


KLC ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY MAY 5

9:30AM Worship in the Sanctuary and Livestream Worship Service
Tormod Svensson Preaching & Presiding
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 10: 44-48 1John 5:1-6 John 15:9-17 Psalm: 98

THIS WEEK MAY 6 – MAY 12

- MON. May 6: **Church Office Closed—Pastor Tormod out of the office**
5:00 PM Kent Community Supper
- TUES. May 7: 6:00 PM Worship & Music Committee ZOOM
- WED. May 8: 4:00 PM Social Concerns Committee Meeting Office
5:30 PM Outreach International Dinner Shanasheel Restaurant
- THUR. May 9: 4:00 PM **Thursday Supper**
- FRI. May 10:
- SAT. May 11: 10:00 AM Centering Prayer in the Prayer Chapel & ZOOM
7:00 PM Bells of the Sound “Have Bells Will Travel” KLC Sanctuary
- SUN. May 12 9:30 AM Traditional Worship Service in the Sanctuary and on YouTube
 *Happy Mother's Day*

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- SAT. May 25 10:00 AM Centering Prayer in the Prayer Chapel & ZOOM
- SAT. June 15: 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM Pizza & Movie “God & Country” w/Discussion F.H.

SOCKS AND SNACK BAGS

This Congregation has been so generous when asked to donate items towards the snack bags and socks we give to our unsheltered neighbors. Thank you!



You are most likely aware that these items are getting used up continually and we are always in need of resupplying them. Items for the snack packs: Juice boxes, fruit cups, granola bars, individual sandwich cracker packs/ cheese and or peanut butter.

Socks are critical to the comfort and well-being of homeless people. Imagine what it must be like to have the same pair of nasty, wet socks on your feet, 24 hours a day. Not good! Socks won't solve our community's homeless crisis. But socks can keep homeless people hopeful, knowing there are neighbors like you, who care. We have had a wonderful response to our plea for socks. Your sock donations are so very much appreciated. **Thank you!**



NEXT SUNDAY MAY 12

9:30AM Worship in the Sanctuary and Livestream Worship Service
Tormod Svensson Preaching & Presiding
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Happy Mother's Day



Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

1John 5:9-13

John 17:6-19 Psalm: 1

COMING UP

MON. May 13: **Church Office Closed**

3:30 PM Outreach Committee Office Conference Room

4:00 PM Executive Committee Meeting ZOOM

5:00 PM Kent Community Supper

6:00 PM Adult Ministries Committee Meeting ZOOM

TUES. May 14: 7:00 PM Race Relations Reading Group Office Conference Room ZOOM

WED. May 15:

THUR. May 16: **4:00 PM Thursday Supper**

6:30 PM Social Justice Meeting KLC Fellowship Hall & ZOOM

FRI. May 17:

SAT. May 18: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM Synod Assembly

SUN. May 19 9:30 AM Informal Worship Service in the Sanctuary and on YouTube



Pentecost Sunday

Guest Pastor Nisar Stephen

COFFEE HOUR

KLC Committees now hosting coffee hour

May 12: Mission Support - Mother's Day

May 19: Property Management

May 26: Social Concerns

June 2: Youth and Family

June 9: Adult Education

June 16: Property Management



May 2024



May 2 Jeremy Hall May 3 Dianne Anderson May 11 Kristina Hutchinson
May 14 Riley Evetts May 14 Logan Kurth May 20 Michelle Bentz
May 21 Nancy Lunden May 23 Christine Bumpous May 24 Tormod Svensson
May 30 Nathan McCain

Anniversaries



May 1 Tom and Debbie Hunt (31) May 18 Robb and Lavina Brennecke (11)
May 19 Mark and Laurie Burgess (45)

ELECTRICIAN NEEDED

KLC needs an electrician for an upcoming project. If you are one or can refer us to one, please speak to Pastor Tormod or Art Workman.

THANK YOU



We would like to thank our church family for their love and support for the past two years as Gayle battled cancer. Thank you to everyone that helped with the service and reception, provided delicious cookies and were able to attend to celebrate her life with us. We are overwhelmed with, and appreciative of, the love given to us.

**Thank you again.
The Evetts and Hasbargen families**

BELLS OF THE SOUND



Hitch a ride with Bells of the Sound as we explore being on the move! Whether riding the rails, sailing the high seas, taking a road trip, or flying the friendly skies, come have a blast with us this spring!

Have Bells, Will Travel will be presented at **7:00 PM on Saturday,**

May 11, 2024, at Kent Lutheran Church, 336 2nd Ave S. in Kent.

Tickets are \$15/adults and \$10/youth and seniors at the door

(children under 8 are free).

For more information, please visit www.bellssofthesound.org, email

info@bellssofthesound.org, or call (206) 574-8417.

OUTREACH – INTERNATIONAL DINNER

The next International Dinner is:

Wednesday, May 8th at 5:30 PM.

Shanasheel Restaurant 23729 104th Ave SE
Kent, WA 98031
(253) 277 - 2016

Alaa Hamadi brings a rich heritage of Middle Eastern cuisine to

Kent. Our restaurant was founded on the use of homemade

recipes, ensuring that amazing flavor is engraved into each

dish. We offer plenty of [Halal food](#) and [vegetarian](#) options so

that our customers are always satisfied with their dining experience. If you are interested in

learning more about any of the items offered at our restaurant, please contact Shanasheel

Restaurant today!



Please let Janice know if you are planning on coming so she can make the reservation by May 5th.

Jhelgeson43@gmail.com or 206-491-3659

SYNOD ASSEMBLY 2024

Our Synod Assembly date is set for May 18, 9 AM-4 PM.



Thank you, Bill and Julie Taylor, for volunteering to be the Adult Representatives for KLC for the Synod Assembly

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

What's Up With This Land Acknowledgment?

A question was raised at a recent KLC gathering: "Where did the land acknowledgment that we have started using come from?" That is an excellent question.

The ELCA has recommended congregations start using a land acknowledgment. This is part of the "Truth and Healing Movement" within the church. The text we used came from this source.

We also know that if the only thing we do is recite a land acknowledgment, that it could easily (and rightfully) be viewed as a performative effort.

Over the following months, the Social Justice Team at Kent Lutheran Church will help us discuss and learn about opportunities on Indigenous people's history and current issues.

To paraphrase the ELCA Truth and Healing website: Some of these opportunities could be calls to individual action, and some could be activities that congregations and small groups should coordinate and participate in together.

We have just begun our efforts in this regard and look forward to your suggestions and participation in the discussion and work. If you would like to be part of this process, please join the Social Justice Team on the third Thursday of the month at 5:30 pm at the church or via zoom.



FRIENDS & FAMILY PICNIC JUNE 8

Family & Friends Picnic, Saturday, June 8, 11 – 3



Van Doren's Landing Park
21901 Russell Rd.
Kent WA 98032



(<https://www.kentwa.gov/departments/kent-parks/parks-places/parks-trails/van-doren-s-landing-park>)

The Outreach Committee invites you to a picnic in the park. Bring your family, bring your friends, bring your neighbors for a day of sun, fun, food & fellowship. Bring a dish to share and we'll grill up the dogs & burgers with vegan and gluten free options available.

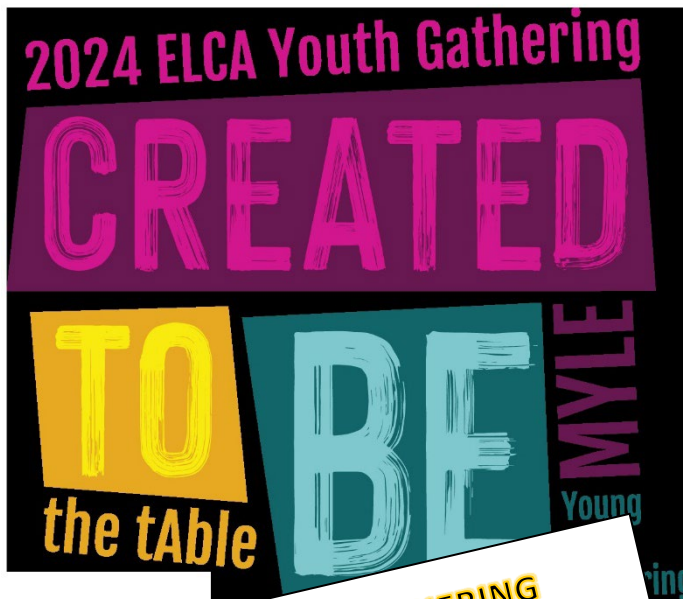
Don't forget the sunscreen, hats, drinks, lawn chairs, lawn & other games.

KENT LUTHERAN QUARTERLY

The next Kent Lutheran Quarterly Newsletter is due to come out in June. You are invited to share your news, your thanks or appreciation for something, your comments, and reflections on your experiences at Kent Lutheran. The Summer newsletter covers June, July, and August so let us know if you know about anything the Kent Lutheran congregation should know!!

Call or email the office: 253-852-205 klcoffice@kentlutheran.org

KENT LUTHERAN QUARTERLY



2024 ELCA YOUTH GATHERING
New Orleans July 16-20, 2024

Created to be **brave.**

Created to be **authentic.**

Created to be **free.**

Created to be **disruptive.**

Created to be **disciples.**

Kent Lutheran Church Is sending two young ladies and an adult leader to New Orleans for the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering this year.

There are many plans to be made for this group, fundraising among them. Their first event will be a Shakey's Pizza supported fund raiser on June 15 in conjunction with the Outreach Movie and Pizza night. The second one will be a car wash at Kent Lutheran Church on Sunday June 23 during the coffee hour after church. The third fund raiser will be after the trip to New Orleans. During the coffee hour on the Sunday they share their presentation of their experiences at the Youth Gathering (July 28), they plan to have a dessert/pastries auction featuring delectable treats from New Orleans.

Stay tuned for details on each of these fund raisers and news on their preparations for their trip to New Orleans. This is an exciting time for our youth participants. Show them your support. Don't hold back!

STAKEHOLDER FUND

Kent Lutheran Members like to take care of each other.

You are invited to designate a part of your offering or an addition to your offering to the Stakeholder Fund. This fund makes it possible for the Kent Lutheran members to help other Kent Lutheran members in need.



LOVE GOD
LOVE PEOPLE
DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT

MAY 2024 FROM THE BISHOP



I have a confession to make, I am a terrible pool player. I am so bad that the last time I played, the person I was playing with stopped the game and said, “You are the worst pool player I have ever played with.” (I had told him I was horrible, but he didn’t believe me.) I’m using this story as a very thin tangent to talk about gifts and the Spirit ... bear with me. In Paul’s first letter to the Corinthians, chapter 12, we read, *“Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.”*

As many of you know, Paul was writing to a congregation in Corinth after receiving some correspondence from them and hearing their concerns. Throughout this letter Paul emphatically makes it clear that no one is spiritually better than others – no one has better faith, no one has better gifts, no one should eat better than another at the Eucharist table. Paul is adamant in this. (He is talking about this because of some struggles in the Corinth church. You are welcome to read the entire letter of 1 Corinthians to get more context.)

Paul emphasizes that because we all receive faith through the Holy Spirit, no one is spiritually superior. Paul further emphasizes that because we all receive a variety of gifts given by the Holy Spirit, no one has a worthier gift than another. And, to emphasize this point, Paul writes that the Spirit does not give only one kind of gift to all. Because the church and the world need diverse gifts, the Spirit gives different gifts to different people. In other words, Paul is simply saying this: same Spirit – lots of gifts.

You hear this? In a society where we emphasize certain gifts and skills and abilities above others (and often feel like we have fallen short), we hear in 1 Corinthians that the Holy Spirit gives a variety of gifts to a variety of people. Specifically, YOU have been given a variety of gifts, and this is good.

Further, these Holy Spirit gifts – they are not meant to benefit the individual person but are to benefit the entire community and world. Paul emphasizes that these gifts are not to be used in selfish ways or in self-seeking ways. Paul clearly states that if a gift cannot be shared, and shared for the good of others, it is not from the Spirit. Ultimately, the purpose of these different gifts of the Spirit is to share in God’s love and grace and mercy with all through Jesus Christ our Savior.

As Americans, we have often been told (and maybe believe) that as individuals we are responsible for ourselves. We are not to rely on others – we are to be strong and self-sufficient. We are taught that to have freedom is to be autonomous. But let’s be clear. This is far from what we read in 1 Corinthians. Paul says each person receives gifts for the common good. Paul says that each person receives the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. It is in community where the gifts from the Holy Spirit shine. It is in community where the Holy Spirit is made manifest.

You see, it is God’s intention that we are to be with one another – for one another – as the community of faith, as the body of Christ, as the Church on earth. The Holy Spirit has given a variety of gifts to a variety of congregations and individuals. And together we are called to bring these gifts together to help bear one another’s burdens, to love and pray together, to bring justice and new life, to be made manifest in the Holy Spirit for the common good.

Honestly, it doesn’t matter that I am a terrible pool player. But it does matter how I both share the gifts that God has given me and how I reach out to others in mutual support when I am in need.

I would love to hear stories from you about your gifts being made manifest in the Holy Spirit – individually and in your congregation. How are each person’s gifts being shared in your own particular congregation? How is your congregation sharing with another congregation? What gifts were missing from your particular place of worship that you have found outside of your space? What gifts have you been able to share with others?

May we live into what we often say in worship, “The gifts of God, for the people of God.” Amen.

+ Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee bishop@lutheransnw.org

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

FOR HEALING AND HOPE:

Don Clark, James & Karen Campbels, Sheila & Aurora, Cleo Lealos, Lori Sutter, Sharon Bryant, Aunt Hazel, Doris, Sue Pederson & the Pederson family, Sherwin Flewelling, Myron Bentz, Jerry & Gerry Coupe, Seamus Matthewson, Lori Cornell, Bill Weatherholt, Sara & Family, Pat Fish, Michelle, Elizabeth Padiat, Jen Morton's nephew

FOR THOSE MOURNING THE DEATH OF LOVED ONES:

Gayle Evetts, Robert Oakerson, Stacy Williams, Jamie, Jean Flewelling, Kelly Wilson, Pastor Deng

MINISTRIES SUPPORTED:

Natl. ELCA Bishop Elizabeth Eaton & NWWA Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee, Lutheran Counseling Network

GLOBAL MINISTRY SUPPORTED:

ELCA African Mission in South Sudan, Evangelical Lutheran church of the Holy Land & Jordon

LOCAL PARTNERS IN MINISTRY:

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran, Holy Spirit Parish, Kent Youth & Family Services, Catholic Comm. Serv.

NWWA SYNOD MISSION STARTS:

Ministry to International Students & scholars at UW in Seattle, Emmaus Table in Seattle, Inglesia Luterana Fe y Esperanza

KLC MINISTRIES:

Jail Ministries, Worship & Music, Property Management, Mission Support,

PRAYERS FOR MEDICAL PERSONNEL:

Michelle (Bentz) Cordova, Randy Mertes, Adrienne Kleven, Amy Driggers, Matt Bremmer

LIVING WITH AND IN TREATMENT FOR CANCER:

Jason Thomas, Bob Blakemore, Leticia Garcia, Edna Neuharth, Carol Fettig, Gail Clark, Mike Ellers, Susan Davis, Diane Watanabe, Dewey Spencer, Raynisha Kundert, Emma Bryant, Shannon Meyers, Betty Repp, Suzy Richardson, John Stefer, Deborah Simmons, Mary Vermeersch, Rob Connery, Evelyn Gregory, Christine Miller, Margie Windstrom, Lee Shephard, Cheryl Kincer, Ferne Neeb, Ricardo Gebrera, Daphne Jean, Netia Hancock, Linda Lee, Bob Oberto, Kim Wilbur, Rachel Key, Karen Young, Anna Hart, Marlyn, April, Don Long, Shaunette B, Linette Lasher, Barb Olson, Marit, Kitty B, Elaine Hammack, Ruthie, Roy, Clarence Devela, Mary Smalley, Jeff Marsh, Teresa S., Pam, Sally, Frances Lund, Kevin, Jay, Mogi, Debi, Doreen Twohy, Julie Murphy, Lisa, Tim Clokey, Brenda Graham-Blizzard, Kerry Farnham, Betty Macneeham, George Roney, Sandi, Lori Arndt, Kimberly, Jeri Williams, Myriah Perez, John Shearer, Karen Sue Campbell, Jeff Hash, Cathey Scheu, Nancy Early, Walter Sippel, Pam Carter, Shawn Dickerson, Lori Sutter, Jeremy Bjork, Kelly Wilson, Dolores Walkenhorst, Jerry Cox, Mary Hyde, Matthy Welling, Stacy Gavino, Laura Graham, Kelly Wilson, Bruce Prinz, Kate Frey, Miles Cherry, Wayne Daily, Kathleen, Cathy Serly, Ken Artis Stevens, Daniel Boaz, Mike Hawley, Jean Hasbargen, John Schuster, Sue Gurley, Pat Fish, Kristie Vandersluis, Don Kosen, Bruce Hansen, Bob Strom Jr., Jo Ann Philpot, Russ Forcum, Jen Morton, Lori Sutter, Sharon Bryant, Lori Cornell, Bill Weatherholt

MILITARY

Cale Stevens
Tim Denegar
Mark Parlin
Kyle Music
Tia Maria Hawk
Caleb Pulver
Sean Clausen
Cassie Pineda
Eric Worsham
Jeremy Lytle

Corey Molsberry
Mike Voit
Amanda Clark
Timothy Jacobson
Vernon O'Neill
Derrick Salmund
Ryan Krantz
Sean & Daniel Cook
Bobby Jones
Theressa Luna

Anthony Buedhler
Troy Merkel
Jonathan Kundert
Lane Cordova
Jayce Allen
Chad Gallinger
Jake Schuster
Jenifer Osborne

STEWARDSHIP

Offerings

Here are some ways you can contribute to our KLC Ministry:

- 1) Mail a check to Kent Lutheran Church. Our mailing address is: 336 Second Ave S, Kent WA 98032-5849.

There are several methods available for electronic giving:

- 2) Set up bill pay through your bank and the bank will send a check to KLC. You can set up a one-time payment or a recurring payment using this method.
- 3) Simply Giving – you fill out a form (available through the church office) and give the form and a cancelled check to our financial secretary, Kathy Nixon. Kathy enters your information and the fund transfer(s) occur as you specify. When you want to make changes, contact Kathy and she can process the changes.
- 4) Donate Using Kent Lutheran's Website. Use the "Make a Donation" button on our webpage www.kentlutheran.org. Pressing this button takes you to a Kent Lutheran screen on a secure server. You are asked to create a giving profile or to login to a profile you have already created. You specify what amounts you want to contribute and if you want to make recurring donations.

Sean Haley, Director of Music Ministries
Jody McCaw, Office Ministries Manager
Mona Lee, Treasurer
Kathy Nixon, Financial Secretary
Joseph Lual, Seminarian

OUR VISION
Kent Lutheran Church is a
Christ-centered sacred place
for spiritual, cultural and
community enrichment.

TODAY: MAY 5, 2024. THANK YOU!

Bread Provider:	Emily Bumpous	Communion Set Up:	Emily Bumpous
Ushers:	Bill & Julie Taylor	Worship Team:	Lanny Gleason Rhonda Gleason Nicole Hansen Emily Bumpous Isaiah Shim
Greeter:	Marilyn Bowman		
Coffee Hour Host:	Mission Support		



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KENT LUTHERAN CHURCH

Lives and celebrates the accepting love of Christ