



# THE PREVIEW

OCTOBER 2018

## Annual Congregational Meeting Announcement

**Sunday, October 28, 2018**

**Join us for a single,  
combined worship  
service  
at 10:00 AM.**

**Immediately following worship  
we will hold our  
annual congregational meeting.**

**The 2019 Ministry Plan will be  
available prior to the meeting.**

**Childcare will be provided.**



Reminder! To be eligible to vote at the annual congregational meeting, you must have a recorded worship attendance and contribution at least two weeks prior to the meeting. Please fill out a yellow worship slip or register your attendance via the church smartphone app.

## Our Vision and Mission

**We are a  
congregation of  
Christ followers  
making disciples  
who  
worship,  
grow,  
serve,  
and steward.**

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## Congregation Council

### **Council Members**

**Dave Larkin**, President  
**Jenifer Haler**, Vice President  
**Jeff Pilger**, Financial Officer  
**Janet Budzeck**, Secretary  
**Todd Maier**, Member-at-Large  
**Darrell Miles**, Member-At-Large  
**Ted Stuenkel**, Member-At-Large  
**Tom Pitkin**, Member-At-Large  
**Andy Ribbing**, Member-At-Large

### **Ex Officio Member**

**Pastor Steve Ernst**, Lead Pastor

Minutes of Council meetings are available on the website.

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## Staff

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## Member Directory Changes

No changes this month.

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## Pastoral Acts

### Baptisms

None

### Weddings

None

### Memorial/Funerals

None

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## The Sermon on the Mount and the Kingdom of God: Bringing Things Together



**From  
Pastor  
Steve**

As most of you know, RLC has started a sermon series which takes us through the greatest sermon ever preached, the Sermon on the Mount. We'll be working through the text of Matthew, chapters five, six and seven. You may also know that I've started a Bible Study on Wednesday nights dealing with the Kingdom of God (Kingdom of Heaven in Matthew). What you may not know is how the Sermon on the Mount and the Kingdom of God are intricately connected.

To better understand the connectedness, let's take a cursory look at the first four chapters of Matthew. In chapter one, Matthew records the important genealogy of Jesus and his birth. To a Jewish audience who is expecting the Messiah (who will bring the kingdom) to come from the line of David, this is of utmost importance. In chapter two, Matthew records the visit of the Magi (about a year after the birth of Jesus), the Holy Family's escape to Egypt, and their eventual return to their hometown of Nazareth. In chapter three, Matthew fast forwards to the beginning of Jesus' ministry, recording the preparation of John the Baptist, and the baptism of Jesus. In chapter four, Matthew records Jesus' temptation in the desert, the call of the first disciples and the beginning of Jesus' public ministry.

All this leads up to the Sermon on the Mount.

It is at the end of chapter four that Matthew records the primary content of Jesus' ministry and message, the Kingdom of God, "Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom" (Matt. 4:23a, NIV). This verse launches us into the Sermon on the Mount, which, as Matthew points out, is teaching and proclamation regarding the Kingdom of God. The introductory material in the beginning of chapter five, known as the Beatitudes (literally "blessings"), highlight the virtues and attitudes of the one who lives in the kingdom of God. All that follows instructs how one lives these virtues and attitudes in the kingdom.

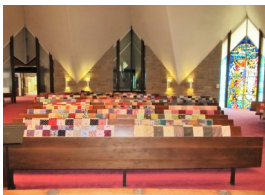
So, understanding the Kingdom of God becomes truly important. That's why we'll be delving deeper into understanding the kingdom in our time together on Wednesday evenings. I hope you'll make the time to join us both Sundays and Wednesdays, making them your living and learning the Kingdom of God days.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Steve

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## Quilt Blessing and LWR Packing



Our sanctuary looks so colorful with all the beautiful quilts displayed over the pews as they are blessed. Monday, October 14, starting at 9:30, we will pack bags filled with school supplies, health kits, baby layettes, and the quilts in to boxes for their trip to Spokane for Lutheran World Relief.

The quilters and LWR team will host HeBrews Café on Sunday, October 13, and we will pray a blessing over the quilts in worship services. Please join us!

## Learning from the Master's Words



**From  
Pastor  
Corey**

Ah, yes, autumn. The trees changing colors, preparing to drop the leaves that were green and shade-giving all summer that will now be turning red, orange, and brown. The evening sun in golden radiance saying 'good night' a bit earlier. The morning sun yawning, and taking a bit longer to wake up and stretch its legs, breathing a cool breath to greet us and remind us that the season is changing.

I remember my Grandpa outside raking leaves, and how my brother and I would be so excited to play catch with the football at Gram's and Gramps' house. Smelling hot apple cider steaming on the porch while I planted bulbs on a hillside in the Cascades. Watching my boys jump in the mountain of leaves I had painstakingly created. I love the changing of seasons.

With the arrival of autumn, we are also beginning a season of sitting at the feet of Jesus and learning what it means to live as kingdom people. We have begun an expository sermon series on the Sermon on the Mount, the greatest sermon ever preached, spoken from the mouth of Jesus Himself. In this sermon, Jesus gives us a beautiful picture of life as His follower, of living under the rule and example of the Savior. And Jesus doesn't ask us to be anything that He Himself didn't model. We will look mostly verse by verse at His powerful words as we travel through Matthew chapters 5-7. I strongly encourage you to become familiar with these three chapters...read them each week or daily if you can. They are life transforming!

Jesus "went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them" (Matthew 5:1-2). As we embrace this changing season, may we also embrace this new opportunity to sit at His feet, and learn from the Master's words.

## LCMC NW District Gathering



RLC will be hosting the May, 2019, LCMC Northwest Gathering!  
The theme is "My Feet Are On the Rock."

Come have fun painting rock favors with the planning committee. No talent required. All materials will be provided.

Saturday, October 13, at 10:13 AM, at 1615 Goethals, around the corner from the church. Call Kathy Umbarger for more info or directions.

**Dave  
Larkin,  
Council  
President**

## President's Perspectives - October

**Pastor Appreciation Month** – Since 1992, October has been unofficially designated as Clergy Appreciation Month with Pastor Appreciation Day designated as the second Sunday of the month. (Hallmark Cards started this tradition.) While we shouldn't wait until a particular month to express our appreciation for Pastor Corey and Pastor Steve, being reminded this way is good for us. Being a pastor is a stressful job because of the time required to do the job, because of the stress of having to deal with emotional events and emotional people, and the weight of knowing God holds them responsible for how they shepherd the flock entrusted to them.

From sermons, Bible classes, spiritual and relational care through home or hospital visits, planning and equipping us for ministries, and supervising and guiding our great staff, Steve and Corey do so much to make a difference in our lives. I would encourage every one of you to reach out to our pastors. Let them know how much they mean to you. You could send a card, give them a call, or tell them face to face.

Thank you Pastor Steve and Pastor Corey for your teaching, the example you set in your lives, and your encouragement when I have had hard times.

**Annual Congregation Meeting** - In the next few days you should see copies of the agenda and other information for the Congregation's Annual

Meeting, scheduled for October 28. This is going to be a meeting where we will review where we have been this past year and where we believe God is leading us for the next year. You will get to vote on your leadership as we add members to the Nominating Committee and to the Council membership. There will also be a proposed revision to a Bylaw and a second vote on a revision to a clause in our Constitution.

We will consider a proposed Annual Ministry Plan for 2019 and a budget to support it. The proposed budget is only 2.5% higher than 2018's but includes increased funding for repairs to our aging facilities and a 3% cost of living increase for our staff.

The Nominating Committee has been much more deliberate than usual in their search for God's leading in recommending candidates to serve on Council. They have been meeting for most of the year and spending much time in prayer and fasting as they sought God's will.

Council had planned on having a recommendation for the congregation on how to use the money that was originally given for an off-site Retreat Center but we just didn't get it done. We will commit to spending time in prayer and deliberation this next year to bring you a recommendation that we believe would best utilize this resource for God's Kingdom.

Dave Larkin  
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## Singles Fellowship

Singles of all ages are invited to an afternoon of board games and socializing. Bring your favorite board game or deck of cards, or play one of the games we will have on hand. We will meet on the second Sunday of each month. You're welcome to bring a snack to share, if desired. This month we will meet on Sunday, October 14, from 1-3 PM.





**Ted Stuenkel  
Member-At-  
Large**

## From the Council

In his Sunday morning sermon series on the Book of James over this past summer, Pastor Corey has been sharing with us the many ways our faith in God is tested and what our responses should be so that we can grow and become mature Christians. In our monthly Men's Ministry Bible Study we have also discussed portions of the Book of James with the aid of a pamphlet from Rose Publishing titled Test of a Living Faith, The Book of James. These monthly lessons should continue for several more sessions.

The idea of spiritual maturity (or perfect completeness) is a crucial concept for James. I am not going to review all the various themes found in the book of James, but rather I would like to discuss one question posed early-on in the pamphlet and then summarize the answers provided. Each of us needs to evaluate the question and answer in consideration of our own individual spiritual growth.

Question: Can we really become spiritually mature (or perfect, holy)?

Many places in the Bible, we are called to be holy. An example is Matthew 5:48, "You, therefore, must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect." I know that doesn't sound possible, but we must keep trying. We have been challenged by Jesus to be perfect.

Complete maturity as a Christian requires us to live a righteous, truthful, honest, and pure life in complete faithfulness to God and his will. At the same time we must have sincerity of heart and singleness of mind. While reading this I thought of the medieval saints such as Thomas Aquinas and Francis of Assisi. This is definitely a difficult concept to envision in this age, but keep in mind that this is "complete maturity."

God shows the characteristics stated above as he relates to humans. Ephesians 5:1 states "Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children." However, when we are empowered by the Holy Spirit, the call to Christian maturity is attainable. This is what God originally intended from the beginning because we are made in God's image. Although reaching spiritual maturity requires hard work on our part, the good news is that God works within us to do the most difficult parts of that work. Our responsibility is to be receptive and allow God to enter our lives. This can be accomplished through prayer, Bible study, worship, partaking of the sacraments, service to others, and other spiritual disciplines.

Some of the ways we reflect spiritual maturity are the way we:

- Respond to God's Word
- Relate to other people (especially the poor and weak)
- Show self-control and restraint
- React to trials and temptations.

I hope you find this article helpful and thought provoking. I realize that I personally have much work yet to do regarding spiritual maturity. I may learn important messages from the pamphlets, Bible readings, and discussions in the Men's Ministry Bible Study sessions, but the important factor (and the most difficult) is the application of those lessons in my daily life.

I wish to thank the members of RLC for allowing me the privilege of serving the RLC Council for the past two years. Peace to all.

## RLC Financial Snapshot

	YTD - August 2018			Prior Year Comparison		
	Actuals	Budget	Var (O)/U	2017	2016	Var (O)/U
Offering/Income	534,080.00	547,168.00	13,088.00	510,832.00	508,317.00	2,515.00
Expenses	651,914.00	604,746.00	(47,168.00)	514,210.00	535,523.00	(21,313.00)
<b>Net Cash Flow</b>	<b>(117,834.00)</b>	<b>(57,578.00)</b>	<b>(60,256.00)</b>	<b>(3,378.00)</b>	<b>(27,206.00)</b>	<b>23,828.00</b>

Note: Expenses incl. Sal & Benefits

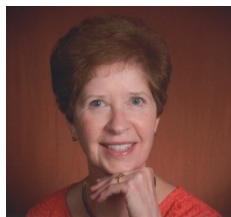
Questions? Lisa Wiegand or Jeff Pilger

## From the Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee wishes to report that after much prayer and deliberation the following have been selected and are hereby presented to you as nominees for the 2019 Council. We thank each of these individuals for hearing and answering God’s call to serve in this capacity. We also want to thank all of those who willingly journeyed through this process with us. And, we especially want to thank and praise God for leading and guiding us throughout this process.

Your 2019 Council nominees are: Jenifer Haler, Vice President; Janet Budzeck, Secretary; Ed Simonen, Member at Large; Kiane Lesser, Member at Large; Diane Bonin, Member at Large; and Val Silva, Member at Large (1 year to complete Janet Budzeck’s term in this capacity).

Nominating Committee:	Russ Warren Gary Weible Jerry Dagle	Shirley Fast Elaine Keyes Sandy Steele
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**Jenifer Leitz  
Haler**

Jenifer Leitz Haler  
 Baptized at Zion Lutheran Church, Fairfield, WA  
 Confirmed at Richland Lutheran Church.  
 Graduate of Pacific Lutheran University.  
 Married to Larry Haler at Richland Lutheran Church (44 years ago)  
 Taught elementary school for the Richland School District (retired)  
 Taught yoga for Christians to adults at Richland Lutheran, Christ the Servant (Lacey, WA), and Hillspring Church (retired)  
 Enjoy travel, walking our dog, spending time with our family, and being a part of the body of Christ - loving and serving the One True God.



**Ed  
Simonen**

Allow me to introduce myself as a church council nominee. I am Ed Simonen and have been a lifetime member of Lutheran churches. My original community was a small town on the southern shore of Lake Superior. From there, I attended Michigan Tech and Iowa State University. It was at Iowa State that I met Judy, my wife of 46 years. Our first daughter, Debbie, was born in Iowa and our second daughter, Patty, was born in Richland. We joined RLC in 1972 and have participated in a number of committees. In particular, I was director of operations for the Good News TV outreach for many years.

I look forward to being involved with the council for the RLC missions in spiritual enrichment, Christian education and social ministries. Through these ministries the Word will reach many in our community as well as around the world.

<b>October 2018</b>		
Sun	Mon	Tue
<p><b>Read the Bible 2018 daily selections are included in the calendar.</b></p>	<p><b>1</b> 9:00 AM Play Date 12:00 PM Mary Martha 5:00 PM Executive Committee 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study</p> <p><b>Isaiah 22-23 Ephesians 3</b></p>	<p><b>2</b> 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 1:00 PM Food Pantry Distribution 6:30 PM Cub Scouts Pack 248 7:00 PM Boy Scouts Troop 248</p> <p><b>Isaiah 24-26 Ephesians 4</b></p>
<p><b>7</b> 8:30 AM Worship 9:00 AM Good News Today - KVEW 9:45 AM HeBrews Café/ Sunday School 9:45 AM New Members Class 11:00 AM Worship 5:00 PM Worship 6:00 PM 4:12 Youth Group 7:00 PM Haler/Worgull Bible Study</p>	<p><b>8</b> 9:00 AM Play Date 12:00 PM Mary Martha 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study</p> <p><b>Isaiah 38-40 Philippians 3-4</b></p>	<p><b>9</b> 7:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast at Denny's 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 1:00 PM Food Pantry Distribution 6:30 PM Cub Scouts Pack 248 7:00 PM Boy Scouts Troop 248 7:00 PM Congregation Council</p> <p><b>Isaiah 41-42 Colossians 1</b></p>
<p><b>14</b> 8:30 AM Worship 9:00 AM Good News Today - KVEW 9:45 AM HeBrews Café/ Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 1:00 PM Singles Fellowship 3:00 PM Brookdale Chapel 5:00 PM Worship 6:00 PM 4:12 Youth Group 7:00 PM Haler/Worgull Bible Study</p>	<p><b>15</b> 9:00 AM Play Date 12:00 PM Mary Martha 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study</p> <p><b>Isaiah 56-58 1 Thess. 2:17-3:13</b></p>	<p><b>16</b> 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 1:00 PM Food Pantry Distribution 6:30 PM Cub Scouts Pack 248 7:00 PM Boy Scouts Troop 248</p> <p><b>Isaiah 59-61 1 Thess. 4</b></p>
<p><b>21</b> 8:30 AM Worship 9:00 AM Good News Today - KVEW 9:45 AM HeBrews Café/ Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 12:15 PM New Members Reception 5:00 PM Worship 6:00 PM 4:12 Youth Group 7:00 PM Haler/Worgull Bible Study</p>	<p><b>22</b> 9:00 AM Play Date 12:00 PM Mary Martha 1:30 PM Dorcas Circle Bible Study 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM Worship MALT</p> <p><b>Jeremiah 7-9 1 Timothy 1-2</b></p>	<p><b>23</b> 9:00 AM Christian Service MALT 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 1:00 PM Food Pantry Distribution 5:00 PM Biblical Stewardship MALT 6:30 PM Kairos 6:30 PM Cub Scouts Pack 248 7:00 PM Boy Scouts Troop 248</p> <p><b>Jeremiah 10-12 1 Timothy 3</b></p>
<p><b>28</b> 9:00 AM Good News Today - KVEW 10:00 AM Worship 11:30 AM Annual Congregational Meeting 6:00 PM 4:12 Youth Group 7:00 PM Haler/Worgull Bible Study 7:30 PM Union Gospel Mission Service</p>	<p><b>29</b> 9:00 AM Play Date 12:00 PM Mary Martha 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study</p> <p><b>Jeremiah 25-26 2 Timothy 2</b></p>	<p><b>30</b> 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 1:00 PM Food Pantry Distribution 6:30 PM Cub Scouts Pack 248 7:00 PM Boy Scouts Troop 248</p> <p><b>Tues. Jeremiah 27-29 2 Timothy 3</b></p> <p><b>Wed. Jeremiah 30-31 2 Timothy 4</b></p>



## October 2018

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>3</b> 9:00 AM Sewing Bee 1:00 PM Pastor Corey's Bible Study 2:30 PM Knitting Group 5:30 PM Children's Choir 5:30 PM Praise Band 6:00 PM Family Dinner 6:30 PM Pastor Steve's Bible Study 6:30 PM SuperKids!, MS Devo 7:00 PM Chancel Choir	<b>4</b> 9:00 AM Pastor Dave's Bible Study 10:30 AM Prayer Meeting 10:30 AM New Members Team 12:00 PM Outreach Team  <b>Wed.</b> <b>Isaiah 27-28</b> <b>Ephesians 5</b>	<b>5</b> 9:00 AM Bulletin Assembly 6:00 PM AA Meeting 6:30 PM Health Ministry Team  <b>Isaiah 31-33</b> <b>Philippians 1</b>	<b>6</b> 9:00 AM Food Pantry Distribution 4:30 PM Missions Prayer  <b>Isaiah 34-37</b> <b>Philippians 2</b>
<b>10</b> 9:00 AM Sewing Bee 1:00 PM Pastor Corey's Bible Study 2:30 PM Knitting Group 5:30 PM Children's Choir 5:30 PM Praise Band 6:00 PM Family Dinner 6:00 PM RLC Foundation 6:30 PM Pastor Steve's Bible Study 6:30 PM SuperKids!, MS Devo 7:00 PM Chancel Choir	<b>11</b> 9:00 AM Pastor Dave's Bible Study 10:30 AM Prayer Meeting 6:30 PM LIFT - Women's Ministry  <b>Wed.</b> <b>Isaiah 43-44</b> <b>Colossians 2</b>	<b>12</b> 9:00 AM Bulletin Assembly 6:00 PM AA Meeting 6:30 PM Health Ministry Team  <b>Isaiah 48-49</b> <b>1 Thess. 1</b>	<b>13</b> 9:00 AM Food Pantry Distribution 4:30 PM Missions Prayer  <b>Isaiah 50-55</b> <b>1 Thess. 2:1-16</b>
<b>17</b> 9:00 AM Sewing Bee 11:00 AM Lunch at LSC 1:00 PM Pastor Corey's Bible Study 2:30 PM Knitting Group 5:30 PM Children's Choir 5:30 PM Praise Band 6:00 PM Family Dinner 6:30 PM Pastor Steve's Bible Study 6:30 PM SuperKids!, MS Devo 7:00 PM Chancel Choir	<b>18</b> 9:00 AM Pastor Dave's Bible Study 10:30 AM Prayer Meeting 6:30 PM Team Night  <b>Wed.</b> <b>Isaiah 62-64</b> <b>1 Thess. 5</b>	<b>19</b> 9:00 AM Bulletin Assembly 6:00 PM AA Meeting 6:30 PM Health Ministry Team  <b>Jeremiah 1 - 3:5</b> <b>2 Thess. 2</b>	<b>20</b> 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast and Bible Study 9:00 AM Food Pantry Distribution 4:30 PM Missions Prayer  <b>Jeremiah 3:6-6:30</b> <b>2 Thess. 3</b>
<b>24</b> 9:00 AM Sewing Bee 1:00 PM Pastor Corey's Bible Study 2:30 PM Knitting Group 5:15 PM Worship MALT 5:30 PM Children's Choir 5:30 PM Praise Band 6:00 PM Family Dinner 6:30 PM Pastor Steve's Bible Study 6:30 PM SuperKids!, MS Devo 7:00 PM Chancel Choir	<b>25</b> 9:00 AM Pastor Dave's Bible Study 10:30 AM Prayer Meeting  <b>Wed.</b> <b>Jer. 13-15</b> <b>1 Timothy 4</b>	<b>26</b> 9:00 AM Bulletin Assembly 9:30 PM Hannah Circle Bible Study 6:00 PM AA Meeting 6:30 PM Health Ministry Team  <b>Jeremiah 18-20</b> <b>1 Timothy 6</b>	<b>27</b> 9:00 AM Food Pantry Distribution 4:30 PM Missions Prayer  <b>Jeremiah 21-24</b> <b>2 Timothy 1 - 2:13</b>
<b>31</b> 9:00 AM Sewing Bee 11:00 AM Lunch at LSC 1:00 PM Pastor Corey's Bible Study 2:30 PM Knitting Group 5:30 PM Children's Choir 5:30 PM Praise Band 6:00 PM Family Dinner 6:30 PM Pastor Steve's Bible Study 6:30 PM SuperKids!, MS Devo 7:00 PM Chancel Choir		<b>The Richland            Lutheran Church            calendar            changes daily!</b>	Please call the church office, 943-3164, or check the website, <a href="http://www.richlandlutheran.org">www.richlandlutheran.org</a> , for the most current information. Please note that not all activities are actually held at the church.



## Activities for Kids

Super Kids! is a Wednesday night ministry for children in 1st through 5th grade. Friends are always welcome to join us, and newcomers can jump in at any time! We meet as part of the Wednesday Night CONNECT, from 6:30 to 7:45, immediately following the family dinner at 6:00 PM, in the Prince of Peace fellowship area. Worship and prayer, Bible lessons, scripture memorization, games, crafts, and lots of fun happen each week!

This year we will be exploring the Beatitudes, as well as growing together as disciples of Christ through worship, spiritual growth, service, and using all that God has given us!

Oct. 3—Jesus calls his disciples  
 Oct. 10—The crowds follow Jesus  
 Oct. 17—The sermon on the mount  
 Oct. 24—God blesses those who are poor

For more information, please contact Jenny Page (JennyPageRLC@gmail.com)

## Middle School Fun

It is fully fall, and Middle School youth group is the place to be on Sunday mornings! Join us **Sunday mornings at 9:45** in the middle school room upstairs! You're guaranteed some fun and some awesome teaching – so if you're in middle school, be there!

Wednesday Connect has been awesome! We would love to invite the families of RLC to join us for dinner at 6 PM, a little worship at 6:30, and then for middle schoolers some small group time together until 7:30. This school year we will be focusing on prayer on Wednesday nights, and we're going to have some great stuff! Come check it out.

## High School Youth Group

4:12 is happening every Sunday night; 6:00 - 8:00 PM in the high school room. Each week we have some games, a lesson, and small group time. Whether you've been around forever, or you haven't come before, we would love to see you! If you've got a high school student in your home, encourage them to be there!

## RLC Women's Ministry - LiFT

Women of RLC! Join us on the second Thursday of each month, from 6:30-7:45 PM in the Prince of Peace fellowship hall for LiFT — Ladies in Fellowship Together.

On October 11, Valerie Bettinson will be leading us in our devotional lesson. Hope to see you there! Questions? Contact Jenny Page (JennyPageRLC@gmail.com)



## Council Nominees, Continued



**Janet  
Budzeck**

I was born in Pipestone, Minnesota, and raised on the family farm near Flandreau, South Dakota, until I was nine. My father and grandfather were killed in a car accident near our farm, so my mother with her four children moved to Idaho Falls, Idaho.

I attended secretarial school at Idaho State University and found employment with Westinghouse Corp. at the Navy training facility. My husband, Rick, and I met at a friend's house and attended First Lutheran Church, where we were married while he was still in the U.S. Navy. When Rick's enlistment was up, we moved to Columbia City, Oregon, where we lived for 23 years and raised our two daughters, Gretchen and Alyce.

We moved to Richland from Oregon in 1994 and have been members of Richland Lutheran Church since then. I worked for the Port of Benton for eleven years as an administrative assistant and retired in December, 2011. My hobbies include sewing, reading, gardening, getting together with our friends and spending time with our children, their spouses and three grandsons. Also among my interests is our 1931 Ford Model "A". We are active members of the Model "A" Club, where I currently serve as secretary.

I appreciate the nomination to continue serving on the church council and look forward to doing what I can to help spread the word of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.



**Diane  
Bonin**

I grew up on my Father's produce farm in a suburb of Milwaukee WI along with one brother and two sisters. I met my husband, Dan, while attending the U of WI-Madison, and we moved to WA in 1981. I started attending RLC and have attended here since that time except for a two-year move to SC in 1988-1990. My two adult children have been baptized and confirmed their faith at RLC; Chris who lives and works in the area as a software engineer, Tim who lives in Boston with his wife, Jen, both of whom are meteorologists. In 2008, my husband had a massive brain aneurysm and died suddenly.

I have worked for DSHS-Developmental Disabilities since 1990, and look forward to retiring some day! Over the years at RLC, I have been involved with a lot of great people in Health Ministry, Stewardship, Outreach, VBS, the block party, various Bible studies, and in helping in the library. I love sharing my time with my family, friends, two dogs-Maddie and Sophie; and spending time working in my yard and at my home. My passion is to promote spiritual wellness, comprised of physical, social and psychological dimensions, including aspects of faith life. I appreciate being nominated for RLC's council position, and the opportunity to serve our congregation.



**Kiane  
Lesser**

I have been an active member of Richland Lutheran Church since my husband, John, and I moved from Bozeman, Montana, to the Tri-Cities following my college graduation in 1991. I have served in different areas of the church over the last two plus decades including teaching Sunday School and Vacation Bible School, serving on youth retreats, serving on the Outreach Committee, as well as the Good News Media Ministry, and am currently serving on the Discipleship team. We have four children, Kaylyn, JD, Anna and Aiden. I work full-time outside of the home as a contractor to the DOE. My hobbies include attending my kids' sporting events, watching the Denver Broncos, hiking and working out at the gym.

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## Council Nominees, Continued



**Valerie  
Silva**

I was born in Richland and baptized at Central Church, but then my family left the area when I was still an infant and we moved all around the country. We returned to Richland when I was 12 and joined RLC, where my siblings and I were confirmed. After high school, I attended WSU in Pullman, to become a pharmacist. After a few years of working in this profession, I left full-time employment to return to school attending the Lutheran Bible Institute that was at that time in Issaquah, WA.. I took a course in Global Missions, to help determine if God was calling me to work outside the country. During that process it became clear that he was. I joined the World Mission Prayer League and became a medical missionary to Kenya, working in Nyanza Province, near the city of Kisii. For part of my time there, I represented the Prayer League on the Executive Committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kenya, the church body to which I was seconded.

After 4 years in East Africa, and a brief time at the Minneapolis head office of the Prayer League, I moved back to Richland. Since then I've continued my work in pharmacy, at various locations. I'm currently employed at Tri-Cities Community Health Pharmacy in Pasco, where I've been for 6 years. It is a privilege to serve at a facility which reaches out to the medically underserved in our area.

As I've considered RLC my home church since junior high, I've served in a variety of ways. However, I've tried to focus on where God would have me. I worked with the high school youth for over 10 years. Lately the areas where God has led me are outreach, prayer and choir.

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## Women's Book Club

The women's book club's choice for October is "Educated - A Memoir" by Tara Westover - An unforgettable memoir about a young girl who, kept out of school, leaves her survivalist family and goes on to earn a PhD from Cambridge University.

We will meet Thursday, October 18, at 7 PM at Bonnie Severtsen's home (513 Tanglewood in Richland) to discuss what we have read. Contact Joanne Woehle at [jomawo@hotmail.com](mailto:jomawo@hotmail.com) or 521-9311.




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## Operation Christmas Child

### October request: Monetary Contributions

Your monetary contributions will provide what is needed to buy gifts to help fill the boxes, and to pay the \$9 per box shipping cost.

Our goal for 2018 is ~~450 boxes!~~ **600 BOXES!**

*At Shipwrecked Vacation Bible School this year, the participants were challenged to bring in up to 500 pair of flip flops (and then they'd get to pie Pastor Corey in the face!). They crushed that goal and brought in over 600 pair! It was decided to bring that challenge back to the congregation of RLC, and fill 600 boxes! Help us to respond with the same enthusiasm and love that the VBS kids did!*

Thank you for your ongoing support of this ministry that tangibly expresses our love of Christ through a simple box of gifts. Please also pray for the recipients of the boxes, that they will be drawn into a closer relationship with Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

For more information contact Jenny Page ([JennyPageRLC@gmail.com](mailto:JennyPageRLC@gmail.com))



**2017 boxes  
packed: 409**

## Worship Support

	<i>Time</i>	<i>Sunday October 7</i>	<i>Sunday October 14</i>	<i>Sunday October 21</i>	<i>Sunday October 28 10:00 AM ONLY</i>
<i>Lectors</i>	8:30 AM 11:00 AM	Kathy Killand Karen Clark	Peggy Pilger Valerie Bettinson	Peggy Pilger Sue Meek	Dolores Jaech
<i>Acolytes</i>	8:30 AM 11:00 AM	Isabella Fetrow Jason Schroeder Aiden Lesser Cliff Sandberg	Nonie Kangas Evelyn Davis Sam Webster Matthew Smith	Joey Weissenfels Brock Streufert Emily Archibald Lauren Archibald	Hans Miles Jase Vopalensky Kyle Peterson Matthew Smith Andrew Miles
<i>Ushers</i>	8:30 AM 11:00 AM	H- Jim Peterson Matt Sterkel A- Darrell Miles Harold Hogue H- Carol Hexum Alan Hagensen A- Rick Budzeck *****	H- Dave Larkin Fred Ball A- Jon Erlandson Gary Weible H- Mike Bettinson Valerie Bettinson A- Andy Ribbing *****	H- Walt Wood Gary Weible A- Fred Kremmer Dave Larkin H- Janet Budzeck Rick Budzeck A- Drew Snyder *****	H- Jim Peterson Dave Larkin A- Mike Bettinson Valerie Bettinson
<i>Assisting Ministers</i>	8:30 AM 11:00 AM 5:00 PM	Jeff Pilger Shirley Fast Elaine Keyes	Sue Meek Sandi Edgemon *****	Rick Nunamaker Kelly Westlund *****	Valerie Silva
<i>Communion Assistants</i>	8:30 AM 11:00 AM	Jan Leitz Erlan Leitz Kathy Killand Karen Clark Jenny Page Kelly Westlund Amanda Daniels	Clarine Watkins Sara Gillette Norm Gillette Lisa Wiegand Heidi Dagle Bill Peterson Sue Peterson	Alesia Chaney Larry Haler Jenifer Haler Kathy Umbarger Jenny Page Kelly Westlund *****	Valerie Silva Amanda Daniels Charles Davis Elaine Davis
<i>Setup Communion</i>	Before 8:30	Joanne Woehle	Rick and Susie Nunamaker	Mike and MaryJo Schroeder	Before 10 AM Lisa Wiegand
<i>Cleanup/ Setup Communion</i>	Between Services	Lois Harrold Vernon Packard	Dan and Vicki Jordheim	Carol Schmid	Not needed
<i>Cleanup/Setup Communion</i>	After 11:00	Jenny Page	Vernon Packard	Nancy Ballard	Kelly Westlund
<i>Cleanup After Evening Service</i>	After 5:00 Service	Vernon Packard	*****	Vernon Packard	Not needed
<i>Communion Bread</i>		Joanne Woehle	Rick and Susie Nunamaker	Nancy Ballard	Jane Wilcox
<i>Church Friends</i>	8:30 AM 11:00 AM	Lois Harrold Rick and Kathy Snyder	Jim and Sue Worgull Andy and Rachel Ribbing	Carol Schmid LaVonne Scully	Debbie Honeyman
<i>Children's Church Leaders</i>	8:30 AM 11:00 AM	Lori Lachut Traci Moran	Desi Hall Julie Bishop	Trina Miles Jana Strasburg	Pam Hedges



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	<i>Time</i>	<i>Sunday October 7</i>	<i>Sunday October 14</i>	<i>Sunday October 21</i>	<i>Sunday October 28 10 AM ONLY</i>
<i>Tech Director/ Audio Mix</i>	8:30 AM	Mike Schwartz	Brian Killand	Bob Thompson	Mike Bettinson
<i>Video Coordinator</i>	8:30 AM	Larry Haler	Drew Snyder	Don Schmid	Kenny You
<i>Cameras</i>	8:30 AM	1 - Don Schmid 2 - Karen Schwartz	1 - Ken Meek 2 - Daniel/Andrew	1 - Mark Under- wood 2 - Andrew Miles	1 - Ken Meek 2 - Don Schmid
<i>Editor/ Post Production</i>	8:30 AM	Scott Carswell	Mike Bettinson	Bob Thompson	Mike Bettinson
<i>Sound System Operators</i>	8:30 AM	Daniel Miles	Paul Hedges	Daniel Miles	Paul Hedges
	11:00 AM	Jeff Dagle	Tammy Carswell	Tammy Carswell	Jeff Dagle
<i>Offering Custodians</i>	8:30 AM	Schwartz Weible	Erlandson Hogue	Peterson *****	
	11:00 AM	Hagensen Barchet	Budzeck Bettinson	Thompson Snyder	Leitz Sorensen
	5:00 PM	Quinn	Petersen	Quinn	
<i>Evening Worship Support</i>	5:00 PM	Lisa Frislie Elaine Keyes	Kelly Arnzen Marcia Vogel	Betty Quinn Vernon Packard	Not needed
<i>Cashiers (Monday after)</i>		Kathy Snyder Janet Budzeck	Nancy Ballard Debbie Honeyman	Joanne Woehle Lori Hogan	Judy Riggers Marge Hogue
<i>Bulletin Assembly (Friday before)</i>		Norm and Bobbi Stout Lois Harrold	Norm and Bobbi Stout Patti Miller	Norm and Sara Gillette Carol Schmid	Lois Harrold Doloros Erickson Carol Schmid
<i>Recycle</i>		Carol Schmid	LaVonne Scully	Karen Schwartz	Jeff & Heidi Dagle
<i>Flowers</i>		Julie Bishop	Henry Solbrack	Bob Parr	

**Please check over the schedule carefully, especially if you serve in more than one area. If you cannot serve when you are scheduled, please trade with someone or find a substitute for yourself and then let the church office know of the change.**

\*\*\*\* indicates an available service opportunity. If you can fill in, please let the church office know.

## Anniversaries

### October 1

Don & Melissa Schmid

### October 3

Steven & Rebecca Skinner

### October 7

John & Jen Drewery  
Bill & Sue Peterson

### October 12

Carl & Judy Schroeder

### October 14

Pete & Joan Mattich  
Henry & Lil Solbrack

### October 21

Loren & Michelle Peterson

### October 24

Jeff & Pat Johnson  
Jim & Sue Worgull

### October 25

Tom & Jerilyn Frislie  
John & Bettye Samuel

### October 28

Fred & Marilyn Ball

## Birthdays



### October 1

Lynn Clarke  
Kendall Conrad  
Karen Juergens

### October 2

Myrtle Nesbitt

### October 3

Kathy Baumgarten  
Justin Destito  
Dean Oberlander

### October 4

Lila Hagensen

### October 5

Darrell Miles

### October 6

Bruce Chaney  
Grace Davis  
Soren Miles

### October 7

Andrew Villegas

### October 8

Eunice Weible

### October 9

Judy Schroeder

### October 10

David Juergens  
Michael Schroeder  
Clay Underwood

### October 11

Bill Kaiser

### October 12

Corrine Armstrong  
Jim Hardman  
Carmen Stoddard

### October 13

Aiden Pardini  
Cayden Tanasse

### October 14

Len Lust  
Bea Skinner

### October 15

Shayla Carter  
Mark Williams

### October 16

John Fulton

### October 17

Terry Davis  
Linda Totten

### October 18

Andy Ribbing

### October 20

Hans Miles  
Katherine Pardini  
Lorrie Rogers

### October 21

Elaine Boday  
Rich Olenius

### October 22

Hannah Mitchell  
Isabelle Thorson

### October 24

Virginia Glasford  
Thomas Pitkin  
Blake Vopalensky  
Joey Weissenfels

### October 26

Johnny Boynton  
Jeff Sperline  
Ann Tolrud  
Clarine Watkins

### October 27

Buck Taft

### October 28

Carmelita Peterson  
Trenton Worcester

### October 29

Judy Eller  
Rose Moran  
Woody Page  
Gerald Sandness  
Elaine Solbrack

### October 30

James Loss  
Elijah Rodriguez  
Ollie Stolte

### October 31

Lisa Corning  
Elizabeth Kelly



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## **Worship Schedule**

### **Traditional Worship with Holy Communion**

Sundays at 8:30 AM

### **Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion**

Sundays at 11:00 AM

### **Informal Evening Worship with Holy Communion**

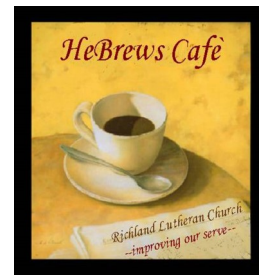
Sundays at 5:00 PM

*And when circumstances beyond your control prevent  
you from coming to church . . .*

### **Good News Today**

Aired Sunday mornings on  
KVEW 42 and KAPP 35 at 9:00 AM

***Live Streaming and audio files of sermons are  
available on the website:  
[www.richlandlutheran.org](http://www.richlandlutheran.org)***



***Come to HeBrews Café Sunday mornings,  
between 9:45 AM and 10:45 AM***

***It's where Richland Lutheran Church  
members are  
refreshed, rejuvenated, and renewed  
for work in the Kingdom!***

***There are still some Sundays available for serving.  
Sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex.***

***Equipping. Empowering. Encouraging.***