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## Announcements

First Sunday in Lent

February 18, 2024

## Welcome to Worship!

### **Welcome to the newest member of our congregation!**

Today we celebrate the baptism of Theodore Eckstaine, son of Christopher and Claire Eckstaine, grandson of Brett and Carol Mortimore. Please join us in congratulating the family on this new member of the body of Christ.

### **Scout Sunday—today, Sunday, February 18th**

Today, boys and girls from Troops 570 and 8570, and Pack 567 are greeting you and handing out announcements in recognition of Scout Sunday. Scout Sunday is a nationally recognized event to show appreciation for charter organizations and their scouting units. Scouts are thankful to HSLC for the use of the church building and other support. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for donuts after worship!

### **Lenten Wednesday Meals and Worship—begins this Wednesday, February 21st**

On Wednesdays during Lent, a simple soup supper will be served at 6:00 pm, followed by Lenten Evening Worship at 7:00 pm. Each family is asked to provide a salad to share. HSLC provides bread and soup. Even though each household provides a salad only once during Lent, you are invited and encouraged to come to dinner and worship every week. Please bring salad on the week designated by the first letter of your last name. Thank you!

**A-C: Feb. 21** --- D-H: Feb. 28 --- I-M: March 6 --- N-R: March 13 --- S-Z: March 20



## Prayers

Each week we pray for different people from our congregation.

This week we pray for:

**Ryan and Ana Meverden; Olivia and Natalie**

**Judy Meyer**

**Craig Michaelis and Nathan Bengtson**

**Beth Mickelson**

**Alice Millard**

The HSLC Prayer Chain is for everyone, and requests may come at any time. To begin a request, please contact the church office or Pastor Katy or Pastor Gina.

## Church News

### **Oasis Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser—next Sunday, Feb. 25th after worship**

Join us in the Fellowship Hall next Sunday, February 25th after all three services for their annual Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser! The high schoolers are cooking up the best pancakes in town to raise money to attend the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans this summer. Bring the whole family and enjoy these yummy pancakes!

### ***Take What You Need***

Are there times when you feel like you need a little kindness? Or love? Or joy? Or patience? Or peace? Our *Take What You Need* board was created by our youngest ones (birth – 3rd grade) to help spread love and inspiration to our congregation. In the Fellowship Hall are 5 different envelopes with Peace, Kindness, Patience, Love, and Joy. Each envelope is filled with bible verses, quotes, and notes of encouragement from our youngest members and their families. Take a message from one or more of the envelopes. We hope when you *Take What You Need*, you will find some inspiration.

### **Morning Meditation—Saturday, March 2nd at 10:00 am**

This service includes prayer, simple music, 20 minutes of silent meditation, and encounter of the Scripture through Lectio Divina. No previous experience is needed. All are welcome. If you plan to attend, please contact Christina at [cebrug@gmail.com](mailto:cebrug@gmail.com) so we can set up enough chairs.

### **Climate Justice Adult Study beginning in March!**

Beginning in March, join us Monday nights from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm via Zoom for a 6-week online discussion group on “Climate Justice - Following Jesus in a world of Climate Breakdown.” We will be watching a video series created by an Episcopal priest in the UK, exploring how we as Christians can respond to climate change. The videos feature prayer, Bible study, scientific research, and political discussion. No prep required! Contact Jeremy Herman at [jeremyherman1@gmail.com](mailto:jeremyherman1@gmail.com) with questions.

## Share the Love Kit Drive—through next Sunday, February 25th

Lutheran Community Services Northwest is overwhelmed with helping families settle into their new apartments. The HSLC Refugee Resettlement Committee is stepping in to support these families by supplying Kitchen Kits. We are inviting the congregation to join us! And invite your kids to participate!!

Select one or more of the items below and bring them to the Fellowship Hall by Sunday, February 25th. All items must be **new**, not used. Just put them on the table under the “Share the Love” sign (**not** in the wooden bin – that’s for the soup drive) and our committee will begin packing these much-needed essentials for families who have left everything behind. Donations are also accepted by writing a check to HSLC and writing “Refugee Resettlement” in the memo line. Questions? Email Susan Worthen at [sworthen87@comcast.net](mailto:sworthen87@comcast.net).

Dishes (plates, bowls, mugs for 4)	Trash can	Baking dishes (2-3)
Drinking glasses (4)	Trash bags (1 box)	Cutting board
Silverware (4-6)	Mixing bowls (2-3)	Large carving knife
Silverware tray for drawer	Plastic storage containers	Small paring knife
Dish towels (2-3)	Frying pan	Spatula
Potholders (2)	Small pot with lid	Can opener
Paper towels (2)	Large pot with lid	
Paper towel holder		

## Community News

### Washington Autism Alliance: Virtual Blueprints to Special Education Workshop—Saturday, March 9th from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm via Zoom

Join them March 9 via Zoom for their spring Virtual Blueprints to Special Education Workshop! Some of the state's most prominent Special Education attorneys will be teaching you to better understand your child's Special Education program and rights. For more information and to sign up, visit their [website](#).

## Donate to HSLC

We invite you to contribute to our shared mission and ministry. Your gifts make all the amazing ministries happen at Holy Spirit. Scan the following QR code to reach the Giving page.



## Altar Flowers

No altar flowers during the season of Lent.

The 2024 Flower Signup Chart is available in the Narthex. You are invited to sign up to provide flowers during our Sunday worship services. If there is a special designation (such as a memorial or an anniversary), please note that as well. You may bring flowers from your garden in a vase from home, or order a bouquet from a local florist or grocery store. Please be sure to take them home after worship on that Sunday.

## Connect with HSLC

Get news, events, sermon previews, and other updates sent directly to you. Sign up for the **HSLC Weekly eNews**. Just fill out a pew card and check the box with your email address or contact the church office directly: [office@hslckirkland.org](mailto:office@hslckirkland.org).

**Facebook** or **Instagram**: @hslc425

Livestream worship and service recordings are available on our website: [hslckirkland.org](http://www.hslckirkland.org).

## Job Openings

HSLC is looking to hire Substitute Preschool Teachers. For more information about these positions, please visit our website: <http://www.hslckirkland.org/job-openings>.

## New Member Classes

We'll be having new member classes on both Saturday, March 9th and 16th from 9:00 am – 11:00 am. For more info and to sign up, visit our website at [hslckirkland.org/new-member-class-registration](http://www.hslckirkland.org/new-member-class-registration).

## This Week at HSLC

### **TODAY – First Sunday in Lent and Scout Sunday**

8:00, 9:30, 11:00 am—Family Worship

### **Monday – OFFICE CLOSED (President's Day)**

7:00 pm—Great Decisions

### **Tuesday**

9:30 am—Preschool

9:30 am—Program Staff Meeting

1:00 pm—Vintage Spirits

7:00 pm—Refugee Resettlement Committee (Zoom)

### **Wednesday**

9:30 am—Preschool and Preschool Family Chapel

9:30 am—Fix-It Folks

10:30 am—Wednesday Morning Bible Study

6:00 pm—Lenten Soup Supper

7:00 pm—Lenten Worship Service

7:00 pm—Confirmation

### **Thursday**

9:45 am—Mom's Midweek Ministry

6:00 pm—Spirit Ringers

7:00 pm—Crossways Discussion (Zoom)

7:30 pm—Chancel Choir

### **Friday**

9:30 am—Quilters

### **Saturday**

9:00 am—Cub Scouts Blue and Gold Ceremony

### **Next Sunday – Second Sunday in Lent**

8:00, 9:30, 11:00 am—Worship

9:00-12:30 pm—Oasis Pancake Breakfast  
Fundraiser

9:15 am—Church on the Go! (gr. 7&8)

9:30 am—Sunday School

12:15 pm—Middle School Baking Championship

*For a full calendar of events visit  
[www.hslckirkland.org](http://www.hslckirkland.org)*



## Children, Youth, and Family Announcements

### Children and Family

Contact: Becky Cole, Director of Children's Ministries; [children@hslckirkland.org](mailto:children@hslckirkland.org); ext. 224

#### No Sunday School today

No Sunday School this morning- enjoy worshipping together as a family!

#### Middle School Baking Championship—next Sunday, February 25th from 12:15 pm to 2:30 pm

6th, 7th, and 8th graders - Join us as we gather in teams to bake and decorate a cake! Your team could be the next HSLC Baking Champions! Come join the fun and bring a friend! Cost: \$20 and includes lunch. Sign up at [hslckirkland.org/middle-school-signup](http://hslckirkland.org/middle-school-signup).

#### Parent's Afternoon Out—Saturday, March 2nd from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Hey Parents! We are so excited to host your 4-year-old - 4th grade kids at church for a late afternoon of fun games, crafts, movies, pizza, a scavenger hunt, and much more. Our 7th grade Confirmation students and group leaders will keep your kids busy and allow you to get some other things done. If you are only able to drop them off for a portion of this time, no worries! Everyone will enjoy a light dinner at 6:00 pm. Proceeds from this event will be used for our Middle School Summer Week of Service. The cost is \$10 per child. Financial assistance is available and all conversations are kept confidential. You must sign-up to attend this event so we have enough supplies. Please sign-up online at [hslckirkland.org/pao](http://hslckirkland.org/pao). **Registration deadline is Wednesday, February 28th.**

#### Elementary Retreat—Friday, March 8th to Saturday, March 9th at Camp Lutherwood

Join us at Camp Lutherwood and get a taste of camp life for 24 hours! Parents are welcome to attend with their child. We'll leave the church at 5:15 pm Friday night (bring a sack lunch to eat on the way) and return by 7:30 pm on Saturday, March 9th. Games, campfire, Bible study, group games, and much more! Cost is \$50. Please sign up [hslckirkland.org/elementary-retreat](http://hslckirkland.org/elementary-retreat)— **registration deadline is Wednesday, February 28th.**

#### Communion Connections (gr. 3 and up)—Sunday, March 24th from 2:00 pm to 4:30 pm

Join us for this communion preparation event which engages children and parents in the awesome topic of Holy Communion! We'll explore Holy Communion through videos, bible stories, activities, and Sanctuary practice. Please register at [hslckirkland.org/communion-class](http://hslckirkland.org/communion-class) so we have enough supplies for the class. Children will be recognized on Thursday, March 28th during the 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday worship service.

### Junior High and Confirmation

Contact: Tammie Zarfos, Director of Confirmation; [confirmation@hslckirkland.org](mailto:confirmation@hslckirkland.org); ext. 226

#### Confirmation Classes for Grades 7 and 8; Wednesday nights 7:00 to 8:30 pm

Confirmation classes continue Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm through the end of March and then will get started again in September. Registration form and current calendar are on our website under the "Children & Youth" tab.

#### Church on the Go! for Grades 7 and 8; next Sunday, February 25 at 9:15 am - noon

Meet at Holy Spirit at 9:15 am (please note the time) and we will travel to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, AFLC (Association of Free Lutheran Congregations) to discover how they worship God. We will also grab something to eat along the way (bring \$20 for food). Sign up at [hslckirkland.org/church-on-the-go-signup](http://hslckirkland.org/church-on-the-go-signup)! This is our last Church on the Go! for this year.

#### Middle School Baking Championship—next Sunday, February 25th from 12:15 pm to 2:30 pm

6th, 7th, and 8th graders – see the article on the other side.

#### 7th and 8th Grade Relationships Retreat (the one rescheduled from November)—Friday, March 15 at 6 :00 pm to Saturday, March 16 at 9:00 pm.

We will head to Camp Casey Conference Center on Whidbey Island. Cost is \$125 and includes food, lodging and transportation. Financial assistance is available - contact Tammie directly. This retreat is open to all in grades 7 and 8 regardless of whether or not you are in Confirmation. Please sign up at [hslckirkland.org/retreat-registration](http://hslckirkland.org/retreat-registration) – **registration deadline is Wednesday, February 28th.**

### High School

Contact: Danielle Dadashi, Director of High School Ministries; [youth@hslckirkland.org](mailto:youth@hslckirkland.org); ext. 223

#### No Oasis Youth Group today – President's Day Weekend

#### Oasis Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser—next Sunday, February 25th

High Schoolers - plan to be in the kitchen and Fellowship Hall after all three services next Sunday, February 25th for the return of our annual Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser! We'll be cooking up the best pancakes in town to raise money for our summer trip to the National Youth Convention in New Orleans. Let Danielle know if you plan to come and help!

#### Mocha Mondays at Juanita Village Starbucks from 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Enjoy coffee and conversation with Danielle every Monday afternoon (when there's school) at the Juanita Village Starbucks (the one with the dome). She'll buy the drinks, you just come and join her!