	74 MVP - 9-1pm FM, 4-8pm GSSU, 6-9pm AA, 7-9pm	15 MVP - 9-1pm	Men's Bible Study, 9am Little Si Rest.
17 Worship, 10am @ Ebright Park	18 MVP - 9-1pm	PG, 9:30am MVP - 9-1pm Backpack Distribution 2:00pm-6:30pm	20 MVP - 9-1pm Backpack Distribution 9:00am-4:30pm	21 MVP - 9-1pm FM, 4-8pm AA, 7-9pm	22 MVP - 9-1pm SVFB Board Meeting	23 Men's Bible Study, 9am Little Si Rest.
24 Worship, 9:30am AA, 6-9pm	25 MVP - 9-1pm	26 MVP - 9-1pm PG, 9:30am	27 MVP - 9-1pm	28 MVP - 9-1pm	29 MVP - 9-1pm	30 Men's Bible Study, 9am Little Si Rest.
Worship, 9:30am AA, 6-9pm						

August Monthly Gatherings

Girl Scout Service Unit (GSSU)

Thursday, August 14, 6-9pm (3rd Thursday) **SVFB Board Meeting**

Friday, Aug. 22, 12:30-2pm (4th Friday)

August Weekly Gatherings:

Prayer Gathering (PG)

Tuesdays, 9:30am, in Prayer Room Men's Bible Study

Saturdays, 9am, Little Si Restaurant **Mountain Valley Preschool**

Summer Classes - M-F - 9-1pm

August Weekly Gatherings Cont.

Girl Scout Troop (GS 4115)

1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 5-7pm in FH

Thursdays from 7-9pm Sundays from 6-8pm Luther's Lounge

Farmer's Market (FM)

Thursdays, 4-8pm, Si View Park