



**EBENEZER LUTHERAN CHURCH
LAKE STEVENS, WASHINGTON**

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VOICE Newsletter

Welcome New Members

Welcoming new members is important news for several reasons: introduces the newest members to the current members, announces that the church is growing, and tells new members the church cares about them and is pleased they have joined the congregation. Please introduce yourself and welcome them to Ebenezer. These new members were received into the church on October 9, 2022.

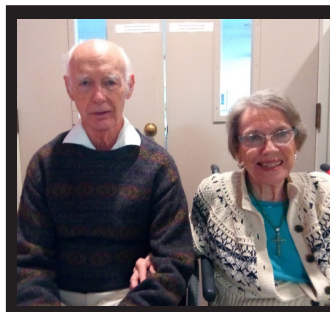
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Paul & Bette Bayes

Both Paul and Bette are retired educators. They lived in East Wenatchee for 14 years before moving to Lake Stevens. Paul enjoys running, reading, and travel. Bette enjoys knitting, crocheting, reading, and gardening.



Mike & Mary Graff

Michael and Mary live on Lake Roesiger. They wanted to find a church where they could participate in worship and get to know more people. Michael enjoys bowling, hiking, and camping. Mary enjoys quilting, reading, baking, and camping.



Mary Lamb

Originally from Saskatchewan, Mary has lived in the Pacific Northwest since 1975. She loves to sing and is a member of the Everett Chorale. Peggie and CC invited her to try Ebenezer. She enjoys reading, movies, cooking, baking, and singing.



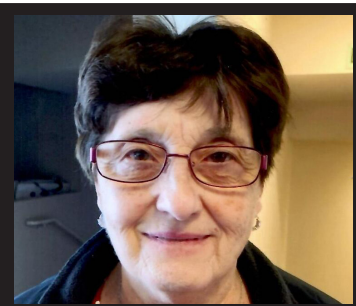
**Garet, Joy,
Everett, & Lincoln Studer**

Garet is an athletic director and Joy is one of Ebenezer's Preschool teachers and the Godly Play® director. They and their very active boys love outdoor sports, reading, camping, hiking, and rowing.



Todd & Jill Wright

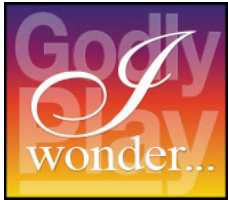
Todd and Jill, who lived most of their lives in Illinois, moved to Lake Stevens when he received a call as Director of Chaplaincy at Bethany of the Northwest. They enjoy hiking, camping, board/card games, movies/tv, dog walking, and driving adventures.



Sally Yates

Sally has lived in Washington since 1987 when she moved from Ojai, CA, with her two daughters and one cat. Wayne and CC Kuehl invited her to Ebenezer. She enjoys reading, spending time with family and church, knitting, and is a Seahawks fan.

Education



THANKFULNESS IS IN THE AIR

What a slow start to fall we had with the summer temps lasting and the lack of rain!

No matter what the weather is, I find myself always counting my blessings this time of year, and I'm sure my Ebenezer family feels the same.

Last year when I started the first Godly Play® classroom, there were a lot of long days and late nights painting, gathering, moving things, and building with Garet to get the room ready while our boys played in the room across the hall. It was worth every bit; the program is thriving and I am so thankful. In counting each child who comes to the classroom as a blessing, there are some adults who are the unsung heroes of their education and I would like to lift them up publicly and in prayer: Betty Bauer and Lia Stuart. Without the two of you, the second Godly Play classroom would still just be an idea.

Not only did these amazing women work tirelessly through appropriate channels of Council and Property to get permission to make this happen, they contacted many others to gather grants [Carolyn Lund, Ann Hoffmann, and Helen Hendrickson], private donations, and supplies for this new room. They asked for help from other members

who volunteered to build shelves (my least favorite task). THANK YOU SHELF BUILDERS, Don and Alan Hoffmann and John Spencer. You did a beautiful job.

Ms. Betty painted the entire room herself until who knows what hour. Ms. Lia never gave up on fundraiser opportunities and grant requests. These women do all these things because they are church family. They love your children. They love this program and have seen the results. They have greeted each child with open arms ... and treats. It takes a village to make a successful program and Ebenezer has one heck of an incredible village.

This month I hope you will join me in taking time to give thanks for each other. We have a church family that I don't believe exists just anywhere any more. We need to treasure it, nurture it, and care for each other the way these individuals have shown care for the children of Ebenezer.

I, for one, am thankful for all of you ... your many thanks, smiles, and overall graciousness has been a blessing to my family. The children truly give me the greatest start to the week anyone could ever ask for. Thank you, church family.

Brightest November Blessings,
Joy Studer



Godly Play® ~ Sunday, October 2, 2022

6TH-12TH GRADE CLASS

Sundays at 8:45 am in the Youth Room
YOUTH

6TH-12TH GRADES,



join us each Sunday for treats, learning, and discussion. We will be discussing ideas from Mini Revolutions, Illustrated Ministry. Questions? Please talk to Virginia.

EDUCATION MINISTRY

WATCH (Wednesday At The Church)

Confirmation students (7th-8th grades) will meet on the 9th, 16th, and 23rd in the Choir Room at 6 pm with Pastor Benson during November.



Questions? Call the office, 425-334-0421.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 8, at 6 pm in Room 3. Please join us and bring your ideas.

3RD GRADE BIBLE PRESENTATION

On Sunday, October 23, on behalf of the congregation of Ebenezer, the Education Committee helped



parents to fulfill their Baptism Promise by presenting Bibles to the following 3rd graders, Victoria, Evelyn, Alexis, and Nora; 4th grader, Roslyn; and 5th grader Miles Congratulations!

DEAR GOD ...

- You don't have to worry about me. I always look both ways. —Dean
- I think the stapler is one of your greatest inventions. —Ruth
- I think about you sometimes even when I'm not praying. —Elliott
- I bet it is very hard for You to love everybody in the whole world. There are only four people in our family and I can never do it. —Nan
- Of all the people who work for you I like

Youth of Ebenezer

6th-12th Grade Youth Contacts:
Virginia & Andi
Check your Ebenezer Phone Directory

FARM & CORN MAZE



Another beautiful day in Snohomish! Youth of Ebenezer with family rode the hay wagons in and split up to go to different parts of Bob's big corn maze.

Among the activities some of the six youth enthusiastically enjoyed were sliding down hay bales, sending apples sailing as high as possible into the sunny sky, and water panning for "gems." Kettle corn, of course, had to be taste-tested!



UPCOMING EVENTS

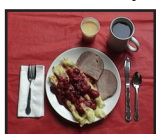
- YOE Pizza & Show - Saturday, November 19, at 5 pm
- Christmas Decorating Day - Saturday, December 3
- God's Creation 2023 Calendar Sales
- ELCA Youth Ministry Network - registering for Extravaganza, February 3-6, 2023

EYC (ALL YOUTH) MEETING

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20 ~ 8:45 AM

Join us in the Youth Room. All are welcome to attend at this new time.

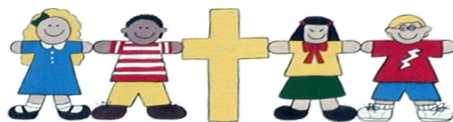
NORWEGIAN PANCAKE BREAKFAST SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19



All 6th-12th grade youth will again be able to help at the breakfast! It's on the third Saturday of each month and is a great community event.

Contact Virginia with questions regarding the youth and their part in serving the congregation and community. For other youth volunteer opportunities, see Joy Studer.

Preschool



WHAT'S NEW IN THE CLASSROOM

After all that Halloween candy, all the classes will begin November by talking about dental care. We will also continue with a unit on health/nutrition and the four food groups, which will lead nicely into Thanksgiving activities.

This month our Bible lessons will be about being thankful for all the wonderful gifts us every day.

Each preschool class will have a Thanksgiving party in their classroom. They will be giving thanks to God and enjoying different tastes and textures of foods. **We wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.**

KICKING OFF THE HOLIDAYS

It's time for our annual Evergreen Holiday Fun-raiser selling beautiful evergreens. Orders are due by Monday, November 7.

By purchasing a wreath, you are supporting the Preschool, a ministry of the church. Proceeds raised will go towards restocking preschool supplies needed throughout the year and helping families in their time of need with scholarship funds as well as maintaining a high quality, caring, and nurturing Christian Preschool environment. This fun-raiser is what keeps our tuition costs down and allows families to be a part of our program. Our goal is to raise \$1,000.



To make purchases, go to the Preschool easel in the Fellowship Hall on Sundays or contact the Preschool, 425-397-6374 or preschool@ebenezerlakestevens.org. Delivery of items will be the week after Thanksgiving. Thanks for your support.

PLAYGROUND ADDITIONS

You may have noticed some new additions
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Worship & Music

FAST MINISTRY

FAST Team Shephard members will serve during November.

Team Wilson, watch for the postcard coming in the mail in November.

WOW (WORSHIP ON WEDNESDAYS)

During November, worship will be in person and livestreamed on Facebook and YouTube every Wednesday from 7:00-7:30 pm through November 16.

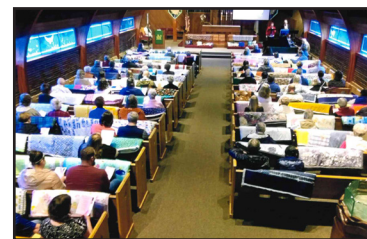
The worship style changes each week and is very different from our Sunday worship. These services include:

- Contemplative Prayer service
- *Holden Evening Prayer* service
- Festival of Hymns service
- Old Fashioned Hymn Sing
- *Unfailing Light* service

Join us to hear God's Word and receive His blessings each week. Some services we will have Holy Communion.

Blessing the World

Thirteen people packed boxes with quilts, school



backpacks, personal care kits, and baby care kits on Tuesday, October 25. These items plus 21 prayer shawls were blessed during worship on Sunday, October 23. The number of items packed and donated:

- 89 Quilts: 36 sent to LWR and the others given to Lake Stevens Resource Center.
- 8 Baby Care kits sent to LWR
- 4 Personal Care kits sent to LWR
- 63 School Backpacks sent to LWR

Thank you to Ken Cross for transporting all the boxes for Lutheran World Relief to Seattle. Ebenezer members, we are so appreciative of all your support. Questions? Please call Betty Bauer.

Events Page

GOD'S GLOBAL BARNYARD



This Advent season you can help break the cycle of hunger and poverty around the world by supporting ELCA Good Gifts. Look for our Giving Tree and information table in the Narthex. You can help us decorate our tree while also helping communities purchase animals to start small businesses selling eggs, meat, or dairy products.

Write your family's name on the animal ornament of your choice and hang it on our tree. Take an envelope marked for ELCA Global Barnyard and donate as you are able. If you would like to donate from home, please send a check to Ebenezer Lutheran Church and mark it for ELCA Global Barnyard.

Gifts will be collected throughout Advent and then forwarded to ELCA Good Gifts, designated for God's Global Barnyard.

REMINDER:

HOLIDAY BAKE & CRAFT SALE SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10 ~ 10 AM-3 PM



If you can bake goodies or make crafts and if you can help set up on December 9 or work the day of the sale, December 10, please sign up on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. Or, you can call Betty Bauer or Pat Jackson to sign up. They will be happy to add your name to the list of volunteers.

We will have a raffle drawing including a Christmas wall hanging from Marcella Bergerson, a Bargello Christmas quilt from Ann Hoffmann, a Goodie Basket, and a Seahawks Basket provided by Carolyn Lund and Dee Anne Williams. Door prizes made by Carolyn Lund will be awarded hourly.

Take time browsing for those special Christmas gifts and enjoy this year's dessert bar. Questions? Please call Betty or Pat. Thanks for your support.

NORWEGIAN PANCAKE BREAKFAST BENEFIT FOR HURRICANE DISASTER RELIEF SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19 ~ 7:30-10:30 AM

Delicious pancakes! Come to this breakfast serving all-you-can-eat pancakes on the third Saturday of the month. The cost is adults, \$10; youth 5-12, \$5; and children under 5 free.



You're encouraged to bring friends and neighbors to support those affected by disasters/hurricanes. The NPB team is partnering with Thrivent to raise needed funds.

ADVENT FESTIVAL SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4 ~ 10:40 AM

The Advent Festival will include a fundraiser opportunity for the stories that will go into the new Godly Play® classroom. You can make cash or check donations and write on a slip of paper provided which story you would like to contribute to—the Flood, the Story of Ruth, or maybe the Books of the Bible which is a beautiful puzzle showing all the different parts of the Bible. We can't wait to see which stories we will get! Thanks for your support.



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11 ~ 10 AM-12 PM



Bring your project or start a new one with yarn we provide. Patterns can be knitted or crocheted, your choice. Questions? Call Lynn Riggs. To give a prayer shawl as a gift, please ask.

FELLOWSHIP EVENTS

- **Wits Workout ~ Monday, November 7, at 2 pm.** We'll have our Wits Workout in the



Fellowship Hall. Come ready to play with memory, problem-solving, and purposeful thinking and have fun with friends for about an hour. Questions? Call Jane Briske.

- **Ebenezer's Book Club Discussion ~ Monday, November 7, at 4 pm.**

If you have read or are interested in reading *The Empathy Exam* by Leslie Jamison, join us for a short discussion of October's book.

During November, we'll read *The Confidence Game* by Maria Konnikova.



If you have questions or to learn how to obtain copies of these books, please contact Jane Briske.

- **Ebenezer's Libraries.** Check out the NEW books in the Book Nook Library in the upstairs hall by the water fountain. Ebenezer's Book Club has a shelf with favorite books they have read over the past 10 years. Check them out using the clipboard and enjoy!
- **Hike to Sauk Mountain ~ Saturday, November 12 (weather permitting), leaving the church at 7 am.** Due to fire, our hike to Barclay Lake has now been switched to Sauk Mountain. Bring lunch and plenty of water in your backpack. For details see Ken Cross.
- **Pinochle ~ Sunday, November 13, promptly at 2 pm.** We will be playing card games each month on the second Sunday at 2 pm. Questions? Please call JoAnn Cross.
- **Give Thanks & Eat Pie ~ Wednesday, November 23, after worship.** This year we will have our Pie Social following the Thanksgiving Eve service. We ask members to drop off a pie in the kitchen, go to worship, and then return for the Pie Social in the Fellowship Hall. The worship service begins at 7 pm.



Ministries of Ebenezer

STEWARDSHIP



Time & Talents

and

Estimated Giving

Why do I need to fill out these forms? Time & Talent surveys allow each of us to get more information about areas of service we may want to explore. Each year the old data is discarded and new information is saved. Filling out a form is not a commitment but a communication tool.

Estimate of Giving cards are just an estimate and will be used to establish our budget for 2023. It's important that we each indicate our intentions so we can establish a realistic budget. If circumstances change, you can always submit a new Estimate of Giving card or talk to JoAnn Cross our Financial Secretary.

Please spend time prayerfully considering both forms before you fill them out and submit them on Sunday, November 6.

FROM YOUR FINANCIAL SECRETARY

JoAnn Cross
finance@ebenezerlakestevens.org

Free Money for Ebenezer! Help Us Out!

- Amazon Smiles. If you shop on Amazon, did you know you can send 0.5 percent of your purchase price to Ebenezer without changing what you pay? It's easy. Just log into www.smile.amazon.com, select Ebenezer as your charity, and log in using your normal credentials. You then can bookmark www.smile.amazon.com and always log in there to make purchases. Questions? Talk to JoAnn.



- Thrivent Choice Dollars. If you have a policy with Thrivent, you can choose where to send your Choice Dollars. Make sure you have selected them. Questions? Talk to JoAnn.

Thrivent Choice

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY



Pastor Benson's Thursday morning Bible study begins at 10 am. Join us

November 3, 10, and 17 in the Fireside Room as we dig deeper into the scripture lessons that will be read the following Sunday.

MAR-CILLA CIRCLE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1 ~ 10:30 AM

The women of Mar-Cilla Circle invite all women to join in fellowship and Bible study in the Fireside Room. Bring a lunch; dessert and coffee will be provided. "Crafted in Christ: Ties that Bind" is the topic for the November gathering. Copies of the study will be in the Mar-Cilla Circle mailbox at church. Welcome!



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY EBENEZER'S FIRESIDE ROOM TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15 ~ 10 AM

ALL women are invited to join us for this Bible Study from *Gather*, the wonderful women's magazine of the ELCA. Questions? Please call Lynn Riggs.



ADULT BIBLE STUDY TUESDAYS, FROM 9-10 AM

Pastor John Wesling is teaching this Bible study in the Choir Room. It is also available on Ebenezer's website. Go to www.ebenezerlakestevens.org, click on Activities, then Bible Study, and scroll down to choose which story you want. Questions? Please call the church office, 425-334-0421. Check the calendar for dates study is held.



Give thanks to the Lord for he is good I Chronicles 16:34

Council President's Corner

Highlights from October 11 Council Meeting:

The Church Council approved the receiving of the 12 new members. Ebenezer is truly blessed with our new members!

The need of roof repairs was brought by the Property Committee and was discussed with the Council members. More information will be provided to the congregation at the annual meeting in January.

Council members were reminded that it is time to begin planning for the 2023 budget.

Yours in Christ,
 Melissa Probst

Preschool Cont.

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to our Preschool playground: a new resting bench and a very cool Flintstones car have been added. A BIG THANK YOU to Scout Blake Nelson for these new additions. Blake has been a scout for 10 plus years and is working towards becoming an Eagle Scout. He enjoys helping the community by volunteering at the Food Bank and serving food to the elderly at Christmas. The preschoolers are enjoying the new items to

COMMUNITY SUPPER

Community Supper is currently serving FREE take-out meals every Thursday from 4-6 pm. Since serving take-out meals, we have served an average of 275 each week. **No meal will be served on Thursday, November 24.**

"Like" us at Lake Stevens Community Supper on Facebook to see what is happening. Thank you for your continued prayers and financial support for this program. For more information, contact supper@ebenezerlakestevens.org.



Our November Birthdays

Name	Birth Date (month/day)	Name	Birth Date (month/day)	Name	Birth Date (month/day)
Champaigne, Jack	11/2	Backstrom, Jeanette	11/13	Martuch, Isabella	11/22
Ballard, Olivia	11/4	Wilson, Sue	11/15	Hendrickson, Seth	11/24
Basten, Krysta	11/4	Cooper, Erlene	11/16	Gross, Dave	11/25
Bracht, Rex	11/4	Welch, Carolyn	11/18	Ren, Margaret	11/28
Feizbakhsh, Hooshang	11/4	Chapman, Norm	11/19	Stone, Savannah	11/28
Coryell, Ethel	11/8	Waclawik, Rick	11/20	Anderson, Brian	11/29
Hearidge, Betty	11/10	Flax, Jennifer	11/21		

The Prayer Corner

Prayer Chain:



If you have an urgent need, please call Prayer Chain leader Ken Cross. He will contact Prayer Chain members to begin

praying for your request. Please pray for the following:

Members of the Congregation:

Marnie Anderson Terry Lambert
Carrie Egtvet David Large
Pam Hallanger Debbie May
Judy Hennig Leah Tate
Abbi Holmes Alice Werner
Mary Lamb

Homebound or Special Care Residents:

Ethel Coryell Annie Fallon
Bob DeFrang Bill & Donna Iffrig

Extended Family with Cancer:

Gayle (Phyllis Peterson's sister-in-law)
Nicole (Kay Caulfield's niece)
Tom (Lynda Volkmann's friend)
Dennis Aikman (Hannah Sellars' cousin)
Kristine Andersen (Iris Ingram Forbus' friend)
Dan Bagwell (Melissa Probst's brother-in-law)
Jodi Erickson (Judy Palmer's friend)
LeRoy Ettlin (Fran Clapper's friend)
Bill Flansburg (Fran Clapper's brother)
Chris Grigsby (Carol Perry's great-grandson)
Ron Gunter (Kay Caulfield's friend)
Lane Hereth (Margaret Ren's friend)

Ryder Jacobson (MaryJo DuBeau's nephew)
Vikki Kaiser (Kay Caulfield's friend)
Peggy Layne (Terry Lambert's sister)
David McDonald (Betty McDonald's son)
Pat Nickelson (Fran Clapper's friend)
Hermann Papke (Fran Clapper's friend)
Susan Pratt (Fran Clapper's cousin)
Julie Riggles (Lynn Riggs' sister)
Beth Rutherford (Don Lundquist's niece)
Martha Stuart (Lia Stuart's mother-in-law)
Carole Thorngate (Fran Clapper's cousin)

Extended Family with Needs:

Dina (Phyllis Peterson's daughter-in-law)
Eric (Kay Caulfield's friend)
Henry (Sally Yates brother)
Jonas (Bill & Janine DiMonda's grandson)
Zack & Riley (Mary Alstad's grandchildren)
David Amluxen (Don Lundquist's nephew)
Hans Bersas (Ellen Bersas' husband)
Kenny Blake (Pat Jackson's godson)
Mandy Capehart (Betty Bauer's friend)
Michael Delgado (Ray Delgado's brother)
Logan DiMonda (Bill & Janine DiMonda's son)
Kate Everley (CC Kuehl's daughter)
Kayla Gay (Helen Hendrickson's niece)
Midge Gelakoska (Kay Caulfield's friend)
Irv Hansen (Kathy Spade's brother-in-law)
Ron Koepsell (Betty Bauer's brother)
Eric Mittag (Patty Myntti's nephew) - MS
Carol Moen (Fran Clapper's friend)
Darlene Moore (Kay Caulfield's aunt)
Kyle Munson (Kay Caulfield's friend)
Elisabeth Parzyk (Kathy Parzyk's daughter-

in-law)

Sue Pryor (Helen Hendrickson's niece)
Mark Rice (Alice Werner's nephew)
Stacy Reynolds (Pat Jackson's goddaughter)
Sharon Schamp (Kay Caulfield's friend)
Elinor Shultz (A Werner's sister-in-law) - ALS
Sherry Stebing (Becky Brandt's aunt)
Diana Thomsen (J & A Wesling's daughter)
Meggi Ward (Susan Shephard's friend)
Bridget Wellen (M Ren's granddaughter) - MS
Cale Werner (Alice Werner's grandson)
Fiona Werner (Alice Werner's granddaughter)
Tom Wood (Ken Holmes' father)

Preschool Director, Staff, & Families

All Our Military and Their Families:

Hunter Gardoski, Sid Hendrickson Jr, Ethan Stuart, Alec Zimmerman

Those Who Grieve:

Butzer Family - Adeline Butzer passed away

Why We Should Pray

- More than 250 studies show that religious people are generally healthier than those who are not.
- 130 studies support the fact that prayer is effective—it works!
- Distant prayer works as well as prayer in the recipient's presence. When you pray at a distance, the recipient doesn't even have to know that you are praying for it to be effective.

Readings for Worship

November 6 (Communion)

1st Lesson: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

Psalm: Psalm 149

2nd Lesson: Ephesians 1:11-23

Gospel: Luke 6:20-31

November 13

1st Lesson: Malachi 4:1-2a

Psalm: Psalm 98

2nd Lesson: II Thessalonians 3:6-13

Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

November 20 (Communion)

1st Lesson: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Psalm: Psalm 46

2nd Lesson: Colossians 1:11-20

Gospel: Luke 23:33-43

November 27

1st Lesson: Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalm: Psalm 122

2nd Lesson: Romans 13:11-14

Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44



NOVEMBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

November 2	WOW Service - 7:00 pm
November 6	9:30 am
November 9	WOW Service - 7:00 pm
November 13	9:30 am
November 16	WOW Service - 7:00 pm
November 20	9:30 am
November 23	
Thanksgiving Eve Service -	7:00 pm
November 27	9:30 am
November 30	Advent Service - 7:00 pm

Sundays:

- 6th-12th Graders meet in the Youth Room ~ 8:45
- Godly Play® starts in Sanctuary ~ 9:30



Church Office Hours

Monday	Office Closed
Tuesday	9:00-12:30 & 1:30-5:00
Wednesday	9:00-12:30 & 1:30-4:00
Thursday	9:00-12:30 & 1:30-4:00
Friday	9:00-12:30 & 1:30-4:00

Living Lutheran

We experienced unpleasant air from forest fires this fall. Paradise (California) Lutheran Church experienced more than bad air in 2018. Now the church is building a fire-resistant structure in place of the parsonage that burned. It will have four apartments to rent to people who need housing in the community. From tragedy came a new way to serve.

In El Salvador the Lutheran church has become a partner with the Hungry Church, a church that serves gang members who have been deported from the United States. Hungry Church provides safe places to stay, income, job skills training, and other support. Lutheran Disaster Response provided a grant to assist training in carpentry and auto mechanics.

Cultural differences may make it seem like Lutherans in other parts of the world are different from us, but our ELCA bishop reminds us that we are one body—we are one in Christ.

Special Thanks

Ebenezer Church Family & Prayer Shawl Ministry

Thank you for the prayers, cards, and shawl for Dick Turner, Jeff's step-dad. It was very much appreciated by us all. Your care for us has been heartwarming. Thank you. —Jeff & Korrine Gust & Family

Great News

Thank you for calling today. My Aunt Val is doing better. YEAH! She can come off the prayer list. Thank you to everyone for all the prayers. God bless! —Becky Brandt

Markedly Better

I want to let you know that Jennifer (Roseanne's friend who has Alzheimer's) is doing markedly better this evening than she was last night and this morning. Both her fever and her cough are better. She had her prayer shawl on throughout the day. Thank you! —Greg McKee

Thank you, Community Supper

I want to personally say thank you to the staff and volunteers who assist in the free community dinners every Thursday night. The suppers have been tremendously helpful to me and my family. We look forward to this night every week, especially me. I have two kids and my eldest has some special needs with severe behavioral challenges; it takes a huge toll on me. By the end of the day, the thought of making dinner is exhausting. Having this little blessing to look forward to every week is so valuable to us. We truly appreciate this outreach you have created! —Anonymous

Thank You

Thanks for your kind words and prayers. Dave is doing better, and when he completes this treatment program for cancer, we pray he will be in remission. We would appreciate your continued prayers. —Betty McDonald

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Let us be
thankful
for all our
Blessings

**Thanksgiving Eve
Service
& Pie Social**

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**Wednesday,
November 23
7:00 pm**

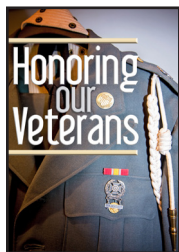
Remember to post your calendar!

JESUS LOVES ...



In the News

Thank You for Your Service



It's important to us at Ebenezer that we honor our military members and families, thank them for their service, and pray for their health and safety and well-being. This

Veterans Day, let's remember to say thank you for your service to ...

Our veterans: Gary Briske, Bob DeFrang, Jeff Gust, George Hughes, Don Lundquist, Debbie May, Arden Olson, Jana Rivera, Jose Rivera, Harold Ronnestad, Mike Shephard, Kole Sylte, Scott Viboch, and Don Wilson.

Our active duty military: Hunter Gardoski, Sid Hendrickson Jr, Ethan Stuart, and Alec Zimmerman.

And let's also remember the families of those who passed away in 2022: Sam Dagastino, Truman Peterson, and Don Ren.

Thanksgiving Eve Service & Pie Social

Read more about this special evening on page 4 under Fellowship Events. It's always fun to celebrate Thanksgiving together with worship and pie.



God's Creation 2023 Calendars



Youth of Ebenezer has made these calendars available for over 10 years! As always, there are 12 beautiful photos with scripture verses for your wall or gifting. Watch the Sunday announcements for when the calendars will be available. The price this year will be \$10—they are well worth it! The funds go to help Ebenezer youth afford outside events that bring us all together. Contact Virginia to order your calendars.

Over 50 Anniversaries

Larry and Betty McDonald will celebrate their 65th anniversary on November 9. Congratulations, Larry and Betty!



Robert and Judy Powell will celebrate their 54th anniversary on November 9. Congratulations, Robert and Judy!

We pray God's richest blessings on the McDonald and Powell families.

Decorate for Christmas!

Check the Sunday announcements for more info. We would appreciate your help on November 27. —Jeanette Backstrom

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