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ALL SAINTS

LUTHERAN CHURCH

All Saints Gather
Monthly Newsletter
June 2012

Pastor's Message

In one of the later chapters of the Tao Te Ching, it says that

"... the stiff and unbending will be broken while the soft and yielding will overcome ..."

The Tao is commonly translated as the way or the path, but the reality of it is that the word Tao is not readily translated into any language, including Chinese!"

(Jacob Needleman, introduction to Tao Te Ching,
translated by Gia-Fu Feng and Jane English, Vintage Books 1989).

Now, you are probably wondering why I am quoting to you from the Tao Te Ching when I could be quoting the bible. However, we are ALL supposed to be reading our bible every day and quoting it would be redundant! That's my job for the day, I know that we all have our own ways of reading and studying and I am confident that you are all "in the word" in the way that works for you. My reason for quoting the Tao is that I read it very often and I find it an exceptional way to relate to the world and it is a great supplement to the bible. Written over 2500 years ago it is a wonderful read that we can apply to the outer AND inner realms of our life. It is meant to be internalized, just like the bible!

The reason for the specific quote above is that I see people being stiff and unbending all around me. We see our politicians both at the local and state levels digging in their heels and refusing to work together to help with budget issues and in the end the poor and the vulnerable are the ones who get the shaft while the large corporations continue to get incentives and tax breaks. Don't even get me started on politics at the national level! Suffice it to say that the system is broken and nothing short of a complete overhaul of the system will fix anything. Okay, I've got a jab and a rant in and I feel much better now!

Back to the topic at hand. The Tao's advice to be flexible applies in our personal lives and in our social and civic lives as well. Rarely does being formidable and unyielding accomplish anything other than in the short term. We must learn, especially as Christian disciples, that God calls us to love and care for our neighbor. If we think carefully about what that entails we easily realize that flexibility **MUST** be the order of the day. Loving people requires us to adapt to many different situations and to meet people in places that very likely will be different from our own. If we have a rigid outlook on life and try to force everything and everybody into our way of thinking, we will find ourselves with no one to talk to but those who are just like us. Then we divide into camps and start name calling and arguing and nothing gets done and -- well you get the idea.

Jesus sat, talked and ate with people of all different backgrounds, mostly with the down and out and marginalized but also with the wealthy and influential. We are to follow his example, sit, talk and eat with everyone, show the love of God in our actions and on our faces. Tell those we are with that we care about them and love them, be flexible in our attitudes and kind in our dealings. Remember -- humans are soft and flexible and open to God's will when they are born, humans are stiff and hard when they are dead. Let's try to remain closer to God by being softer and more open to God's will, no sense in drying out and becoming hardened before our time!

Pastor Alan

ALL SAINTS CHURCH DIRECTORY

Pastor ... Reverend Alan B. Eschenbacher

Lay Ministers ... All Members of All Saints Congregation

Organist ... Willie Graf

Worship Leader/Choir Director ... Mary Johnson

Parish Administrator ... Teresa Freund

Altar Guild Directress ... Cora Jelinek

Newsletter Editor ... Verne St John

Council President ... Bryce Eschenbacher

Council Vice President ... Dean Treichel

Council Secretary ... Maynard Ross

Church Treasurer ... Eleanor Olson

Financial Secretary ... Cora Jelinek

Happy
Fathers
Day!
June 17, 2012



All Saints' Vision Statement

**"People of Christ,
Living in Community,
Working in Partnership,
Doing the 'Stuff' of Local Ministry"**

ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH has witnessed God in action in our congregation, and in the world. We seek to proclaim the Gospel that all may know the depth of God's love. We thankfully exercise our abilities, time and material assets in service to our neighbor.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same spirit,
and there are varieties of service, but the same LORD,
and there are varieties of workings,
but it is the same GOD who inspires them all in every thing.

1 CORINTHIANS 12:4-6

Love the LORD your God with all your heart,
and with all your soul and with all your mind ...
love your neighbor as yourself.

MATTHEW 22:37-40

Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them
in the name of the FATHER, and of the SON, and of the HOLY SPIRIT,
and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you,
and remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

MATTHEW 28:19-20

"The Great Commitment to the Great Commandment and the Great Commission"

In Jesus' Name We Pray



For the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the future of All Saints
For Pastor Alan Eschenbacher as he serves All Saints
For Bishop Martin Wells and the Synod Staff
For ELCA presiding Bishop Mark Hanson
For Divine Guidance for our Country
For Thanksgiving and time with Family



Prayer Requests

Brian Dickerson, Craig Davenport, Kass
Arlene O'Brien, Shirley & Homer Evers,
Pastor Shelley Bryan-Wee, Terry Forezek, Dillon,
The Carollo Family, Joanne Simnioniw, Di Barker, Matthew,
Larry Vosseler, Roger Bagby, Nancy Jennings, Bill Lobeda,
Lelyn Nelson, Joanne Brockway, Ben Gittings, Jean Goeringer,
Jane Clayton, Connie Jelinek, Hazel Wolfrum, Forest, Shannon,
Janice Johnson, Mike Arquette, Cindy Shepherd, Lawney Deasy



For our
Members
in the Military
Paul Billings,
Ben Coles,
Robert Guyton,
Aaron Jelinek



Our
Heartfelt
Sympathy
to:

The Family of Naven Crutchfield

Naven was born January 17, 1980 and passed away May 6, 2012 at age 32. Naven, his wife, Lynn, and their children, Amanda, Natasha and Mordecai, have been active members of All Saints LC for several years until Naven's illness prevented his attendance. Lynn has also been cooking for the Tuesday night dinners at ASLC since it began.



... Bishop's Message ...

God's beloved people,

Cross Connection-June

What a fine, fine Synod Assembly we had in Wenatchee!

I had looked forward to a comfortable family gathering — the best of us — and I was not disappointed!

Thanks to wonderful leadership from LeAnn and Dave Haven this was a home-grown festival of the best in our synod: Wonderful worship led with sweet energy and a zesty Mariachi flavor; solid program offerings covering synod ministries; and creative planning and sites for afternoon field trips. Add in beautiful weather, a good convention facility and faithful business to attend to and this Assembly ranks among the very best!

Many, many thanks to the Assembly committee, our Assembly Manager Karla Olson, the synod staff and many volunteers for the dedication and hard work around this time. We were and are blessed!

An update on the business conducted and approved is up on the synod website (www.ewaidssynod.org) including a budget for next year (a 3% increase beginning February 1, 2013); the three resolutions that passed; and those elected to various offices and responsibilities. We celebrated congregational and leader anniversaries and said thank you to Marilyn Rounds for many years of church service concluding with her role as our synod secretary. Pastor Ernie Collard was presented with an anniversary certificate thanking him for his 60 years (so far!) of pastoral service. We disbursed SHARE grants of over \$20,000; seminary scholarships for seven seminarians totaling \$13,000; and welcomed news that \$7,000 in ELCA Hunger Appeal money is being spent on projects in the synod.

Our Churchwide representative, Pr. Steven Bouman, encouraged us in his preaching and his report from the national and international church. The Shekinah Christian Community of Lewiston, Idaho, was received as a Synodically Authorized Worshipping Community. Our Director for Evangelical Mission, Pr. Helga Jansons, led a report on the whole variety of missional initiatives underway around the synod. During worship we gathered offerings totaling almost \$13,000 to be shared with the ELCA Malaria campaign and with the Yakima Valley Hispanic Outreach ministry.

My own sense was one of deep encouragement as to our mission. We know the day is complex but we still believe that Jesus Christ offers a way of hope and life.

We fully intend to "Go! Tell! And Serve!" as our theme urges us to do.

Thanks again to one and all: We are God's people together!

Pr. Martin Wells, Bishop

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Come to Wenatchee at apple picking time and there
near the banks of the beautiful Columbia River remember your baptism!

BORN * CALLED *** CAUGHT**

"My counsel for you is simple and straightforward: Just go ahead with what you've been given. You received Christ Jesus, the Master; now live him. You're deeply rooted in him. You're well constructed upon him. You know your way around the faith. Now do what you have been taught. Schools out; quit studying the subject and start living it! And let your living spill over into thanksgiving."

COLOSSIANS 2:6 FROM "THE MESSAGE" BY EUGENE PETERSON

The 2012 Gathering is September 28-30th at the Red Lion in Wenatchee, Washington

Theme presenter, **Pastor Susan Briehl**

Singing our Faith *** Bearing witness to each other *** Doing God's work

Laughing and maybe a few tears *** We are born through Spirit, to live!

This Gathering will include the 2012 Convention of the
Eastern Washington-Idaho Synodical Women's Organization of the Women of the ELCA.

Wenatchee, Worship, Word, Women, Wonder & Water

Our gathering in Wenatchee will begin with registration Friday afternoon, September 28th. After registering, you may shop the silent auction, perhaps attend a workshop or walk along the beautiful Columbia River. The Apple Capitol Recreational Loop Trail is about a half-mile from the hotel by road. I'm sure ducks would take a shorter route. You can follow the trail to the Walla Walla Point Park or for miles. We will begin our gathering with worship Friday and close with worship with Pastor Susan on Sunday morning. Friday evening supper and Saturday lunch will be on your own. There are at least eight restaurants just .2 of a mile from the hotel. And a number further down the road. Hamburgers, Pizza, and Applebee's are close by. Little Caesars can be walked to in less than a minute. Further down the road a variety of choices are found. Saturday evening we will offer a banquet. Saturday and Sunday mornings will feature a free breakfast buffet from 6am-10am for those who have rooms at the hotel.

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## **REGISTRATION FORM**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_ Delegate \_\_\_\_\_ Participant \_\_\_\_\_

Church & Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration deadline: September 15, 2012**

Registration Fee: \$66.00 / Saturday Banquet - \$29.00

Choice of Meal: (check one) Parmesan Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_

Special Dietary Needs \_\_\_\_\_

Please send Registration with check made out to

"Eastern Washington/Idaho Synodical" care of registrar:

Brigitte Sanborn \*\*\* 625 N. Lincoln \*\*\* Sandpoint, Idaho 83864 \*\*\* 208-263-8120



Happy Birthday to You - Happy Birthday to You  
Happy Birthday Dear Friend - Happy Birthday to You  
And many more !!!



June 5th  
**Jerry Jacholkowski**

June 7th  
**Janice Johnson**

June 7th  
**Roberta MacKay**

June 14th  
**Angie McKinley**

June 16th  
**Lela Bryant**

June 16th  
**Kathleen Thompson**

June 19th  
**Brianne Hill**

June 21st  
**Trayci Ballin**

June 21st  
**Michael Ballin**

June 28th  
**Paula Fendler**



June 1st -- **Harry and Mavis Michael**  
June 14th -- **Alan and Laurel Eschenbacher**  
June 18th -- **George and Margo Dettman**  
June 18th -- **Keith and Mai Thomas**  
June 27th -- **Reider and Bernice Rosendahl**  
June 28th -- **Jeremy and Stacey Winkle**



# What's Happening In and Around All Saints?

## House Church Bible Studies



will meet 11:30am on Wednesday, June 13th at All Saints LC Fellowship Room

BIBLE

## Womer of All Saints

We will not be meeting in June, July and August  
but will resume in September

Bring a Fave  
Snack to  
share

## All Saints' Sinners Card Group

will meet 7pm, Friday—June 15th, at the Gittings' home.  
We will not meet July and August, but will resume in September



Watch the Sunday Bulletins and  
the "All Saints Gather" Newsletter for  
September Resumption Dates for the above meetings

Note that the All Saints Council Meetings  
have been changed to the  
"SECOND MONDAY"  
of the month.

## A FEW SPECIAL DATES FOR JUNE

Sunday, June 3rd after worship, there will be a special Coffee Time  
to celebrate Pastor Alan's Ten Years at All Saints

Thursday, June 14th is Flag Day

Sunday, June 17th is FATHERS Day  
And there will be a special Coffee Time in honor of all our Great DADs

And Sunday, June 20th is the First Day of Summer

ENJOY A HAPPY JUNE 2012 !



# Worship Group Schedule

## FOR JUNE 3rd

Greeters / Ushers ...John Holzendorf, Erik Hill, Jean Goeringer

Altar Guild ...Verna Bagby, Dee Priest

Coffee Hour ...**Special Coffee Hour for Pr. Alan's Tenth Anniversary at All Saints**  
Nelma Johnson, Brianne Hill, Carrie Greenwood

## FOR JUNE 10th

Greeters / Ushers ...Brad Johnson, Dean Treichel, Jean Goeringer

Altar Guild ...Verna Bagby, Dee Priest, Brianne Hill, John Holzendorf

Coffee Hour ...Marie Voss, Reider and Bernice Rosendahl

## FOR JUNE 17th

Greeters / Ushers ...Howard and Nadine Kelly, Jean Goeringer

Altar Guild ...Verna Bagby, Dee Priest

Coffee Hour ...**Special Coffee Hour for Father's Day**  
Pat and Janice Johnson, Robert Chenault and Leona Brumitt

## FOR JUNE 24th

Greeters / Ushers ...Howard and Nadine Kelly, Jean Goeringer

Altar Guild ...Verna Bagby, Dee Priest, Brianne Hill, John Holzendorf

Coffee Hour ...Eleanor Olson, Wally and Camilla Phillipson

## Worship Group #3 for June 2012 consists of:

Don Babcock, Roger Bagby, Verna Bagby, Leona Brumitt, Robert Chenault,  
Patrick Burch, Jean Goeringer, Carrie Greenwood, Breanne Hill, Erik Hill, John Hozendorf,  
Brad Johnson, Janice Johnson, Nelma Johnson, Pat Johnson, Howard Kelly, Nadine Kelly,  
Rev. Mark Nelson, Eleanor Olson, Camilla Phillipson, Wally Phillipson, Dee Priest,  
Bernice Rosendahl, Reider Rosendahl, Dean Treichel, Marie Voss, Shylah Voss

# Scripture Readings for June 2012

**Sunday-The Holy Trinity  
First Sunday after Pentecost**

**Color: White**

Isaiah 6:1-8

Psalm 29 (2)

Romans 8:12-17

John 3:1-17



**Sunday-June 10, 2012**

**Second Sunday after Pentecost**

**Color: Green**

1 Samuel 15:34-16:13

Psalm 20 (6)

2 Corinthians 5:6-10 [11-13] 14-17

Mark 4:26-34

**Monday-June 11, 2012**

**Barnabas, Apostle**

**Color: Scarlet Red**

Isaiah 42:5-12

Psalm 112 (1)

Acts 11:19-30; 13:1-3

Matthew 10:7-16

**Sunday-June 17, 2012**

**Third Sunday after Pentecost**

**Color: Green**

1 Samuel 17:[1a, 4-11, 19-23] 32-49

Psalm 9:9-20 (9)

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Mark 4:35-41

**Sunday-June 24, 2012**

**John the Baptist**

**Color: White**

Malachi 3:1-4

Psalm 141 (8)

Acts 13:13-26

Luke 1:57-67 (68-80)

**Sunday-June 24, 2012**

**Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Color: Green**

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27

Psalm 130 (1)

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Mark 5:21-43

**Friday-June 29, 2012**

**Peter and Paul, Apostles**

**Color: Scarlet/Red**

Acts 12:1-11

Psalm 87:1-3, 5-7 (3)

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

John 21:15-19