

# NEWSLETTER

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## MARCH 2014 A.D. – THOUGHTS FROM THE PASTOR

Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

The Lenten season comes rather late on the 2014 calendar. Ash Wednesday (the first day of Lent) is March 5<sup>th</sup> this year. This also means that Easter will be later than usual too! Both the Western and Eastern branches of Christianity will be celebrating Easter this year on April 20<sup>th</sup>. (This celebrating together only occurs every few years because of the way in which each group calculates when Easter should be observed.) We Lutherans are part of the Western branch of the Christian church.

As I reviewed what we have used during our midweek Lenten services here at Saint Timothy since 2010, it occurred to me that it would be meaningful for us to consider again the words that Jesus Christ Himself spoke from the cross as He suffering, bled, and died there for us and for our salvation. We should ponder again what relevance do His words have for us in this time in the history of the world.

To help us do this, we will begin on Ash Wednesday by pondering the words spoken by God the Father then Jesus was transfigured on a high mountain before Peter, James, and John as recorded in Luke 9:35. **And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My Son, My Chosen One; listen to Him!"** [ESV] Listen to Jesus when He speaks!

During the next 5 Wednesdays and on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, we will hear "Jesus Speaking From The Cross". The schedule for our midweek services is as follows:

March 5 (Ash Wednesday) -- Luke 9:35 (see above)

March 12 -- Luke 23:34: **"Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do"**

March 19 -- Luke 23:43: **"Truly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in paradise"**

March 26 -- John 19:26-27: **"Woman, behold your son!" "Behold, your mother!"**

April 2 -- Matthew 27:46: **"My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"**

April 9 -- John 19:28: **"I thirst!"**

April 17 (Maundy Thursday) -- John 19:30: **"It is finished!"**

April 18 (Good Friday) -- Luke 23:46: **"Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit!"**

We begin the penitential season of Lent by celebrating Holy Communion during our Ash Wednesday service. All our midweek services will begin at 7:00 p.m.

With day light savings time beginning already on Sunday March 9<sup>th</sup>, we will have an extra hour of light in the evening throughout most of the Lenten season this year. Therefore, our 3 pre-service soup suppers -- which starts at 6:00 p.m. in our Fellowship Hall -- will be on March 26, April 2, and April 9 this year. Everyone is welcome to both the services and the soup suppers!

May the love of the Lord Jesus always be in your heart!

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# 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.



**Issues, Etc.**

Christ-Centered Cross-Focused Talk Radio

### TALK RADIO FOR THE CHRISTIAN WORLDVIEW...

You can listen to simple teachings for laypeople on topics like: Environmentalism's War Against Humans, The Movie "The Monuments Men," Election, The Transfiguration of Our Lord, First Century Martyr Polycarp of Smyrna 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 at your convenience at [www.issuesetc.org](http://www.issuesetc.org).

## 2 CHRONICLES 7:14 GROUP



The 2 Chronicles 7:14 Prayer Group meets each Sunday at 8:30 am.

We have a dedicated group of 4 or 5 people and wish to include as many of you as possible.

We meet to pray for the up-coming service, the Pastor and his message, others who will be serving, the Sunday School and teachers, LC-MS, all Christian churches, membership needs, or country and its government, the military, and whatever God lays on our hearts.

If you're wondering about our name, go to your Bible and read the passage of 2 Chronicles 7:14, then come a little earlier and join us in lifting our prayers to the Lord. Or let us know your prayer requests so that we may present them to the Lord for you. If you're not comfortable praying in a group, join us while we pray and add your thought to strengthen our prayers before God. We'll see you in the "Blue Room" – in prayer.

## St. Timothy Prayer Team



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Laura Washabaugh (425) 741-0517  
Kim Reinig (206) 542-8050  
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**

## ~ St. Timothy Crafters ~

The St. Timothy Crafters meet every second Saturday of the month in the Green Room for crafting.

It is a time from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. when we enjoy encouraging each other along with handwork projects. Feel free to join us, and invite a friend!



Our Next Meeting is:

**March 8<sup>th</sup>**



Contact person is:

**Patsy Simon (425) 670-3354**

# FELLOWSHIP NEWS

## NEW CHURCH SIGN

- **The new church sign** that will be going up on 52<sup>nd</sup> is scheduled to arrive on March 19<sup>th</sup>. The software to run it has already arrived. Between now and the end of March the grading along our property boundary with 52<sup>nd</sup> should be completed.
- When it is, then the base for the sign can be set, followed by the sign going up.
- More information about the timing of all this will be forthcoming in the Sunday bulletins and through announcements after the services.

## LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS

provided by Lutheran Hour Ministries will be available in the Narthex beginning on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, which is the Sunday before Lent starts on Ash Wednesday. The devotions are based on Jesus Christ's words from the cross: "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" Please consider using it during the Lenten season. Take an extra copy (or 2) and give it to a friend or a relative. May the Lord bless its use in our midst!

## 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:

[www.facebook.com/KFUORadio](http://www.facebook.com/KFUORadio).



## PIPE ORGAN RECITAL:

"Messiah Lutheran Church (7050 35<sup>th</sup> Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98115) is excited to announce the dedication of a brand new pipe organ on Sunday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> with a recital at 4 PM. Guest organist, Kantor Kevin J. Hildebrand, plays the inaugural keys for this blessed vent. Mr. Hildebrand is a graduate of Concordia University - River Forest, holds a master's degree in music and theology, and is an active composer. We hope that you'll join us for what promises to be a day of wonderful, sacred music."

# FELLOWSHIP NEWS

## ***Please Remember in Your Prayers:***

### **Our homebound members:**

Margaret Burrier; Barbara Howe;  
Suzanne Kiner

### **Health Concerns:**

Gail (Gary Eneberg's mother); Jack (Millie Molenda's husband); Margaret Burrier; Marie (Doug Spaulding's wife); Sophia (Craig & Brenda Skrede's niece); Carolyn McLaughlin; Charles Watters; Patrick (Bea Zaske's great grandson); and others among us who are ill.

### **Other Requests:**

People without faith in Jesus Christ, for those who are discouraged; those who need a living faith for Jesus; and for outreach into our community.

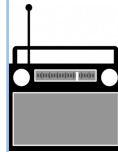
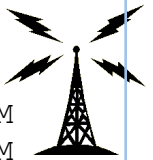
## **LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES**

Listen to:

### **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



### **WOMAN TO WOMAN**

With Phyllis Wallace

7:15 a.m. - KONP 1450 AM  
Port Angeles

## **CAMPBELL'S SOUP LABELS**

**Please save the UPC bar codes on Campbell products for Good Shepherd Homes. Carefully cut the labels so barcode and points are intact, for they will not accept damaged labels. Place all UPCs in the box on the counter in the Narthex.**

**Visit Campbell's web site for an updated list of eligible products**  
[www.labelsforeducation.com](http://www.labelsforeducation.com)

## **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.sainttimothy.lutheran.net](http://www.sainttimothy.lutheran.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](mailto:stlc_office@frontier.com)

## **APRIL NEWSLETTER**

Newsletter Articles and Calendar information need to be submitted by

**Tuesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 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](mailto:skredenm@gmail.com).

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

Thanks! ☺



# LADIES GUILD NEWS

## *Ladies' Guild Meetings*

Meetings are held every third Tuesday of the month. Our next one will be on March 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.



**SERVE THE LORD  
WITH GLADNESS**

Psalm 100:2

## FEBRUARY MISSION POST

“Meal in a Bag” – During LENT we want to collect ingredients for a complete meal (breakfast, lunch, or dinner – or all three!) for 4-6 people. See suggestions on the Mission Post in the Narthex.

Please place all donations in the Mission Post Basket. Thanks!

- Pat Jones

**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.

**LWML MISSION MITES** are collected on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please bring yours on *March 23<sup>rd</sup>*, and it will be collected during the church service when you come up for communion.



## YOU KNOW YOU'RE A LUTHERAN WHEN...

FMC member Rev. David M. Wade of St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church, Santa Anna, CA, reports that the following list by an unknown author or authors was passed out to everyone at a recent gathering of the Lutheran Bible Institute of California:

*You know you're a Lutheran when...*

- You think a meeting isn't legitimate unless it's at least three hours long.
- You make change in the offering place for a ten.
- You freeze leftover coffee from fellowship hour for next week.
- You think you are paying your pastor too much if he gets a new car for the first time in eight years.
- You hear something funny and *smile* as loud as you can.
- You're watching "Star Wars" in the movie theater, and when they say, "May the force be with you," you reply "And also with you."
- Bach is your favorite composer because he was Lutheran, too.
- You hesitate to clap for the church choir or special music because "it just wasn't done that way in the old days."
- You know all the words to the first verse of "Silent Night" in German, but can't speak a word of it.
- You think that a "mixed marriage" is a bride from the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and a groom from the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod.

*(Editor's note: This list could apply to a lot of other denominations, too.)*

**Source: The Joyful Noiseletter**

# MARCH

## IMPORTANT NEWS & DATES

### GOOD & FAITHFUL SERVANTS

~ March 2014 ~

#### USHERS:

- March 2<sup>nd</sup>** Lenn Gorsuch  
Linda Gorsuch
- March 9<sup>th</sup>** Charlie Stewart  
Willie Whitfield  
Communion – Lenn Gorsuch
- March 16<sup>th</sup>** Karl Simon  
Steve Kennedy
- March 23<sup>rd</sup>** Gary Eneberg  
Doug Spaulding  
Communion – Lenn Gorsuch
- March 30<sup>th</sup>** Doug Spaulding  
Steve Kennedy

#### LECTORS:

- March 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**March 9<sup>th</sup>** Charlie Stewart  
**March 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**March 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**March 30<sup>th</sup>**

#### GREETERS:

- March 2** – Linda Gorsuch  
**March 9** – Mary Stewart  
**March 16** – Ruth Walker  
**March 23** – Carol Hauge  
**March 30** – Carol Hauge



### 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

~ March 2014 ~

- March 1<sup>st</sup> - 8:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast [Green Room]  
March 4<sup>th</sup> – 6:30 p.m. Elder's Meeting  
March 5<sup>th</sup> – **ASH WEDNESDAY**  
7:00 p.m. Lenten Service w/ Holy Communion  
March 8<sup>th</sup> – 9:30 a.m. Crafters Meeting [Green Room]  
March 11<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting [Youth Room]  
March 12<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service  
March 13<sup>th</sup> – Evergreen State Fair Outreach Meeting  
at Zion Lutheran Church in Snohomish  
March 15<sup>th</sup> - 8:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast [Green Room]  
March 18<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 a.m. Circuit Pastor's Meeting  
March 19<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service  
March 25<sup>th</sup> - **NEWSLETTER ITEMS DUE TODAY!**  
March 26<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 p.m. Soup Supper  
7:00 p.m. Lenten Service

### THE ELDER ON CALL FOR MARCH IS:

**Lenn Gorsuch (425) 483-8770**

### FLOWER CHART

~ MARCH 2014 ~

3/2 -

3/9 -

3/16 -

3/23 -

3/30 -



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.