

# Mount Si's GOOD NEWSletter

## January 2017

### Special Points of Interest:

- Jan 1st—9:30AM Worship  
Happy New Year!
- Jan. 2nd—Office Closed
- Jan. 8th—Epiphany Sunday  
House Blessing
- Jan. 8th—2PM Epiphany  
Bonfire at Burnside's home
- Jan. 15th—9:40AM & 11:50AM  
Mission Trip Information Meeting
- Jan. 16th—Martin Luther  
King Jr. Holiday (office closed)
- Jan. 19th—Winter Shelter  
Begins at Mt. Si Lutheran
- Jan. 22nd—Welcome Bishop  
Kirby Unti
- Jan. 29th—9:30AM Worship  
with Annual Congregational  
Meeting to follow



**Jan. 1, 2017**  
**NEW YEAR'S DAY**  
**9:30AM WORSHIP**  
**Happy New Year!**

**Jan. 2, 2017**  
**Church office closed**

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### From Pastor Larry's Desk.....

## Look for the Good

by Larry E. Thomas, Interim Pastor



This past July, I was a member of a group of educators that traveled to Rwanda with Carl Wilkens, the only American to remain in Rwanda during the 1994 genocide. Over the course of approximately 100 days in 1994, between 800,000 to 1,000,000 Rwandans, mostly Tutsi, were slaughtered. The purpose of our trip was to learn about the 1994 genocide and to learn from the people of Rwanda about their experiences of healing and growth in the 22 years since the genocide. It was an intense, powerful, moving, sobering, memorable and life-giving two weeks.

On our first full day in country, we visited the Kigali Genocide Memorial. En route, Carl, our leader and tour guide, encouraged us to "look for the good." Carl told us that our brains are wired to see the bad, so we need to be intentional about looking for the good. That's a pretty tall order, but when someone who lived through the 1994 Rwandan genocide, and in the words of the PBS "Frontline" documentary, "The Ghosts of Rwanda," was responsible for saving more lives during the genocide than the entire U.S. government, it seemed like good counsel and it was. Karenzi, a survivor who was 10 at the time of the genocide, certainly sees the good at the Kigali Genocide Memorial: "This memorial feels like home. A place where I can go to visit my relatives. It is a way to show my love."

Look for the good. Remembering that first day, and all our days in Rwanda, I found myself, slowly but surely starting to shift my perspective. Visiting a U.N. Refugee Camp with 50,000 refugees from Burundi, I saw the good and gracious work of the people who staff and serve the refugees. Visiting a former orphanage and witnessing a reunion between Carl and adults whose lives Carl had saved when they were children, I was moved by the sacrificial love of Carl and his Rwandan co-workers who risked their lives to save children orphaned during the genocide. Visiting a Millennium Village, I heard amazing stories of healing and reconciliation between genocide survivors and perpetrators. Again and again I realized that looking for the good, no matter what the circumstance, is a way of seeing light in the darkness.

Remembering the countless blessings of 2016 and looking ahead to 2017, I want to grow in my capacity to look for the good. Hardwired to see the bad, I want to be able to see and hear the good, the gracious and the beautiful. I want to be attentive to the wonder of God's daily blessings. St. Paul's words written from a jail cell to the Christians in Philippi just might help: "Finally beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is untying worthy of praise, think about these things." (Philippians 4:8)

### **Bishop Unti coming to Mt. Si Lutheran Church on Sunday, January 22, 2017**

Northwest Washington Synod Bishop, The Rev. Kirby Unti, will be at Mt. Si Lutheran Church on Sunday, January 22, 2017. He will preach at both worship services and also lead the Adult Forum at 9:45 am. All are welcome to join us!



Pr. Larry & Ann Thomas Christmas Eve 2016

*Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:*

*We were pleasantly surprised when we were presented with your kind gifts at the conclusion of the 7:00pm Christmas Eve worship service. When we opened the gifts later that evening we were delighted by the lovely Christmas card and the notes and touched by your thoughtfulness and generosity: Gift cards to Elliot Bay Books, Village Theater, Triple Door, a lovely box of stationary for Ann and a cash gift. Wow! Thanks. Gracias. Merci. Danke and Murakoze Cyane (Kinyarwanda for thanks.) We're grateful for the members and friends of Mt. Si Lutheran Church and the opportunity to share life in Christ with you. You bless us richly.*

*peace,  
Pr. Larry and Ann Thomas*



VALLEY RENEWAL CENTER

*Working together to end homelessness in our community*

The Snoqualmie Valley Winter Shelter provides a warm, safe place where homeless persons can be protected against the impact of sleeping in the cold, wet, and snowy conditions during the winter. Our secondary mission is to help people move towards stable and independent living through building relationships and connecting them to resources that could help them move forward. During the winter months, we are open nightly from 8:30pm-7:30am (with staff on site from 8pm-8am). There are many ways to get involved in this great mission. From meal preparation and sharing conversations, to helping out at the registration desk, supervising the meal service, to the donation of needed items and other resources, we need your time and passion to support people in need in our community. To find out how you can help, go to [www.valleyrenewalcenter.com](http://www.valleyrenewalcenter.com).

**2016 / 2017 Locations:**

**Nov 20 - Jan 18: Snoqualmie United Methodist Church**

**Jan 19 - Mar 4: Mt Si Lutheran Church (please sign up to provide meals via website)**

**Mar 5 - Apr 26: Fall City United Methodist Church  
(end date may change, do to available funding)**

# Parish Education News!

\*Children's Sunday School: 9:35-10:30 AM

\*Adult Education Hour: 9:45-10:30 AM

## Sunday School Staff for the 2016-2017 School Year:

Preschool: Nancy Flanagan and Rosemary Hanson

Kindergarten/First Grade: Lisa Sampson and Debbie Jones

Second/Third: Courtney Adams and Ann Bartlett

Fourth/Fifth: Kim Buckmaster and Joanne Chase

Confirmation: Pr. Larry/Confirmation Parents

Adult Education Hour: Pr. Larry & Sue Shardelman

No Sunday School  
Jan. 1, 2017  
Resume Sunday  
School Jan. 8, 2017

## Adult Forum

The adult group is reading and discussing the book "**Mudhouse Sabbath**" by Lauren Winner. The final two chapters will be covered in January. The topics are Weddings and Doorposts. Our next subject is yet to be determined. Pastor Larry and Sue Shardelman will be leading these discussions, except for Jan. 22nd when Northwest Washington Synod Bishop, The Rev. Kirby Unti, will lead the Adult Forum. Grab a cup of coffee and join us in the library for lively conversation & fellowship. We meet at **9:45 am**.

## Schedule Notes

January 1, 2017: No SS—New Year's Day—Only one service at 9:30AM

January 8, 2017: Resume Sunday School

Church office will be  
closed Jan. 2, 2017

## *January 8, 2017—Epiphany Sunday*



**Epiphany House Blessing & Epiphany Bonfire**—After each worship service we will participate in the Epiphany House Blessing of the church. We are all invited to bring our real Christmas trees to Tom & Inge Burnside's house at 2:00PM for Mt. Si's Annual Epiphany Bonfire! Please bring goodies to share. For directions, call Tom & Inge at 425 888-1658. In the event of heavy snowfall, please call ahead to see if roads are clear.

**House of Hope Giving Tree Update**—Once again, due to the congregation's generous hearts we were able to make the holidays brighter for the House of Hope families. We were able to deliver 50 beautifully wrapped gifts for the 9 moms and 16 kids. It was amazing. Thank you so much for your generosity and support of this very worthwhile cause.



**Unreimbursed Expenditures** Any purchases you have made for Mt. Si, but are not asking for reimbursement, must still be on your Mt. Si contribution statement in order to be a tax deduction. To get those purchases/expenses on your contribution statement, please fill out an "Unreimbursed Expenditures" form and turn it in to Leslie Hatling by Jan.15, 2017. Forms are available on the table by elevator in the Narthex, or from the office.

\*\*2017 Offering Envelopes are available in the Narthex. If you do not have offering envelopes and would like them, please see Leslie Hatling, Financial Secretary, and let her know if you want weekly or monthly envelopes. If you have any questions, please speak to Leslie or call the office at 888-1322.

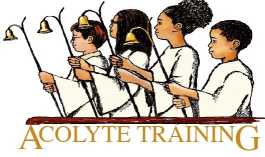


**Recycle! Reduce! Reuse!** This year as you put away your Christmas decorations we ask that you bring back your container & candles used in making the Advent wreaths rather than throwing them away! Each year the Parish Education committee purchases these items and would like to recycle them if possible not only to save money but to cut down on refuse as well. We would love to collect any flower arrangement containers you use throughout this year that might be appropriate for next year's wreaths. Please place them in the specially marked box in Fellowship Hall! Thanks for helping us be more responsible by recycling!



## We're Looking For A Pianist for 8:15 am Traditional Worship Service

Mt. Si Lutheran Church is looking for a pianist to play for the 8:15 am traditional worship service. The job description is pretty simple: play three Sundays a month for the 8:15 am traditional worship service (through May.) For more information, contact Larry Thomas, Interim Pastor @ [ledgarthomas@gmail.com](mailto:ledgarthomas@gmail.com)



Acolyte Training—If your third grade (or older) daughter or son would like to be trained as an acolyte to serve at either the 8:15 or 10:45 am worship services, please contact Pastor Larry at [ledgarthomas@gmail.com](mailto:ledgarthomas@gmail.com) or by phone at (425) 802-1212.



**LIBRARY NEWS**—Starting this new year, the library display table will feature books new to the library. We hope you will enjoy reading our selection. If we can help you find a book, please ask Connie Som, Sue Oster, Keira Booth-Risner, or Joyce Ayers.



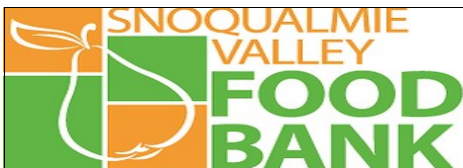
Mt. Si Women of Christ Christmas Brunch, “A Cookie Cutter Christmas” was cancelled Dec. 10th, due to unsafe weather conditions. We were sad to cancel our very special annual women’s event, but we look forward to next Christmas season. ~Courtney Adams and Sheila Rodriguez



Habitat El Salvador Trip: Erik and Jenna Rhyne are leading a trip to El Salvador this summer, July 23-30, 2016, with Habitat for Humanity and Thrivent Builds Worldwide. This 8-9 day trip will involve assisting the partner family in building their new home, and also a side trips and cultural activities. Ages 16 and older, no skills necessary. There is a job for everyone! In this world of seemingly increasing poverty and poverty related disaster, let's take steps together to make our world a better place. Because everyone deserves a decent place to live.

Can't participate in the build? We still need you! Help by supporting our team members logistically, financially and emotionally. We have many ways for you to take part in this powerful mission.

Interested in learning more? There will be an informational meeting January 15th at 9:45 am in the Fellowship Hall. We will provide a short presentation with basic details of how to support and/or travel with the team. There will be a time for questions and answers as well. Contact Erik and Jenna at 540-354-5724 or [rhyne.jennifer@gmail.com](mailto:rhyne.jennifer@gmail.com) for more details.



*Community In Action*

[www.snoqualmievalleyfoodbank.org](http://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 2017 Council Members

<b>President</b> Heidi Dukich 2018 (2) Email: hedukich@hotmail.com	<b>Vice President</b> Jack Boller 2018 (2) Email: jboller2@comcast.net	<b>Secretary</b> Nancy Flanagan 2017 (1) Email: nf2469@gmail.com	<b>Treasurer</b> Annual Renewal Jeff King Email: jeff_king_pnw@yahoo.com
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Michael Hanson 2017 (2) Email: mrhanson@centurytel.net	John Keiser 2019 (1) Email: johnm@johnkeiser.com	Dan Luke 2017 (1) Email: loked1@mac.com	Paul Ritzenthaler 2018 (2) Email: paul.ritz@comcast.net
Debbie Spurling 2019 (2) Email: angeltender@hotmail.com	<h2 style="color: #4a7ebb; margin: 0;">Council Corner!</h2>		

**Submitted by Heidi Dukich, Church Council President**

In 2016, Mt Si Lutheran experienced a year of change that provided many opportunities to support our mission to Serve, Reach Out and Grow in Grace. The most significant happened in the Spring when we started the transition process to call a new pastor. Our church community has been working together with the steady guidance from our interim Pastor Larry Thomas in this process and we are looking forward to the next steps as the call committee begins the search for candidates.

Realigning church property boundaries allowed the congregation to vote on selling the parsonage to LEO, a non-profit organization that provides housing to people with disabilities. The building and grounds and executive committee continue to work with LEO as they obtain the needed permits to finalize the sale. Other decisions made in the best interest of our church include simplifying our accounting system to maximize efficiency, moving our bank accounts from Bank of America to Umpqua Bank and rekeying our entire church.

Activities and events such as VBS, Community Garden, God’s Work Our Hands Sunday, Back to School Supplies, Summer Camping Trip, Quilting Ministry, Prayer Shawl Ministry, Lenten Soup Suppers and others enrich our church and our greater community. We continue to open our doors and serve as a host site for AA, Scouts, Teen Clothing Bank, Winter Shelter and more. The amount of giving by Mt Si Lutheran Church to the ELCA for 2016 totaled \$24,033 which surpassed our goal by \$4,033.00.

As we embark on another year of change, your council members are dedicated to serve and make decisions that allow Mt Si Lutheran Church to live our mission of Serving, Reaching Out and Growing in Grace. At the December meeting the council voted the following executive members:

Heidi Dukich to serve 2<sup>nd</sup> term as President, Jack Boller to serve 2<sup>nd</sup> term as Vice-President and Nancy Flanagan to serve 2<sup>nd</sup> term as Secretary. The council has a retreat planned for January 21 where we will set our goals for 2017.

### Call Committee Update

The following people were elected to the Call Committee on November 6, 2016: **Ed Benson, John Cassidy, Riley Buckmaster, Erica Haycox, Tom Som, Sue Shardelman, Leslie Hatling, Tom Burnside, and Lisa Sampson.** The Call Committee had it’s first meeting on Thursday, December 1st. Members elected John Cassidy, Chairman; Riley Buckmaster, Co-Chairman; Erica Haycox, Secretary/Recorder and Tom Som and Sue Shardelman, Publicist/Congressional Communicators. Committee members signed the Call Committee Covenant and reviewed future tasks and projects. Call Committee members were installed at worship services on Sunday, December 4th. The committee will meet again in January.



**Annual Congregational Meeting—Jan. 29, 2017**

**9:30AM Worship followed by Annual Meeting**

**Mt. Si Voting Members will vote on Mount Si’s Revised Draft Constitution & Bylaws and vote to approve the Proposed Bylaws changes (copies of Mt. Si’s Revised Draft Constitution & Bylaws along with Proposed Bylaws changes are available in the Narthex and on the church website at [www.mtsilutheran.org](http://www.mtsilutheran.org))**

**All Committee Chairs are asked to submit your Annual Reports by Jan. 17, 2017**

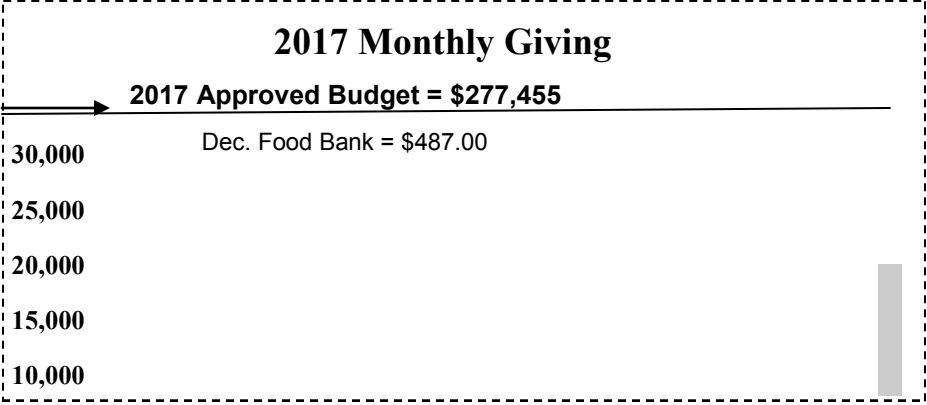
# Children's Christmas Pageant

On Sunday, December 11th, the children at Mt Si presented a Christmas pageant for the first time in many years. Although we had to cancel the rehearsal due to snow, the show went on and the children did a wonderful job. There were 20 children ages 3-middle school participating. A big thanks to Carol Reitz for playing the keyboard and for Mr. Bliven (Amy Lee's dad) for playing the guitar. We hope to get back to making this a yearly tradition!

Debbie Jones and Courtney Adams



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.



### Automate Your Giving

Are you interested in automating your giving to the church? Through the Simply Giving program your gifts are made through a pre-authorized withdrawal from your bank account or credit card. Forms are available in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall or contact the office. Forms should be returned to the church office with Attn: Financial Secretary.




### Is Serving as Worship Assistant Really a Ministry? Absolutely!

**Ushering** is a public ministry of hospitality and evangelism. In a real and vital way, ushers are the “welcoming committee” here at Mt. Si Lutheran.

**The Lector** is the minister who brings the Word of God to life for all to hear. This calling requires preparation so that the readings can become a vehicle for sharing the Word with God’s people.

**Communion Helper** also serves a vital and holy ministry. They assist the Pastor with distributing the “bread” and “wine” to those wishing to receive Holy Communion.

**Acolyte** is an ancient Greek word meaning helper or follower. Acolytes help shape the worship experience by lighting and extinguishing (putting out) the Altar candles.



**OFFICIAL ACTS**

### Sacrament of Holy Baptism

**Dec. 18, 2016**— Abbey Walker, Lainey Gray & Shelby Gray, and Coby Still were welcomed into membership through baptism. Pr. Larry Thomas presided.



### 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 Ritzenhaller at 425 888-5294.  
**Location: Mt. Si Golf Course**

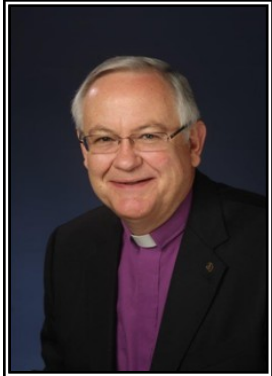
**Bible Study for WOMEN**

The Monday Women's Bible Study Group is studying the Book of Genesis. Please join us every Monday a 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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## Saying "YES" to a New Year

by the Rev. Kirby Unti, NWWA Bishop

*... if you have faith as small as a mustard seed you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you. Matthew 17:20*

How well do you know yourself? Are you a person who more times than not is saying YES to the opportunities that come your way or are you a bit more cautious and likely to say NO.

I began life as a real low risk taker and either flat out said no to any invitations that created discomfort for me or made up excuses as to why I couldn't participate. This ran the gamut from being invited over to a friend's house to spend the night to something even more challenging like trying to water ski. I felt it better to play it safe than risk the embarrassment of failure.

I have made some improvements over time but I must confess, I still live life with too much caution and only occasionally push myself beyond my comfort zone. The challenge of being too cautious is it really limits the size of one's world.

I had an uncle from Duluth who came to visit us in Seattle. He was so miserable being away from home that I doubt he ever ventured out again. Duluth is a nice place but a pretty small geographic area to call your world.

God has never seemed content in allowing people to settle for a smaller world. Our God is the God of adventure - who throughout history has constantly uprooted us a people, calling us to ventures yet unknown.

Venturing beyond the world in which we are safe allows us to learn what it means to put our trust in God. I learn this lesson every time I move beyond my fear - whether it is rappelling off the side of Pinnacle Peak near Mt. Rainier, showing up as a police chaplain at a homicide scene, or traveling through Northern Ethiopia. (Not to mention allowing my name to be placed into nomination to serve the Office of Bishop.)

I must say, as a parish pastor I watched the congregations I served struggle with taking risks. It is far easier for governing bodies to say no than it is to say yes. I finally challenged the Church Council to saying yes to everything that came before them unless it was in violation of the mission or core values. If it was an issue that required funding beyond what was in the budget than we shifted the challenge back to the people who wanted to make something happen to figure out a way to fund it.

Our leaders were amazed that over and over again God came through when we were willing to put more and more on the line. We started to do things that we never imagined we could do. Don't get me wrong, not everything worked out. We had our failures along the way. But, I'd rather fail than simply be content with the way things have always been.

Learning to say yes is a tremendous stretching exercise. It doesn't mean we can always pull it off - but it sure makes our world bigger just by entertaining the possibilities and imagining where the Spirit might lead us.

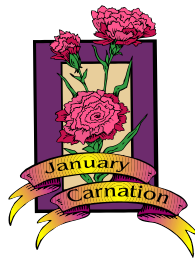
As we enter 2017, I want to encourage you to become aware of what your tendencies are when it comes to the opportunities that are presented. Let 2017 be the year that you lean in the direction of considering YES before too quickly saying no. Believe me, it will add to your sense of adventure and hopefully strengthen your faith in God.

**Stay in touch and in the know!**

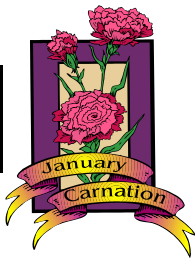
**Have you checked out the Synod Website Calendar? [www.lutheransnw.org/calendar](http://www.lutheransnw.org/calendar)**

**Do you receive the Weekly Update eNews? [www.lutheransnw.org/subscribe](http://www.lutheransnw.org/subscribe)**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>JANUARY</b>  <b>2017</b>		<b>Mt. Si Lutheran</b>				
<b>1 Name of Jesus / First Sunday of Christmas</b> <b>One Worship Service at 9:30AM</b> 	<b>2 HOLIDAY (office closed)</b>			5 3:30-5:30PM G.S. Troop #42902  6-8PM AA		7 8AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study @ Mt. Si Golf Course
<b>8 Baptism of Our Lord/ Epiphany Sunday</b> 8:15AM Traditional Worship 9:35-10:30 AM Sunday School & Fellowship Coffee Hour 10:45AM Praise Worship <b>2PM Epiphany Bonfire at the home of Tom &amp; Inge Burnside</b>	9 12:30PM Women's Bible Study 5:30-7:30PM G.S. Troop #43665 (library) 6:15-7:45PM Cub Scout Den #5	10	11 6:30PM Meeting (Tom Chase)	12 6-8PM AA	13 <b>11:30AM Winter Shelter Walk-through</b>	14 8AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study @ Mt. Si Golf Course  10AM CCWG
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# Flower Chart for the Sanctuary



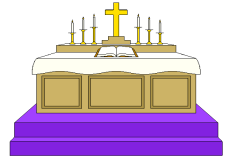
DATE	NAME	IN MEMORY OR HONOR OF
Jan. 1	Rick & Sheila Rodriguez	Name of Jesus
Jan. 8	Rosemary Hanson	In Honor of Mike Hanson's birthday
Jan. 15	Darlene Lockwood	Name of Jesus
Jan. 22		
Jan. 29		

FLOWERS NEEDED



If you would like to bring flowers for the altar for a special occasion in **2017**, please see the sign up chart in the Fellowship Hall for openings or call the church office at 425 888-1322.

## Worship Assistants for January



SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE 8:15AM & 10:45AM	Jan. 1 The Name of Jesus	Jan. 8 Baptism of Our Lord Epiphany Sunday	Jan. 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Renewer of Society, Martyr Sunday	Jan. 22 Third Sunday after Epiphany	Jan. 29 Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
Usher					
8:15AM		Tom & Connie Som	Herman Schlaht Mike Kober	Paul & Laura Ritzenthaler	
9:30AM	9:30AM Mark Imsland	Coffee Hour Fellowship & Sunday School			9:30AM Herman Schlaht Mike Kober
10:45AM		Ed & Jane Benson	Mike Hanson Bob Bartlett	Tom Chase Mark Imsland	
Counters	Courtney Adams	-- Counters Needed--			
Communion Assistants					
8:15AM	9:30AM Courtney Adams	Inge Burnside	Dave Franson	Kay Boyle	9:30AM Rick Rodriguez
10:45AM		Debbie Spurling	Rosemary Hanson	Joanne Chase	
Lector					
8:15AM	9:30AM Terry Adams	Tom Burnside	Suzie Franson	Pat Palmer	9:30AM Ed Benson
10:45AM		Linda Velebir	Ed Benson	Suzy Cassidy	
Cantor/Music	Andy, Jack, John	Jack Boller Carol Reitz	Dave Spurling	Andy Velebir	Praise Team

**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.



# January Birthdays!

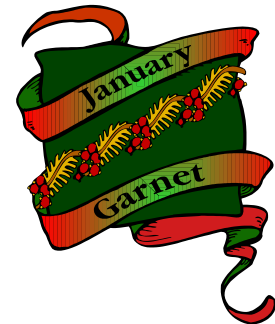


NAME	DATE	NAME	DATE
Tom Som	6	Paul Katocs	16
Brent Koukol	7	Leslie Hatling	18
Michael Hanson	10	Kirsten Hayes	19
Ashley Kober	10	Larry Johnson	19
Lisa Sampson	10	Nancy Flanagan	24
Rachel Flanagan	14	Kim Auxter	25
Joe Stone	14	Dana Koukol	25
Vicki Wallentine	14	Curtis Lynn	27
Mary Abrahamson	16	Krista Cassidy	29
Brett Insland	16	Judy Stoddard	29



## Anniversaries!

Lee & Kathi Prewitt	Jan. 9
Earl & Rose Wildes	Jan. 14
Bob & Ann Bartlett	Jan. 18



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](mailto: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 NEWSletter** is your newsletter, so be sure to share your comments, suggestions, and articles! Visit our website: [www.mtsilutheran.org](http://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](mailto: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

9:35-10:30AM Sunday School

9:45-10:30AM Adult Christian Ed

10:45AM Praise Service



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