

CENTRAL LUTHERAN MESSENGER

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From the Pastor

The Restaurant

Once upon a time a new seminary graduate pastored a small church in Tennessee. It was a beautiful little white church up on a hill. At that time the town was rapidly expanding. Lots of people moved to town to help in construction work. Many of the newcomers lived in a mobile home park located near the church. The trailer park

swarmed with newcomers, including a large number of children. The new pastor saw all those new people and thought, Our church ought to reach out to them. So at the next board meeting he recommended a plan to reach out to the newcomers.

“Oh, I don’t know,” said the chairman of the board. “They might not fit in here very well.”

The pastor said, “But they live right next to our church. I think we should invite them to worship with us.” But he got resistance to the idea. They finally decided to table the discussion and deal with it at their next meeting.

At that meeting a leader of the congregation said, “I move, that in order to be a member of this church, you have to own property in the county.”

“I’ll second that motion,” said another man. The pastor was mortified and passionately spoke against it. But in the end the motion passed. As a result, no effort was ever made to reach out to the newcomers. Soon thereafter that pastor left that church.

Twenty years later the pastor and his wife drove past the town on a trip through Tennessee. Since he was single when he served that church, his wife had never seen it, so he decided to show it to her. As they drove to the church, this pastor told his wife that painful story of how the congregation refused to reach out to newcomers in the community. It took a while to find the church. Lots of new roads and homes had been built in the area, but they finally found the spot. The beautiful white-frame church sat on the hill as always, but something seemed different. Out front stood a big parking lot full of cars, trucks, motor homes, and even motorcycles. As they pulled into the lot, they saw a big sign in front of the church. It said, “BBQ:

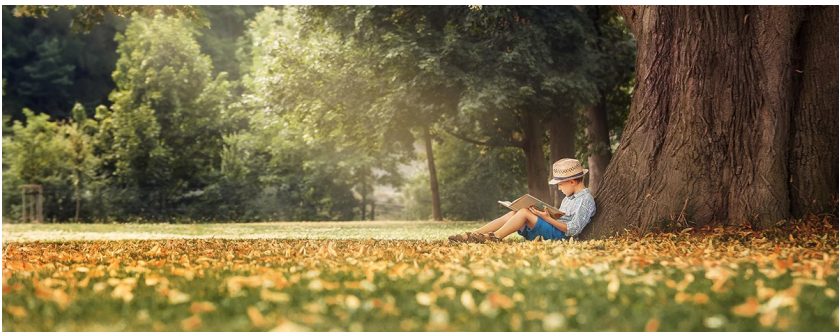
All You Can Eat.” The old church had been converted into a restaurant! The pastor and his wife walked inside, and the place was packed with all kinds of people. White and black and Hispanic. Rich and poor. Southerners and northerners. The pastor said to his wife, “It’s a good thing this isn’t a church anymore. If it were, these people would not be allowed in.”

(<https://doubtersparish.com/stories/the-restaurant/>)

We soon will walk with Jesus down the *Via Dolorosa* in Jerusalem as he carries his own cross, the means of his own suffering and death. We will take hammer and inch-thick nails in hand and nail him to that cross and leave him there to die. And he will die. But then we also will stand at the mouth of an empty tomb three days later, rejoicing with the women who came to tend to his body and found instead an angel who told them they had nothing to fear.

We make this journey every year, and we sing the same hymns and read the same texts and confess our sin and are absolved, and maybe feel sad and regretful that “things” had to come to this point in Jesus’ life. We may even pay attention to the words of the hymn *Ah, Holy Jesus* where it says, “Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee? Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee. ‘Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee; I crucified thee.” If we acknowledge our part in the death of Jesus, and rejoice that we also have a part in his resurrection and life, then what on earth do we have to be afraid of? Something that’s not the way it used to be? Something that’s different? Something that might challenge us, even a little? Jesus went to his death so that the world could be changed. How far will we go to see that it doesn’t?

Peace, Pastor Anderson





From the Council

Central Lutheran is starting the new year in fine fashion! At our Congregational Meeting to call Pastor Ann Murphy to be our next called pastor. Paperwork is in, we now wait to hear if she accepts our call. A huge thank you to the call committee: Stephen Merz, Laura Hahn, Paul Rogers, Bev Larson, Virg Umbarger, and Nicole Pierone for their work over the last year and a half to find the best person for Central. *We look forward to moving forward with joy!*

Your church council is ready to go to work—a new year and a new pastor. PLEASE find our names and phone numbers in this Messenger. Communication is the most important thing, and it's a two-way street. We try to let you know what we have going on, but you need to tell us what you're thinking. Council meetings are the third Monday of every month; you are always welcome to attend, room 204 upstairs at 6:30.

Stay in touch, Karen, council president



Central at the Cinema

The next movie will be “80 for Brady”

Four best friends live life to the fullest when they embark on a wild trip to see their hero, Tom Brady, play in the 2017 Super Bowl.

Watch Updates for time and location!

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28th Ava Christianson



13th Ron and Jennifer Loyd



In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Phyllis Gillihan (Ponderosa)

Chet Hausken (Fieldstone)

Art Ries (Livingcare)

Toni Perschke (Brookdale)

Betty Douglas (Moxee)

Wilma Aspevig (Lives with daughter)

Doris Benish (Orchard Park)

Marie Halverson (Yakima)

Joanne Puyear (Arbor House)

Tim Schulz (Yakima)


Virginia Prochnow (Izzy's House)

Donald and Barbara Breshears (Anne Chapman's Parents)

Eunice Koeppel (Sun Tower)



February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
<p>5 5th Epiphany 9:00 am WORSHIP</p>	<p>6 8:00 a Bible Study 9:30 a Preschool 10:00 a TOPS 6:30 p Boy Scouts</p>	<p>7 8:00 a Foot Care 9:30 a Preschool 10:00 a Bible Study 3:00 p On The Corner</p>
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<p>19 Transfiguration of Our Lord 9:00 am WORSHIP</p>	<p>20 8:00 a Bible Study 10:00 a TOPS 6:30 p Boy Scouts 6:30 p Church Council</p>	<p>21 Ash Wednesday Noon Worship 7:00 p Worship 8:00 a Foot Care 10:00 a Bible Study</p>
<p>26 1st Lent 9:00 am WORSHIP 6:00 pm UpBeat Concert "Flute Troupe"</p>	<p>27 8:00 a Bible Study 9:30 a Preschool 10:00 a TOPS 6:30 p Boy Scouts</p>	<p>28 8:00 a Foot Care 9:30 a Preschool 10:00 a Bible Study 3:00 p On The Corner</p>

2023

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday/Saturday
1 9:30 a Preschool 4:00 p Youth Group 6:30 p Handbells 7:30 p Choir Rehearsal	2 9:00 a Piecemakers 3:00 p 'On the Corner' 2:00 p Worship Committee	3 8:00 a Foot Care
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22 6:30 p Handbells 7:30 p Choir Rehearsal	23	17 8:00 a Foot Care 6:00 p Rock & Mineral Club 18 9:00 a Yakima Quilters
Gym Schedule: Youth Group Wednesdays 4 until 6:00 pm OTC Tuesday and Thursday 3 until 6:00 pm	Preschool Monday through Thursday 9:30 until noon Tuesday and Thursday 6 -8 pm Men's Basketball Mondays 4 - 6pm Davis High School Dance Team	24 8:00 a Foot Care 25


CENTRAL LUTHERAN CHURCH PRESENTS

UPBEATS

COMMUNITY CONCERT SERIES

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FREE ADMISSION
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JANUARY 22: THE CAMERATA CLUB
FEBRUARY 26: THE FLUTE TROUPE
MARCH 26: THE JOE BROOKS QUARTET
APRIL 30: LAURA SCHACTLER
MAY 21: THE COMMUNITY BIG BAND

Church in Society:

Caring for Creation:

Let the Machine do the Work

It's not lazier to use your dishwasher. It's actually a greener choice!

For maximum effectiveness and a greener footprint put your dirty dishes in your automatic dishwasher and do it without even rinsing them. Remove leftover food particles with a spatula or food scraper (and if you have grandkids who eat like mine there may be a lot). Then put the items straight into the dishwasher. This accomplishes two things.

- 1). It saves water, and the energy needed to to heat that water.
- 2). It makes your very smart energy efficient appliance most effective.

It is most effective if there is some leftover food for the dishwasher to detect and to keep it washing until it reaches all those slimy corners. If all food is already rinsed off it may complete the cycle before all surfaces are really clean.

Comparing washing dishes by hand to using a updated dishwasher without rinsing reduces your greenhouse gas by 1/2 because you are heating less water. The reality is that most of us use warm to hot water to thoroughly rinse our dishes before putting them to maximize the efficiency of your dishwasher: don't rinse; set to normal cycle; and turn off heated dry.

If you put those dirty dishes in your dishwasher and let the machine do the work....you're not being lazy, you're being green.

Let the Machine help you be GREEN!



On the Corner Enrichment Program

S - science

T - technology

E - engineering

A - art

M - math







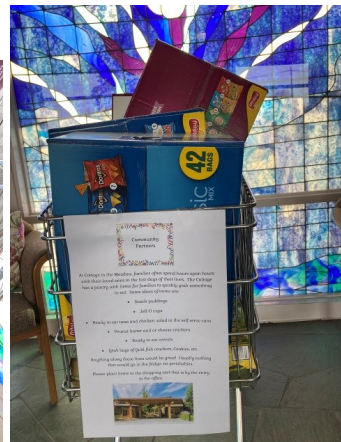
Dear Church family,
Thank you for your care
and compassion during
our recent loss. Your
thoughts and prayers are
deeply appreciated.
Lela Hansen + family

THANK YOU.....to everyone who worked and provided cookies and bars for the receptions following the memorial services for Elaine Bueling and Kyle Dixon. Thanks also, to Manny for setting up all the tables and chairs. You are all appreciated.
Central Lutheran Funeral Reception Committee



Community
Partners

Food collected for
Cottage in the Meadow watch for
the next Community Project!





Treasurer's Report		December 31, 2022			
Financial results thru					
Offerings/income		Expenses by major category			
	December	Year to date			Year to date
General fund	60,698.47	335,463.07	Salaries & benefits	19,046.94	228,960.50
Building Usage	205.00	2,598.10	Youth & Family	-	8,018.45
other income	0.33	2,180.17	Worship	1,387.87	6,871.47
Transfers			Hospitality	-	1,363.64
from endowment fund	895.00	80,391.62	Stewardship/Church in Society	4,000.00	48,192.81
from money market	354.21		Property	3,496.23	117,225.42
Gertie Hein - Visitation		-	Office	948.32	15,039.43
Total	62,153.01	420,632.96	Total	28,879.36	425,671.72
	December 2022		operating income, net of transfers	\$ 32,024.44	
			net income	\$ 33,273.65	
		Year to date	operating income, net of transfers		\$ (85,430.38)
			net loss		\$ (5,038.76)

Hello February

Fire will always
Extinguish unless it's
Burning in your soul.
Rain will always stop
Unless it pours
Again in your heart.
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You'll reclaim your power.

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