



# Soundings

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## Holy Spirit Lutheran Hosts

### *“Love Fearlessly, Do Justice”*

Dr Kurt Ver Beek addressed advocacy work in Honduras to a gathering at Holy Spirit Lutheran Wednesday evening, March 10. Seventy people from the Kirkland community heard Dr Ver Beek describe the justice efforts of AJS, Association for a More Just Society, which he co-founded. He spoke to students at Pacific Lutheran University earlier in the day.

Citing 1 John 4:18, Dr. Ver Beek urged his audience to be passionate and also be fearless in doing justice. He and his family have lived in Honduras since 1988. He opened a view that went beyond the statistics, giving examples of three Hondurans whom AJS has helped:

One was an abused boy, who was distraught and likely

headed for a life on the streets. Caring intervention healed and built him up and also achieved conviction of the abuser, resetting his future. Karla, his case worker, said, “If God has called us to help the people who most need it, then where they live is where I need to be.”

An old woman did not have any ownership papers for her very modest home. The courts had stonewalled the cases of her entire community for 25 years. AJS attorneys won the case and she had her papers. In fact, in four years they have obtained 40,000 titles for poor people.

A pregnant woman working as a security guard worked 72 hours and more per week and was paid for 44 hours. Providing counseling and legal

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## A Word From The Bishop



“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.”  
John 15:12 NRSV

I have repeatedly said that 95% of the time I have the best call in the church. I really do believe that. I have opportunity to witness the varied ministries of this synod and have been privileged to see and hear about the work of this church and the whole church around the world. We have much to rejoice in God’s work through the hands of Christ’s church.

The other 5% of the time can be less than wonderful. It struck me on Maundy Thursday that Jesus gives us a commandment, not a suggestion. I will grant that self sacrificial love for everyone in the Body of Christ is an impossible command. That fact does not diminish the law’s accusing power in my life or in yours.

It appears to me that our polarized culture has so affected the church that we now say “love those who agree with you and speak ill of those who disagree with you.” This command of Jesus is given at a moment when the disciples had little to no clue what was about to happen. There would be betrayal, denial, unbelief in abundance among this group of disciples in the coming days. These were not the best days for these leaders of the new church.

Jesus says to them, and to us, that in these unlovable moments we should love one another as Jesus has loved us. I do not have the authority to decide who my sister or brother is in faith. That is the work of the Holy Spirit. I have the responsibility to recognize the Spirit’s work and to support those whom the Spirit has called, gathered and enlightened. At times I do not understand or agree with them, but they are still sisters and brothers in Christ.

Too often our culture likes to label the other person. You are liberal or conservative, evil or good, friend or enemy, in or out. Jesus commands that we love those who are saved through his death and resurrection. They could be any or all of the above. Our relationship is not based on our work or opinion; it is based on the actions of Jesus on our behalf and on the sister or brother's behalf.

Among all of the talk about what divides us I would propose that we begin our discussions with the reminder that we are the baptized children of God. We come to the Lord's Table in need of forgiveness and reconciliation so that we can love one another. We come to worship to be changed by God's Spirit working in us, not to be confirmed in our own preconceived notions. The church is a living, dynamic and ever changing community of the redeemed. It is time for us to act that truth in active love for one another.

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## **A Word From The Bishop**

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## A New Ministry, A New Idea

### Luther's Table

*by The Rev. Gretchen Weller  
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Many of you have heard of Luther's Table, the new ministry that is part of the Renton Lutheran Church Redevelopment Project that is working hand in hand with the new Veteran's Center being developed by the Compass Housing Alliance (formerly Compass Center) in downtown Renton.

This project has been a labor of love and passion and Spirit on the part of the South King Cluster, and will come to fruition this fall when the whole center opens. None of it would have been possible without the gift and passion of the people of Renton Lutheran Church. As they were dying, they were able to see that new life could come, and that their heart for the community would live on through their generosity and their land.

One thing that makes Luther's Table unique is that it is not a ministry being started by one pastor in one place. Luther's Table is being designed and raised up by a whole scaffolding of people and congregations working together to make it happen.

Luther's Table is being spearheaded by St. Matthew's (SMLC) in Renton, but it has prayer, volunteer and financial support from many other congregations in the area. The pastoral team at SMLC is fond of saying, "Without our core of committed volunteers to do the heavy lifting, there is no way this project would ever get off the ground!" Pastors learn many things in seminary, but how to set up a non-profit entity, order equipment for kitchens, and lay out a flexible cafe and music venue are not part of the curriculum. In fact, pastors really have no business trying to start this kind of venture at all!

Luckily, we are blessed to have what we are calling a "steering team" of lay people who have expertise in various areas (restaurant, construction, marketing, project planning, volunteer coordination, fundraising, interior

design, and more) who have committed major chunks of their lives to making Luther's Table a reality.

Many people have asked me, "What will you be doing down there at Luther's Table?" And I have to answer honestly that I'm really not sure. I know that we will have music and special art displays. I know that we will have "affinity groups" of people who gather for fellowship, conversation, food and drink. I know that we will be a place that encourages open and honest conversation around religion and faith. But after that, we're really hoping to be a place that meets the needs of the people who find their way in the door. We're hoping to be shaped organically by folks who find value in our core values of service, authenticity, the arts, and serving really good beer.

Luther's Table will be opening this fall, and it is certainly going to be an adventure. We hope that you will join us, and explore what God may be calling your community of faith into that you have no business doing!

A special day of learning to give strategies and tools for clergy and leaders of faith group on the topic of *Understanding The Impact Of Addiction And Supporting Recovery* will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, May 12, at St. Mark's Cathedral, 1245 10th Ave E, Seattle. Speakers for the day are: Steven Hornberg, MSW, Program Dir. for the National Association of Children of Alcoholics (NACoA); and the Rev. Doug Ronsheim, D. Min, Exec. Director of the American Association of Pastoral Counselors (AAPC). For more information please visit the Calendar on the Synod's website at [www.lutheransnw.org/calendar](http://www.lutheransnw.org/calendar) or visit St. Mark's Cathedral website at [www.saintmarks.org](http://www.saintmarks.org).

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## **A New Ministry, A New Idea**

## **Addiction Training**

**For Clergy and  
Leaders of Faith  
Groups**

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## **“Love Fearlessly, Do Justice”**

help, AJS advocated for her and corrected this injustice. The Association has educated over 7,000 workers about labor rights. One attorney fighting for workers rights was killed by assassins.

The work is dangerous, Dr Ver Beek acknowledged, but we should not have fear. “God loves justice,” he said, “He has shown his passion for protecting the weak.” He cited in the three examples, that we need to view them as “my” son, “my” mother, “my” sister.

We cannot all go to Honduras, but Dr Ver Beek challenged Christians to act locally and love globally. Act locally by choosing a justice cause for which you care. Love globally by speaking out for people whose rights are abused. He suggested that when a U.S. Senator phones the President of Honduras, he answers the phone.

Holy Spirit Lutheran has been closely involved in supporting a home for abandoned children in Honduras. Since 2004 over 100 volunteers have visited the children there. Two years ago the congregation raised funds for a water treatment facility to give the children clean drinking water and proper sanitation.

For more information visit: [www.ajshonduras.org](http://www.ajshonduras.org).

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## ***Rachel’s Day***

Since 1996, Women of the ELCA has observed the first Sunday in May as Rachel’s Day. The purpose of the day is to broaden awareness of the violence suffered by children and to encourage taking action to address it. *Rachel’s Day* gets its name from Jeremiah 31:15-17, wherein Rachel grieved for her children. For more on the history and background of Rachel’s Day at [www.elca.org/Growing-In-Faith/Ministry/Women-of-the-ELCA.aspx](http://www.elca.org/Growing-In-Faith/Ministry/Women-of-the-ELCA.aspx).

The 2010 Northwest Washington Synod Assembly will take place May 14 and 15 at the Everett Events Center in Everett.

**On-line registration is now live. Deadline for registering on-line is May 6. You are encouraged to register on-line to avoid delays and long lines at the Assembly.**

Our keynote speaker is Dr. Amy Oden. Dr. Oden is Dean and Professor of History of Christianity at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington DC. In pursuing her interests in the history of Christianity and hospitality, she has recently finished a book project entitled *God's Welcome: Hospitality for a Gospel-Hungry World*.

Our Churchwide Representative is the Rev. Ruben Duran, Director for New Congregational Development in the Evangelical Outreach and Congregational Mission unit of the ELCA.

This year the Northwest Washington Synod has only mailed one piece of information to congregations. Amendments and resolutions received by the March 1 deadline will soon be available. As additional information becomes available it will be posted on the synod website at [www.lutheransnw.org/assembly/2010/](http://www.lutheransnw.org/assembly/2010/). (At the Assembly voting members will receive a notebook with all the necessary materials.)

**Please note, any nominations made at the Assembly, prior to the noon deadline on Friday, May 14 (if the Standing Rules are adopted), will need to be typed.** Computers will be made available for voting members for this purpose. (This is so that all nominations will be easily read by voting members.)

## Important Dates 2010 Synod Assembly



## LPPPO Update

by **The Rev. Paul Benz**

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Two important issues working their way through Congress for you and your congregation to advocate on regarding the alleviation of poverty are:

Enhanced funding for the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), and Enhanced funding for the reauthorization of our nation's Child Nutrition Programs (such as Women, Infant, Children-WIC & School breakfast & lunch)

For more info on the EITC issue please go to [www.bread.org](http://www.bread.org) or [www.offeringofletters.org](http://www.offeringofletters.org) (Bread For The World).

For the Child Nutrition issue go to [www.frac.org](http://www.frac.org) (Food Research Action Coalition). Calls or emails to your local congressional district office or the DC office are helpful.

Washington State Legislature ended its regular session on March 11<sup>th</sup> but because there was an impasse on the level and make up of the revenue package, which helps alleviate severe cuts and eliminations of health, human service, and environmental programs, a special session of 30 days had to be called by the governor. LPPPO has consistently advocated for a revenue package and been a participant in a broad based statewide revenue coalition. LPPPO has a summary of the outcomes of our legislative agenda that was emailed out to all who are a part of our statewide network and is now posted on our website at [www.lppowa.org](http://www.lppowa.org).

Want to support the great work of LPPPO? Our 7<sup>th</sup> annual fundraiser will be held on Sunday, April 25 in Renton. To keep our budget at the current level (which funds two FTE's and a shared seminary intern) we need to fundraise two-thirds of it. You can donate by sending a check made out to LPPPO to Region 1 website or visit [www.lppowa.org](http://www.lppowa.org) and donate online.



The children were gathered around the decorated table. Cast off in the corner were the torn wrappings and ribbons from the birthday gifts that had been greedily unwrapped only moments before. A melody emerged from the kitchen, “Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you...” The candles illuminated the dad’s face as he stepped carefully around the corner. Mom was grinning over his shoulder. The other children began to chime in, “Happy Birthday to you.” Suddenly, Jessica burst into tears and ran from the room. Dad carefully put the cake down on the table and followed her into the hall. “What is it, sweetie? What’s the matter?” “I never had a birthday cake before,” she gulped. “I knew it would taste good but I never knew it would feel so good.”

Jessica was a foster child and this was her first birthday in her new home. Foster parenting is often about “firsts” with the children we shelter and love: the first birthday party, the first camping trip, the first day of school with a backpack full of pencils and notebooks. The first home where a child can rest easy, knowing their mommy or daddy is getting the help they need and they can sleep, knowing they are safe.

### **You Too Can Change a Life...Partner with Lutheran Community Services**

All children deserve a safe, happy life. National Foster Care Month is an opportunity to highlight our mutual ministry which provides loving, forever homes for abused and neglected children through our two programs: Permanency Planning Foster-Adoption and Refugee and Immigrant Children’s Program.

If you would be interested in sponsoring an event to highlight our programs, please contact Andrea at 206-694-5713 or [ahixson@lcsnw.org](mailto:ahixson@lcsnw.org). Also go to [www.refugeechildren.net](http://www.refugeechildren.net) or [www.lcsnw.org/permanencyplanning/index.html](http://www.lcsnw.org/permanencyplanning/index.html).

## **May Is National Foster Care Month**

*by Susan Brook, Director  
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Lutheran Community  
Services Northwest*

## Happy Hour Concert

The sixth Happy Hour Concert at Gethsemane Lutheran in Seattle is called *Trumpet Toasting Flute--A Reason To Celebrate*.

This Concert will be held on Wednesday, April 28. Doors open for refreshments at 5 p.m. with the Concert beginning at 5:30 p.m.

This Trumpet Toasting Flute concert features the musical talents of Jerry Oram (Trumpet), Richard Werner (Trumpet), Mary Jensen (Flute), Anna Jensen (Double Bass) and David Barela (Piano). The concert and refreshments (beverages, including wine, and appetizers) are free! (Donations to offset costs are gladly accepted.)

The mission of the Gethsemane Lutheran Happy Hour Concerts is to provide an opportunity for the downtown workforce to experience beautiful music in a relaxing environment rather than sit in traffic during rush hour. The concerts are free so that they will be accessible to all.

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## RIC Workshop

### Fourth Annual

In order to assist area Lutheran congregations in living out their ministry of welcome to the LGBT community, the fourth annual *Reconciling in Christ Adventure Workshop* will be held from 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 12, at Trinity in Lynnwood.

Designed for clergy and laity, the workshop will provide ministry resources and strategies, as well as the opportunity to network and share ideas. Lutherans Concerned NW Regional Directors, Karen and Paul Jolly, will be present to share their insights.

The workshop is sponsored by the Puget Sound and South Puget Sound chapters of Lutherans Concerned, Open Door Ministries and Harmony, a LifeGroup Ministry of Trinity. Lunch will be provided. Suggested donation, \$10. For more information contact Pastor Rick Pribbernow at 425-359-9313 or Corine Schmidt at 425-640-5316. Registration deadline is June 4.

Join me from around the synod for a Men's Gathering with David Delk, President of *Man in the Mirror*. The event will be held from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, June 26, at Bethlehem Lutheran in Marysville. Cost is \$15,

David Delk, has great talents for helping people remember vital truths from God's Word. His use of humor, illustrations and unique visual aids help men apply Biblical principles to life.

David is President of *Man in the Mirror*. He is the author or co-author of five books, including; *The Marriage Prayer*, *The Dad in the Mirror* and *No Man Left Behind*.

David's presentation will consist of three topics:

Rejecting a Bobble-Head Gospel: Recovering Biblical Manhood (Matthew 12:43-45); Roots: Finding True Strength in a Restless World (Jeremiah 17:5-8); and an introduction to *No Man Left Behind*. Registration is available at [www.ourmim.org/events.html](http://www.ourmim.org/events.html). For more information contact [RKSailer@Gmail.com](mailto:RKSailer@Gmail.com); 360-658-0461.

Faith Lutheran in Everett, partnering with South Everett Neighborhood Center and Las Familias Unidas, is holding a *Celebrating our Community* from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 22, at Faith in Everett.

The festivities will include: a Bolivian musical group; Salsa contest (the food, not the dance!) and Hispanic children's games. We will be celebrating the 10 year anniversary of South Everett Neighborhood's partnership with Las Familias Unidas as well as welcoming Faith's intern pastor Esau Cuervas.

For more information please contact the office at Faith at 425-353-4758.

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## Men's Gathering

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## Celebrating Our Community

## Sleeping On The Street

Every year Pastors David Parks and Mark Samuelson from Our Savior's Lutheran in Everett challenge their congregation to give to a cause. If the group meets the target for giving, the pastors promise a quirky public response. One year they kissed a cow when the group gave nearly \$10,000 to Heifer International. The next year they ate raw fish when the children searched for coins to put in the baptismal font and raised over \$2,500 for clean water wells in Bangladesh.

This year they challenged the congregation to support a new Habitat for Humanity project that planned to build a house for a homeless family near the church in Everett. If the group raised \$1,000, the pastors promised to sleep on the street to raise awareness of what the homeless experience every night. "After all, according to the Bible story, the Holy family was homeless from the night Jesus was born and for the following two years when they had to flee to Egypt", Pastor Samuelson wrote to the congregation in the newsletter, "I think God has a heart for those with no home".

Everett Mayor Ray Stephanson immediately responded to the challenge citing the commitment the city has to end homelessness by the year 2016. Snohomish County has adopted an Initiative to End Homelessness as well.

Others who also spent the night out on the streets included the directors from the Everett Habitat for Humanity and Housing Hope. Other officials, members of the church and directors of non-profits also joined the pastor and mayor.

On Easter Sunday the Everett Habitat for Humanity received \$4,589 from the congregation in response to the need and challenge.

Join others this summer for a guided five-day float through the canyons, forests and rural landscapes of Montana's beautiful Blackfoot River. The theme is: *Theology on the River: Conversations about healing our relationship to Creation.*

This five-day guided float trip will take place from July 30 through August 4. This trip is for clergy, rostered leaders and staff (spouses/partners are welcome). Cost is \$550.

This course is designed as a conversation in context that draws both from our journey and a pre-assigned reader. Each day will also include morning devotions, evening worship and other guided experiential components that participants can draw on for later use back in their home congregations. We will camp in tents each night along the river, share in the cooking duties and soak in the serenity of this time of re-creation. No rafting experience is necessary. Most equipment is provided. Fishing will be optional at times during the week.

The event is sponsored by Emmaus Campus Ministry, an ELCA campus ministry site and part of the Montana Synod. They also work in collaboration with the Episcopal and United Church of Christ churches. To register call Pastor John Lund at 406-396-4974 or email [John@montanalcm.org](mailto:John@montanalcm.org).

Lutheran Volunteer Corps (LVC) invites you to *Just Art*, an evening of live music and art made by local LVC volunteers, alumni, and friends, from 7 to 9 p.m. on Friday, April 30, at ROCKiT Space, 3315 Beacon Ave South, Seattle. Suggested donation of \$5, with silent auction from 7 to 8 p.m. All proceeds go to LVC to support volunteers who commit to a year of building community, working for social justice, and living simply and sustainably.

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## Theology on the River

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## LVC Fund Raiser

## Here 'n There

- **Last Chance for 2010 2% discount**—The opportunity to earn a 2% discount on all ELCA health contributions in 2010 ends April 30. Once you take the health assessment you will receive a \$150 personal wellness account credit as well. Currently 36% of those enrolled in the ELCA primary plan have taken the health assessment. For our synod to receive an estimate of \$36,000 in savings, 65% of those enrolled need to take the health assessment. It's easy. You don't need to have all your numbers. Just begin the process. A link is available at [www.lutheransnw.org](http://www.lutheransnw.org).
- **Health care reform and the ELCA health plan**—The Board of Pensions is currently assessing the potential short-term and long-term impact of the law on the ELCA health plan and the timing of any necessary changes to meet the needs of our health plan members now and in the future. For more information please visit <https://www.elcabop.org/Notice.aspx>.
- The offices of **Region 1** moved the week of April 12. Their new address will be 4525 19th Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98105-3301. (In the same building as Lutheran Campus Ministry, UW.) The phone numbers have not changed.
- Sunday School students at **Edison Lutheran in Bow** have been reading the students' version of *Three Cups of Tea*. Each Sunday they read a portion of the book during the Sunday School gathering time. All of the Sunday School offerings for this year will be given to *Pennies for Peace* to help build schools in the Middle East.
- **Members of Camano Lutheran, Camano Island**, along with the Child Care and Preschool have gathered all the items to assemble 1,000 health kits. To help meet the great need of health kits since the Haiti

earthquake a *Hearts for Haiti* drive was held in February and March. The women have been busy assembling the kits for the April 30 Lutheran World Relief (LWR) shipment. The congregation was able to send \$2,589 to the Haiti Disaster Relief Fund and \$592 to ELCA World Hunger Relief in January. In April Camano has three members (Carol Gillespie, and Bob and Carolyn Hovey) traveling to El Salvador on a Thrivent Builds Mission Trip.

## Here 'n There

- **Peace in Silvana** is offering a Grief Care group for those dealing with grief issues. The group meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at Peace.
- Twenty-seven members of **Mount Si in North Bend** delivered donations of clothing and food to the people living on the streets of Seattle. The members had some very up-lifting conversations with people about hardships and struggles. The group encountered about 100 people.
- **University Lutheran in Seattle** will be receiving an award from the Lutheran Public Policy Office at their annual banquet for being an active advocating congregation.
- **Gloria Dei in Alderwood Manor** gathered Easter gifts for the youth at Cocoon House. Cocoon House is Snohomish County's only resource serving homeless and at-risk youth ages 13-17.
- **Lord of Life in Renton** began a Living Water Ministry two years ago. In that short amount of time the ministry has been able to give away \$12,000 to eight different projects.
- **Our Redeemer's in Seattle** focused on the Care of God's Creation in April. As part of the focus Sunday School offerings will be given to Earth Ministry, a local non-profit organization. In addition, on April 24, the

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## Within Our Family



### *We continue To Hold In Our Prayers:*

† **The Rev. John Ericksen** and his wife, Marita

† **The Rev. Paul Wuest**

† **The Rev. Mikkel Hustad**, St. Peter, Clinton

† **Richard Bridges**, former member of Synod Council

† **The Rev. Phil Petrasek (ret.)** and his wife Linda

### *We Pray For:*

† **The Rev. Orville Crawford (ret.)** former pastor at Trinity in Lynnwood, died on March 23. He resided in Enumclaw. A memorial service was held on March 27 at: Trinity

Lutheran Church in Enumclaw. Peace to his memory.

† **The Rev. Don Beake (ret.)** passed away peacefully at home on March 20, with his wife, Jean, and daughter, Jody, at his side. A service of worship and celebration of Don's life was held on April 10 at Zion in Redmond, OR. Memorial gifts may be made to the Zion Lutheran Church Building Fund.

† **Howard Boerger, father of the Rev. Wm Chris Boerger**, died March 19 following a long illness. He is survived by his wife Vivian, in addition to the bishop, his brother and sister and their families. A memorial service was held at King of Glory Lutheran in Gig Harbor. Cards may be sent to the Boerger family in care of the Northwest Washington Synod, 5519 Phinney Ave N, Seattle WA 98103. Peace to his memory.

† **Hans Knut Petersen, son of the Rev. Glenn Petersen, Central, Anchorage, AK, and Carol Rowberg Petersen**, died April 7. Hans was working at his job in California installing solar panels when he fell from a four story building scaffold. Cards may be sent to: Central Lutheran Church; 1420 Cordova St; Anchorage, AK 99501



† **Pastor Marlon Wang, Mission-Developer for Living Truth Chinese Lutheran Church in Bothell**, retired on March 31.

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## Within Our Family

### *Prayers of Celebration:*

† For the ordination and installation of Jeannine Daggett. Jeannine was ordained at Advent in Mill Creek and installed at Zion in Everett. Congratulations.

† At the regular **Tuesday worship and synod staff meeting**, we pray for our pastors, congregations and members. We continued to pray for all those effected by natural diasters. We pray for all those we name in our hearts. We pray for Afghanistan, Iraq, Iran, Pakistan, and all countries in turmoil. We pray for peace!

In July 2010, Kevin Bates, Advent, Mill Creek, will be the English speaking Chaplain in residence in Wittenberg, Germany.

Pastoral duties for this two-week, voluntary ministry, Pastor Bates will be leading mid-week worship services, leading tours, providing pastoral care for tourists and preaching at the Castle Church.

The Wittenberg English Ministry is a pan-Lutheran effort to provide hospitality and spiritual care to English speaking tourists in Wittenberg. All ordained clergy are welcome to participate. Pastors receive a reduced housing fee at a local hotel. The waiting list for pastors to participate is long. Be prepared for a 4-5 year wait from acceptance to the time you will be assigned to serve. For more information, contact Kevin Bates at 425-337-5373. For additional information, application and to set up an interview, contact Rev Keith Loesch at [loesch.wem@comcast.net](mailto:loesch.wem@comcast.net).

## News and Notes

Northwest Washington Synod Transitions

|   | Location/Event                      | Effective Date |
|---|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Resignations</b>                               |                                     |                |
| Janet Cederberg, Associate in Ministry            | Our Savior, Issaquah                | 11/30/2009     |
| Joel Ingebritson                                  | Bethlehem, Seattle                  | 5/31/2010      |
| Mark Reiff  | Magnolia, Seattle                   | 3/31/2009      |
| Martin Taylor                                     | Roster of the ELCA                  | 3/31/2010      |
| <b>Calls Accepted</b>                             |                                     |                |
| Tor Berg  | First Evangelical, Bothell          | 7/1/2010       |
| Jeannine Daggett                                  | Zion, Everett                       | 3/27/2010      |
| Christopher Hogstad                               | Light of the Cross, Bothell         | 6/1/2010       |
| <b>Installations</b>                              |                                     |                |
| Jeannine Daggett                                  | Zion, Everett                       | 4/11/2010      |
| <b>Ordinations/ Commissionings/ Consecrations</b> |                                     |                |
| Jeannine Daggett                                  | Advent, Mill Creek                  | 3/27/2010      |
| <b>Retirements</b>                                |                                     |                |
| Troy Faith Ward, Diaconal Minister                | Josephine Sunset Home, Mount Vernon | 3/31/2010      |
| Marlon Wang                                       | Living Truth Chinese, Bothell       | 4/1/2010       |
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## Here ‘n There

congregation will head out into their church neighborhoods to pick up trash and stencil storm drains.

■ **Easter Celebrations:** Our Saviour’s in Arlington celebrated Good Friday service at noon at United Methodist Church in Stanwood. In the evening a cluster worship was held at Our Saviour’s. **St Paul of Shorewood** held a sunrise service on Easter at Alki. **Bethany** at Greenlake celebrated Good Friday and Holy Saturday at St. Andrew’s Episcopal in Seattle.

## Northwest Washington Synod Mobility

| In Call Process                 | Position | Status | Current, Interim/Supply Pastor     |
|---------------------------------|----------|--------|------------------------------------|
| Alderwood Manor, Gloria Dei     | A/SP     | I      | Gary Rothenberger                  |
| Arlington, Our Saviour          | PR       | TR     | Marilyn Schultz Rothermel, Interim |
| Bellevue, Saint Andrew's        | A/SP     | P      | Jim McEachran, Pastor              |
| Burlington, Burlington          | PR       | C      | Michael Swain, Interim             |
| Des Moines, Grace               | A/SP     | P      | John O'Neal, Pastor                |
| Ferndale, Christ                | PR       | TR     | Christen Anderson, Interim         |
| Issaquah, Shepherd of the Hills | PR       | I      | Martha Myers, Interim              |
| Monroe, Morning Star            | PR       | TR     | Tim Wolbrecht, Interim             |
| Mount Vernon, Fir Conway        | PR       | TR     | Paul D. Anderson, Interim          |
| Mount Vernon, First Evangelical | PR       | P      | Linda Larson, Interim              |
| Nooksack, Clearbrook            | PR       | TR     | Supply                             |
| Oak Harbor, Oak Harbor          | PR       | P      | Karen Hanson, Interim              |
| Point Roberts, Trinity          | PR       | TR     | Supply                             |
| Renton, Lord of Life            | PR       | TR     | Phil Reitz, Interim                |
| Seattle, Central                | PR       | NV     | Kathleen Anderson, Interim         |
| Seattle, Faith                  | PR       | TR     | Red Burchfield, Interim            |
| Seattle, Gethsemane             | PR       | TR     | Maynard Atik, Interim              |
| Seattle, Magnolia               | PR       | NV     | Doug Stensby, Interim              |
| Seattle, St Paul's of Shorewood | PR       | TR     | Supply                             |
| Stanwood, Freeborn              | PR       | TR     | Supply                             |
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## Mobility Position Key:

PR = Pastor  
A = Associate  
AIM = Associate in Ministry  
DM = Diaconal Minister  
A/SP = Associate with Special  
Emphasis contact Synod Office)

## Mobility Status Key:

I = Interviewing  
C = Calling  
NV = New Vacancy  
V = Vacancy  
SC = Synod Call  
TR = Transition process  
P = Profile presented (receiving  
nominations)  
TR/DO = Div for Outreach  
Transformation Process