

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 don't really preach by the church calendar anymore. I stuck with it for the first three years I was in ministry, but it wasn't for me. One of the things I struggled with was some of the recurring days. Christmas and Easter are obviously not an issue for me, but I didn't really want to preach about the Trinity every year. In fact, I'm still not sure the Trinity is a great subject for a sermon.

The Trinity is a really tricky topic. Chances are, if you ever had it explained to you in a bible class they used a model that's actually some kind of heresy. Three forms of water: liquid, ice and vapor? That's actually modalism. The shamrock? Unitarianism. The skin, meat and core of an apple? Tritheism, I think.

Church fathers used to teach that the Father is God, the Son is God and the Spirit is God. The Father is not the Son, the Son is not the Spirit and the Spirit is not the Father. But there is only one God. I think that's about as true as we can get without saying something that would get you burned a thousand years ago (or less). The very best explanation I think I've ever heard doesn't really explain the trinity at all. It goes something like this:

Imagine you are a 2-dimensional being, sort of like a sheet of paper. If a 3-dimensional object, like a basketball, were to pass through your world, you could only experience it in two dimensions, like a circle. You could move all around it, study it, even make sketches, but you would never be able to perceive it as a sphere because you just don't have the context. The Trinity is a bit like that. God is somehow three and one at the same time. I don't have the capacity to comprehend that.

Fortunately, we aren't called to comprehend God. We are invited into a relationship with Him. We won't know Him fully this side of eternity, but He's revealed important things to us. He made you. Psalm 139 captures that beautifully. He's powerful enough to have created this universe out of nothing. He continually seeks to have a relationship with you. Jesus' actions and command to His disciples make that clear. He gave His life for yours so you would know the depth of His love for you. If you could only know one thing about someone, that's a great thing to know. If you're having trouble wrapping your head around the triune God, don't let it keep you awake at night.

Blessings,
Pastor Mike



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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,
(425) 418-6270

worship@lambofgod-lakestevens.org

Meetings This Month

Council Meeting:

February 11th (following worship)

Elders Meeting:

February 25 (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.*

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Church Office Hours

The church office is typically open Tuesdays 9-11:30 am & Wednesdays/Thursdays 9:00am-3:00 pm. Pastor Mike, Jan and Shara can be reached anytime by contacting them directly via phone, text, or email.

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

****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
March 22nd

March Birthdays, Baptismal and Wedding Anniversaries

Ernie Frederickson	21
DuWayne Brave	22
Jim Repp	23

Baptismal Anniversaries

Shara Knapp	5
Dale Rahn	5
Annie Stogin	6
Dylan Knapp	12
Jennifer Wood	16
Natalie Hansen	22

Happy Anniversary

Jeff & Hayley McClellan 3/15





Join us for Soup Supper
on Maundy Thursday @
6:00 pm!

Youth/Family Events

March

1—Pickleball @ 7:00 pm
15—Pickleball @ 7:00 pm
24—Palm Sunday
28—Maundy Thursday Ser-
vie @ 7:00 pm
Soup Supper @ 6:00 pm
29—Good Friday Service
31—Easter Sunday
Celebration Service
@ 10:15 am
Easter Egg Hunt (following
worship)

April

1-5—Spring Break
19—Pickleball @ 7:00 pm
27—ZLS Auction
27-28 Middle School Youth
Gathering

Portals of Prayer

The April-June edition of *Portals of Prayer* is now available. Copies can be found on the back table on Sunday mornings.

Zion Lutheran School News

Zion Lutheran School 35th Annual Auction

Saturday, April 27th

At Thomas Family Farm

9010 Marsh RD Snohomish

Reservations

\$70 per guest

Please see our Sponsorship page to host a
table

Salmon & Short Rib Dinner

Presented by Trails End Catering

Doors open | 4:30

Silent Auction Opens | 4:30

Silent Auction Closes | 6:00

Dinner & Live Auction | 6:30 - 9:30

All are welcome (18+ please)

Please invite your friends & family!

Please RSVP no later than April 19th

For more information visit:

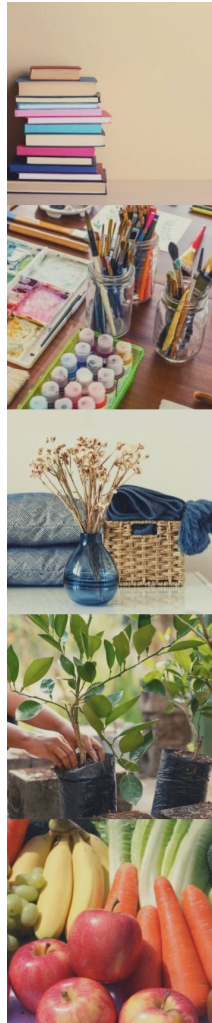
www.zionlsauction.com

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lakestevens.org](http://www.lambofgod-lakestevens.org) and fill out
the form at the bottom of the
page.

2024 Church Directory

There will be copies of the 2024 Church Directory on the back table the next few Sundays. Please look to see if your family information is correct. Please correct your information or add to it on the copies and initial. We are still missing information on several people. If you are not listed and want to be included, please add your info to the back page. If you did not submit a current photo, you can email one to secretary@lambogod-lakestevens.org or text Shara at 425-299-1518. Thank you!



Do you have extra things to share with others?

SHARING TABLE

There is a sharing table by the refreshments on Sunday mornings. Brings things to share (ideas are plants, vegetables, decorations, craft items, etc.). Feel free to take items from the table. But if items are not 'adopted' by others, please take them back home after social time as there is nowhere to store items. Thanks!

LAMB OF GOD

EASTER EGG HUNT

EASTER SUNDAY
MARCH 31, 2024

EGG HUNT FOLLOWING WORSHIP
BRING YOUR BASKETS

Candy Donations

Egg Hunt candy donations can be placed on the back table on Sunday mornings or dropped off at the church office. Thank you!



PICKLEBALL *Night*



FRIDAY, MARCH 15
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

ZLS GYM
Wear non marking sole shoes or socks

More Information :
Contact Matt Bench or Gary Beck

Join us on **Friday, March 15th from 7:00-9:00 pm** in the ZLS gym for a fun night of pickleball. All equipment will be provided. Please wear non marking sole shoes. Socks will work, too. Hope to see you there! **Upcoming pickleball nights—April 19, May 3 & May 17 7:00 pm**



PSYB
MIDDLE
SCHOOL
GATHERING

**APRIL
27-28**

Camp Arnold
Eatonville, WA

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

JOHN 15:1-5
"I AM THE VINE"

News From NEHLM—Haiti Updates (February 10 & 19, 2024)

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February 1, 2024

Greetings,

We close out the Epiphany Season on February 11th with the Transfiguration (metamorphosis in the original language) of Jesus Christ. May all mankind receive the grandeur that Jesus Christ is true God who dwelt among us in the flesh. Oh, the everlasting joys of being like Moses and Elijah who were "talking with Jesus" on the Mount of Transfiguration.

Attached are some photos of the continued stewardship of the ministry's land. Rev. Paul commented that they are pleased to have the ability to irrigate some of their land which has allowed for greater and more consistent harvests. I live in an area of this world where harvests are not done this time of year due to our winter freezes. We are thankful for the people of the ministry pursuing healthy stewardship.

Sarai shared with me a video that had either firecrackers (with Mari Gras being next week) or gunfire. Sarai was concerned for her community. Rev. Paul reported, "There are

protests everywhere. What you heard was gunfire. There are political problems that continue. We are also not able to travel to Cap Haitien due to the protests." Let us pray for their challenges that continue and have increased due to political instability.

Rev. Paul reported that he would be preaching at the Baja Church plant on Epiphany; he said he is there every second Sunday of the month. The Ouanaminthe Service will be led by Rev. Pepe Servius, who is one of three pastors that have been ordained in the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Haiti (in altar and pulpit fellowship with the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod).

A blessed Epiphany and reflective Ash Wednesday to you,
Rev. Sam Wiseman
NEHLM Pastoral Adviser

February 19, 2024

Greetings,

The Nord Est Haiti Lutheran Mission Board met yesterday. We thank God in remembrance of all the wonderful people who pray for, stay involved with, and support this ministry. We are delighted to see that people are foremost receiving God's Word and grace, along with people being fed, educated, and cared for in many ways in a country that is struggling with turmoil. Blessing to you. We are thankful.

When I asked Rev. Daniel Paul recently about the political situation in Haiti he responded, "Life is very difficult. People are talking about revolution. They are tired, very tired from all that has been going on." (30-40% inflation, road blocks due to protests, gangs causing problems, to name a few conditions of a country without a government operating). He went on to explain; "Many people have

guns or are getting guns. Some have called for Haiti to be a 'Disaster Area.' But yes, we will continue to Keruxon ton Logon (Greek for "Preach the Word").

I have attached two photos of a Christian youth gathering for Nord Est (northeast) Haiti. Last year the youth traveled to join with youth on the Central Plateau in Haiti, yet with road blocks, that travel was not possible. So the ministry had their own Youth Gathering. Rev. Paul knew of the Baja community's lack of potable water, so they used a big truck from which the whole Baja community was able to get clean water.

God's peace,
Rev. Samuel Wiseman
NEHLM Pastoral Adviser
www.nehlm.org

SERVANTS IN GOD'S HOUSE—MARCH 2024

	3rd	10th	17th	24th	31st
Worship Set-Up	Novak/May	Beck	Rahn	Novak/May	Beck
Worship Take-Down	Everyone	Everyone	Everyone	Everyone	Everyone
Soundboard	Jason Knapp	Phil Bates	Ruben Alanis	Jason Knapp	Phil Bates
Elder on Duty Communion Elders	Gary Beck	Debbie Laskey	Larry Aalbu	Gary Beck	Teri Larsen
Greeter	Murray Larsen	Aalbu Hines	Pfiester McClellan	Geiger Larsen	Frederickson Rahn
Scripture Reader	Jennifer Wood	Debbie Laskey	Dale Rahn	Larry Aalbu	Jennifer Wood
Children's Message	Jan Novak	Vicki Beck	Brock Wolitarsky	Delanie May	Matt Bench
Altar Guild	Christine Pfiester	Heather Stahl	Joelle Cameron	Hayley McClellan	Heidi Llerenas
Power Point	Hayley McClellan	Calvin Joplin	Kjell Larsen	Hayley McClellan	Calvin Joplin



SERVANTS IN GOD'S HOUSE—APRIL 2024

	7th	14th	21st	28th
Worship Set-Up	Rahn	Novak/May	Beck	Rahn
Worship Take-Down	Everyone	Everyone	Everyone	Everyone
Soundboard	Ruben Alanis	Jason Knapp	Phil Bates	Ruben Alanis
Elder on Duty Communion Elders	Dale Rahn	Gary Beck	Debbie Laskey	Larry Aalbu
Greeter	Murray Larsen	Aalbu Hines	Pfiester McClellan	Geiger Larsen
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Power Point	Kjell Larsen	Hayley McClellan	Calvin Joplin	Kjell Larsen

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**

March 2024

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						1 Pickleball 7:00-9:00 pm	2 Lord's Little Cooker 7:45 am
3 9:00 am Family Ed 10:15 am Worship with communion	4 Office Closed	5	6	7	8	9 Lord's Little Cooker 7:45 am	
10 9:00 am Family Ed 10:15 am Worship	11 Office Closed	12	13	14	15 Pickleball 7:00-9:00 pm	16 Lord's Little Cooker 7:45 am	
17 9:00 am Family Ed 10:15 am Worship With communion	18 Office Closed	19	20	21	22	23 Lord's Little Cooker 7:45 am	
24 Palm Sunday 9:00 am Family Ed 10:15 am Worship	25 Office Closed	26	27	28 Maundy Thursday Worship @ 7:00 pm/Soup Supper @ 6:00 pm	29 Good Friday Worship @ 7:00 pm	30 Lord's Little Cooker 7:45 am	
31 Easter Celebration Service 10:15 am							

Lamb of God Lutheran Church

LOVE GOD, LOVE PEOPLE, LIVE LIKE JESUS

Join Us for Worship at 10:15 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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