

Holy Lamb Lutheran Church

2541 Forestbrook Road

April 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The day has finally arrived! After more than a year of absence, we are returning to our Sanctuary for worship. Alleluia! I expect that Israel was no more excited about returning to the temple after their captivity in Babylon than we are as we return to our Sanctuary.

In order to maintain safety and an orderliness in this return, we have created a page on our website to sign-up for attendance. Due to ongoing concerns about maintaining a safe distance, we are limiting the number in the Sanctuary to 40, plus the necessary staff (Pastor, elders, ushers, musician, sound & audio techs as necessary). Those who register in advance will be assured of seating inside the Sanctuary. If you wish to register but are unable to do so online, please call the church office.

Our reopening schedule is as follows:

Maundy Thursday, April 1st, 7:00 – Online, and in the Sanctuary for those who have registered, with Communion.

Good Friday, April 2nd, 7:00 – Online, and in the Sanctuary for those who have registered.

Easter Sunday, April 4th, 8:00 & 10:30 – The 8:00 service will be in the Sanctuary only, with those who have registered, with communion, with all applicable restrictions. It will not be online, nor on the lawn. The 10:30 service will be in the Sanctuary, open to those who have registered, on the lawn, (weather permitting, with FM88:1 for the parking lot) with communion for all in attendance (Sanctuary, lawn, and parking lot). It will also be broadcast online.

But we must remember that not everyone is comfortable moving indoors, yet; and that is understandable. Many are not yet eligible to receive a vaccination; others are in close contact with family or coworkers and have a higher concern for infection. Just as we have accommodated the concern for safety when it was nearly universal, we must, now, also make provisions for the ongoing concern of others, even if the number is smaller.

To that end, we when we move inside, weather permitting, we will still position speakers on the lawn. This will enable those who are not comfortable inside, as well as those who were not able to register before the maximum of 40 was reached, to join in worship on the lawn. For the same reasons, we will continue to broadcast on 88.1FM to the parking lot. When worship is available on the lawn, we will also bring communion to those on the lawn and in the parking lot, as we have in the past.

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Stewardship

I have said many times, stewardship is a way of life, I can think of no simpler way to state it. All we have is from GOD and how we manage what we have shows God how much we love and appreciate all He has given us.



There are many opportunities for stewardship, We have many Bible study opportunities to which you are invited to come, many service opportunities for a wide variety of talents and interest. What better way to get to know each other than to join in Bible study or join a committee!

On April 15th at 2:30pm on zoom, we will have a stewardship meeting. If you are interested in joining our committee, please attend. If you do not have the zoom connect number, contact the church.

Happy Easter ! Christ has risen. He has risen indeed! Alleluia!!

Eileen St. Clair, Board of Stewardship

Men's Christian Fellowship

The next meeting of the Men's Christian Fellowship will be on Saturday, April 24th. Time and location to be announced

All men are invited to attend.



LWML NEWS

April 4th is Mite Box Sunday. Please return your mite box or a Ziploc bag with your collection. Don't forget to pick up another box if you are leaving yours. Checks are also accepted made out to *Holy Lamb* and in the memo area put *LWML MITES*. We are grateful for all your support.



Have you picked up a shoebox, decided whether you are going to fill it for a girl or boy and of what age group according to the tags and taped the appropriate tag on your shoebox(es)? Now we are ready to begin filling the box. At any time during the month of April you may purchase one of the following for whom your box will be going to: foam ball; finger puppets; slinky; etch-a-sketch; small plastic toys; yo-yo; marbles; kaleidoscope; hacky sack; or toy cars. As you put an item in the box, a prayer can be said for the child that will be receiving this Christmas gift which may be the only gift they receive. We will be suggesting items March – August to fill the box. The following items **CANNOT** be included in the boxes: Candy; Gum; Chocolate; Seeds; Food; Toothpaste; Used items; War related items; Liquids; Breakable items or Aerosol cans. We are praying that many have taken a box or two to fill. If you have any questions, please speak to Sylvia Stedina or myself.

Karen Bombria, President of LWML of Holy Lamb
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As we progress through this reopening process, we may make other adjustments. Please contribute your thoughts as we move along, understanding that a wide variety of concerns need to be addressed. For example, if our indoor worship holds steady at a number significantly less than our reduced capacity of 40, should we move the primary venue back outdoors if that would reach a larger number of people with the 'live, in person' service. In order to accomplish this, would the people who are ready to come indoors be willing to worship at 9:00 instead of 10:30, so that the preferences of all were met? On the other hand, if the temperatures stay warm, we could worship outdoors at 9:00 and indoors at 10:30. Nothing has been decided on these matters. These are just ideas to consider as we attempt to provide the best and safest worship environment possible, in a preferred setting.

The good news is that we are making progress. The numbers of new cases in the county and state had been dropping steadily, but now seems to have plateaued. Please remain vigilant in wearing masks and maintaining safe distances.

Watch for this week's *Pause with Pastor* for details on our (weather permitting) outdoor Palm Sunday worship including Confirmation.

In His service,

Pastor Panning

Ladies Society News

Ladies Society Luncheon Dates at 11:30 a.m.

April 6th - McAllister's Deli, 1000 S. Commons Dr #5, Myrtle Beach
May 4th - Rotelli Pizza and Pasta, 201 Graduate Rd, Conway



All women of the church are invited, please RSVP Merilynn Sell.

Food Basket

Our Ladies Society is supporting **Help 4 Kids** by placing a food basket in the Narthex (near the Ladies bathroom) to collect our contributions. We ask that you bring in any non-perishable food items, such as: Rice, mac & cheese, pasta, dried beans, spaghetti sauce, canned meats, pancake mix and syrup. Monetary donations are also appreciated. Please make checks payable to *Help 4 Kids*.

Thank you to all who continue to support our projects.



God's Blessings

Pat Marquardt

Bible Studies

Tuesday Morning

9:00 AM

In our **Tuesday morning** study, we are studying the book of Genesis. We are not examining every verse of every chapter. In order to see the larger picture of God's relationship with his creation, as it is revealed in Genesis, we are looking at those interactions between God and his chosen people that shed light on how God developed his relationship with man and his process of revealing his method for redeeming that relationship through the coming Messiah, His Son, Jesus.

Wednesday Evening

6:30 PM

Will resume on **April 21st**. Topic TBD. If anyone has any ideas on what they would like to study, please submit them to the Pastor.

Thursday Evening Women's Bible Study

6:30 PM

Details below on this page.

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Women's Bible Study

The women's Thursday night Bible study meets Thursday evenings at 6:30 on Zoom. All women are welcome to join us! Use Holy Lamb's standard meeting code.

We are using the reading plans provided at www.shereadstruth.com. You can find the daily Scripture readings and devotion at their website or sign up for their daily email or download their app. The website and emails are free; some of the plans on the app have a nominal charge. There is also a weekly podcast that discusses that week's readings. We would love to have you join us! And whether or not you meet with us, this can be another easy way to develop a daily Bible reading habit. (For those men who are feeling 'left out', there is also a 'He Reads Truth' reading plan at the website!)



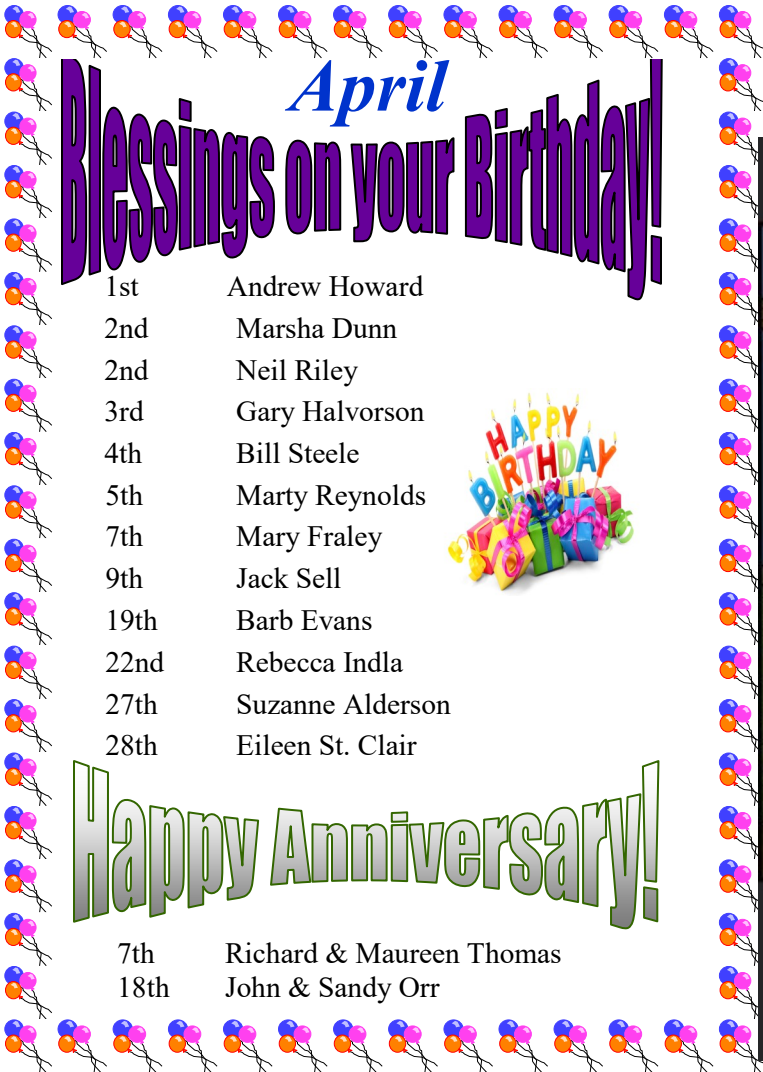
During the final week of Lent, we'll be reading Mark 12-16 in 'real time' as we follow the events of Holy Week. Whether or not you join us for our discussion that week*, consider obtaining the readings from the website and/or listening to the podcast to experience Holy Week through Mark's Gospel.

***Instead of our regular Thursday night meeting on April 1 (Maundy Thursday), we will be meeting (by Zoom) on Good Friday, April 2 at 9:30 am.**

On April 5th (Easter Monday), we'll begin a 3 week study of 1 & 2 Thessalonians. Paul's letters to the church of Thessalonica are filled with rich theology and reliable counsel for living the Christian life. Paul wrote to encourage the Thessalonians to remain firm in their commitment to the gospel despite present persecution, remembering the work of Christ in the past and His promises for the future. Join us as we read these letters, finding renewed hope in the Spirit's work to sustain us in every season as we eagerly await Christ's return.

On Monday, April 26, we will begin a 3 week study on The Kingdom of God—more details in the next newsletter!

Contact Kathy Panning if you need more information or help obtaining the daily devotions and Scripture readings.



April Blessings on your Birthday!

- 1st Andrew Howard
- 2nd Marsha Dunn
- 2nd Neil Riley
- 3rd Gary Halvorson
- 4th Bill Steele
- 5th Marty Reynolds
- 7th Mary Fraley
- 9th Jack Sell
- 19th Barb Evans
- 22nd Rebecca Indla
- 27th Suzanne Alderson
- 28th Eileen St. Clair



Happy Anniversary!

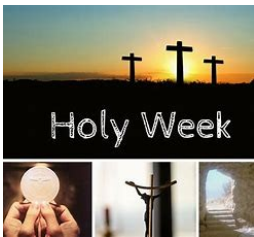
- 7th Richard & Maureen Thomas
- 18th John & Sandy Orr

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE



Worship Services—Holy Lamb

Holy Week



March 28th	Palm Sunday/Youth Confirmation	10:30 AM
April 1st	Maunday Thursday	7:00 PM
April 2nd	Good Friday	7:00 PM
April 4th	Easter Sunday	8 AM & 10:30 AM

Look for details in "Pause with Pastor"

Holy Lamb Financial Profile

Financial Update - Giving

	Actual	Budget
Month of March to Date	\$9,744	\$10,617
Year to Date	\$43,113	\$42,468

Altar Guild

If you are purchasing flowers for our altar, just a reminder, please use the Flower Fund envelopes from the Flower Chart bulletin board & place in the collection plate or drop off at the church office. The cost is \$30.00. If special flowers are requested, there may be an additional charge.

Please do not put flower payments in weekly offering envelope.

Flower Chart 2021

The flower chart for 2021 is posted on the wall in the Narthex by the church entrance. We still have openings for a variety of dates. **NOTE:** Highlighted dates are those within the seasons of Lent or Advent. During these times, we refrain from placing flowers on the altar out of reverence to our Lord and Savior, however, you may still purchase flowers in memory or honor of a loved one or special event and have them in the **Narthex** as well as listed in the weekly notes.

If you have any questions, please contact Linda Snyder or Marsha Dunn.

Flowers purchased to the glory of God for April, 2021

April 4 ~ Open

April 11 ~ Open

April 18 ~ In honor of their children and grandchildren's birthdays, given Doug & Rose Ruddick.

April 25 ~ In honor of Rebecca Indla's birthday, given by Jay and their children.



Prayer Requests

Unless otherwise requested, prayer request information will be announced in worship, shared with our prayer chain, and published in our bulletin or newsletter. To respect the privacy of those for whom we pray:

With regards to health issues last names will not be given in worship or in print unless they are members of Holy Lamb.

Information regarding conditions, diagnosis, or procedures will be given only at the initial church announcement, not in print.

Please update the church office of your prayer request by the newsletter deadline.



For Healing

Ann, daughter of Carol Stocum

Julia, great-granddaughter of Al Stout

Vivie, relative of John & Karen Bombria

Linda R., daughter of Jack & Merilynn Sell

Trish, neighbor of Jack & Meerilynn Sell

Jackie Anttil

Ron Hajduk

John Orr

Linda Riley

Carol Stocum

Carol Boulet

Mary Lee

Steven Rehm

Monica Steele

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Worship Schedule

Sundays—10:30 am

Sunday School & Bible Study

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<i>The Book of Genesis</i>	
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