



The Clarion

April
2017





Empty Tombs

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

– Romans 6:3-4

Christianity clearly affirms that in the long struggle between good and evil, good eventually will emerge as victor. Evil is ultimately doomed by the powerful, inexorable forces of good. Good Friday must give way to the triumphant music of Easter.

– Martin Luther King, Jr.

There's a tendency in religion to spiritualize the central claims – to disconnect our faith from the realities of daily life. But if going to church is just about getting to heaven, then Christianity doesn't have much to say to us about this side of eternity. Lutherans are especially at risk of becoming complacent when we cheapen the gift of grace to the point that we let it wash over us without changing us. *Yes, yes, Jesus died and rose again so that we might have abundant life*, we hear again and again, but we go about our business as though the story of God's redemption does not implicate us in a life-changing way.

Holy Week commemorates the heart of that story, bearing witness to the shocking proposal that God-with-us endures the worst possible death at our hands, yet overcomes it for our sake. The risen Lord meets the women on the path from the tomb and says, "Greetings! Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me" (Matthew 28:9-10). Emerging from his tomb, Jesus promises to convene his followers yet again, to organize us in the work of resurrection. "Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father," the Apostle Paul puts it, "so we too might walk in newness of life."

So, resurrection is not simply the promise of bodily regeneration after death. It's not just a pie-in-the-sky hope relegated to the future. Easter proclaims that Jesus' movement from death to life is the key to understanding God's purpose amid the deathly circumstances of human life today. Resurrection begins now!

The question remains: *Will we emerge from our tomb?* The stone is rolled away, but will we step out into the light of Easter morning and follow the risen Jesus where he leads?

Walking in newness of life is risky. It involves confronting death wherever it is manifested in the world. It means acknowledging the crosses of others without looking away. It means defying the structures of evil that crucify marginalized people in the first place.

But, it also means trusting that death will not have the final word. "Good Friday must give way to the triumphant music of Easter." And, no longer bound by death, the Lord of life leaves us with a trustworthy word to sustain us in the meantime: "Do not be afraid.... And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age" (Matthew 28:20).

Peace,

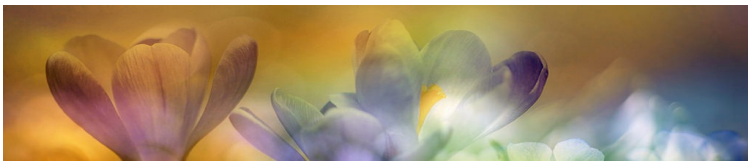
Pastor Nate

Women of the ELCA

Ladies Aid

Wednesday, April 12, 2017 - 9:30 a.m.

Study: Christian Faith and Christian Freedom
Session 4: For Freedom Christ Has Set Us Free
Text: Galatians 5:1-6:18
Study Leader: Liz Haworth
Hostess: Baerbel Lorenz



Chancel Easter Garden

During Holy Week, please bring non-fragrant flowering plants (such as: Azaleas, hydrangeas or tulips) potted or in an arrangement for the chancel garden on Easter. *Please do not bring Easter lilies* due to allergies. You may take your plant or arrangement home after the last Easter service or any time during the following week.



Anniversary Sunday

May 21st

We will have an old fashioned bake sale. Proceeds to the Katie Luther Fund (Churchwide Women of ELCA) honoring her as we celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. More information to come!

NEEDED: BABY HATS!

Our Synod office has a Namibia Task Force that is taking a trip this spring to Namibia. They put out a request to synod churches for knitted or crocheted baby hats for the babies at Onandjokwe Lutheran Hospital and Lutheran hostels in Namibia. They will deliver the hats on their trip. The hospital was originally started by a Finnish Missionary group. Now it is under the administration of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Namibia. Check out the poster on the table in the gathering space for more information. Please drop off hats by **April 23** in the basket in front of the poster.



OUTREACH MINISTRY

"He has told you O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with thy God?"

Micah 6:8

Our youngest servants did an amazing job sorting and packaging food items for the Communities in Schools backpack program! They packaged 58 bags of food! We would like to thank the parents for helping their children participate in this service event and all the members of Peace for donating food items! We will collect a few specific items and combine that with the abundance of food still on hand and put our young servants back to work on a second food packaging project.

If you would like to donate additional items to our communities in schools collection we need the following items:

- Pop top cans of soup
- Individual serve pasta: pop top or just add water
- Individual Serving Size Cold Cereal
- Peanut Butter: individual serving size

Alternatively, if you would prefer to make a monetary donation we can do the shopping for you! Just indicate in the memo line of your offering "Communities in Schools".

Children and Families

Mark your Calendars for May 7th!

2nd Packaging Project

We hope to provide 50 more packages of supplemental weekend food!

The Outreach Ministry Team will meet on April 23rd after second service! If you are interested in joining our team in planning, brainstorming, and dreaming of what the future of our ministry here at Peace looks like, all are welcome! Or feel free to share your thoughts and ideas with Mary Boben, Charlene Cook, Karen Ekse or Trish Siltala. We would love to hear from you!

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Applications are available for graduating seniors. Please send graduates name to the office and an application will be sent to you.

Also, if you have a graduate this year, high school or college, and you would like them recognized on Graduation Sunday, please email Sara their name and school to office@peacepuyallup.org.

Sunday School

Parents and adults are invited to attend Sunday School opening to sing along with the children and to help them with a bible trivia game.

Easter egg hunt for all children!

Elementary Youth

(youth entering 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grades)

Week at Camp



June 26th - July 1st

\$150.00

Sign up by May 15th

Youth & Confirmation Students

Custom Design Camp

At Camp Lutherhaven (Idaho)

July 16th - July 21st.

\$160.00

Sign up by Sunday, April 30th



WESTERN STATES YOUTH GATHERING

June 26th - July 2nd

California Lutheran University -

Thousand Oaks, California

\$450.00

The Western States Youth Gathering happens every 3 years for high school youth. It takes place on the campus of California Lutheran University. It will feature mass gatherings with great speakers and musicians, learning and small group experiences. It will also include an immersion experience in LA and a Southern California beach party, and much more!

In addition to the gathering, we will go down early and spend a day at Disneyland!

Youth



Men's Breakfast

Join us for good food and great conversation the 1st Saturday of each month. Build up your body, mind and spirit with a great group of Peace men!

SATURDAY, APRIL 1ST - 8:30 A.M.



We are entering the most significant week of the church year. Holy Week is the time when we revisit Christ's last week on earth, his entrance into Jerusalem to confront the powers and principalities and ultimately lay down his life. We are invited into the drama as we shout our hosannas on Palm Sunday, followed by commemorating the institution of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday, and walking the road to Calvary on Good Friday.

Please come and join in as we worship together on these days.



Maundy Thursday 6:30 p.m.

Good Friday 6:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday Worship
8:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

Holy Week Music!

Are you able to make a musical offering to enrich our worship during Holy Week (Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, or Easter Sunday)? Instrumental or sung pieces, solo or ensemble, are welcome.

Please contact Pastor Nate with your questions or ideas. Thank you in advance for your leadership!



EASTER SUNDAY!

Open sign up for all worship assistants including hospitality. Sign up sheet in front of the bulletin by the kitchen.

HOSPITALITY

Food! Bring snack of your choice.

Set up: Each individual will be responsible for getting their snacks on to the buffet table.

Clean Up: Please take any uneaten food and your serving dish with you when you leave for the day. If you chose to use serving dishes from the church, please clean them and put them away.

Two people from each service will be needed to make coffee and to clean up tables, coffee pots, etc.



Southwestern Washington Synod
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God's work. Our hands.

Food Banks/Food Pantries/Clothing Banks and Crockpot programs

Share your best practices and hear about some traditional and not-so-traditional food ministries that meet the community needs in congregations of our synod- From larger congregations, to small rural ones; cooperative food banks in their church building, and ones in the back of a big truck. Hear about a program that works with WSU and one that teaches people to cook using a crockpot...and even gives them a crockpot to use. The crockpot ministry works well with community gardens, too.

Our Daily Bread: A day to celebrate and cultivate congregation hunger programs

Join the Synod Hunger Committee on Saturday, April 22nd at The Lutheran Church of The Good Shepherd in Olympia from 10am - 3pm. This free educational event will include worship, panels, sharing, learning, breakout sessions and lunch (*free-will offering for lunch*). **This Free** program supported by grants from ELCA World Hunger and Thrivent Financial. ***Worship Offering will go to ELCA World Hunger. Register here*** for this free program so we know how much food to prepare.

Synod Assembly

"Reformation 500: Deep Roots, New Life"

June 16-17, 2017 at PLU in Tacoma

Registration open!

Keynote speakers: **The Rev. Dr. Doug Oakman**, Religion Professor at Pacific Lutheran University, and **Dr. Marit Trelstad**, Chair of Lutheran Studies and Professor of Constructive and Lutheran Theologies at Pacific Lutheran University.

Bishop Jaech will lead a Bible Study on Saturday. Elections for 2017-2018

We will have worship together on Friday and Saturday late morning.

Our workshop sessions will be both Friday and Saturday afternoons on the topic of reformation-re-forming/change.

BIKE SAFETY DAY

Saturday, May 13th at 10 am to 1pm

at SPANAWAY LUTHERAN CHURCH

16001 A Street South, Spanaway

253-531-7000

- Free helmets with professional fittings by Pierce County Fire Dep.
- Lean Rules of the road for bikers from Pierce County Sheriff Dept
- Test your bike skills
- Free bike brake check and instructions for maintenance
- Free hot dogs for lunch

Adults and kids welcome- Bring your Bike





Senior / Retirees Potluck

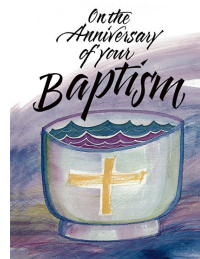
Wednesday, May 3rd - 12:00 p.m.

Join us for the last potluck of 2017!!!



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Gracie Williams	6	Don Larson	19
Tray Larson	7	Joe Brozick	20
Ben Woodbury	7	Laura Casillas	21
Katherine Fellsenstein	8	Diane Filkins	22
Baerbel Lorenz	8	Linda Tilman	26
Jordan Culpepper	10	Jasmine Lee	27
Khm'ron Meas	10	JoAnn Robinson	27
Dylan Tait	11	Jordan Teddy	27
Phyllis Bench	12	Kaitlyn Albenesius	28
Devin Culpepper	13	Jan Engelkes	28
Nick Teddy	13	Leanne Cook	29
Jennifer Whipkey	16	Patrick Dymond	29
Virginia Spaulding	17		



APRIL BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

Dr. Paul Gerstmann	Jean Hirt
Jean Glaser	Tanner Kohoutek
Linda Tilman	Brendan Cook
Diane Dean	Karlene Perkins
Joan Linden	Jordan Culpepper
Vernelle Doyle	Isabelle Boben
Diane Filkins	Sophia Pless
Kevin Doerr	Connor Aronson
Becca Johnstone	

April 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 8:15 - Worship (Joan) 9:40 - Resounding Joy 9:40 - Adult Ed. 10:45 - Worship (CS)	3 4:30 - Diversion 5:00 - Cornerstones	4 10:00 - Bible Study 12:00 - PPH @ Craft 19 5:30 - Finance 6:30 - Executive 7:00 - Boy Scouts / 4-H	5 9:30 - Ladies Aid 5:45 - Soup Supper 6:30 - Holden Eve. Prayer 7:00 - Choir	6 9:30 - Quilting 5:15 - Quilting 7:00 - A.A. Meeting		7 Daffodil Parade!
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84th Annual Daffodil Parade

Saturday, April 8, 2017



Parade Start Times:

Tacoma – 10:15 AM

Puyallup – 12:45 PM

Sumner – 2:30 PM

Orting – 5:00 PM



2017 season opens April 15th

and runs through October 14th.

We are a rain or shine market!

Saturdays from 9 am until 2 pm

at Pioneer Park and Pavilion.



2017 WASHINGTON STATE SPRING FAIR

April 20 - 23, 2017

HOURS

Thu: 2pm - 10pm

Fri & Sat: 10am - 10pm

Sun: 10am - 8pm

GATE ADMISSION

Pre-Fair Price (available online through 4/19/17)

Adults - \$10

Students (ages 6 - 18) - \$8

Regular Price

Adults - \$12

Students (ages 6 - 18) - \$10

Kids 5 & under - FREE

Parks Appreciation Day!



Saturday, April 22nd

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Visit www.cityofpuyallup.org for park locations



The largest egg hunt in Pierce County with 40,000 eggs. There will be egg hunts from crawling and toddlers to 12 year-olds. Other activities include: Large Inflatable's, FREE face-painting, pony rides(\$7) and more.

Located at Sound Life Church, special guests: The Easter Bunny, Pierce County Fire Engine & The Daffodil Princesses. Also check out the "Selfie Station" and food trucks!



TRADITIONAL EGG HUNT: Ages 6 and under

*On the grassy area near Qdoba

*Kids will get to hunt for eggs in small groups, we'll keep the line moving the whole time! This will be an ongoing egg hunt for the kids from 3-5pm.

SCAVENGER EGG HUNT: Ages 7 to 12

*Smith Brothers Farms is sponsoring this event! Get your first egg at their booth outside the RAM, that will have your first clue which will lead you to one of our merchants. There you will get your next egg with a clue and so on... 6 eggs total. There's a fun prize at the last booth!



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TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Sink your teeth into the weekly Bible texts with Pastor Nate, 10:00-11:00 am on Tuesdays in the gathering area.

See you there!



PASTOR'S PUBLIC HOURS

Tuesday, April 4th
12:00 - 2:00 pm



PASTOR'S PUBLIC HOURS



Tuesday, April 18th
12:00 - 2:00 pm



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Puyallup, WA 98372