

Springfield Lutheran Church, ELCA, Newsletter

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Post Scripts

Did you know that we are now in "ordinary time"? Stick with me for a few sentences here: the term "ordinary" is used by the Church for roughly describing now through November. It starts with the Sundays after Pentecost/Holy Trinity and lasts until Christ the King Sunday. We use green as our dominant color in the sanctuary, with an occasional "white Sunday" (the church decorations/paraments that color) commemorating an important faithful person (like an apostle), and a "red" Sunday (commemorating the Reformation, the last Sunday in October).

Calling these weeks "ordinary" separates them from the weeks of Advent/ Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Holy Week/Easter, which, one can assume, makes them "extraordinary" times, in comparison with this long stretch between now and the end of November. There's almost 30 Sundays set aside for this way of living.

One point I'm making here: only people in the Church may find this interesting. In fact, many church-goers (even faithful Lutherans, Episcopalians, Methodists, Presbyterians, Roman Catholics and others) don't know this stuff. Or may "yawn" when told about it. I get that...

Which is regrettable, because we live in a dumbed-down culture—even a bland Church culture—that has removed or ignored so many time-honored ways of, well, keeping time, and rituals/events that can add "flavor" to our lives. This way of the "liturgical year", which is what we Lutherans use to mark the time of the Church, is a huge gift—not only to church-minded people, but also to our "everyday" world. Many people, myself included, are interested in this being an election year (or are interested that it be *over*!), or that this is the year that the Cubs actually win the World Series (I'm not that much of a baseball fan), or that this is the year that the tomatoes that were planted actually ripen (or don't succumb to blight). We can all think of some ways that bring meaning to our own "ordinary" time, right?

So now for point number two: as people of faith, why not practice looking at these next few "ordinary" months as a way to deepen our relationship with God? We do that all the time with politics or sports or hobbies, so, what's stopping any of us from making the most of this time of the church year, to engage more eagerly/ intentionally in prayer, benevolence, bible study/devotional reading, to name a few ways. What could the Spirit do among us, or may be <u>already doing</u> if we dared to exercise our faith and use these "green" months following Pentecost/Holy Trinity with purpose, to grow in God-pleasing ways?

Be with me on this: determine to make this a "growing-in-faith" time (as implied by the color of growth: green). Then in November we'll come back to this and ask how it went with us. Along the way, why not talk with me about it. Pray about it. Write me notes—with your name, please. Ask me faith questions you want to grow into. Attend worship and bring a friend, neighbor, or family member to grow with you in this season of green. Here's the challenge: "ho-hum" ordinary time can become extra-ordinary if we all ask consistently for God to help us grow. For too long the Church has been described as being in a mode of "managing decline." Enough of that! How about we step boldly into a time of "celebrating growth," as individuals and as the faithful together at Springfield Lutheran.

I could get energized managing that, "ordinary" indeed!

Peace, in Christ, Pastor Erik

Quote of the Month—

"Laughter is the beginning of prayer."

—Reinhold Niebuhr, American theologian and author of the "Serenity Prayer"

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Meet & Greet Ken Eilers

By Michelle Guillory—I'm sure most of you have encountered the "Kenny Eilers Experience" on more than one occasion. He's an interesting fellow and I have yet to come away without shaking my head in wonder...where'd you find this guy???

And that is how he became your June Meet & Greet...Meet Kenny. He's an extrovert, in case you haven't noticed...not shy at all...nope! Quick with a joke and a smile. Always wanting to spread the laughter.

When he answered my 20 Questions, he replied "old enough to know better" to age and on his marital status it was "happily (most of the time) for 50 years." He wasn't real talkative about his kids, there's two of them; but he says that he and Dee are owned by their cats, Bernie & Ollie.

He's currently retired from over 50 years in a camera store and other forms of photography...if you don't know, he took all those photos of our members by the Sanctuary doors. He served, once upon a time, in the Coast Guard Reserve.

When asked about his relationship with SLC, he was born Lutheran and is one of our Worship Assistants on Sunday mornings. He's been active with SLC since January, 1954. He pointed out that his first Sunday school teachers were Dorothy & George Carlson.

Apparently it's a good thing he can cook as Dee hates to cook...but it's all good, as he hates yard/garden work. They have a wonderful division of labor...but I wonder who scoops the litter box??? His favorite food genre is "farm food", aka meat & potatoes. He prefers coffee over tea and wouldn't say no to a nice cold beer.

As for charities, he is partial to Habitat for Humanity and St. Vincent de Paul. With listing hobbies, he's got photography (of course) and singing with the Eugene Gleemen, and selling stuff on eBay. He and Dee like cruises from time to time and typically travel by "roughing it" in their travel trailer...last year they did three corners of Oregon (from Astoria to Wallowa, to the Steens Mountains).

When talking pop culture, he likes reading various mystery authors, he watches Jeopardy (now I can't get the tune out of my head...gee, thanks Kenny!), and his favorite movies are "The Longest Day" and "Fantasia". He's a big fan of Duck football and men's basketball, and enjoys watching his kids and grandkids play adult indoor soccer at Kick City.

Next up are his favorites...his favorite weird thing was zip-lining (traveling down a high wire while attached to a harness) at age 70 and he's contemplating doing it again at 75...why wait?

SLC Quilting Schedule:

We have two groups here at SLC. SLCW LWR Quilters and the Springfield Lutheran Sewing Sisters (SLSS).

The SLCW LWR Quilters meet Tuesdays, from 9:00 to 10:30 am. We follow the LWR guidelines and make quilts for those in areas of crisis throughout the world. Miriam Jones & Carol McAllister are your contacts for the LWR Quilters.

The SLSS meets Wednesdays from 9:00 to 11:00 am. On the odd weeks (1st and 3rd) we will be meeting to learn a new pattern. On the even weeks (2nd and 4th) we will practicing what we learned the previous week. The last week, well, read the article on the next page!

Michelle Marroquin and Miriam Jones are your contacts for the SLSS.

Come, join one group or both! Help those in need and learn new quilting techniques along the way.



LWR Projects

There is a booklet in the office that lists, in detail, all the various projects we can participate in with LWR. You may also choose some to do by yourself. You can also go to www.lwr.org for more ideas and an opportunity for online giving.

Here is a brief list of the standard projects that are always needed:

- School Kits/ Backpacks
- Baby Care Kits
- Personal Care Kits
- Fabric Kits
- Mission Quilts
- Fleece Tied Blankets

There are specific requirements for each item, so be sure to either check out the booklet or the website for that list. All items are needed all year round. All items are greatly appreciated by those who receive them.

Thank you for joining with us in contributing to the greater world in need.

www.lwr.org

Lutheran World Relief 700 Light Street Baltimore, MD 21230



Giving Opportunities

By Michelle Guillory—Well now, did you know that coming up with new ideas on the same topic is harder than it looks? Let's see if I can give you a good idea here. I've noticed that the garage sale signs are going up everywhere. If you're strapped for cash or it's a fund-raiser for Disneyland and you want to deal with the hassle of sorting, pricing, setting up, tearing down, setting up, tearing down, and figuring out what to with the leftovers go ahead (and don't worry about offending my sensibilities, my mother has at least one a month every summer.) Just don't price too low, because people will try to get it from you for free if you're not paying attention.

In 1998, I had an eye-opening experience. It was (read in a deep, ominous tone) "the summer of cleaning Auntie Norma out." My aunt, due to a trauma in 1970, and after a year abroad recovering with her husband, became a hoarder...any paper...ANY paper that came into her house, never left...from 1972 on...for 26 YEARS! She had every church bulletin (every single one), magazine, receipt...there was old used wrapping paper (for drawer liners), money, uncashed checks, bills, tax papers, Campbell's soup labels, you name it...I could go on.

She was, also, an avid QVC shopper and had tons of gifts stored down in her basement to be given to family and friends...I found a wrapped gift for myself that said "Christmas 1983" on the tag...this was July, 1998. I don't remember what it was, other than I would have wondered what she was thinking when she bought it...and let's not talk about the duck in the freezer from 1987...let's just not.

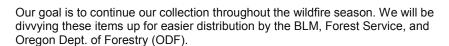
Now, don't get me wrong, my mother and I had fun cleaning someone else's house (but, then again, I have fun when I get towed with a broken car...) But I never really thought about "hoarding" until then. It was just something that Great Aunt Sadie did (she had a matching QVC room), Auntie Norma did, my mother does, and until 1998...I did...but I never thought of the end result...but, walking into my cousin's old bedroom because I was tall enough to reach the top (over my 5'9" head) and thin enough (at the time) to weave my way through the skinny little aisle that my tiny 5'6" aunt had left in a room FULL of paper...that scared me. So, I changed. I have rules now and unlike my mother who loves garage sales because they're fun, I don't do them. Here's how I mostly manage my own hoard:

- Rule 1: if something comes into the house, something goes out...with very few exceptions.
- Rule 2: ANYTHING not used in 6 months gets passed on...unless it's seasonal (2 years) or an heirloom (5 years and then it seeks other family members)...books, tools, computer and craft supplies seem to be the exception.
- Rule 3: I'm only allowed 20 unfinished craft projects at a time...I can't start anything
 new until I've finished something already in progress...I really should lower that to 10,
 but I keep getting busy and new things keep happening (like babies for me to make
 hats and blankets for...my friend is currently pregnant with twins.)
- Rule 4: No Garage Sales...I can take to another sale or I can donate to a charity, but I'm not hosting any garage sales...I can even shop other garage sales.
- Rule 5: Don't just throw things out. There is always someone who needs what I have and somewhere for me to take it. Most of the time I use the Habitat for Humanity garage sales that happen in the spring and fall or the ARC clothing bins. I give to St. Vincent de Paul for the bigger stuff and my friend, Greg, recycles metal. My computers and small appliances go to NextStep Recycling. You get the idea.

"God's Work, Our Hands"

Springfield Lutherans are going be putting care boxes together for our Forest Fire Fighters throughout the summer. They could use some small comforts while protecting us. Some of the items we are asking to be donated here at church (there's a box in the Narthex) are the following:

- · Lip balm,
- Goldbond powder
- Deodorant.
- Merino wool socks.
- Tooth brushes & paste,
- Moleskin and medical tape.
- Antibiotic cream/Neosporin,
- Insect sting relief swabs
- Hydrocortisone/anti-itch cream,
- Individual (one use) vials of eye drops,
- And handkerchiefs/bandanas.



More information is coming. If you have questions, please call the church office at 541.746.2403.

Living Lutheran

By Michelle Guillory—By now you've certainly noticed that you are no longer receiving your monthly copy of The Lutheran magazine...perhaps you've noticed that you are receiving instead a copy of the Living Lutheran magazine. Don't worry. Don't Panic. Nothing to stress over...I promise. Things change...over the past year, your Sunday bulletins have gotten a new look, some of you are getting a weekly E-Anchor update via your e-mail account, then there's the AnchorNews and this newsletter looks nothing like the old newsletter...your website (www.springfieldlutheran.org) even looks different. I got a new shampoo...

Well, this article was supposed to be about the Living Lutheran and I ran off on a tangent about change...go me? Huh? Here's what's up with the magazine:

- First off, a name change signifying the "church's living, daring confidence in God's grace." (A quote from Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton.)
- The magazine has a more modern look and will continue to offer stories, reflections and news that we have looked for throughout the years...just a new format.
- There is an accompanying website (<u>livinglutheran.org</u>) and it contains even more than the printed magazine. For those of you who are tech-savvy, there's a new (free) e-digest which highlights the latest and most popular stories.

So, don't wait for the magazine to show up, go ahead and check out the website and see what's coming when the mail carrier arrives. After all, change can be good from time to time.

Camp Lutherwood Now Hiring:

Currently, they're looking for parttime help in the office and with registration. I believe they also need anybody trained medically to fill the Camp Nurse slot (even if it's only for a week or so).

For detailed job descriptions, and to download an application, visit lutherwoodoregon.org/summerstaff or call us at 541.998.6444 today!

Camp Lutherwood Events:

The **Spring work days** out at Camp Lutherwood have been posted. Go on out and spend a lovely day in the country. The next date is **June 4.** This is a great opportunity to help the camp get ready for summer campers.

The **All Staff Reunion** will be held **July 2**. If you've worked at Camp as a counselor, cook, or whatever, let Caitlin know that you're interested in joining old friends to celebrate decades of Lutherwood fun! She can be reached at <u>caitlin@lutherwoodoregon.org</u>.

The Women's Retreat will be held July 29-31 this year. Come and join women from around the state for a weekend of reflection, relaxation, and fun in the outdoors. Registration is \$100 per camper with all meals provided.

Contact the camp for more information. The web site is www.lutherwoodoregon.org and their phone is 541.998.6444.

Your Council Members for 2016:

President: Linda Loomis

Vice President/ Stewardship: Open

Secretary: Rita Grimes

Treasurer: Gail Rogers

Budget: Bill Maack

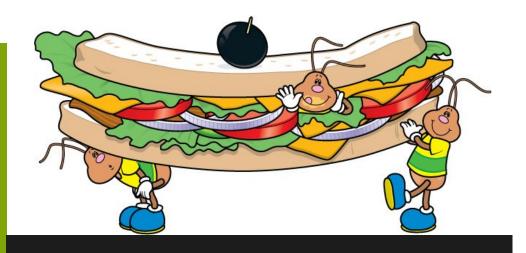
Financial Secretary Liz Hurley

Property/Maintenance: Ray Miller

Worship Committee: Open

Hospitality: Alicia Fisher

Social Concerns/ Outreach: Susan Squire



President's Corner

Your Church Council met on Sunday, May15, at Cobourg Pizza. Pastor Erik gave an opening prayer and the minutes were read and accepted. President reported that the piano in the sanctuary needed to be professionally looked at and also watered. Pastor will take care of this item.

Financial Secretary, Liz, reported that we are in need of substitute counters. Treasurer, Gail, reported that all bills are current. A big thank you goes to our members who give, as we need at least \$13,000 per month to be able to meet our regular expenses.

Pastor reported that our pianist, Dr. Wing Lau, is leaving for Arkansas where she and her husband, Dr. Joon Park, now have teaching positions. We will have a going away celebration on June 5th. As June is upon us, we will have only one Sunday worship service in the summer at 10:00 am. There will be no Bible study or Wednesday evening worship service in the summer. The schedule returns to normal in September. A big thank you goes to Kenny Eilers and Rita Grimes for representing us at the synod meeting.

Property/Management, Ray, reported that he is still waiting for people to come and work on the windows. Also, we have repeatedly found homeless people camping on our property and leaving messes. If you see someone where they don't belong or doing what they shouldn't, please call the police non emergency number (541.726.3714).

Social Concerns/Outreach, Susan, reported that the pancake breakfast was a success with over 70 people enjoying the benefits of our efforts. Great Job volunteers! Thank you. While Hospitality, Alicia,-reports that a Welcome Back potluck will be held in September for our return to two services. On November 20, we will be celebrating Pastor Erik's 30th anniversary of his ordination. More about that later.

Worship. We need volunteers to be readers, ushers, greeters, and communion helpers. Please sign up. If you want to help midweek and can't get down to the church, call the office and leave a message. Any help is a blessing.

Also of note, this year we are celebrating our 70th Anniversary as Springfield Lutheran. There will be more information coming as the details are settled about our festivities. Keep tuned.

We would like to thank our dads and wish all of you bearing that title a very happy Fathers' Day.

Linda Loomis President 541-746-0869

Synod Assembly News

By Michelle Guillory—Our church donated a lovely quilt to the quilt auction that is held every year. Our quilt was won for \$50, and although it seems low, there were over 50 quilts that together collected over \$2,600 to go towards ELCA's World Hunger campaign. Great Job Quilters!

Overall feedback "from the pews" was quite positive. Everyone thought the venue change was good, the food was wonderful, the topics covered were appropriate...all in all, nobody complained (to the Synod Office, anyway) that it was a waste of time...In my own opinion, other than a few minor glitches, good fun was had by all and most of us even agreed on the same things at the same time...freaky!

Friday was orientation, opening Worship, and the first "plenary" session to start on church business. Saturday, was business in the morning followed by breakout sessions followed by the big Banquet which honored clergy who have served 25 years or more (one guy had over 60 in!) followed by a showing of the movie "Back to the Future" which was our theme this year. Sunday was our last "plenary" session and a Synod-wide Worship Service.



Edited by Michelle Guillory—There were a series of workshop at the 2016 Assembly held in Eugene at the Valley River Inn. Here's the synopsis of them: Ask Rita, Kenny, or Pastor Erik for their views on the workshops they attended.

- Stories from the Grandpas—A session about climate change, grandchildren, faith, mortality, and courage. The stories were shared from the elders and the audience as we all struggle together as people of faith to know how to respond to our critical moment in history.
- "Moving Through" Finding the Future—This session was on "Transformational Ministry". How might your congregation shape its ministry for effective engagement as we all move through the twists and turns of a rapidly changing culture? This question was discussed and we learned what is happening around the Synod and where we fit in.
- Cry of the Refugee—Several Oregon Synod congregations have hosted refugee families in the past as they begin a new life, along with their partner Lutheran Community Services Northwest. We learned what's on the horizon and how we can help.
- Grantwriting for Congregations, Ministries, and Communities—This was a nuts and bolts workshop including tools and tactics for identifying potential partners for investment in your project.
- Hunger in the Forefront—15% of Oregon families face some degree of food insecurity every year. This session discussed how you and your congregation can help in partnership with the ELCA as a whole. Our ELCA Domestic Hunger Program has congregational grants to help you empower, partner, minister and work for a hunger-free Oregon.
- Creating an Annual Funding Plan—This workshop was to help create an Annual funding Calendar and help you integrate the three main funding streams (Plate & Pledge, Friends of, and Legacy Giving).

All workshops were well attended and feedback was positive. Most attendees felt that the topics were relevant for what our churches are going through .











SLC is 70!

You read correctly. Our church held its first worship service on Sunday, July 7, 1946, with the Rev. H. E. Aalbue preaching and presiding.

Throughout this year we will be remembering bits of our history. It's been quite an adventure...and one which shows no signs of slowing down

Here's a brief reminder of who our pastors were. Do you see any familiar names (besides Pastor Erik)?

- . H. E. Aalbue
- Sterling Homer Simonson
- · Albert Oscar Odegaard
- Howard Milo Lybeck
- Otto Louis Franke
- Gerald Miller Conrad
- Ogden Lee Lovdokken
- Brian John Claasen
- Hans C. Nordmark (Interim)
- Zane O'Banion Wilson
- Franz Joseph Brandenburg
- Gene G. Bradbury (Interim)
- · Erik Amandus Post

If you have any stories that you think need remembering, write them down for posterity and bring them to the office. Or, if you have any ideas for History Tidbits, contact the church office or share them via email to slcanchor@gmail.com.

Synod Assembly from Our Lay Representatives Point of View:

By Kenny Eilers and Rita Grimes, Edited by Michelle Guillory—The Oregon Synod Annual Assembly was held April 29-May 1, 2016. Pastor Erik, Rita Grimes and Kenny Eilers served as delegates representing Springfield Lutheran Church. SLC member Linda Mueller was also in attendance, representing PeaceHealth Riverbend as their hospital chaplain.

Five resolutions were presented to the delegates. All were thoroughly deliberated, discussed and debated before being passed. Below are summaries of the resolutions. Details of each of the Resolutions can be found at: http://oregonsynod.org/assembly-2016/resolutions.

- Resolution A was an Environment Protection Resolution out of Burns
 that recognizes the climate change damages to our world and encouraging congregations and their members practice environment responsibility, concentrate our investments in funds that support clean energy and
 manufacturing, and to work to influence legislators to adopt more stringent measures for environmental protection.
- Resolution B was a Representation Resolution from Bethel Lutheran in Portland that dealt with the provision that allows Oregon congregations additional assembly voting delegates if they are members of specific minority groups from historically under-represented communities in our church. Passage of this resolution added members of the LGBTQIA community to that list, along with Youth and Persons of Color or whose primary language is other than English.
- Resolution C was a Universal Health Care Resolution from members of Augstana Lutheran in Portland and recognized the large numbers of Oregon residents who lack affordable basic health care. The resolution, as passed, encourages all ELCA congregations to explore (and consider joining) Health Care for All Oregon.
- Resolution D was an Oregon Synod Sanctuary Resolution, also from Augustana, that dealt with the plight of refugees from other. We in the Oregon Synod have now designated ourselves as a "Sanctuary Synod," "encouraging all congregations to become Sanctuary churches ready to protect refugees and undocumented sisters and brothers from arrest and deportation..." The Oregon Synod, through this resolution, will also be memorializing the churchwide assembly to designate the ELCA as the nation's first "Sanctuary Denomination." A press release relative to this action can be read at http://oregonsynod.org/news/oregon-lutherans-declare-themselves-sanctuary-church.
- Finally, Resolution E, a Synod Assembly Resolution from the Synod Office, acknowledged that many small congregations and those from more distant parts of Oregon find the three day Synod Assembly difficult to attend because of expenses and lengthy travel times. Passage of this resolution allows the Synod offices to plan an experimental 2018 Assembly format based upon a one day business assembly and from three to five regional "One Day Mini-Assemblies" held in churches throughout the state.

The full details of the resolutions can be found online at http://oregonsynod.org/assembly-2016/resolutions. More information will be coming out this month from your Synod Council relative to the interpretation and implementation of these resolutions.

Every Week

Sun M	l on	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
10:00 am Worship 8-12	2 Noon LCC - Gym noon AA	8-12 Noon LCC - Gym 9:00 LWR Quilting 9:00 Tai Chi 12 noon AA 5:30 NA	8-12 Noon LCC - Gym 9:00 SLSS Quilting 9:30 HS Cooking 12 noon AA 12:30 Nar Anon 2:00 Sr. Mat Yoga 3:30 Sr. Chair Yoga 5:30 AA	8-12 Noon LCC - Gym 9:30 HS Cooking 12 noon AA	8-12 Noon LCC - Gym 12 noon AA 12:30 Nar-Anon	12:30 AA

June 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5 Pentecost 3 Farewell to Wing	6	7 NO Tai Chi	8	9	10	11
12 Pentecost 4	13 1:00 SLCW @ Giesekes'	14	15	16 1:30 Fringe Benefits @ Ricksons'	17	18
19 Pentecost 5 Fathers' Day Farewell to Phyllis	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 Pentecost 6	27	28 1:15 Wise Guys @ Hole in the Wall BBQ	29	30 7:00 MCCB—Location TBA	1	

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—

- Summer Schedule Alert—It's June, so we're on our Summer Schedule now. Please be aware that there is NO Monday Bible Study or Midweek Worship and that there is ONLY ONE Sunday Service at 10:00 am. The regular schedule will resume in September.
- Camp Lutherwood Spring Work Day—June 4. Go join other volunteers to help the Lutherwood Staff get ready for the summer camping season.
- Farewell to Wing—Our wonderful pianist, Dr. Wing Lau, will be leaving us to head for warmer climes. She and her husband Dr. Joon Park will be heading to teaching jobs at a university in Arkansas. Sunday, June 05 will be her last with us. Please join us for a reception in her honor as we say goodbye.
- Tai Chi—There will be <u>NO</u> Tai Chi on June 07, July 12, or July 19. Otherwise, all is normal.
- **Women's Circle—**The SLCW next meets at Donna Gieseke's home on **June 13**, beginning at 1:00 pm.
- Fringe Benefits—Next meets June 16 at the Ricksons'.
- Farewell to Phyllis—Our fabulous organist, Dr. Phyllis Paul, will be leaving us to head east. She will be will be heading to a teaching position in Youngstown State University, in Youngstown Ohio...just 2 hours from Tim. Sunday, June 19 will be her last with us. Please join us for a reception in her honor as we say goodbye.
- Baptism—June 19, Pastor Erik will be baptizing Claire Nadine Yow, daughter of Payton & Katie Yow, sister of Benjamin, and granddaughter of Bill & Terri Maack.
- The Wise Guys are scheduled for Tuesday, June 28 over at the Hole in the Wall BBQ joint at 1:15 pm
- The MCCB's meeting on June 30 at 7 pm. Speak to Pastor Erik about the location.
- Book Group—The next meeting will be held July 7 at 11:30 am. Mark your calendars. The location is yet to be determined, but the book is <u>The Light of the Fireflies</u> by Paul Pen. Darlene Wood is your contact for this group.
- Newsletters—Don't forget to check our bulletin board for a wide variety
 of newsletters with more information than our little newsletter can handle
 and still stay little.

Desperately Seeking...

- A Librarian...even if you aren't one by trade, we do need someone to take care of our "vast" library...this could even be a team of two or three. Please contact the church office.
- Altar Guild Request for Help—The Altar Guild would appreciate some assistance from the 8:30 congregation on Sunday mornings. This would involve setting up for communion before the service. Please contact Donna Gieseke for more information.
- Sunday Counters—if you would like to help your church and can count, contact the church office or Liz Hurley. We still need one person who is willing to count the offering received one Sunday each month and two people who are willing to be substitutes.

The Narthex Table

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

- Grocery List—What? Well, it's a list of items that are good for Food Pantries. Non-perishable items that are healthy and keep well and are good movers at Food for Lane County and the various pantries that it serves. Take one if you feel you need ideas.
- Shopping List—Another one? This one's different. It's for the Wildfire
 Fighters and it's small things that we are hoping to gather to provide them as thankyous for their service to our great state of Oregon
 and that they keep us and our homes safe. If you've got the list, bring
 the items to the wicker basket next to the table.
- 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 it for folks who do not have internet access or those want a quick read while waiting. If you have access to the internet, please 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

If you need the church, the Pastor, the Secretary, prayer, comfort, or guidance; please contact us at:

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