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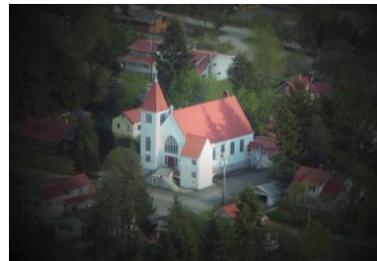
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Domestic Violence Help

[Click here](#) for contact information on crisis teams across Alaska and to find programs in your area that can help.

[Click here](#) for resources from the ELCA website for helping nurture families dealing with Domestic Violence.

Petersburg Lutheran Celebrates 100 Years



Petersburg Lutheran Church
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Petersburg Lutheran Church was organized in 1913, through a [remarkable series of events](#). This year marks the tremendous milestone of 100 years as a Lutheran Congregation!

PLC has been celebrating their 100th Anniversary throughout the year, using the theme "Celebrate and Serve."

November will see the actual anniversary of the first worship service of PLC. In remembrance, an Anniversary Dinner is planned. The program will include hymns sung in Norwegian and a reenactment of the organization of the church. Bishop Shelley Wickstrom will be joining the festivities.



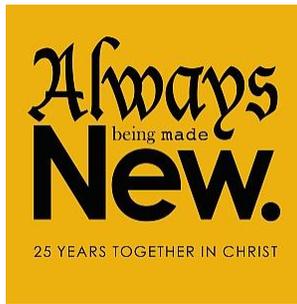
PLC Sanctuary

PLC continues "To Know Christ, to Grow in Christ and to Show the love of Christ".

The town of Petersburg and PLC have a fascinating history. [Read more about it here.](#)

To see their 100 year Anniversary events flyer, [click here.](#)

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Petersburg Lutheran Church
PO Box 709
Petersburg, AK 99833

Pastor Petersen Parting

The Alaska Synod bids a fond farewell and blessings to Pastor Glenn Petersen and his wife Carol. Glenn has accepted a pastoral position at Mountain View Lutheran Church in the Southwestern Washington Synod. The Peteresens will be leaving Alaska around the 12th of November. Please pray for safe travels and blessings for Glenn and Carol as they begin ministry in a new location. Cards and mail may be sent to:



Pastor Glenn Petersen
Mountain View Lutheran Church
3505- 122nd Avenue East
Edgewood, Washington 98372

Alaska Hunger Team



The Alaska Hunger Team is leading the way for alleviating the stresses of food insecurity for many people across state of Alaska. Motivated by Christ's compassion for the poor and young, the Team has initiated incredible grassroots programs to care for the undernourished. From garden education to summer lunch programs, read about their incredible work [here](#).



ASWO Board Vacancy

The Alaska Synodical Women's Organization (ASWO) has a board vacancy to serve until the next convention in 2015. Any woman who is a member of an Alaska Synod congregation is eligible to serve. ASWO's mission is: "We as

diverse women of God, respond to God's love by sharing the gospel, cherishing creation, and encouraging each other's growth in faith."

ASWO meets once or twice a year in person, but more often via teleconference. Please prayerfully consider serving. If you have questions or would like to serve, or have a recommendation, please contact Sue Delgado, ASWO President, at suzydel7032@gmail.com.

Help for the Visually Impaired



If watching TV, matching clothes or even reading this article are a strain on your eyes, the Alaska Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired has many ways to help. But don't keep squinting at this newsletter- [Click Here](#) for an eyesight- friendly flyer with all the information you need.

If someone in your congregation or family is struggling with visual impairment, the Alaska Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired has created a helpful resource for determining the symptoms of vision loss and what you can do to help. Find that resource [HERE](#).



Clinical Pastoral Education Extended Unit

The Spiritual Care Department at Providence Alaska Medical Center is starting an Extended Unit of Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) training to begin in January 2014. This opportunity is aimed at those involved in other ministry outside the hospital and who may not have the availability to devote to the intense CPE Residency of 40-hours per week. The requirement for the Extended Unit is to be present Monday and one day/night a week for on-call ministry. Anyone interested can request an application from the Spiritual Care Department by calling Spiritual Care for more information, (907) 212-2990, or email karen.quirk@providence.org. The CPE program at PAMC is a hospital-based CPE program accredited by the Association of Clinical Pastoral Education with headquarters in Decatur, Georgia.

GRAMMY for GOOD

Do you know a talented, young musician who is dedicated to making a difference through music?

The Partnership at Drugfree.org, in conjunction with the GRAMMY Foundation® and MusiCares®, is in search of young musicians (ages 14-18) to compose or create an original song and/or music video that promotes and celebrates healthy living and/or appropriately depicts a story about drug abuse. In efforts to raise awareness of addiction and recovery, the Partnership encourages teens to submit their powerful messages of struggle, hope and triumphant healing. Contest winners receive a trip to the GRAMMY Awards and more prizes. Submissions must be postmarked no later than December 2nd, 2013. [Learn more here.](#)

Barnabas Foundation Sponsors Webinar on Innovative Church Stewardship Programs

Where does stewardship fit in your church and in the lives of your members? Or does it? What if you discovered a way to "make it happen"? In this webinar, you will learn about several different programs to grow good stewards in your church. The date is Thursday, November 14, Noon - 1 p.m. Eastern Time. Learn more and register by visiting [this link](#) or by calling the Barnabas Foundation at 888-448-3040.

Three Webinars to Help Your Congregation Grow

by Ed Kruse

President of Healthierchurch.org, Ed Kruse, offers three sixty-minute webinars strategically designed to address diverse aspects of congregational life and cause it to flourish.

Webinar #1 Reaching Out to the "Uns"

Uninvolved, Under-involved, and Unclaimed (or Uninvited) members

November 12, 2013 - 1:00 PM (CST) - 60 minutes

Webinar # 2 Spiritual Gifts

What are your spiritual gifts and how are you using them?

November 7, 2013 - 1:00 PM (CST) - 60 minutes

November 23, 2013 - 10:30 AM (CST) - 60 minutes

Webinar #3 Transformational Leadership

What does it mean to "be transformed by the

renewing of your mind?"

November 6, 2013 - 2:00 PM (CST) - 60 minutes

November 23, 2013 - 9:00 AM (CST) - 60 minutes

A complete description along with registration information and costs can be found [Here](#)
[Register Here](#)

Stewardship Leaders

Boost your energy and ideas for stewardship by subscribing to the ELCA's newsletter [stewardNet](#). This fabulous resource is designed to inspire church leaders as they encourage others to be faithful stewards of God's abundance.

Go to

www.ELCA.org/growingstewards

and scroll down to the pink box to subscribe to the newsletter, download a year-round guide for stewardship, and expand your knowledge of ELCA tools for fostering stewardship.

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