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Pastoral Perspective



Busy, busy, busy. That's how life seems so often. Either you are busy doing things or else thinking about what you ought to be doing. It's hard to find a quiet time to get centered on what is really important. Often, the search for a quiet time is futile. I suggest what you do instead of trying to carve out a quiet time is work at cultivating a quiet heart.

A quiet heart doesn't rely on having everything calm to be able to get centered on what is really important. A quiet heart is surrendered to the Lord. A quiet heart looks to the Lord for how best to use all that is given for your use. One of my favorite psalms is Psalm 131. It describes how to have a quiet heart—by not trying to figure everything out and trying to do everything great and marvelous all the time, but by being calm and quiet in the Lord and hoping in him and his guidance for now and forever. The psalmist writes:

*1 Lord, my heart is not proud;
 my eyes are not haughty.
 I don't concern myself with matters too great
 or too awesome for me to grasp.
 2 Instead, I have calmed and quieted myself,
 like a weaned child who no longer cries for its
 mother's milk.
 Yes, like a weaned child is my soul within me.
 3 O Israel, put your hope in the Lord—
 now and always.*

Let's pray for each other, that we have quiet hearts so we will know what is really important for us to be doing and we use all that is given for our use doing those things.

Spreading, Serving and Sharing with You,

Pastor Carl



community CONCERNS

It's Share-a-Sole time again! We will be fitting kids with new shoes on 10/2/19 this year! The barrel is in the narthex awaiting new, closed-toe shoes! Sizes ranging from kids 3 to adult 10! There is a sign up sheet to participate in the fittings! It's so much fun!



Also coming up on Saturday October 26 from 2-5 pm, is our 3rd annual Trunk or Treat! There are sign up sheets to participate - candy, cupcakes, car/truck trunks, and volunteers to help! We will again partner with Valley Hi Resource center. Come join us and have a BLAST!



FALL FESTIVAL

Time to prep for the Fall Festival is here! We will gather the community on Saturday, October 5th, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. for some food, fun, and shopping! W-ELCA has been busy planning, but what can YOU do? Volunteer! Donate! Shop! Spread the word!

A \$5 pancake (and sausage!) breakfast will again be served from the kitchen from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., hosted by the Kiwanis Club of Elk Grove. Donuts & coffee will be available after 10 a.m. in the Country Store. Once again, we will be inviting food vendors to provide lunch options and we will sell soda and water at the check-in table.



As always, the Country Store will sell delicious goodies lovingly made by our generous congregation. Our best sellers are individually wrapped baked goods, like cookies, cupcakes, brownies, fudge, Crack Corn, etc. However, cakes, pies, and breads sell, too. We won't turn down any donation!



The Church Yard Sale will be located in Schultz Hall and the inner courtyard again. Piles of donated goods are already growing in the storage area behind the stage in Schultz Hall. Please drop off your gently used donated treasures there.

(Remember, if the condition of such is that you or your friends wouldn't buy it - please don't bring it. We had a LOT of garbage left over last year.) Please let us know if you need help getting items to the church or unloading when you arrive - we will make every effort to help you. We usually don't sell clothes, but if you would like to bring them, they will be put in the barrel in the office to donate to St. John's or the Union Gospel Mission. If you would like to help with sorting, setting up, and pricing items for the Church Yard Sale, Judy Saxby (916.798.0825 or kringla646@comcast.net) and Carol Carney (916.335.0847 or jccarneyonroad@yahoo.com) will be at the church on Wednesday and Thursday, October 2nd & 3rd starting at 9 a.m. They would GREATLY appreciate your help tackling this large task.

Do you have craft projects spilling out of your closets (and drawers and spare rooms and garage)? Donate them to the Crafters booth! See Dorothy Haney for information.



Rent-A-Space is taking over the ENTIRE parking lot!! (Parking will be available on the street or the side grass lot.) The rental fee is \$20 for a single space or \$35 for a double space. If you know a local community service organization, please let them

know that they can have an information booth for FREE. Contact Triss Hoppman ASAP to reserve your spot because spaces fill up fast! Don't forget your friends & family - give them a Rent-A-Space form or refer them to call the office.

We want your books & plants! We do respectfully request that you limit your book donations to paperbacks - no hardcover books or magazines please. Potted plants & flowers of all sizes are appreciated.



Finally, we cannot run this event without VOLUNTEERS! We need help with set-up (starting at 6am) and clean-up (2-3pm), so please bring your muscles! We also need help throughout the day to relieve workers in our various W-ELCA sponsored sales areas. Even if you can only spare an hour or two, we can use you! We can accommodate your abilities! Look for sign-up sheets on the Opportunity Table.

Thank you,
Marlene Kiser & Linda Duffek



Save the Date October 27, 2019 to celebrate Reformation, our Lutheran Heritage and our Personal Family History. Everyone is encouraged to bring a dish representing their heritage, or a favorite family recipe to share. We will be playing Martin Luther Bingo! More information to follow and a sign up sheet will be on the Opportunity Table by October 6th.



IMPORTANT NEED: ASSISTANTS FOR LITTLE-KID SUNDAY SCHOOL

We are looking for assistants to help Peggy teach Sunday School for the little ones (ages 3-5)! It requires no planning and just involves helping supervise the children and assisting with their art projects.

You only need to volunteer once or twice a month. We are looking for 3-4 assistants to put on rotation. Your help would be very appreciated! Please let Lauren Orcutt know if you are willing to help out. You can talk to her in person, by text (703) 376-7022, or by email (lauren.orcutt@gmail.com).



It is that time of year again, FALL!



The first W-ELCA meeting was held on Saturday September 14th, at Chicago Fire Pizza on Laguna Blvd. The food was great and the fellowship was even better.

We had a short meeting covering old business of the June Bunco event and the Summer Bible classes.

New Business discussed included:

- Fall Festival on October 5th. Please checkout the opportunity table for areas you may be able to help in.



- November the Thank Offering Service led by W-ELCA on November 24th. This is a great time for women of the church to be part of the church worship service. Sign up sheets will be available starting at the W-ELCA meeting in November.



- December the annual W-ELCA Christmas Party, hosted by W-ELCA. Please be sure to mark your calendars for Saturday, Dec. 14th at 11:30 am. Again this year we will be having the fun gift exchange.



Yours in Christ,
Marlene Kiser
W-ELCA President



COUNCIL POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Are you be interested in joining the TEAM?

As President of St Luke's Council, I would like to extend an invitation to all church members to consider joining a wonderful TEAM. The Council Member board is looking for volunteers to fill the following positions for 2020:

- Council Secretary
- Worship & Music Board Chair
- Evangelism Board Chair
- Property Board Chair

Please be in prayer and consider where you might be able to assist in continuing St. Luke's mission.

If you're interested in volunteering for either of these positions and joining our wonderful team, let's talk. Please contact me at (916)469-9906, if you have questions or concerns.

Your Fellow Servant in Christ,

Carolyn Andrews
Council President

CHURCH BBQ



We had a wonderful Congregational BBQ/Picnic on Sunday September 8th: Thank you to the ones that brought wonderful Salads to share. We have to Thank Ed and Kirsten Ireton who did a great job on the BBQ, also Pat Webb who shopped for the Hamburgers and Hot Dogs and helped me shop for the reminder of the Picnic items.

We had our wonderful people that came on Saturday, to help set up the Tables, Chairs, Canopies and help in the Kitchen to prepare food: Peggy Moser (also Thank You for the Ice Tea), Carol Carney, Marlene Kiser, Joyce Jensen, Pat Webb, Clarence Korhonen, Jack Fenske, Frank Woods, Bruce Kiser and Mack Vance. Thank you Walt & Pauline who helped with the Veggies. Also we have many from the Congregation who helped with putting all the Table, Chairs, etc away. Your help may our BBQ a great success.

Sunday School Summer Art Program

The 2019 Sunday School Summer Art Program was a crayon melting, stone painting, jewel gluing success. Over a 12 week period more than 15 children made dozens of dazzling and heartwarming pieces of art which were purchased by donation during the congregational potluck on September 08, for a stunning total of \$398.95. Thank you to all who donated. I think it really made the kids feel good to see everyone buying their projects! We will keep the

congregation informed as we discuss how the funds will be spent. Also, there are still a few items left if you missed the auction. The kids worked really hard and had a lot of fun! Thank you to Samantha Basquez for donating so much time to come up with project ideas and running the Auction.





LUAU 2019





Thank you to everyone who helped to make the 2019 Luau a fun and successful night. We had over 30 volunteers helping with preparing the Schultz Hall for the event, food preparation, fun activities, dessert auction, and cleaning up. A special shout out to Paul Maki, our MC and auctioneer, again you made the night so much fun and the dessert auction so successful. Also a special thank you to Mryon Jantzen for entertaining us on the ukulele and providing a fun sing along. Last but never forgotten a thank you to the Adult & Bell Choir that performed for the event.

In Christ Love,

Marlene Kiser



SLY
Water
Day





Micayla Shower	October 02
Ferd Boschee	October 03
Hannelore Marchuk	October 03
Howard Triebwasser	October 04
Gail Weber	October 07
Thelma Williams	October 07
Ron Franklin	October 08
Jeff Kiser	October 08
Ofelia Ojeda	October 08
Duane Kiser	October 19
Joan Mooney	October 21
Christina Hisamoto	October 28
Dixon Richey	October 28
Dolores Johnson	October 31



- October 6 **Marlene & Duane Kiser**
For Jeff's Birthday
- Laura Weaver**
In memory of my brother,
Michael Weaver
- John, Richard & Diane**
For Thelma Williams' 90th Birthday
- October 13 **Dockter's**
In memory of Katie Ramsey &
Kenneth Hayes
- October 20 **Marlene & Duane Kiser**
For Duane Kiser's Birthday
- October 27 **Karen Linfor**
In memory of her mother,
Margrett Stubblefield
- Ron & Pat Webb**
For their 50th Anniversary



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FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

August 2019

Comments:

A. The summer months are taking a toll on the monthly contributions and the number of contributors.

B. However, the YTD figures remained positive, primarily because of a generous contribution in June.

C. In July, a mid-year contribution statement was distributed to each contributing member. If you did not receive a statement, contact me.

D. Several members are giving their contribution “online”. If you wish to give “online”, access your bank’s website and select “Pay Bills”. You will need the address of St. Luke’s Lutheran Church, which is 7595 Center Parkway, Sacramento, CA, 95823.

E. To assist the Sunday Counters and the Financial Secretary, please –

- For a special contribution, clearly mark how the contribution is to be used.
- Use numbered envelopes, when feasible.
- If you need numbered envelopes, either see me or drop a note in the offering.
- When using pew envelopes, please write legibly.

F. If you have any questions or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Jack Fenske
 St. Luke’s Financial Secretary
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General Fund (Only) Contributions		
Data	This Month	Year to Date
Total Contributions	\$10,192	\$141,805
Compared to Budget	-\$5,223	\$3,235
	-33.9%	2.3%
Compared to 2018	-\$2,838	\$8,336
	-21.8%	6.2%
No. of Contributors		
2019 (Current Year)	64	77 avg.
2018 (Last Year)	80	86 avg.
Other Special Gifts		
Sunday School		\$12
Flowers		\$180

Note: Plus values are good; minus values are not.



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Altar Care

(8:15 a.m.) Cheryl Franklin
(10:30 a.m.)
Oct 6 Kirsten Ireton, Pat Lehman
Oct 13 Carol Carney
Oct 20 Brenda Sulzmann, Carole Johnson
Oct 27 Dave Saxby

Communion Servers

Oct 6 Bob Behr, Kelly Boyer, Linda Duffek
Oct 20 Betty Englund, Mary Frances
Harris, Kirsten Ireton

Counters

Oct 6 Debi Lentsch, Connie Reule
Oct 13 John Orcutt, Triss Hoppman
Oct 20 Betty Englund, Barbara Manlapig
Oct 27 Holly Hoppman, Marlene Kiser

Greeters

Oct 6 *Carole & Mack Vance*
Oct 13 *Laura Sondrini*
Oct 20 *Lizzy Linch & Paul Edwards*
Oct 27 *Brenda Sulzmann & Carole Johnson*

Prayer Leaders

Oct 6 Pat Webb
Oct 13 Michele Sondrini
Oct 20 Gail Weber
Oct 27 Merle Zbrog

Psalm Leaders

Oct 6 Sierra Etchison
Oct 13 Aiyana Tice
Oct 20 Lucy Orcutt
Oct 27 Lauren Richey

Head Ushers

8:15 a.m. Ron Franklin
10:30 a.m.

Readers (8:15 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.)

Oct 6 Ron Webb; Holly Hoppman
Oct 13 Christiana Wilson; Triss Hoppman
Oct 20 Phil Petersen; Marlene Kiser
Oct 27 Ron Webb; Kirsten Ireton

Refreshments

Oct 6 Carol Carney & Ofelia Ojeda
Oct 13 Pauline Arndt & Joyce Jensen
Oct 20 Mack & Carole Vance
Oct 27 Heritage Reformation Sunday

Visitors' Gifts

Oct 6 Joyce Jensen
Oct 13 Carole Vance
Oct 20 Pauline Arndt
Oct 27 Pat Hamilton

Acolytes

Oct 6 Lauren Richey
Oct 13 Noella Sondrini, Anthony Basquez
Oct 20 Claire Kerian, Elizabeth Wilson
Oct 27 Lucy Orcutt, Kimiya Ricciardi

Welcome Leaders

Oct 6 Merle Zbrog
Oct 13 Betty Englund
Oct 20 Pat Webb
Oct 27 Al Moser

Sunday School Teachers

Oct 6 Lauren Orcutt, Christina Hisamoto, Peggy Moser
Oct 13 Laura Tice, Samantha Basquez, Peggy Moser
Oct 20 Alison Thomas, Lajuan Andrews, Peggy Moser
Oct 27 Samantha Basquez, Laura Tice, Peggy Moser



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Trunk or Treat

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2019

2P.M.-5P.M.

☆ Costume Contest

☆ Games ☆ Face Painting

☆ Trunk Decoration Contest

Hotdogs, chips and soda for \$5

Free coats for kids 3T to 2XL

