

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,

When I first came to Lamb of God, I have to admit I thought the school looked pretty run down. Since then, the campus has gotten a fresh coat of paint, refurbished bathrooms, remodeled front offices and most recently, a new floor in the gym. I told Principal Peter Martin that he needed to have someone in charge of maintaining the campus not only to keep it new (good stewardship) but so that people who contributed to the projects would be willing to keep investing. I said it enough to be annoying.

He took my advice and as some of you are aware, Tina met with us several times to lay out all the things we couldn't do on the floors. I have to admit, I wasn't thinking of having someone enforce the rules on us, or more importantly, on me. I was thinking of all the other people who needed to be supervised. Isn't that how we think of everything?

I am amazed at all the bad drivers on the road, but if I do something stupid or dangerous, I write it off as an exception. I take exception to things people say about me, but overlook times I might step on the toes of others. I remember hearing that over 90% of people consider themselves above average. I'm one of them. I think I might have a problem with my self-image.

In 1 Timothy 1:16 Paul writes, “But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me, the worst of sinners, Christ Jesus might display his immense patience as an example for those who would believe in him and receive eternal life.” Paul isn't speaking in hyperbole; he believes what he says. He looks unflinchingly at what he did against the church before his encounter with Jesus. He doesn't make excuses or sugar-coat it. In fact, he leverages it to show how great God's grace is.

Sometimes we think so highly of ourselves it seems like Jesus came to Earth to give us a little boost. That attitude loses sight of how far we were from God, how great our need was for a savior, and how truly amazing God's love and grace are.

Failing to take an honest look at ourselves every now and then will annoy the people around us, but more importantly, it will undermine our relationship with God. We don't need to wallow in misery. That's not why Jesus did what He did. But we need to recognize our need was real. Our situation was dire. Our future was hopeless. But our savior was bigger than any of that.

Blessings,

Pastor Mike



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Lamb of God Lutheran Church

3923 103rd AVE SE

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:

August 13th (following worship)

Elders Meeting:

August 27th (following worship)

Worship Services are In-Person and Online!

**Join us for in-person worship on Sundays at 10:15 am. We will continue to stream to Facebook LIVE.*

www.facebook.com/lambofgodlakestevens/

www.lambofgod-lakestevens.org

Church Office Hours

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 Tuesdays 9:00-11:30 am & Wednesdays/Thursdays 9:00 am-3:00 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:

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**

August 21st

August Birthdays, Baptismal and Wedding Anniversaries

Happy Birthday!

Katherine Geiger	2
Lori May	14
Ben Pfister	14
Heidi Llerenas	19

Baptismal Anniversaries

Kiera Leaf	14
Audrey Pfister	14
Katherine Geiger	15
DuWayne Brave	19
Heather Grover	21
Heidi Llerenas	21

Happy Anniversary

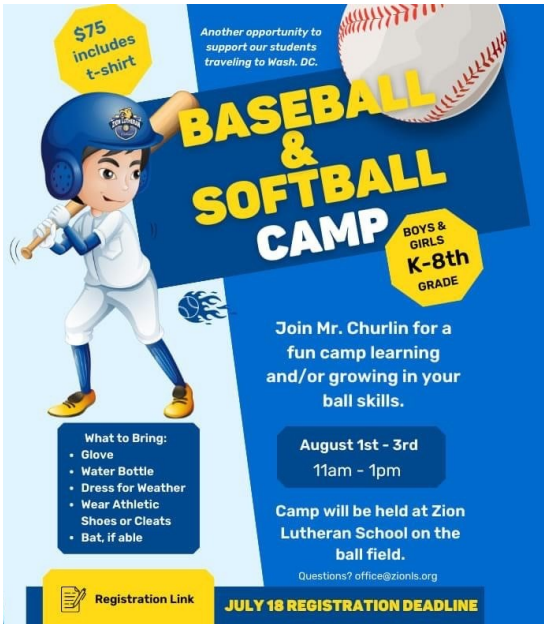
Clay & Jennifer Wood	8/2	Tyler & Jennifer Hayter	8/21
DuWayne & Carrie Brave	8/10	Steve & Chris Dalton	8/24
Mark & Joelle Cameron	8/12	Miguel & Heidi Llerenas	8/24
Brian & Kelly McDonald	8/17	Joel & Julia Repp	8/25
Logan & Abbey Frederickson	8/20		



ZLS News

Zion Lutheran School Baseball & Softball Camp—August 1-3 & Family Movie Night—August 12th

ZLS students traveling to Washington, D.C. next spring are hosting several fundraiser opportunities. Register for baseball & softball camp by July 18th if interested in participating. For more information, please contact the school office at office@zionls.org.



BASEBALL & SOFTBALL CAMP

BOYS & GIRLS
K-8th GRADE

Join Mr. Churlin for a fun camp learning and/or growing in your ball skills.

August 1st - 3rd
11am - 1pm

Camp will be held at Zion Lutheran School on the ball field.

Questions? office@zionls.org

What to Bring:

- Glove
- Water Bottle
- Dress for Weather
- Wear Athletic Shoes or Cleats
- Bat, if able

Registration Link **JULY 18 REGISTRATION DEADLINE**



You're Invited To

Family Movie Night
Under the Stars

Admission DONATION
proceeds support students traveling to DC

Featured Movie
LYLE, LYLE, CROCODILE
rated PG

Saturday, August 12th
8:30pm Sunset Showtime
at Zion Lutheran School
Campus will open at 8:00pm

Popcorn & Shaved Ice available for purchase
Bring chairs, blankets, and snacks.

Youth/Family Events

August

1-3—ZLS Baseball & Softball Camp

12—ZLS Family Movie Night @ 8:30 pm

September

4—Labor Day

10—Rally Sunday

Baby Shower—August 13th



Ladies, you are invited to a baby shower for Rilee Henderson. **Sunday, August 13th** after worship at Lori May's home.

Please come for a light lunch and cake to celebrate, God's gift, baby boy Henderson. Rilee's due date is September 16th.

Rilee's baby registry can be found [here](#).

Please RSVP by August 10th text or call- Teri 425-356-9283

Lori's address:
6811 110th AVE NE
Lake Steven's, WA 98258

Zion Lutheran Church Garage Sale—August 18 & 19

Zion Lutheran Church Annual Garage Sale.

Location: Parish Hall 330 Union Ave Snohomish

When: Friday & Saturday, August 18 & 19th 9:00 am-4:00 pm

Donations for Zion's garage sale may be dropped off at the Parish Hall:

- During office hours from 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Monday – Thursday beginning August

14th through August 17th.

- During the evenings from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 15th, and on Wednesday, August 16th.

Contact Rosemary Randall at 360-568-8107, Paula Lauterbach at 425-238-6304, or Tam Anderson at 206-412-0483 if other times are needed.

News From NEHLM—Haiti Updates (July 2 & 13, 2023)

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lambofgodlakestevens](https://www.facebook.com/lambofgodlakestevens)

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July 2, 2023

Greetings,

I am sending out a request for letters to the child you are sponsoring or a more general letter to students of the school if you are sponsoring education. NEHLM President Ernie Frederickson and I are planning to go to Santiago, Dominican Republic, to meet with Reverend Daniel Paul and Reverend Yves Thelemarque; we are hoping to leave about August 8th. We would like to take your letters at that time. The children and students have been asked to write letters to sponsors, which we will strive to get to you after our return, Lord willing.

I am disappointed that I won't be going to the ministry, but the travel warning is "red--do not travel" for Haiti, which it has been since 2021. Please continue to pray for stability for that country. Thank you. We are arranging to have our meeting with the Haitian leaders at the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod's (LCMS) Latin American Seminary and Regional Head-

quarters. It is important to maintain relationships as we serve in this ministry. The letters we take to the children will be greatly appreciated, and I receive a lot of positive feedback from sponsors as well when they have direct communication with the child. Blessings to all.

I have attached some pictures of food recently distributed to church members and ministry workers. This food was provided through LCMS support because of the intense inflation the country has been dealing with for a couple years. Rev. Paul commented, "Over one hundred people were able to take home some food. There was rice, beans, oil, noodles, spaghetti, tomato sauce, and more." I said, "Yes, I saw chickens in some of their hands." He responded, "Yes, but not everyone was able to get a chicken. Those who did were very happy to have it."

God's peace,

Rev. Sam Wiseman

NEHLM Pastoral Adviser

July 13, 2023

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

When I talked with Rev. Paul recently, they had an opportunity to drill a well for a 60% discount. The desire for safe well water is a constant concern for many Haitians. Nord Est Haiti Lutheran Mission (NEHLM) is pleased to be able to support this endeavor which will benefit many people.

NEHLM President Ernie Frederickson and I are preparing to visit with Rev. Paul and Rev. Thelemarque in August. Lutheran Heritage Foundation contacted me concerning getting hymnals to Haiti for a clinic they are working on. I shared that I was going and would like to take some of their French and Haitian Creole Luther's Small Catechisms, evangelical booklets, and children's books. They immediately sent me about 40 pounds of books. It is great to have this organization provide these materials. The school issues a Small Catechism to

every student in one of the classes. May this solid teaching of foundational Christianity continue to enrich and impact people around the world. (Reminder: we will be taking cards and letters to the children. We encourage sponsors of children or school to send letters, and we hope to return with some to distribute to you. You may send them to--NEHLM c/o Faith Lutheran Church 104 S. 12th Street La Grande, OR 97850.)

Rev. Paul reported that the Central Plateau, North Haiti, and Nord Est Haiti are not dealing with gang problems. We desire this stabilization to continue so we can return to having mission teams visit.

God's peace,

Rev. Sam Wiseman

NEHLM Pastoral Adviser

SERVANTS IN GOD'S HOUSE—AUGUST 2023

DATE	6th	13th	20th	27th
Worship Set-Up	Novak/May	Beck	Rahn	Novak/May
Worship Take-Down	Everyone	Everyone	Everyone	Everyone
Soundboard	Jason Knapp	Phil Bates	Ruben Alanis	Jason Knapp
Elder on Duty Communion Elders	Dale Rahn	Gary Beck	Debbie Laskey	Larry Aalbu
Greeter	Geiger Larsen	Frederickson	Murray Larsen	Aalbu Hines
Scripture Reader	Calvin Joplin	Jennifer Wood	Elaine Repp	Dale Rahn
Children's Message	Delanie May	Brock Wolitarsky	Jan Novak	Mike May
Altar Guild	Joelle Cameron	Hayley McClellan	Christine Pfister	Heather Stahl
Power Point	Hayley McClellan	Jim Repp	Calvin Joplin	Kjell Larsen



SERVANTS IN GOD'S HOUSE—SEPTEMBER 2023

DATE	3rd	10th	17th	24th
Worship Set-Up	Beck	Rahn	Novak/May	Beck
Worship Take-Down	Everyone	Everyone	Everyone	Everyone
Soundboard	Phil Bates	Ruben Alanis	Jason Knapp	Phil Bates
Elder on Duty Communion Elders	Gary Beck	Teri Larsen	Dale Rahn	Gary Beck
Greeter	Rahn	Pfiester McClellan	Geiger Larsen	Frederickson
Scripture Reader	Larry Aalbu	Calvin Joplin	Jennifer Wood	Elaine Repp
Children's Message	Vicki Beck	Gary Beck	Matt Bench	Jennifer Wood
Altar Guild	Heidi Llerenas	Joelle Cameron	Hayley McClellan	Christine Pfiester
Power Point	Hayley McClellan	Jim Repp	Calvin Joplin	Kjell Larsen

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.

Community Outreach

Lord's Little Cooker: Men's and Women's clothing needed! 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. **New Location: Bethel Baptist Church 2625 Hoyt Avenue**

August 2023

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		1	2	3	4	5 Lord's Little Cooker 7:45 am
6 10:15 am Worship	7 Office Closed	8	9	10	11	12 Lord's Little Cooker 7:45 am
13 10:15 am Worship	14 Office Closed	15	16	17	18	19 Lord's Little Cooker 7:45 am
20 10:15 am Worship	21 Office Closed	22	23	24	25	26 Lord's Little Cooker 7:45 am
27 10:15 am Worship	28 Office Closed	29	30	31		

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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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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