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A 1ST CENTURY
CHURCH - FOR THE
21ST CENTURY

ODE TO NORTH BAY LUTHERAN CHURCH BUILDING

Good-bye old plumbing, defective wiring and lights that often burn out.

So Long carpet with wrinkles and the south wall with growing “things”.

Good riddance smelly bathrooms and old, tired cabinets.

Adios sagging door frames and defective light fixtures

Auf Wiedersehen failing roof and expensive heating system.

Ha Det poor insulation and tired, inefficient kitchen.

See you later Pews, pulpit, altar and font, computers and copier, bibles and hymnals.



When we return you will be renewed and ready to once again support the mission of the church. Then we will fill your Sanctuary with the Word, praises and hymns. Our joy will overflow to return to the improved you. It will be the beginning of many more good things to come.

We will be ever grateful to you for giving us a safe place to birth our beloved North Bay Lutheran Community Church.

Janet Wright



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The Vice-Presidents Desk by Carole Boyko

What a summer it has been!!! Over the past two months we have experienced several of life's challenges. Has it been true for you as well?

We have gone from the sadness of losing two friends to the joy of a new grandson to the concern for Pastor Brian's sudden illness and surgery. Then of course there was the work of helping pack and move the church, demolishing the kitchen, and salvaging items. It has definitely been an active summer and not one we expected.

Life brings all kinds of twists and turns but knowing God has been with us each and every day has brought such comfort and strength. I pray that has been true for you as well. How encouraging it has been to see all the helpers

pitching in to move pews, pack boxes, disconnect and store electronics, break out cupboards and remove doors, etc. Also, the transition to the HUB has taken a lot of planning and a lot of trial and error to run smoothly and continues to be a work in progress. Thank you for your patience and suggestions.

When we come together and work as one to the glory of God, look what we can accomplish! So everyone please remember our church, our leaders, and the entire congregation in your prayers. We aren't done yet!

To those who have helped, Thank You and Great Job! What a blessing you have been!

God's Peace.....

The Pastor's Corner by Pastor Brian

Leah and I would like to thank everyone for the cards, visits, phone calls, emails, text messages, food, smoke signals and prayers, during this time of surgery and recovery. This is certainly not something any of us were thinking about or planning for, but God was there every step of the way, surrounding us with much love, comfort and support.

This congregation is so blessed to have leaders and retired pastors who were all so willing to step forward to ensure that everything continued in our absence. This included moving out of the existing church and into our temporary worship site at The Hub, pastoral care and the daily running of the church administrative duties. Again, we are so blessed through your sacrifice.

As I continue to gain strength and return to my pastoral duties I do so with a renewed passion for serving Christ's Church on earth, and His congregation at North Bay Lutheran Community Church.

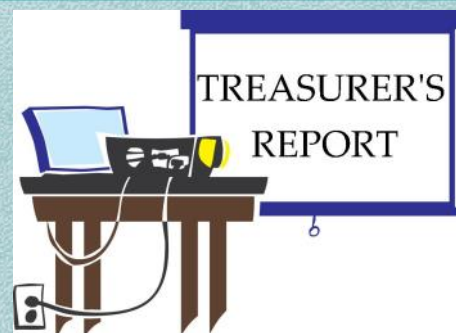
God's Peace and in His Service
Pastor Brian

RiGHT Project Update August 30, 2019

Estimated cost of the project:	\$990,000
Pledged Amount:	\$587,600
Pledges Collected:	\$288,530
Non-Pledged Collected:	\$215,670
Total Cash On Hand:	\$594,080
Pledges To Be Collected:	\$299,112
Total Anticipated Funds:	\$803,312
 Total Needed:	 \$186,688



Starting July 21st, until completion of the construction/remodel RiGHT Project, we will be worshipping at the HUB Center for Seniors in Belfair WA



Financial Report as of Aug. 30, 2019

NBLCC "General Fund
End of Month Report

Monthly Budgeted income:
\$15,520

Actual income for the August:
\$12,079

Total expenses for August:
\$14,557

General Fund Balance:
\$3,465

Building Fund Balance:
\$594,080

Detailed financial reports are
available in the office.

Jan Gleich
Treasurer

RiGHT Building Project Pledge Cards

If you haven't already committed to the building/remodel project, please prayerfully consider helping us in completing and reaching our goal of fully funding the project. Please pick up and sign a pledge card. Then just drop it in the offering plate. If you've already pledged and would like to increase your pledge amount, that would be a blessing to the congregation. And, just a friendly reminder, pledges are in addition to your regular tithes and offerings.



Fellowship

by Rosemary Wheaton

I would like to take this opportunity to say how excited and how pleased I am to be your Fellowship Ministry Chairperson. Thank you

Our "Until We Eat Again" pot luck was a huge success. I can't wait until our "eating again" celebration.

The "Hit a Home Run With Jesus" at the Allyn waterfront was truly wonderful. Our hearts were so overflowing with love and happiness when Pastor Brian walked up the aisle. We are so blessed by the healing power of Jesus.

We are working the kinks out at The HUB during fellowship. We are not accustomed to just having finger foods, but all is going well and we are finding simple items to add for variety.

"If there is no way out, there is a way up."

God's continued blessings

"Hit a Home Run With Jesus"



Our annual North Bay On The Bay Church Picnic was held on August 18th at the Gazebo at the Allyn Waterfront Park.



Pastors Mike Greenwalt and Gary Heltsley. A couple of real Cracker Jacks!



Special Music provided by Dennis & Bonnie O'Hanlon

Hit A Home Run



With Jesus!



Pastor Brian made a surprise visit and was blessed with prayers.



Rob Aaron provided great music and Marv Frye faithfully proclaimed the Word.

Discipleship by Kristian Schonberg

This summer we have had 2 studies continuing. Marv Frye has been leading the End Times study which ends on 8/21 with a summary. This study was written by a group of Lutheran scholars in 1989 and contains many Bible passages enlightening us with revelations of end time scenarios. The study left much leeway for how the end will come about, but showed that the end times began in the first century AD when the Holy Spirit came on to the apostles during Pentecost. The women's monthly study has continued on one Friday each month.

Kidz Church will resume when we are meeting back in the church building after the remodel project is complete. The Men's Study with Pastor Gary will resume the 7th of September at the Wright residence. Sue's Neighborhood Study will also resume on September 17th at Grapeview in Kris Powell's residence on Okonek. Kris is excited to have us coming since she does not go out much anymore. We will then present our Bible book reports.

Outreach Ministry by Carole Boyko

Interested in Reaching Out to Others?

NBLCC is a 'first fruits' congregation. As such we donate the first 10% of general giving to charity.

The Outreach committee is currently reviewing and deciding what charities will receive the Outreach giving this fiscal year.

Our next meeting is Sept 16 at 1pm at Arlene Burton's home. If interested plan to attend and please RSVP. Carole Boyko
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Just A Thought

by Shari Stormo

The subject I wanted to speak about this month, is Joy! I believe that God wants us to be joyful.

Who of you can resist smiling at a happy, cheerful baby? I had never really thought to much about joy before and one of my devotions said, "Don't let Satan steal your joy!" After thinking about this I realized that Satan is happy when you are grumbling, and grumpy, you are more likely to pass that grumpy attitude on to others, you are also more likely to make them unhappy.

If you are joyful, and happy that also can be passed on to the people you are seeing throughout your day. Who can resist a happy person? I also want to pray for that unhappy person.

Sometimes that is hard, but if you think about it, that is the best thing to do for an grumpy or unhappy person, pray for God's Peace and joy to come to them. When I come across grumbling and grumpy these days, I repeat to myself, "God, please don't let them steal my peace or my joy and please give them yours..."

Enjoy your Joy! May God's Peace be with you!



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Led by Pastor Gary Heltsley, resumes Saturday September 7th at 8:00am They will be meeting at the home of Michael Wright 370 E. Lakeshore Drive, Allyn WA

NEIGHBORHOOD BIBLE STUDY: Led by Sue Nichols, resumes September 17th at the home of Kris Powell. The first meeting will begin at 12:00pm and include a potluck.

NORTH BAY LUTHERAN WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Led by Leah Pederson, next meets Friday, September 20, starting at 10:00 a.m. They will meet at the home of Carole Boyko.



Gracie House	09/05
Terese Nelson	09/06
Gary Heltsley	09/12
Terri Kennedy	09/15
Mark Karle [V]	09/16
Garth Pederson	09/17
Jan Thoenke	09/26



Norm & Judy Clark 09/05

PSALM 121 OUR JOURNEY WITH JESUS

¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? ² My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. ³ He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber. ⁴ Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. ⁵ The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade on your right hand. ⁶ The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

⁷ The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. ⁸ The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.



When I was in the emergency room at Harrison Hospital, just before they... put me to sleep... I recited this Psalm. When I woke up the nurse told me I was saying it when I went to sleep AND when I woke up. She said, "It made me cry." It's my favorite Psalm and the background is this:

When people walk or march together, they often sing or chant familiar lines. This often helps to set the rhythm or pace of the walk. Sometimes it helps the travelers stay focused on the journey's end, especially when the song or lines speak about what awaits them.

This is the case with Psalm 121. It was spoken by pilgrims as they made their way up to Jerusalem.

The holy city sits on top of one of the highest points in Israel. The temple, where the worship, praise, and sacrifices took place, was in Jerusalem and was also called Mount Zion. As people journeyed up to the temple, their eyes were drawn to the long climb ahead of them. They said this Psalm as a prayer, that God would protect them on their journey, and they used this time to prepare their hearts for God.

Spiritually, we also have a hard, difficult journey. Because of sin, we are weak and unable to walk the wearisome way. God knew, however, that the climb was too much for us, so He came down to us. He then climbed the rough road that went up the hill to the cross. We now journey with Jesus, knowing that our help has come. It came from the hills, the hill of Calvary.

Dear Jesus, thank You for traveling the road of sorrow to take away our sins. Fix our eyes always on that one hill where You died, for we know that from that hill comes our help. Help us to walk today knowing that the Guardian of Israel, the Maker of heaven and earth, walks with us. Amen.

Pastor Brian



If you or you know someone who likes to sing, please invite them to join us **Sunday Sept 8th** at 8:45 am. Practice usually runs about 45 minutes and the choir sings almost every week. Contact Nancy Martin nancymartin@northbaylutheran.org for more information



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10:00 AM Worship @ The HUB	2 Labor Day	3	4 9:00 AM Staff Meet- ing	5	6	7 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
8 8:45 AM Choir Rehearsal 10:00 AM Worship @ The HUB	9	10	11 9:00 AM Staff Meet- ing	12 11:00 AM Council Meeting	13	14 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
15 8:45 AM Choir Rehearsal 10:00 AM Worship @ The HUB	16	17 12:00 PM Tuesday Bi- ble Study And Potluck	18 9:00 AM Staff Meet- ing	19	20 10:00 AM NBLW Bible Study	21 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
22 8:45 AM Choir Rehearsal 10:00 AM Worship @ The HUB	23	24 12:45 PM Tuesday Bi- ble Study	25 9:00 AM Staff Meet- ing	26	27	28 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
29 8:45 AM Choir Rehearsal 10:00 AM Worship @ The HUB	30	1 12:45 PM Tuesday Bi- ble Study	2 9:00 AM Staff Meet- ing	3	4	5 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

*For details on any of these events please
visit our website northbaylutheran.org
and click on 'Calendar' in the 'Latest
Information' pulldown .*


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From The Secretary's Table by Judy Clark

Here's a recipe that we recently tried. We both enjoyed it and since summer is almost over, I thought I would share it with you. Enjoy!

SUMMER PORK CHOPS

Active: 20 min Serves: 4

1/4 C balsamic vinegar
1 T honey
1 clove garlic, finely chopped
1-1/2 tsp. salt, divided
1 tsp. freshly ground black pepper, divided
6 T olive oil, divided, plus more for grill grates (if using)
4 1/2 inch thick bone-in pork chops (about 2 lbs.)
4 C arugula (about 4 oz)
1 C loosely packed fresh flat-leaf parsley leaves, torn
4 ripe peaches, nectarines or apricots, pitted and sliced

Preheat grill to high (450 degrees to 500 degrees) and lightly oil grates. Whisk vinegar, honey, garlic, 1/2 tsp each salt and pepper, and 5 T olive oil.

Pat pork chops dry and brush with remaining 1 T olive oil. Season both sides with remaining 1 tsp salt and 1/2 tsp pepper. Grill, uncovered, flipping once, until a meat thermometer inserted in thickest portion registers 145 degrees, 3-4 minutes per side. Let rest for 10 minutes.

Meanwhile toss arugula with parsley and peaches. Serve with pork, drizzled with vinaigrette.

(Note: I substituted spring mix for the arugula and I used boneless loin chops)