



The monthly Newsletter of:

February 2022

Agnus Dei Lutheran Church

Gather in Grace

Grow in Faith

Go in Service



Evangelical Lutheran
Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

The congregation of Agnus Dei Lutheran Church celebrates the amazing diversity of God's beloved children. We welcome all, regardless of age, ethnicity, abilities, faith background, race, family configuration, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression. We enthusiastically invite you into this worshipping congregation as we strive to share God's inclusive love with everyone in our community and in our world.



Pastor's Message

"For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them."

Romans 1:18

"Truly, you are a God who hides yourself..." Isaiah 45:15



Pastor Seth Novak

Every spring between the holidays of the Epiphany and the Transfiguration, our lectionary readings revolve around the theme of recognizing Jesus for who he is. Each of our gospel readings during this season tell stories about Jesus revealing something about himself or his ministry to the people around him. Sometimes, the people get the point, but mostly they don't. Sometimes they misunderstand so violently that they try to run Jesus out of town and off a cliff. One of the central lessons of this season is that recognizing God is not as easy as we might like to think.

This makes the green season after the Epiphany an appropriate time for us to ask ourselves: "Where do I see God?" It is easy to experience God in the beauty of a sunrise, in the miracle of a child being born, in the warmth of human affection or in the simple joy of serving our neighbor. St. Paul admits in his letter to the Romans that God has never ceased to be evident in such things; in the beauty of nature and the laughter of children and the care of one person for another, God is exposed in all God's glory for us to see.

And in seeing God's glory, we are blinded to God's presence. Even with all the prolific beauty of creation and the myriad miracles of everyday existence, we ignore God, turn away from God, deny the existence of God. The God we see in the glory and majesty of these things—if we even recognize God—is too perfect, too far away from us. God's exposed glory is like the peak of Mt. Rainier: beautiful, obvious, and inaccessible. No matter how far we walk or how high we climb, God always remains out of reach, still somewhere beyond the next rise, leaving us poor mortals to make sense of life on the slope by ourselves.

While it may be easy for us to see God in the glorious things; but we can only really come to know God in the ugly, plain, forgotten things—for that is where God has chosen to hide. Paradoxically, God chooses to come among us not in glory, but in ignominy. We do not find God seated on a cloud, wrapped in power and hurling lightning; we do not meet God on a throne of power or the limelight of celebrity. God comes to us instead as one unknown: as a peasant laborer, a traveling rabbi, a criminal executed on a cross.

As we look for God in the little glories of life, are we able to recognize God hidden in the mundane and the monotonous? While we sometimes measure the Christian life by the experiences had on the mountaintops, so much of it is lived on the plains. Most of our lives are filled with the tedious, often thankless work of slogging through one day to the next. We get up, get dressed, go to school or work, run errands, put food on the table. Most days are unremarkable, utterly forgettable from one to the next. It is precisely in that tedium that God-with-us is hidden.

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Consider this: most of the work of our congregation is committee meetings, work projects, newsletter and bulletin deadlines, and so on. It is boring, unglamorous, and at times even frustrating or dreadful. And yet, it is through the work of this congregation that the gospel is proclaimed and Christ is made known. It is no different with our own lives: everything we say and do has the potential to bring good news to the poor, release to the captives, recovery of sight to the blind, and freedom to the oppressed because God is hiding there.

Yours in Christ,
Pr. Seth



Please let Pastor Seth know if you are in need of pastoral care. If you would like to be contacted please call the office at 253-851-6222 or email pastorseth@agnusdeilutheran.org
In an emergency, you can reach Pastor Seth at 253-448-3481.

Junior & Senior High Youth Night

Four churches (Agnus Dei, Fox Island United Church of Christ, Gig Harbor Methodist and St. John's Episcopal) are beginning to host a series of monthly youth gatherings, starting Feb. 6. We'll meet at Agnus Dei Lutheran on the first Sunday of each month, from 6:30 – 8pm. We'll host separate, but concurrent groups for Middle Schoolers, High Schoolers and Parents, followed by (delicious) snacks and drinks.



The content of the different groups will vary, but all will enjoy a combination of socializing, games and worthwhile conversation about what it means to live authentic and meaningful lives as God would call us – especially in the turmoil of this world we're living in.

By next school year we hope to grow this into a weekly group with a jointly funded youth minister. But for the remainder of this school year, the groups will be led by pastors and volunteers from the sponsoring congregations.

It is an understood value of these gatherings that they are a safe and affirming environment for LGBTQ youth. Standard COVID protocols such as mask-wearing will be in place. Questions? Contact Pastor Seth.



Pancake Breakfast!

Mark your calendars for Sunday, March 13th for a pancake breakfast between services. More information to come as we get closer to the date.

Our chefs are working on the menu in anticipation of seeing you there. Come join us for fellowship and some great food!

"What Does LGBTQIA Mean?"

- Have you ever wondered about the difference between *sexual orientation* and *gender identity*?
- Are you curious about vocabulary that may be new to you. . . *gender expression, cis-gender*?
- Are you seeking to expand the holy work of welcome, inclusion and celebration of LGBTQIA+ people in church and society?

On **Thursday, March 17th, from 3:30-5pm** our SWWA Synod will join an **online** training provided by our ELCA partner, *Reconciling Works*. During this 90 minute workshop we will learn helpful vocabulary, skills and tools to support us in our ministry of welcome. This workshop is for everyone with an open heart and mind!

Registration costs \$35 (called "SOGIE Workshop")

Registration Link: https://app.etapestry.com/onlineforms/ReconcilingWorks_1/SOGIETraining.html

(If this cost is a challenge for you right now, please reach email Pastor Rebecca Shjerven, Bishop's Associate at the synod office (swwasynod.org) to find out about partial reimbursement for your fee.

Sponsored by the SWWA Reconciling in Christ Work Team

Agnus Dei Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes, January 11, 2022.

Members present: Pastor Seth Novak, Denny Sapp, Gene Kuest, Marilyn Colyar, Linda Ribary, Lynette Brentin, Sister Ann Schultz, Marlene Bridgforth, Sherry Stava, Richard Ohme
Guests: Bob Nussbaum, Julie Bell, and Leif Dobszinsky



*Council President
Denny Sapp*

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM.

Pastor Seth Novak led us in devotions.

A quorum was met.

Bob Nussbaum informed the council of a major estate gift to the congregation.

A committee will be formed to decide on how to use this gift, and their recommendations will be presented to the congregation at the May 2022 congregational meeting.

The committee members are Pastor Seth, Bob Nussbaum, Richard Ohme, Linda Ribary, and Leif Dobszinsky.

The agenda was approved.

The minutes from the December 14th council meeting were approved.

The Pastor's report was received and is attached.

A representative from the safe parking program will be invited to speak to council in March 2022.

Pastor Seth plans to take a 3-month family leave starting January of 2023.

The Youth Group gathering has been moved to February 6, 2022.

A motion was made by Gene Kuest to officially name Leif Dobszinsky as treasurer for Agnus Dei Lutheran Church. The motion was seconded by Dick Ohme, and was approved by the council.

The members of the Executive Committee are:

Pastor Seth Novak

Denny Sapp

Lynette Brentin

Marlene Bridgforth

Leif Dobszinsky

The council approved the following persons as authorized check signers:

Dennis J. Sapp

Lynette Brentin

Marlene Bridgforth

Leif Dobszinsky

The Treasurer's report was received and is attached.

Attachments include:

2021 Summary Report for Fiscal year 2021.

Preliminary Year-End Income Expense Statement for January-December 2021.

Committee Reports.

Little Lambs: No report.

Property: Report received.

Stewardship: No report.

Worship: No report.

Evangelism: Report received.

Faith Formation: No report.

Personnel: No report.

Service: Report received.

Endowment: Verbal report.

Old Business:

Boy Scout litigation update: This is not an issue for ADLC.

Food Pantry: Cancelled plans for now.

Building use: Needs to be reviewed by a committee to ensure rules are being met.

Telephone system: Work in progress with Property committee.

New Business:

Bylaws status: Work continues, and results will be presented first to the council in March, and then at the May

2022 Congregational Meeting.

Day Care at ADLC: May be a good idea, will need to have a person (or persons) who will champion this project.

Focus Group recommendations and discussion.

Met in executive discussion.

Reviewed proposals from the Personnel and Finance committees.

No consensus on budget measures was reached.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 8th, 2022, at 7 PM.

Marlene Bridgforth, Secretary.

Approved by: Denny Sapp



EVANGELISM UPDATE

We had a well-attended Adult Forum on Sunday, January 16th, both in person and on zoom. Some thoughts and ideas that came from the meeting:

- Sharing God's Love should be our focus
- The question was asked, "what should we be doing?"
 - Racial Justice, Non-Profits, gathering with other church congregations (like the upcoming youth gathering including four area churches).
- There is a need to identify what the Community needs. There are several organizations we could possibly participate in: The Mustard Seed and The Angels Guild are two that current members of our congregation work with.
- The suggestion was made that we should survey the Congregation for needs and ideas. How do we invite people in? Who we are?

Look for further information and a possible survey.

We would like to proceed with the idea of small group meetings in homes, maybe once per month, to discuss ideas such as the proposed questions at the Evangelism forum. Sign up sheets will be available soon. Contact Denny Sapp or myself for more information or if you would like to volunteer to host one of the groups.

Lynette Brentin

Council Representative

Minister of Programs Sister Ann Shultz



Grab and Go Sunday School kits are available to pick up in the narthex. These kits contain books, activities, and craft projects. The theme of the February kits is Jesus's Miracles.



February Forum Schedule

Sunday Mornings In-person and on the Zoom Platform

Forums for February have us deep in the Word, hearing from the Southwestern Washington Synod and experiencing community.

February 6th - Pastor Seth will do the second of two forums reviewing the gospel of Luke. Our Year C lectionary gospel.

February 13th - Rev. Rebecca Shjerven from Southwestern Washington Synod will come to educate us on how the Synod is fulfilling its stewardship mission in our area. Find out how the funds we tithe to them are utilized for the people of God.

February 20th - The Mustard Seed Project executive director, Eric Blegen, will be with us virtually to share the Project's goals and programs. How are "the least of these" being serviced in our community through this organization?

February 27th— please attend the congregational meeting

When the forums are recorded on Zoom, they are added to [Agnus Dei's YouTube channel](#) to be available for future viewing.

Zoom link for Forum: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88973182418?pwd=eWZlZFdiZW52bMhhRUpQSWJzbG13Zz09>

Or use the link on the Events tab of our church website.

A Note on the Orange Banner

The orange banner hanging in the sanctuary is being displayed as a sign of solidarity with our Indigenous neighbors, who are mourning the discovery of mass graves at residential schools in Canada and the US. We grieve with them and acknowledge the part the Church has played in their suffering. The banner will hang for 225 days in memory of the children who died.



THEOLOGY ON TAP

Recently there was a meme on social media that said:

“A Jew, a Muslim, a Christian, a Buddhist, and an Atheist walk into a bar...then they talk, laugh, drink and become great friends. It’s not a joke, it’s what happens when you are not a jerk.”

This meme illustrates what the local **Theology on Tap** group is all about: “conversations at the intersection of faith and life.” Theology on Tap is a nation-wide movement that brings conversations about important issues to where average people are: restaurants, bars, coffee shops, and pubs. Why should you be interested? Because none of our beliefs exist in a vacuum. Rather, there is a cultural, intellectual, philosophical, historical, and religious *context* that forms a framework for what we believe. All too often we go about our religious life with little thought given to the context. The conversations that occur at Theology on Tap explore this context and help participants (both religious and nonreligious alike) understand more clearly both what they do believe and what they don’t believe. Conversations at Theology on Tap are low-key, cover a wide range of topics, are non-proselytizing, but always interesting. Topics and guest speakers are announced in advance via email. You don’t have to have any theological expertise to participate – just a curious and open mind.

So if you have more questions than answers, please join us on the third Thursday of each month between 5:30 and 7:00PM at **Round Table Pizza 5500 Olympic Drive in Gig Harbor**. If you have questions or want to be placed on the email list for the local Theology on Tap, contact Phil Waite or call or email the church: office@agnusdeilutheran.org

An Update from our Community Outreach Team

By Ronnie Kulman

Forum recently heard about the activities at Key Peninsula Community Services. This Lakebay location houses a food bank, senior meal site and senior activity center. In 2021 they served more than 13,000 nutritious meals to seniors! Fun activities include movies and in person bingo.

Our February outreach focus will be in support of these vital services. Here is what they currently need

- * Sugar—supplies are very low, impacting Valentine baking (ha ha)
- * Toiletries—toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, any size, including travel sizes.
- * Prizes for Bingo—Suggestions include puzzles, kitchen towels and potholders, White Elephant items.

Bring your donations to the donation station as soon as possible. We want to deliver sugar asap.

To learn more about their program see their website at <http://www.keypeninsulacommunityservices.org/>



Thank you for all your toilet paper donations and special thanks to Thrivent for providing a \$250 grant to increase our donations. And an extra special thanks to the Little Lambs for their donations too. It seems that FISH is especially short of TP and will collect and distribute all very quickly.

We know that Rose V is watching over our progress on the TP collection as this annual event was a pet project of hers.

Do you have suggestions for more outreach ideas? Please share your ideas with Cindy or any member of the Community Outreach Committee- Phyllis B, Linda Z, Linda R, Charlene F, Ronnie K, Debbie S, Anne R and Jerry M



Stewardship

I wanted to take this opportunity to briefly share with you how and why I am involved in service to Agnus Dei Lutheran Church.

I grew up in a family deeply involved in our hometown Lutheran church. My dad directed the choir, my mom sang in that choir and we three kids sang in the youth choir. As I grew older, I joined my mother singing in dad's church choir.

At school, besides singing and playing in music groups, I played sports and was active in school government and my school service club. I had so many opportunities to serve and to lead in high school and college that as an adult, it just seemed natural to continue to put my experience and skills to work.

Laurie and I have been member of Agnus Dei Lutheran Church for about fifteen years. In that time, we've watched this congregation change and grow. Like any congregation, Agnus Dei has been through highs and lows, good times and bad. But our mission focus has remained constant: to gather, grow and go.

My dream for Agnus Dei is that as we navigate through this pandemic and eventually emerge, we will find ways to renew and reinvigorate our commitment to faith and service. I envision us coming together even stronger as we gather each week either in person or virtually, as we grow in our faith and in our relationships, and as we look for opportunities to go out to serve our community and one another.

As for Laurie and me, we will continue to offer our time, talent, and treasure to Agnus Dei. We feel privileged to do so.

Randy Spitzer, Stewardship

View this message as a video here: <https://youtu.be/1GnQJiunQhA>

2021 SUMMARY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021

(Preliminary Report)

(prepared January 4, 2021)

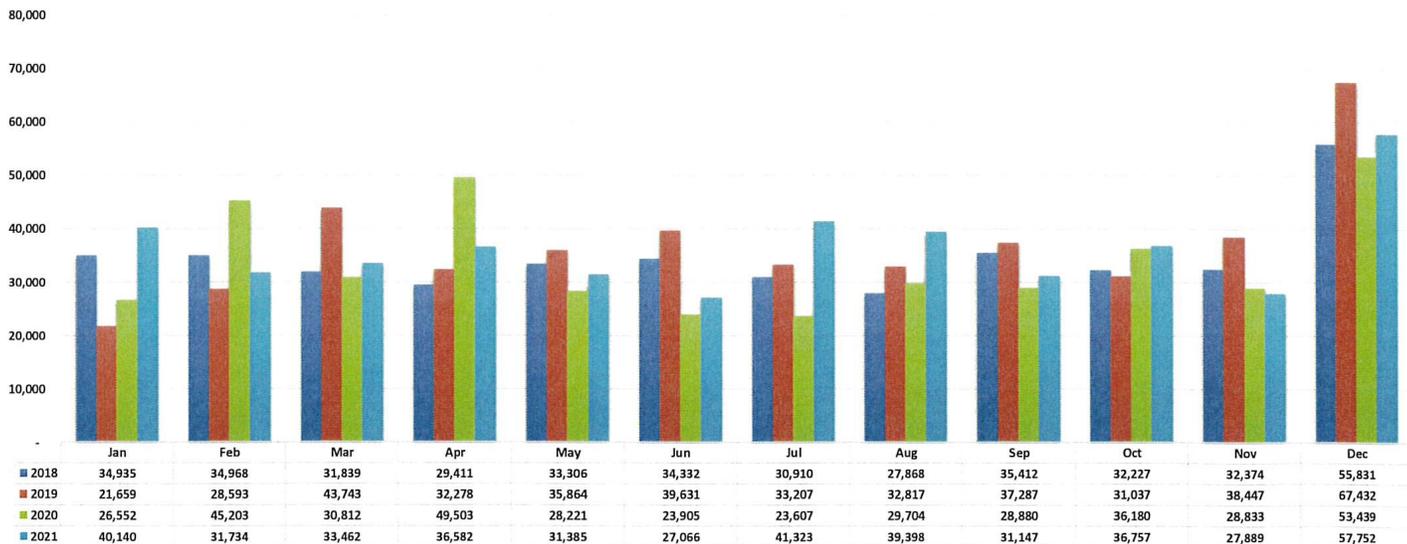
RESULTS:

COMMENTS:

| | Jan - Dec <u>Actual</u> | Jan - Dec <u>Budget</u> | % of YTD <u>Budget</u> | 2021 <u>Budget</u> | |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| OPERATING INCOME: | | | | | YTD as of Dec 31, 2021: |
| General Offering | 434,634 | 405,000 | 107.3% | 405,000 | * Total Unrestricted Offerings for the year are at 107.3% of budget. "Goal" is a minimum, set at last year's giving level. |
| Paycheck Protect. Prog Loan | 67,270 | 67,270 | 100.0% | 67,270 | * Total Income for 2021 is 106% of goal, including the federal Paycheck Protection Program grant. |
| Comm'ty Connect Contract | 30,687 | 31,076 | 98.7% | 31,076 | * Total Expenses are 102.3% of budget. |
| Other Income | 2,179 | 1,000 | - | 1,000 | * Net Operating "Gain" is \$20,203** |
| TOTAL INCOME | 534,770 | 504,346 | 106.0% | 504,346 | |
| OPERATING EXPENSES & LIABILITIES: | | | | | Dec 31, 2021 Balance Sheet |
| Ministry of Education | 2,862 | 4,100 | 69.8% | 4,100 | * Current Assets (checking, savings, Accts Rec.) 376,917 |
| Ministry of Mission | 45,713 | 22,250 | 205.5% | 22,250 | * Fixed Assets (land, building, rental property) 3,213,901 |
| Ministry of Programs | 4,380 | 8,500 | 51.5% | 8,500 | * TOTAL ASSETS 3,590,818 |
| Administrative Expenses | 128,333 | 132,711 | 96.7% | 132,711 | * Current Liabilities 40,715 |
| Staff and Services | 293,279 | 295,666 | 99.2% | 295,666 | * LongTerm Liabilities 1,297,129 |
| Operating Reserve Deposit | 40,000 | 40,000 | 100.0% | 40,000 | (Mortgage Loan only - Organ loan paid in full) |
| TOTAL EXPENSE/LIABILITIES | 514,567 | 503,227 | 102.3% | 503,227 | TOTAL LIABILITIES 1,337,844 |
| NET OPERATING INCOME | 20,203 | 1,119 | | 1,119 | * Equity |
| Total Reserves on Deposit at MIF | | | Balances | | * Retricted Net Assets (Designated) 296,198 |
| Building Fund | | | 31,651 | | * Unrestricted Net Assets 1,956,776 |
| Above & Beyond | | | 28,358 | | * TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 3,590,818 |
| Rental House Reserve | | | 41,320 | | |
| Total Reserves on Deposit at MIF | | | 101,330 | | |
| | | | | | Agnus Dei Giving YTD |
| | | | | | 2021 |
| | | | | | 2020 |
| | | | | | ELCA Mission Support 43,463 42,044 |
| | | | | | ELCA World Hunger 11,648 13,125 |
| | | | | | Food Backpacks 4 Kids 8,422 9,586 |
| | | | | | FISH 7,103 9,599 |
| | | | | | Key Peninsula Food Bank 1,313 395 |
| | | | | | Community Assistance 1,048 2,171 |

* Detailed financial reports are available upon request.
Contact the Office Administrator to request a copy.

MONTHLY OFFERINGS TREND 2018-2021



**The net "gain" for 2021 reflects the Mission Investment Fund having allowed Agnus Dei to make "interest-only" payments for the first four months of the year, with small principal payments beginning in May 2021, which reduced our costs this year by approximately \$41,470, as well as receipt of one-time federal PPP funds (\$67,270). By end of year, the reduced expenditures and increased income allowed Agnus Dei to increase its contributions to ELCAMission Support to 10 percent of Unrestricted Giving.

We remember in prayer:

For comfort and healing:

| | |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| * Sonja Miller | * Barbara Ausich |
| * George Mitchell | * Julie and Loren Bell |
| * Toni Ortenzo | * Deb Brueckner |
| * Michi Ouichi | * Chiarra Buster |
| * Joannah Powers | * Audrey Clinton |
| * David Salge | * Richard and Marilyn Hermstad |
| * Anne Sapp | * Ardith Johnson |
| * Johnny Tierny | * Martha Johnson |
| * Trudy Wagner | * Jack Oakes |
| * Dick & Eunice Werner | |

In their grief:

Cindy and Bob Beals and family as they mourn the death of Cindy's mom, Mary Lee.

In service to our country:

* CAPT. Jenny Nussbaum, US Public Health Service



I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, and kind words at the recent death of my mom. Your support during this time has been most appreciated.

In gratitude, Cindy

We Celebrate...

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY

| | |
|----|--|
| 1 | Richard Hermstad |
| 2 | Sheryl Costanzo |
| 3 | George Mitchell |
| 4 | Jack Rodgers |
| 9 | Shari Shull |
| 10 | Marty Beert |
| 11 | Phil Waite |
| 13 | Chiarra Buster |
| 14 | Terrance Lofgreen |
| 15 | Bruce Shull, Erik Dobszinsky |
| 18 | Doug Larsen, Paul Borg |
| 21 | Anna Dukes |
| 22 | Cindy Beals |
| 24 | John Kulman, Karissa Oliver |
| 25 | Larry Mjelde, Grace Chakerian, Lars Bliss-Miller |
| 28 | Karen Larsen |

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

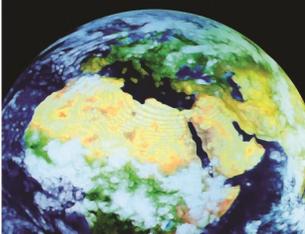
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| 13 | Gene and Pat Kuest |
| 14 | Susan and Gary Whitney |

Agnus Dei Book Group

Due to the congregational meeting on Feb 27, Agnus Dei's Book group will be meeting on Feb. 20th at 12:15 in the fellowship hall and on zoom to discuss: Harlem Shuffle by Colson Whitehead. Please join us! You can find the zoom link on the 'events' tab on the Agnus Dei website. We have also chosen our March book, The Personal Librarian by Marie Benedict & Victoria Christopher Murray.



A Message from Agnus Dei's Green Team



Part of being close to God is being close to God's creation. And to do that sometimes requires some education on how creation functions, how human actions affect her and what we can do to rectify any negative effects. Here are three documentary suggestions to make those connections. The two on Netflix are Kiss The Ground and Breaking Boundaries. Another on Amazon Prime is Earth Emergency. The Green Team encourages you to get to know Mother Earth, how she works and what she needs from us.



February

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|---|--|---|--|---|--|
| 30 8:30 AM Hybrid Worship with Holy Communion 9:45 AM Cross Gen Sun School and Confirmation 9:45 AM Forum (hybrid) 11:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion | 31 1:00 PM LWR Quilters | 1 10:30 AM Church Staff Meeting | 2 10:00 AM Text Study with Zoom and In-Person 1:30 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry | 3 6:00 PM AA | 4 | 5 8:30 AM Men's Square 8:30 AM Women's Circle 6:00 PM Trios Recital |
| 6 8:30 AM Hybrid Worship with Holy Communion 9:45 AM Cross Gen Sun School and Confirmation 9:45 AM Forum (hybrid) 11:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion 6:30 PM Joint Youth Group | 7 1:00 PM LWR Quilters 5:00 pm Handbell Rehearsal | 8 10:30 AM Church Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Council Meeting | 9 10:00 AM Text Study with Zoom and In-Person 1:30 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal | 10 6:00 PM AA | 11 | 12 |
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What's Coming Up in March?

- March 2 Ash Wednesday
- March 9 Lenten Midweek Wednesday In-person Worship Begins
- March 13 Spring Forward– Daylight Savings Time
- March 13 Pancake Breakfast
- March 17 Reconciling Works Online Training (see p.2)

Congregational Meeting

The next congregational meeting will be February 27 after the second service. All voting members are encouraged to attend this meeting where we will approve a budget for 2022.

All hybrid services are left on [Agnus Dei's YouTube channel](#) for viewing at any time after the service.

Serving in Worship, February

| | Altar Guild | Assist Min | Lector | Stream Team/Sound | Ushers/ Greeters | Flowers | Cross Gen Sunday School |
|----------------------|--------------|------------|-----------|-------------------|------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Feb 6, 8:30 | S Shema | P Brandt | B Shull | M Snowden | Krumps Ohmes | Flower Chart is Posted | A Ortenzo |
| Feb 6, 11:00 | M Bridgforth | A Ortenzo | M Beert | R Powers | R Crow/ D Sapp | open | |
| Feb 13, 8:30 | J McCraw | D Schinkel | D Krump | B Nussbaum | S Shema | open | Sister Ann |
| Feb 13, 11:00 | R Crow | D Daus | M Duncan | R Powers | R Crow/ D Sapp | | |
| Feb 20, 8:30 | S Lubash | K Gemar | L Brentin | B Beals | Krumps Shema | open | D Iversen |
| Feb 20, 11:00 | M Bridgforth | M Colyar | R Crow | R Powers | D Sapp | | |
| Feb 27, 8:30 | S Costanzo | R Spitzer | R Spitzer | D Krump | | Beals | No Sun Sch |
| Feb 27, 11:00 | K Morgan | D Page | D Daus | D Page | D Sapp | | |

**Thank you to the new volunteers for serving in worship.
More volunteers are needed in all areas
and training is readily available.**

Please contact Sister Ann for more information

The following are the folks who are currently scheduling:

- Sister Ann Shultz -Ushers and Greeters
- Debbie Snowden -Stream Team and Sound System
- Shari Shull - Assisting Ministers
- Paula Davis -Lectors
- Kimberly Morgan -Altar Guild

Please contact the office or call these folks directly if you are willing to serve.

Flowers for worship are needed as well. The sign-up sheet for the new year is posted in the hallway across from the nametag board.



Important reminders for In-person gatherings

We Share the Air – Please Keep It Fragrance-Free and Healthy for All

In our effort to make everyone welcome, please be aware the chemicals used in scented products make some people sick, especially those with fragrance sensitivities, asthma, allergies and other medical conditions. We ask our entire community to be mindful of this and refrain from using perfume/cologne and other scented products when coming to Agnus Dei.



Let's Get in the Habit of Wearing Nametags

As a sign of hospitality to visitors, please remember to wear your nametag! In addition to welcoming newcomers, some of us are finding it difficult to recognize each other with our facemasks on. If you are in need of a new nametag, please call or email the church office or leave a note on Cindy's desk.



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

The monthly newsletter of
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Congregational Vice President: Lynette Brentin
Council Secretary: Marlene Bridgforth
Financial Secretary: Bob Nussbaum
Treasurer: Leif Dobszinsky
Faith Community Nurse: Position Open
Faith Community Nurse: Position Open

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