

#### THE CARILLON

ST MATTHEW LUTHERAN
CHURCH
Our mission is to be...
The living evidence of the mercies of Christ.

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#### **GOING ON NOW**

#### **Confirmation Classes**

This instructional course on the basic tenants of the Christian faith is made available for any child ages 11-14. If you have a child or know of a child that would like to enter into Confirmation, contact the Pastor.

#### Praise Team

The Praise Team currently provides most of the instrumental pre-service music for our Sunday services. If you have any questions regarding the Praise Team, please contact Ken Young or Dan Morrison.

#### Lutherans Women's Mission League (LWML)

We meet Each Month, dates change per the event.
Come contribute to Lutheran Missions Worldwide!
All women are welcome!

#### Altar Guild

Since the morning of Christ's resurrection, as the women approached to prepare the body of Christ for burial, ladies have gathered before the Sunday service to prepare the body of Christ for communion. If you are interested in helping with this sacred task, contact Lillian Holttum.

#### Free Community Dinner!

Community free dinner served every **Wednesday at 5pm.** If you are interested in joining this ministry contact our Human Care Chairman, Kay Hermann.

#### **Choir**

PRACTICES WILL BE RESUMING SOON. TALK WITH ROD IS YOU ARE PLANNING ON SINGING!

Contact Rod Larson or Ken Young, if interested in joining.

#### New Member's Class

Anyone interested in becoming a new member, please contact Lynn Vernon or the church office. 360-457-4122.

#### **UPCOMING SERVICES**

| Sept 7th | Thirteenth Sunday after |
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|          | Pentecost               |
|          | Luke 14:25-35           |

| Sept 14th | Fourteenth Sunday after |
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|           | Pentecost               |
|           | Luke 15:1-10            |

| Sept 21th | Fifteenth Sunday after |
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|           | Pentecost              |
|           | <i>Luke 16:1-15</i>    |

| Sept 28th | Sixteenth Sunday after |
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|           | Pentecost              |
|           | Luke 16:19-31          |

| Oct 5th | Seventeenth Sunday after |
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|         | Pentecost                |
|         | Luke 17:1-10             |

| Oct 12th | Eighteenth Sunday after |
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|          | Pentecost               |
|          | <i>Luke 17:11-19</i>    |

| Oct 19th | Nineteenth Sunday after |
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|          | Pentecost               |
|          | <i>Luke 18:1-8</i>      |



#### SEPT 12TH & 26ND

#### At 6PM

Bring a friend & a snack to share



#### **Family**

Fellowship/Bible

Study Group

Tuesdays at 6pm in Fellowship Hall. Bible Study & Dinner . Interested in attending, RSVP Sign up sheet in Narthex or talk with Tim Roberton.

# Ladies **UNCH** NO LUNCH BUNCH IN SEPT.

Due to so many activities going on in the next couple of months, we will be putting Lunch Bunch on a pause until further notice

#### ST MATTHEW BOOK CLUB



# September 8<sup>th</sup> At Noon

Hosted by Lynda Williamson. RSVP

Book being discussed "James"
by Percival Everett

# SAVE THE DATES! \*\* SAVE THE DATES! \*\* Thursday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 3pm in the Fellowship Hall \*\* All Ladies of St Matthew are Welcome! Our first meeting we'll be busy planning the Joyful Jamboree. All hands are needed to help organize the menu, decorations & give-aways for the Joyful Jamboree. \*\* Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup> \*\* Hosted by St Matthew LWML Questions? Contact Kathy Peterson 206 941 8711



#### **ATTENTION: CRAFTERS!**

We have a committee and date for the annual Holiday Bazaar! Mark your calendar! It's going to be hear soon!

Friday and Saturday, November 14 & 15, 9 AM — 3 PM Proceeds will be directed to St. Matthew Lutheran Preschool

If you are making jam, jellies or goodies this summer think about putting a few aside to donate to the bazaar. Jams, jellies, pies, baked goods and candy always sell well.

Also, think about items you could make to make and donate to the sale; wood working, sewing, knitting, art, homemade soaps are just a few ideas.

Many volunteers are needed to make this event successful. Watch for bulletin inserts in October to sign up to help. We always have a fun time together.

If you have any questions, talk to one of the committee members; Janis Deverter, Peggy Romero, Pam Predovich, Robin Sonnenberg, Jan Edmonds and Kathy Peterson.

Sign up to Host Snacks after worship!
Volunteers needed each month.
Thanks Peggy, Fellowship





#### **GRIEVING A LOSS?**

Find hope and healing after the death of a loved one.

#### 13 WEEK CRIEF SUPPORT CROUP

September 1st—November 28th Fridays, 10 am—11:30am Contact: Sondya Rose

360-808-3262



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### WA-AK DISTRICT SEPTEMBER 2025



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#### The Lutheran Hour

Dr. Michael Zeigler REGIONAL BROADCASTS

All American Christian Network (ACN) stations air at 8:00 am on Sundays in eastern Washington.

Spokane stations KTRW 630 AM and 96.5 FM <u>Yakima</u> stations

KYAK 930 AM and 96.1 FM NATIONAL OUTLETS

SiriusXM

Sundays, 10 am. EST Family Talk channel 131

iHeartRadio/Spotify/Apple/
Google have podcast on demand
Classic Broadcast
Ihm.org/sentradio

#### ALASKA LUTHERAN HOUR

SUNDAY MORNINGS

KGTL AM 6:20/FM 100.1

in Homer, AK

**KPEN AM 840/FM 102.5** 

in Kenai-Soldotna, AK

God is moving among his people in Alaska! Three LCMS churches are submitting support for the Lutheran Hour Broadcast in Homer, Alaska. The new president of the Peninsula Radio Group has invited the churches to submit worship times to be announced with each broadcast. We rejoice with those who will hear God's Word in this way!

#### LHM CONNECTS PEOPLE WHERE THEY ARE

Song, 29 years old, works as a teacher. He used to go to church with his friends, but his parents were not happy about it because they practiced a non-Christian religion. When he moved, he was too far from the church and never found a new one to attend. When he recently connected to **LHM—Cambodia** staff through their youth program at his school, they encouraged him to reconnect with a church and the church leaders to strengthen his faith. Look for Bible Study resources at lhm.org.

Kimmis is 13 years old and recently watched a film showing in her village that was hosted by **LHM**—**Kenya**. After the film, her life was transformed as she found purpose, hope, and love through her newfound faith. "Jesus changed my heart, and now I have hope," she said. An **LHM**—**Kenya** staff member remarked, "Her testimony embodies the impact of our ministry—hope and purpose to lives through the love of Christ."

#### WA-AK District Board Outreach in Tacoma

Our district board partnered with Zion Lutheran in Tacoma for an Art on the Avenue outreach booth in July. Zion is a member of the Tacoma 6th Avenue Merchants Association which gives them access to this annual street fair each summer. LHM paid for the booth space and provided resources to share with the public. Both Zion members and district board members tended the booth and provided set-up and takedown help. Zion members made 'Life Saver' boxes containing the Gospel message of Jesus as our crucified and risen Savior. Project Connect and Kid's booklets shared location and worship times at Zion. The Gospel conversations and interactions with the fair goers were well received by most. A young man chose to take the 'Jesus Bundle' with him to read and share. Children loved the stickers and parents were introduced to Gospel Adventures Kenya. Those who tended the booth enjoyed the experience and represented their faith well. The ambassador at Zion coordinated the event and encourages all ambassadors to help their churches look for such opportunities. Some people stopped by to share that it was great to see a church present at this event.



"But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

Matthew 6:33 (NIV)

Proverbs 31 Ministries

How are we going to pay for tuition next year? If rent increases, do we need to consider moving? Oh no, I have that writing deadline. Don't forget budgets! We need to replace Regi's shoes again? Will I have enough time to finish that executive summary? Anxieties swirled around my mind as I sat outside with my kids. I played and replayed different scenarios in my head, did the mental math of shifting money in our budget this way and that to anticipate future expenditures, and ran through a play-by-play of my schedule for the week to make sure I had enough time to finish my work. I was lost in my thoughts when suddenly my concentration was broken by the sound of happy shrieks. My kids were playing joyfully on the Slip 'N Slide, laughing and splashing each other with glee, without a single care in the world. They had no concept of time or schedules, no question about whether they would go to school, no anxieties over whether they would get new shoes. They could rest securely in the confidence that their parents already knew what they needed — without a doubt, their needs would be met.

In that moment, God gently reminded me that we can rest securely in the confidence that He, our heavenly Father, already knows what we need — without a doubt, our needs will be met. How would our lives look different if we truly believed that? We would live "careless in the care of God," as described in the Message paraphrase of Jesus' words in Matthew 6:26: "Look at the birds, free and unfettered, not tied down to a job description, careless in the care of God. And you count far more to him than birds." If we trusted God's heart of provision, we would be free to live in the moment, fully present to our loved ones. We would be free to love and serve God and others. Our lives would be filled with more love, joy, hope, and peace — and less stress, anxiety, impatience, and tension. Jesus also says in Matthew 6:32-33, "The pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well" (NIV).

Because we serve a God who is our loving Father, we are no longer left fending for ourselves, living as though our lives depend entirely on our efforts. As we trust Him with all our desires and seek first His Kingdom and His righteousness, we find all our deepest needs are met by Him. We can live *careless in the care of God*.

Heavenly Father, thank You that You already know what I need before I do. Help me seek first Your Kingdom and righteousness so I may live careless in Your good care for me. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



Quarterly Meeting on September 28th after Worship service



Hello Congregation,

We are excited to begin a new preschool year! We currently have 10 new students enrolled, with a few more families considering joining us. Our teachers have been working hard in the classroom, setting everything up for the new school year.

We will be hosting Meet and Greets with families during the first two days, and our first official day of preschool will be Thursday September 4th! We look forward to meeting our new families and welcoming their children into our preschool program.

Thank you for your continued support of our preschool program. We truly appreciate it.

Please continue to pray for our teachers, students, and families.

The Preschool





No council report this month due to the August Council meeting being cancelled for the Fair.

Council minutes are shared once approved by Council at previous meetings.

## **CHOIR**

Choir Practices will be restarting soon. Contact Rod Larson, Choir Director, or Ken Young, organist, if interesting in joining or returning. With everyone's busy schedules, they are attempting to find the best day & times to practice.



| Sun   | Mon                                    | Tue   | Wed   | Thu                                 | Fri  | Sat |
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|   | Happy Labor Day                        | 2 6pm FAMILY QQ BIBLE STUDY                           | 3 10 5pm  Wednesday Night Dinner                                      | 4  FRESCHOOL  6pm Elders  Meeting   | 8:30 PATSCHOOL  10am  GRIEF SHARE                  | 6   |
| 8:45am Bible Study  10am Worship  LWWL Mighty Mite        | 10 School Board Meeting Noon BOOK CLUB | 9<br>8:30 PRSCHOOL<br>6pm<br>FAMILY Q<br>BIBLE STUDY  | 10 8:30 PSCHOL 10am CRAFT 5pm Vednesday Night Dinner                  | 8:30 PESCHOOL 3pm LW//\L 6pm Church | 8:30 PECHOL  10am GRIEF SHARE 6pm GAME             | 13  |
| 8:45am Bible Study 10am Worship                           | 15                                     | 8:30 PRESCHOOL 9am PEO 61 FAMILY D BIBLE STUDY        | 8:30 PISCHOL 10am 5pm CRAFT Wednesday Night Dinner                    | 18<br>8:30 <b>RESCHOOL</b>          | 8:30 PRISCHOOL 9am 10am QUILTING GROUP GRIEF SHARE | 20  |
| 8:45am Bible<br>Study<br>10am Worship                     | 22                                     | 23 8:30 PRSCHOOL 6pm FAMILY D BIBLE STUDY             | 24 8:30 <b>RESCHOOL</b> 10am <b>CRAFT</b> 5pm  Wednesday Night Dinner | 25<br>8:30 <b>PRESCHOOL</b>         | 26 8:30 PESHOL 10am GRIEF SHARE 6pm GAME           | 27  |
| 28 Congregational Meeting 8:45am Bible Study 10am Worship | 29 9am Bylaw Committee Mtg             | 30<br>8:30 PRECHOOL<br>6pm<br>FAMILY Q<br>BIBLE STUDY |   |                                     |  | *   |