

Camano Lutheran Dove

The Dove is Camano Lutheran Church's Monthly Newsletter

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Reflections with Pastor Scott

Lent

²⁵So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. ²⁶Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. ²⁹Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, ³²and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Ephesians 4:25-32

The season of Lent is a time of repentance and journeying with Jesus to the cross. It is on the cross that the fulness of God's love is present for all the world to be transformed as God pours out forgiveness, mercy, life and salvation on all creation. The scripture above and reflection below are from Sanctuary First written by Amanda MacQuarrie and I think they are good words for us to reflect upon throughout the Lenten season. I invite you to read and reflect upon this Scripture and Amanda's words daily throughout Lent and see how it might shape you and how you engage daily life.

Reading these verses from Ephesians, these words from St. Teresa of Avila come to mind...

Christ has no body but yours.

No hands, no feet on earth but yours.

Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassionately upon this world.

Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good.

Yours are the hands through which he blesses all the world.

Yours are the hands,

Yours are the feet,

Yours are the eyes,

You are his body.

Powerful words and a powerful image-our actions speak volumes, don't they!

Prayer:

Life itself,

Transformed by your love-

Let mine be your body,

Let my hands be yours,

May my feet walk where you lead them,

And let me see what you see...

May I turn and hear and lift and set down...

And respond with your love.

May all that I have be used by you...

To bless and love and heal as you do. Amen

Continuing the journey of faith with you,

Pastor Scott



NEW MEMBER/INQUIRERS CLASS



If you are interested in becoming a member of Camano Lutheran Church or just have questions and would like to learn more about CLC, please join us for our new member/inquirers class on Sunday **February 5, 12, and 19** in the Pioneer Hall immediately following worship (about 11:15). If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Scott at 360 629-4592 or email at psbclc2020@gmail.com.

The Bishop's Article from the February 2023 Edition of The Spirit



From the Bishop:

When I was in sixth grade, my teacher decided that we were going to build chicken skeletons. From real chickens. So, the teacher divided us into groups. A local farmer donated the chickens. Each group had to boil and boil their

chicken. When all the flesh and tendons, etc. were boiled off, and the bones were clean, then we had to build the chicken back up so that it formed a complete bird.

When I think back on this project, I wonder what we were learning. Anatomy? Names of bones? I'm not sure. But what I did learn was community, relationship, and collaboration. Without the people in my group - and the different skills and gifts that they had – we would not have been able to put this chicken back together. We had to make sure that the bones were sorted into the right boxes (the feet bones, the leg bones, the wing bones, the beak, etc.) We had to make sure the bones weren't wet and that there wasn't anything left on the bones so it didn't stink. (My mom claimed it did stink. Side note, I was elected to bring home the completed chicken. My mom was not pleased and at some point, it disappeared from the living room bookcase).

Anyway, getting back to community, relationship, and collaboration ... as I think of our synod, and what God is calling us to do and to be together, I think that these three things are key. I know that many of you are already in relationship and collaboration with other ELCA congregations around you. Perhaps you share your building with other ministries. Perhaps you share a food bank or work with a school. Perhaps affordable housing is part of your collaborative work. Many of you have preschools. All of these are wonderful ways to collaborate.

I'm wondering if we can think even bigger and more relationally than that. What if people from geographically close congregations met and talked about who they are. What their hopes are. What their fears are. What they need from others. What they have to offer others. What might come out of these conversations and relationships? Perhaps a way to share staff? Perhaps a way to more impactful in the community? Perhaps new ways of

using property? I'm not sure. It would be interesting and exciting to find out.

As I have mentioned before, study after study indicates that pastors today are lonely and feel isolated and anxious about the future. As my staff and I travel around the synod, we hear that many congregations also feel lonely and isolated and anxious about the future. Hearing stories and knowing some of the difficulties, doesn't it seem that it would be better to build relationship with one another and collaborate rather than every congregation trying to figure it out on their own?

Here are three ways that we are encouraging congregations to be in community, build relationships, and collaborate.

First, we continue to expand the LiVE Project (Living into Vocational Engagement). We are excited about the synod's collaboration and building relationship with the Trinity Education Foundation who is contributing funding this year and partnering with us. I encourage you to visit www.lutheransnw.org/ministries/the-live-project and learn more.

Second, in lieu of a Synod Assembly this year, we are hosting two Synod Gatherings in the spring with forums where relationships and collaboration are key. Watch for information in early February on the two Gatherings (May 13 in Mount Vernon and May 20 in Bellevue) via email and on our website here: www.lutheransnw.org/events/synod-gatherings.

Third, the Grace Grant application this year asks applicants with whom they are collaborating on the proposed project. The application process is open February 1 – May 31. Read about the focus areas and how to apply for this final year of funding here: www.lutheransnw.org/pages/grace-grants

You know, I could never have built that chicken alone. Nor would I have wanted to. Truthfully, even with my group, it was messy and hard. In my memory, we had a few bones left over that we quietly threw in the garbage. And yet, I am still in relationship with many of the people in my sixth grade group. And we are bonded from the chicken-building experience.

As the body of Christ, may we build relationship, be in community, and collaborate together. I'd love to hear what you are doing in your congregation towards this. Please email me at bishop@lutheransnw.org

+ Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee

FINANCE & STEWARDSHIP REPORT

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Stewardship Snapshot						
	D	ec 2022		YTD		.7'-D
General Offerings Received	\$	26,505	\$	245,882		
Fees/Reimbursements/Special		90		3,202		
Interest Earned - General Account		35		246	7 F V	
From Childcare - Overhead Reimb		580		5,800		产业
From Preschool - Overhead Reimb		250		2,250		
Total Income	\$	27,460	\$	257,380	2000	
Budgeted Expenses Paid		28,034		282,799		
Overage (Shortage)	\$	(574)	\$	(25,419)		
Budgeted Benevolence	\$	1,009	\$	12,108		
Designated Benevolence Received		2,034		31,784		
Total Benevolence		3,043	\$	43,892		
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Sunday Scripture Lessons for February 2023

February 5th: 5th Sunday after Epiphany

- Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12]
 - Psalm 112:1-9 [10]
- 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 [13-16]
 - Matthew 5:13-20

February 19th: Transfiguration of Our Lord

- Exodus 24:12-18
 - Psalm 2
- 2 Peter 1:16-21
- Matthew 17:1-9

February 12th: 6th Sunday after Epiphany

- Deuteronomy 30:15-20
 - Psalm 119:1-8
 - 1 Corinthians 3:1-9
 - Matthew 5:21-37

February 26th: First Sunday in Lent

- Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7
 - Psalm 32
 - Romans 5:12-19
 - Matthew 4:1-11

DECEMBER 2022 CLC PROPERTY TEAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- 1. Much of the earlier part of the month was spent working with our contract HVAC technicians in trying to resolve our malfunctioning heat pumps. There were many days without heat in the large sanctuary, but finally the right remedy was determined. There is still a possibility of a refrigerant leak in unit #3.
- 2. The stage units were disassembled and placed in storage.
- 3. Plugged toilet in the downstairs of Child Care was cleared and all internal controls parts of the flushing mechanism were replaced.
- 4. Relocated the data switch in the Child Care office. The switch had been moved from it's location and needed to be relocated in a secure location with easy access. Also determined a good way to connect two of the new phones in the Child Care building without requiring the need for new Ethernet cables.
- 5. Removed the leaves in the area down by the steps to the basement of the old sanctuary. Also removed leaves along the curb in the west parking lot.
- 6. Met with our contract electrician to plan for a new emergency lighting fixture in Child Care.
- 7. Reset Child Care thermostat to lower temperature for days off for Christmas. To be reset to normal temperature in early January 2023.

"The biggest mistake we make in life is thinking we have time."

-Anonymous



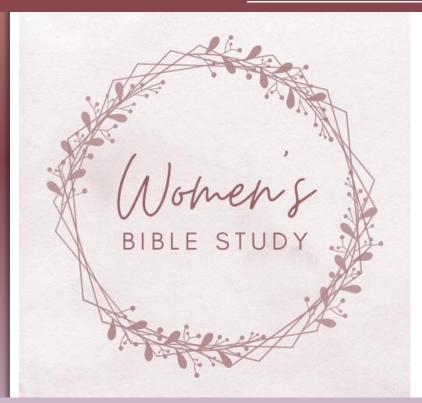


February 2023 Safe Harbor Clinic

Safe Harbor Clinic was founded in 2008 by a local family physician who believed in the vision that "all have access to free, professional healthcare services regardless of circumstances." Their mission is to show Christ's love by providing free healthcare to those in need. SHFC serves residents primarily from Snohomish, Skagit and Island counties who are under or uninsured and often lack access to medical care and prevention. Safe Harbor Clinic is a lifeline to health for these individuals and families. Recently, they have expanded their services to Smokey Point/Arlington area. Their services are available in both English and Spanish to our local communities. To help continue to support this vital, local ministry consider a gift to our Benevolence of the Month.



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP



ALL WOMEN INVITED:

Starting in February our monthly Women's Bible study will change to the second Thursday of the month. We will meet this month on February 9th in the Pioneer Hall at 12:30 PM. Hope to see you there!

GATHERING PLACE 2023 DATES



Save the Dates - Mark Your Calendar - Plan Ahead

Below are the 2023 dates for Camano Lutheran Church to prepare, cook and serve a meal at

The Gathering Place ** Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Stanwood

Thursday, February 9 * Thursday, June 1 * Thursday, August 10 Thursday, December 7

Meal prep begins @ 3:30, Doors open @ 4:30, Serving begins @ 5:00, Cleanup @ 6:00.

We try to have 6 people maximum in the kitchen at any one time. It's not necessary for you to be present the entire time, but if you'd like to come and help, please call Susann E. Hendrickson 425-330-3702 a few days before so she can plan accordingly.

PASS THE WORD AROUND THE COMMUNITY!

Since its inception 15+ years ago, this TOTALLY free program has been open to anyone who would like to eat a nutritious meal, have lively conversation and meet new people.



CAMANO CARE TEAM REOPENING

The Care Team is planning on reopening a number of the ministries that we had been a part of before Covid and adding a new one.

Over the past months, Pastor Scott has been doing a training with the team to carry out a ministry that historically has been a part of the Diaconal ministry of the church. That of bringing Holy Communion to those that are not able to attend worship.

We are also reopening tasks that were a part of what we did prior to March 2020, that of providing transportation to worship, transportation to medical appointments and grocery trips. If you are in need of any of these, please call the office or Pastor Scott and we will respond to you.

We are also reopening the response to take meals to people that are just getting back from the hospital or other emergency experiences. A part of this ministry has been to take meals to those who have suffered a death in the family.

We are inviting you to be part of this ministry. We intend to provide a sign up opportunity so you can be included. This will be done at one or several of the worship services in the near future. The Care Team will function as the coordinators for seeing that needs are responded to.

Thank you for your support. We look forward to the expansion of the Caring Ministry of Camano Lutheran.

Yours in Christ,

Paul and Charlotte Shoup, Thea and Steve Hanna, Joan and Dan Bauermeister, Linda Leque, and Tina Dinzl-Pedersen, Pastor Scott



Advent and Christmas are over and I have so many of you to thank for your support and for stepping up to help with decorating, extra services and soup suppers.

Stephanie and her family and SaraLyn and her family lead off and coordinated the decorating of our sanctuaries. Many volunteers gave up their Saturday to hang garland and fabric. Donna and Ed Crow added the greenery and flowers to the historic sanctuary. It was heart warming to see the participation. Thanks to each of you.

Ivan and Dale's crew brought down from the attic all the stored decorations. A special thanks to Derek Floyd and family who again made the generous contribution of the large tree in the fellowship hall. In addition he set up the tree and lights.

We resumed our soup suppers prior to mid-week services. Special thanks to Joan and Dan Bauermeister for stepping up to set up and organize these meals. Also thanks to all who prepared soup and helped with the clean up.

Finally, thanks to all who stayed after church to take down all the decorations. Special thanks to Stephanie, Connor, Steve, The Bauermeisters, The Nelsons, The Gabrielsons, The Leaks, Janet and all for your support and contributions.

Marilyn Smith

Worship and Music Ministry Team



CLC MEMBER NEWS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Brandon Honold was in Las Vegas in January at the World of Concrete to compete in two competitions. One was toughest Tender and the other was with a partner In the Bricklayer 500.

In the Bricklayer 500 you get the 17 block 4 plank and 1,000 bricks and you have 60 minutes to lay as many bricks as you can. They must be perfect, have to be plum level half inch head joints and bed joints. Brandon and his partner Eric got around 720-750. Brandon finished 5th in the toughest Tender competition. Way to go Brandon!

There were 24 competitors from the US, Canada and around the world. It was the best of the best from each region that competed in this competition. Brandon's local 292 Union Hall were there to support 12 people from Brandon's company, R&D Masonry.



COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS



Discounts:

Register Before May 1st **Early Bird: -\$40** Register Before April 1st **Paid in Full: -\$30 Sibling: -\$30**

For assistance contact Kelli at the office.

Scan QR code to learn more



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Birthdays

1st Jackson Kintner
4th Marcie Tepley
6th Bob Hovey
7th Austin Staffenhagen
9th Alan Hall
13th Kyle Osburn
13th Jamie Staffenhagen
13th Elsie Jo Hendrickson
16th Dale Johnson
18th Jim Erickson

23rd Darlene Miller24th Naomi Melby25th Lori Skiba28th Greg Luce28th Stephanie Lightbody

* If we missed your birthday or anniversary please call the church office or email us at office@camanolutheranchurch.org so we can celebrate with you.*



<u>Healing for:</u> Shannon Chaftin, Christian Lopez, Greg Luce, Shannon Buffalo, Pastor Paul and Elsie Wietzke & Family, Kathy Walker, Janette, Mindy Rigney, Zaid Fackenthall, Nathaniel and Anna Powers, Dene Henderson.

<u>Comfort for: The Family of</u> Greg & Teresa Luce and Danny & Aubrey Edwards-Luce following the loss of their newborn child.

Guidance for: Port Towns Church Planting: Danny & Aubrey Edwards-Luce

Military persons associated with Camano Lutheran or Specific Request:

Tommy Young, Damien Weller, Dan Porter, Tyler Munson, Scott Johnston, Derek Hinde, Brian Cummings, Robert F Guerrero, John VF Guerrero, Michael SF Guerrero, Isaac Teichgrab, Kyle Osburn

PLEASE HELP US KEEP THE PRAYER LIST UP TO DATE BY NOTIFYING THE CHURCH OFFICE OF ANY ERRORS, OMISSIONS, OR CHANGES. *THANK YOU.*

February 2023

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 10am Pastor Film- ing in Small Sanctu- ary	2 8am TOPS 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 6:30pm Confirmation	3 6:30pm AA	4 8am AA 10:30am Al-Anon
5 10am In Person Worship Service 6pm Al-Anon	9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 9am Quilters 9:30am Children's Chapel 5:45pm Cub Scouts 7pm Boy Scouts 7pm Samplings w/ Luther	7 5pm Girl Scouts	8 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 10am Pastor Film- ing in Small Sanctu- ary	9 8am TOPS 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 12:30pm Martha Study Group 6:30pm Confirmation	10 6:30pm AA	11 8am AA 10:30am Al-Anon
12 10am In Person Worship Service 6pm Al-Anon	13 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 9am Quilters 9:30am Children's Chapel 5:45pm Cub Scouts 6:30pm Girl Scout (Leader Meeting) 7pm Boy Scouts	14 5pm Girl Scouts 6:30pm Steward- ship and Finance	15 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 10am Pastor Film- ing in Small Sanctu- ary 6:30pm Confirma- tion	16 8am TOPS 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 7pm Council Meeting	17 6:30pm AA Dove Articles Due	18 8am AA 10:30am Al-Anon
19 10am In Person Worship Service 6pm Al-Anon	20 President's Day 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 9am Quilters 5:45pm Cub Scouts 7pm Boy Scouts 7pm Samplings w/ Luther Office Closed	21 5pm Girl Scouts	22 Ash Wednesday 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 10am Pastor Film- ing in Small Sanctu- ary 7pm Ash Wednes- day Service	23 8am TOPS 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 10am Dove Flight Crew	24 6:30pm AA	25 8am AA 10:30am AA Business Meeting 10:30am Al-Anon
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