

Soundings

March 2025

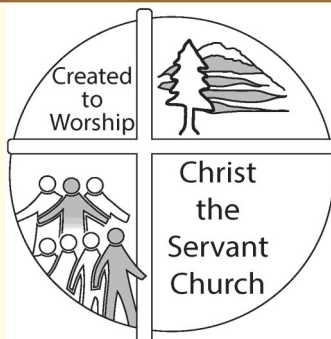


Beginning Wednesday
March 5th

6:00 PM Soup Supper
7:00 PM Worship Service

If you would like to provide soup for one of these meals please sign-up on the clip board that is on the podium outside the worship area.

We thank Judy Horton for using her gift of hospitality to help make these meals happen.



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Christ the Servant is now streaming the 11am service on YouTube, as well as on our own website. To get to the YouTube site, type in the address [YouTube.com/@CSLCLacey](https://www.youtube.com/@CSLCLacey). You can search for our service, but there are other churches with our name, so you need to type in "Christ the Servant Lutheran Church Lacey, WA livestream." If you can subscribe to the site (it doesn't cost anything), that will help direct more people to our service! This is a better outreach tool than just our own website as it is a much easier platform for people outside of our church to find. The recorded service will be available soon after the service ends, but note that the recorded services on YouTube are not edited, so the service itself starts at about 30 minutes into the video. You can also make comments as you watch the live or recorded service, but at this point we don't have anyone monitoring the comments to answer questions. If you would like to be our comments manager (you could do it from home!) contact Pam Beal at pambeal@gmail.com.

Many thanks to Jarod Torres for putting in the work to make this happen!

-Pam Beal

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Words can never adequately convey the incredible impact of our attitudes toward life.

The longer I live the more convinced I become that

LIFE IS 10% WHAT HAPPENS TO US AND 90% HOW WE RESPOND TO IT.

-Chuck Swindoll

Easter Facility Preparations

See Randy Jones if you would like to serve in preparing the church facility for Easter Sunday. This includes moving crosses to the entryway and sanctuary, moving extra chairs into the worship area, and putting up banners.

Randy Jones
(253)297-7086



On the effectiveness of prayer:

Albert Einstein had a theory called "*Spooky Action at a Distance*" that says that when two atoms have been close together, when you move them apart, if one atom turns, the other also turns. This theory has been proven at a distance of up to 80 some miles: at 80 miles apart, when one of the previously entangled atoms turns, the other one does, too. I love this theory because it shows that when we say "I'm thinking of you" to someone we love, we indeed are having an effect on them. So much more so with prayer. "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous person availeth much," says the Lord's brother James. I love that Barb Koch gave out pens at Jerry's memorial, and my favorite pens were about prayer, something Jerry practiced fervently: "Always pray and NEVER GIVE UP" Luke 18:1 and "Pray about everything; worry about nothing" (Philippians 4:6). In Sunday School, Becky Lee and I always have the children end with prayers about things that are important to them. One Sunday class was over and we were starting to leave, and one of the girls said in a loud voice "We haven't prayed yet!" So we all stopped, sat back down, put our head in our hands (it helps us calm down) and prayed. And their prayers are coming true, as you know.

-Pam Beal





A Woman's Prayer

Oh, my God, I love You
and I need You in my life,
but it seems I get so busy
being mother, friend or wife.
That I haven't time to spend
with You to hear what You
would say, to sit and listen to
Your will, the way to live my
life today.

I know it isn't possible
to simply find the time,
help me Lord to make it,
time that's only Yours and
mine.

Lynne Hall

Let's Pray

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Women's Prayer
Group

PRAYER FRIENDS

Wednesdays
9:00 am
In the Library

For more information
see Elaine Williams -
850 324-7611

Lenten Law and Gospel

In Lutheran college and seminary I was taught to distinguish God's Word as both law and gospel. This careful delineation helps us walk closely with the Lord. His Law (commandments, precepts and teachings) instruct us in the way we should live, and also mirror to us our shortcomings. His Gospel (the Good News of Jesus) relieves us of the burden of sin through repentance. We need both Law and Gospel to thrive. The Gospel revives sinners who cannot keep God's Law perfectly.

However some passages from the Word seem to almost mix up Law and Gospel:

"I will walk about in freedom, because I have sought out Your precepts." (Psalm 119:45).

"I will never forget Your teachings, because You give me new life when I follow them." (Psalm 119:93 - CEV).

Freedom and Life with God come from the message of Christ - His Gospel of peace. How then can God's Law liberate and give life to us? I'm glad you asked!

The Law is not only God's moral standard, it is also like a tutor that instructs us in joyful and wise living. Jesus taught us perfectly how to live in His sermon on the mount (Matthew 5-7). Yet His teachings do not change our hearts. That is the work of the Holy Spirit through the Good News. At great cost He has redeemed me - "a lost and condemned person" (Luther). Jesus loves you and forgives your sins! Then as we turn from our ways to His ways - He leads us in His "paths of righteousness" for His glory. He changes us day by day, from glory to glory.

So this Lenten season at Christ the Servant we will begin each Lenten worship service (Sunday and Wednesday) with both Law and Gospel. We will review the 10 commandments and Martin Luther's explanation of each. We will review the Great Commandment Jesus gave us - to love God and neighbor. And as always we will hear the Gospel of forgiveness, joy and peace in our Lord. Thus may we walk about in true Christian freedom and enjoy the abundant life with God and neighbor.

May the Lord of Law and Gospel revive and bless you this Lenten season,

Pastor Joe

CSLC Bible Groups

Sundays

10:10 AM Jonah (Living Way) - Pastor Joe
In the Community Room

Faith Formation (Middle School) - Valerie Torres
(360)970-7928

Carpenter's Corner (Elementary) - Pam Knight
(253)592-9019 &
Becky Lee
(253)335-8099

Tuesdays

9:30 AM Women's Bible Study - Sara Tripp
(513)349-3864

11:30 AM Men's Fellowship, Our Daily Bread Discussion -
Joe Hubbard (360)438-1163

Wednesdays

9:00 AM Prayer Group - Elaine Williams
(850)324-7611

10:00 AM Bible Class - Ted Kriefall (360)866-0661

Thursdays

10:00 AM Discovery Bible Group - Pierre Clement
(502)708-5707

4th Friday of Every Month

10:30 AM Art With a Heart - Lynne Hall
(206)979-3562

Saturdays

8:00 AM Men's Breakfast & accountability @ Firecreek
(Capitol City Golf Club) - Jack Manicke (360)438-6876

2nd Saturday of Every Month

8:00 AM Men's Breakfast@ Denny's - Randy Jones
(253)297-7086

Discovery Bible Study Group



Thursdays
10:00 AM

Any questions contact
Pierre Clement
(502)708-5707
pierreclm55@gmail.com



Living Way Bible study, 10:10 am - 10:55 am

We will explore the prophet, Jonah. This is a short six-session study that I hope you will prayerfully consider. We will conclude Sunday, March 16th.

Perhaps you've heard fishermen stories of "*the biggest fish I ever caught.*" Well Jonah might be titled, "*the biggest fish that caught me!*" You will be exploring the call of God on your life. Everyone is welcome!

If you are new to Christ the Servant this is a great way to grow spiritually with others in the church family. Any questions? Please contact me (360)456-2755
Pastor Joe



Pastor Joe

Wednesday
10:00 AM
Bible Study with
Pastor Ted Kriefall



A seven-session study of Exodus. It will finish on February 26th.

Any questions contact
Ted Kriefall
(360)866-0661



Needed:
Blankets,
Sleeping Bags,
Socks, and
New Shoes

**Your 2025
CSLC Council
Team**

President
Mike Firch

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Pierre Clement

Secretary
Herb Hoff

Treasurer
Luanne Kohout

Members
Carl Anderson
Karl Tripp
Elaine Williams
Pastor Joe Beal



**Mon., Wed., Fri.
9:00 am to 3:00 pm**



Fresh Wind of the Holy Spirit -

Kameron Moses and Austin Bone have felt God's call to Christ the Servant Youth Ministry Team! Welcome to Kam and Austin. They have great energy, dreams and plans for and with our Christ the Servant students. I am apprenticing them and we are now planning to have weekly youth meetings.

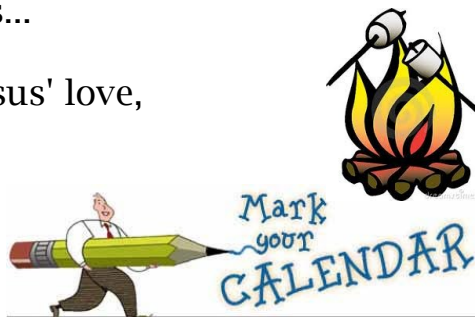
This Sunday, February 23rd, Firepit

This Sunday, 5-7pm "Youth and Family FIREPIT" at the home of **Mike and Suzy Firch: 3605 Lake Forest Court SE, Lacey, 98503** Please bring something to share: A song, skit, story, something to roast over the fire...RSVP to Kameron at **moseskam136@gmail.com** or directly: **(725)276-7189**.

Kameron is going to share what the Lord has been doing in his life - and maybe some others will share too! BTW if the weather is really bad, we can meet under Mike's porch awning and roast stuff and play table games...

Yours in Jesus' love,

Pastor Joe



February 23rd

Youth & Family Firepit at the home of Mike & Suzy Firch.

March 5th

Ash Wednesday Service 7:00 PM.

Lenten Soup Suppers

Starting March 5th thru April 16th.