



Camano Lutheran Church

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Camano Lutheran Dove

The Dove is Camano Lutheran Church's Monthly Newsletter

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Reflections with Pastor Scott



There is a midrash, a Jewish teaching story, that tells of a town under siege. The people, frightened and confused, look to their elders for wisdom. Most advise silence and patience. *“Stay out of sight,”* they say. *“Don’t provoke. Don’t speak. This, too, shall pass.”*

But one young rabbi refuses. Each day, he stands beside the wall at sunrise and sings psalms aloud. He bakes bread for those who have none. He speaks the truth.

One of the elders asks, *“Do you think you can change the world with these small acts?”*

The rabbi replies, *“I am not standing here to change the world. I am standing here so the world does not change me.”*

As we move into the Advent and Christmas season, life will begin to speed up around us—if we let it. November hasn’t even arrived, yet Christmas displays are already filling stores, and ads telling us to buy this and that are appearing on our phones, computers, and TVs. It’s easy to become so busy *doing* Christmas that we lose sight of that first Christmas and the presence of Christ among us.

If you find yourself slipping into the hustle, choose one simple practice to center yourself again on the birth of Christ and His presence in your life. Maybe pause and pray. Maybe read a short Advent devotion or a few verses of Scripture—perhaps even a psalm, like the rabbi in the story. Maybe step into a quiet space for ten minutes. Maybe pray for those who are hungry, without shelter, caught in the violence of wars they did not choose, or for those grieving loss or navigating change this season.

Slowing down—even briefly—and engaging one of these simple practices, not as something extra to do but as a way of returning to the heart of the season, may help you see Christ again: in your own life and in the lives of those for whom you pray.

Blessings on your Advent and Christmas journey this year.

Continuing the journey of faith with you,
Pastor Scott



From the Bishop:

December 2025

Have you ever paused to consider how the Christmas story includes the very sordid tale of an engaged young woman who, to all appearances, was unfaithful to her fiancé? While we often sing about the hope and joy of this child (we know who this child is after all!), those in the middle of it all, heartache abounded. Joseph wondered who the father of this child truly was. Mary's parents feared for her reputation and her future. And Mary? Mary did not walk through any of this untouched by pain. What a miserable, tangled mess. Poor Joseph. Poor Mary. And what a precarious, almost unthinkable situation for God to choose to be the way of coming into the world.

And perhaps this is why we love this story so deeply. Because God coming to the world as a baby, God becoming flesh – incarnate – becoming human, was never meant to only be miraculous and beautiful and amazing. It was never merely a night where angels sang and shepherds worshiped. It was never simply about a

couple who accepted and embraced this new thing without thought or questions or fear.

No. In this story of incarnation we are given truth. The truth that life is sometimes difficult, sometimes hard. The truth that in this world there is confusion and fear and brokenness and messiness. Though no angel has come to interrupt our lives with such extraordinary news, every one of us knows frustration and grief and those heavy, unspoken things that keep us awake at night. And so, this story is not only something we know – it's a story that knows us.

If you have a Bible handy (or a Bible app), I invite you to open it up to Matthew 1 and read the genealogy listed there. At first glance, it reads like a list of heroes. But if we scratch the surface, there is a more complicated truth of who these people were. Abraham nearly sacrificed his son. Jacob cheated his brother out of his birthright. David arranged a man's murder to prevent a scandal. And then there's all those women listed – Bathsheba, Rahab, Ruth – whose stories, or at least the way they have been remembered, are filled with struggle, tragedy, or suspicion.

But here's the thing. We know that God was with every one of those men and women, as broken as they were, as much fear or anxiety they might have had, as messy as their lives were, as complicated as the world was. God worked through their lives in the midst of it all. We know that Abraham's son Isaac was not sacrificed, a ram was provided. Rahab saved God's people. Ruth became the ancestor of kings. And above all these stories, we have the Christmas story – truly the whole Jesus story.

We know, through all these stories, that God comes and is incarnate in the lives of messy, complicated people. We know that the Spirit is always moving through broken places to bring wholeness and new life. Always, always God comes – even when all seems hopeless or chaotic.

So, perhaps now, in this time, when so much seems to be fraught and unknown, so much seems to be uncertain or just plain bad, when we aren't sure what is next or what choice is best, we hear the Christmas story anew. And, in hearing it, may we trust that God is here, always, in our stories and in our lives.

Today we live in expectation. Today, we hope and trust, even in our messiness, that God comes to us, holds us, and loves us. Today we hold onto the promises that God is with us – incarnate in Jesus – and together we have the promise of a world made new through Jesus Christ, bringing true peace to this world. And, until then, we pray, come, Lord Jesus, come!

Blessed Advent and Christmas,

Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee

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From the VEEP:

Two days before Halloween, while walking through my neighborhood, I saw a house fully decorated, not for that holiday, but for Christmas. When I went to the store to buy trick-or-treat candy the last week of October, it was already crowded out, not by Thanksgiving decor, but Christmas ornaments. I don't know what it is that makes us want to rush the seasons like this. It feels like once we get to October, it is a downhill race to the Christmas finish line. At least that is how it is in the secular world. In the church world, though, we have a whole season in the liturgical calendar to slow down and ponder and prepare. Welcome to Advent!

Advent is a time to stop and consider the miracle of the birth of Jesus. The miracle is not just that he was born to a virgin, but that he is born at all. This is God coming to us by becoming like us. Jesus is begotten, not made. He isn't some creation from clay into which the Holy Spirit breathed life, but rather a real human being. Jesus is a baby born, not in a palace, but a stable because there is no room for him at the inn. A child whose life is threatened by the king and whose family must take refuge in another country to protect him. Jesus begins life in the margins, not at center stage. This is what our lessons during Advent point us toward - the miracle of God with us - a very present help in time of trouble.

As I write this, the world is feeling chaotic. The government shutdown appears to have no end. SNAP benefits are on the chopping block, health care costs are skyrocketing, our immigrant neighbors are being harassed in the street. Those of us who know we are called to feed the hungry, heal the sick, and welcome the stranger are finding it harder and harder to do so. How do we keep on living as followers of Christ in such trying times? First, as the angel says to Mary, do not be afraid. Fear can prevent us from acting, but if we are not afraid many things are possible. In my neighborhood, one person dared to open her garage to create a free food pantry. Many others started dropping off donations. Her generosity has inspired the rest of us to step up and make sure our neighbors are nourished. I don't know her religious persuasion, but whether she knows it or not, she is God's presence in our neighborhood.

Jesus tells us that how we treat one another is a reflection of how we treat him: "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." (Matthew 25:40). God's work, our hands is more than a motto for the church, it is the role we are called to as the body of Christ. In these turbulent times, we must strive to be the voice that calms the storm, the hands that lift the weary, the arms that welcome the outcast, the feet that stand with the oppressed, and the tongues that publicly and prophetically declare what faith in Jesus truly means and requires of us. During Advent, we are reminded that God not only chose to come to us in human form, but also to be born into a family on the margins. So, let's not be in a rush to get our Christmas presents and instead take the time to appreciate God's presence. O Come, O Come Emmanuel.

Here's what I or the council have been up to in November:

- LiVE Project Retreat: Practicing Faith in Woven Ways: I attended this retreat on November 8 at Grace Lutheran in Des Moines.
- Synod Council Retreat: The council met at Lutherwood on November 14 and 15.
- Synod DEIB Listening Team: I continue to have 1:1 meetings with leaders throughout the synod.

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FINANCE & STEWARDSHIP REPORT



Spending Guidelines Snapshot

10/31

	Oct 2025	YTD
General Offerings Received	\$ 18,233.86	\$ 205,738.74
Building Use	\$ 145.00	\$ 3,185.35
Interest - General Operating Fund	\$ 142.23	\$ 721.52
From Childcare - Overhead Reimb	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 9,400.00
Total Income	\$ 20,021.09	\$ 219,045.61
Budgeted Expenses Paid	\$ 27,904.59	\$ 258,953.56
Budgeted Benevolence Paid Out	\$ 1,125.00	\$ 11,250.00
Total Expenses	\$ 29,029.59	\$ 270,203.56
Overage (Shortage)	\$ (9,008.50)	\$ (51,157.95)
With "child care help" funds	\$ 125,991.50	\$ 83,842.05

Sunday Scripture Lessons for December 2025

December 7th: 2nd Sunday of Advent

- Isaiah 11:1-10
- Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19
- Romans 15:4-13
- Matthew 3:1-12

December 21st: 4th Sunday of Advent

- Isaiah 7:10-16
- Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
- Romans 1:1-7
- Matthew 1:18-25

December 14th: 3rd Sunday of Advent

- Isaiah 35:1-10
- Psalm 146:5-10
- James 5:7-10
- Matthew 11:2-11

December 28th: 1st Sunday of Christmas

- Isaiah 63:7-9
- Psalm 148
- Hebrews 2:10-18
- Matthew 2:13-23

Confirmation & Reformation Sunday November 26th 2025

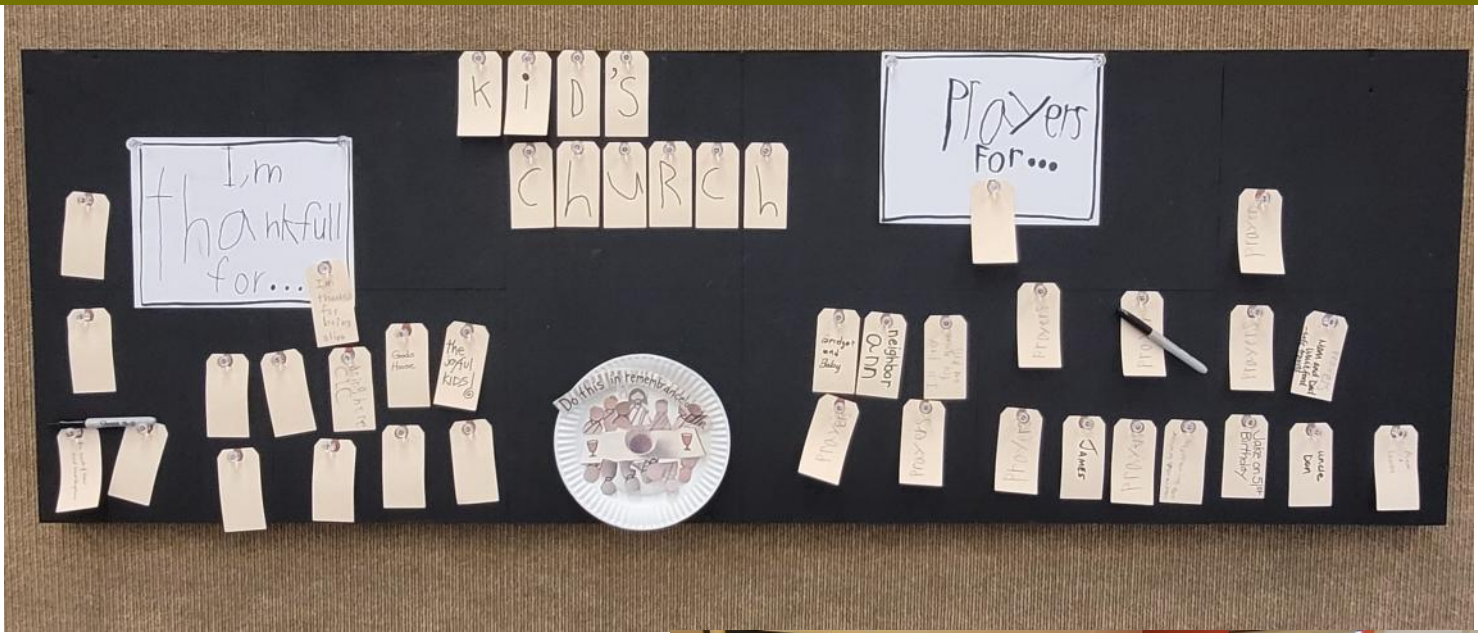


Confirmands

Danielle Osburn and Alfred Hendrickson



Kid's Church



Kid's Church at Camano Lutheran Church, Lead by Ann Eide.

On the **1st and 2nd Sunday of each month** we have Kid's Church at 10am.

Kids meet in the two rooms at the end of the hallway in the large sanctuary building and then join the worship service for communion.

Kid's Church are open for children between age 5-12 years old.





Give ELCA Good Gifts!

GIVE A GIFT. CHANGE A LIFE.

BENEVOLENCE OF THE MONTH

December 2025

Below you will find some of the popular items people purchase for the ELCA GOOD GIFTS Program. This is a way to be a blessing to others during this Christmas season when so much is consumed and purchased that isn't always truly needed. These, your gifts, can change a life and a community.

We will have a tree up with tags. Take the one you want, fill out your name and place it in the offering plate. This way we can keep track of what we have done as a congregation. There are also some blank tags as you may decide to purchase something else from the Good gifts catalogue. Simply write on the blank side what you purchased and the amount.

You can also google [ELCA.org/ Good Gifts](http://ELCA.org/GoodGifts) to see other possibilities for giving or find a catalogue in the narthex at church. You can donate on line or write a check to the church and in the memo put ELCA Good gifts and what gift you are purchasing and this will be sent in from the church to the ELCA GOOD GIFTS Program. If you do donate online, please let the church know what you have donated. Again, while we won't show names or those who donated, we will keep track of all donations and share what we did as a congregation in January.

POPULAR GIFTS



Chicks

\$10



Goat

\$50



Cow

\$500



Stock a backpack with food \$10



Feed 10 people at a soup kitchen \$20



Farmers' field school for a woman \$75

Worship Schedule

Advent Midweeks and Christmas Eve

Advent Midweeks

Soup Supper each week at 6pm followed by worship at 7pm

December 3 Holden Evening Prayer "*Help*"

December 10 Holden Evening Prayer "*Thanks*"

December 17 Holden Evening Prayer "*Wow!*"

Christmas Eve Worship December 24

5:30pm Large Sanctuary & 8pm Small Sanctuary-Christmas Eve Candlelight Services



Trip to Holden

Are you interested?

Church retreat to Holden Village, North Cascades

Planning now. Early summer 2026

We will make a group reservation.

We are wondering how many might consider this trip. Please contact Church office if you are interested with your name, contact information and how many you would be coming with. Families and friends are invited. You can visit www.holdenvillage.org for pictures and information.

Welcoming All to the Wilderness Located in the North Cascade Mountains, Holden Village welcomes all people to form and renew their relationships with God, the earth, and each other.

Currently 2025 prices are:

2025 cost **estimate** for trip, not including gas and food along the way.

3 nights adult \$604, round trip boat, parking fee and least expensive lodging

6 nights adult \$1033, round trip boat, parking fee and least expensive lodging

Pricing and multi-step transportation

1-6 Nights	Adults \$137/night	Youth \$96/night
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We suggest either 3 nights or a week. Food is included in the fee.

Round trip boat transportation is required to get to Holden. Current prices range from \$39.00 each way to \$43.00 each way depending on the boat company.

6 nights and more expensive boat would total \$908.00 per adult

3 nights and more expensive boat would total \$497.00 per adult

There is also a parking fee at Fields Landing if that is where you depart for Holden.

Day parking rate \$9.00 day or week \$45.00. Parking in Chelan is higher.

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Trip to Holden

Driving time from Camano to Fields Landing is 3.5 to 4 hours. We could car pool from the Island. You need to be at boat forty minutes to a half an hour before departure. Boat leaves Chelan (depending on the boat) at 8:30AM and Fields Landing between 9:15 and 9:45AM getting to Lucerne (Holden Village) between 10:40 and 11:45.

Best choice is to leave the day before boat departure and book a room either in Wenatchee or Chelan. There is also Holden Village Bed and Breakfast 3 miles from Fields Point. 2025 pricing for people with confirmed Holden reservations is:

Adults (18+)	Youth (4-17)	Full Rental (13+ people)
\$80/night	\$40/night	\$450/night

Overnight lodging is not required before departing in the morning, but you would have to get up and travel at the crack of dawn, leaving at 4AM.

Other things to consider:

- Holden is in a mountain valley. Getting around in the village involves walking up hillside paths.
- Village elevation is 3,200 feet.
- Most guests are housed in comfortable lodge rooms which can accommodate between one and four people. Bathrooms are down the hall.
- A limited number of wheelchair accessible rooms are available in summer only, as well as two rechargeable scooters available to check out from Registration.
- Due to remote location, you will not have cell service and Wi-Fi is not available.
- Most meals offer a vegan/vegetarian alternative, often with gluten-free and dairy-free options. dietary restrictions are accommodated to the best of their ability.



MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR



FOOD BANK 2025



Update on the collections for the Food Bank.

June 30 : 117 pounds
July 27 : 104.8
August 31 : 104
September 28 : 119.6
October 27 : 146.2
So as of today we have donated 591.6 pounds!



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP



But you, O Lord, are a shield around me,
my glory, and the one who lifts up my head.

I cry aloud to the Lord,
and he answers me from his holy hill.

—Psalm 3:3-4

Your Care Team offers a Bereavement Support group for anyone grieving loss of any kind.

“We come from our grief experience as deeper persons because we have been down in the depths of despair and know what it’s like. We come out of it stronger for we have had to learn how to use our spiritual muscles to climb the rugged mountain trails.”

Please contact Linda Leque to schedule a time to talk.

the Leque residence, 718 State Highway 532. Questions?

Call Linda at (907) 500-8706.

All are welcome!

November 2025 Notes From The Property Maintenance Team

The following tasks were accomplished:

After many hours of “confusing” troubleshooting the dishwasher, we think we corrected the problem, and it appears to be working properly again. Hopefully.

Descaled the dishwasher during the troubleshooting process

Removed rotted windowsills on Child-Care southside basement windows. Installed and caulked new PVC windowsills.

Discovered a rat on the monthly pest control check in the basement of Pioneer Hall.

Investigated possible entry sights, located and replaced a broken screen alongside the sloped handicapped entrance to main entrance.

The semi-annual inspection of the Commercial Hood Fire Suppression System was conducted by Pye Barker.

Removed and replaced 9 older fluorescent light fixtures in the Child-Care basement classrooms.

The time to winterize the buildings is approaching.

We hope you enjoy a Happy Thanksgiving Day with family and/or friends.

Your friendly Property Management Team



Childcare Corner December 2025



Butter Braid Fundraiser

There is still time to get your Butter Braid orders in! Orders are due **December 5th!** Orders will be delivered to the church on **December 11th** for pickup. They need to be frozen, so be sure to come by and pick up your orders. Thank you for supporting our childcare!

Welcome, Ms. Yasmin!

We are excited to welcome **Yasmin Zacarias**, our new **assistant teacher in the Toddler Room!**

We are excited to have her join our team, she is doing great and the kids are loving her.

Open Enrollment

Enrollment is now open for:

- **Before and After School Care** (ages 5–12)
- **Two-Year-Old Classroom**

If you know anyone who needs childcare, have them contact us by calling 360-629-2253 or email childcare@camanolutheranchurch.org.

Pajama & Movie Day

We will be enjoying a pajama and movie day with the children the week before our winter break. Children will be able to be comfy all day wearing their pajamas and we will drink some hot chocolate and have a snack while watching a Christmas movie.

Winter Break Closure

We will be **closed December 22nd–January 2nd** for Winter Break. We hope everyone has a safe and wonderful holiday season!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Ashli French

Childcare Director

(360) 629-2253

childcare@camanolutheranchurch.org



Dear Camano Lutheran Church,
 Thank you so much for your
 generous gift of \$1,138.89.
 Your commitment helps us provide
 hope and stability to families
 in crisis. You are a superhero
 in the stories of our families,
 and we are so grateful for
 your support.

♥Thank you♥
Judith

Thank you for your donation! Since our inception in 2015 we have served over 1000 families! In 2025 your generosity will allow us to continue to provide services and hope to the families and children in our community.

★Thank you!★

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 Promise**
 of Skagit Valley



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 360-854-0743 www.familypromiseskagit.org



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**Community
 Services**
 NORTHWEST

Health. Justice. Hope.



Dear Camano Lutheran Church,

Thank you so much for your thoughtful donation of \$75.00 on 10/09/2025 to support Lutheran Community Services Northwest's critical mission to bring health, justice and hope to our communities. **Hope** is the operative word. Your gift aids us in providing life-affirming services to those in need.

We are passionate about helping our clients find opportunities for growth and improvement. We seek to energize them with the tools they need to thrive. LCSNW works with individuals, families and communities to face the future with vision, support and resiliency.

Your generous giving helps us to make this mission a reality. Thank you!

With gratitude,
 LCS Northwest Advancement Team

CAMANO LUTHERAN CEMETERY INFORMATION



Camano Lutheran Cemetery is managed by volunteer board members from Camano Lutheran Church. We have options for in-ground burial or cremation and niche wall cremation. Anyone can be buried at Camano Lutheran Cemetery - church membership is not required.

Interested in purchasing a plot or just have questions? Contact Karen Camp at CamanoCemetery@gmail.com or 360-722-6666.



Spending Guidelines Vote 2026

On November 9, 2025 we gathered to review the proposed 2026 Spending Guidelines for CLC. Some valid questions and concerns were raised, and we're hopeful that they were answered.

On November 16 congregation membership voted and the Spending Guideline was passed by a majority vote of 94%. The Spending Guideline is based on a historical monthly expense guideline of \$28,518 per month.

Following the informational letter that was mailed to everyone, we received the following email which we would like to share as you are prayerful and reflect on your personal stewardship journey in the coming months.

Blessed & Grateful,
Stewardship & Finance Ministry Team
CLC Council

Abundance - Spending Guidelines

Janet St Clair Tue, Nov 11, 2025 at 5:40 PM

To: Pastor Scott

Cc: Susann E Hendrickson

Dear Pastor and Council, I met with Susann recently following the publication of the annual spending guidelines. I confess it made me anxious. Susann graciously walked me through all the variables and the challenges we are facing as a congregation. It is a fair and transparent accounting of our needs and our income. That also made me anxious and made me take a moment to reflect on my own giving. In our prayer of confession this past Sunday, I was convicted by these words.. "We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love." I doubt I am alone. Much of my life, I worried about money, even when I was abundantly blessed by God. As a college student, as a young teacher, when my husband lost his job, as a single mother, I fretted. But the Lord was faithful in all things. My fretting did not make an iota of a difference. Now, I find myself planning for retirement and wondering, what is enough? Did I plan well? Have I been planning out of a faith built on scarcity or a faith certain in God's abundance? So, as we approach our vote this coming Sunday, I will work to remember the words of this past Sunday, trusting in his steadfast love for our church and our work together. And, I will trust in his steadfast love by setting a goal to increase my giving in the coming year. Because I want to make sure our church is abundantly able to minister, to worship, to love and to be a community that believes not in our own plans and impulses but believes in the power of God to turn whatever we give into an amazing meal we can all share and be satisfied. I hope others will join me in leaning into God's abundance. Blessings and thank you for your ministry and faithfulness, Janet

Conference Corner



DECEMBER 2025 -- www.northcountychurches.org

The NW Washington Synod are the congregations, people & ministries of the Pacific North west - journeying together. Learn more, get connected, and partner with others as we are the Body of Christ on this territory.

Journeying Together -- Our synod extends from the Canadian border in the north to Kent in the south, and from the Cascade foothills out into the islands of the Puget Sound.

www.lutheransnw.org - an online resource for classes, events, ministries, related to ALL Northwest Synod congregations.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

****SKY (Snohomish-King Youth) group.** YOUTH (grade 6-12) ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. The SKY group meets the first Sunday of the month and rotates around various churches.

Contact ANY of the Pastors or Church Offices for date and location of the next meeting.

Sunday School Programs – Please contact individual churches for exact times and specifics.

STUDIES ** FELLOWSHIP ** CONVERSATION

Men's Spirituality – Illuman of WA. Meets the third Saturday of the month. Contact Bill Hogland at (425) 501-4112. Illumanof-WA.org

[Faith Lutheran/Lakewood](#)

Men's Coffee & Conversation(2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month). contact Jim Kjargaard or the church office.

[Our Saviour's/Arlington](#)

Men's Breakfast Study meets on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month

[Peace Lutheran/Silvana](#)

Women's Bible Study – 2nd Thursday of the month. 12:30 – 2:30 pm

[Camano Lutheran/Camano](#)

Phoebe Circle – Women bible study group meets the third Thursday of the month. Contact Sally Shinstrom, at (360) 435-9392.

[Our Saviour's/Arlington](#)

Adult Bible Study – Wednesdays at 1:00 pm

[Faith Lutheran/Lakewood](#)

Samplings with Luther – 7:00 pm second and fourth Monday of every month. Men & women meet at Pub 282 (Camano Island) to discuss issues & topics relevant to day-to-day life

[Camano Lutheran/Camano](#)

Coffee & Conversation - Wednesdays at 1pm. This is a social group open to anyone. Bring your favorite non-alcoholic beverage, new and different topics every week.

[Bethlehem/Marysville](#)

MISSIONS ** MINISTRIES ** OUTREACH ** SUPPORT

Grab and Go Meals – At the Arlington Community Resource Center

[Our Saviour's/Arlington](#)

LWR Quilters - 4th Wednesday of the month at 10:00 am. BYO lunch

[Peace Lutheran/Silvana](#)

LWR Quilters – Monday morning in the Pioneer Hall at 9:00 am.

[Camano Lutheran /Camano](#)

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Conference Corner

Sunday Supper at BLC - coalition of churches and volunteers with a shared purpose of helping those who need it most. Services are free and open to everyone, every Sunday at times specified below.

HOT MEAL --- 3-4 PM

SHOWER --- 2-6 PM

LAUNDRY --- 2-6 PM

Bethlehem/Marysville

Comfort Squad - Contact Jan Hopson for more information. (808)756-5226.

Our Saviour's/Arlington

Parkinsons Support Group Parkinsons support group for those recently diagnosed or long time patients. The goal of the group is to share experiences and connect. Contact Jean Oien: (360) 926-2887

Peace Lutheran/Silvana

TOPS - For 75 years, TOPS Club has helped people take off, and keep off, the weight, doing things by the book such as healthy living from the inside, out. Every Thursday – 8:00 am

Camano Lutheran/Camano

Faith Lutheran makes a big mission impact through their partnership with LINC NW. Continue to read this newsletter for information about upcoming events sponsored in conjunction with LINC NW.

MISCELLANEOUS FUN & EVENTS

Book Club - Contact Peace Silvana 360-652-8739

Peace Lutheran/Silvana

Christmas Concert

- Our Saviour's Choir

Our Saviour's/Arlington

Sunday December 21 st at 10:00am

On November 15, approximately 40 members from our Conference congregations gathered at Peace Lutheran Church to exchange ideas, thoughts, and solutions on the challenges each of our congregations is facing. This was an informal get-together that seemed to be very beneficial for all who attended! The common theme heard over and over again....it .seems like we ALL have some of the same challenges, but

more importantly.....**THERE WAS AN OVERWHELMING DESIRE TO CONTINUE THE CONVERSATION WITH MORE EVENTS LIKE THIS!**

So be on the lookout for another similar event in the coming year! It would be great to have **ALL** of the various Ministry Teams represented to share your ideas!



Past or current members of a ministry team or those interested in learning about being on a ministry team, contact your Conference Lay Leader for more information.

Conference Corner

The Cold Weather Shelter for north Snohomish County/Camano Island, run by St. Aidan's Episcopal Church in conjunction with Stanwood Camano Resource Center is in need of volunteers to assist in hosting guests when the shelter is operating during winter weather. The shelter is capable of housing 12 guests (with pets). Hot breakfast & dinner are provided. Transportation is available thru Snow Goose. The CWS runs from 7 pm to 7 am. Minimum of 2 individuals needed per shift (divided into 2 shifts, 6:45 pm to 1:15 am and 1 am to 7:15 am). The vision and hope is to become a local community focused service, walking alongside those needing someone to lean on, to be seen and to create a community that is vibrant, healthy and powerful!

Contact Kusum Batey for more information. (206) 432-2914

Broon Journey Concert

A poster for the Broon Journey Concert. The background is dark grey. At the top left, there are two white musical notes. At the top right, there are two yellow musical notes. In the center, the text 'JANUARY 4TH | 2:30PM' is in yellow. Below that, 'Bronn Journey' is in large white letters, and 'Concert' is in large yellow letters. A white rectangular box contains the text 'BENEFITING THE CARING PLACE MINISTRY' in yellow. Below this, it says 'Featuring Snohomish County's own Bronn Journey on the harp and you with your beautiful voice!' in white. To the right of this text is a white musical staff with notes. Below that, 'OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH SANCTUARY' is in yellow. At the bottom left, there are two yellow musical notes. At the bottom right, there is a yellow harp. At the bottom center, it says 'No tickets or set ticket price but an offering to The Caring Place Ministry is suggested!' in white.

JANUARY 4TH | 2:30PM

Bronn Journey Concert

**BENEFITING THE CARING
PLACE MINISTRY**

Featuring Snohomish County's
own Bronn Journey on the harp
and you with your beautiful voice!

**OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN
CHURCH SANCTUARY**

No tickets or set ticket
price but an offering
to The Caring Place
Ministry is suggested!

Happy Birthday

Happy Anniversary

Birthdays December

6th Emily Staffenhagen	16th Carolyn Tobiason
7th Cecilia Thiel	17th Greta Cox
8th Teresa Luce	17th Alfred Hendrickson
8th Jo Reed	24th Liz Paul
9th Janet Mayer	27th Irma Yee
11th Kathy Uroff	28th Aaron Osburn
16th Irene Nelson	30th Julie Floyd

Anniversaries December

4th Bob & Dene Henderson	21st Chuck & Christie Kauffman
9th Karl & Mary Munson	23rd Larry & Nadine Lien
16th Paul & Charlotte Shoup	31st James & Martha Schelle
17th Andy & Irma Yee	
17th Rand & Gretchen Pigott	

* 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.*

Prayers



Healing for: C.J., Pastor Lori Cornell, Mindy Rigney, Kathy Walker, Pat Thorsen, Amy Kuniholm, Jessica Paul & Dorcy Nueman, Posie Siebold, Brandon, Mario, Bob, Annie, Pam, Jack & Kelley, Neil Weir, Rachel Angela and her FEMA colleagues, Jeff, Roz Johnston, Carolyn Griffin, Carol Gillespie, Caden McQuarrie Jim & Martha Schelle, the family of Don Leak, the family of Ed Crow, Kayley & Colin McCaffery, Irma Yee the family of Diane Weir

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

Military persons associated with Camano Lutheran or Specific Request:

Damien Weller, Dan Porter, 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

December 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 9am Quilters 9:30am Children's Chapel 5:45pm Cub Scouts 7pm Boy Scouts	2 5pm Girl Scouts	3 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 10am Pastor Filming in Small Sanctuary 6pm Soup Suppers 7pm Worship	4 8am TOPS 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 6pm Lit Lab	5 6pm Thea Hanna 6:30pm AA	6 8am Thea Hanna 8am AA 10:30am Al-Anon
7 10am In Person Worship Service 10am Kid's Church 6pm Al-Anon	8 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 9am Quilters 9:30am Children's Chapel 3pm Care Team 5:45pm Cub Scouts 6:30pm Girl Scouts (Leader Meeting) 7pm Boy Scouts 7pm Samplings w/Luther	9 4 pm Stewardship & Finance 5pm Girl Scouts	10 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 10am Pastor Filming in Small Sanctuary 6pm Soup Suppers 7pm Worship	11 8am TOPS 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 12:30pm Women's Bible Study	12 6:30pm AA	13 8am AA 10:30am Al-Anon
14 10am In Person Worship Service 10am Kid's Church 12:30pm Mary Munson 6pm Al-Anon	15 Dove Articles Due 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 9am Quilters 9:30am Children's Chapel 5:45pm Cub Scouts 7pm Boy Scouts	16 5pm Girl Scouts	17 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 10am Pastor Filming in Small Sanctuary 6pm Soup Suppers 7pm Worship	18 8am TOPS 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 10am Dove Flight Crew 7pm Council Meeting	19 6:30pm AA	20 8am AA 10:30am Al-Anon
21 10am In Person Worship Service 6pm Al-Anon	22 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	23 5pm Girl Scouts	24 5:30pm Candlelight Service (Large Sanctuary) 8pm Candlelight Service (Small Sanctuary)	CHRISTMAS 8am TOPS 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott	26 Office Closed 6:30pm AA	27 8am AA 9:45am AA Business Meeting 10:30am Al-Anon
28 10am In Person Worship Service FOOD BANK 11am Monthly Coffee Hour Celebration 5pm Al-Anon (Business Meeting) 6pm Al-Anon	29 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 9am Quilters 9:30am Children's Chapel 5:45pm Cub Scouts 7pm Boy Scouts	30 5pm Girl Scouts	31 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 10am Pastor Filming in Small Sanctuary			



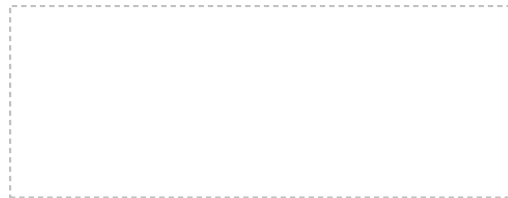
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