

NEWSLETTER

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June 2014 A.D. – THOUGHTS FROM THE PASTOR

As we begin the month of June, we are still in the Easter Season of the church year. Therefore, we rejoice that Christ is risen! He is risen indeed -- hallelujah!!

The apostle Paul, moved by the Holy Spirit, wrote to the Thessalonians: "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." [1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 ESV] These words came to mind in connection with our brothers and sisters in Christ at Mt. Zion Lutheran Church who had a fire in the early morning hours of May 7th.

In speaking with their pastors and a couple of their members, I can tell you that they are fine examples of doing just what the Lord encourages all His disciples to do in all circumstances. They used the word "blessed" in rejoicing that the church building itself was saved and no one was hurt, in praying for the Lord's guidance as they move forward, and in giving thanks that their old parsonage is available for their worship. Let us continue to pray for them as they move forward in faith.

St. Timothy hasn't had a fire recently, but we do have a number of circumstances (challenges) that we face as a congregation, such as ______ (you fill in the blank). Never-the-less, they call for us to "rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for [us]" even if that may seem difficult for us to do.

It's easy for the joy that we have in Jesus to get over-shadowed by the many things that are happening in our lives and in the life of the congregation. But there is absolutely nothing, nothing, nothing that can separate you and me for the love of God for us in Christ Jesus. Therefore, we can rejoice in the Lord always; we can rejoice in the hope that is ours through Jesus.

It may become difficult, too, to give thanks in all situations. But the circumstances we face as a congregation do not change the fact that Christ died for us on the cross, that forgiveness is ours through faith in Jesus, that eternal life awaits us, that Jesus is always with us. Therefore, we can give thanks to God in all circumstances for what God has done for us and what we receive from Him each day.

You and I are also strongly encouraged to "Pray constantly". Our big problem is that so often we reserve prayer as a kind of last resort -- when all else fails, then we pray. Prayer, though, is the Christian's lifeline. We have direct, 24 hour, 7 days a week, 52 weeks a year, access to the throne of God. When you and I pray, God the Father Himself is listening. Jesus Himself said as recorded in Luke 18: "Always pray, so that you don't lose heart". How easy it can be to lose heart, to give up, simply because our line of communication with our Lord isn't used as it ought to be by us.

Let's press on in faith by rejoicing always, praying constantly, and giving thanks in all situations. Remember, this is God's will for us in Christ Jesus. The peace of God will guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. May the love of the Lord Jesus always be in your heart!

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<u>Ukrainian Slavic Gospel Church has moved</u>

For over 9 years this body of believers met in our church facilities, typically Sunday afternoons for worship and during the week once or twice for fellowship and/or midweek service.

Slava Desyatnik, their spokesman, conveyed to us these words: "We thank you very much for your open heart, patience, respect and much more that we received from you, our Brothers and Sisters at Saint Timothy Lutheran Church. Also, we want to thank you for allowing us to use your facilities as place of worship for last 9+ years."

Friday, April 25th, 2014 was their last meeting at our facilities and 4 members from Saint Timothy, Bea Zaske, Karl & Patricia Simon and their daughter Beatrice, came and joined them at their prayer meeting. It was a loving fellowship and their pastor also expressed thanks and appreciation of being at Saint Timothy Lutheran Church and returning the keys to us. We thanked them and our God to be able to host them all these years.

The Ukrainian Slavic Gospel Church has merged with another Ukrainian Church called SKINIA and now meets in downtown Everett. We are always welcome to visit with them. Their address is:

2125 Colby Avenue Everett, WA 98201

FELLOWSHIP NEWS

BIBLE STUDIES AT ST. TIMOTHY

Sunday Morning at 9:00 a.m. – Studying the book of Genesis, led by Pastor Flath.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study -

Please come join us weekly from 9:30 to 11:00 am for Bible Study. This class is led by Pastor Flath, and will continue the study of the New Testament book of Acts. Both men and women are invited to dig deeper into the Word of God with their brothers and sisters in Christ.



TALK RADIO FOR THE EASTER SEASON...

You can listen to teachings on: Is Easter a Pagan Holiday?, The Resurrection According to John's Gospel, The Easter Hymn "Christians to the Paschal Victim," Biblical Themes During the Easter Season and more. Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can listen to what you want when you want at www.issuesetc.org.

St. Timothy Prayer Team



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Pastor Flath C: (425) 210-1795

Telephone Patsy Simon to begin the prayer.

Contact any member of the Prayer Team to request prayer support - confidentially or to one member of the team. No need is too small or answered prayer too little, to neglect to mention it to our Heavenly Father.

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer." Romans 12:12

REFORMATION RUSH HOUR:

Have you listened yet on your Lutheran Radio Station Worldwide KFUO? *Reformation Rush Hour* is an all new program discussing religious news items, what's going on around the various organizations and districts of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, a little church history, a segment that host Rev. Donofrio calls "Lutheran on Purpose" in which you will hear stories from people around the world who converted to Lutheranism from other churches and religions, and much, much more. Weekdays at 5 pm CST (3 pm PST)! Follow us on:

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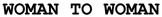
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THE LUTHERAN HOUR

Sundays

6:30 a.m. -880 KIXI AM > 7:00 a.m. - 1380 KRKO AM

9:30 a.m. - 1180 KLAY AM



With Phyllis Wallace 7:15 a.m.- KONP 1450 AM

Port Angeles



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OUR CHURCH NEWSLETTER IS ONLINE

The St. Timothy monthly newsletter and calendar is available online! To catch up on current news, events, and see what we have scheduled in this month's calendar, please visit:

www.sainttimothylutheran.net

Let us know if you prefer to read your St.
Timothy news online, and we will print one
less copy – email us at:
stlc_office@frontier.com

JULY NEWSLETTER

Newsletter Articles and Calendar information need to be submitted by

Tuesday, June 17th, 2014!

Please have all info printed or handwritten and place in the *NEWSLETTER* mailbox, *OR* sent via e-mail to Nicole Skrede at skredenm@gmail.com.

Please let us know if we have missed your birthday or anniversary on the calendar.

Thanks! ©

LADIES GUILD NEWS



SERVE THE LORD
WITH GLADNESS

Psalm 100:2

are collected on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please bring yours on *June 22nd*, and it will be collected during the church service when you come up for communion.

The Ladies Guild purpose is to provide the women of St. Timothy Lutheran Church the opportunity to increase their knowledge of our Savior, and to benefit from fellowship and service to the Lord.

MISSION POST FOR June:

LOOKING AHEAD:

- -- November 1st is time for the bazaar. It is not too early to start making items for the November Bazaar. The bazaar has enabled us over the years to purchase things for the church.
- -- The **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER PARTY** is scheduled for December 6th at noon!

THANK YOUS

STLC:

Thank you for the flowers and the card of appreciation, signed by many of you. I was always happy to play for you in worship. Thank you for that opportunity!

"The Lord hath helped me hither to..." (1 Sam. 7.12, TLH 33).

You, also!

Dona Hoffman

...Sending you beauty, joy, and peace from God.

June

GOOD & FAITHFUL SERVANTS

~ June 2014 ~

USHERS:

June 1st Lenn Gorsuch

Doug Spaulding

June 8th Charlie Stewart

Willie Whitfield

Communion - Doug Spaulding

June 15th Karl Simon

Steve Kennedy

June 22nd Gary Eneberg

Lenn Gorsuch

Communion - Doug Spaulding

June 29th **Doug Spaulding**

Karl Simon

LECTORS: June 1st Grace Hundtoft

June 8th Charlie Stewart

June 15th Mel Suelzle

June 22nd Edna Watters

June 29th Linda Gorsuch

GREETERS: June 1st Linda Gorsuch

June 8th Mary Stewart

June 15th Ruth Walker

June 22nd Carol Hauge

June 29th Shirley Howell



COFFEE HOSTS



Any member or groups are invited to host coffee hour after the worship service on Sundays. A sign up sheet is in the narthex on the small bulletin board at the media center. Hosts volunteer to bring and serve: cookies, breads, and/or fruit; and clean up the fellowship hall and kitchen (coffee pot, hot water pot, dishes, any utensils that need washing and returned to their storage spaces).

COFFEE IS MADE BEFORE BIBLE CLASS

POST-A-NOTE

~ JUNE 2014 ~

June 3rd – 6:30 p.m. Elders Meeting

June 7th – 8:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast

June 10th - 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting

June 16-20th – Special Class open to all @ Messiah L.C.

June 17th – **NEWSLETTER ITEMS DUE TODAY!**

June 20-22nd – LWML District Convention - Wenatchee

June 21st - 8:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast [Green Room]

June 22nd – 11:00 a.m. Voters Meeting

June 29th – 11:00 a.m. 5th Sunday Potluck

3:00 p.m. Installation @ Epiphany L.C.

THE ELDER ON CALL FOR **JUNE IS:** Karl Simon (425) 670-3354

FLOWER CHART ~ June 2014 ~

6/1 -

6/8 – Glen Larsen

6/15 -

6/22 - Edna Watters 65th Wedding Anniversary

6/29 - Linda Gorsuch

Please consider placing flowers on the altar to the glory of our Lord and the many blessings we receive each day. Sign-up Sheet is on the "Service" Bulletin Board in the Narthex.