

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,

Monday, May 17th, Billy Brath from the Lutheran Church Extension Fund visited our campus. He met with the school staff, the association board and with members of Lamb of God to talk about our future plans. With us, he began by talking about our church’s vision: Love God, love people, live like Jesus. I’m happy to say that everyone who showed up that night knew what we were about and could express what each of those statements meant. I was so confident that our people already knew that, I would have skipped that step of the process. That would have been a mistake.

It’s good to begin a process like this by reminding ourselves why we do what we do. If and when disputes begin over what we should build, we can settle them easily by asking how does that help us to love God, love people and live like Jesus?

Our next step is to get ministry plans together for church and school. It will be interesting to hear exactly what the school’s ministry plan is. For us, of course, the school is a significant part of our ministry. We will continue to explore how to connect with unchurched school families. As you are probably aware, we also have our ministry in Haiti, and the Lord’s Little Cooker Saturday mornings in Everett, as well as the Pregnancy Resource Center. Small groups and Bible studies help us to live like disciples of Jesus. Before COVID interrupted we were looking into LAMP to see if their work in Canada was something we could lean into.

Since I’ve been here, we’ve looked at which ministries we should continue and which ones have run their course. One of the things I love about this church is that no one thinks “we’ve always done it this way” is an excuse to fight change.

Ministries will help inform what we need in terms of rooms, space and potential areas to grow. That helps the LCEF consultants (not so subtly named GRO) to come up with a plan to incorporate design, zoning, phases, and maybe 12 things I don’t understand. Modern

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Lamb of God Lutheran Church

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Lake Stevens, WA 98258

www.lambofgod-lakestevens.org

Office: 425-377-2173

Office Hours:

Wednesday 8:30am-12:00 pm

Sunday Morning Schedule

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

Meetings This Month

Council Meeting:

June 8th

Elders Meeting:

June 13th

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.*

www.facebook.com/lambofgodlakestevens/

www.lambofgod-lakestevens.org

Church Office Open Wednesday Mornings

Pastor Mike, Jan and Shara are currently working remotely. Please contact them directly.

Pastor Mike (314) 775-6956 or sidace99@yahoo.com

Jan (425) 418-6270 or worship@lambofgod-lakestevens.org

Shara (425) 299-1518 or secretary@lambofgod-lakestevens.org

The church office is typically open Wednesday mornings from 8:30 am-12:00 pm.

****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

Larry Aalbu (360) 568-4757

Dale Rahn (425) 422-9789

Gary Beck (541) 740-5727

Debbie Laskey (425) 319-1381

Teri Larsen (425) 356-9283

**Next month's newsletter deadline is
June 21st.

June Birthdays, Baptismal and Wedding Anniversaries

Delanie May	1	Matt Bench	24
Sarah Llerenas	2	Pat Roth	24
Logan Frederickson	3	John Laskey	25
Joel Ihrie	4	Lindsey McClellan	25
Audrey Pfiester	9	Luke McClellan	25
Julia Repp	19	Jan Aalbu	26
Larry Aalbu	20	Janice Carpenter	27
Jim Phillips	21	Rick Ihrie	27
Pam Ziemann	22	Sandy Mitchell	30

Baptismal Anniversaries

Reed Geiger	1
Mike Griffin	1
Sue Griffin	1
Delanie May	1
Rebecca Cameron	2
Emilie Dawson	15
Susie Rahn	15
Jan Aalbu	18
Dan Bartelheimer	20
Larry Aalbu	22
Ernie Frederickson	23
Hayley McClellan	23
Jessica Jennings	26
Kathleen Hines	28
Amethyst Corey	30
Trevor Hines	30

Happy Anniversary

Jon & Dana Rasmussen	6/4	John & Debbie Laskey	6/16
Dana & Julie Wolcott	6/7	Gary & Vicki Beck	6/19
Jim & Elaine Repp	6/10	Carl & Sandy Mitchell	6/20
Kirk & Rebecca Geiger	6/13	Dale & Susie Rahn	6/22



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church design can make use of spaces in ways that just weren't done a few years ago. It really feels like we are going about this the right way. Billy will be back in June to talk to each teacher and staff member individually. He's back again in July to meet with us. It's okay to get excited. I am too.

Blessings,

Pastor Mike

Community Outreach

Pregnancy Resource Center---Update!

Thank you to everyone for contributing to the Pregnancy Resource Center in Everett. Contributions totaled \$500, plus many boxes and bags of baby clothes, blankets, hats, etc. The \$500 donation from Lamb of God will be matched during May by an anonymous donor. If you missed donating money and baby items, they can always be dropped off at their location Monday-Thursday from 10:00 am-4:00 pm. Thank you for your support of this effort!

Lord's Little Cooker: Men's and Women's clothing needed!—Especially blankets and winter coats! Please leave donated items by the back table on Sunday mornings

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.

Youth/Family Events

June

12—LoG Play90 1:00-2:30 pm

13—Graduate Recognition

15—LoG Play90 6:30-8:00 pm

20—Father's Day

22—LoG Play 90 6:30-8:00 pm

26—Log Play 90 1:00-2:30 pm

July

4—Fourth of July

6--LoG Play 90 6:30-8:00

6-8—Golf Camp

13—LoG Play 90 6:30-8:00 pm

17—LoG Play 90 1:00-2:30 pm

26-29—Basketball Camp

26-29—Volleyball Camp

High School and College Graduates



Connor McDonald is graduating from Snohomish High School. Connor plans to attend Green River College this fall where he will pursue a degree in Aviation Technology. **Congrats Connor!**

You did it!
Congratulations



Christina Cameron graduated cum laude in March from the University of Washington, Seattle. She received her Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science & Terrestrial Resource Management. Christina is working for Seattle Tree Care in Seattle and plans to get her Arborist certification. **Congrats Christina!**

Top Ten Ways To Pray For The Class of 2021

1. Pray for clear direction and wisdom. About 80% of students in the United States end up changing their major at least once, according to the National Center for Education Statistics. Pray that they will trust in the Lord with all their heart and not depend on their own understanding. Pray that they will seek His will in all they do, and that He will show them which path to take. (Proverbs 3:5-6)
2. Pray that they will form good spiritual habits right away. For many, this will be the first time they have freedom to make decisions on their own. Pray for them about their spiritual habits, study habits, disciple and balance. Pray that they connect with a church and/or a campus ministry quickly.
3. Pray for their roommate(s) and new friendships. As students leave their high schools, many will also leave their friends behind. Pray that they will meet friends who will encourage and support them in their faith journey. Friends who will “spur them on to good works” and not “corrupt good morals”. (Hebrews 10:24,1 Corinthians 15:33)
4. Pray for their finances. Many students will have to pay for insurance, travel expenses, clothing, food, entertainment etc. Pray that they budget wisely, avoid credit card debt, and look to God to provide.
5. Pray for them as they face temptations. Whether students continue formal education or go directly into the job market, they will encounter people of all ages, backgrounds, beliefs, and worldviews. Pray for them to be an example of a Christian in what they say, in the way they live, in their love, their faith, and their purity. (1 Timothy 4:12)
6. Pray for their health and safety.
7. Pray that they will recall what they’ve learned in youth ministry. The veracity of their faith will be challenged. They need to be able to recall the sermons, the Bible studies, the conversations, and the experiences of the high school years, and stay strong.
8. Pray for their teachers, coaches, professors, and counselors. They will encounter many new people in positions of influence. Pray that those people will build into them strength of character, an ability to think, and a sense of purpose
9. Pray for their parents and siblings. College may be the first extended absence that many will experience. Pray that their family bonds remain strong, and that they continue to honor their family.
10. Pray for their witness. They will have incredible opportunities to show an unbelieving world what God is like. Pray that they are bold, confident, and willing to talk about spiritual issues with those that they befriend.

This “Top 10” is part of the two step **Adopt A Graduate** Initiative sponsored by the National Day of Prayer Task Force and interlinc:

- Identify and commit to pray for a graduate in this year’s class

Congratulations High School Graduates! On **Sunday, June 13th**, we will take time to recognize and pray for our high school graduates during our morning worship. Please continue to keep all of our young people in your prayers.

Zion Lutheran School News



To our school families, association churches and community,

Each year we share a Development and Annual Fund update in the spring and later in the fall. It's a chance for us to give thanks, share our goals and remember how fortunate we are to be a part of this community. Zion Lutheran School has been bestowed many blessings this year. We have been surrounded by the support of our school community and the undeniable love of Jesus.

Zion students returned to school last September with in-person learning, five days a week. We have been able to witness the joy the children exude as they learn and socialize with their peers. While there have been some challenges this joy is exactly why we are all here. Prayer, faithful devotion and the camaraderie of our faculty and staff continues to be a constant encouragement along with exceptional kindness and understanding from our school families.

Our school is also blessed through the generosity of others. As you may know, our Annual Fund Campaign is our school's largest fundraiser, followed by our Annual Auction. Proceeds from both the annual fund and auction supplement the school's budgetary needs above what is covered by tuition alone. Contributions to either fundraiser allows Zion to maintain competitive tuition rates with a mission focus of serving students with quality Christian education.

With your help our campus can be consistently maintained and updated. Some upcoming and planned projects include, exterior painting of our buildings, HVAC replacement, new playground equipment, a new website, technology and curriculum updates. Donations of any amount add up to make a big difference.

As of May 10th, 2021, the Annual Fund Campaign has raised \$117,916 of our \$120,000 goal! Our 32nd Annual Auction was held online last month and earned a net total of \$41,500. With sincere gratitude we thank all who faithfully support Zion Lutheran School in prayer, in service and financially. Zion will continue to make great strides and improvements that positively impact the overall student experience on our campus.

If you feel compelled or called to give, Zion would love to be considered as you choose where and how you allocate your tax deductible donations. As we move forward to the 2021-22 school year Zion has many preparations to make and projects to prioritize and tend to over the summer. If you have any questions or would like to know more about how you can help please contact Amanda Hereth in the school office.

Peace in Christ,
Amanda Hereth
Development Director

Zion Lutheran School is a registered 501 c(3) organization.
Tax Id 43-1966393

Summer Camps

Registration is now open for our summer open play and our summer camps. Space is limited so sign up online to reserve your spot. You can find more information and the sign up link by visiting www.lambofgod-lakestevens.org/summercamps

LAMB OF GOD LUTHERAN CHURCH PRESENTS

LoG PLAY 90 *summer*

Join us for Weekly Open Play (90 minutes)

Saturdays 1:00-2:30 pm & Tuesdays 6:30-8:00 PM

Students Entering Grades 3rd-8th

Zion Lutheran School Field or Blacktop

Cost: Free

Sign-up Online at www.lambofgod-lakestevens.org.
Space is limited to 20 students per session. Sign in/Sign out will be required. Waiver/emergency contact form must be on file to participate.



COME PLAY & HAVE FUN!

90 minutes of outdoor game and play. Kids will help decide the games for the day. Parents may drop off or stay and play.



For more information, visit
WWW.LAMBOFGOD-LAKESTEVENS.ORG

LAMB OF GOD LUTHERAN CHURCH
SUMMER CAMPS PRESENTS

GOLF CAMP



JULY 6-8, 2021
1:00-3:00 PM TUESDAY/WEDNESDAY
1:00-4:00 PM THURSDAY
GRADES 3-8

Cost: \$15 (payable on the first day)
Space is limited to 12 campers
Lamb of God Lutheran Church
3923 103rd AVE SE
Lake Stevens, WA 98258
For more information and to register, please visit:
www.lambofgod-lakestevens.org/summercamps

LAMB OF GOD LUTHERAN CHURCH PRESENTS

BASKETBALL CAMP

JULY 26-29 9:00-11:30 AM

Zion Lutheran School Gym

Grades 3-9
Cost: \$25

For More Information or to Register, visit
www.lambofgod-lakestevens.org/summercamps

LAMB OF GOD LUTHERAN CHURCH
PRESENTS

VOLLEYBALL CAMP

July 26-29 1:00-3:30 pm
Zion Lutheran School Gym



GRADES 3RD-9TH
COST: \$25

For more information or to register, visit
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News From NEHLM—Haiti Updates (May 6 & 14, 2021)

May 6, 2021

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

On my recent phone call with Rev. Paul, we discussed several details of a trip that three other participants and I have planned to visit the ministry May 18-25th. One issue is that the Sunday I will be there is Pentecost. I inquired if there was anything unique that I should be aware of as Rev. Paul has me scheduled to preach the Sunday sermon and also give a message to the school on Monday morning. He responded, "Present the Bible story of the Holy Spirit being with the people enabling them to share the Gospel." I responded, "OK, something like 'Sentespri vini oubyen a rive Ayitit' (The Holy Spirit comes or has come to Haiti)." There was a pause with Rev. Paul

trying to understand what I was attempting to say in Creole; then he responded, "Yes, that would be very good." It is nice to have encouragement as I struggle on trying to speak Haitian Creole.

Rev. Paul did report that there is some political unrest in the Port au Prince area. That is in southwestern Haiti while our ministry is in the northeast (nord est) corner of Haiti. I am thankful for the relative peace and quiet compared to Port au Prince.

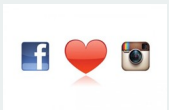
Rev. Paul reported the gardens are doing well but would benefit from some good rain. This is their rainy season. We pray for their continual efforts to be thrifty with the resources they have.

God's peace,
Rev. Sam Wiseman

Rev Paul shared a recent photo of a new agriculture pursuit. May 1st was Haiti's Agriculture and Labor day. Daniel started working on digging a fish pond. The young men are helping with the process of digging the pond.



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May 14, 2021

Greetings in the name of the Ascended Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

A blessed Ascension Day to you. Yesterday was the fortieth day after Jesus rose from the dead. We remember that on this day He ascended into heaven, having completed a "full earthly experience" of His resurrection. Consider all the forties in the Bible as they deal with a "full earthly experience." People who like to note Biblical numbers identify the complete number of ten multiplied by the earthly number of four (four legged animals, four directions of the earth, etc.).

In my recent conversation with Rev. Paul, we both expressed the excitement of three other dear souls and myself visiting them next week. I

have run into a couple more "hurdles" as I navigate international travel with the additional regulations. Regardless, it is worth the effort to maintain and enrich our relationship as we are able to share in person.

The new project that is being pursued is a fish pond. We received some pictures of the young men using shovels to dig this pond; they definitely have strong muscles on their sturdy shoulders and backs. This project has potential as a further source of protein (needed for those strong muscles).

Lord willing, I will be sharing with you about the mission trip in early June.

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

SERVANTS IN GOD'S HOUSE—JUNE 2021

DATE	6th	13th	20th	27th
Worship Set-Up	Gatterman/Beck	Rahn	Novak/May	Gatterman/Beck
Worship Take-Down	Everyone	Everyone	Everyone	Everyone
Soundboard	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Elder on Duty Communion Elders	Gary Beck	Dale Rahn	Debbie Laskey	Teri Larsen
Scripture Reader	Larry Aalbu	Elaine Repp	Debbie Laskey	Jennifer Wood
Children's Message	Jan Novak	Mike May	Matt Bench	Gary Beck
Altar Guild	Christine Pfister	Heather Stahl	Heidi Llerenas	Hayley McClellan
Power Point	Shara Knapp	Mike Gatterman	Calvin Joplin	Hayley McClellan

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 www.lambofgod-lakestevens.org and fill out the form at the bottom of the page.

Sunday Servants Wanted!

We are in need of additional people to help with set-up and soundboard. If you are interested in learning more about either of those positions, please contact the church office,

Lamb of God Lutheran Church

LOVE GOD, LOVE PEOPLE, LIVE LIKE JESUS

Join Us for Worship at 10:15 am

Lamb of God Lutheran Church

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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