

## The Creed

by Rev. Olaf Baumann

Today, organized religion seems to be standard in traditional Christianity. Most groups and congregations are part of a larger organizing body.

In the Lutheran case we are organized in local synods which make up the national church. Many national Lutheran churches are organized in the Lutheran World Federation, LWF, which represents over 74 million Christians in 145 membership churches in 98 countries across the globe.

Despite some significant differences in theology, piety and culture all member churches of the LWF share a common belief system. They all subscribe to the principles of faith that were written down in the Augsburg confession. Wherever you go in the world, when it says Lutheran at the door, you basically know what you're getting. The devil is naturally in the details, which means a lot of discussion, dispute and excitement when Lutherans try to figure out what "grace is a free gift" actually means in real life.

Compared to the early church in the centuries following Christ's life, death and resurrection, the LWF today, as well as other global church bodies, are an example of solid uniformity. Most believe in the Trinity of Father, Son and Holy Spirit. That was not always the case.

Local leaders defined the early church rather than doctrine. They had no common canon of scriptures. They didn't agree on who Jesus was. Was he God or human or both, - or a prophet, or an angel, a divine bringer of wisdom, mediator between an evil creator God and a good God of spiritual purity - or maybe Jesus was an eternal being from an esoteric realm that no modern human being has ever heard of? They were diverse to say the least and their beliefs ranged from something we would find familiar to something we would consider completely absurd.

The early church knew the basic story of Jesus' life, death and resurrection, but beyond that they taught whatever they wanted. Heresy was everywhere. Orthodoxy was nowhere. This early Christian movement produced a plethora of writings. Among them no less than 50 Gospels that have survived, a multitude of Gospels that are mentioned in the writings of the Church fathers, and an unknown number of Gospels that were lost in the maelstrom of time. To cut this number down to four, presumably the most popular ones, was the result of a consolidation process that took centuries.

The creed is part of this consolidation process as Christians from all over the Roman Empire tried to define what Christians actually believe. A creed is a document that states what the content of the Christian faith is.

The first time the title “Apostle’s Creed” appears in a letter, which was probably written by Ambrose. In 390 CE he writes to Pope Siricius. At that time the creed seems to be a clearly defined statement of faith. But the beginnings of the creed developed much earlier.

Tradition has it that all the apostles contribute one statement of faith to the creed. But many scholars believe that the creed developed to counter the claims of notorious heretics. One example is Marcion of Sinope who lived from 85 CE to 160 CE.

Marcion believed that Jesus was the Savior sent by God, and Paul, the Apostle, was his chief apostle. He rejected the Old Testament and believed that the wrathful Hebrew God was a separate and lower entity than the all-forgiving God of the New Testament.

To defeat his claims the early church fathers had to define what they actually believed. The result was the emergence of the Apostles Creed that clarifies the continuity of the God of Israel as the one and only God and Jesus Christ as his Son.

Today the creed represents the traditional teaching of the church. It has been recited in worship services for nearly 2000 years and it will possibly be recited as long as the church exists. This liturgical text ties us in a powerful way to all the Christians who went before and

it connects us to those who will follow when we are gone.

However, the creed is not a litmus test, or a statement about female biology, or a thesis about the beginning of the physical world. It is not a dogma that you have to believe in or you are not a Christian.

The words of the creed are a tool that enables contemplation of what the content of faith is. And like all liturgical texts, the words of the creed are a meditative device that tunes the human heart toward the presence of Christ.

We confess our faith with these words. These words are an aid that helps us to express our faith in Jesus Christ. And while we recite these words we understand that Christ is always beyond words, beyond description and beyond understanding. But we are humans and we need words. And so the creed is our crutch to approach the mystery of Christ.

The continuity of the church is nothing but astounding. No other institution has survived that long. Throughout the last 2000 years the church provided meaning for the lives of illiterate Roman slaves as well as 20<sup>th</sup> century physicists. Both are tied inseparably, over the centuries, by the bond of faith in the man from Galilee. This continuity is only possible because every generation is called to engage the creedal statement of faith anew. These words are filled with meaning every time they are recited,

because they point beyond themselves to something that is eternal and that the human heart longs for no matter where and when they live. The longing to connect with God is a universal trait of human kind. And that is what the recitation of the creed provides: relationship. And that makes the creed valuable, usable and timeless.

The congregation that met in secret in the catacombs of Imperial Rome and you on Sunday morning at Holy Trinity in Port Angeles do the same thing. They and we recite the same words. They as well as we seek the experience of Christ. Not bad for a couple of words.

Please remember to have a family member or friend contact the church office during business hours or Pastor Kristin Luana at (360) 912-1245 or Pastor Olaf at (360) 912-1830 if you are hospitalized or need pastoral care. The hospital does not inform us if you are admitted.

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### **Radio Broadcasts**

Our worship services are broadcast on  
KONP 1450 AM at 11:00 AM

*The Family of Dolores Mangano  
invites all to a  
Celebration of her Life  
on Saturday, February 3 at 4:30 PM  
at Chestnut Cottage.  
Questions: Call the church office or  
Janet Lovell 360-457-1955*

### **Sunday Morning Worship with Holy Communion is at 9:30 AM**



### **Choirs**

**Chancel Choir Wednesdays at 6:00-7:30 PM.** (No choir on Jan 3)

**Children's Choir for K-6<sup>th</sup> Grade on Wednesdays 3:15 to 4:00 PM.** All young children in this age group are very welcome to join us, as we learn not just how to sing, but worship skills, and music reading skills as well! (No choir on Jan. 3)

For more information about choir, contact Joy Lingerfelt in the church office.

## Congregational Life

**Tuesday Bible Study** at 9:30 AM in the Fireside Room starting January 9<sup>th</sup>.

*But who do you say that I am?  
(Matthew 16:15)*

In this bible study, we will dig into passages from all four gospels in which Jesus talks about his calling. Does Jesus' sense of call develop over time, or does he know right from the start where his mission on earth will lead him? How and when does he reveal his calling to his disciples, and to the public at large? What can we learn from Jesus' sense of call for our call to discipleship?

### The Lutheran World Relief Quilters



meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays **10 AM - Noon** in the quilting room downstairs. They will meet on **January 9 & 23**.

If you would like to sew quilt tops at home, squares will be provided. New participants are welcome! Contact Charlotte Sellin at 452-2788 or Marianne Ude at 452-3932.

**The Saturday Men's Breakfast group** in the Fellowship Hall is open to all men. They start with breakfast at **7:30 AM** and conclude around 9:00 AM. All are welcome!

All are invited for a **Friday Night Movie at 7:00 PM** in the Fellowship Hall. Popcorn is provided. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

**Confirmation Class for students in 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade** is on Wednesdays at 5:15 PM.

**Holy Bookers - Wednesday, January 3 at 5:00 PM** in the library. This group meets on the first Wednesday of each month.

- January 3, 2018: The Invention of Wings by Sue Monk Kidd, led by Rosemary Peterson
- February 7, 2018: Letters from Yellowstone by Diane Smith, led by Anne Murray
- March 7, 2018: Angle of Repose by William Stegner, led by Elizabeth Christian
- April 4, 2018: God's Hotel by Victoria Sweet, led by Carol Dunlap

**Not Ancient Mariners** – Over 60ish Men's Group gather on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday at **5:30 PM**. Contact Bob Dunlap at 360-452-2537 for location and more information.

**If you are missing someone in church... give them a call to let them know.**

## **Holy Women Focus and Congregational Exhibit**

**January 21 – Feb 11, 2018**

The bible, inspired by God, contains a plethora of insightful and highly valued stories for our sacred learning pleasure. The bible, written by human beings, is also a product of her times. Therefore most of the biblical accounts are written from a male perspective, as men have been more active and visible in the public sphere in most of human history. But women live out their faith with the same passion and dedication as men do. We can be inspired by both, men and women. So, let's fill in some of the gaps and take some time to tell stories of holy women!

**I am inviting you to find stories about Holy Women and to present them to your sisters and brothers in Christ in a creative way of your choosing:** Write up your story and frame it, produce a collage, sculpture, poem, painting, drawing, theatre play or any mix of the above. **We will exhibit your stories in the narthex**, have a preaching series about Biblical Women, and Sunday School and Adult Education will be filled with Holy Women as well.

We are looking forward to learn what Holy Women are close to your heart!

## **Sunday School and Adult Education**

**Sunday School at 11:00 AM for  
children age 2 through high school.**

Gather in your age groups and dig deeper into every week's sermon topics.

(No Sunday School on January 14<sup>th</sup> due to Martin Luther King Weekend)

### **Adult Education at 11:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall**

**January 14 - Pastors Baumann.**

**Imagine! Church Renewal – Understanding your Congregation's Life Cycle.** We all know that the life of a human being follows a life cycle. We are all born, live, and we die. What about a congregation? Does a congregation also follow a life cycle? Yes and no. Yes, because a congregation also follows a cycle of formation, stability, and decline. No, because other than an individual human being, a congregation, consisting of many generations of members, has the ability to renew itself. How so? Find out at this 101 about church renewal.

**January 21 - Pr. Kristin Luana Baumann. Holy Women! From Eve to Mary Magdalene - The Depiction of Biblical Women in Art History.** How artists depict Women of the Bible tells us much, not only about the biblical stories, but also about the time and

attitude of the artist. Pr. Kristin Luana will introduce this fascinating topic by highlighting examples from the world of art.

**January 28** - Don Corson

**Holy Women! Hildegard von Bingen:  
The Wild Side of the Holy**

What can a Twelfth Century Abbess teach us about how to live today? “A lot”, says Don Corson, who will lead us through the life and times of one of the most significant persons in all of church history. Her work included being a healer, an innovative musician, an artist, and a mystic visionary that the Pope learned to listen to. Don has had a long-term interest in Hildegard von Bingen and looks forward to sharing some of the things he has learned that still make her a relevant force for us today.

**Lutheran World Relief  
Stewardship Project**

**Baby Care Kits**

Lightweight Cotton t-shirts

Receiving Blankets

Jacket, Sweatshirt or Sweater with a hood or include a baby cap

Cloth Diapers

Socks

Gentle Body Soap - bath size

Diaper Pins

Dark Hand Towel

**The Vietnam War**

The documentary series by  
Lynn Novick & Ken Burns continues.

Fellowship Hall

Thursday at 6 PM

(pick up a flyer in the narthex)

**January 4, 11 & 18**

Episodes run 90-120 minutes

The screening are followed by a listening circle where you have the opportunity to share your experiences, memories or opinions in a safe and non-judgmental environment, or just listen.

Healing prayers are available upon request.

**Pastor Olaf & Pastor Kristin Luana sermons can be listened to online on our Facebook page and at [www.go2trinity.com](http://www.go2trinity.com)**

**You can follow us on Facebook. Look for Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Port Angeles and “like” the page**

If you **need a ride to church on**



**Sunday morning,**  
contact the church  
office Monday  
through Thursday,  
9 AM to 4 PM.



**Interfaith Listening  
Circle Tuesday,  
January 9 at  
6:00 PM  
in our Chapel**

As part of an Interfaith Community, we have invited people of all faiths to join us to share in small "listening circles". Listening circles can generate compassionate understanding and deeper respect for the experiences of each person present. Invited are members of churches, and those who are not affiliated with a church, including those who are "spiritual but not religious".

The topic for discussion this month is:  
*Who or what has guided you during a turning point in your life? How can that help you in how you work or serve today?*

Contact Marilyn Eash at 457-2068 or [marilyn@msn.com](mailto:marilyn@msn.com)

**Mission Statement**

Called by God's grace  
to share the good News,  
**We are the hands of Christ:**  
opened by love,  
extended in welcome,  
joined in worship,  
offered in service,  
reaching for justice.

**Theology on Tap  
January 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM**

"Despair makes priests and friars." We find the most memorable Martin Luther quotes in a book titled "Table Talks." Luther's students and colleagues recorded those remarks as they sat around a table, drank beer and talked theology.

What is good for Martin Luther is also good for us. So we will also meet around the table, drink beer and talk theology. We will meet at the New Moon Craft Tavern, 130 S Lincoln St., Port Angeles on the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM. *The next is January 18.* The New Moon has a wide selection of craft beers and non-alcoholic beverages that should be able to fuel our conversations.

All are welcome, because this is not just a "guy thing." This is a good opportunity to bring an unchurched friend, family member or co-worker. All questions are allowed. Doubts are welcome.

If you want to join us for beer and conversation, speak to Pastor Olaf or Neil Dexter. If you come, please DRINK RESPONSIBLY!!!

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[Neil@thedexterfamily.com](mailto:Neil@thedexterfamily.com)

## Preschool

December was a fun and busy month at preschool. During Jesus time we learned about the amazing Christmas story. Mary, Joseph, angels including Gabriel and the shepherds were all part of our discussions.

Red and green were the featured colors this month and the shape was a star. The students made decorations for our class Christmas tree and also made gifts and cards for their parents. In their cards, the students told what they would like to get for Christmas and also what they thought that other members of their family would like to receive. We would be interested in knowing whether or not one dad was given a goose with a phone in its beak or if a mother got the sparkly rainbow shirt that she really wanted!

Our classes decorated gingerbread cookies for a special Christmas party snack that we shared with the families and the children. The students enthusiastically rang bells as they performed songs that we have been working on throughout advent.

We wish for all of you the peace and joy that the miracle of Christ's birth brings this season and always. Thank you for your continued support of the preschool!

Mrs. Kathy and Mrs. Brenda

## Preschool Facebook Page

Our preschool has a Facebook page, please search for Holy Trinity Lutheran Preschool, like and share! Take a look at the awesome pictures of our preschool children.

## Preschool Rummage Sale Coordinator Needed

The preschool is looking for someone to organize the **rummage sale fundraiser**. There are lots of people who are willing to help, we just need someone to be in charge. If you are interested, please talk to Brenda, Kathy or the church office.

## Snow removal ...



When the raindrops turn to snowflakes, we need volunteer help shoveling the sidewalks and entry ways and walk ways at church. We also need someone to spread ice melt on icy mornings as we have Preschool students, Mosaic clients and Encore clients in our building most weekdays.

**The snow shovels and ice melt are in the chapel** or you can bring your own shovel.

## Moving Forward Together

Happy New Year! We are counting our blessings with a wonderful Advent and Christmas leading to Epiphany.

The calendar year end prompts us to think back on 2017 and in doing so, there is much to celebrate. Here are a few highlights:

- Installation of new carpeting in our entry areas
- Some painting projects completed
- A successful hosting of Vacation Bible School
- A community viewing of the Vietnam series
- Celebrating 500 years of Reformation with a gift to Queen of Angels parish
- Church council retreat reviewing our Mission Statement
- Theology on Tap bubbles up
- Paying back our Designated Funds

Council members are thoughtful and committed to the ministry here at Holy Trinity and are a great team to work with. And the leadership of our pastors helps make the decisions well-crafted. We are indeed moving forward together.

We also note the passing of quite a few saints in our congregation. Precious ones whose faith wove threads that sustained our church life. We will miss them all.

We are grateful for the support of each member and your comments. We want you to feel part of all that is going on, so conversation is important.

For the new year, we look forward to continuing to steward our building and our resources, to feed and energize the faith of our members, and to provide a place for community building.

Wishing us all a great 2018!

Peace,

Vicki Corson  
Council President

## 2018 Radio Broadcast Sponsors



The 2018 Radio Broadcast Sponsor poster is on the bulletin board in the narthex. Cost is \$60 to sponsor a Sunday, sign on both lines.

If you would like to share sponsorship with someone else, please sign on one line, and the cost is \$30. Thanks for supporting our radio broadcast ministry!



*A Christ-centered event for families  
of all shapes and sizes.*

*Meal is included!*

**5:00 – 6:30 PM in the  
Fellowship Hall  
Save the dates!**

### **Wednesday, January 24, 2018**

*Verse:* Jesus woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. (Mark 4:39)

*Story:* Jesus and the disciples cross the lake on a boat. A huge storm comes up, and the disciples are very afraid. But Jesus calms the storm. (Mark 4:35-41)

*Theme:* Jesus is the Son of God, even the wind and the sea obey him.

### **Tuesday, February 27, 2018**

*Verse:* She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord’s feet and listened to what he was saying. (Luke 10:39)

*Story:* Jesus visits Martha and Mary. Martha is distracted by her many tasks, but Mary listens to Jesus’ teachings. (Luke 10:38-42)

*Theme* The most important thing is to listen to Jesus and learn from him.

### **Thursday, March 22, 2018**

*Verse:* For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost. (Luke 19:10)

*Story:* Zacchaeus climbs up a tree to see Jesus. Jesus stops to eat at his house, and Zachaeus decides to give half his possessions to the poor. (Luke 19: 1-10)

*Theme:* After meeting Jesus, Zachaeus becomes a better person.

### **Wednesday, April 25, 2018**

*Verse:* So it is not the will of your Father in heaven that one of these little ones should be lost. (Matthew 18: 14)

*Story:* The Parable of the Lost Sheep (Matthew 18:10-14)

*Theme:* Jesus loves all people (and animals!) and leaves nobody behind.

### **Craft person needed:**

*Do you like making crafts? Do you enjoy researching and creating themed crafts for children? Then Messy Church is for you! We are looking for a person to prepare two to three crafts at every Messy Church event. You could sign up for 1 or 2 or all Messy Church dates. Please let Pastor Kristin Luana know.*

## Library Notes

*Two mysteries and a touching novel will provide you hours of reading enjoyment on these dark winter days. In addition a book of hope in the face of illness.*

***Absolution by Murder*** (1997) by Peter Tremayne. This is the first full-length Sister Fidelma book. Sister Fidelma has been asked to attend the debate between the representatives of the Celtic and Roman Churches held at Whitby in AD 664. The decisions made here will determine which church, Celtic or Roman, will become the religion of the land. Here she first meets Brother Aadulf, a Saxon monk and a member of the Roman delegation. She is there to rule on issues of Celtic law but when a leading Celtic speaker, Abbess Etain, is murdered it is up to Sister Fidelma, with help from Brother Aadulf, to find the killer before full-scale civil war breaks out. *By Helen Harvey*

***The Novice's Tale*** (1992) by Margaret Frazer. This is the first in a series of Sister Frevisse mysteries. Unlike Sister Fidelma whose main interest is law, Sister Frevisse has chosen her vocation as a nun. Despite having chosen what should be a quiet, contemplative life, Sister Frevisse continually finds herself solving mysteries. In this book a rather unpleasant dowager, Lady Ermentrude, has descended on the priory of St. Frideswide determined to remove her niece, novice Sister Thomasine, and

marry her off. This is the last thing Sister Thomasine wants. When Lady Ermentrude is murdered the obvious suspect is Sister Thomasine. It is up to Sister Frevisse to find the real killer. As a matter of interest – the remains of the St. Frideswide priory are now part of Christ Church, Oxford England.

*By Helen Harvey*

***The Love Song of Miss Queenie Hennessy*** (2014) by Rachel Joyce. The book touched me deeply. Queenie is in a Hospice with some friend. She writes to Harold Fry. (In another book by author Joyce-*The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry*-he walks the length of England to see her.) Joyce brilliantly lets us into Queenie's world. The unrequited love, the friendships she has, the deep secret she carries. The tension builds as Harold draws closer. Some of the scenes brought tears to my eyes. I found as a reader I didn't want it to end. I highly recommend the book. *By Dennis Duncan*

***The Anatomy of Hope*** (2004) by Jerome Groopman, M.D. Just how much does 'hope' affect our physical well-being, and can that be measured? The stories of Dr. Groopman over a thirty year period of practice, how he (and the practice of medicine) has changed in regards to what patients are told about their illnesses and the importance of hope. But never 'false hope'. The stories are about dying patients and patients who recover and live for many

more years. You see his growth as a physician over the years dealing with these issues, and his growth of compassionate, honest relationships with his patients. I was moved by the stories and recommend the book, as I couldn't put it down. *By Merry Van Deusen*

*The Library Board meets monthly (August through May) on the **third Thursday at 9:30 AM.** You are most welcome to attend a meeting if you are interested in joining, or simply to see what the library board is all about.*

*Board members: Pam and Emily Bundy, Dennis Duncan, Helen Harvey, Lois Larsen, Karen Meuir, Viola Nixon, Rosemary Petersen, Ann Marie Rahfeldt, Caralee Rupprecht, Zorba Alexis-Stricker, and Merry Van Deusen (chair).*

### **Electronic Trinity**

We will publish videos regularly on our website, on Facebook and on our YouTube channel 1517GraceGuerrilla.  
Rev. Olaf Baumann

### **Need a current directory?**

We have up-to-date directories without pictures for members. Please stop by and pick one up, or get one on Sunday from a staff member.

## **Spiritual Read 2018: Douglas Adams, The Book of Joy**

*Organized by the Interfaith Community in Clallam County*

It is time for another Spiritual Read! Last year in January, about 20 groups gathered in Clallam County to read *Finding Peace through Spiritual Practice* by the Interfaith Amigos.

This year, we will read and discuss the *Book of Joy*, an account of the Dalai Lama and Arch Bishop Desmond Tutu's week of celebration, long-term friendship and ideas about how to find lasting happiness in life.

Candance Hall, a Buddhist who practices in the Tibetan tradition, will facilitate the book group, which will meet in Holy Trinity's library, and can provide some insight on the Buddhist ideas presented in the book.

All are welcome to attend any or all sessions, and you don't need to have read that week's material in order to participate. As with all interfaith events, people of all faiths and those who do not identify with a particular faith tradition are welcome.

**Thursdays, beginning January 25th from 6:30-8 PM in the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Library.**

## What's in a Faith Story?

**By sharing personal faith stories,  
we inspire, comfort, and help  
others.**

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent, Pr. Kristin Luana preached on how her experience at the first synod-organized Imagine Retreat changed her understanding of why we tell our faith stories. This is not about developing a smooth, logical narrative about your life. It is about witnessing to God's work in your heart and soul. It is about focusing on the cracks and wounds in your life story, and how God mended them. It is about the struggle to find words for your relationship with Jesus, and for your journey to spiritual insight. This is personal! You cannot tell your faith story without sharing about difficult times in your life. By sharing personal faith stories, we witness to God's glory. And our witness can inspire, comfort and help others.

Many of you asked for us to publish the Imagine! Faith Story Prompts in the Trumpet. Here they are:

- Tell about a time when you didn't think you could have made it through a situation if God had not been there to bring you through it.
- Tell about a time when you felt God very close to you...right there present with you.

- Tell about a time when you heard God speaking to you through another person or a situation.
- Tell about a time when you experienced God's angels watching over you or guiding you.
- Tell about a special time of prayer that you had with God.
- Tell about a time when you were really worried about someone or something. How did you feel God's presence?
- Tell about a time when you knew God was enabling you to use your God-given gifts to bless someone.
- Tell about a time of forgiveness or reconciliation. How was God involved?

Please, practice sharing your faith stories with others by sharing them with us, your pastors! Our doors are always open!

### **Thrivent Choice Donations**

We appreciate the support of our Thrivent members! Please let us know if you are a Thrivent member, so that we can thank you! In December we received \$222 in Thrivent Choice Dollars. Thrivent Choice donation enable us to help fund Mosaic's Holiday Party & Dance in December.

## Thanks!

...Don & Vicki Corson for Advent and Christmas decorations.

...12 Day of Christmas Hula participants: Jaidence, Amalia, Tracy, Holly, Annabelle, Juliana, Lucy, Jamie, Madeline, Liam, Cordelia, Brogan, Blake, Pastor Kristin Luana and Ken Doerge. Special thanks to Lucy Nordwell for her help with the children.

... Michael Hatch for Estate Planning workshop for Adult Education.

... Vicki Corson for “Passing on the Faith” Children’s sermons in Advent.

...Worship volunteers for Christmas Eve Worship Services.

...Christmas Eve Worship musicians: Jodi Chamberlin, Leah Marsh, Hillary Norwell and Melanie Grad.

...Terry Smith for his hospitality and support on Sundays and during the week.

...Zorba Alexis-Stricker for helping with bulletins, coffee cups and keeping the office clear of clutter ☺!



**Check out our  
website at  
[www.go2trinity.org](http://www.go2trinity.org)**

## Mission Partners for 2017-2018

Boys and Girls Club  
MANNA – Ministers Assisting  
Neighbors in Need with Agape  
VIMO – Volunteers in Medicine  
of the Olympics  
First Step Family Support Center  
TAFY – The Answer for Youth  
Healthy Families of Clallam County  
Serenity House  
Lutheran Community Services NW  
Port Angeles Food Bank  
Southwestern Washington Synod

Your general fund offerings provide a \$300 donation to each of the nine local mission partners in addition to our \$1,175 monthly gift to the SW WA Synod.

## Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Financial Summary November 30, 2017

Income: \$30,045  
Expenses: \$35,532  
  
YTD Income: \$162,029  
YTD Expenses: \$167,087

Church Council meeting minutes and financial reports are available to members in the church office.

## **Electronic Giving**

You may sign up to have **your offering electronically sent to HTLC** from your checking or savings account or credit card through the church office. It is very easy to start, stop or change. There are slips in the pews for you to put in the offering plate on Sundays mornings, stating that you give electronically. Questions? Contact Peggy or Paula in the church office.

## **Enduring Gifts**

Consider remembering the church in your will. Leave a lasting legacy to our Enduring Gifts Fund.

Committee: Mary Lange, Deb Reed, Sylvia Peters, Gary Sirguy, Holly Rockwell-Irwin, Gene Unger and David Christian.

## **Perfumes and After Shave**

**Please refrain from wearing perfume or cologne to church!** We have members with severe allergies, and exposure to even small amounts of perfume/cologne can cause headaches, watery eyes and difficulty breathing. For the well-being of all of our worshippers, please leave your perfume & cologne at home. Thank you!

## **Prayer Ministry**

The Prayer Team at Holy Trinity invites **everyone** to participate in our **Prayer Ministry!**

There are several ways you can help:

- **Pray at home**
- **Phone Prayer Chain** - contact Lois Larsen at 360-457-9706. Call the church office if you can't reach Lois.
- **E-mail Prayer List** - To receive the e-mail prayer list weekly or to add, delete or update a prayer request, call the church office.

**The HTLC Prayer Team is available to pray with you** by request, in person or on the phone. All information shared will be kept strictly confidential.

Ann Kennedy at 457-6177

Gary and Martha Sirguy at 452-9432

Dave Shargel at 457-2006

## **Please wear your name tags!**

Name tags help us get to know each other and helps visitors get to know us. If you don't have a name tag, contact the church office or tell Terry in the narthex on Sunday morning.

## Equal Exchange Fair Trade Coffee & Chocolate



We always have a fantastic selection of Equal Exchange coffees, chocolate bars, hot cocoa and baking cocoa available. Purchase at the church office which is open Monday through Thursday 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Thanks for supporting our fair trade coffee and chocolate ministry ☺

### *“Welcoming Table”* HTLC Cookbook Cost is \$15.00

For sale through the church office.  
Proceeds benefit the dishwasher fund.

### **Kitchen Update**

We have a kitchen update task force in place. Stay tuned!!

## Upcoming Music Events at HTLC

Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM  
**Port Angeles Chamber Orchestra  
Concert**  
(Tickets at the door)

Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM  
**Young Artists Scholarship  
Competition**  
Watch for more details.

Afternoon of Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>  
**Boys and Girls Club Fundraising  
Concert**  
More details to follow.



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