

Camano Lutheran Dove

The Dove is Camano Lutheran Church's Monthly Newsletter

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Reflections with Pastor Scott

End of life Planning Adult Education Class

Ecclesiastes 3:1–2 – "For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die..."



If you're like me, there are times you set out to get something important done—only to be interrupted repeatedly. Before long, the project is pushed aside and forgotten. End-of-life planning often ends up in that same category. We know it's important, but it isn't easy to think about. Sometimes we start the process, only to set it aside until it's too late.

Over the years, I've seen the blessing it can be when this planning is done ahead of time. One of the greatest gifts my mom gave our family was completing her end-of-life arrangements, even going with me to the funeral home to make decisions in advance. Having everything in place brought us peace, clarity, and space to grieve well when the time came.

This fall, we will offer several sessions addressing both the spiritual and practical aspects of end-of-life planning. Topics will include:

- What Scripture says about life and death
- Planning a funeral service and why it matters
- Steps to take in case of serious illness
- Hospice care and its role
- Legal documents and advance directives
- Organizing finances and wills
- Grief, loss, and available support

Participants will also receive CLC's planning booklet to record wishes and organize key documents for loved ones.

While this may not be the most cheerful of topics, it is one of the most loving gifts you can give your family: clarity, direction, and peace when they need it most. Again and again, I have heard grieving families say, "I wish we had taken care of this ahead of time." This class is our opportunity to do just that.

Romans 8:38–39 – "For I am convinced that neither death, nor life... nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Continuing the journey of faith with you,

Pastor Scott

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From the Bishop:

September 2025

For the Life of the World was the theme of the ELCA Churchwide Assembly, held July 28-August 2 in Phoenix, AZ. This theme is rooted in the Nicene Creed (this year celebrating its 1,700th anniversary) and in Pastor Dietrich Bonhoeffer's reminder that, "The church is the church only when it exists for others." The theme felt especially timely in today's environment where hateful words and actions continue to demean neighbors, sow division, and target the most vulnerable. While it was not done perfectly, and while there is always more work to do, I left Phoenix trusting that we have a shared commitment to walk in the way of Jesus: speaking truth in love, protecting the dignity of every person, and

bearing public witness to God whose way is marked by justice, mercy, and peace for all people. In short: to live and move and act for the life of the world.

Here are a few highlights of what occurred during the 2025 ELCA Churchwide Assembly. Please click on the links or go to www.elca.org if you would like more information. (Note: several links below are preliminary copies and have not been not copyedited or finalized. We will share them as they become available.)

Actions

- We elected Bishop Yehiel Curry as the new Presiding Bishop.
- We elected Pastor CeCee Mills as the new ELCA Secretary.
- We adopted our newest Social Statement: Faith and Civic Life.
- We approved updates to the Human Sexuality Social Statement.
- We heard the Commission for a Renewed Lutheran Church's final report along with the ELCA Church Council's response to the report.
- We adopted the Churchwide Memorial Toward Ending the Occupation of Palestine. (This memorial came about in part due to the Memorial we passed during the Northwest Washington Synod Assembly.
- We adopted a Memorial on Indian Boarding School Remembrance
- We received the Common Statement on the Filioque (this is regarding the Nicene Creed.)
- We made Constitution revisions that I encourage you all to read as they become available. I am especially
 grateful for the new revisions concerning on-leave-from-call for Rostered Ministers.
- We thanked Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton and Secretary Sue Rothmeyer for their ministry and service.

Worship, Education, and Social Opportunities

- We worshiped every day in a variety of ways, we prayed before every significant vote, and we had a chaplain available. It is always a highlight to join in singing with over 1000 Lutherans!
- We participated in a Powwow that was moving and educational. Bishop Eaton received a blanket representing thanksgiving for her advocacy with the indigenous peoples of this country.
- AMMPARO held a Candlelight Prayer Vigil to pray and advocate for refugees and immigrants. It was
 heartening to see elected officials and interfaith leaders present at this as well as ELCA voting members.
- Our synod joined voting members and guests from the Southwestern Texas Synod (our domestic companion synod) for a wonderful dinner and conversation.
- Rev. Dr. Chad Rimmer, Rector and Dean of Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary of Lenoir-Rhyne University, led a beautiful reflection on the Nicene Creed for today.

I am thankful for the nine voting members from the NWWA Synod who attended and gave of their time and attention at the Churchwide Assembly. Additionally, many others from our synod went as observers, resource people, advisors, volunteers, and more.

In my reflection of this assembly, I continue to hear Martin Luther's words (as quoted by Rev. Dr Chad Rimmer in his keynote). As Dr. Rimmer stated:

Luther knew justification as a process of becoming. ... Luther writes, "This life, therefore, is not righteousness but growth in righteousness, not health but healing, not being but becoming...we are not yet what we shall be, but we are growing toward it; the process is not yet finished, but it is going on; this is not the end, but it is the road; all does not yet gleam with glory, but all is being purified." Defense and Explanation of All the Articles

May it be so. For the Life of the World.

Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee | bishop@lutheransnw.org



From the VEEP:

He thought he kept the universe alone; For all the voice in answer he could wake Was but the mocking echo of his own From some tree-hidden cliff across the lake. Some morning from the boulder-broken beach He would cry out on life, that what it wants Is not its own love back in copy speech, But counter-love, original response. - From Robert Frost's "The Most of It."

I first encountered this poem in a graduate level English course. We were given the first half of the poem and asked to consider how we thought it might end. Would the subject ever get an original response, or would he only ever get echoes rebounding from the cliff? Was there anyone else out there or was he truly alone? It was an interesting exercise. (Spoiler alert: "Nothing ever came of what he cried," at least nothing human and "someone additional to him.")

After that introduction, I taught the poem several times over the years but hadn't thought about it for some time until I was preparing for Churchwide Assembly by watching the bible study videos and I heard Deacon Claire Josef-Maier say that God invites creative response, not just an echo. Suddenly, Frost's words leapt into my brain. What if it is God, who did indeed, at least in the beginning, keep the universe alone, who is crying out on life and seeking counter love?

Deacon Josef-Maier was leading the gender justice focused bible study when she spoke these words, and she was reflecting on Proverbs 8:22-31 and how Wisdom was created by God in the beginning. Wisdom is with God, as the first of God's creations - co-creating and playing with God. She was there before the beginning of the earth, before the mountains had been shaped, and before the heavens had been established. It is as if in the very beginning God seeks companionship in the universe as it is created. God does not want to keep creation to God's self - it is meant to be shared!

If I imagine God as the subject of the poem, I see a God longing for connection and communication with creation. God is crying out that what life needs is true communion, not just copy speech. God doesn't want to cry out only to have that cry ricochet off our distant and rocky hearts - God seeks our original love and response. God wants us to talk back! Scripture is full of folks conversing with, arguing with, even wrestling with God. What might that look like for us? How might we, created in God's image, but each uniquely ourselves, answer that cry? It is easy to just parrot back what we hear in church or read in the scriptures, but harder to listen more deeply and look more carefully and formulate an original response. When Jesus asks Peter three times, "Peter, do you love me?" Peter has trouble understanding what his response should be besides the simple, "yes." How can we demonstrate our counter love?

As I write this, I am just back from Churchwide Assembly. This was a week where we worked hard to discern our original responses to God's call to us to be church for the life of the world. We pressed one another to be creative and not to just echo those who have come before us. We were pushed outside our own comfort zones and asked to consider how we can truly show God's love active in the world. I commend to you our newly adopted social statement on Faith and Civic Life as one example of guidance for discerning our unique responses to God's call to justice and peace. God is crying out on life, that what it needs is counter-love, original response. Let's commit ourselves to answering that call, to talking back, maybe even being a little sassy!

Here's what I and/or the council have been up to this summer:

- Synod Council met on July 19 for fellowship and to act on the sale of a synod owned property, as well as authorize the bishop to enter the synod into a lawsuit defending churches as safe spaces.
- The bishop and I led a group of nine voting members to Churchwide Assembly in Phoenix from July 27-August 2nd.
- Synod Executive Committee met on August 14. Among other items, we met with the nominees for Synod Treasurer to make an appointment. The new treasurer will be announced soon.
- The Synod Policy Review Team and Synod Equity Teams both met to review progress.

FINANCE & STEWARDSHIP REPORT



Spending Guidelines Snapshot		thru 7/31
	Jul 2025	YTD
General Offerings Received	\$ 17,523.83	\$ 139,263.02
Building Use	\$ 519.00	\$ 2,415.35
Interest - General Operating Fund	\$ 56.32	\$ 453.13
From Childcare - Overhead Reimb	\$ 700.00	\$ 4,900.00
Total Income	\$ 18,799.15	\$ 147,031.50
Budgeted Expenses Paid	\$ 20,679.60	\$ 179,603.15
Budgeted Benevolence Paid Out	\$ 1,125.00	\$ 7,875.00
Total Expenses	\$ 21,804.60	\$ 187,478.15
Overage (Shortage)	\$ (3,005.45)	\$ (40,446.65)

Sunday Scripture Lessons for **September 2025**

September 7th: 13th Sunday after Pentecost

- Deuteronomy 30:15-20
 - Psalm 1
 - Philemon 1-21
 - Luke 14:25-33

September 21st: 15th Sunday after Pentecost

- Amos 8:4-7
- Psalm 113
- 1 Timothy 2:1-7
- Luke 16:1-13

September 14th: 14th Sunday after Pentecost

- Exodus 32:7-14
- Psalm 51:1-10
- 1 Timothy 1:12-17
 - Luke 15:1-10

September 28th: 16th Sunday after Pentecost

- Amos 6:1a, 4-7
 - Psalm 146
- 1 Timothy 6:6-19
 - Luke 16:19-31

Celebration of life and memorial service for Don Leak

We wanted to let you know that there will be a celebration of life and memorial service for Don Leak on Sunday, September 28 at 1pm at the YMCA in Stanwood near Haggen Supermarket.

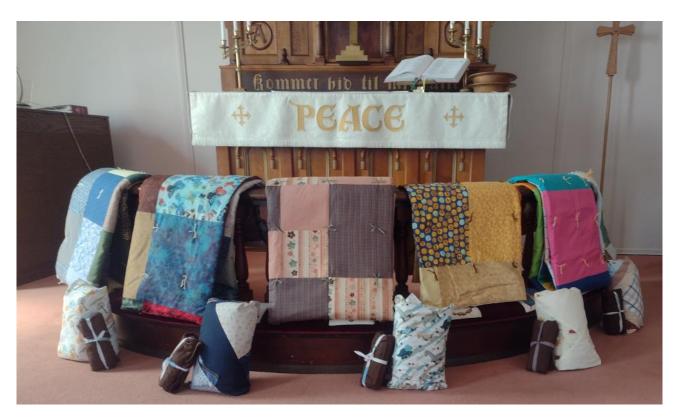
We hope you can join us in celebrating Don's life and proclaiming the promise that was his through the death and resurrection of Christ.



The Cluster Quilters

The Cluster Quilters will be having a group sewing day on Saturday, September 20th, starting at 10 am in Fellowship Hall. We will be working on our Lutheran World Relief Quilts and would be happy for you to join us or just come on by and see what we're up to. If you can tie a shoe, you can help! No sewing experience required.

If you have any questions, please contact Thea Hanna at 562-760-3874



Adult Christian Education

Adult Christian Education class this early Fall

We will gather after church on the 2nd and 3rd Sundays of September to examine methods for successfully engaging in difficult conversations with and among our congregation members and guests.

Best to attend both class times, but welcome if only one.

We will engage in provided sample topics to become more aware of ways to find where value in our opinions can converge with possible contrary opinions of our siblings in Christ.

Laurin Vance and Paul Shoup



September 2025

Dear Members and Friends of CLC,

Once again, CLC's Benevolence of the Month for September is Family Promise of Skagit. We are so grateful and blessed by CLC's continuing generous support of homeless children in our communities.

Following is a brief account of the impact of this program.

In the 30 year history of our national program, we have served over a million homeless families; locally, since we started in 2015, we have served over 220 families. Of those, 87% have been able to eventually secure housing they can control because of our helping programs.

Currently, we are blessed with more than 425 volunteers engaged with our program and 30 churches supporting us daily in various ways. We are able to continue our important work supporting homeless children by networking with congregations, local community social service agencies, volunteers and donors (more than 1,100).

For every dollar we receive in donations, \$3 of in-kind services are generated in support of our local program.

Your support is vital for these families, and, you're among many others dedicated to the same cause. Thank you so much!

In Peace,

Laurin Vance, FP Skagit Founder and Supporter

Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers Association



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Sangerfest 2025, September 19th

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

2710 Wetmore Ave Everett, WA 98201, USA

The SINGING NORSKIES ARE COMING!

The 114th annual Sangerfest for the Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers Association this year is at the EVERETT PERFORMING ARTS CENTER.

Hosted by the local chorus-EVERETT NORWEGIAN MALE CHORUS- this musical Grand Concert will include 7 visiting choruses -- featuring Nordic, International, folk, and other cultural songs. The Everett tradition of Norwegian singing has continued since 1902--the oldest continuing musical venue in Snohomish County, WA.

PLEASE JOIN US AND ENJOY BEING -- A HONORARY NORWEGIAN ON SEPTEMBER 19TH!

Reserving tickets are recommended.

Tickets: Available at PCNSA.ORG or buy tickets at the door.

General admission — \$30, Seniors — \$24, Under 12 — free

https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/sangerfest--2025



Care Team



Church picnic coming up

From your Care Team

SAVE THE DATE:

What: Annual CLC church picnic

When: Saturday, September 13, 2025, 12 noon -?

Where: Leque home, 718 State Highway 532 (Acres of parking)

What to bring: A friend & something to share

Food-Fun-Fellowship!
Pot luck dinner

All are Welcome !!!

We look forward to seeing you



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 Legue residence, 718 State Highway 532. Questions?

Call Linda at (907) 500-8706.

All are welcome!

August 2025 Notes From The Property Maintenance Team

This past month's tasks included....

Changed the Exit signs in the Childcare spaces to comply with code.

Moved two portable bookcase units in Childcare building downstairs to the basement.

Moved a cubby unit for the Childcare hallway into the Childcare staffroom.

Moved two larger units from the Preschool building to the Childcare hallway and secured them to the wall.

Removed Camano Lutheran Pre-School sign located outside the Fellowship building above the classrooms.

Repaired the lower door hinge on the center stall in the women's bathroom.

Installed drapes in "Reflection room" and put together two new lounge chairs to replace the two chairs temporarily borrowed from the hallway. (A special shout out to those who donated furnishings and contributed to that project.)

Escorted a Traveler's Insurance inspector performing certification inspections on the three hot water heaters for L&I.

Strung HDMI cable between Fellowship Hall and Childcare to link all security cameras to dedicated tv screens in both the main office and the childcare office for monitoring.

Take care, stay safe.

Your friendly Property Management Team







Childcare Corner September 2025



The school year has begun, and we said goodbye to our school-agers that were only here for summer care. We are getting back into our school year routine and have several school-aged children who are in our before and after school program.

We have gone through all the steps to change our licensing which will allow the use of both toddler rooms downstairs. Once that is finalized, this will allow us to welcome new families with children as young as two years of age. We will also have the need for another teacher. If you or anyone you know is great with kids and would be interested in working with our two-year-olds, let us know by calling 360-629-2253 or by email at childcare@camanolutheranchurch.org.

Stephanie has been on an extended maternity leave and while she hoped to return, she has decided to step down as director to be home to care for her children. We wish her and her family all the best. Leadership is in the process of finding someone to fill the role.

We are excited to watch the children learn and grow in this new school year.

Ashli French
Interim Childcare Director
(360) 629-2253

childcare@camanolutheranchurch.org





Health. Justice. Hope.



Dear Camano Lutheran Church.

Thank you so much for your thoughtful donation of \$75.00 on 08/12/2025 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 Lutheran Community Services Northwest



August 12, 2025

Dear Camano Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your contribution to MATA and for your participation in the Great Commission!

STUDENT UPDATES: Tio passed his FAA checkride and earned his instrument rating! He is now enrolled in our Commercial Pilot Course. Tio, Casey, Hannah, and Ken are continuing to progress in their studies, and two returning students, Ethan and Nathaniel, will be starting their next courses of training soon. Our students greatly appreciate your prayers as they engage in these pretty intense courses.

Some of our students are planning to fly down to Arizona in the next couple months. This will give them long-cross country, planning, weather, and hot desert operations experience.

SUMMER CAMP: We had a wonderful camp in July with 18 teenage campers from 9 different states. The campers were exposed to missionary aviation concepts as well as flight and ground training. Please continue to pray for each of them that the things they learned would take root in their hearts.

MISSION TRIP: In mid-September, our Director of Maintenance, Doug, and two of our students, Zach and Ken, are planning to travel to Papua New Guinea to serve with Samaritan Aviation (and our alum Matt Condon) helping in their maintenance department for two full weeks. This is an excellent opportunity for our students to see what it is actually like serving on a foreign mission field.

WEDDING BELLS ARE RINGING! Our Mechanic Apprentice, Abigail, who earned her Private Pilot Certificate with us last year, is leaving us a bit sooner than anticipated. She and our alum Vitaliy, who is currently serving with Samaritan's Purse in Uganda, will be married on August 30°. After they marry, Abigail will be joining Vitaliy in Uganda where she has opportunity to continue pursuing her Airframe and Powerplant certification as they begin their life together.

May our gracious God bless you this summer as you continue to pursue a closer walk with Him. Sincerely.

Dary Finck

Executive Director





August 12, 2025

Dear Camano Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your \$100.00 gift to Lutherwood Camp and Retreat Center! Your gift helps further our mission of sharing God's love by allowing others to Experience GRACE in Creation. We are excited for all that is to come in 2025, and the generous prayers and financial support of your family ensures that our silice of heaven just south of Bellingham can be a place of faith development right now and for years to come.

We continue to celebrate all the successes of 2024: we welcomed 300 campers for our own summer programming, in addition to hundreds more individuals and groups that came to Lutherwood with their congregations and families for refreats, gatherings, and learning. It is not an exaggeration to say that the shores of Lake Samish have been ALIVE with the excitament of new leadership and a new drive to welcome all people to follow God's call!

In 2025, we are praying for God's guidance as we continue to expand physical accessibility around camp, build up our Day Camp and Middle School and High School Adventure programs, get some fresh paint on our main campus buildings, and invest in improving our Amphitheater worship area.

Please come visit us or give us a call! Whether you are new to Lutherwood or an old friend, we love to hear the stories of why people are passionate about Lutherwood (we're YOUR camp, after all!). The amazing bonds of ministry across the 78+ years of Lutherwood are a gift from God.

Again, thank you for designating this gift to Lutherwood!

God's Pages.

Rev Kevin C. Beebe Exécutive Director
Lutherwood Camp & Retreat Center

MARKE PARTIES / - KEVIN uding spring retreats, volunteer work days,

THANKS BONGAN

P.S. Check our website often for updates, including spring retreats, volunteer work days, a pre-summer fundraiser dinner, and, of course, register now for summer camp 2025!! There's so much to be thankful for here at Lutherwood.

Lutherwood Camp and Retreat Center is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with EIN #91-0629888. Donations are tax deductible as allowed by law.

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.

Summer Market @ Stanwood Camano Fairgrounds



About the event

Summer Market @ Stanwood Camano Fairgrounds

Bring the whole family & enjoy shopping from over 60 small business arts and crafters! We will have bouncy houses and face painting for the kids to enjoy for a fee.

- Smokin Dough
- Baked Treats
- Mini Donuts
- Sno Cones
- Espresso

Date & Location

Sat, 20 Sep, 2025 at 10:00 am to 05:00 pm (PDT)

Stanwood-Camano Community Fair 6431 Pioneer Hwy, Stanwood, Washington, United States

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser



About the event

When: Thursday, 9/04/25 @ 4:00-6:00pm

Where: Sundin Room

Description: In celebration of National Senior Center Month, join us on September 4th for our annual Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Dinner is available by donation, and your generosity will make a meaningful difference in the lives of older adults in our community. Wine will be available for purchase and is not included with the meal.

Call the Camano Center (360) 387-0222 for reservations or stop by the front desk.



September 2025

The NW Washington Synod are the congregations, people & ministries of the Pacific Northwest - 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.

<u>The Stillaguamish Conference</u> - There are many varied opportunities for the six churches of the Stillaguamish Conference to reach out; whether individually or as a group to meet new people, become friends or become involved in different community activities rather than wait for our Annual Organized Worship Gathering. (scheduled for October 5, 2025 at Camano Lutheran Church). Consider this monthly newsletter as a standing invitation that all are welcome to attend any of the events at any of the churches. <u>Remember, we are STRONGER TOGETHER.</u>

You'll notice that the format has changed. PLEASE contact the individual church office (listed at the end of the newsletter) for further information or specifics unless noted otherwise.

PLANNING HAS BEGUN FOR OUR ALL CONFERENCE WORSHIP GATHERING ON OCTOBER 5. ANYONE INTERESTED IN HELPING OUT, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LAY CONFERENCE REP. OR PASTOR.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

**SKY (Snohomish-King Youth) group. ALL CLUSTER 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.

<u>The ELCA Youth Ministry Network</u> – elcaymnet.org – **Mission**: to strengthen and empower adult leaders in children, youth and family ministry, in service to Christ. Todd Buegler, Executive Director, ELCA Youth Ministry Network

<u>Sunday School Program</u> – the start of the school year means the start of Sunday School programs. The conference churches will be incorporating Sunday School into their worship schedules. Please contact individual churches for exact times and specifics, as it usually coincides with worship & adult education.

<u>Childcare and/or Preschool Program – Pass the Word!</u> The following churches are actively registering for their long-running preschool and/or childcare programs. Please contact them for further information: Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Camano Lutheran Church, Our Saviour's Lutheran.

4th ANNUAL CONFERENCE WORSHIP GATHERING Sunday School – Organizers of this years WORSHIP GATHERING on October 5, 2025 would like to incorporate a program for grade-school attendees. If you're interested in assisting in some way, please let one of the LAY CONFERENCE REP'S from your church or your Pastor know and we can help facilitate getting a group together.

STUDIES ** **FELLOWSHIP** ** **CONVERSATION**

<u>Men's Spirituality</u> – Illuman of WA. Meets the third Saturday of the month. Contact Bill Hogland at (425) 501-4112. IllumanofWA.org <u>Faith Lutheran/Lakewood</u>

Men's Coffee & Conversation - Men's Coffee Fellowship will meet at the church on Wednesday, Sept. 10th & 24th at 10am. Exchange stories, drink some java, and eat some pastries. For more information, please contact Jim Kjargaard or the church office. (2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month)

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

<u>Phoebe Circle</u> - Phoebe Circle is a bible study group for women that meets on the third Thursday of the month. This month, Phoebe Circle will meet on Thursday, Sept.18th at 10:00 am in the classroom at OSLC. Bring your bible and copy of Gather Magazine issue if you have it. If not, we share! Phoebe Circle is always welcoming new people. If you have any questions, contact Sally Shinstrom, at (360) 435-9392. Our Saviour's/Arlington

Adult Bible Study - Wednesdays at 1:00 pm Faith Lutheran/Lakewood

<u>Samplings with Luther</u> – 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 <u>Camano Lutheran/Camano</u>

<u>Coffee & Conversation</u> - Wednesdays at 1pm in the Narthex. This is a social group open to anyone. Bring your favorite non-alcoholic beverage, relax, and enjoy new and different topics every week. <u>Bethlehem/Marysville</u>

<u>Life & Ministry of the Messiah</u> - 8-week study starts Thursday, October 16th. Dinner at 5:30 PM, followed by a 20-25 minute video (filmed on location in Middle East). Discussion (please RSVP if you plan to come for dinner). Discovery guides -- \$10 <u>Freeborn /Stanwood</u>

MISSIONS ** MINISTRIES ** OUTREACH ** SUPPORT

<u>OSLC Mission Circle Quilting Group</u> – OSLC Mission Circle Quilting Group - We will be meeting September 2nd & 16th. Questions or interest please contact Beth Husted (425) 350-4417 or Donna DeWard, (360) 435-4350. <u>Our Saviour's/Arlingt</u>on

Grab and Go Meals – At the Arlington Community Resource Center Our Saviour's/Arlington

<u>LWR Quilters</u> The quilters meet 4th Wednesday of the month at 10:00 am to assemble and sew quilts for Lutheran World Relief that are shipped all over the world. We can always use more hands. BYO lunch. Peace Lutheran/Silvana

<u>LWR Quilters</u> – Monday morning in the Pioneer Hall at 9:00 am. Come when you can; leave when you must. Ladies (and men invited too!) to help cut, sort, pin, tie, pack, assemble quilts, baby kits for Lutheran World Relief. <u>Camano Lutheran/Camano</u>

<u>GOD'S LOVE IN ACTION – Lutheran World Relief</u> Quilts--Baby care kits--Personal Care kits School kits—Meets the first Tuesday of every month at 9:00 am <u>Bethlehem/Marysville</u>

<u>Sunday Supper at BLC</u> - Bringing together a coalition of churches and volunteers with a shared purpose: To provide a nourishing meal and a place of belonging for those who need it most. These 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

<u>Today's Issues</u> - actively seeking ways to become intentional in support of immigrant brothers and sisters. For consideration: updating our nondiscrimination policy, declaring private spaces, how to respond to ICE, explore ways to provide financial, emotional and practical support for immigrant families in the community who may be impacted by deportation. Peace members and those from our sister churches are invited to participate in these discussions. Watch your local bulletins or contact Peace office for additional information <u>Peace Lutheran/Silvana</u>

<u>Comfort Squad -</u> meets Friday Sept. 26th at 10:00am in the classroom. Contact Jan Hopson for more information. (808)756-5226. Our Saviour's/Arlington

<u>Parkinsons Support Group</u> Jean Oien is looking into starting a Parkinsons support group for those recently diagnosed or long time patients. The goal of the group is to share experiences and connect. Location will be at Olympic Place. If you are interested in becoming a part of this group contact her via phone: (360) 926-2887 <u>Peace Lutheran/Silvana</u>

<u>TOPS</u> – 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. It's a holistic approach to wellness. No fad diets. No gimmicks. No shortcuts. Every Thursday – 8:00 am <u>Camano Lutheran/Camano</u>

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

Annual Salmon BBQ: Sunday, September 28th (following the 10:00 a.m. service)

Martin Luther Movie Night: October (Date TBD) Freeborn/Stanwood

Book Club - open to any interested folks! Whether you decide to have a good read without joining us for discussion or participate in some lively conversation. At this time the meeting are scheduled for 6pm at Peace Lutheran, Silvana in "Katie's Room" --- Questions? Contact Peace Silvana 360-652-8739 and Morgan will put you in touch with Karen Dicken or Mary Fuentes.

September 30 - "The Wartime Chocolate Maker" by Gosia Nealon Peace Lutheran/Silvana

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Birthdays September

6th Martin Paul
8th Barbara Joyce
9th Emma Floyd
10th Jeff Camp
10th Bob Salnick
11th Vicki Baunsgard

12th Gary Westerman 23rd Courtney Score 26th DaleAnn Baker 28th Chris McFall

28th Edward Staffenhagen 28th Nicole Osburn

Anniversaries September

1st Ryan & Stephanie Lightbody
2nd Dale & Linda Johnson
2nd Fred & Lillian Trolio
3rd Andy & Jeni Bottin
6th Don & Frances Schlagel
17th Philip & Linda Rifner

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

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

Military persons associated with Camano Lutheran or Specific Request:

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.*

September 2025

6pm Al-Anon

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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7 10am In Person Worship Service 5pm Al-Anon (Business Meeting) 6pm Al-Anon Pastor Scott Vacation	8 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 9am Quilters 9:30am Children's Chapel 3pm Care Team 4 pm Stewardship 5:45pm Cub Scouts 6:30pm Girl Scouts (Leader Meeting) 7pm Boy Scouts 7pm Samplings w/ Luther	9 5pm Girl Scouts	9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 10am Pastor Filming in Small Sanctuary	8am TOPS 9am Facebook Live Devotions w/Pastor Scott 12:30pm Wom- en's Bible Study	12 6:30pm AA	13 8am AA 10:30am Al-Anon 12pm Care Team - Picnic @ Leque's
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