

September 2024

Newsletter

Resurrection Lutheran Church

Dear Friends,

As we approach fall, a piece of Scripture always comes to mind: Ecclesiastes 3:1. For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven. Today is not tomorrow, nor is it yesterday. Today is today, what we have here us, before us. This, right now, is the Day the Lord has made! (Psalm 188)

The theme for the last Sunday in August was “What R U up 2?” I think it’s a good question to ask ourselves frequently, particularly with a seasonal change.

What does this new day bring? Where are the challenges, and opportunities? Is there a particular focus to this new time? Where is God calling? What might God be gently nudging toward? Where are places God might be moving to surprise?

This fall, consider your purpose in each new day. God has given you. Where are your gifts—time, treasure, talent? Are you tending to those gifts in the fullest possible way? Sharing them in best way possible? Bringing them to bear in the new day before you? Seeing new gifts in your life that you had not been aware of before?

This is the day—today!—to be living faith, leaning into hope, taking in the love of God in Christ, and sharing the same.

This is the day—today!- to give cups of cold water, to sing a new song, to build a house on a good foundation, to listen to the word of the Lord, to dig that talent out from under the ground that we’d just as soon keep hidden far away.

I pray, with this new season, that you know your purpose anew—and find, in so knowing, the wonder of the God among us who, in Christ, calls us anew in this day to the ways of the kingdom of God. Those ways might be hard, but more, they are wonder.

As we give our lives to what God calls us to in this new day, we find ourselves, over and over again, finding ourselves.

Joy to you in this new day!

Pastor Karen



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Join us Sunday, September 8th after service at Mama Stortini’s for Food & Fellowship.

Wednesday, September 11th at 6:30 for Vespers!





Cottage meetings

All are invited and encouraged to attend one of the cottage meetings.

Theme: With Hearts to Serve and Give

Please email or call the church office to RSVP. Friday, September 13th.

11:00 at Marion's House or

7:00 pm at Paul and Peggy's House.



Join us for God's Work Our Hands.

Help us fill our food donation box! We will be assembling school kits, and making cards for Santa for Seniors.

As a thank you to our community for donating food throughout the year, and to close out the summer we will be having a campfire and s'mores at 6:30.

*There are some food drive flyers available on the table by the entrance, please feel free to share those with community members.

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God's Work Our Hands.

Join us for a day of service!
at Resurrection Lutheran Church

We would love to fill our food donation box. Items needed are non-perishable food items - canned goods, ramen noodles, crackers, etc.

September

5:00	Assemble School Kits and Santa for Seniors Crafts & Cards
5:45	Dinner
6:30	Campfire

Thank you to our community for donating food, celebrate with s'mores

God's work. Our hands.

Join us for a day of service!

WELCA Holiday Bazaar!

It's that time again, please think about what you can donate. A few ideas: Christmas gift items, baked goods, candy, crafts, plants, soaps and candles.

If you know anyone interested in a having table space please speak to Gail.

November 8th (12-6) and November 9th (10-4)



**34th CONVENTION of the
SOUTHWESTERN WASHINGTON SYNODICAL
WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION
October 12, 2024**

10:00 am to 4:00 pm at
Agnus Dei Lutheran Church
10511 Peacock Hill Ave. NW
Gig Harbor, WA 98332

Becoming Courageous Community

Keynote Speaker: Stacy Kitahata is co-Executive Director of Holden Village

In Jesus you also
are being built together
into a dwelling place for
God by the Spirit.



EPHESIANS 2:22, ESV



Stacy Kitahata is co-Executive Director of Holden Village [www.HoldenVillage.org], a remote wilderness community and retreat center in the North Cascade mountains of Washington State. She offers over 30 years of experience facilitating and training intercultural equity leadership and organizational change in non-profits and higher education. Stacy currently splits her time between Holden Village and Seattle with her spouse, an ELCA pastor. She holds degrees from UCLA and McCormick Theological Seminary.

Don't forget to register ladies!

If you need a registration form, please ask Holly in the office.

**REGISTRATION FEE: \$30 BEFORE September 30th;
\$40 beginning October 1**

Registration includes lunch.

One registration per form, please (feel free to make additional copies)

Registration transferable, but not refundable after October 1

**We are excited to be hosting a presentation by
Virginia Mason Franciscan Health on Friday,
September 27, at 1:00**

Please spread this flyer around the community for a talk on eating for cancer prevention. There are a few copies in the entrance table, please feel free to take some.

This has been a well-attended presentation in the past, and we are happy to offer space for it.



**Eating for Cancer Prevention:
Cutting Through the Fads
and Finding Healthy Solutions**

In a world filled with fad diets and promises of miracle medications, it's easy to feel overwhelmed and unsure about the best dietary choices for cancer prevention. Join us for an enlightening talk where we sift through the noise and focus on evidence-based nutrition strategies that can genuinely help reduce your cancer risk.

Our expert speaker will discuss certain foods and nutrients that can influence cancer risk, debunk popular diet myths by analyzing the claims of trending diets, and talk about easy-to-implement dietary habits that can prevent cancer and promote long-term health. Whether you're looking to enhance your current eating habits or seeking reliable information amidst the sea of dietary trends, this session will provide you with the tools you need for a healthier future.

TACOMA

When:
Thursday, September 26
10:00 a.m.

Where:
MidCounty Senior Center
10205 44th Ave. East,
Tacoma, WA 98446

Hosted by:
St. Joseph Medical Center and Pierce
County Aging & Disability Resources

GIG HARBOR

When:
Thursday, September 26
1 p.m.

Where:
Gig Harbor Senior Center
6509 38th Ave. NW,
Gig Harbor, WA 98335

Hosted by:
St. Anthony Hospital and Pierce County
Aging & Disability Resources

LAKEWOOD

When:
Friday, September 27
10:00 a.m.

Where:
Lakewood Senior Activity Center
Lakewood City Hall, 6000 Main Street SW,
Lakewood, WA 98499

Hosted by:
St. Clare Hospital and Pierce County
Aging & Disability Resources

TACOMA/FEDERAL WAY

When:
Friday, September 27
1:00 p.m.

Where:
Resurrection Lutheran Church
4301 Browns Point Blvd.,
Tacoma, WA 98422

Hosted by:
St. Francis Hospital and Pierce County
Aging & Disability Resources



Tricia Sinek, RD/CD

ALL EVENTS ARE FREE OF CHARGE.

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- 10 Linda P
- 12 Bill N
- 15 Julie D
- 18 Carole K
- 23 Kathleen J
- 24 Jacobsen S
- 26 Linda H
- 29 Shelby L

Happy Birthday! We Give Thanks to You! Join us on Thursday, September 19th at 12:30 to celebrate our September birthdays!

Treasurer's Report

July Income	\$15,979.76	Giving / Expenses	
Restricted Funds Received	\$506.00	July Giving	\$15,102.76
Expenses	\$11,523.20	Loose & Building Use & Special:	\$877.00
Savings (Contingency Account)	\$7,348.26	Total:	\$15,979.76
General Fund Balance is now	\$14,407.61	(Excludes special)	
Noisy Offering July	\$78.60	Total Regular Expenses:	\$11,523.20
Noisy Offering Jan thru December 2024	\$560.09	Total Restricted Fund Expenses:	\$200.00
Balance left in Noisy Offering.	\$197.47	Total Expenses:	\$11,723.20
Noisy Offering Amount to ELCA Disaster	\$580.59	Net Gain/Loss	\$4,256.56
We give thanks to our congregation and generosity		July Designated Gifts:	\$506.00
		2024 Designated Gifts:	\$3,600.07
		Total Giving:	\$15,979.76
Please pray for guidance to serve the Lord		Account Balances	
Faithfully		General Fund	\$14,407.61
Edward Buchheit, Treasurer		Restricted Funds	\$35,411.69
		Contingency	\$7,348.26
		Total	\$57,167.56
		Regular Giving YTD vs YTD Budget	
* Affected by payments from Restricted funds			\$97,306.55 \$84,583.38
From previous months			115.04%
		Regular Expenses YTD vs YTD Budget	
			\$101,161.33 \$93,885.03 *
			107.75%

Pastor's Favorites:

Favorite Quote: "Joy is the serious business of heaven." *C.S. Lewis*

Favorite Book: I'm reading Erik Larson's "The Splendid and the Vile" right now. The book recounts Churchill's leadership during the Blitz. Larson is a fabulous writer. And the book is breathtaking at places for seeing like issues in our own day—and making one think about approach.

Favorite Song Sorry—I had to do it, lol. It is my favorite, each new September.

[Earth, Wind & Fire - September \(Official HD Video\)](#) 



September 2024						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 10:00 – Service	2 Labor Day Office closed 12:00 – Al-Anon group	3 6:00 – AA	4 9:30 – W&M practice 4:00 – JIM	5 10:00 – Quilting	6	7 God's Work Our Hands 5:00 – Activities begin 5:45 – Dinner 6:30 – Campfire
8 10:00 – Service 12:30 – Food and Fellowship (Mama Stortini's)	9 10:00-4:00 – Ashley House 12:00 – Al-Anon group	10 11:00 – Finance meeting 6:00 – AA	11 9:30 – W&M practice 4:00 – JIM 6:30 – Vespers	12 10:00 – Quilting	13 Cottage meetings 11:00 – at Marion's 7:00 – Paul & Peggy's	14
15 10:00 – Service	16 10:00-4:00 – Ashley House 12:00 – Al-Anon group	17 9:30 – W&M meeting 6:00 – AA 6:30 – Council meeting	18 9:30 – W&M practice 4:00 – JIM	19 10:00 – Quilting 12:30 – Birthday Lunch	20	21 11:00 – DeJung Memorial
22 10:00 – Service	23 10:00-4:00 – Ashley House 12:00 – Al-Anon group	24 6:00 – AA	25 9:30 – W&M practice 4:00 – JIM	26 10:00 – Quilting	27 1:00 – Virginia Mason Fransican Health: Eating habits for cancer prevention	28
29 10:00 – Service	30 12:00 – Al-Anon group					

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