

Birthdays & Anniversaries

<i>Kate Cotey</i>	<i>4/1</i>	<i>Henry Becker</i>	<i>4/12</i>	<i>Sharon Wendt</i>	<i>4/22</i>
<i>Judy Lucas</i>	<i>4/1</i>	<i>Lorna Abbott</i>	<i>4/13</i>	<i>David Schielke</i>	<i>4/23</i>
<i>Sam Horn</i>	<i>4/2</i>	<i>Bob Winkel</i>	<i>4/13</i>	<i>Mike Desmond</i>	<i>4/25</i>
<i>Tom Settle</i>	<i>4/2</i>	<i>Eleanor Beers</i>	<i>4/13</i>	<i>Bev DeBroeck</i>	<i>4/25</i>
<i>Megan Adrig</i>	<i>4/2</i>	<i>Jack Nelson</i>	<i>4/14</i>	<i>Hilja Cain</i>	<i>4/25</i>
<i>Laurie Mansfield</i>	<i>4/2</i>	<i>Michelle Holman</i>	<i>4/15</i>	<i>Bill Beaudoin</i>	<i>4/27</i>
<i>Bing Debar</i>	<i>4/3</i>	<i>Julie Swenson</i>	<i>4/16</i>	<i>Chuck Slocum</i>	<i>4/27</i>
<i>Jean Danielson</i>	<i>4/3</i>	<i>LaVonne Berentson</i>	<i>4/16</i>	<i>Carolyn Hibbard</i>	<i>4/28</i>
<i>Willy Stuhlmiller</i>	<i>4/4</i>	<i>Susan Gilbert</i>	<i>4/17</i>	<i>Karen Mattick</i>	<i>4/28</i>
<i>Karen Beers</i>	<i>4/8</i>	<i>Marj Kallem</i>	<i>4/17</i>	<i>Judy Wales</i>	<i>4/29</i>
<i>Anita Puzon</i>	<i>4/8</i>	<i>Delores Hammond</i>	<i>4/17</i>	<i>Norma Lien</i>	<i>4/29</i>
<i>Michael Mansfield</i>	<i>4/9</i>	<i>Camille Journey</i>	<i>4/20</i>	<i>John Bartlett</i>	<i>4/29</i>
<i>Robyn Prehm</i>	<i>4/11</i>	<i>Kathy Price</i>	<i>4/20</i>	<i>Tina Bigelow</i>	<i>4/30</i>
<i>Ben Gutierrez</i>	<i>4/11</i>	<i>Kurt Peterson</i>	<i>4/20</i>	<i>Tony LaMagna</i>	<i>4/30</i>



Happy Anniversary to...

Walt Elliott & Bobbi Moore 4/7
Chuck & Bev DeBroeck 4/11
Dan & Linda Carlson 4/12
David & Karyn Crawford 4/12

Corey & Kelli Oster 4/12
Don & Janean Moriarty 4/15
Clay & Danielle Branes 4/17
Bill & Terry Beaudoin 4/24
Don & Jean Danielson 4/25

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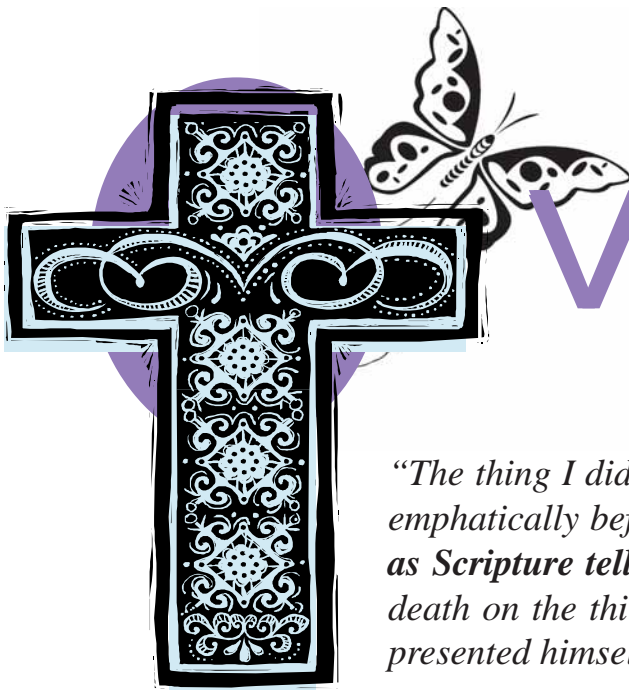
*Christ
 is
 Risen!*

Easter Sunday APRIL 5!

Worship 7am, 8:30am and 10:30am

Breakfast 9-10:15am

Egg Hunt 10am



The Vinyard

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Vinland Lutheran Church Newsletter

*“The thing I did first was to place before you what was placed so emphatically before me; that the Messiah died for our sins **exactly as Scripture tells it**, that he was buried; that he was raised from death on the third day, **again exactly as Scripture says**, that he presented himself alive to Peter...”* 1 Corinthians 15:3-4

At Easter there is so much at stake. Paul goes on to argue in this chapter that if there is no resurrection, then our faith is a lie, that we are fools, and all hope is lost. Such comments make us nervous. If Christ has not died for our sins on the cross, risen from the dead, and isn't advocating for us at the right hand of God Almighty, then we are sunk. That would mean that sin, evil and death have not been defeated, and we are still lost in our sins and doomed. During Holy Week, we dare to ask these ultimate questions, remember God's promises around the Lord's Supper, consider the mystery of the cross, and finally, celebrate the triumph of Easter resurrection.

Worship with us during Holy Week and Easter!

Holy Week and Easter Sunday Schedule

Palm Sunday

March 29, 8:30 & 10:30

New members received

Maundy Thursday

April 2, 7 PM: Youth leadership and New Song Music

Prayer Vigil

Thurs, April 2, 8 PM – Fri, April 3, 6 PM

Good Friday

April 3, 7 PM: Choir anthems and meditation on the cross



Alleluia!

HE IS ALIVE!

Easter Sunday

April 5

7am

Sunrise in the Cemetery

8:30am

Contemporary Service

10:30am Traditional Service

Easter Breakfast

9am-10:15 am in Grace Hall

Easter Egg Hunt

10:00 AM (Discovery Garden)

pastor chuck believes, banter and blogs

Pastor Chuck's Blog is >pastorchuckstakeaway.wordpress.com<



Hustling God in Genesis: Thursdays, noon-1:30pm

Using the book, "Hustling God" by M. Craig Barnes (worth purchasing!), movie clips, and studying Jacob the Patriarch over lunch, we will wrestle with God, family and life (just like Jacob!) to deepen our faith. No class on April 30.

April 9	Born to Strive	May 7	Struggling With God and Ourselves
April 16	Leaving Home	May 14	Settling Down
April 23	Struggling With Love	May 21	Faith in God's Faithfulness



Lunch Bunch, Mon., April 6, 11:30 AM. This month we return to our all-time favorite restaurant, McCormick Woods in Port Orchard, for fellowship and lunch with cool Vinland seniors. Sign-up.



NO MEN'S BREAKFAST IN APRIL

COME ON MAY 2 AT 8AM for a big breakfast, be engaged by the lively discussion, and be blessed by the brothers in Christ who both cook and converse well.



Dialogue on Draft Mon., April 27, 5pm.

"Toast our Host" on his birthday!

We have a reserved room at Campana's on Viking Way where we gather for fiery conversation and first-rate fellowship. Pick up the discussion article in Grace Hall.

Summer



Servants

Summer Mission: July 6-10 for local and low-co\$t mission to Seattle. Faith and Community building through Bible study and service. Open to 20 youth and 8 adult advisors.

There are more details on another page of this newsletter.

Pastor Chuck is Back in Action!

Thank you for your support while I was recovering from surgery: so many cards, gifts, visits, meals and varied expressions of support. Thanks to guest preachers Dr. Russ Horn, Marsha Wright and Rev. Marilyn deVeer. I'm very grateful to Father Tim for bringing me Holy Communion.



barb's backyard



In the neighborhood of my early childhood, most of the kids that I knew and played with lived nearby. There were nine to sixteen of us in this half-block area and we spent much of our time, as kids of that era did, playing outside. The dads were away at work during the day and the moms stayed home, so we did have adult supervision of a sort. Not that the moms knew everything that we did, but they had their ways of keeping track of us. I can't say that any of us remained close friends, but we got along for the most part and when we didn't we'd somehow work things out. We were truly a middle-class, blue-collar neighborhood and we all knew the unwritten rules. In our own way, we were a tight-knit

group. Occasionally, we'd get a "new kid on the block" and two of those stand out in my memory.

Jackie Stackhouse only spent a couple of summers in the corner house across the alley. The house belonged to his grandparents and there were rumors that his parents were divorced - one of the cardinal sins of the day. He was a cute kid; I remember him as olive-skinned, with dark brown hair and chocolate eyes. He and the boys of the neighborhood quickly joined forces, but it wasn't long before they ousted him - "He's a sissy", "He cheats", "He's a half-breed", "He's only here for the summer." I honestly did not know what to think, but neighborhood loyalty ran deep in those days. My parents, ever wise and compassionate, had a heart-to-heart talk with me. They explained that Jackie's parents were having problems, but that was not his fault and so he was spending the summer with his grandparents. "Be nice to him." they said, "He's lonely and could use a friend." I was not to be that friend and I'm not sure that he ever had one in the neighborhood, but I did stop and talk with him several times over the back fence where he played alone. I found him to be a sweet and gentle boy and I often wonder what became of him...

Susie Gates was a redheaded, freckle-faced spitfire. She and her mother moved into the basement apartment right next to us and I have no recollection of how long they lived there, but it wasn't very long. We quickly became acquainted; she loved to play dolls and dress-up, but usually wore dresses and didn't like to get dirty, so our friendship ran hot and cold. One summer day when I was down visiting in her place, I told of how the neighbor on the other side of our house had a large patch of rhubarb. Susie's mom told us that if we would go and pick some, she would make us a rhubarb pie. Of course I knew better, but that pie sounded wonderful and so I led Susie to the spot and we sneakily stole some rhubarb. Returning to the apartment, my mouth began to water for that pie, but Susie's mom told me it was time for me to go home and I never got a bite. That made me angry and I confessed to my mom what we had done. I said it was OK because Susie's mom had told us to, but Mom set me straight in no time. "They may be having tough times," she said, "but you still need to do what you know is right."

I sometimes think of stealing that rhubarb and of the pie I never got to taste, but mostly I think of Susie and her mother and of how difficult things must have been for them. Back then, I really didn't have a clue...

... "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." Luke 23:43

And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ - to the glory and praise of God. Philippians 1:9-11

women's groups

Women of Vinland Third Wednesday of each month

Women of Vinland will meet on Wed. April 15 at 10am. Hostesses are Judy Wales and Glenyce Ross. Jan Hakanson will give the devotion. Open to all women and their friends. *Come for laughter, lunch, Bible Study and more!*



ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE, APRIL 11!!! 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 10.

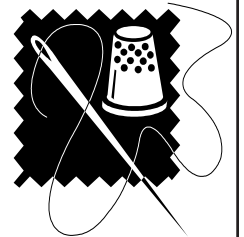


Women of Grace Mondays, April 6 & 20

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....

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.



**Meet
for
Breakfast**

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 FRIDAY CRAFT NIGHT

Bring your unfinished projects to church at around 6pm on the LAST FRIDAY of the month. There is plenty of room to spread out! 6pm-??

Busy Moms

DAYTIME MEETING: Mondays at 10am with the kids. While the kids play in the Discovery Garden or inside, the moms get a chance to visit.

EVENING HOME GROUP: 1ST AND 3RD Tuesdays. Take turns meeting at homes at 7pm. e-mail Karyn Crawford karyncrawford73@gmail.com for locations. They will also be posted in the weekly bulletin. We are starting with a study of "Bad Girls of the Bible"

children & youth

KIDS on the MOVE mixing faith and fun

DayCamp June 29-July 2
9am-noon 4yrs-high school
4 days of high-energy activity,
faith building and a 5K walk
or run for water!
Registration forms coming.

EASTER SUNDAY EGG HUNT 10AM - Rain or Shine!

Toddlers through 5th graders will scramble for eggs in the Discovery Garden. L.O.F.T. kids will have their own hunt. Thanks everyone who donated candy. It will go a long way to making kids (and dentists) happy!



What's Going on in the LOFT?

ROOTED: The youth are teaming up with the NSWT for the Maundy Thursday service. They will be doing a dramatic reading and stripping the altar. The youth also took the Sunday School kids on an interactive “walk through Lent” on March 29.

REJOICING: The Synod Youth Gathering was a great success. We were represented by *Reese Adrig, Grady Becker, Lucy Channing, Andy Crawford, Kristen Crawford, Christopher Clucas, Josh Clucas, Alexis Duncan, Jaimie Florent, Jillian Florent, Devin Horn, Sam Horn, Dylan Moriarty, Morgan Moriarty, Lauren Quesada, Caroline Slocum, Maren Swanson, and Kari VanVlerah*- 16 middle schoolers, 2 high schoolers, and 2 adults (*David and Karyn Crawford*). We were also joined by two youth from Family of God in Bremerton. As always, highlights were the zipline, talent show, and the kids loved their ALYVE board small group leaders. When asked “What does your Youth Group like to do outside in God’s creation,” Vinland’s representative (Caroline) said, “Have a shaving cream fight.” It’s always fun in the LOFT...

HOLY ROLLIN’ on Wednesday, April 1. Meet at church at 6pm and we will carpool to Skateland for \$1 skate night. Return to church for pick up at 9pm. No school on Thursday.

REACHING OUT: March 4th LOFT hosted the Lent soup supper and asked attendees to bring 40 coins of any kind to donate to the ELCA World Hunger Fund. We were thrilled to raise \$103.50. We are continuing our Parents Night Out service/fundraiser since it has been a huge success. We have several upcoming service projects including Easter Breakfast, Lutherhaven Clean Up, and helping at the Preschool Italian Dinner.



The Easter Breakfast is a youth fundraiser. All money donated will fund the summer Wednesday-night program at Lutherhaven. This involves paying a lifeguard and purchasing meat for the barbeque. Youth and parents will handle the whole breakfast (with donated casseroles and coffee cakes). You are welcome to donate or not. Just come and enjoy Easter Breakfast in Grace Hall.

our buildings

Facility Bits and Pieces



SPRING CLEANING TIME!

Check the posters in Grace Hall and Haugen Hall



Monday, March 30 join Marsha in Grace Hall for a thorough cleaning. especially windows, tables and chairs, wood moldings, floors, deep cleaning of bathrooms. We won't tackle the kitchen, since it will be a beehive of activity on Easter morning.

Haugen Hall and the sanctuary also need a spring clean. If you have some time to spare, how about vacuuming the pews, dusting and cleaning the wood surfaces, window washing, etc.

WHERE ARE THE KEYS????

If you have a key to Grace Hall, please let Megan know. We are putting together a key log and system for distributing keys in the future.

DISHWASHERS - OFF PLEASE!

Make sure that the dishwasher has been turned OFF if you are the last person leaving Grace or Haugen Hall.



EVENT AND MEETING SCHEDULING

ALL scheduling of meetings, gatherings and events MUST be done through the church office. Never enter an event in the church calendar yourself. Contact Megan to do the scheduling. If there is a change in the logistics of your meeting or event, again contact the office.

We must know when your meeting or event is planned, who the contact person will be, what the time frame is and where you will be meeting.

There are lots of activities happening around the church facilities and scheduling can become a nightmare if it is a free for all.

preschool news



“Honoring God by Nurturing Children’s Relationships”

*Janean Moriarty, director
Lori Moshier VanVlerah, lead teacher
Kathy Goetz and Lynn Florent, assistant teachers*

The preschool thanks everyone for your continued prayers and love. We feel your support for our little ones everyday and feel blessed to share the love of God with them. We joined Lutheran preschool educators from around the region for training in March at Black Lake Bible Camp in Olympia. Our staff learned new things, shared our challenges, and worked on planning with other educators who do and understand the special ministry of a church preschool. We return energized for spring!

The preschool always appreciates donations. We thank Lou Youngs for donating a much needed vacuum and the Beers family for an awesome dump truck. Please think of us when you are doing your spring cleaning, especially quality children’s toys, books or electronics for our Holiday Toy Sale and Summer Reading Book Sale.

SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 5PM “Celebrating Our Littlest Meatballs!” Family Italian Dinner and Basket Raffle

It has always been a family favorite and we’re happy to host it in Grace Hall for the first time. We’re raising money toward a safe walkway between the back parking lot and the Sunday school rooms, equipment for the indoor and outdoor classrooms and to support our operating expenses. Matt LaMagna, Chef at Suquamish Clearwater Casino, will again prepare an authentic Italian dinner. This year we’ll be adding some fun raffles and a Cutie Pie dessert dash. *We hope you will join us.*

Tickets are \$15/adults, \$10/child (2-6 years) or \$50/family pack. Plus, you can participate in the basket raffle ahead of time and DO NOT need to be present to win.

On May 5, 2015, Vinland Lutheran Preschool is joining thousands of nonprofits throughout the United States for a national day of local giving online - THE GREAT GIVE. For one day, every dollar given to local nonprofits will be match by funds from a national pool of sponsorships, as well as local matches - making every gift go further. Everyone can be a philanthropist, right here in Kitsap. Mark your calendars and tell your friends.

<https://kitsapgreatgive.org/#npo/vinland-lutheran-preschool>

Registration for the 2015-16 school year is open. Our morning Dragonfly class is full. We continue to enroll for our afternoon Honeybee class and our Friday Grasshopper class. Please share our amazing preschool with your friends and neighbors.

Dragonfly Class:	T-W-Th	9:15-12:00	Preschool for 3-5 year olds
Honeybee Class:	T-W-Th	12:30-3:15	Preschool for 3-5 year olds
Grasshopper Class:	F	9:30-11:30	Preschool for 2-3 year olds

Contact: Janean Moriarty at preschool@vinlandlc.org or (360)865-0510 for information, tours, or to register. Look at our website at www.vinlandlc.org/preschool and LIKE us on Facebook (Vinland Lutheran Preschool). See you at preschool!

new friends



Please extend the welcoming hand of friendship to these new friends.

Bruce and Lisa Mansfield and Michael and Laurie

The U.S. Navy transferred Bruce, Lisa, Michael and Laurie to the Kitsap Peninsula for Bruce's work with the U.S. Navy Band Northwest. Lisa is a music teacher who is currently attending the U of W as a Master's student in Music Education. Michael is a high-energy 2nd grader at Vinland who loves basketball, soccer and Minecraft. Laurie is a kindergartener who is loving school and learning to read and being a soccer player and ballerina. Both kids are following in their mother's footsteps by participating in Norwegian dance.

Nick and Kathy Gilman Nick and Kathy Gilman have been happily married for 40 years, and it all began in Ballard! First of all, they were both born in Providence Hospital in Seattle a few years apart. Nick grew up Lutheran and graduated from Seattle U. After serving in the Marines, he moved into a house next door to where Kathy's family was living in Ballard. They met just as she was graduating from Holy Angels Girl's School. According to Nick, it was love at first sight! They have 2 kids, a daughter in Seattle and a son in Texas and one grandson. Kathy has commuted for 26 years to her job with the public defender's office in Seattle. Nick has taught P.E. at Gateway for 21 years!

Susan Gilbert My husband, Greg, and I moved to Poulsbo last year to retire. We love animals and are owned by one chihuahua-mix dog, one cat and two domestic pigeons. I do a lot of crocheting and enjoy reading, writing and discovering all the beautiful and interesting things and places in gorgeous Western Washington. I am a BIG San Jose Sharks hockey fan and am now a Seattle Seahawks fan as well. I'm also serving as church council secretary.

Marilyn deVeer "So glad to meet you". I'm Marilyn deVeer and so glad to be among the people of Vinland Lutheran. So glad to be in Poulsbo, near my two sons and my four granddaughters. I grew up in Massachusetts, married my high school sweetheart, Roger deVeer, who was my best friend in all our adventures for 47 years. He passed away in March 2013. We came to faith in Jesus about 1975 and got involved in a church in Issaquah, WA, where we lived for 23 years. At Our Savior Lutheran, I served as diaconal minister, Stephen leader, and preschool director and teacher. In 1998 we went to Luther Seminary, St. Paul, MN. Roger said, "I'll drive the bus." There I earned a Master of Divinity degree, and was ordained in 2002. Roger loved Jesus and was a missionary and brother in Christ who complimented my ministry. I have served the church as ELCA Lutheran pastor in North Dakota very rural farm country and in Horseshoe Bend, Idaho, about 35 miles north of Boise. Thanks be to God for his grace and mercy in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Jim and Lorna Abbott are newlyweds; they were married last October! Lorna grew up in Bremerton and graduated from West High School in 1960. Jim grew up in eastern Washington and graduated from Prosser in 1957. They dated in 1960-61 prior to marrying other spouses, who both passed away within the past few years. Lorna has 4 children (1 deceased), 9 grandkids and 1 great-grandchild. Jim has 2 children and 1 grandchild. Lorna is Dennis Deitch's aunt.

Robyn Schultze is a life-long Lutheran. In fact, Pastor Bob Winkel was her childhood pastor at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Spokane, where she grew up. She has two grown children, Jennifer (Eric) and Matthew (Elizabeth) and five grandchildren. She has recently retired from World Vision, where she worked in Travel Services. Robyn sings in the Vinland choir and hopes to become involved in Fellowship and Evangelism programs. She enjoys singing, crafts, camping, guitar and ecclesiastical embroidery.

Peter and Beckie Hansen are enjoying retirement life in Hansville. Beckie was raised Catholic; Peter Lutheran. They both grew up in southern California and were married in 1981. They worked and raised their two daughters in northern California and have been practicing Lutherans since their marriage.

Sonny and Sharon Shope and their son Dan are retired and spend a lot of time traveling. They recently built a house and enjoy living next to their daughter and her family. They were members of CK Presbyterian for many years.

bits and pieces

FAMILY CAMP 2015
*Mark your calendar for
July 24-30. Shout For Joy!*
Our theme will focus on "Music"



July 6-10 Urban Mission!

Open to 20 youth and 8 adult advisors.

Cost is approximately \$100. Deposit of \$50 due by April 26.

Highlight:

**Nightly showers at Christ Lutheran in Edmonds,
where we will sleep.**

Serving at:

Union Gospel Mission

Central Lutheran Community Lunch

Lutheran Compass Center

"Annie's Kitchen" in Edmonds



*We'll fit in a Mariner's Game and some exploring of downtown Seattle before
we head home!*

"Faith and community building through Bible study and Service!"



Last Tuesday Book Group for Men & Women

Next gathering is April 28.

The book for April is *"Pilgrim at Tinker Creek"* by Annie Dillard. This is a personal narrative of one year spent exploring on foot the natural wonders, curiosities, frights and revelations of the Tinker Creek area of Virginia.



PRAYER OF OUR HEARTS

Beautiful Savior,
Infuse in us your *SAVING
GRACE* throughout this
Eastertide. May we *LISTEN*
for your *BENEDICTION*
upon our motives that we
may utter *BLESSINGS* only.

Amen

contributed by Sharon Schmid