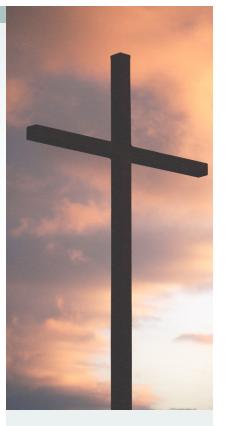
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# THE CONNECTION

"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

Greetings Lamb of God,

2020 is almost over. Well the fiscal year anyway. If you've been attending worship with us online or in person, you know we're doing a series about how we can benefit from the pain brought on by the Covid-19 pandemic. Today, I would like to take a slightly different approach. Imagine it's 2040 and one of your grandchildren (or great-grandchildren—whatever is appropriate) comes up to you and tells you that in school they learned about what happened. How life changed overnight and all the social, economic, political and any other kind of upheaval imaginable took place. Then imagine they ask you what you did during that time. How would you answer? Maybe a better question is how would you like to answer?

"I hunkered down and rode it out" is a fine answer, in my opinion, with regard to Covid-19. If you or someone in your care is high-risk, it might be the best answer. It's not quite as good an answer in response to social issues though. "I started an ongoing dialogue with someone whose skin is a different color than mine" might be the kind of answer you would prefer to give.

"I blasted people on social media for not being 'woke' about wearing masks and black lives matter shirts" probably won't earn the kind of admiration many people seem to think it will. "I started limiting my time online" might be a response that lets you follow up with what a positive impact that had on you. It might even give you a window to talk about how much screentime your (great) grandchildren should have.

Some of you might even be able to say "I rediscovered the importance of daily physical activity" but we should be careful only to say that if it had some kind of lasting impact. You might have noticed the streets and trails were packed with walkers in the early months of shelter in place. I know lots of people have returned to work, but there are plenty of us working from home and if your neighborhood is like mine, walkers have all but disappeared. Sitting down and staring at computer screens keeps our bodies still and our minds active all day. We really should make a point of moving our bodies and stilling our minds regularly as well.

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### **Meetings This Month**

**Council Meeting:** 

**TBD** 

**Elders Meeting:** 

**TBD** 

## **Worship Services are In-Person and Online!**

\*Join us for in-person worship on Sundays at 10:15 am. Masks are required and social distancing practices are in place. We will continue to stream to Facebook LIVE and YouTube.

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# **Church Office Temporarily Closed**

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# October Birthdays, Baptismal and Wedding Anniversaries



Gary Beck	2	Mack Canham	30
Cherie Gatterman	8	Danny Ziemann	31
Jan Novak	9	•	
Kelsey Jones	10		
Andrea Williams	12		
Mike May	22		
Mandy Hereth	24		
Jill May	28		

# Happy Anniversary

Mike & Cherie Gatterman 10/01 Alex & Annie Stogin 10/08

### Baptismal Anniversaries

Rebecca Geiger	1
Nita Marshall	1
Kylie Hayter	4
Hollis Dawson	5
Chuck Stockton	6
Lindsey McClellan	9
Luke McClellan	9
Daisy Llerenas	14
Jan Whitman	15
Kim Ziemann	19
Colin Jones	20
Jan Novak	21
Madison Henchman	24
Corban Repp	24
Alli Dalton	26



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

<sup>\*\*</sup>Next month's newsletter deadline is

November 20th.

Quiet time for your mind and physical activity helps us sleep better and be more productive when we work. Who doesn't want that? If you're into Jesus, that guy took regular time away to be alone and still with God. Look at all He accomplished in only 33 years! He slept so well that he could sleep through the occasional storm. I doubt He ever stayed up thinking of snappy comebacks for those annoying Pharisees. Boundaries are good in almost everything. Just because you can wear your pajamas to work, doesn't mean you should take work to bed. Sweet dreams.

Blessings, Pastor Mike

## **Youth and Family News**

#### **Youth and Family News**

2020 has certainly been a different kind of year. Too many events and activities have been cancelled or postponed. It is time to reconnect and create our new normal. Here are some ways we plan to do just that this fall.

Middle and High School Youth: The Dare 2 Share 'LIVE" Conference is coming to Lamb of God on October 10.

#### Here are some of the details:

- O Lamb of God will host this event in the gym. LOG youth are encouraged to bring their friends.
- o The conference is Saturday, October 10 from 9 am-4:30 pm.
- O The registration fee for this event is **\$10.** This will help cover our registration and food and drinks during the event.

Additional information will be available later this week or you can check it our for yourself by visiting their website at <a href="www.dare2sharelive.org">www.dare2sharelive.org</a>.

**Youth and Family Bible Study**: We are holding off on meeting on Sunday mornings. A Bible study is posted each week on our website for families with younger children. Matt Bench and I will begin offering a JH/SH study beginning in October. Details pending.

**BOB'S CORN MAZE**: Tentatively planned during the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in October TBD.

**Servant Events:** Each Saturday you have an opportunity to help serve breakfast to those in need. (8-9:00 a.m. in Everett.) Put it on your calendar. Plan to make a difference. Call Jan Novak if you are interested. (Pastor Mike and many others from LOG are there every week.)

'Remind' Text Messages: Youth and family information is also being sent out using a text service called 'Remind'. You can sign-up with Remind by texting @ak97ba to 81010.

Questions? Call, text, or email Jan Novak.

#### **Youth/Family Events**

#### **October**

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

10-Dare 2 Share

## News From NEHLM—Haiti Updates (Sept. 4 & 24, 2020)

September 4, 2020

Greetings,

In my last call with Rev. Daniel Paul I asked how his area was after the hurricanes. He responded, "We are doing very well. We had some rain, but we had no wind at all. The trees and gardens are doing well." We may have seen some reports about flooding on their island of Hispaniola. We pray for the negatively impacted people there and in the USA, and we give thanks for Rev. Paul's ministry and others that were close by, but spared negative consequences.

Starting in August the ministry's school is in operation to complete last spring's curriculum. Rev. Paul reported, "Not everyone is able to be at school this time of year--both teachers and students. But we are working with those who are here and getting things done. In October, with the beginning of a new school year, we are expecting everyone to be back." This means obtaining supplies as well as many more decisions and preparations for social distancing and other protocols. If you

know any people in education in the USA, you likely know the amount of extra effort that is being expended. Rev. Paul said, "We are trying to address all the protocols from the government; however, we receive no support (from Haitian government) to accomplish these things." The main extra expense is construction of additional benches to spread the students out more.

The college students have been communicating with Nord Est Haiti Lutheran Mission (NEHLM). They are all progressing in their line of study. We continue to analyze and investigate the best avenue for NEHLM to walk with these young adults in this pursuit.

Bless you for being involved and wanting to keep updated with this ministry.

God's peace, Rev. Sam Wiseman **NEHLM Pastoral Adviser** 

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#### September 24, 2020

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

Rev. Paul's ever upbeat response to "How are you all doing?" was, "We are doing very well!" With a little more probing on my part, he shared that some people in the ministry are dealing with fevers (but it does not appear to be Covid) and some children have eye infections. With the beginning of the fall season we often see some fevers and eye infections in our area also.

I inquired about the low numbers I see on international websites concerning Covid in Haiti. He responded, "Those numbers may be right, or they may be off. Most people in Haiti do not go to the hospital, even if they are really sick. Record keeping is difficult." It Rev. Sam Wiseman will be interesting to see some carefully screened and studied data on the backside of

this illness several years from now.

The young adults from the ministry attending universities continue to navigate their way through their studies. NEHLM is keeping a close eye on the cost and effectiveness of supporting certain portions of educational costs for several students attending a fairly prestigious university in Santiago, Dominican Republic. Some people of NEHLM are also investigating the possibility of capable students attending a university in the USA. There would be many details to work through.

NEHLM continues to thank God for your interest in this ministry.

God's peace,

**NEHLM Pastoral Adviser** 

# SERVANTS IN GOD'S HOUSE—OCTOBER 2020

DATE	4th	11th	18th	25th
Worship Set-Up	Rahn	Novak/May	Gatterman/Beck	Rahn
Worship Take-Down	Everyone	Everyone	Everyone	Everyone
Soundboard	Jason Knapp	Jon Rasmussen	Joel Repp	Jason Knapp
Elder on Duty Communion Elders	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Scripture Reader	Elaine Repp	Jennifer Wood	Calvin Joplin	Dale Rahn
Children's Message	Gary Beck	Matt Bench	Jan Novak	Vicki Beck
Power Point	Calvin Joplin	Hayley McClellan	Mike Gatterman	Jim Repp

# **Stay Connected**

#### **Weekly Connection News Emails**

If you would like to subscribe to our weekly Connection News emails, visit the homepage on our website at <a href="https://www.lambofgod-lakestevens.org">www.lambofgod-lakestevens.org</a> and fill out the form at the bottom of the page.

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