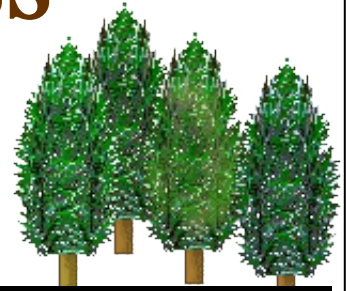


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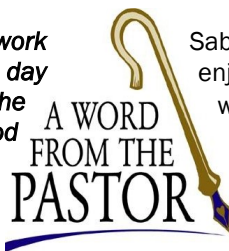
July, 2021

WOODEN CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA

Wooden Cross is a welcoming, Christ-centered community believing in grace and living in faith and service.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

“And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work he had done in creation.” —Genesis 2:2-3



Sabbath that God provides for us as a gift to be enjoyed as more than just another season of the week, day, or month to get “more” done.

This month I'll be spending several days resting and recuperating and I hope and trust that you might as well.

Peace and blessed Sabbathing to you all
revEric

Dearest friends,

When do you take your “seventh day” of sacred rest? When do you take the concerns and worries of the days, the needs to fulfill expectations and the need to be productive and set them down to rest from your work of creation? Rest is sacred and holy by God’s own action and remembered from the earliest accounts of this creation narrative. We as creatures would be blessed to take not only God’s lead but also command around this to heart and practice. Often we do not and end up in burnout, over – commitment and even despair at our efforts proving insufficient in a world that turns out to be bigger than our efforts affect.

It is good to rest. Jesus often took times of rest to commune with God and pray, even as others would yet be calling for his precious attentions. What scripture holds is a vision for us as being caught up in a sacred rhythm of both being productive and being graciously, wondrously at rest. Each of these is crucial to living out our callings and identities of being “children of God.” Whenever either one of these rhythms becomes discordant or falls from practice we will inevitably falter and suffer as a result.

So rest... spend time each week in rest. Spend some time this month to recuperate and decompress. Spend some time enjoying quiet moments of renewal with God. Spend some wondrous days of rekindling friendships and family relationships. In other words... bask in the gift of

PASTORAL CARE



If you or your family have any health concerns needing prayer, PASTORAL CARE or a pastoral contact or visit, please call or email the church office. Thank you.



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STEWARDSHIP REMINDER

Thank you for your thoughtful giving throughout the year! It is with your continued support that we are able to meet the financial commitments of our church and provide many social, youth and community ministries.



Summertime is upon us, with warm sunny days, children out of school and packing for long-awaited vacations. While you are enjoying the beautiful days of summer, please remember to continue giving. If you are going to be away, we ask that you consider making your summer offerings before you leave, either at a worship service or by mailing your contribution to the church office.

Thank you for your continued support of Wooden Cross.

—Wooden Cross Finance Team

2021 Stewardship

Let's accept our freedom to give generously, and our responsibility to be good stewards of all God's gifts.

2021 Local Giving Budget

Weekly Average Goal: \$4,420

APR	Week 1:	\$6,305	
	Week 2:	\$3,169	
	Week 3:	\$5,680	
	Week 4:	<u>\$3,292</u>	
		\$18,445	
	Weekly Average:		\$4,611
MAY	Week 1:	\$3,975	
	Week 2:	\$3,725	
	Week 3:	<u>\$1,900</u>	
		\$9,600	
	Weekly Average:		\$3,200

Thank you!



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Community Prayer.....**9:00 AM**
Sunday Worship **10:00 AM**

PastorEric Griffith
 Secretary / BookkeeperKathy Corneloup
 Organist / Interim Choir Director Seung Lee
 Ensemble Band Ensemble Musicians
 Altar Guild Sherry Kimball

CAMP UNITY DINNER



Wooden Cross members and friends provide monthly meals to Camp Unity residents in the Woodinville area. The next dinner will be on **Tuesday, July 26.**

The Wooden Cross meal coordinator will deliver the food to Camp Unity. Residents will serve themselves. If you'd like to supply a food item, please sign up on the church narthex or contact the church office. Meal donations should be brought to Wooden Cross by 5:00 PM. Thank you to everyone who supports this ministry.

SUMMER MUSIC!



The Worship Committee is inviting talented musicians, vocalists and performers to share their gifts during the worship services throughout the summer months. If you play an instrument, sing or dance, please sign up at the church table. Both soloists and groups are welcomed and encouraged. Sign up in the Narthex!

THANK YOU

Dear Mr. Peter, Mr. Jerry, Ms. Kathy, Mr. Eric, Mr. Mike, Members of the WCLC Council and the Congregation,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for giving me an opportunity of a lifetime for allowing me to open my school at the church. I have had the best years in my teaching career. You have encouraged and welcomed me and the children of Acorn Montessori with love, generosity, kindness and we've always felt part of the WCLC family.

I feel very blessed and humbled with all the wonderful opportunities that I have had. The children have also benefitted in their experiences with activities like the Bell group, Ms. Charmian the Cello player, the Ukulele group, Ms. Seung (with her Piano and Organ expertise), Quilting Club, The Garden Angels, Eagle Scouts and much more. The conversations that I hear from the children about the people they meet at the church is very loving and sweet.

Acorn Montessori has been very successful because of the wonderful things that the parents see and experience when they visit the school as part of the diligence process to select the very first school for their

QUILTER'S GROUP

The **Wooden Cross Quilter's Group** continue to make beautiful quilts for Lutheran World Relief. You are invited to join us! Bring a sewing machine, or just come and help cut and assemble fabric. Come and reconnect with friends, or make new ones!

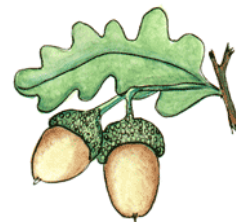


The Summer Schedule is below. If you have any questions, please contact **Betty** at **217-454-1722.**

JUL 1	Thursday	1:30-4:30 PM
JUL 8	Thursday	1:30-4:30 PM
JUL 11	Sunday	11:30-2:30 PM <i>(Brown Bag Lunch after Church)</i>
JUL 22	Thursday	1:30-4:30 PM
JUL 29	Thursday	1:30-4:30 PM
AUG 8	Sunday	11:30-2:30 PM <i>(Brown Bag Lunch after Church)</i>
AUG 19	Thursday	1:30-4:30 PM

The remainder of August is unplanned at present. Stay tuned for updates!

child. The parents see how well the church is taken care of – the beautiful, inviting entrance, the cleanliness inside and outside the building, the peaceful, calm and serene environment, not to mention the greenery all around, and the wooded area. It's the best place to have a Montessori School, which connects children, espouses the Montessori principles of bonding with nature and surrounding oneself with beauty. This was evident yesterday when my former students returned with fond memories of their time at the Acorn Montessori – they all visited the playground, woods and labyrinth.



What made this place the best place to be is the people, the kindness, thoughtfulness, caring and loving environment. I will truly miss you all dearly from the bottom of my heart and I will always keep you in my thoughts and prayers.

Thank you,
Ms. Yasmin
Acorn Montessori

CONNECT — GROW — SERVE

**FELLOWSHIP
OPPORTUNITY**



The Woodinville Garden Club Annual Tour of Gardens is **Saturday, July 10, 10:00 AM—4:00 PM**. The Woodinville Garden Club includes several Wooden Cross members. You are invited to arrange a carload of friends and go together! It's fun to scoot from garden-to-garden and keep bumping into Wooden Cross members and friends.

The Tour of Gardens was organized to showcase the diverse beauty and design of local gardens. Proceeds from the garden tour are used to fund ongoing civic projects, including civic beautification, horticulture scholarships and educational activities.

Tickets are \$25 per person and are available at Molbak's (Woodinville); Boxhill Farm Nursery (Duvall); and Wells Medina Nursery (Medina); as well as online at www.woodinvillegardenclub.org.

Your ticket is a brochure that includes descriptions and background on all the gardens. Please note that all children attending, except babes-in-arms, will need a ticket. No pets are allowed in the gardens.

The Woodinville Garden Club was established in 1984 as a community organization, whose mission is to offer enrichment through learning about horticulture, participating in civic beautification and enjoying friendships as we pursue these activities.



**WEDNESDAY
BIBLE STUDY**



God calls us to grow in faith. Members and friends are invited to grow in their relationships with God. A book of the Bible is selected to read and study together over several weeks to give it full exploration.

On **Wednesday mornings beginning at 10:00 AM** Pr. Eric will lead **Adult Bible Study** (in-person and online via Zoom). You are welcome to join us! Bring a willing heart. We will till the soil. God brings the growth.

**LIGHTS! CAMERA!
AUCTION!**

The 2021 Wooden Cross Auction— **"Lights! Camera! Auction!"**— is set for **Friday, November 5!**



The Auction Team is gearing up and anticipates that by the Fall we will be in Phase 4 of the COVID recovery—which is a return to normal activity. A decision about whether the Auction will be indoors or online will be made closer to the auction date. Updates will be sent during the Summer.

In the meantime, we are asking the Wooden Cross family and area businesses to consider contributing items and/or services for the Silent and Live Auctions. Donation forms are available on the church entrance table and can be emailed upon request.

The Wooden Cross Annual Auction supports missions and ministries such as Acres of Diamonds, Camp Lutherwood, Camp Unity/Homeless Ministry, ELCA Disaster Response, Foss Home, Habitat for Humanity, Holden Village, HopeLink, LCS/Compass Housing Alliance, Local and World Hunger, Lutheran World Relief, Maltby Food Bank, and Seattle-LIMBA Sewing Circle. Thank you for your support and participation!

Peg Skiftenes
Deb Schuldt

2021 Auction Co-Coordinators

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 1:30p Quilters	2	3
4 Independence Day! 9:00 Community Prayer 10:00 Worship Service	5 Holiday. Office Closed. 7:00p AA	6 7-9 p Boy Scouts	7 No Bible Study	8 1:30p Quilters	9	10 10:00a—4:00p Tour of Gardens Woodinville Garden Club
Pr. Eric on Vacation July 5–19						
11 9:00 Community Prayer 10:00 Worship Service <i>Phil Lee, Guest Pastor</i> 11:30 Quilters & Brown Bag Lunch	12 Staff Vacation Day 7:00p AA	13 7-9 p Boy Scouts	14 No Bible Study	15	16	17
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