

# Glendale Greetings

October 2007

## Worship Schedule:

- Sunday School Opening 9:00 am
- Sunday School Classes 9:15 am
- Worship 10:30 am
- Fellowship 11:45 am

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## Pastor's Message

Dear Friends,

Below, you will read information that I share with prospective members at each New Member Class about their involvement at Glendale Evangelical Lutheran Church (GELC). I thought that it would be valuable to share with you, believing that it would be a good reminder to all of us about our mutual commitments as together we make Christ known and grow in grace.

Because Christ is my Lord and Savior and I have been baptized, I am now led by the Holy Spirit to join this family of believers. In so doing, I commit myself to God and to the other members to do the following:

1. I will protect the unity of GELC by
  - acting in love toward other members.
  - refusing to gossip.
  - following and serving with the elected and pastoral leadership.

“Let us then pursue what makes for peace and for mutual up-building.” – Romans 14:19

“Love one another earnestly from the heart.” – 1Peter 1:22

2. I will share the responsibility of GELC by
  - praying for its health and growth.
  - inviting the un-churched to attend.
  - welcoming those who visit.

“We give thanks to God always for you all, constantly mentioning you in our prayers.”

– 1Thesslonians 1:2

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3. I will serve the ministry of GELC by

- discovering and offering my gifts and abilities.
- being willing to assist my pastor(s), staff, and elected leaders.
- developing a servant's heart.

“As each has received a gift, employ it for one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace.” – 1Peter 4:10

4. I will support GELC by

- worshiping faithfully.
- living a godly life.
- giving regularly.

“Not neglecting to meet together...but encouraging one another.” – Hebrews 10:25

This is only a glimpse, but I hope this brings to mind some important characteristics of our life together here at GELC. Perhaps there's an affirmation here of something you're already doing. If so, pray and thank God! Perhaps there's a reminder here of something you ought to implement in your life. If so, pray and take action!

In Christ,  
Pastor Phil

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## **A Musician's Musings**

What does October mean to you? Does it mean a shorter, colder day, does it mean harvest and reaping, or does it mean sitting in the quietness of a new season? Here in the Northwest I have dealt with all of these to some degree and yet I also come to this month with eagerness and expectation. As someone who serves the church, I look forward to getting out of the *green season*! The season of Pentecost is a long one. It's one of those seasons where

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we are told to share the Good News in Christ to the whole world. And then it's the longest season of the church year! What were our church ancestors thinking? Why did they think we needed such a long season to tell the news? Maybe we need to keep sharing.

**Coming Soon... A Concert on our new piano in the Sanctuary**

On Sunday, October 21 at 3:00pm we have invited Ms. Deborah Dewey to perform a concert to help show off our new piano. Mark your calendars for this special occasion. Here is an excerpt from her very extensive professional biography:

Deborah Dewey has earned a reputation throughout the United States for her pianistic talent. She has performed extensively as a recitalist, soloist with orchestra and chamber musician and has been a guest soloist with the Oakland Symphony Orchestra, Flint Symphony, Spokane Symphony Orchestra, Yale Philharmonia and Peter Britt Festival Orchestra, among others.

Acclaimed for her sensitive musicianship and technical mastery, Ms. Dewey won numerous national and regional piano competitions throughout her years of study. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree with honors from Wellesley College and a Master of Music degree in piano performance from the Yale School of Music. Devoted to the development of young musicians, she has been a member of the piano faculties at the University of Washington, Whitworth College, The Cornish Institute and Yale University. She is currently in great demand as a competition judge, lecturer, piano instructor and performer and resides in Seattle, Washington.

Come enjoy an afternoon of beautiful music. Invite a friend or two. You won't be disappointed.

Also, our very own AnGELChoir has been invited to participate in an ecumenical multi-children's choir Hymn Festival. On Friday, October 26 at 7:30pm at Trinity Lutheran Church in Lynnwood, we will perform with many other children's church choirs from around the greater Seattle area. This will give the AnGELChoir an opportunity to sing with other children, with a guest conductor and share their gifts as well. All are invited to come attend this experience with us, then the next day, I will be staying up there for a clinic to learn how to better lead our youngest singers. In both cases, this experience will be a lot of fun and inspiring too.

Keep Singing. Blessings abound.

Kerstin Shaffer  
Director of Music Ministries

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## **Glendale Lutheran School News**

By Karin Manns, School Principal

Thank you for inviting the school staff to participate in the Dedication Service on Sunday (September 16). We appreciated the opportunity to publicly state our commitment to service and look forward to more opportunities to worship and to be together.

We've enjoyed a great start to the school year. With excellent teaching and wonderful support from home, we trust that our students will become the people that God calls them to be.

Our spiritual theme for the year is "An Attitude of Gratitude," using 1Thessalonians 5:14 as a foundation. We are helping the children to understand the importance of filling their minds and hearts with good, so that bad or mean influences do not affect them.

Throughout the year we'll study together the teachings of Philippians 4:8-9. "...whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things." We worship as a school each Thursday at 9:30 am in the Chapel and hope that you will be able to join us as often as possible.

Our Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) is sponsoring a Family Fun Night on Friday, October 19 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. We'll watch a family-friendly movie, snack on popcorn and meet new friends. We invite you to join us...please bring your family or grandchildren for this evening of fun. If you have suggestions for this event's movie, please submit to the suggestion box in the school foyer. Tickets are \$1.50 per person and includes one bag of popcorn. If you have further questions about this event, please contact the school at (206) 944-6085.

Thank you to all of you for your support of our school. Glendale Lutheran School is a valuable ministry that really makes a difference in the lives of children in our community.

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## **Women's Retreat**

Friday, February 29 – Sunday, March 2, 2008

Camp Berachah, Auburn, WA

Mark your calendars for the above dates for our Women's Retreat. The guest speaker will be Rev. Nancy Winder, and the cost will be approximately \$150 per person (the final price will depend on how many women are interested in attending). This particular event is for women who are 18 years of age or older; if there is more interest, we can reserve another time for a mother-daughter retreat. There are only 30 beds available, and so we will need to know who is interested within the next month; we will be placing more information in Life Together during the coming weeks. So please think about this wonderful opportunity, even as a gift for someone else. Thank you!

## **Brownies of Troop 197**

The Brownies of Troop 197 collected school supplies for Lutheran World Relief for a Service Project in conjunction with Girl Scouts 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday. The girls chose to donate them to LWR through the Women of Glendale Church as several of the brownies go to Glendale School or are members of Glendale.

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## **Friend to Friend**

### **Nursing Home Visitation**

“Christ has no body on earth but yours, no hands but yours, no feet but yours; yours are the eyes through which Christ’s compassion looks out on the world, yours are the feet with which he is to go about doing good, and yours are the hands with which He is to bless us now.”  
St. Teresa

Fall seems to be an unofficial new year. It is a time to resume many activities, the beginning of a new state in learning and a time for new commitments. As Christians, we already have a commitment to Christ’s words. Are we also committed to putting those words into actions?



Friend to Friend is a one-to-one volunteer visitation program that can show you how to actively share the love of Christ by becoming a friend to a lonely nursing home resident. Contact (206) 246-5150 or 1 (888) FTF-7818 or e-mail [marilyn@friendtofriendamerica.org](mailto:marilyn@friendtofriendamerica.org) for more information.

### **“Blessings Flow Like Rivers”**

2007 Fall Banquet

Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup>

DoubleTree Hotel – SeaTac Airport

Please join Lutheran Community Services for a delicious dinner, inspirational stories and wonderful fellowship, as we celebrate the programs of LCS and their impact on the lives of children, families, seniors, immigrants and refugees in the Puget Sound area. Admission to the banquet is free and everyone is welcome to attend. For more information, contact Shawn: (206) 694-5705 or [scorkery@lcsnw.org](mailto:scorkery@lcsnw.org).

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## **Much-Needed Roof Repair for GELC**

As we move into fall and it begins to rain the way Seattle is famous for, we begin to remember those little projects we've put off all summer, that now need to get done.

Glendale is no different. We have some necessary roof repair for the CE Building and adjoining front hall area. The old roofing material has worn over the years, as is expected, but is now beginning to leak in some places. The work is scheduled to be completed in the coming weeks, but will be expensive.

Please consider, if you are able, to support this very important up-keep project over and above your normal giving. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

Look for more information about this project to be sent out to you, and how you can help. There will also be a display in the Narthex in the month of October.

Sincerely,  
Donald Wenstad  
BEAM

### **Pastoral Visitations**

If you have need of a pastoral visitation, please contact Pastor Lee at the church office. If there is no phone answer, please leave a message for Pastor Lee. He checks his voicemail and e-mail regularly.

Church office: (206) 244.9400, ext. 11  
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### **GELC Facilities Usage**

If anyone would like to reserve space throughout our Glendale facilities for a function, please be certain to check with the church office for availability before making plans.

Also, if you use one of our rooms at the church and rearrange the furniture, please be sure to move it back to its original placement, as when you arrived. Your courtesy is greatly appreciated. Thank you.---

### **Newsletter Deadline**

Just a reminder: The 15<sup>th</sup> of each month is the deadline for the upcoming month's Glendale Greeter Newsletter. Thank you for keeping that in mind!

### **Flute Lessons**

Hour and half-hour lessons available at \$20.00 per half-hour. The summer is a great time to start a new student or to focus on building good performance habits. Locations are flexible. For more information please call Kristin Bateman at (425) 444-1147 or e-mail at [kribat@aol.com](mailto:kribat@aol.com).

## **COME AND GO WITH JESUS**

by Margaret Willott

There is a very meaningful banner hanging on the wall behind the pulpit at Glendale Lutheran church.

It was made by some of the wonderful ladies of the church, just one of the many they have made for us over the years. All the banners have messages and meanings but this one is so apropos to what Glendale Lutheran Church is all about.

There is a background of hands over most of the banner. They seem to be open and raised in adoration and prayer and they are hands of many colors.

I am told they are traced from the hands of school children and Sunday school children from right here in Glendale, done at some time in the past.

They were overlaid by the big white cross which is, of course, the center of our attention as it well should be.

But there is more to this banner. At the bottom there are feet walking away.

Isn't that what we all are supposed to do? Go to the cross where we learn about Jesus and choose to accept what He has done for us, become a part of His family of believers, take time to worship and adore Him, and then, regenerated and refreshed, we should turn and go forth into the world to proclaim Him to those who haven't yet heard the good news.

Can't you just see it in your mind's eye? We are not turning our backs on Jesus. Instead, we are walking from the cross, waving to people with our right hand, motioning them to come hear about Him and be saved. With our left hand we are pointing behind us to the cross where we want them to go to learn more.

And then, as we leave our parking lots, we are reminded again by the signs: "You are now entering your mission field."

Jesus said in Mark 16:15, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creations." Our world starts here.

Romans 10:15 says: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring glad tidings of good things."

So don't drag your feet. Get going. And God goes with you.

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## VISION STATEMENT

Every Member Sharing in Christ's Ministry

## MISSION STATEMENT

Make Jesus Christ Known through Evangelism,  
Discipleship, Worship, and Service

## MOTTO

Making Christ Known – Growing in Grace

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:00 am – Bible Study and Sunday School  
10:30 am – Worship with Holy Communion

## OFFICE HOURS

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Monday—Friday: 8:00 am—5:00 pm  
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## STAFF

Philip K. Lee - Pastor  
Kerstin Shaffer – Dir. of Music Ministry  
Earl Ericksen - Visitation Pastor  
Paul Kragness – Custodian

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