

Holy Lamb Lutheran Church

2541 Forestbrook Road
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April 2022

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we conclude our second year of dealing with Covid, it is worth noting how Holy Lamb has responded to this challenge. Here are some of the significant developments driven by our desire to continue an effective ministry in this new environment:

1. By immediately implementing a video production of our worship services, we never missed a Sunday or midweek service. We began by using an iPhone, and were soon blessed with a Mevo camera from Lutheran Church Extension Fund. This served us well for over a year. We are now upgrading to a wall-mounted camera that will no longer be a visual or physical obstruction during our worship.

Our viewership has steadily increased over the course of our broadcasting history. We now consistently have 50 to 80 views on our Facebook page. I expect that most viewers are our own members and friends who are unable to attend in person due to travel, health or other reasons. But we have many out-of-town regular viewers who are former members or friends or relatives of members. Those viewers extend our viewing audience as far as Florida, California, and Minnesota, as well as many locales in between.

As the first century church discovered, and as the church has continued to demonstrate over the centuries, when Satan attacks the church, the Holy Spirit responds, and the church thrives.

2. We also took advantage of our *usually* temperate weather by conducting our worship services outside whenever possible. And the definition of ‘possible’ surprised me as we had 45 people attending on our front lawn when the temperature was 45 degrees!

We further expanded our worship opportunities by broadcasting a radio signal to our parking lot, allowing those who had difficulty traversing our lawn to worship, and then commune, with us. Our on-the-lawn and parking lot opportunities enabled those who were still ‘Covid-concerned’ to participate and commune even after we moved back inside.

3. Our Bible studies also continued, uninterrupted, by using Zoom. Again, this expanded our participation by making our recorded studies available to those who are not able to attend in person. From those who need to be absent due to doctors’ appointments or illness, to viewers in California who appreciated our study of Revelation, the proclamation of the Gospel and study of God’s Word has *increased* because of our response to Covid.

We were even able to conduct a new member class during the lockdown, receiving members into our congregation who had not yet been inside the building.

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4. Our shut-ins also saw a benefit from our outside-the-box thinking. Since we now had recordings of our worship services, we purchased 8 Samsung electronic tablets and downloaded our worship services to the tablets, weekly. These were distributed to our shut-ins who do not have internet access, along with bulletins, on a weekly basis, to allow them to participate remotely, after the fact.

This practice continues even now, providing an opportunity for our shut-ins, whether long-term or temporary, and even while hospitalized, to continue to hear the Gospel, sing the hymns, and join in the joy of corporate worship.

All of the efforts listed above were accomplished only because significant numbers of members worked to accomplish them. Many thanks to all who enabled these outreach ministries. These efforts demonstrate that Holy Lamb has a keen desire and ability to respond to actual needs when we become aware of them. In this same way of thinking, as I reported last month, we will begin to address those needs, in the congregation and the community, that were identified in our Sunday morning Bible study. The committee will soon begin its work of outlining the process for each identified program. This list of proposed programs and outlines will be presented to Council. Each program that is approved will be assigned to a new committee, tasked with developing a complete plan to bring that program to fruition.

Accomplishing all of this will require continued dedication by all of our members. As more information becomes available, please stay abreast of the developments, and look for opportunities for you to become involved, using the gifts and talents God has blessed you with, to further the work of His kingdom at Holy Lamb.

Of course, we cannot discuss the success that God is granting our ministries without acknowledging his guidance and inspiration as it relates to our finances. Throughout the challenges of Covid, and continuing as we move beyond, we have responded generously, providing all that has been necessary – and then some – to continue our expanding ministry.

I thank you for that commitment and encourage you to continue that generous spirit as we embark on new and exciting ministries to proclaim the Gospel in word and deed.

In His Service,

Pastor Panning

Stewardship

There is a section in the hymnal for stewardship songs. One of my favorites is #783 - *TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE*. It moves me every time we sing it. It calls on God to show us the way. "Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love, take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee" This an inspiration to me and guides me in daily service to God. Is there a hymn that speaks to you more than others? There was one Sunday, as we were singing the sermon hymn, Pastor interrupted and went into the sermon calling our attention to the words we were singing. Next time we are singing, let us pay attention to the words. For me stewardship is a way of life. I think this song *TAKE MY LIFE and LET IT BE* says it all.

Eileen St. Clair, Board of Stewardship

Disaster Response Online Giving Ukraine Relief

The southeast district of LCMS has made an ONLINE GIVING portal available on their website to anyone who wants to contribute to the UKRAINE support fund or the local area DISASTER RESPONSE ministry.

A link to their ONLINE GIVING form is available now on our website.

Click on the GIVING tab on our menu for access to the ONLINE GIVING form. The donation can be a one-time or recurring donation and requires a credit card.

Gifts given to the UKRAINE support fund will be placed in an account restricted to providing assistance to people who are being persecuted and displaced because of the war in Ukraine. The LCMS will issue grants to/through our Lutheran partners in the region best positioned to deliver compassionate care in Christ Jesus' name, **and tell those fleeing the conflict of our Lord's love for them in Christ Jesus**, by connecting them to faithful Lutheran congregations. The situation is developing and we pledge to use every gift wisely to accomplish the greatest good possible in ways that deliver the Gospel as human needs are met

Time to Order Easter Lilies for the church!



Remember a loved one or special occasion with an Easter Lily to adorn our altar to the Glory of God. Orders will be taken from now through April 10th. Forms will be in the bulletin each week and you can also find one on page 5 in this newsletter. Please fill out and return to the church with your payment by the deadline. There is a special box in the Narthex in which to put your form and payment. All details are on the form.



Any questions, please contact Marsha Dunn or Linda Snyder.

Holy Lamb Financial Profile

Financial Update - Giving

	Actual	Budget
Month of March to Date	\$12,212	\$10,638
Year to Date	\$42,316	\$42,552

Dining with Friends

There will be **NO** dining with friends in the month of April due to Easter.

Disaster Response Conference and Training March 10-12, 2022

We had an amazing experience along with 85+ individuals from the Southeastern District who attended the Disaster Response Conference at the Ocean Reef Resort.

The first guest speaker on Thursday morning was Pastor Panning. Pastor stressed the importance of “Where is God When Disaster Strikes?” We are his servants and God is with us, using our special gifts God has given us. God’s presence is seen in your presence, the physical labor and the comforting of people. It is seen in your hugs and heard in your voice and in your prayers.

Additionally, Pastor conducted the Sheetrock Installation Training which was an intense, fast pace introduction to hanging drywall. Pastor introduced all the necessary tools, basic fundamentals of those tools, techniques and tips.

The second day of our conference began with a session called JOY in the Midst of Disaster, then onto Emotional/Spiritual Responses in Disaster Victims and the importance of the Food Ministry.

Pastor Panning, commonly known as the “Smoked Meat Meister” provided his famous BBQ for Saturday’s lunch, serving 40 men and women. These individuals attended a “hands on” training session in our church back yard, cutting trees with chain saws, tarp training and learning the operation, maintenance and transport of tractors and grapple machinery.

Tom and Pat Marquardt



Tarp & Chain Saw Training



Notching a tree



Tree cutting expertise



“Sally” the tractor



Smiles after a hard days work



BBQ Lunch for the volunteers

Elder's Note

My father was a third generation printer, stood on his feet all day working in a hot print shop. In Georgia the heat and humidity played with the paper products, and as well made for a physically hard, demanding job. When dad would arrive home, he was dead-beat tired most every day. The first thing he would do while waiting on mom to finish making supper, would be to sit down in his rocking chair. He was finished working for the day. Dad would then remove one shoe, and would breathe a sigh of relief. After a few minutes he would remove the other shoe and again breathe a sigh of relief. I once asked him why he did not remove both shoes at once, and he said that he was able to double the enjoyment by removing them separately. Hard to argue with that.

But the important thing was that he sat down. He was finished for the day. In both the Nicene and Apostle' Creeds we say the words speaking of Jesus, *and sits at the right hand of the Father*. Jesus has completed his work. Salvation is ours. The enemy is defeated. The Strife Is O'er and the Victory is Won!

Bret Rhoades, *Head Elder*

Opportunities to Support Community Agencies

Coastline Women's Center Gala

Coastline Women's Center – Champions for Life – educates, supports, and empowers women facing unplanned pregnancies with compassionate and professional medical care.

They are holding their annual Spring to Life Gala on April 21, 2022 at the Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort, 100000 Beach Club Dr. Aat 7pm.

2 member families of Holy Lamb are each hosting a table of 8 for our members and friends to attend at no additional charge. You can register online at their website, <https://coastlinewomenscenter.org/>. Click on the 'Register for event' tab and select Holy Lamb as your 'Group Host.' There will be no cost to you.

Join us in support of this life-supporting agency.

Freedom Readers 'Links to Literacy Golf Outing'

Freedom Readers is an after school and summer literacy program that supports families in low-income areas as they assisted their children in achieving their academic goals in reading.

The Links to Literacy Golf Outing details:

April 25, 2022

10:30AM Registration

12PM Golf begins

Scramble format

\$150 per golfer

\$600 per team

Heavy Appetizers and Cash Bar

LWML

April 3rd is Mite Box Sunday. Please put your mite box or money from mite box in a plastic bag and deposit in the large purple mite box. 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. Thank you very much. Mites sent in to the Carolinas District in March totaled \$125.50

Personal Care Kit Project

Continuing to fill our *Personal Care Kits*, we will be collecting **METAL NAIL CLIPPERS**, with or without a file attached for the month of April. **SINGLE FILES ARE NOT NEEDED**. We are also going to continue to collect **DARK COLORED, LIGHTWEIGHT TOWELS (NOT microfiber) (20x40 or 27x52)**, until the first Sunday in June. Please put them next to the marked box in the Narthex.

Karen Bombria, President of LWML of Holy Lamb



Lenten Worship Opportunities

Our Lenten worship services will continue through April 6 at 7pm.

During Holy week the services will be as follows:

April 14 th	Maundy Thursday Worship ~ 7pm
April 15 th	Good Friday Worship ~ 7pm
April 17 th	Easter Sunday Worship ~ 8am & 10:30am



EASTER LILY ORDER FORM

In glory and honor of our Risen Lord & Savior,
I would like to place a Lily in the sanctuary for Easter.

COST PER LILY IS \$15.00

Please indicate the number of plants you wish to purchase.

Number of Lilies _____

I will take my plant(s) after Easter service Please give my plant to a shut-in

Given in memory of _____

Given for another reason (honor, praise, thanksgiving) _____

Given By: (your name) _____

Please place order form with payment in the "FLOWER" box located on the table in the narthex or in the "FLOWER" box located on the table during outdoor worship.

Checks should be made payable to *Holy Lamb Church* and write "EASTER LILY" on the memo line. Please do not place in the collection plate.

DEADLINE TO ORDER IS APRIL 10th

In His Service

April 2022

Altar Guild	Bernadette Hilb	Barb Evans
Newsletter Proofer	Barb Evans (April 27))	

April 3 8:00 AM 10:30 AM		
Elder	N/A	Tom Marquardt
Ushers	Ed Stedina	Bill Steele
	N/A	Chuck Bumgarner
Audio/Piano	Kathy Panning	Darcy Taiani
Video	N/A	Julia Diem

April 6 Wednesday 7 PM		
Usher	Warren Gall	
Audio	Phil Harris	
Video	Fred Reimer	

April 10 8:00 AM 10:30 AM		
Elder	N/A	Neal Riley
Ushers	Marsha Dunn	Rose Ruddick
	N/A	Bill Steele
Audio/Piano	Don Piel	Bret Rhoades
Video	N/A	Tom Marquardt

April 14 Maundy Thursday 7 PM		
Usher	Marsha	
Piano	Bret Rhoades	
Video	Julia Diem	

April 15 Good Friday 7 PM		
Usher	Paul Jankowski	
Audio	Bret Rhoades	
Video	Linda Snyder	

April 17 Easter Sunday 8:00 AM 10:30 AM		
Elders	N/A	Tom Marquardt
r	N/A	Bill Steele
Ushers	Pat Allison	Warren Gall
	N/A	Paul Jankowski
Audio/Piano	Phil Harris	Bret Rhoades
Video	N/A	Julia Diem

April 24 8:00 AM 10:30 AM		
Elder	N/A	Neal Riley
Ushers	Ed Stedina	Rose Ruddick
	N/A	Chuck Bumgarner
Audio	Don Piel	Linda Katai
Video	N/A	Fred Reimer

Ushers Needed

Our church relies on volunteers to help us run smoothly. Without you, it would be difficult to do the many things we need to do. We are in need of **ONE** volunteer to usher for the 8am service and **ONE** more volunteer to usher for the 10:30am service. Just one hour a month is all we're asking ~ male or female. Please consider helping out with this important part of our worship services.

Contact Bill Steele.

Thank you!



Bible Study Opportunities

Sunday Morning Bible Study *Lutheran Worship* **9:15 AM**

The Liturgy of our worship service, is a conversation between God and his children. In this conversation, we receive God's gifts and we respond with thanksgiving. In this conversation, God's gifts are delivered through his word and sacrament and we respond using God's own words from scripture. This study explores the deep truths of scripture that we proclaim every Sunday. Join us to discover a new richness available to us every time we gather for worship.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study *Romans* **9:00 AM**

Forgiveness is the reason for our hope of eternal life and a new relationship with God. It is also the source of a new relationship with each other. We will look at forgiveness using Pauls' letter to the Romans, as he instructed them in the basics of Christian faith.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study

There is no Wednesday evening Bible Study during Lent. Will resume on April 27th

Thursday Evening Women's Bible Study Details below on this page **6:30 PM**

Women's Bible Study

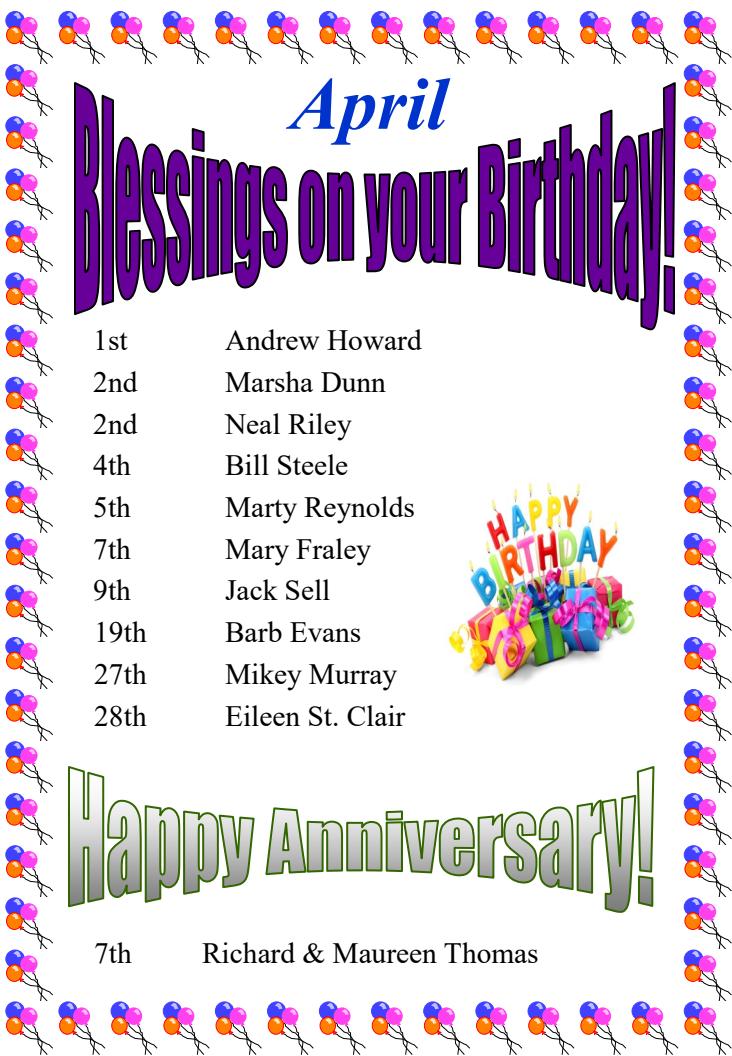
The women's Thursday night Bible study meets Thursday evenings at 6:30 on Zoom. All women are welcome to join us! Use Holy Lamb's standard meeting code.

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 last weeks of Lent, we will complete our study of Ezekiel and then walk through the Scriptural accounts of Holy Week.

On April 18, we will begin a study called The Armor of God. Throughout the Bible, the Lord reminds us that life as believers won't always be easy. As we follow where God leads, we'll face spiritual opposition. But we're never alone in the fight against those forces. As followers of Jesus, our strength comes not from ourselves but from the God who has already secured our victory. In this two week study, we will look at Ephesians 6:10-20, along with additional passages from the Old and New Testaments, to explore the armor of God with which we're equipped every day. Join us as we are reminded of what it means to be clothed in the victorious strength of God forever, in everything.

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



1st Andrew Howard
2nd Marsha Dunn
2nd Neal Riley
4th Bill Steele
5th Marty Reynolds
7th Mary Fraley
9th Jack Sell
19th Barb Evans
27th Mikey Murray
28th Eileen St. Clair



Happy Anniversary!

7th Richard & Maureen Thomas

Lutheran Hour Ministries is a Recognized Service Organization (RSO) of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. It provides various publications and Bible studies but its primary function is providing a weekly sermon for radio broadcast. The Lutheran Hour has been broadcast since 1933.

You can listen to the Lutheran Hour on the radio every week. Stations & times are listed below



WRNN	99.5	FM	Sun	5:00 AM
WRNN	99.5	FM	Sun	7:00 AM
WRNN	1450	AM	Sun	7:00 AM

Now, LHM has teamed up with WFAX out of DC & they will broadcast **The Lutheran Hour on Sundays at 1:30 pm & 6:30 pm**. Even if you are not within their local listening area, just go to their website and listen online at <http://wfax.com/>.

Ladies Society News

LWML is inviting all women of Holy Lamb Church to attend a Spring Tea on Saturday, May 14 at 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

1st Course: LWML Meeting and Devotion

2nd Course: Hot Tea – please be sure to bring a tea cup to experience an assortment of teas

3rd Course: Savory sandwiches and breads

4th Course: Fresh fruit and Desserts

The Tea Party will be at Holy Lamb Church in the Fellowship Room. Please RSVP to Pat Marquardt.



Holy Lamb's Men's Christian Fellowship

The next meeting of the Men's Christian Fellowship is Saturday, April 23rd at 9:30 am at Holy Lamb Fellowship Hall. All men are invited to join us for breakfast and fellowship.



Pumpkin Sales and Fall Festival

The Men's Fellowship would like to reinstate the Pumpkin Sales and Fall Festival this October. In order to do so, we would need volunteers to work with one or both events. If willing to work one or both please contact Henry Twentier at htwentier@aol.com. Telephone number is 540-729-5415 or simply sign the forms located in the rack in the Narthex.

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 2022

The flower chart for 2022 is posted on the wall in the Narthex by the church entrance. **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 Marsha Dunn or Linda Snyder.

Cancer Issues

Linda G., Carol Stocum's goddaughter

Ron W., Monica's brother

Sammi, friend of Dave & Linda

Michael, Lois' brother-in-law

Glenn, Lois' brother

Terri, Pat Allison's daughter

Monica Steele

Kyle, Kathy Panning's nephew

Ed, friend of Dave & Linda

Mary, friend of Paul & Jane

Jackie, friend of Mark & Bernadette

Mike, /B-I-L of Doug & Rose Ruddick

Flowers purchased to the glory of God for April, 2022

April 3 ~ Given in thanks for their grandchildren.
By Bill & Monica Steele.

April 10 ~ In honor and celebration of the 85th birthday of Jack Sell.

April 17 ~ Given in thanks for their children and grandchildren by Doug & Rose Ruddick.

April 24 ~ In honor and celebration of the birthday of Eileen St. Clair.



For Healing

Julia, great-granddaughter of Al Stout

Jeannine, daughter of Camille

Verlene, sister of Myrle

Netty, neighbor of Deb

Brian, father of Margaret's granddaughter-in-law

Dolly, aunt of Linda Snyder

Sarah, Bonnie's Neighbor

Shirley Berry

Norm Boulet

Merle Falke

Steven Rehm

Bob & Myrle Rumsey

Carol Stocum

Carol Boulet

Sharon Ewing

Mary Lee

J.R. Relford

Eileen St. Clair

Theresa Zweigle

Covid

Nicole, (Kim, Rich & Jan) Jan's daughter is sick

Suanne, Ron & Joan's granddaughter

Mourning the Loss of

Stacy, daughter of Jim Meadows

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Worship Schedule

Sundays—8:00 am & 10:30 am

Bible Study

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