



# ANCHOR NEWS

Springfield Lutheran Church, ELCA, Newsletter

September 2017

## Post Scripts

Memory is such an interesting phenomena, isn't it? Recently one of our church members attended his 50th high school reunion (in California). I haven't heard yet how it went. I keep talking myself out of going to my own reunions, with my own "Number 50" coming up in a few years. I am somewhat curious about what went on with some of those 750 classmates, but just have kept in touch with only one friend over the years. High school was simply not a good time for me, as I recall...

The summer of 1967, 50 years ago, was the "summer of love" with, among other things, songs by Scott McKenzie ("San Francisco", with lyrics something like this: If you're going to San Francisco/ Be sure to wear some flowers in your hair/ If you're going to San Francisco/You're gonna meet some gentle people there); and, The Doors ("Light My Fire", with lyrics something like this: Come on baby light my fire/Try to set the night on fire). Paul Revere and the Raiders came out with a record album about "The Great Airplane Strike of '67", where they sing about air traffic controllers and others in the airline industry that went on strike nationally: the airports got clogged up. Also included on the 33.3 vinyl was the "love" song "Hungry", and "Kicks", one many anti-drug tunes of that time...My mom drove us around in a '64 Ford Galaxie (or the '56 Plymouth Savoy station wagon) and those tunes were played well on the A.M. car radio!

That summer 50 years ago was also a time of riots in America, particularly in Detroit; anti-war demonstrations got violent across the country, as America's war effort in Vietnam increased exponentially. My own recognition as an "almost" 13 year old became personal, of course, since we had a final BBQ for my brother Karl in late August/early September; he would turn 21 in September of that year (I have a very poignant photo of him and my 5 year-old-sister at his birthday gathering at home). He would soon ship out with his buddies for a brief few months in Vietnam before being killed in action there in February 1968. I'll never forget watching him, in uniform, step into the airplane at Portland airport that September, the last time I saw him alive. Van Morrison's "Brown Eyed Girl" was playing on the radio on the way home then...

You don't easily, or purposely, forget things like that, do you?

I bring up this "memory" subject, some of it harmless or goofy, some of it still vivid after 50 years, to invite you to commit to make "good news" memories for the weeks and months to come. Time and events in our lives can "turn on a dime," and it's important that we make the most of what we are about, and leave some good memories of ministry in Christ's name for others to benefit from in the years ahead. Remember this: we just finished a year-long remembrance of Springfield Lutheran's 70+ year history. We shared memories and re-commissioned ourselves both at worship and at fellowship gatherings (like the BBQ on August 20th, great fun!), so that we honor the past, and, imagine a future where our present discipleship for Our Lord Jesus makes a difference in our lives, and for the world.

Even though it's not 1967, 2017 has many of the same challenges and opportunities for you and me to live into, with courage, hope, and even joy; let's make some memories for God's Kingdom as we launch into autumn, OK: because our lives *do* make a difference, in Jesus' name. Remember that.

Peace. Pastor Erik

## Quote of the Month

"The two most powerful warriors are patience and time."

Leo Tolstoy;

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*Our Part in the ELCA's "God's hands.  
Our Work." weekend:*



**Free...Yes! Free!!!**

**Saturday, September 9, 2017**

**8:00 to 10:00 am**

**Springfield Lutheran Church**

**1542 I Street**

**Springfield**

Really! It is totally free!! The only cost is your appetite!  
Please join us for pancakes, eggs, sausage, coffee,  
juice, and milk. We'd love to meet you!

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## ***Food for Thought—***

"Someone is sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree long ago."

Attributed to Warren Buffet

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## **Health Kit Collection**

We are collecting small tubes of toothpaste for health kits to be given out at the next community breakfast. The deadline for this collection is September 3. Please leave them on the Narthex Table or talk to Susan Squire for more information.

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## **Book Group**

The next book to be reading is Clear and Convincing Proof by Kate Wilhelm. The book discussion meeting is scheduled for **September 15** at 11:30 am. The location is Ta Ra Rin on Mohawk. Darlene Wood is your contact. Happy reading to you.

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## Suggested Food Pantry Items to Donate:

### Fats, Oils, Sweets

- Jelly & Jam
- Honey & Sugar & Syrup
- Mayonnaise
- Vegetable Oil
- Salad Dressing

### Milk Yogurt, Cheese

- Infant Formula
- Powdered Milk
- Instant Breakfast Drinks
- Canned & Boxed Pudding
- Meat, Poultry, Fish, Dry Beans, Nuts**

- Canned Tuna & Chicken
- Canned Beef Stew & Bean Soups & Chilis
- Canned or Dried Beans

- Baked Beans
- Canned Nuts

### Vegetables

- Canned Vegetables & Tomato Products
- Vegetable Soup
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Baby Food Vegetables
- V-8 Juice

### Fruits

- Canned Fruit
- Raisins & Dried Fruits
- Applesauce
- Baby Food Fruit
- Fruit Leather (100% Fruit)

### Bread, Cereal, Rice, Pasta

- Rice & Rice Mixes
- Canned Pastas
  - Noodle Mixes
  - Dry Noodles & Pastas
  - Macaroni & Cheese Mix
  - Cold Cereals
  - Bran Cereal & Shredded Wheat
  - Infant Cereal
  - Hot Cereal Mixes & Oatmeal
  - Bread & Muffin Mixes
  - Pancake Mix
  - Granola Bars & Graham Crackers
  - Flour

## Bits & Pieces...

By Michelle Guillory—As there are always “bits & pieces” scattered about our lives like Post-It Notes, here’s a few more...and a few updated items...

- \* **SCHEDULE CHANGE**—We return to our regularly scheduled program after Labor Day. **This means that on Sunday, September 10, the 8:30 am service returns.** Keep an eye on your Sunday bulletins and for the full schedule (Monday Bible Study, Wednesday’s Midweek Worship, SHS Cooking Class, Wise Guys, and Fringe Benefits.)

### \* Hurricane Harvey Relief Efforts

- ⇒ **Medical Teams International**—For a family who has lost everything, a \$7 Hygiene Kit will provide dignity and comfort with essentials. Please consider a gift of \$35 to provide for 5 families. More information can be found at: [www.medicalteams.org](http://www.medicalteams.org)
- ⇒ **ELCA Lutheran Disaster Response**—Gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response, designated for "Hurricane Response – United States" will be used entirely (100 percent) for this disaster until the response is complete. Together, we can help provide immediate and long-lasting support. Check the ELCA website for more information.
- ⇒ **Red Cross**—They are working around the clock to provide support and could use our help. The Red Cross website has a page dedicated to donations.
- ⇒ **Other**—Go to your internet page and search Hurricane Harvey “Relief Efforts” and see what other agencies are doing.

### \* Food Collection Drives—UPDATED!

- ◇ We are in need of protein items in the Food for Lane County barrels and hearty meals for the Dexter drive. Thank you.
- ◇ We need small tubes of toothpaste for the health kits given out at the Free Community Breakfast...just travel size tubes only. Thank you.
- ◇ Please note we cannot give foods that are in previously opened packages (or simply without packaging) or items with expired “best by” or “sell by” dates. Thank you.
- ◇ Please make sure that you give what you would be willing to eat. Thank you.
- ◇ And lastly, please remember that we are often times giving to poor people without can openers, so if it’s an affordable option, please give easy open cans with “pull tabs” or “pop tops”. For all you do, thank you.

# Every Week

| Sun                                                                                     | Mon                                                               | Tue                                        | Wed                                                                                                    | Thu                           | Fri                          | Sat                               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 8:30 am Worship with Communion<br>9:30 am Fellowship<br>10:00 am Worship with Communion | Office Closed<br>9:00 SLSS Quilting<br>12 noon AA<br>6:30 Al-Anon | 9:00 LWR Quilting<br>12 noon AA<br>5:30 NA | 9:30 HS Cooking<br>12 noon AA<br>12:30 Nar Anon<br>2:00 Sr. Mat Yoga<br>3:30 Sr. Chair Yoga<br>5:30 AA | 9:30 HS Cooking<br>12 noon AA | 12 noon AA<br>12:30 Nar-Anon | 10:00 Women's AA<br>12:00 noon AA |

## SEPTEMBER 2017

| Sun                                                    | Mon                                         | Tue                                        | Wed                                                     | Thu                   | Fri                                   | Sat                                   |
|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
|                                                        |                                             |                                            |                                                         |                       | 1                                     | 2                                     |
| 3<br>Pentecost 13<br>Last Summer Service<br>10:00 only | 4<br>LABOR DAY                              | 5<br>School begins                         | 6<br>NO HS Cooking                                      | 7<br>NO HS Cooking    | 8                                     | 9<br>Free Community<br>Breakfast 8-10 |
| 10<br>Pentecost 14<br>8:30 Service returns             | 11<br>Women's Circle 1:00<br>@ McAllisters' | 12                                         | 13<br>9:30 HS Cooking<br>Class Returns<br>NO Yoga Today | 14<br>9:30 HS Cooking | 15<br>11:30 Book Group @<br>Ta Ra Rin | 16                                    |
| 17<br>Pentecost 15<br>11:05 COUNCIL                    | 18                                          | 19                                         | 20<br>9:30 HS Cooking<br>6:45 pm Midweek<br>Worship     | 21<br>9:30 HS Cooking | 22                                    | 23                                    |
| 24<br>Pentecost 16                                     | 25                                          | 26<br>1:15 Wise Guys @<br>Hole in the Wall | 27<br>9:30 HS Cooking<br>6:45 pm Midweek<br>Worship     | 28<br>9:30 HS Cooking | 29                                    | 30                                    |

## Bulletin Board

In the main hall by the church office, is a bulletin board that is for everyone. It's been titled Our Church—Our Community—Our World.

It is for news and events happening around our church, around Springfield, around Lane County, and around Oregon, and around the US, and around the World.

Not everything is applicable, but most things are. The grandson doing well in sports (our church), another church bazaar (our community), various volunteer opportunities (our community/our world), the latest newsletters from a variety of organizations (our community/our world).

Our goal is to share happenings, not to indoctrinate or recruit for something that is unrelated to the church. The big 'no' is secular politics and activism. There can be news of a meeting, but no views or opinions. We understand that politics and activism impact our church, our community, and our world; but this board is too small a forum for such a task.

Should you like something to go up, contact the church office and we will put it up if applicable.



## Our Church—Our Community —Our World—

- **Last Summer Worship**—Our last Sunday with only one worship service is **September 3**. The **8:30 Worship with Communion** returns on Sunday, **September 10** and then we're back to our normal two services.
- **God's Work. Our Hands.**—This year's event is the Free Community Breakfast on Saturday, **September 9**. Details are on page 4.
- **Women's Circle**—The standing date is the second Monday of each month at 1:00 pm. For September, the date will be the **11th**. The meeting will be hosted by Carol McAllister. Contact Miriam Jones for details.
- **NO Yoga**—Wednesday, **September 13**. Otherwise the schedule is as normal.
- **Book Group**—The next book discussion meeting is scheduled for Friday, **September 15** at 11:30 am over at Ta Ra Rin. This date has been confirmed. See page 6 for more details.
- **Council**—The next meeting will be held on Sunday, **September 17**, after the second service. Please mark your calendar accordingly.
- **Midweek Worship** returns on Wednesday, **September 20**, at 6:45 pm.
- **Wise Guys**—Returns to the Hole in the Wall BBQ joint off Mohawk on Tuesday, **September 26**, at 1:15 pm.
- **CropWalk Eugene**—Sunday, **October 1**. The event will be held at Alton Baker Park once again. Registration is open online at [www.crophungerwalk.org/eugeneor](http://www.crophungerwalk.org/eugeneor)
- **Camp Lutherwood Harvest Festival**—Sunday, **October 1**. Mark your calendar for an afternoon of fellowship, fun, food, and fundraising, all in support of Camp Lutherwood Oregon! More details to come.
- **Monday Bible Study**—We return to Monday evening Bible Study on **October 2** at 6:30pm. All are welcome to attend.
- **Newsletters**—Don't forget to check our bulletin board near the Church Office for a wide variety of newsletters with more information than our little newsletter can handle and still stay little.

## Camp Lutherwood Event

By Michelle Guillory—The next big thing at camp is the **Harvest Festival** fundraiser. This event is held on Sunday, **October 1**, this year. For details, check the website. It's a fun event and there's something for everyone.

More information can be gained by searching their website [www.lutherwoodoregon.org](http://www.lutherwoodoregon.org), calling [541-998-6444](tel:541-998-6444) or emailing them at [office@lutherwoodoregon.org](mailto:office@lutherwoodoregon.org)

## CROPWalk

By Michelle Guillory—Sunday, **October 1**, will be a busy day and unfortunately we can't be in two places at once. The CROPWalk will be held at Alton –Baker Park, rain or shine. It is a fundraiser to feed the hungry. Check-in is at 1:00 pm and the walk begins at 2:00 pm.

For more information check out the website [www.crophungerwalk.org/eugeneor](http://www.crophungerwalk.org/eugeneor)



## The Narthex Table

By Michelle Guillory—For September, here's the current list of what's on the Narthex Table:

- **Signup sheets** to volunteer for our **Free Community Breakfast**. Contact Susan Squire with questions. Details of the event can be found on page 4 of this newsletter.
- **Christ In Our Homes**—These are quarterly devotionals that cost \$5 for an annual subscription. The money goes to the SLCW who pays the bill.
- This **newsletter** (including the monthly calendar) can be found there, as well. We provide printed copies for folks who do not have internet access. If you do have access to the internet, please feel free to peruse, but leave the paper copies for those who don't. Thank you.
- On the easel near the entry to the Narthex, you'll find **signup sheets** for bringing flowers on Sundays and for reading the Scriptures during the services...you can pick which service to read during. This bulletin board also has the selected readings so those who choose to read may have time to practice.

*Periodically check there to see if there's something new with your name on it in the basket on the table with the alphabetical tabs...it won't necessarily be another giving statement, but perhaps something that needed to be passed on to you. Thank you.*

## Contact Us

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