



September Worship Texts
First lesson in plain text, Gospel lesson in bold

September 8th—1 Cor. 13 & **Luke 14:22-35**
 September 15th—John 1:14 & **Genesis 2:4-25**
 September 21st—Acts 7:20-34 & **Exodus 2:1-10**
 September 28th—Isaiah 40:25-31 & **Exodus 3:1-15**

Upcoming FALL Events

**September 8th—
 God's Work. Our
 Hands. Sunday!**

Garden Expansion, Birthday Bags, all church art project. Speak with Courtney, Sheila, Terry, and/or Pastor Krista for more information. You can also look at your email for the News from the Pews. Wear your yellow shirts or you can grab one from the fellowship hall.

A brunch will follow our worship service and then we will begin the projects. We look forward to serving with you!

**September 15th—
 Blessed are the
 Cheesemakers**

Lets make some Mozzarella!

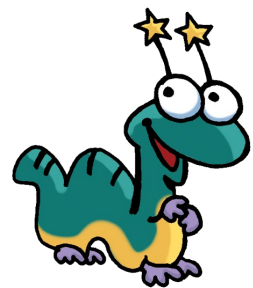


We will then make pizza with our cheese. Contact John Grebe for more information

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**September 15th—
 SPARK Education
 Kick-off!**

The Parish Ed team and Sunday School teachers are excited to roll out the new SPAEK Education! This new curriculum will hopefully help everyone young and old grow together in worship and the love of the Bible!



**October 5th—Love
 Snoqualmie Valley
 Event!**

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF OUR ENTIRE COMMUNITY CAME TOGETHER TO LOVE THE SNOQUALMIE VALLEY?



Love Snoqualmie Valley

JOIN THE MOVEMENT!

Our vision is to create a culture of collaboration by loving our community in practical ways.

One day. Impactful projects. All for the same goal.

October 5, 2019

8:00 - 9:00 am - Love

Snoqualmie Valley Event Rally

9:15 - 12:00 pm - Work projects across the valley

Mt Si GOOD NEWSletter

SEPTEMBER 2019

**WORSHIP FOR
 SEPTEMBER**

September 1st—9:30am

September 8th—9:30am

September 15th

8:15 & 10:45, Education at 9:45am

September 21st

8:15 & 10:45, Education at 9:45am

September 28th

8:15 & 10:45, Education at 9:45am



Thank you from Ambur

Hello everyone!

I am coming up on my one year anniversary of being the office manager here! This last year has been amazing and I thank all of you for helping make it so.

As a non-member of the church my children and I have felt very welcomed and loved by the Mt Si family. This community means the world to me and my family and you all have always helped make North Bend home for me over the years!

I look forward to growing as the office manager and reaching out to the community to help the church continue to succeed as a congregation that is known for serving, reaching out, and growing in grace.

Thank you,
 Ambur Brown



We are looking for hands to help feed our neighbors in need each fourth Wednesday of the month at the Snoqualmie Valley Food Bank. Our next day to serve is **Sept. 25th** The food of the month we are collecting are: **Baking items, flour, sugar...**

Thank you for your constant contribution to the Food Bank! August donation total was \$364.00!

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A Yellowstone Bison from Pastor Krista's vacation :)

**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.



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UPCOMING
PROJECTS TO BE
LOOKING OUT
FOR

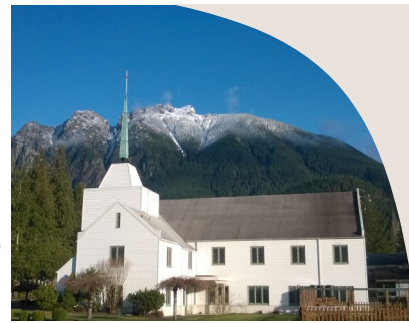
1. **Little Free Library** for the community has been built and will be installed within the next month near the front door. Thanks to Marlin Olson who helped Pastor build it!

2. **Sanctuary Ceiling** tiles are being investigated to see what we can replace them with or if we want to keep some up and remove others to create some better acoustics in our worship space. Anyone with ideas or who wants to help, please ask Pastor Krista

3. **Wheelchair seating** in the sanctuary...we are looking into how to best create some space for wheelchairs and walkers in the sanctuary without disturbing the layout too much.

4. **Kid's Club!** This will be a free after school program every Friday from 1:30pm-6:00pm! Crafts, homework help, and games! Some field trips as well! Go to the website to sign up.

Council What you need to know!



“SERVING—REACHING OUT—GROWING
IN GRACE”

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR FILLING OUT YOUR PLEDGE
CARDS FOR OUR 2020 BUDGET

As our Summer adventures wind down and we blow into the lovely season of Fall we are blessed to see God's beautiful transformation of the seasons. This year we have many wonderful ministries and new adventures awaiting us. God's Work Our Hands is September 8th and will have numerous activities you can help with. We are returning to our two service Sunday rotation beginning September 15th, after second service we will be having an all ages event, blessed are the Cheese Makers. Please look for the sign up. We will also be exploring a new lectionary and have a dedicated one service the first Sunday of every month.

We had another successful Backpack Drive. Thank you for all your kindness and giving for our students in the valley.

This year we will also be offering a Friday Kids Club for members and friends of Mt Si Lutheran. We will be looking for volun-

teers, or if you have a special project you would like to share please talk with John Grebe or Erica Haycox

Your church council enjoyed a brief deep breath in July and is working hard preparing for the end of the year. We will be working on the budget for 2020 and will be needing to fill at minimum two seats on council. If you would like to be considered for one of these seats, please let any of your council members know.

We have had a wonderful 2019 with bountiful outpourings of God's love, that was spread all over the Snoqualmie Valley. I look forward to our continued work in the community and if you have any special ideas please let a council member or Pastor Krista know.

Blessings, Erica Haycox



I went on a vacation to see family and hike through Grand Teton and Yellowstone national parks. I had a great time and I can't wait to jump into the fall! I will be taking one more short trip to Boise to help my brother with a garage sale Sept. 11-14. Thank you all for your support and care. I look forward to seeing how the Spirit will continue to work through each of you as we keep our eyes on the cross and follow our Lord. Amen! - Peace, Pastor Krista



Kid's Club Every Friday starting September 13th

A new and exciting after school Kid's Club is coming!

Every Friday from
1:30-6:00pm, and its FREE!

Ages 5-5th grade

The Kid's Club will offer crafts, games, homework help and field trips. To sign up please visit our website at www.mtsilutheran.org

If you have any questions
please contact

John Grebe at
cyf@mtsilutheran.org

Or

Erica Haycox at
er35@comcast.net

CHILDREN AND ADULT EDUCATION



NEW Curriculum!

Spark All Kids Is Here! Sunday School Is Back! Sunday school begins on September 15 at 9:35 and we are excited to begin a new program called Spark All Kids! This is a one room classroom model that connects and engages older and younger kids! We are all so excited as we will be hearing and learning about the same stories as the rest of the Congregation. Here's how Class Works! Kids of all ages are in a multi-age classroom with built-in opportunities for older kids to mentor younger kids, enabling them to navigate the story and compare what they learn to their

own lives.

Each Spark All Kids lesson follows a four-part sequence:

- Gather – Begin the day by gathering together and trying a warm-up activity
- Open Bibles and explore the day's story. Activate Faith
- Get moving and become engaged in the story they just read by using their leaflets
- Experience the Salvation story arc – Finish with a closing activity and prayer

*Each week the children will receive a take home information sheet for their families full of activities they can do and learn together. Here's the Monthly Plan! The entire month we will have a Central theme our stories will focus on and explore-during Sunday school class along with the Worship service and the Adult & Youth classes. On the third Sunday of the month Mt. Si John Grebe our Children, Family & Youth director will teach the children and lead them in exploring what they have learned and work on a special project. Then, on the first Sunday of every month we

will have a Combined Family Worship service where kids, youth and their families will all have the opportunity to participate in the service and share things they have learned the weeks before.

Schedule

We will begin by exploring the Old Testament and getting to know God through His people.

The theme for the month of September is Created and Called.

September 8 God's Work
~Our Hands Service Sunday

9/15 Adam & Eve 9/22 Baby Moses
9/29 The Burning Bush
10/6 One community Worship 9:30

This is a very exciting time for our church! We hope to see everyone there!

Fellowship, Food, Friendships

From Sept-June 2019-2020 we will be holding regular fellowship events following our one worship service. Our first event is a very familiar one. We will be again celebrating God's Work Our Hands Sunday on **September 8th**. There will be multiple service projects and goodies to eat. In **October** we will share in World Communion Sunday with fellow Christians in the valley. In **November** we will hold a Thanksgiving fellowship alongside our Annual Budget Meeting.



In **December** we will continue our tradition of holding an Advent Festival for all ages! We hope these fellowship times will foster new relationships and strengthen existing friendships. Our Fellowship times will follow our themes for the month/season. Be on the look out to see how you might help at these events!

Let's see how the Spirit will move among us as we celebrate and give thanks to God, together.

Amen!

HAVE QUESTIONS?
PLEASE TALK TO A
STAFF MEMBER
OR COUNCIL
MEMBER

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Birthdays and Anniversaries



ANNIVERSARIES	
Chris & Lisa Sampson	9/2
Bill & Enid Gast	9/4
Paul & Heidi Dukich	9/8
John & Erica Haycox	9/25

BIRTHDAYS			
Declan Haycox	9/2	Janey Benson	9/14
Ambur Brown	9/4	Kim Buckmaster	9/25
Kelsey Harding	9/6	Lorraine Wilkerson	9/27
Heidi Dukich	9/12	John Altheide	9/29



Northwest Washington Synod Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.



On August 3, as I prepared to fly to Milwaukee for the 2019 ELCA Churchwide Assembly, I looked out the airplane window at Mount Rainier and thought, "Wow! Is there anything more spectacular?" And, I admit, I also thought, "I have so much work to do right here in the synod, why do I have to leave for a week? On August 12, as I prepared to leave Milwaukee to return home, I looked out the airplane window at Lake Michigan and thought, "Wow! I am both so proud of our church and also so aware of how much further we have to go!" I hope that you were able to follow the Assembly in real time by watching the livestream. But even if you weren't able to follow the assembly in real time, I encourage you to read about the people elected, the motions that were passed, experience the worship, and

hopefully, enter into the joy that happens when we are church together (which was the theme for this year). It truly was a blessing to be with over 1000 Lutherans as we did good and hard work this past week. In the coming months I will reflect more on some of the motions and actions that happened at the Churchwide Assembly. But here are a few thoughts as I return home. We are connected to a deep and broad community throughout the United States. We are people of different ethnicities, cultures, colors, sexualities, and genders. We are young and old. We are from blue and red states. We are people who are Lutherans from birth and we are people who embraced the Lutheran lens of Christianity later in life. We are a people who are listening to God's call to embrace all people, even when it is difficult or uncomfortable. We are a people who ask forgiveness when we mess up and we are a people of grace. We are a people who march against unjust laws and we are a people who sing of that promised day when all will be made right. We are a people who ask many questions and we are a people who reflect on words

spoken. We are a people who try (as best we can) to follow Robert's Rules of Order and we are a people who laugh when no one can figure out the rabbit hole we have gone down as we attempt Robert's Rules of Order. We are a people who sing old and well-known hymns with gusto and we are a people who embrace new words and new melodies in this new day. In short, we are people of God. We don't always get it right. We don't always agree. But God's Spirit was present and active in Milwaukee just as God's Spirit is present and active in your congregation, in the Northwest Washington Synod, and in the wider ELCA. I am confident and excited about what is next for us and for the entire ELCA. As we heard throughout the assembly, Together we are Church. If you would like to know more about the actions taken by the 2019 Churchwide Assembly, you can follow this link. [https://elca.org/News-and-Events/8003Grace & Peace](https://elca.org/News-and-Events/8003Grace&Peace), Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee. The Rev. Shelley Bryan Wee will be installed as Bishop of the Northwest Washington Synod on Saturday, November 2 at 2pm at St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral in Seattle. Reception to follow. Interested in helping? Contact susan@lutheransnw.org

Children, Youth and Family Updates

Sometimes I get a little startled when I am writing a newsletter article because I look at the dates and think, it can't possibly be that time of the year yet. Often I am trying to plan ahead by a month at least if not more. This can be detrimental if I am not paying attention in the present. It is a good reminder to slow down and consider what is happening here and now. In this moment I am preparing for VBS which is in a few days but by the time you read this it will have already happened. I like the quote from Kung Fu Panda "There is a saying: yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, but today is a gift. That is why it is called the "present."

This may seem like a cliché but it has significant wisdom. If we do not take time to absorb the present we loose track of you history because we were too distracted to enjoy it. Increasingly I have become aware of how much technology invades our lives. We are at first tempted by the features of time management, photography, communication, and other time saving tools. Unfortunately it seems to be having the opposite effect by overstimulating the frontal lobe with instant gratification. I am guilty of this and will be trying to cut back on my use this next month. One of the techniques we use at the course is to ask people to put away there phones while on the course. It

helps that our cell signals are week. I hope as I practice this I will recognize more readily ways I can connect with others. I am grateful that connecting with others is the most important part of my ministry with you!



Thanks, John Grebe M.Ed.

SEPTEMBER MONTHLY GATHERINGS

Women's Bible Study every Monday afternoon from 12:30-2:00pm.

Men's Bible Study and Breakfast every Saturday morning @ Country Pride Restaurant at 8am

Monthly Birthday Celebration happens the first Thursday of every month at 11:30am in the fellowship hall. Celebrate the birthdays of the current month with cake, conversation and lunch

Quilters gather every Tuesday at 9:30am to make quilts for LWR.

Prayer Shawls & Needlework group meets every Thursday at Mt Si Golf Course at 9:30am

Women's Ministry is meeting on September 24th @6pm. All women of the church invited!

Thirsty for Theology Thursday is meeting @ 7pm, September 5th outside the Parsonage (weather permitting)





FLOWERS

Date	Name
Sept. 1st	Kay Boyle
Sept. 8th	Adams'
Sept. 15th	
Sept. 22nd	
Sept. 29th	

Worship Assistants

Dater	Lector	Ushers	Communion	Acolyte
Sept. 1st 9:30am	Flanagans	Flanagans		
Sept. 8th 9:30am	Tom Burnside	NEED	Inge B.	
Sept. 15th 8:15am	Kay Boyle	David V/Tom C		
Sept. 15th 10:45am	Lisa S.	Ed B/Bill S		
Sept. 22nd 8:15am	Koukol Fam	Terry A	Courtney A.	
Sept. 22nd 10:45am	Brenda D	Mike H		
Sept. 29th 8:15am	Anne K	David V/Rick R		
Sept. 29th 10:45am	Ed B	Mark I/Mike K		



Sept. 1st	Sept. 8th	Sept. 15th	Sept. 22nd	Sept. 29th
NEED	Terry Adams	NEED	NEED	Bill Gast


GOD'S WORK.
OUR HANDS.
SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 8TH

This day is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor.

Service activities offer an opportunity for us to explore one of our most basic convictions as Lutherans: that all of life in Jesus Christ – every act of service, in every daily calling, in every corner of life – flows freely from a living, daring confidence in God's grace.

The service projects planned are a garden expansion and birthday bags! For more information contact Pastor Krista, Courtney Adams and/or Sheila Rodriguez

**God's work.
Our hands.**



Habitat For Humanity Service Project 2020

Mt Si Lutheran is partnering with Habitat for Humanity and Thrivent to build a house for a family Vietnam in February 2020! We hope you can join us in northern Vietnam, in the community of Hoa Binh (which means, Peace). We will be building a concrete block home, and will be helping the mason with a variety of jobs from simple tasks such as tying rebar to heavier work, laying block and moving materials. There is a job for everyone, no matter what your skill level or ability. There will be cultural activities as well as building the home, where we will explore the nearby communities and learn more about Vietnamese culture. Finalized dates and price of the trip are coming soon!! We will need our full participant list by November 1st 2019 to ensure the team receives Visa's in time, so please start considering whether God is calling you to be a part of our team. Look for an informational session coming in September! For more information contact Jenna Haynsworth at rhyne.jennifer@gmail.com

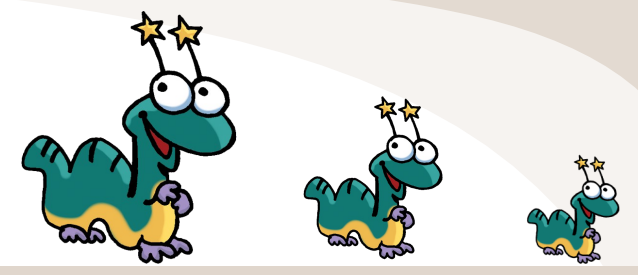


**New Office Hours
9:30am-2:30pm
Monday-Friday**

Quick note from Ambur:
The new office hours are reflective of the new school start time. This will allow me to make sure I can get my kiddos off to school so that I am around for your needs in the office.
Thanks! -Ambur



September 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Labor Day ~Office Closed~	3 9:30am Quilting	4 SVSD First day of school 6:30pm Dinner & Faith	5 9:30am Needle Art Fellowship 11am—BD Luncheon 7pm—Thirsty Theology	6	7 8:30am Men's Bible Study @ Country Pride
8 GHOW 9:30am Worship God's work. Our hands.	9 12:30pm Women's Bible Study 6:30pm Personnel	10 9:30am Quilting 7:00pm Council	11 6-8pm BSA #456 6:30pm Dinner & Faith	12 9:30am Needle Art Fellowship 4-8 Last Farmers M 6pm AA Bible	13 1:30-6:00pm Kids Club	14 8:30am Men's Bible Study @ Country Pride
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