

## From Pastor Joel Skindlov

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

"We are the church, the body of our Lord, we are all God's children and we have been restored!" (The Church Song, Jay Beech). How is your August starting out? In the midst of these strange times, how do we continue to be the church in the world?

The apostle Paul proclaims, "I appeal to you therefore brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship" (Romans 12:1). Another way we might think about Paul's idea of the body might be "total selves" (Harper Collins Study Bible, pg. 1926). The apostle Paul invites us to present ourselves, our body, mind, spirit, what makes you you, as a living sacrifice. This "living sacrifice" refers to offering your gifts, skills, resources, etc. in service to others so that Christ might be known. This has been a challenge! Not because I don't like helping others, but because the necessity of quarantining limits the number of people I get to interact with as an embodied flesh and blood person. It has stretched our reality as the body of Christ, yet Paul's promise remains, "So we, who are many, are one Body, and individually we are members one of another" (Romans 12:5). The promise of Christ's body, of Christ's presence being with and among us remains palpable, even beyond our physical distance. It is different, to be sure, but shows up in surprising and unexpected ways. The work of Christ gets revealed as we live in and through the gifts that God has and continues to give us.

"Let love be genuine; hate what is evil. Hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer" (Romans 13:9-13). Even as the apostle Paul encourages and commends us to these active signs of community, they come about because of the indwelling of Christ's Spirit within us, through us, beside you, and among us. They are part of the fruit we bear in the world, the ways we witness that may seem ordinary or every day, but encounter people right where they are in life. May God in Christ continue to strengthen, lead, and enliven our work and witness in the world, as the body of Christ.

Peace,

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### Caritas Needs For August

*At the current time monetary donations are the best to keep the needs filled.*

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reachMinistries with PayPal.



## From The President

This past month the Wall St. Journal published the results of a poll that showed that 56% of those questioned felt that America was a racist society. That's a rather sobering statistic that I believe most of us find unacceptable. Was it any different when Jesus and his disciples spread the Good News? There were differences in that time too. Jews, Samaritans and Gentiles all had a dislike for one another. Each thought they were better than the other. Even being from Nazareth carried a stigma. Remember what Nathaniel said when he was told that Jesus had come to Galilee? "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" he shouted. And yet Jesus chose him to become a disciple. There are other examples of Jesus showing his love for those who were despised such as his meeting with the Samaritan woman at the well or the healing of the Roman Centurion's servant. The Parable of the Good Samaritan is another example. Despised by most people the Samaritan was the only person to help an injured traveler. Perhaps the most eye opening incident was when Jesus was approached by a Canaanite woman asking for help. His response was "it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She replied that even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall to the floor. Jesus knew then that her faith was strong. We as Christians must be prepared to follow the examples that Christ has set for us. Our neighbor is not just our neighbor next door or who we choose to socialize with but any person of any race or religion who may be in need. Perhaps the most important thing that we can do is to simply do as Jesus commanded, to love our neighbor as ourselves.

Yours in Christ

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#### OFFICE HOURS

Mon. - Fri. 9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
(Closed on Fridays starting in May)

#### SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Traditional Service - 9:00 am  
(Contemporary Service 3rd Sunday  
of the month ) Worship currently streamed.



*TBD if meeting will happen because of Covid-19*  
**Saturday, August 15th**  
POP Fellowship Hall — 7am—Start cooking  
8am—Discussion begins  
We will discuss  
Acts—Chapters 19 & 20

# STEWARDSHIP

## My Stewardship Story

by McKenzie Elliott



1 Peter 4:10

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace

Matthew 10:8

Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay.

When I finally sat down to write this article, I decided to search some passages on stewardship. For nearly a month, I thought about what stewardship means to me. Slowly, I realized that many of my personal beliefs and my response to events in the recent months revolve around what gifts, or privileges, I received at birth. These gifts include my health, the color of my skin, the economic security provided by my family, and many more. These were gifts, I did not pay for and I am lucky that I do not face discrimination because of race, orientation, health, or economic position. I have privilege that I can use to help others in this world, and as a steward of the church I give my time and effort without expecting anything in return.

## Serving You This Month

August	Worship Assistants
2	Synod Service
9	Rod Tamura
16	Cliff Hendrickson
23	Mike Sanborn
30	Curt Froscheiser

## Bible Readings for the Month

### Sunday, August 2

1st Reading: Isaiah 55:1-5

Psalm: 145:8-9,14-21

2nd Reading: Romans 9:1-5

Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21

### Sunday, August 16

1st Reading: Isaiah 56:1,6-8

Psalm: 67

2nd Reading: Romans 11:1-2a,29-32

Gospel: Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28

### Sunday, August 30

1st Reading: Jeremiah 15:15-21

Psalm: 26:1-8

2nd Reading: Romans 12:9-21

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-28

### Sunday, August 9

1st Reading: 1Kings 19:9-18

Psalm: 85:8-13

2nd Reading: Romans 10:5-15

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

### Sunday, August 23

1st Reading: Isaiah 51:1-6

Psalm: 138

2nd Reading: Romans 12:1-8

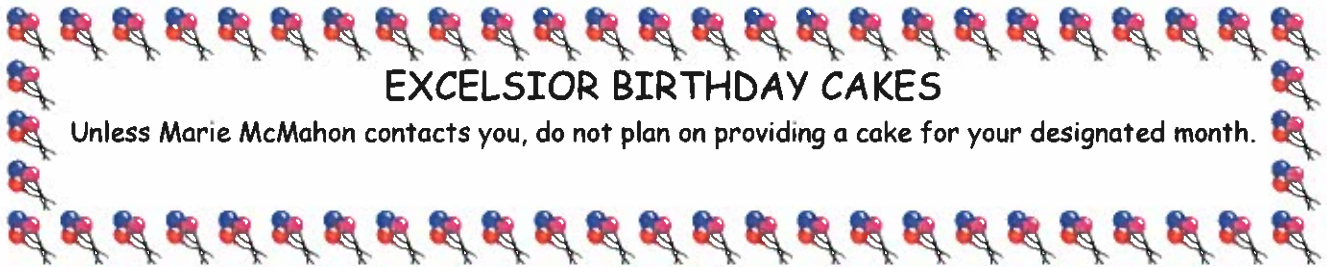
Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20



## August Meetings suspended because of COVID-19

Bible Study:  
Baby Quilters:  
Charity Quilters:

Edith Zimbelman



### EXCELSIOR BIRTHDAY CAKES

Unless Marie McMahon contacts you, do not plan on providing a cake for your designated month.

### Church Chuckle

*(The following appeared in church bulletins or were announced at church services)*

The Associate Minister unveiled the church's new tithing campaign slogan last Sunday: 'I upped my pledge- up yours.'



### Caritas Monthly Report June 2020

Caritas Outreach Ministries served 554 individuals from 235 households:

We distributed 24,350 lbs. of food through the Table of Plenty and Food Pantry.

We had 39 volunteers put in 1,047 hours of service.

We connected households with \$149 worth of hygiene and cleaning supplies.

*At the current time monetary donations are the best to keep the needs filled.*

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August 2020 All services and events are TBD on COVID-19  
 limitations/restrictions  
 Watch for emailed updates or contact the church office.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2 11am Worship Global Companion Prayer Service	3	4	5	6	7 OFFICE CLOSED	8
9 CARITAS SUNDAY 9am Worship Streamed on Facebook at Prince of Peace Luther- Church Spokane"	10	11	12	13	14 OFFICE CLOSED	15
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# Save the DATE

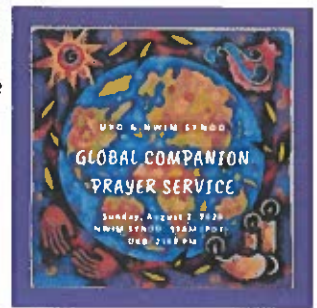
## Global Companion Prayer Service

Sunday, August 2, 2020  
11am

The world has been shaken by disease, protests, and unrest. People are showing signs of anxiety, frustration and distress. Economies, communities, and families are suffering.

The global pandemic also delayed plans for a delegation of 20 from the NWIM Synod to visit our beloved brothers and sisters in the Ulanga Kilombero Diocese, Tanzania. August 2 is the day we would have gathered in person to bless and celebrate the new assembly hall.

In the midst of these troubles, to whom do we turn? This prayer service will unite us in God's grace and mercy. Together, we will recognize the anxiety in the world that stresses our relationships and call for God's hope, comfort, peace and blessing to be with Christ's people through these long and difficult days.



This will be our congregation's **Worship Service** on Sunday, August 2, 2020. A link with the Zoom event details will be emailed out on July 30.

## POP Property Clean Up



An organized clean up is not scheduled, however Congregation members have been working individually on separate areas of the church grounds. Please bring your own tools and lawn bags if this is of interest to you.

## Save the Dates

Mark your calendars now!  
Lefse preparation will take place on  
Thursday, October 8th and  
Friday, October 9th.





# Community Events



## Half-fest

### Save the Date

Young Life's Annual Half-Fest Fundraiser

Thursday, August 27, 2020, 5-10pm

Shriner's Event Center

Live music by Stagecoach West

Lutherhaven at Home  
(Summer Camp in a Box)



Available for \$35 at [lutherhaventradingpost.com](http://lutherhaventradingpost.com)

A weeks worth of activities, songs and Bible experiences for ages 5-12.  
A great way to support the camp and provide some fun for any youngster you may know!

### Central Lutheran Clothing Closet



The Clothing Closet is *not* accepting donations at this time.  
Please donate items to another worthy cause.

### WSQ Yardsale

The Washington State Quilters spring yard sale has been cancelled for 2020. It will be rescheduled for April 2021. There had been a possibility to have it in the fall but it was decided there was too much uncertainty during these times. We will store all the donated and priced items for next year. You can continue to collect donations for next year's sale.



Dear Members of Prince of Peace,

We want to Thank You for your continued support for Prince of Peace during this Pandemic. The Church and our Pastor does continue to operate and serve you. Even if we are not there physically the Church is still functioning. Please continue to make your donations whether by mail or on-line. You can do it on-line by accessing the Churches web site, <http://popspokane.org> and going to "Donate".

If you are receiving the Government stimulus payment, please consider donating a portion to Prince of Peace. It will help us to continue to operate and pay our ongoing expenses.

Yours In Christ

Stewardship Committee



## Accessing Facebook for Worship Services

On the computer search window go to [facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com)

If you have an account and remember your password, log in. If you have forgotten your password you will have to click on "forgot account?" and they will send you an email or text with a link to reset the password.

If you don't have an account, you can set one up in the sign up area. It can be made using your cell phone number or email. Email is easier to access for most people.

Once you have a Facebook account, on the day and time of the Worship Service to be streamed log in and go to the "Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Spokane" Facebook page. You will look for this page using the magnifying glass symbol at the top of the page by entering "Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Spokane" in the search window. The page has a picture of the church building. Do all this at least a couple minutes before the worship service should begin. Once you have found the page click on "Home" on the left side of the screen. You might have to click on "Home" a couple times to refresh the screen if the video doesn't start at the stated time. Make sure your volume is turned up on your computer or device before the service begins.

Past videos can be accessed on the Facebook page when you click on "Videos" on the left hand side below "Home".



# Celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Communion in the home

## FIRST THINGS

\*Establish a time to celebrate Communion. This may be as part of a recorded or live-streamed worship service led by your pastor, or it may be a separate event.

\*Because sacraments are always paired with the Word of God, plan to have a brief reading of scripture prior to speaking the Words of Institution if the Sacrament is taking place outside a streamed or recorded worship service.

\*While this is a deeply holy event, it is an event that has been established BY God FOR the people of God. If you stumble over the words, or make a mistake: don't worry! Correct yourself and continue with the service.

\*Because we trust that God has given us the gift of Holy Communion for our benefit, we also trust that the benefit will be given to us outside of our abilities to preside over the sacrament perfectly.

\*Celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Table is not intended to take the place of celebrating the Sacrament in congregational worship. This guide is intended to be used to provide the comfort of the Sacrament to God's people in extraordinary times. When we are able to safely gather for worship together again, it is expected that you and your family will receive the Sacrament within the boundaries of our corporate worship service.

\*If you have children: include them in the Sacrament as much as they are able. Let them hold the bread while the Words of Institution are being spoken. Let them give communion to family members. Additionally, providing the child is baptized, there is no reason the child can't also partake of the Sacrament if the child wants to and the parents/guardians are in agreement.

## Setting the Lord's Table

\*Clear a table to serve as a home altar. This could be a kitchen table, an end table in your living room, a kitchen island, or even a television tray.

\*Set the table with the communion elements. While a recipe for bread is included in this booklet, any bread you have on hand will suffice. Crackers are also acceptable, particularly for those with a gluten intolerance. This can be placed on any sort of plate you have available.

\*Likewise, any sort of wine or grape juice will be appropriate for celebration of the Sacrament. If you do not have wine or grape juice, you can simply celebrate the Sacrament with bread until you are able to get wine or juice.

## Holy Communion Liturgy

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LEADER: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**FAMILY: And also with you.**

LEADER: When our congregation gathered for Holy Communion with all the saints from every time and place, we heard again the story of God's mighty acts and the love shown us in Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. The holy meal of the Lord's supper was shared. Now we share this Word of life, and this bread and cup of blessing, that we may share in these same gifts and be strengthened by the Christian community, even though we gather separately for a time.

### CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

LEADER: Let us confess our sins, all that we have done to hurt each other and ourselves, in the presence of God and of one another.

(Pause for a moment of reflection.)

**EVERYONE: Most merciful God, We confess that we have messed up. With our words and our hands, we have not been kind to others or to our own selves. We are hopeless without your love. We are afraid of what could happen, so we forget that you are with us all the time to give us peace. We spend the night with worry instead of prayer. Forgive us again and fill us up with your abundant mercy.**

LEADER: God is rich in mercy and love. No matter how much you mess up every day, God's love never runs out. Just as God's love is for you, so is the meal set before us. You are forgiven and ready to feast at the table, in the name of the One who died to set you free from the power of sin, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**EVERYONE: Amen.**

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LEADER: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

### LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

OR

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

## POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

LEADER: The body & blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

**EVERYONE: Amen!**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

LEADER: Life-giving God,

**EVERYONE: in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people and free us from fear. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.**

