

# ★HAPPY★ BIRTHDAY!

Juniper Flesher	3/1
David Crawford	3/2
Hayes Journey	3/2
Joe Beers	3/3
Carolyn Mikkelborg	3/3
Karen Oster	3/4
Race Schultz	3/6
Nick Kobeski	3/14
Lydia Becker	3/15
Janean Moriarty	3/20
Piper Magnuson	3/21
Jeanette Kyster	3/26
Ben Kobeski	3/28
Kristen Crawford	3/28

## *Happy Anniversary to...*

Martin & Robyn Prehm	3/24
Hayes & Lisa Journey	3/25



**PINOCHLE**  
**Friday, March 15**  
**Hosts are Frank &**  
**Sharon Schmid and**  
**Lyn Gillet**

## MARCH 2019

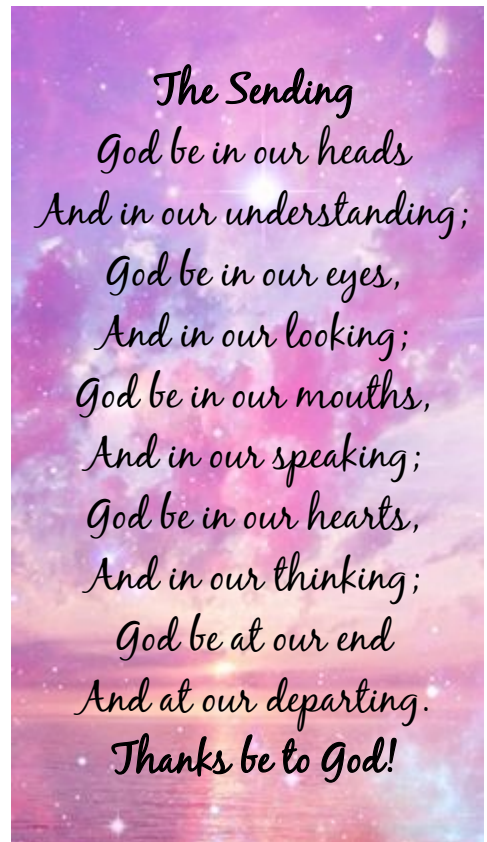
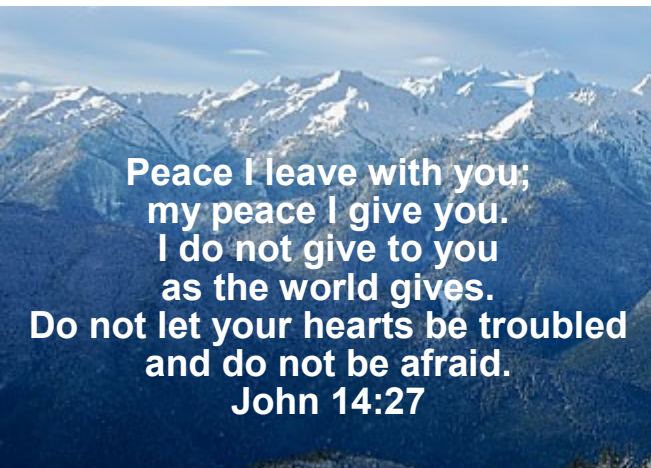
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Thank you, Bob Reister, for submitting these quotes.





# VINLAND LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWS FOR MARCH 2019



**Ash Wednesday  
7pm service**



**Lenten  
Soup Suppers  
Wednesdays in Lent**

**March 13, 20, 27**

**April 3, 10**

**Soup @6; Worship @6:45**

The word lent comes from the old English word meaning “to lengthen” and it names the time of the year when (in the Northern Hemisphere), the days begin to get longer and warmer. After the cold, dark, and often dismal months of the year come the signs of renewal. As people begin to feel renewal and re-creation again following the hibernation and drowsy days of winter even so the church stirs into action for renewal in the season of Lent.

Coming to lent means coming to life. It is a time to awaken; to make an honest appraisal of our spiritual health and take actions that lead to life. The disciplines of Lent are the tools for transformation. We are called to the Lenten fast. Fasting is an ecological concern, a matter of keeping life in balance. Over-consumption is as bad for the soul as for the waistline. Lent is the season for spring training of our soul. We need to name the toxins that are poisoning us. We need to determine what is essential, let go of the extra baggage that weighs down our mind, spirit and soul and feast on forgiveness, freedom from fear, hypocrisy and judgmental views. Take time for quiet introspection this season. Get outside and feast on creation. Cleanse your mind and come to church!



## **Easter Sunday is April 21**

Once again we will have joyful worship, a wonderful breakfast and a fun egg hunt for the kids! More information will be forthcoming about all these events. As usual, we will need bags of small, wrapped candies for the egg hunt. We will order lilies that you can pre-purchase.



For behold; the winter is past; the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth, the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land. Song of Solomon 2:11-12

In February Vinland’s preschool focused on love for families and friends and God’s love for all. We send a big thank you to our preschool prayer partners who sent special notes and gifts for Valentines. We welcomed our parents and grandparents to Valentine’s parties in Grace Hall. Then, we finished the month with a visit from Poulsbo Children’s Dentistry during our week learning about dental health. Our little ones are enjoying a few days to play in the snow, while our staff are looking forward to the warmth and wonder of spring. In honesty, we’ve been extraordinarily blessed to play outside nearly every day of this school year, playing indoors only a handful of days due to weather.

On Sunday, April 14th at 5pm, the preschool will host the Flowers & Showers Dinner, Raffle and Silent Auction. This is the preschool’s primary fundraiser for the year to reach our budgetary goals and continue offering excellent programming and experienced teaching staff. We are planning a delicious dinner, raffle baskets, dessert dash, and silent auction. We are currently seeking Silent Auction donations. Please consider donating goods, services or experiences. Donation forms are available in the narthex and office. We hope you plan to join us and support VLC’s ministry to the littlest of God’s children. Tickets go on sale in March. Look for information on Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at church.

Registration for the 2018-19 school year is open. Like us on Facebook and share with your friends. We appreciate your ongoing support.



CLASSES	DAYS	TIMES	AGE BY 8/31/19	REG. FEE	TUITION
Dragonfly	T, W, Th	9:15-12	3-5 years	\$75	\$2250/year
Honeybee	T, W, Th, F	12:45-3:30	3-5 years	\$75	\$2980/year
Grasshopper	Fridays	9:30-11:30	2-3 years	\$75	\$800/year

Many of you are Thrivent members and have Choice Dollars from 2017 to direct by March 31<sup>st</sup>. Vinland Lutheran Preschool is a participating charitable organization. Please consider directing your Thrivent Choice Dollars to this ministry. It’s easy!  
<https://www.thrivent.com/making-a-difference/living-generously/thrivent-choice/>



VINLAND LUTHERAN  
PRESCHOOL

Flowers & Showers  
*Olé!*



Dinner, Raffle, & Auction

Sunday April 14, 2019

5:00 pm

Vinland Lutheran Church



# WOMEN'S groups

Women <sup>of the</sup> ELCA 

## Women of Vinland

Regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 20 from 10am-noon. Get a jump start on spring and join the group that day. Lunch is included, along with a short Bible Study, devotion, singing and laughing and praying!

Vinland will host the Olympic Cluster Spring Celebration on Saturday, March 23 from 9:30am-2pm. Check the bulletin board for more details and registration information. I'm sure the Women of Vinland can use some helping hands to prepare for this event. We want to be gracious hosts to the women of the cluster.



Women meet on the first and third Mondays of the month at 6:00pm. We laugh, pray, learn and support each other. On March 4, we will have a discussion around the meaning and implications of Transfiguration Sunday—an often-overlooked holy day. We will do a gospel study during the season of Lent.



**Quilters** meet EVERY Tuesday from 9-noon. Snacks & Coffee!

They can use helping hands as they put together quilts for Lutheran World Relief.

# reaching out to serve

At the beginning of Advent ELCA World Hunger Barn Banks were given to Vinland families to collect their spare change. \$446.47 was collected. Thank you for your generosity.

In 2018 7% of offerings to Vinland was set aside as benevolences.

This totaled \$24,243.00. These are the ministries supported through your giving.

## Benevolences for 2018 were as follows:

• ELCA	\$15,115.00
• Martha and Mary	\$2,282.00
• Habitat for Humanity	\$1,278.00
• Good Sam	\$456.00
• Children of the Nations	\$1,278.00
• Lutheran Community Services	\$1,278.00
• Pacific Lutheran University	\$1,278.00
• Living Stones Ministry	\$1,278.00
• <b>Total 2018 Benevolences</b>	<b>\$24,243.00</b>



CHILDREN  
OF THE NATIONS®

Assemble

Let's Eat SmilePacks®

Let's Eat SmilePacks® provide children with vitamins and personal eating utensils for their daily meals.



This will be our Spring Mission Outreach Project. Watch the view and bulletin board for further details on how you can contribute a Smile Pack.

## Here's how to assemble:

Using a 2-gallon plastic ziplock bag, enclose the following NEW items:

- 1 metal fork
- 1 metal spoon
- 1 drinking cup
- 1 bottle of children's multi-vitamins
- 1 plastic bowl
- 1 plastic plate (or a second bowl)

*NOTE: Please do not use disposable containers like Ziploc or Gladware for the bowl or plate.*

Please include \$5.00 per SmilePack® to cover shipping and program costs.

Visit [cotni.org/smilepacks](http://cotni.org/smilepacks) for more information and instructions.

# good stuff



## DIALOGUE ON DRAFT

March 25 and April 29 at 6pm at Western Red Brewery in Poulsbo. You can get pizza from next door, bring your own food in, or just get a beverage. By all means, invite a friend to come! The discussions of the 7 deadly sins have been enlightening!



## THURSDAY LECTIONARY LUNCH

Bring your lunch and chew on more than a sandwich! Pastor Nels will have a "sermon playback" where everyone joins in to discuss the sermon from the previous Sunday.

**Starts at 11:30 in Grace Hall**



These two breakfast gatherings are open to all ages of men and women. Feel free to bring friends along. The men cook up a hearty meal and have a lively discussion .



The women meet at Envy Grill for good food and great conversation. Friends are always welcome to join in.

# good news<sup>™</sup> from... MARTHA & MARY

## 2019 Memory Care Seminar for Caregivers at Home

It is happening on Saturday, March 23 at 9:30AM – 12:00AM at Martha & Mary Health and Rehab Center in Poulsbo.

This event is directed at individuals caring for persons living with dementia or Alzheimer's Disease at home, but is valuable to anyone facing cognitive decline issues within their family.

Our seminar will begin with Rosalys Peel, local author of "Mike & Me," which describes how Ms. Peel cared for her late husband at home after his Alzheimer's Disease diagnosis. The book provides both warm, insightful tales of her experience, plus excellent information for in-home caregivers about resources she discovered around Kitsap to support her husband's care and quality of life.

Margaret Christofferson of the Alzheimer's Association will then present "5 Take-Away Activities," offering caregivers some hand-on tools to create easy, practical and inexpensive activities to help successfully interact with persons with dementia.

★ **SAVE THE DATE** ★

**MARTHA & MARY**<sup>SM</sup>

2019 generations of care



**WESTERN GALA**

**SATURDAY ★ APRIL 27, 2019 ★ 6-10PM**



# What's happening

Poulsbo First and Bethany Lutheran Churches are sponsoring a NERF DAY Saturday, March 16 from 2-4pm for fathers and kids in the Christian Center at PFLC.

Bring your own NERF supplies and eye protection for an afternoon of foam flinging fun!

**NERF**  
EVENTS

## Fathers & Kids NERF DAY!



Date: Saturday, March 16  
Time: 2-4pm  
Location: Poulsbo First  
Lutheran's Christian Center  
18920 4th Ave NE Poulsbo  
Contact Paul Davis  
360-779-2622