SWEET TREATS AND FELLOWSHIP
Following worship, join us for refreshments and visiting in the narthex. Kids are invited to gather for a ‘mini-Sunday School” activity on the lawn (or in the sanctuary if it’s rainy). To help provide treats, sign up on the hallway bulletin board or click the QR code on pg.3

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE
What your offerings are is an act of saying thanks to God for all that He has already provided.

Epistle Lesson
Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. 7 Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.” 8 We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. 9 We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, 10 nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. 11 Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. 12 Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. 13 No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and He will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation He will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it. 1 Corinthians 10:6–13 (ESV)
Gospel Lesson

He also said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions.  And he called him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.’  And the manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg.  I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.’  So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’  He said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’  He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’  Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’  He said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’  He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’  The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light.  And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.  Luke 16:1–9 (ESV)

Prayer of the Church

In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For mercy, that in turn we would be quick to show mercy to others, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For this congregation, that we would not fall prey to grumbling, adultery, idolatry, disbelief or other great shame and vice, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

For those called to preach and teach throughout the world, that they would not be lured away into false doctrine or lead anyone else astray, but that they would be preserved in the truth of God’s Word, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

For our government, that those with authority would not only be shrewd in their dealings, but act with love, righteousness and devotion to the common good, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

For the sick or suffering, [including _____________,] that they would receive strength to endure their trials until God removes them, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

For all who commune, that they would come to the Lord’s Supper in repentance and faith for the forgiveness of sins and in the unity of a true confession, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

Lord God, heavenly Father, You have blessed us bountifully and given us daily bread. We implore You, preserve us from all covetousness and enliven our hearts to share Your gifts willingly with our brothers in need, that we may be found faithful stewards of Your gifts and abide in Your grace when we are removed from our stewardship and come before Your judgment; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
GATHER-GROW-GO

Gather to hear God’s Word.
Grow in our faith and love for one another.
Go and serve neighbors as God enables us.

Scan this QR code to access our SignUPGenius page, where you can volunteer for worship roles, Bedtime Books, and property beautification.

Not sure how? Stop by the office or find Pastor and Rosemary and we can show you.

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace. 1 Peter 4:10.

Girls 12 and older, you are invited to attend Friends In Faith adventures! Questions? See Becky Bergemann or Carrie Grey.

Friends in Faith Summer Fun:

**Tuesday, July 30**
Spread a little Scripture and FroYo Night at the Gig Harbor Menchies
Depart Bethany parking lot 4pm – return @ 7pm

**Saturday, August 24**
Explore Fort Worden & Historic Port Townsend
Depart Bethany parking lot 9am – return @ 5pm

Evergreen Lutheran High School Work Party
ELHS Building and Grounds committee will be hosting a Work Day.
August 10th, from 8:00pm to Noon.
We will have outside jobs like weeding, hedging, mowing etc. and inside projects like washing windows, wiping down tables, etc. ELHS has some tools to use but please bring whatever tools, buckets, gloves, rakes, that you feel necessary.
Prayer, coffee and donuts will start our day. Please join us to help make the Lord’s school look great for the upcoming school year!

Sincerely,
ELHS Building and Grounds Committee
CALENDAR

SUNDAY, 7/28 Trinity 9
9:00 am Worship w/communion
(livestreamed)
Sweet Treats & Fellowship following
Following Service
VBS set up

MONDAY, 7/29
7:00 pm
Worship

TUESDAY 7/30
4:00-7:00 pm
Friends in Faith FroYo

WEDNESDAY 7/31
7:00 pm
Bedtime Books
*Donations for Care Net: New/gently used items (NB-4 years), wipes, diapers, etc.

WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY 7/31-8/2
9:00 am-2:00 pm
VBS

SUNDAY, 8/4 Trinity 10
9:00 am Worship
(livestreamed)
Sweet Treats & Fellowship following

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:
*Monday-Friday, 8am-12pm;
Please call ahead to be sure someone is available to assist you

Flowers on the Altar this week are given to the glory of God in honor of Doug and Kathy Seals in honor of family birthdays.

SERVING YOU TODAY

Preacher Mr. Shu-Ting Lai
Organist/Accompanist Mrs. Barb Mantey
Communion Assistant Chris Denney
Acolytes Sievers, B. Percich, Singleton
Elder on duty this week Henry Shadbolt

*Communion is offered on the 2nd and 4th Sundays & Mondays of the month.

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