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Of Bibles, Old and New August Newsletter + Holy Lamb Lutheran Church

"[Remember] how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings which make you wise with regard to salvation..." 2 Timothy 3:15

My Bibles are a mess; but not all of them. As you can imagine a Lutheran pastor has a number of Bibles, in various translations. The ones that are well used, written in, highlighted, and whose spines are falling off are the ones I'm writing about. The last one whose spine is about to give way is itself a replacement.

Years ago I took the youth of my congregation to the LCMS youth gathering in Atlanta. A wonderful event, the kids had a great time. I had some free time and I noticed a booth collecting used Bibles needed help. I volunteered. Wouldn't you know it? There were a good many Oxford Annotated Bibles (OAB), RSV being turned in. The OAB was at one time the standard for our Concordias. I was then on my second copy (which had already been rebound). A good many youth leaders and pastors had switched to the NIV.

At that time, the Oxford Annotated, RSV was no longer being sold. The

New Oxford RSV and the NIV had cornered the market. But God had planted me in a very good place. When the workers came back to the booth from lunch I asked if I might make their group a donation in exchange for a couple of clean copies of the RSV. I went back to NJ sure that I had enough Bibles to take me to retirement.

In our congregation I had two ladies who still liked and used their King James Bible. I have no criticism against them, but in Bible class theirs was always the translation that stood out, awkwardly. On occasion I'd try to get them to switch, but they liked the Bible they were using. And then it dawned on me like an epiphany; so did I. I after all, came home from Atlanta with two Oxford RSV Bibles like the one I used in college and seminary. I didn't want to change, just as they didn't. Why?

The first reason is that my Post-It Notes, my under linings, high lightings, and other notes were all over that old book. It represented my seminary education. In that book alone I knew right where to find certain important verses. It be on a page in the New Testament where I had spilled my coffee. On a given page I had penned an alternate translation to something Paul had written. And of course, at least half my sermons were wrapped up in the notes of that old beaten-up Bible. Why would I get rid of it?

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Now my Concordia Self-Study NIV also looks a little shoddy, the pages a bit dingy, the paper cover long gone. That NIV with my RSV sit at my desk at home, side by side, companions, as if they'd gone through a war together. I still check them from time to time. These days I carry in my bag a smaller ESV, the English Standard Version.

The English Standard Version (ESV) promises to reflect the Hebrew and the Greek original texts faithfully. So far I find that to be so. The ESV also continues in the tradition of the King James Version and the Revised Standard Version Bibles, so that users of either should feel rather comfortable with it. The one criticism we hear of the ESV is that the translation is somewhat stiff and wooden. It doesn't flow easily, especially when read aloud at Sunday worship. You may notice that I soften the rough edges when I read it.

Not everyone comes to Bible class, though I would strongly urge your participation. You are missing out on the friendly discussion of topics that or may not have been planned. The women's group back in NJ met every Thursday afternoon. I left them be, lest my presence stifle their discussion. I did notice however, every now and then the laughter that emanated from that room; Spirit-inspired laughter. It was good.

Bible class, regardless of which translation you bring with you to class, always holds the promise of fellow-ship and being able to learn from someone else, their insight, their experience. And you'd go home the wiser. And how about this, you have insights to share with others. What are you withholding from your brothers and sisters.

Those old Bibles on my shelf, ---oh, if they could talk. *Pr. Steve*

August Call Committee Update

The Call Committee had a meeting on July 24th to review a group of candidates for the pastoral call. We have agreed to interview three pastors. We will take some time to review and research before meeting after the first week of August.

Please continue to keep these pastors and the call committee in your prayers. We know this seems to be a long road, but read Isaiah 55:8:"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the LORD.

In His time, our next Pastor will be chosen.

Blessings on your day! Call Committee

LWML News

August 4 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. For the month of August, please help the Stewardship committee in collecting **SOCKS AND SHOES** For Help4Kids. Please put them in the BIG SHOE in the Narthex. Thank you for all your donations.



Karen Bombria, President, LWML of Holy Lamb

Stewardship Newsletter

"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning'. James 1:17

The Stewardship Committee meets on the 4th Sunday of the month after the 10:30am service.

Our current committee members are:

Cheryl Bingham, Chair; David Bingham, Ron Hajduk, Caroline Twentier, Bill Steele, and Reyne Harris.

Here are some of the items the Stewardship team is working on.

Praying in Color: This ministry continues to provide prayer cards as a support ministry for those in need. If you know someone who needs this ministry, please reach out to Eileen St. Clair.

First Time Visits with Local Guests: This is an outreach ministry that visits local guests who have joined us for service. To date we've completed 7 Total In-Person visits. We encourage everyone to reach out and welcome anyone who joins us for service. We have Welcome Packets in the Narthex to provide information to them about Holy Lamb. If anyone wants to join the team, please contact Dave or Cheryl Bingham.

Visitor Thank You Card Outreach: This is an outreach that mails out Thank You cards to visitors from outside the Myrtle Beach area for worship service. To date, for 2024 we've sent out **26** thank you cards. We want to plant seeds for those who've joined in hopes that they'll visit us again in the future.

Families Read – This is a ministry that works with Families Read and Socastee Methodist Church to clean books for Forrest Brook Elementary School students. Though the school year has ended, we've received additional books that will need to be cleaned over the summer. Our next cleaning will be *Saturday*, *August 10th from 10:00am – Noon*. Please join us for a morning of fun and fellowship for a great cause. As well we need gently used children's books. If you have any or know anyone who would like to donate them, we would greatly appreciate it. Please place the books under the black table in the Narthex. If you have any questions, reach out to Cheryl Bingham.

Day Trip Opportunity: This is an opportunity to get to know and fellowship with other members of Holy Lamb. We're looking at scheduling the day tour to the Georgetown Historical district on Saturday, October 5th. The trolley is an open-air trolley with a covering so we're waiting for cooler weather. The cost is \$15 per person and is limited to 14 people. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. If you have any questions reach out to Cheryl Bingham.

Help 4 Kids Big Shoe Fundraiser Cookout – Our Big Shoe fundraiser is scheduled for August 24th. We'll set out the Big Shoe to collect shoes and socks for Help 4 kids beginning July 29th. Volunteers will be needed to help with set up/clean up and serving for the day of the Cookout. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. Please consider helping us with this great fundraiser. If you have any questions, reach out to Cheryl Bingham.

If you have any ideas or are interested in joining us, please let us know. In His Service, Cheryl Bingham, Chairperson



Evangelism - Expansion Ministries Committee

Myrtle Beach History and the WWII years Trolley Tour

Our next trolley tour will be the Myrtle Beach History and the WWII years. The date is Wednesday, August 7th at 10:00 AM and the cost is \$30.00 per person. Due to the high demand of the tour, the cutoff to sign up will be July 28th. For those of you who are interested in attending, a sign-up sheet is in the narthex rack. If you have questions, please contact Dave or Cheryl Bingham

For more information here are two websites to visit.

Myrtle Beach History Tours (fareharbor.com)

Four Trolley Tours Cover Myrtle Beach's History Year-Round | Visit Myrtle Beach

Building Expansion Committee

Thanks to all who filled out the building expansion ideas, we received 23 great responses with 34 great ideas. The building committee met on July 9th to review ideas and will be completing the review the week of August 6th. Then a summarized report will be created and made available to the congregation. No names of the contributors will be in the report. If you have questions or an idea for the building expansion, it is not too late to submit it. Please contact anyone of the committee members Tom & Pat Marquardt, Bill & Monica Steele or Dave Bingham.

1 Chronicles 28:20 And David said to his son Solomon, "Be strong and of good courage, and do it; do not fear nor be dismayed, for the LORD God—my God—will be with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you, until you have finished all the work for the service of the house of the LORD.

Restaurant Dining Group

Thanks to all who attended the restaurant dining group this past Tuesday at Sara J's. Our next dining meeting will be at Sweet Carolina's Smokehouse and Grill at Broadway on the Beach on August 27th at 5:15 PM. The address is 1207 Celebrity Circle, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577. If you plan to attend, there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex rack. If you have questions, please contact Dave or Cheryl Bingham.

Dining with Friends

Thanks to all who attended the dining out at The Nacho Hippo. For August we will be meeting on the 17th at noon at the church for a meal prepared by Chef Tom. The cost is \$20.00 per person, and we must have a minimum 18 attendees. The cutoff date to sign up is Tuesday the 13th and all monies due must be paid.

The menu will be:

Diced 'caprese style' salad with tomatoes, mozzarella, cucumbers, basil, caramelized red onions in a light balsamic herb vinaigrette.

Chicken Parmesan with Provolone.

Penne pasta with homemade tomato sauce and parmesan on the side.

Fresh roasted vegetables.

Warm Asiago Cheese bread & butter.

Fresh Bing cherry parfait with vanilla mousse and fresh whipped cream.

If you are planning on attending, there is a signup sheet in the narthex rack. If you have questions, please contact Dave or Cheryl Bingham.



Cancer Issues

Linda G., Carol Stocum's goddaughter

Sami, friend of Dave & Linda

Terri, Pat Allison's daughter

Mary, friend of Paul & Jane

Pastor Omar Krieger

Michael, Brother-in-law of Lois Murphy

Sue Bennett

Les Cotton

Paula, friend of Lois Murphy

Ted, friend of Ed & Sylvia Stedina

For Our Shut-Ins

Sue Alderson, Ron and Joan Johnson, Mary Margaret Kluge, Bob and Myrle Rumsey, Brenda Tainter



The Call Process

Praying for our new-to-be Pastor and the Call Committee decision making process.

For Healing

Verlene, sister of Myrle

Ron, Ed's Cousin

Scott, son of J.R.

Brian, Son of Adell Keeney

Joan, friend of Marsha Dunn

Nathan, B-I-L of Blain & Christel Lefort

Alice, friend of Doug & Rose

Eric, brother-in-law of Doug

Bobby, brother of Sharon Bumgarner

Brian, friend of Hayley Lauritsen

Bill, stepdad of Darcy Taiani

Nancy, mother of Warren Gall

Maureen, neighbor of Chuck/ Sharon Bumgarner

Pat Allison Norm Boulet

Marsha Dunn Merle Falke

Theresa Falke Mary Lee

Eleonore Kidder Karen McCarthy

Kathy Orlowski Steven Rehm

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Marty Reynolds Doug Ruddick

Bob & Myrle Rumsey Sylvia Stedina

Doc & Nancy Rehm Monica Steele

Theresa Zweigle

Jim & Erin Murphy

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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 or fill out a prayer request form which are on the podium in the Narthex.



Bible Study Opportunities



Sunday Morning & Tuesday Morning Bible Study

After our current bible study is completed we will be on hiatus until after Labor Day.

We will be starting Ephesians in September. Please email the church office if you would like to join us so we can have enough material. Thank you!

Thursday Evening Women's Bible Study

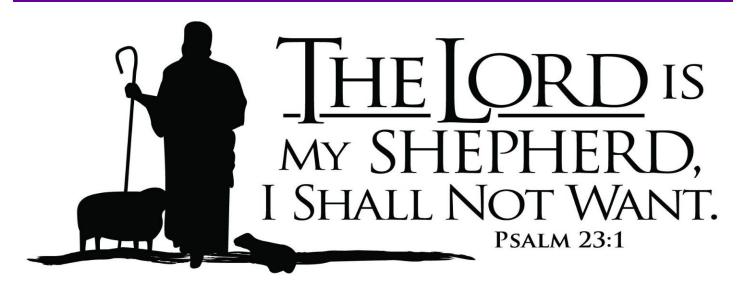
We meet every Thursday at **6:30pm** on Zoom (use Holy Lamb's standard meeting code) and all women are welcome to join us to delight in God's word as sisters in Christ!

We are beginning our study of the book of Luke using our Lutheran Study

Bible as our guide.

If you have any questions contact: Darcy Taiani (call or text) 724-840-0888 (email) darcytaiani@gmail.com.





Stewardship Meeting August 4th!

July's stewardship meeting was delayed a week and is on August 4th after the second service. The main topic for discussion will be the Big Shoe Cook-out on August 24th at 11:00 am.

In His Service, Cheryl Stewardship Is...



Love in Action

In His Service August 2024

Altar Guild	Denise Brown	Rose Ruddick & Linda Katai	
Newsletter Proofer	Camille August (August	Camille August (August 29, 2024)	
Bulletin Assembly	Barb Evans		

August 4	8:00 AM	10:30 AM	
Elder	N/A	Tom Marquardt	
Ushers	Ed Stedina	Rose Ruddick	
Ushers	N/A	Bill Steele	
Audio	Phil Harris	Julia Diem	
Video	N/A	Seth Rylander	
August 11	8:00 AM	10:30 AM	
Elder	N/A	Bill Steele	
Usher	Dave Bingham	Warren Gall	
Ushers	N/A	Paul Jankowski	
Audio	Don Piel	Linda Snyder	
Video	N/A	Fred Reimer	

August 18	8:00 AM	10:30 AM	
Elder	N/A	George Hulshart	
Ushers	Ed Stedina	Rose Ruddick	
Ushers	N/A	Hayley Lauritsen	
Audio	Phil Harris	Julia Diem	
Video	N/A	Hayley Lauritsen	

August 25	8:00 AM	10:30 AM	
Elder	N/A	Tom Marquardt	
Ushers	Dave Bingham	Warren Gall	
Ushers	N/A	Paul Jankowski	
Audio	Don Piel	Linda Snyder	
Video	N/A	Tom Marquardt	



Volunteers Needed Ushers (both services) Audio and Video (both services)

Our church relies on volunteers to help us run our worship services smoothly. Without you, it would be difficult to do the many things we need to do. We are in need of volunteers to run the sound system (8am and 10:30am) and video (10:30am) services. **Just one hour a month is all we're asking** ~ **male or female**. Please volunteer!

Please consider helping out with this important part of our worship services. We could always use more ushers for both services too, especially 10:30am.

Contact Bill Steele if you can help.



Family Game Night

The next family game night will be **Saturday.** August 3rd, from 4pm-7pm.

Please bring a finger food to share. Bring your favorite game or plan to learn a new one.



Flowers purchased to the Glory of God for August, 2024



August 4 ~ To the glory of God by Caroline & Henry Twentier

August 11 ~ Available

August 18 ~ In honor of Ed & Sylvia Stedina's anniversary

August 25 ~ In honor of Doug & Rose Ruddick's 27th anniversary

Microbrew Group



Our August meeting will be on Saturday, the 24th at 4:00 PM at the Liberty Taproom & Grill. The address is 7651 N Kings Hwy, Myrtle Beach, SC 29572. There is a signup sheet in the narthex rack. If you have questions, please contact Dave or Cheryl Bingham.

Whoever drinks beer, he is quick to sleep; whoever sleeps long, does not sin; whoever does not sin, enters Heaven! Thus, let us drink beer! Attributed to Martin Luther.



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.

There are new ways to listen to the Lutheran Hour. Some are listed below.



Listen to 'The Lutheran Hour' on **Sirius-XM Family Talk** 131 Sundays at 10:00am ET

You can download "The Lutheran Hour" app and listen there or wherever you listen to podcasts

AFN Version: If you're interested in the weekly AFN (American Forces Network) version of *The Lutheran Hour*, you can listen to it by clicking on the sermon title on their website² or directly on the AFN page

Flower Purchase Reminder

If you are purchasing flowers for our altar, please use the Flower Fund envelopes from the Flower Chart bulletin board and place in the collection plate or drop off at the church office.

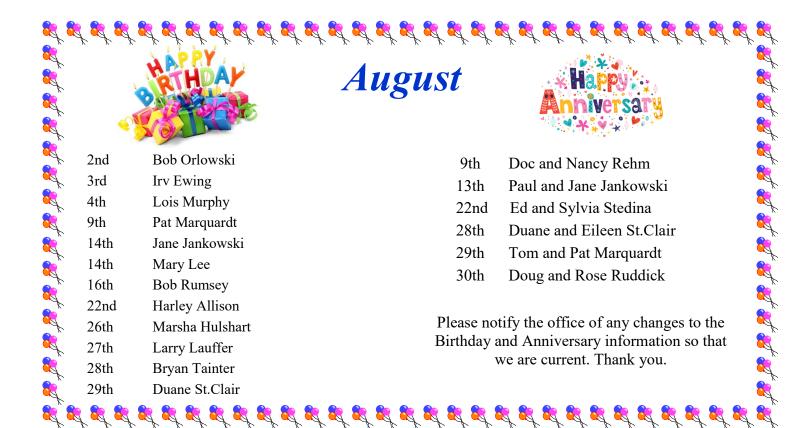
The cost is \$40.00.

If special flowers are requested, there may be an additional charge.

Please do not put flower payments in weekly offering envelope.

If you have questions, please contact Linda Snyder.

There are several openings for altar flowers during 2024. Remember a loved one or honor a special occasion with flowers.





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Pumpkin Patch and Fall Festival

A friendly reminder that the Pumpkin Patch will be coming on October 12th through the 31st and our Fall Festival will be held on Saturday, October 19th from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. The signup sheets will be available in the narthex rack beginning in September. More information will be coming in the weeks ahead. If you have any questions, please contact Dave Bingham, Sylvia Stedina or Henry Twentier.



Men's Fellowship

Our August 13 11:30 meeting will be held in Fellowship hall. We invited a representative from New Dimensions homeless shelter, Kathy Perkins, to share lunch with us and tell us about their organization and what they do. We plan to donate some of our current funds to their organization.

All men from Holy Lamb are encouraged to attend.

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We will have pizza and caesar salad for lunch. Please RSVP to Jack at meri859@cs.com.

NEW CHURCH LED SIGN FUND

As an outreach to our community, a church sign becomes a ministry to all people, every day of the week.

This fall, we will start a "Sign Fund" Drive. Watch for the Little Red Thermometer in the Narthex of the Church as we work towards reaching our goal.

★ If you would like to be on the sign committee, please contact Tom Marquardt.

2024 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 17 bypass to US 17

All areas south of Hwy 707 and Longwood Drive

All areas in Longwood Plantation (Blackmoor sub division)

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. An elder will be contacting you to update your information or complete a new sheet.

A Note from the Property Manager

Just a courtesy note to the congregation, the scheduled replacement of the floor in the kitchen is set for September 2nd and 3rd. This should not impact any scheduled events of the church.

Thanks, Dave K

Dear members of our Holy Lamb community,

We want to start by expressing gratitude for your unwavering support and generosity towards Holy Lamb. Your contributions have been essential to our ability to continue carrying out our mission and serving the needs of our community.

We also want to take this opportunity to introduce our new e-giving platform, *Vanco*. This platform provides a secure and user-friendly way to give to our church online, and we are confident that it will make giving more convenient for many members of our congregation.

We know that every penny counts! We are so grateful for your time, talent and financial support. While this new egiving platform offers convenience, there is a small processing fee of 2.9%, as well as a \$0.45 per transaction fee. However, if you decide to have it drafted from your bank account the fee is only 1%. You have the option to offset the processing fees associated with online giving. Your gift can be one-time or recurring.

Example: If you wish to donate \$50 to Holy Lamb, covering the processing fee of 2.9% or \$1.45, plus the \$0.45 transaction fee, your total cost would be \$51.90 with Holy Lamb receiving \$50.

You can give now at this link: https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZM2G/home.

You can also find this link on our church website under the DONATE tab at https://holylambmyrtlebeach.org/giving-2/.

In addition, you always have the option to set up a recurring donation through your bank if that is more convenient for you. Please use the following:

Conway National Bank Routing #053202318 Account #1706551801

Holy Lamb Financial Profile—Giving			
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	
Month of July (to date)	\$12,513	\$14,220	
Year to Date Needs	\$97,774	\$106,650	

Coffee Fellowship Sunday

Please join us Sunday August 4th for coffee fellowship after the second service. We look forward to see you there!





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Worship Schedule

Sundays—8:00 am & 10:30 am

Bible Study

Thursday Evening Women's Bible Study 6:30 pm