

THE CONNECTION

“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.” Colossians 3:16

Hello Lamb of God,

I’m not really big on church membership. One of the reasons for this is generational. Younger generations just don’t seem to value membership as much as their predecessors did. Clubs of all kinds have dwindled to a shadow of their former selves. Trying to convince people who attend Lamb of God to become members doesn’t feel like the most important battle I can fight. And frankly, I really like you guys, so it’s hard for me to ask you to stand up in front of everyone to be recognized as the “new guys” when I know nearly everyone hates to do that.

Another reason I’m not a membership guy is because of the baggage that comes along with that word. American Express told us years ago that “membership has its privileges” and I think that’s really stuck with us. I’m a member of Costco. In exchange for annual dues, I expect to buy things like gas, tri-tip and sweatshirts at a discount. Membership is predicated on what’s in it for me? I think that’s a terrible attitude to take into church. As a result, I haven’t even mentioned membership to anyone unless it involved a position like council or school board where membership was required.

Here’s the problem though: Our old membership process accomplished things that were beginning to fall through the cracks. There’s an old saying, “Don’t throw out the baby with the bath water.” If you haven’t heard it before I know it’s ridiculous and overstated, but you get the meaning right? Don’t throw away the good with the bad. We needed to find a way to take care of important stuff without the baggage of our old model. My friend Bill was able to help. He suggested partnership.

Sometimes people play word games. I hate that. But I love the idea of partnership. Partners are interested in and working toward the same goals. Potential members ask, “What’s the benefit?” But partners understand the goal is the benefit. Bill’s church has “Partnership Sunday” every year where people are encouraged to sign a sort of symbolic document to show their commitment to partner together toward the same goal.

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Lamb of God Lutheran Church

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Office: 425-377-2173

Office Hours:

Tues 12:30-3:00 pm

Wed 8:30-3:00 pm

Fri 8:30-2:00 pm

Sunday Morning Schedule

Family Education: 9:00 am

Worship: 10:15 am

Pastor: Mike May (314) 775-6956

pastormike@lambofgod-lakestevens.org

Worship/Youth Leader: Jan Novak,
(360) 691-3372

worship@lambofgod-lakestevens.org

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Meetings This Month

Council Meeting:

Tuesday, March 10th @ 6:30 pm

Elders Meeting:

Sunday, March 8th (following
worship)

Lamb of God exists to love God, love people, live like Jesus and to make disciples who do the same. If you would like to partner (or continue to partner) with us toward that goal, then I invite you to sign our own partnership resolution which will be available at the welcome table in the back of the room throughout the month of March.

Blessings,

Pastor Mike

Newsletter

Starting in May 2020, we will be moving to an electronic newsletter format delivered through email. If you wish to still receive a paper copy, please email secretary@lambogod-lakestevens.org.

****Moving? New Phone Number? Please contact the church office with address, phone number and email changes so we can update our records. Thank you!*

Pastoral Assistance

Pastor:

Mike May (314) 775-6956

Worship/Youth Leader:

Jan Novak (360) 691-3372

Elders:

Ernie Frederickson (360) 668-1234

John Laskey (425) 334-6210

Rick Ihrie (425) 481-3247

Larry Aalbu (360) 568-4757

Dale Rahn (425) 422-9789

Gary Beck (541) 740-5727

****Next month's newsletter deadline is
March 20th.**

March Birthdays, Baptismal and Wedding Anniversaries

*Happy
Birthday!*

| | |
|--------------------|----|
| Joel Repp | 14 |
| Ernie Frederickson | 21 |
| DuWayne Brave | 22 |
| Mike Gatterman | 22 |
| Jim Repp | 23 |

Baptismal Anniversaries

| | |
|------------------|----|
| Marlis Canham | 3 |
| Shara Knapp | 5 |
| Dale Rahn | 5 |
| Jared Rahn | 5 |
| Annie Stogin | 6 |
| Julia Repp | 8 |
| Dylan Knapp | 12 |
| Jennifer Wood | 16 |
| Ralph Whitman | 21 |
| Cherie Gatterman | 22 |
| Jordan Gatterman | 22 |
| Natalie Hansen | 22 |
| Bailey Rahn | 24 |
| Pat Roth | 25 |

Happy Anniversary

*Jeff & Hayley McClellan 3/15
Kermit & Suzanna Bohling 3/29*



Weekly Bible Studies

Women's Bible Study: Monday evenings at 6:30 pm at MJ Novak's house and Wednesday mornings 10:00 am at Vicki Beck's house.

Men's Bible Study: Men's Monday night Bible Study from 6:30-7:30 pm at the Lake Stevens Haggen. See Gary Beck with questions.

Saturday Morning Men's Bible Study/Help the Homeless: The men's Bible study meets on Saturday mornings at 7:00 am. Study meets at McDonald's in Everett. Address: 4020 Colby Ave, Everett, WA 98201. After Bible study, the men serve the homeless in Everett.

Sunday Morning Family Education at 9:00 am

Adult Bible Class: Church Office Classroom

Senior High: Joining the adult class

Middle School: Jan Novak & Matt Bench

Sunday School: Rotating schedule

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday—April 5
Worship @ 10:15 am

**There will be Lenten services on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday only.*

Maundy Thursday—April 9
Evening Service @ 7:00 pm

**We encourage you to get plugged in to a small group during Lent. Days and schedules will be posted in the weekly bulletins.*

Good Friday—April 10
Evening Service @ 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday—April 12
Worship @ 10:15 am

January/February Financial Information:

| | General | Giving Life | Haiti | Special |
|---------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 01/13-01/19 | \$5,664.05 | \$160.00 | | |
| 01/20-01/26 | \$2,929.00 | \$50.00 | | |
| 01/27-02/02 | \$4,522.00 | \$150.00 | \$25.00 | |
| 02/03-02/09 | \$4,058.00 | \$290.00 | | \$175.00 |
| Totals | \$17,173.05 | \$650.00 | \$25.00 | \$175.00 |

February Attendance: 02/02: 69 02/09: 63 02/19: 53 02/23: n/a

Small Groups

Look for information in the weekly bulletins regarding upcoming small groups.

Typical Schedule:

- 1st/3rd Tuesdays:
 - * Aalbu/Gatterman @ 6:00 pm
 - * Rahn @ 7:00 pm
- 1st & 3rd Thursday:
 - * Beck @ 7:00 pm
 - * Repp @ 5:30 pm

Youth/Family Events**March**

Everett Outreach-Lord's Little
Cooker (Every Saturday morning
7:45-9:30 am)

7-8—Middle School Gathering

8—Daylight Savings Time Begins

April

Everett Outreach-Lord's Little
Cooker (Every Saturday morning
7:45-9:30 am)

5—Palm Sunday

9—Maundy Thursday

10—Good Friday

12—Easter Sunday

18—ZLS Auction

30—Community Supper

Youth and Family News**Puget Sound Middle School Youth Gathering**

Saturday/Sunday

March 7-8

Lake Retreat Center, Ravensdale, WA



**Sponsored by:
Puget Sound Youth Board
and
Lamb of God Church**

This year's middle school gathering is March 7th and 8th. This overnight retreat is open to youth currently in grades 6-9. There will be opportunities for worship, fellowship, recreation, food, study, and service. The retreat begins at 10:00 am (7:30 am departure) on Saturday and concludes late Sunday morning around 11:30 am (2:30 pm return). Registration is **\$75.00** (Financial aid/scholarships are available through Lamb of God Church. Please contact Mr. Novak if you are interested.) Registration is due by February 24th.

Interested...Contact: Jan Novak or the Lamb of God church office ASAP if you would like to attend.

**Zion Lutheran Church Secretary/Bookkeeper
Job Opening**

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Snohomish, WA, is taking applications for the position of Office Secretary/Bookkeeper. This position is for a 5-day week from 9-3. Please send resumes to Elders c/o Zion Lutheran Church, 331 Union Avenue, Snohomish, WA, 98290, or by email to snohomishsecretary@gmail.com.

Community Outreach

Lord's Little Cooker: Men's and Women's clothing needed!—Especially winter clothing items like gloves, socks, hats, coats.

Every Saturday Morning from 7:45-9:30 am our faith community joins together with our of friends North Shore Christian Church in Everett to provide breakfast, toiletries and clothing to those in need.

Lake Stevens Community Supper Program:

~Community Serving Community—each week different service organizations or groups serve at this supper.

~Free dinner each Thursday from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm at Ebenezer Lutheran Church, Lake Stevens.

Our next opportunity to serve is **Thursday, April 30th**.

Connect with us!



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Follow us on Instagram:
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Weekly Connection News Emails

If you would like to subscribe to our weekly Connection News emails, visit the Upcoming Event section on our website at www.lambofgod-lakestevens.org and fill out the form.

Zion Lutheran School News

Chapel every Wednesday at 8:45 am—all are welcome!

Daylight Savings Time :

Daylight savings time begins on Sunday, March 8th. Don't forget to set your clocks ahead 1 hour on Saturday night.



Zion Lutheran School's 31st Annual Auction
Saturday, April 18th
Zion Lutheran School
3923 103rd AVE SE Lake Stevens

Doors open at 5:00pm
Early bird reservations through March 16th
Auction Reservations - \$40
Reserve a table for 10 - \$400
Please RSVP

Online reservations & payment available now at www.zionls.org - Click on "2020 Auction "

News From NEHLM—Haiti Updates (February 4 & 18, 2020)

Prayer Chain

If you have a prayer request to be added to the prayer chain, please contact the church office. You may call (425) 377-2173 or email secretary@lambogod-lakestevens.org. If you would like to be added to the weekly prayer chain email group, please contact the church office.

eNewsletter

If you would like to opt out of receiving a paper copy of the newsletter, please email the office at secretary@lambogod-lakestevens.org to be added to our eNewsletter list. A pdf copy of the newsletter will be emailed monthly.

Miss a Sunday?

Sunday Sermons are being recorded and posted on our website. Go to www.lambogod-lakestevens.org and click on the "Sunday Sermons" link on our homepage.

February 4, 2020

Greetings in the Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Rev. Daniel Paul's ministry of La Maison des Agneaux de Dieu Orphelinat (MADO-The House of the Lambs of God Orphanage) is being blessed this week with a medical mission team. This team is from Colorado. They have consistently been serving us for several years. Previous Nord Est Haiti Lutheran Mission (NEHLM) liaison Ben Wiseman, who is working at Med and Food for Kids in Cap Haitien, made a quick trip to welcome this team—he had worked with them before.

I informed Rev. Paul that I was at the Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, for

their Symposium January 21-24. Rev. Paul and I were classmates their 1998-2000. I told him about the great presentations, some other classmates I visited, and the wonderful encouragement given by the two LCMS administrators of the Latin American countries, Rev. Dr. Arthur Just and Rev. Ted Krey. We are so thankful to have their encouragement as NEHLM walks along with MADO. The LCMS is in full altar and pulpit fellowship with the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Haiti (ELCH).

God's peace,

Rev. Sam Wiseman
NEHLM Pastoral Adviser

February 18, 2020

May the Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ fill our lives as we receive the account of the Transfiguration of Our Lord this Sunday. "Jesus...touched them saying, 'Rise and have no fear.'" Amen. Alleluia!

It is interesting how weather is so much a part of our conversations. Here in Oregon we have dealt with some flooding, as are other areas of the USA. Rev. Paul reported, "We have had no rain for a very long time. We need to wait to plant crops. It is very dry and dusty." Mankind continues to be humbled by events in our weather. No wonder it is part of our conversation as it significantly impacts our earthly lives.

Rev. Paul also was delighted to share how God is working through and for His people. The family that suffered a house fire within the last couple months has been supported by Rev. Paul's congregation with some resources to help rebuild. There was also support for husband to return to his job of being a motorcycle taxi driver and the wife to return to her work in retail. Nord Est Haiti Lutheran Mission (NEHLM) donated to Rev. Paul's church as they were collecting donations. NEHLM is appreciative of gifts that allow us to walk with this "sister" church body.

God's peace as He continues to shine in your life,

Rev. Sam Wiseman
NEHLM Pastoral Adviser



Photo from family receiving gifts

SERVANTS IN GOD'S HOUSE—MARCH 2020

| DATE | 1st | 8th | 15th | 22nd | 29th |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|---|--|---|
| Worship Set-Up | Rahn/Rasmussen | Grover/McClellan/ Llerenas | Novak/May | Gatterman/Beck | Rahn/Rasmussen |
| Worship Take-Down | Jones | Geiger | Jamieson | Strege | Jones |
| Soundboard | Jason Knapp | Jon Rasmussen | Joel Repp | Jason Knapp | Jon Rasmussen |
| Elder on Duty Communion Elders | Gary Beck Rick Ihrie | Ernie Frederickson | Dale Rahn Larry Aalbu | Rick Ihrie | Larry Aalbu |
| Fellowship & Greeters | Jones Rasmussen | Hines Gable | Beck Repp | Knapp Laskey | Rahn Strege |
| Scripture Reader | Milt Grover <i>Deuteronomy 5:12-15</i> <i>2 Corinthians 4:5-12</i> <i>Mark 2:23-28</i> | Calvin Joplin <i>Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29</i> <i>James 5:13-20</i> <i>Mark 9:38-41</i> | Mike Riley <i>Exodus 17:1-7</i> <i>Romans 5:1-8</i> <i>John 4:5-26</i> | Randy Strege <i>Isaiah 42:14-21</i> <i>Ephesians 5:8-14</i> <i>John 9:1-7</i> | Elaine Repp <i>Ezekiel 37:1-14</i> <i>Romans 8:1-11</i> <i>John 11:17-27</i> |
| Children's Message | Cheryl Jamieson | Gary Beck | Mark Cameron | Vicki Beck | Cheryl Jamieson |
| Altar Guild | Jan Aalbu Julia Repp | Julia Repp | Joelle Cameron Dana Rasmussen | Dana Rasmussen | Jan Aalbu |
| Power Point | Vicki Beck | Calvin Joplin | Mike Gatterman | Shara Knapp | Jill Murray |
| Acolyte & Offering | Maddie Knapp Amanda Pfister | Dylan Knapp Gavin Knapp | Calvin Joplin Kyra Wood | Maddie Knapp Amanda Pfister | Dylan Knapp Gavin Knapp |
| Money Counters | Cherie Gatterman Jill Williams | Stacie Leaf Jennifer Wood | Susie Rahn Elaine Repp | MJ Novak Julia Repp | Cherie Gatterman Jill Williams |

SERVANTS IN GOD'S HOUSE—APRIL 2020

| DATE | 5th | 9th Maundy Thursday | 10th Good Friday | 12th | 19th | 26th |
|---|--|---------------------|------------------|---|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Worship Set-Up | Grover/ McClellan/ Llerenas | Novak/May | Set Up Done | Set Up Done | Gatterman/ Beck | Rahn/Rasmussen |
| Worship Take-Down | Geiger | Leave Up | Leave Up | Jamieson | Strege | Jones |
| Soundboard | Joel Repp | Joel Repp | Milt Grover | Jason Knapp | Jon Rasmussen | Joel Repp |
| Elder on Duty Communion Elders | Rick Ihrie Dale Rahn | Gary Beck | Larry Aalbu | Ernie Frederickson | Dale Rahn Larry Aalbu | Rick Ihrie |
| Fellowship & Greeters | Cameron Pfiester | n/a | n/a | Grover McClellan | Dalton McDonald | Frederickson Wolcott |
| Scripture Reader | Rick Ihrie <i>Genesis 3:8-15</i> <i>2 Corinthians 2:1-12</i> <i>Matthew 5:13-20</i> | Brock Wolinarsky | Larry Aalbu | Jennifer Wood <i>Genesis 3:8-15</i> <i>2 Corinthians 14:21</i> <i>Mark 3:22-26</i> | Debbie Laskey | Dale Rahn |
| Children's Message | Gary Beck | n/a | n/a | Mark Cameron | Vicki Beck | Cheryl Jamieson |
| Altar Guild | Heidi Llerenas Heather Stahl | Heidi Llerenas | n/a | Dana Rasmussen | Debbie Jones Hayley McClellan | Heather Stahl |
| Power Point | Jim Repp | Vicki Beck | Calvin Joplin | Mike Gatterman | Shara Knapp | Jill Murray |
| Acolyte & Offering | Dylan Knapp Gavin Knapp | n/a | n/a | Maddie Knapp Amanda Pfiester | Dylan Knapp Gavin Knapp | Maddie Knapp Amanda Pfiester |
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| SUN | MON | TUES | WED | THURS | FRI | SAT |
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| 1 9:00 am Family Ed 10:15 am Worship with communion | 2 Office Closed Men & Women's Bible Study 6:30 pm | 3 | 4 ZLS Chapel 8:45 am Women's Bible Study 10:00 am | 5 | 6 | 7 Men's Bible Study 7:00 am Lord's Little Cooker 7:45 am |
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WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Family Education: 9:00 am

Worship Hour: 10:15 am

Holy Communion is celebrated during worship the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month.

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Pastor: Mike May

Rev. Art Werfelmann, Emeritus

Worship Leader: Jan Novak

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