

Holy Lamb Lutheran Church

2541 Forestbrook Road

June 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The word ‘rejoice’ appears in the Bible 914 times. Of course, a great number of those occurrences are in the Psalms, the hymnbook of the Israelites. From national deliverance from their enemies to personal deliverance from Satan, they and we have much over which to rejoice. And, now, it appears that we have one more thing to rejoice and thank God for: the plague of the coronavirus has been significantly diminished!

Our Elders and Council have regularly addressed the concerns on both sides of the debate, and have taken steps and then modified the guidelines in response to the concerns of the congregation and the reports of the medical community.

Early in this battle, when we had already suspended indoor activities and many were wondering what ‘markers’ would be used to determine re-entry, I suggested that a consistent ‘new daily case count’ in Horry County of 25 or less might be an example. I was not establishing that as the standard; and just a few weeks later we were at 100-plus new cases per day. At that time, I thought a 25-per-day count was unattainable.

Now the cause for rejoicing. Since May 1st, the daily new case count has not been above 23. In fact, in that time it has only been at 20 or above twice. We are consistently seeing numbers in the single digits. And remember, this is for the entire county. There were times when our individual zip codes far exceeded these numbers. On top of that, the CDC has determined, based on data, that it is safe for vaccinated individuals to go without masks, even indoors.

A large majority of our members have already been vaccinated. And the vaccine is now approved for, and available to, all who desire to receive it. We still have several members who are not going to be vaccinated, on advice of their medical professionals, because of other health concerns and potential vulnerabilities. For their benefit, achieving what I believe can be described as a ‘herd immunity’ in our county can offer great comfort.

All of these points bring the question of our policies to the fore. Our Elders addressed the question of loosening our guidelines at their meeting on May 4th. They determined that, since enacting them was a decision of the Leadership Team (Elders and Council together), any significant modification should come from that same Team. At the May Council meeting they decided that the June Council meeting would be that Leadership Team meeting. In the meantime, the numbers have continued to improve, as I noted above.

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Volunteers Needed – Men and Women!!

Since we are having services in church as well as on the front lawn, we are in need of additional volunteers to support the worship experience. The key areas of need are:

Ushers at the 8am service
Ushers at the 10:30am service
Sound System operators at the 8am service
Sound System operators at the 10:30am service

Just one Sunday a month would be tremendously appreciated!

If you can help, please contact Bill Steele at (843) 650-2958 or

Thank you!!

VOLUNTEER

All that's missing is U!

Stewardship

We are finally seeing things returning toward what we would call normal. Therefore, we can look forward to doing things together again as a congregation. As a result of this, plans are in the works for August 28th to hold the BBQ fundraiser for *Help4Kids*. We will need many hands on deck for this event. It's a fun way to get to know one another and do something good at the same time. Watch for sign up sheets next month in the Narthex. Please plan on helping. Also during the month of August, the "BIG SHOE" will be in the narthex for collecting NEW shoes and socks for kids going back.



Are there other ways we can get together? Yes. The **Mens Christian Fellowship** meets the 4th Saturday morning of each month. All men are invited to join. Watch for information as to time and place. The **Ladies Society** meets and also the **LWML** group meets every other month. LWML is planning a pot luck for their July meeting. Contact Karen Bombria or Sylvia Stedman for more information.

If after this long year you are longing to get more involved in church activities and connect with other members, there is an opportunity opening in the Human Care area. Volunteers are needed not only for the kitchen/human care committee, but also for a chair person or co-chair persons. Last month, I posted the responsibilities of the Human Care Committee. If you like planning meals and parties, this is the position you would enjoy. Not only do you get to decorate the church for Christmas, but you get to plan the church Christmas party. You may also be asked to help with other church potlucks. Then you could find joy in sending out cards to families that have new babies or to lift the spirits of a church member who is sick or to a family that has lost someone to death. Sometimes you may be asked to plan for refreshments after a funeral. If you are a social person, this is your niche. Lastly, the Chairperson is responsible to attend monthly Council meetings and give reports on what the committee is involved in. If this sounds like something you would be interested in please contact the church office or church president, Ron Hajduk. The numbers can be found in the church directory.

Eileen St. Clair, Board of Stewardship

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I encourage you to contact an Elder or member of Council and let them know your thoughts regarding loosening our guidelines in light of the developing numbers and health guidelines. Regardless of any loosening of restrictions on indoor worship, we will continue to offer Facebook Live and website recordings of our services. I expect we will also continue to offer outdoor and parking lot opportunities, for those who may remain hesitant to come inside.

So, indeed, it is time to rejoice and give thanks for the healing that God has granted and, remembering those close to us who have gone to be with our Lord because of Covid, we also rejoice as we celebrate their new life with him.

In His service,

Pastor Panning

LWML NEWS

June 6th 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. During the last months \$213.00 was collected and sent to the Carolinas District bringing the total mites sent since our inception in 2016 to \$3,265.35. Praise God and thank you to all that donated money in the mite boxes. **The mission goal for 2019-2021 of \$2,100,000.00 went over and above by \$104,724.55.** At the national convention in Lexington, KY later this month, a new goal will be voted on as well as 34 Mission Grant projects.

Shoe Box Project

At any time during the month of June, you may purchase one of the following: Clothing/Accessory items for whom your box will be going to: Underwear, socks, flip-flops, hat/scarf/mittens, sunglasses, tote bag, purse. As you put an item in the box, don't forget to say a prayer for the child that will be receiving this Christmas gift which may be the only gift they receive. Reminder - 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. If you have any questions, please speak to Sylvia Stedina at the 8:00 am service or myself.

Karen Bombria, President of LWML of Holy Lamb

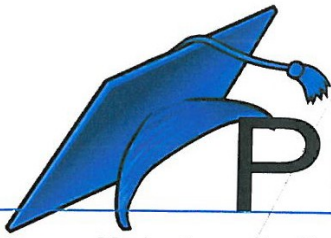
NATIONAL FLAG DAY June 14, 2020

On June 14th, we honor Old Glory on National Flag Day. This day commemorates the adoption of the United States flag on June 14, 1777.

On National Flag Day, Americans show respect for the U.S. Flag and what it represents. Representing independence and unity, *The Star Spangled Banner* has become a powerful symbol of Americanism and is flown proudly.



Many people have died protecting our country. On National Flag Day, raise the flag and fly it! proud!



Holy Lamb Lutheran Preschool News



Holy Lamb Preschool
Now Enrolling
2021-22 School Year

Our school welcomes all 3- & 4-year children that are potty trained & ready to begin their academic journey with small class size in a Christian learning environment.

Class times: Monday, Wednesday & Friday
8:30-12:30

Local Businesses Help Local Businesses

We are offering local businesses the opportunity to advertise in our yearbook this year. All businesses interested in purchasing an ad will also be promoted on our Social Media platforms for the entire year. For more information, please contact the school. Ad prices range from \$15-\$30.

A \$25 gift will be given to anyone or any business that refers an enrolling student for the 2021-22 school year



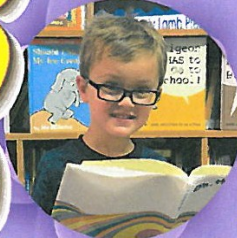
**Graduation & Achievement
Ceremony**
June 28, 2021 at 9am

Thrivent Choice Dollars

If anyone has Thrivent Choice Dollars to designate, this is the last quarter, for last year, to donate your money.

Thank you to all the members of the congregation that have dedicated their Choice Dollars to the preschool. We appreciate your support. Thank You to the congregation members that have donated to the school.

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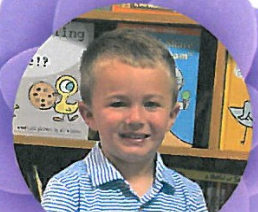
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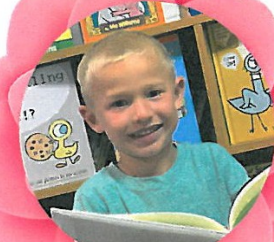
Aliyah



Rusty



Maddox



Cameron



Brandon

blossoms

School Office Hours Preschool Office will be open Mon., Wed., & Fri. 8:30 - 1:00.

Bible Studies

Tuesday Morning

9:00 AM

We will begin a study of Revelation, the last book of the Bible. This study is often requested and attracts a large attendance because Revelation *can* be so difficult to understand. Many false teachings and misguided understanding arise when individual passages are taken out of context. We have some excellent resources that look at Revelation as one unit. This brings everything into alignment, making the book far easier to understand.

If you would like to join us, drop Pastor Panning an email to be included on the mailing list for the study guide pages.

Wednesday Evening

6:30 PM

In Wednesday Bible study, we are looking at some of the stories of Jesus' life and ministry that are reported differently in the different Gospels. We are looking at why the narratives may differ, as well as what we can gain by looking at them together.

Thursday Evening Women's Bible Study

6:30 PM

Details below on this page.

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!)*



The summer reading plan is very exciting: **a look at how all sixty-six books of the Bible tell one unified story about God's love and purpose for humanity as well as His plan to rescue us.**

Over the first seven weeks, beginning May 31st, we'll read thematic selections from every book of the Old Testament to see how they contribute to the greater narrative of Scripture, from the creation of the world to the establishment, captivity, and restoration of the nation of Israel. This study provides a framework for reading the Old Testament and a better understanding of its role in redemption history.

On July 19th, we'll begin a five week study tracing the redemption story through the New Testament.

If you're interested, but twelve weeks (during the summer!) sounds like too big a commitment, please note that you can join us as you are able—or not at all—and read the daily readings (they come out Monday through Friday so there's even two days per week to 'catch up') on your own schedule—even a week or more later. It's especially easy if you sign up for the daily emails—they're in your inbox whenever you're ready.

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

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE



THE FAMILY CIRCUS



June Blessings on your Birthday!

- 10th Darcy Taiani
- 15th Denise Nadeau
- 18th Mary Beth Halvorson
- 18th Lorrayne Nuehring
- 19th Margaret Bartelotte



Happy Anniversary!

- 5th Fred & Ashlee Reimer
- 11th Mark & Pam Entis
- 17th Ron & Lorrayne Neuhring
- 25th James & Lois Murphy
- 26th Norm & Carol Boulet

Ladies Society Father's Day Fellowship

On Father's Day, June 20th, we will have Fellowship after the 10:30 a.m. service outside on the lawn if weather permits.

Sponsored by the Ladies Society



Men's Christian Fellowship

We invite ALL men of the congregation to join us at our breakfast meeting which will be on June 26th at *Local's Restaurant*, 811 Seaboard St, MB at 9:30am for good food and Christian fellowship. Whether you have been active with us in the past or have never been to a meeting, we invite you to check us out and see what we have planned!



2021 Hurricane Preparedness

We are in the hurricane season. There are steps we can take to protect ourselves and our possessions.

First and foremost, it is important to monitor local weather reports and follow advisories from local authorities about preparation and evacuation.

Know your zone.

Zone A

All areas east of Business 17 up to the intersection with US 17

Zone B

All areas east of us US 17 bypass to US 17

All areas south of Hwy 707 and Longwood Drive

All areas in Longwood Plantation (Blackmoor subdivision)

Zone C

All areas between Hwy 701 and Hwy 544

All areas east of Hwy 31 to Hwy 90

All areas east of Hwy 90 to US 17 in northern Horry County line

- Develop a family disaster plan.
- Prepare an Emergency Supply Kit. Make sure to stock or restock not perishable food items and replace batteries.
- Put copies of important documents in a safe place, preferably a water tight container.
- If you have prescription drugs, make sure to document the RX number, name, address and phone number of the pharmacy where you fill your prescriptions. Also record your administering doctor's name and phone number.
- Create an evacuation plan. Know your evacuation route and decide early when you will leave and where you will go.
- **Identify an out-of-area emergency contact.**
- Fill up the gas tank in case you have to evacuate.
- Have enough cash on hand for a few days because ATM's may not be available due to power outages.

Holy Lamb maintains an **Emergency Contact Sheet** for each of our families. Your elder will be contacting you to update your information or complete a new sheet.

Tom Marquardt
Chairman of the Board of Elders

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.

Cancer Issues

Cheryl, friend of Bill & Monica

Linda, Carol Stocum's Goddaughter

Ron, Monica's brother

Maryann, Linda's sister-in-law

Sammi, friend of Dave & Linda

Michael, Lois' brother-in-law

Glenn, Lois' brother

Dan, Rose's brother-in-law

Flowers purchased to the glory of God for June, 2021

June 6 ~ Given by Norm & Carol Boulet in honor of their daughter Wendy and her husband, Jim's wedding anniversary.

June 13~ Open

June 20 ~ In honor and celebration of the 67th wedding anniversary of Norm & Carol Boulet.

June 27 ~ In honor and celebration of their wedding anniversary, given by Phil & Reyne Harris..



For Healing

Ann, daughter of Carol Stocum

Julia, great-granddaughter of Al Stout

Linda R, daughter of Jack & Merilynn Sell

Mary Ann, sister-in-law of Linda Snyder

Tristen, Bret & Janette's grandson

Jackie Anctil

Ron Hajduk

John Orr

Linda Riley

Monica Steele

Brenda Tainter

Carol Boulet

Mary Lee

Steven Rehm

Doug Ruddick

Carol Stocum

Dorothy Gardner

Anticipating Surgery

Paul Mueller, Pastor's brother-in-law (6/18)

Mourning the Loss of

Rebecca Schulman & family, friend of Camille, Mourning the loss of her husband, Robert.

Joe Domes & family, friend of Camille, mourning The loss of his wife, Cindy.

Angela, friend of Ron & Joan, mourning the loss of her sister.



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Worship Schedule

Sundays—10:30 am

Sunday School & Bible Study

Tuesday Morning Bible Study	9:00 am
<i>Revelation</i>	
Wednesday Evening Bible Study	6:30 pm
Thursday Evening Women's Bible Study	6:30 pm