

Birthdays & Anniversaries



<i>Kate Cotey</i>	4/1	<i>Marj Kallem</i>	4/17
<i>Judy Lucas</i>	4/1	<i>Delores Hammond</i>	4/17
<i>Sam Horn</i>	4/2	<i>Camile Journey</i>	4/20
<i>Tom Settle</i>	4/2	<i>Kathy Price</i>	4/20
<i>Megan Adrig</i>	4/2	<i>Kurt Peterson</i>	4/20
<i>Bing Debar</i>	4/3	<i>Sharon Wendt</i>	4/22
<i>Willy Stuhlmiller</i>	4/4	<i>David Schielke</i>	4/23
<i>Karen Beers</i>	4/8	<i>Bev DeBroeck</i>	4/25
<i>Jean Danielson</i>	4/8	<i>Hilja Cain</i>	4/25
<i>Anita Puzon</i>	4/8	<i>Bill Beaudoin</i>	4/27
<i>Robyn Prehm</i>	4/11	<i>Chuck Slocum</i>	4/27
<i>Ben Gutierrez</i>	4/11	<i>Carolyn Hibbard</i>	4/28
<i>Henry Becker</i>	4/12	<i>Judy Wales</i>	4/29
<i>Bob Winkel</i>	4/13	<i>Norma Lien</i>	4/29
<i>Eleanor Beers</i>	4/13	<i>John Bartlett</i>	4/29
<i>Jack Nelson</i>	4/14	<i>Jack Clearman</i>	4/30
<i>Michelle Holman</i>	4/15	<i>Tina Bigelow</i>	4/30
<i>Julie Swenson</i>	4/16	<i>Tony LaMagna</i>	4/30
<i>LaVonne Berentson</i>	4/16		

*Please hold in prayer...
Those mostly homebound...*

Dorothy Holm,
Les Oen, Florence Paulson, Jeannette Kyster,
Helen Jensen

*Those in need of healing and comfort...
Jeannette Kyster, Don Cole, Elsie Booth
Rebecca Clearman*

Happy Anniversary to...

*Walt Elliott & Bobbi Moore 4/7
Chuck & Bev DeBroeck 4/11
Dan & Linda Carlson 4/12
David & Karyn Crawford 4/12
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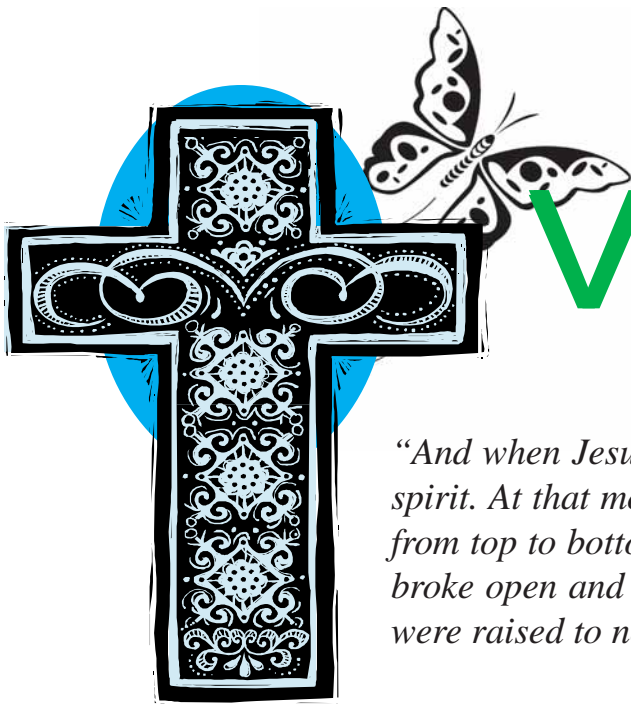
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Parish Secretary	Megan Adrig
Preschool Director	Sherry Gutierrez

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Easter Sunday APRIL 20!
Worship 7am, 8:30am and 10:30am
Breakfast 9-10:15am
Egg Hunt 10am



The Vinyard

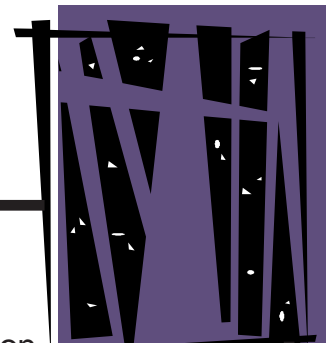
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Vinland Lutheran Church Newsletter

“And when Jesus cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook and the rocks split. The tombs broke open and the bodies of many holy people who had died were raised to new life.” MATTHEW 27:50-52

Holy Week is both disturbing and deliberate as we move from the public parade on Palm Sunday to the reverse polarity of Easter resurrection. In between, we keep watch with Jesus in Gethsemane, witness betrayal and denial by his disciples, and experience God’s eruption of grief (?) and redemption at the Son’s crucifixion. Holy Week is at the center of the Church calendar. Christians also see the events of this week shaping our mortal lives, the cosmic calendar, and destiny of the cosmos. We invite you as Jesus’ people to pay extra attention. This is it. Holy Week is it.

Come to worship. On Maundy Thursday, we hear the story of John the Beloved Disciple, remember the Lord’s Supper, and consider Jesus’ courageous agony in the Garden of Gethsemane. Participate in the Prayer Vigil to keep watch with our Lord. Come on Good Friday worship to contemplate what a funeral service for Jesus would look like. Then on Easter we gather to celebrate Christ’s resurrection. This is it. The very center of time, space, salvation, history, hope, eternity and heaven.



Holy Week and Easter Sunday Schedule

Palm Sunday

April 13, 8:30 & 10:30

New members received with cake reception

Maundy Thursday

April 17, 7 PM - Apostle John and Holy Communion

Prayer Vigil

Thurs, April 17, 8 PM – Fri, April 18, 6 PM

Good Friday,

April 18, 7 PM “The funeral service for Jesus”

Easter Sunday

April 20 7am Sunrise Service in the Cemetery

8:30am New Song Service

10:30am Traditional Service

Easter Breakfast

9am-10:15 am in Grace Hall

Easter Egg Hunt

10:00 AM (Discovery Garden)

pastor chuck's backpage

Word of thanks to:



Thanks to Beachie Wishart for cooking and hosting our confirmation retreat last month. Thanks also to advisors Kelle Horn and Karyn Crawford.

Lectionary Lunch is morphing into a great series "Growing Old in Christ" on Thursdays, Noon-1:45pm. Pastor's Bob Winkel and Chuck Slocum will be leading this study. Bring a brown bag lunch as seniors come together to learn and reflect through film clips, bible study, and field trips on how we age with grace.

April 10: Growing Old: Challenges, Blessings, Pitfalls, Realities

April 17: Aging in America's (consumer, medical, affluent, therapeutic) culture

April 24: The Church, the Good Funeral, and Keeping your eyes on Jesus



Lunch Bunch, Mon., April 8, 11:30 AM at the Oak Table in Kingston. Our senior group ventures to Kingston for our monthly gathering for food and fellowship. Friends welcome. Sign up in the Social Hall.



Sunday Adult Forum, 9:40-10:20 AM (between services)

New video series, "Ed's Story", the story of a successful pastor who is diagnosed with ALS at age 50. He is given 2 years to live (10 years ago) and how it has changed his life and faith.

Confirmation Sunday is May 4 at both services.

Students will share their faith statements and lead worship and host the reception between services. Rite of Confirmation will be at the 10:30 service.

Optional study hall with Pastor Chuck on Wed. April 9 from 4-5:30 to help fine tune faith statements.

Dialogue on Draft Hare & Hounds Pub, Mon. April 28, 5 PM

The MEXICO Mission Team wants to say thanks by inviting YOU to dinner!

Who? Vinland Congregation and our mission shareholders

What? Enchilada Dinner plus stories and slides from Mexico!

When? Sunday, April 27th @ 5 PM in Grace Hall

Why? To share our adventure and thank you for your support!

Cost? FREE! No charge AND No donations accepted! FREE!

To help us prepare #’s- call the church office by April 22 to sign up.



barb's backyard



Peace n. A state of tranquility or quiet; freedom from disquieting or oppressive thoughts or emotions; harmony in personal relations

-Barbara Erickson

Recently, we were asked to share what our ideal vacation would be. Many expressed wanting to go to the beach, mountains, or other ways to simply get away from the daily grind of our everyday lives. I remembered a wonderful trip we took a few years ago up the Snake River through Hell's Canyon on the border of Washington and Idaho.

The boat trip was enjoyable enough, but what we relished most were the two days we spent at a remote, rustic lodge 70 miles upriver from civilization and deep in the heart of the canyon. At this particular time, we were the only guests and had an incredibly relaxing time away from TVs, computers, phones, radios, or any of the other gadgets that have become such a part of our lives. The weather was agreeable, the scenery spectacular, and the silence mesmerizing - it seemed a perfect peace.

I have an elderly friend who has been facing some rough challenges. Somewhat estranged from her nearest grown child, and with her other two across the country in different states, she's basically on her own. Dealing with some financial problems, physical infirmities, and depression, she's certainly had her ups and downs, but somehow has remained determined to make the best of things. Through counseling, a change of doctors, her church, keeping busy with activities, and reaching out to others she has managed to keep an even keel. She says there are things she can control, and things she can't - she tries to only be concerned with those she can. She has had to let go of many things, but she maintains an enthusiasm and a zest for life that is admirable.

It is thought by many cultures that the process of breathing is the essence of being. A rhythmic process of expansion and contraction, breathing is like the opposites we see in nature - night and day, wake and sleep, seasonal growth and decay and ultimately life and death. Our breath is a universal energy that can be used to find a balance between our body and mind, the conscious-unconscious within us. Breathing exercises can act as a bridge into those functions of the body of which we generally do not have conscious control, such as blood pressure, heart rate, circulation, digestion and many other bodily functions. A counselor once taught me about deep breathing. It was a particularly stressful time in my life, and he detected the tension and anxiety that was reflected in my body and facial expressions. I will never forget the total relaxation and peace that I felt the first time I was able to do this. It is a practice I still use when I can't sleep, in the dentist's chair, or any other time I need to relax and be calm.

Do what you must but seek moments of stillness and quiet, control what you can and let go of the rest, breathe... savor this life while you have it and - if you desire it - you will find peace, for it has been promised.

*Peace I leave with you;
my peace I give you.*

*I do not give to you as the world gives.
Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.*

John 14:27

women's groups

Women of Vinland Third Wednesday of each month

Women of Vinland will meet on Wed. April 16 at 10am. Open to all women and their friends. *Come for laughter, lunch, Bible Study and more!*

ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE, APRIL 5!!! Not only will there be great stuff to buy at rock-bottom prices, but pie, coffee and hot dogs will also be for sale. Come for lunch! Stay to shop! Bring your stuff to church on Friday, April 4.

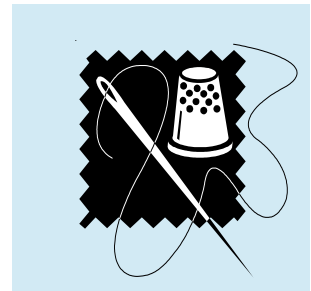


Women of Grace Mondays, April 7 & 21

This is a lively bunch of women - some still working, some retired, some semi-retired, some just plain tired - who gather to draw upon each other's EXPERIENCE, STRENGTH and HOPE. All women, all ages, whether you attend Vinland or not.... We are discussing "Your Sorrow is My Sorrow" by Joyce Rupp. Materials will be posted on the bulletin board.

QUILTERS 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 9am

A committed group gathers on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at church to put together quilts for Lutheran World Relief.



Women's Breakfast

On the second Saturday of each month women of all ages meet at Envy Grill at the Poulsbo Junction at 8:30am.



Last Tuesday Women's Book Group

Next gathering is April 29.
Keep an eye on the bulletin board in the Social Hall for the April book.

Busy Moms

This is a group of moms who take time out of busy schedules to meet for lively conversation, sharing of day to day life, a good dose of laughter, prayer time and discussion of assorted books and articles.

BUSY MOMS MEET AT 10:00 on THURSDAYS at the church.

children & youth

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - Get the "BUZZ"!

Save July 7-11 for VBS this year. We plan to use the ELCA VBS curriculum "Buzz" that focuses on malaria prevention. In addition we will learn about Tanzania - the people, opportunities to serve and malaria prevention there!

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE - No Sunday School on Easter Sunday School at 9:40 on April 6, 13 and 20.

EASTER SUNDAY EGG HUNT - 10AM - Rain or Shine!

Toddlers through 5th graders will scramble for eggs in the Discovery Garden.

Youth will have their own hunt on Wednesday, the 23rd. We are still looking for candy for the dozens of eggs!



Mark your calendar for July 25-31. Be thinking "Space"

What's Going on in the **LOFT**?

Thank you to everyone who made the auction such a huge success. Auction funds were used to grant each student attending the SWWA Synod Youth Gathering a scholarship, purchase LOFT t-shirts, and cover transportation costs for the gathering. We had eight teens and two adults attend the gathering and it was a "Super" weekend. The guest speaker inspired us to use the strength we have in Christ to be Superheroes to our friends, family, youth group, and church. We also flew through the sky as superheroes on the zipline, met youth from other churches, sang, swam, played games, and performed skits.

Youth have been immersed in the season of Lent in their weekly gatherings.

They are preparing for their Wednesday night drama on April 16. They will also prepare the meal for the last soup supper on April 16. The youth will also be filling Easter eggs.

The Easter Breakfast will be a youth fundraiser. Youth (and Karyn!!) will handle the whole breakfast (with donated casseroles and coffee cakes). You are welcome to donate or not. Just come and enjoy our first Easter Breakfast in Grace Hall.



The kitchen in Grace Hall is under construction with the goal of being fully operational for Easter Sunday. To accommodate the workers, it will be closed until further notice.

Sunday morning coffee hours will take place in the old Social Hall on April 6 and 13.

ATTENTION!

Building Use Guidelines

The Council has approved Building Use Guidelines and Vinland Church Use Agreement. These documents are now in effect. These Guidelines will be reviewed yearly by the Building Task Force and changes will be approved by Council.

There is a refundable damage deposit required. Following is the building use donation schedule (includes Facility Fee & Janitorial Services):

1. *Active Vinland Lutheran Church members*
0-8 hours = \$0
2. *Not for profit, public service, educational organization sponsored events*
Up to 4 hours = \$100; 4-8 hours = \$150
3. *Social events sponsored by private individuals e.g. birthdays, anniversaries*
Up to 4 hours = \$250; 4-8 hours = \$500

Guidelines and Agreement will be administered by the church office. Please contact Megan in the office (Tues-Fri 9-1) to reserve space and to complete the required forms.

More and more interest is being shown about potential use of Grace Hall, both by members and folks not affiliated with the church. We are indeed providing a "Welcoming Space for God's Grace."

Grounds "Notes"

We currently have no compost bin, but are working on that. Until then, PLEASE either take discarded flowers or greens home or deposit them in the trash....NOT in landscaped areas.

REMINDER...Please keep off the bark; it is not a path! Remind yourself and your kids of this.

THANKS to the girl scouts from Karyn Crawford's troop for planting the 200 bulbs that look so wonderful in bloom!

THANKS to those folks who worked on the grounds on March 29. Keeping things looking good will be an on-going project.

New Signs!

New signs will soon appear to help direct traffic around our expanded facility.

New Chairs!

The whirlwind chair-covering event is over, and in record time! 63 chairs are in use in the old social hall thanks to Rand Hein, Delores & Arnold Hammond, Bob & Willy Stuhlmiller, Galen Sele, Lou Puzon, Don Mills and Marilyn Maaas-Jones! Special thanks goes to the energizer bunny, Delores, who knew how to upholster, got the materials and organized the operation.

preschool news

Preschool Vision “Honoring God by Nurturing Children’s Relationships”

Director, Sherry Gutierrez

*“I am who I am by the grace of God”
(1 Corinthians 15:10)*



Pastor Chuck shared the above message with the preschoolers during chapel time this week. The preschoolers were really drawn to this statement of truth and wholeness. Whether they are feeling slow like the turtle or fast like the ladybug, Jesus loves them and is with them. Another great thing is that this week, Ms. Lori is sharing stories written by Eric Carle, so the children are hearing about such characters as a busy spider, a very hungry caterpillar, and a grouchy ladybug. In every part of our daily lives and through all of our feelings, we are who we are by the grace of God and by the grace of God we are loved, cherished, and forgiven. Thanks be to God!

Preschool registration for 2014/2015 continues! The TWTh morning class has filled. The other two classes still have openings. Let your friends and family know. For more information: www.vinlandlc.org/preschool or preschool@vinlandlc.org or 865-0510.

TWTh mornings and afternoons for 3-5 year olds — \$1980/year

Friday mornings for 2-3 year olds — \$550/year

\$55 registration fee for first child; \$35 for a sibling



Spring Fling for the Youngest Ones!

Who's invited? Children and Infants ages 6 months to 7 years old

Why? To celebrate Spring in a super duper fun way with the 4 Preschool Teachers

How? With exploration, building, eating, and playing!

When? Saturday, April 12 – 9:30 a.m.-Noon

Where? The Discovery Play Garden (Infants will be in the nursery)

What about the parents? You can go on a date, run an errand, bask in the sun or frolic in the rain (as the case may be). You know...take some time to be kid-free!

Is there a catch? Well, we are asking for a donation of \$15 per child as part of the Mi Casa es Su Casa fundraising auction.

Your child deserves it!

spring stuff

**BABY
SHOWER**



FUN! FUN! FUN!

The Busy Moms are hosting a baby shower for Matt and Michelle Holman. Their little princess is due to arrive in early June - we can hardly wait!

Brunch after worship on April 27.

They are registered on Amazon (they have no family living close, so this works best). You can look at the items and then purchase them at another store (don't have to order from Amazon). OR...just bring whatever you want! Babies are so much fun to shop for. There is a sign-up sheet on the "movable bulletin board."



Meet our newest members on April 13!
Please extend the welcoming hand of friendship to all the folks joining that day. We will have our famous "Costco Cake Reception" in their honor!

*With
Sympathy*

Judy Wales' mother **Millie Slettedahl** died March 24 after a long and good life. She was 102 and lived in her own home until the last few years. She was a strong and friendly lady who mowed her own lawn when she was in her nineties and she will be greatly missed by her only child, Judy and her family and friends.

Diane Hauger, former Vinland member, Pearson teacher, and friend of many also died March 24. Diane will be buried in California where her husband Ben's grave is also. Please remember the Haugers' two daughters and extended family.



PRAYER OF OUR HEARTS

Dearest Lord, take charge
of our growth.

May all that we do for you
be intentional, heart-felt,
full of Joy and Grace.

Make your presence
known to us each day.

Amen.

contributed by Sharon Schmid

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