

MYSTERIES - EASTER AND THE TARDIS

Holy Week is here, the ancient holy days following Jesus from Jerusalem to Golgotha, from "Hosanna!" to "Crucify!" from death to life.



As I write this, we're entering Holy Week the holiest days of our faith. But in just a few days the Easter celebration will be over and we'll enter the 50 days of the Easter season. If Christmas is too momentous to be fully celebrated in one day and so stretches for the four weeks of Advent, Easter is even more central to everything we know and believe about God and our trust in God's promises. So Easter cannot be wrapped up in one day and left behind. We will continue unpeeling the layers of meaning for over 6 weeks culminating in Pentecost, when we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Frederick Buechner's insight into the Easter mystery is illuminating:

"IF DEATH WAS TO BE TRULY DEFEATED, it was only by dying himself that Jesus believed he could defeat it. If he was to reach the hearts of [all people] men, it was only by suffering his own heart to be broken on their behalf that he believed he could reach them. To heal the sick and restore sight to the blind; to preach good news to the poor and liberty to the captives; to wear himself out with his endless teaching and traveling the whole length and breadth of the land—it had not worked because it was not enough. There had to be more. He set his face to go to Jerusalem," the Gospel says, and it was a journey from which he seems to have known that he would both never return and return always even unto the end of time and beyond.

Those of us who love Dr. Who and faithfully follow his adventures are used to thinking of many things as "bigger on the inside." The Tardis, the Doctor's time machine and spacecraft looks like a run of the mill British blue phone box. But, open the door and you step into a spacious, multi-level vehicle equipped with bedrooms and storage space as well as the intricate and baffling machinery that drives The Doctor's adventure gallivanting around the universe. It's definitely bigger on the inside in the physical sense. But, its paradoxical qualities are not only physical. The Tardis has a personality that makes it so much more than a phone box or a space craft.



It may not appear that the Tardis, *bigger on the inside* and a science fiction television show, also *bigger on the inside*, could have anything to do with Easter, ancient, holy, transcendent and mysterious. But, God is also immanent, a church-y word that means that God is 'with us'. God permeates the mundane (the mundane being humanity and all of creation.) God is not equal to the creation, but as close as our breath is to us, God is to all of creation, making each person and each bit of creation, *bigger on the inside*; consisting of so much more than what is at first apparent. We'll explore this idea, going deep and wide creatively, **with your help** throughout the season of Easter. How do you understand your relationship with God to be "bigger on the inside"? How does knowing that God is with you and with all of creation help you to understand yourself, your life and the life of every human being in a deeper, more profound way?

Lastly, in this season of death and resurrection, our community has also been watching the drama of life as it is unfolding for our brothers and sisters who live by the river. They too are bigger on the inside! Despite our attempts and desire to reduce people to the problems they face, the clothes they wear and the choices they make, every person is so much more than any of those things or all of those things combined. Each person living along the Chehalis is someone's son or daughter, friend, or enemy. Everyone has a story filled with some joy and probably some sorrow in measures that may be different from ours or they might be more similar than we care to admit. Each and every person

is *bigger on the inside!*

When I'm trying to make sense of what Jesus had in mind in his talk about the kingdom of God; when I'm trying to make sense of what Jesus and his death and resurrection mean for our lives and our world I lean on Martin Luther King's words about what he called Beloved Community:

"Dr. King's Beloved Community is a global vision in which all people can share in the wealth of the earth. In the Beloved Community, poverty, hunger and homelessness will not be tolerated because international standards of human decency will not allow it. Racism and all forms of discrimination, bigotry and prejudice will be replaced by an all-inclusive spirit of sisterhood and brotherhood."

Beloved sisters and brothers of Amazing Grace, you are bigger on the inside because God is with you, as close as your breath but not limited by it. May the mystery of God with us, the peace of the risen Jesus and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit be with you this day and always!

Pastor Val



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

**Coming to terms with the times:
Creating programs, chasing youth trail
telling love of God**

When I'm out and about in the church, I'm often asked what I plan to do to save small congregations, reverse the decline in membership, bring young adults back to church, increase mission support, make the ELCA truly multicultural, boost our relevance in the culture and fix Congress (well, not that last one). I have no plan to do any of that by myself, but I wonder if there is a deeper concern in those questions that requires a deeper answer from all of us.

The world has changed and is changing.

Residents of my mother's retirement community who waited weeks to receive letters from loved ones serving overseas during World War II are now on Facebook and regularly use Skype or FaceTime to visit with grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Air travel that was once glamorous and rare for most of us is now, both in frequency and ambiance, a lot like taking the bus. It's not unusual, even in small-town America, to have Jewish, Muslim and Hindu neigh-

bors or those with no religious affiliation at all. We are in a strange new world and don't really know how all this will shake out.

We might be tempted to overdo our efforts, to work harder and harder developing innovative programming, reading every manual on church growth, jazzing up our websites, being present on every possible social media platform. Maybe we should discover our congregation's niche: young adults, theology on tap, justice and advocacy, care of creation, ethnic specific ministry, pet blessing liturgies, urban church, rural church, big church, small church, virtual church, home church. We have done some version of all of this somewhere across the ELCA. And good for us. **We need to be brave and daring. God can use our best imagination and innovation.**

Or we might be tempted to circle the wagons and hold ever more tightly to what we have left. There is much that is beautiful about our traditions and buildings and heritage. What will happen to all of that if our particular congregation ceases to exist? Who will bury our parents or us? Who will take care of the parish cemetery? **This is when congregations begin eyeing visitors for their value as replacement parts.**

My daughter and her significant other, who was running for county commissioner, attended a church pancake breakfast where they were swarmed by parishioners who didn't realize he was a candidate. All they saw were *young adults! Potential members!* It was an uncomfortable experience. But why do we want people to join our church? What does church mean to us? When I have asked that question, people often spoke about church as community or family. People talked about the good and important work their congregations carried out to feed the hungry or shelter the homeless. Some said the best thing about their congregations wasn't programs but people.

It was rare that anyone mentioned God or spoke about an encounter with the transcendent. I don't believe our people lack faith or don't know Jesus, but I wonder if we have lost the language to speak about the love of God that has been given to us in the crucified and risen Christ. Maybe we just assume Jesus. Maybe Jesus has become like wallpaper: we know it's there and everyone can see it, but we don't have to talk about it.

The best thing about the church, the thing that is uniquely the church, is not programs or people but Jesus. If we as a people, and as congregations, don't get that right it doesn't matter how many programs we come up with.



In Christ through the Spirit, God has invited us into a deeply intimate and loving relationship with God and with each other. Being church is abiding in that love. We are God's beloved people gathered around word and sacraments. That's what gives us life. That's what shapes us. That's what sends us out into the world to do justice and to love kindness (Micah 6:8). And this must be the kind of community to which we invite others—not because we want to grow or pay for the boiler or attract young people, but because we have received this incredible life-changing gift and want everyone to be touched and claimed and transformed by it too.

Elizabeth A. Eaton,
Presiding Bishop of the ELCA

APRIL 2015 CALENDAR

- 1 WEDNESDAY**
9:00 a.m. Quilting and Maintenance crew
6:00 p.m. Bell practice
7:00 p.m. Choir practice
- 2 MAUNDY THURSDAY**

- 6:00 p.m. Study
7:15 p.m. Worship
First Communion Meal for Annika Natwick, Erin Burns, Jacob Natwick, and Maizie Jane Jewitt
- 3 GOOD FRIDAY**
12:00 p.m. Community Ecumenical Service at 1st Presbyterian Church
7:00 p.m. Worship at AGLC
- 5 SUNDAY, RESURRECTION CELEBRATION**
8:00 a.m. Community Pancake Breakfast hosted by the Men of AGLC
9:45 a.m. HYMN FEST in Sanctuary
10:00 a.m. Festival Worship
11:15 a.m. Children's Easter Egg Hunt and Godly Play
- 7 TUESDAY-- UNION GOSPEL MISSION SERVICE TEAM**
- 12 SECOND SUNDAY IN EASTER**
10:00 a.m. WORSHIP Guest Preacher: Bishop Richard Jaechs
11:00 a.m. FELLOWSHIP; SUNDAY SCHOOL; conversation with congregation and Bishop Jaechs –“What are we excited about regarding ministry and mission here at AGLC?”
Youth Group @ 1st Presbyterian
- 14 TUESDAY Council Meeting 6:15 p.m.**
- 15 WEDNESDAY**
9:00 a.m. Quilting and Maintenance crew
6:00 p.m. HAND BELLS
7:00 p.m. CHOIR
- 18 SATURDAY --Youth Group Setup**
- 19 THIRD SUNDAY IN EASTER**
10:00 a.m. WORSHIP
11:00 a.m. FELLOWSHIP; SUNDAY SCHOOL; Sermon discussion
5:00 Yummy Chicken Dinner Fund-raiser for Youth Servant Trip
- 26 FOURTH SUNDAY in EASTER**
10:00 a.m. WORSHIP
11:00 a.m. FELLOWSHIP; SUNDAY SCHOOL

29 WEDNESDAY

9:00 a.m. Quilting and Maintenance crew

6:00 p.m. HAND BELLS

7:00 p.m. CHOIR

HYMN FEST

The first Sunday of each month, we gather at 9:45 to sing some of your favorite hymns. Kris Burns provides the music. You can request your favorite hymns and we will sing them! The Hymn Fest happens the first Sunday of each month. **(April 5)** "Singing hymns are prayers to God's ear." **PLEASE JOIN US**



BIRTHDAYS

1 Maxine Cogburn

3 Bob Salmon

6 Mary Ellen Salmon

13 Ginny Clark

16 Walter Ebel

17 Chris Seelke

19 Mike Hubbard, Anneliese Kraiger

20 Pam Alstrom, Sarah Teveliet Channel

22 Luke Ostwald, Mark Ostwald

29 Kristine Burns, Stephen Natwick

30 Pam Thorson

ANNIVERSARIES

06 Gerri & Gregg Stubb

20 Ray & Jean Hodge

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS



SUNDAY, APRIL 12

Preacher: Bishop Richard E. Jaechs; **Presiding:** Rev. Val Metropoulos;

Liturgist: Hank Bilderback; **Worship Assistant/Reader:** Kristine Finazzo; **Communion Assistant:** Jennifer Kaufman; **Ushers/**

Greeters: Dee & Morgan Erickson; Jeanette & Madi Green; **Depositors:** Darrell Lokken & Judi Hubbard; **Fellowship Hosts:** Carle, Torgerson, Smalley, Safstrom

SUNDAY, APRIL 19

Pastor: Rev. Val Metropoulos **Liturgist:**

Keith Lile **Worship Assistant/ Reader:** Mark Smalley; **Communion Assistant:** Madi

Green; **Ushers / Greeters:** Gene & Eileen Schermer; **Depositors:** Mike Hubbard & Mike Barkstrom **Fellowship Hosts:** Paul, Walczyk, White, Elder, Stephens, Erickson

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

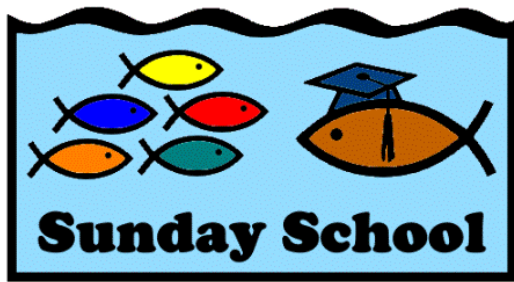
Pastor: Rev. Val Metropoulos **Liturgist:**

Laura Carle; **Worship Assistant/Reader:**

Richard Kraiger; **Communion Assistant:** Naomi Kraiger; **Ushers/Greeters:** Arlene Torgerson, Cathy Kallio & Maurita White; **Depositors:** Eileen Schermer & Theresa Kauffman;

Fellowship: Barkstrom, Beeman, Miller, Coulter

PRAYING FOR.....*Mary Anderson(good friend of Beth Botting), Whitney Cox and family, Charlene and Chandler Sanders, Lion Craig, Doice Cogburn, Renee Quinn, Geri Stubb, Dan Fackrell, Tim Olden, Molly Johnson, Evelyn Ellingsen, Alva Day, Eleanor Knapp, Nicole Claussen, Al Carlberg, BJ Bastin, Richard Kraiger, Doug George, Gwen, Shelbie and Dan Offrink and their daughters, Don Stubb, Aileen Long, Tim Leithold, Ginger Cameron, Richard, Peyton Willis, Melvin Thompson, Melissa Smiley, Gloria Bilderback, Kenny Broussard, Dana, Larry Freeman, Kari Maynard Baretich, Tici, Gene, Annie Eisle, Lynn Howerton and for those who are unhoused, and for long-term caregivers Carol Stubb & Jack Bastin; for the young people and workers at the youth center. And for the family and friends of Timothy Allen Paul, especially his parents, Ken and Louise Paul. John and Eylise Fassino, Paul Kunkle, grandson of Francis and Martha Beeman.*



Come to hear the story of God's love, making all things new; pick up a snack, then meet in the room across from the kitchen. We meet for 40 minutes. You are encouraged to join in. Our young people need your wisdom and experience. We need to learn from their excitement and fresh perspective. Invite your neighbors and friends.

Sunday Times

Sunday Times for Jr and Sr High Youth meets this month, on Sunday, April 26. No meeting the first Sunday as it is Easter. Help yourself to refreshments from coffee hour and join us in the Youth Room downstairs where we will explore how our faith and life are connected.

Update on Shelby Offrink:

When I asked what we could do to make the long cancer treatment more bearable now that she is at about the half way point Geri wrote: "The only thing I can think of is for people to send cards, that way they feel they are doing something. Being home so much makes me miss people, and phone calls tire me at times, but a card is fun, colorful, and makes me smile. I also love homemade cards."

Thanks, Geri Stubb



UNDER THE BRIDGE

Please bring bread, lunchmeat, makings for sandwiches, to the church by **April 12**. We will be preparing sandwiches for the Under the Bridge ministry. We will be serving sandwiches on Wednesday, April **15TH**.



Helping Grays Harbor's at-risk Youth

The 1st Sunday of each month we highlight the needs of the at-risk youth in our community. Our "Caring Cupboard" is a one-stop shopping site for the Gravity Center, Youth Center and other entities that serve Grays Harbor Youth.

STREET OUTREACH PROGRAM ASSISTANCE NEEDED

Due to the flood, the Street Outreach Program we support lost all of their supplies. They would appreciate any assistance in helping replace supplies.. Much needed items include:

Outdoor gear: gloves, hats, socks
Travel toothbrushes, travel size lotions, Chapstick, small first aid kits, feminine products
Duct tape, travel size laundry detergents or Pods
Bottled water, granola bars, juice pouches/boxes
Instant oatmeal packets and soup packets, peanut butter or cheese crackers
individual apple sauce cups, apples and oranges
fruit and granola type bars
peanut butter and jelly and bread

cookies or candy
bottled water flavorings and coffee
toothbrushes and toothpaste,
combs, and hair brushes,
mini-Kleenex packs, hand cleaner, soap and lotion
umbrellas and stocking hats

Clean out your drawers from small lotion, shampoo, conditioner that you picked up as you traveled on vacations, add a few items to your cart as you shop for your own needs and help the needy youth of Grays Harbor! Thank you for your help!

Gravity center, one of the recipients of our Caring Cupboard donations has recently experienced a large increase in the number of young parents that are in desperate need of :

Diapers - newborn size wipes

Knit hats and booties

Any of these items may be left in the basket in the Parish Hall for delivery by Vicki Mitchell.



Yummy Chicken Dinner with 1st Presbyterian brothers and sisters!

Sunday, April 19 at 5 p.m.

Come be hosted, served, cleaned up and entertained by the joint Amazing

Grace/1st Presbyterian Youth Group.

We'll also be celebrating Ray and Jean Hodge's 63rd wedding anniversary. We'll

serve Yummy Chicken, twice baked potatoes, salad, and dessert. A free will offering will be taken for the Youth

Group Servant Trip to San Francisco. We

need your reservation by April 10 so the meat can be ordered.

Please call Darci at the office 532-8250 to reserve your spots.



THANKS WE HAVE RECEIVED:

Amazing Grace,

This thank you is long overdue, but now that I finally have time to write it, I thought better late than never.

Thank you so much for the amazing scholarship to help pay for my final year of schooling at Drew University. Because of you I was able to pay for school. I couldn't thank you enough!

In addition, thank you for the Valentine's goodies. They were much appreciated.

Many thanks and God bless,

Michael Pellessier

Dear ALGC,

Thank you for blessing us with your gift.

We are getting closer to our goal of completing House #17 for the Spearman Family.

Bless You as you continue to fulfill your mission.

Larry Burgher,

Grays Harbor Habitat for Humanity

Dear brothers and sisters,

Thank you so much for your February and March 2015 gifts given in support of Living Stones Prison Congregation...

...Psalm 146 proclaims, "The Lord sets prisoners free." In ways big and small, your financial support brings this passage to light to men who have lived with judgement...

...On behalf of Living Stones Prison Congregation, thank you for your partnership in the gospel.

Jim Shanafelt,

Outside Prison Board

Thank you:

...to Amy Ostwald for gathering the lovely ferns fronds for our Palm Sunday Worship!! We enjoyed their majestic beauty in the sanctuary, around the Fellowship Hall, the church office, and at home on our altars!

...to Vicki Mitchell for all her work making the mosaic art project happen and to Ginny and Ken for their behind the scenes work!! The resulting piece of art is divine!

...to Jean and Ray Hodge for the All Ages Skating Party!! It was a blast!

...to All of those who are assisting with our worship and festivities during Holy Week!

...to Annika Natwick, Erin Burns, Jacob Natwick, and Maizie Jane Jewitt for making the tasty grape juice and wholesome communion bread for our Maundy Thursday service!

...For Another Successful St. Patrick dinner! What a way to kick start our 3rd annual FFFF events (food-fun-fellowship-fundraising)

As you can tell--we have a fun time doing these dinners, we always say "when they stop coming we stop doing"!

I will make my best attempt at thanking everyone!

Karen and Mike--your cooking skills are beyond yummy--the positive side of these dinners is the dishes in the cupboards are VERY CLEAN!

Thanks to Hank--thanks again to the bread bakers--Maurita, Lynn, Carmon, and Eileen---not one piece was left. There never seems to be a piece left for me to have (: Donna--your baskets are always amazing!--just how does it work that someone in the Shaw home always wins !!!!!

And oh the servers----Mike H was in the background making sure there was food for Jill, Karen and Mike B to dish up. They keep Steve, Val, Kristine, Madi, Mari and me running. (what would we do without those young girls) And thanks to all of you that invited friends--we hope they will come again.

Our profit this time was \$1076.36---as we receive--so shall we give. It has been decided to tithe %10 off the top-%33 to Lutheran World Relief, %33 Lutheran Disaster and %33 to our local caring cupboard.

The decision still has not been made if we should purchase new tables for the quilters, round tables that are more fellowship friendly or new chairs.

Any input is always welcome for needs in the church. When the decision is made--we will pass it on.

Again--THANK YOU for all your support--we could not do this without all of you. And for those that had to miss the event due to other things going on in your lives---we missed you and hope you can attend next time.

Your FFFF committee

PS Don't forget to thank Jay next time you are there for his generosity

AMAZING GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES – MARCH 10, 2015

6:25 call to order

Present: Pastor Val, Mark Smalley, Diane Hanson, Chrissie Kincaid, Mike Kupka, Jeannette Green, Coleman Carle
Absent: Nicole Finazzo and Chris Seelke

Devotion: Diane

Prayer tasks: Thanksgiving, Mike; Intercession, Diane; Petition, Mark; Praise, Chrissie; Timekeeper, Pastor Val

Quorum established

*Review of agenda – adding church phone number in public directory and property issue – MSP of March agenda

*Minutes – approval of February minutes - MSP

TREASURER

Benevolences – notation regarding Namibia benevolence; December's to CCM was paid in January.

Maintenance - AED coming out of maintenance as Pie Auction money was intended for maintenance. AED was purchased with fundraising monies. Will add new line item as "special projects" to break out such items (equipment, furnishings, AED, etc.) from actual maintenance.

ENDOWMENT

Chrissie seeking access to endowment account if she is to view account online. She has transfers to make but awaiting signature updates with the bank. Chrissie needs a copy of the endowment quarterly statement if she cannot be a signer. Two people would be needed to approve online transfers.

FINANCIAL

P & L – Main variance from Feb '14 to Feb '15 is in the maintenance account. Prompted again comment that a breakout of special projects would more easily answer any variance questions.

Anchor account wrap-up: Memorial, Maintenance, Concert fund, Checking and Youth accounts are all two signature accounts. Mark, Chrissie, Diane and Jeannette all have access to view, Mark and Chrissie are "Power Users" and can generate transfers. Chrissie, Jeanette, and Diane are limited to "Business User" approval rights.

*MSP to approve bills that were paid in February.

TREASURER

Monthly contributions spreadsheet: Mike added asterisks to items that are "Sunday" collections. Slightly under for the first two months of the year vs same period in 2014.

BUSINESS ITEMS

No committee members for Bel Aire property were present. However, council consensus of last congregational meeting was the overall feeling that enough feedback was given and it's time to move forward with viable options.

Administrative Assistant position was filled and Darci Jewitt was awarded the position. Her first day is 3/16. Theresa Kaufman was thanked for her interim service in this capacity.

Living Lutheran plans – will be introduced to congregation after Easter. Begin with a Saturday to introduce to congregation perhaps around a pancake breakfast. Chapter 1 and 2 might be the "why" and chapters in the back would be "what to do with it." By comparing faith 101 and Making Sense of the Cross, it was decided to order 20 books for Living Lutheran. Chris and Hank are reading the "Living Lutheran" book and they will bring it to the choir and bells. Maybe a "dessert" meeting? Maybe an in-home meeting to introduce the book? Develop tagline or purpose to generate interest.... Looking at and planning the future together? Health of our congregation? What is God calling us to do?

Phone book: Grays Harbor Yellow Pages book has AGLC but Dex does not. Yellow or White pages through Dex would cost money. Costs will be obtained and a decision will be made.

April devotions next month – Chrissie praise, Diane intercession
Closing in the Lord's Prayer – 8:15

Respectfully submitted,
Theresa M. Kaufman

PASTOR'S REPORT - February 2015

- WORSHIP LEADERSHIP** Congregational art project – coordinate with Vicki Mitchell
4 Sunday worship services - Chose hymns for 4 Sundays
1 Graveside service – Ida Johnson (Trinity member from 40+ years ago)
Sermons – prayer, study, reading, writing
Prepare liturgy weekly to make Narrative Lectionary connections
Prayer
Bake communion bread
Liturgical Arts Team – setting up for Lent worship
Coordinate Lent worship; plan for study
- ADMINISTRATION** Council retreat – plan, pray, lead
Council meeting monthly – plan and prepare
Newsletter – Write content; proof and design
Prepare bulletins with secretary for worship 4 Sundays and Ash Wednesday
Meet with Ministry Team leaders
Meet w/ Youth Center director
Hiring office administrator: Interviews; executive committee meetings
Coordinating with temporary administrative assistant
Mutual Ministry meeting
- PASTORAL CARE/COUNSELING** Homebound and assisted living visits
Individual counseling
Pastoral care with Johnson family
- OUTREACH/VISITATION** Ministry Fair – help plan, set-up
Synod team exploring Latino ministry – meeting, planning Synod Assembly workshop
Strategic planning for school district – community Leaders input
Jesuit Volunteer support
Pastor's group – Ecumenical group planning to meet needs of most vulnerable in Grays Harbor
Coffee Ministry – meet to chat about life/faith as often as possible
Facebook page – outreach through social media.
Quilters – monthly or twice monthly
Under the Bridge – 1 Wednesdays
- BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE** Set up for Lent mid-week study
Coordinate building use with AA
- YOUTH AND FAMILY** Pancake Supper planning, coordinating

Lead Youth Group w/ Pastor Doug 2 Sundays; plan weekly meetings and servant trip event
Confirmation – plan, prepare, pray, teach

STEWARDSHIP

Study and integrate into sermons, council retreat

OFFICIAL ACTS (Baptisms, funerals, weddings) | graveside service – Ida Johnson

VACATION **No vacation time in January; no official continuing education**

UPCOMING: Lent services through March 26th - Thursdays 6 soup supper; 6:30 study – last study is April 2; 7:30 Holden Evening Prayer

Palm/passion Sunday March 29th

Maundy Thursday April 2nd 7 p.m. (First official communion for youth)

Good Friday April 3rd 7 p.m.

Ecumenical services - Good Friday at First Presbyterian in Aberdeen; service at 12, soup after; Rev. Jeff Johnson preaching (Amazing Grace providing help as needed)

RENEWING OUR CONGREGATION

As announce in the March Spirit, the church council will be sponsoring a book study to share with the congregation our experience with a book from the “Living Voices” series, entitled “**Living Lutheran - Renewing your congregation**”. The council has found this to be an important book in helping us imagine the future of Amazing Grace. It outlines a process of prayer, bible study and dialogue that lead to the discernment of God’s Dream for our congregation. The council is excited to share this with the congregation and we hope to learn together how important our mission and values are for guiding everything we do at Amazing Grace.

The first class will be Saturday, April 25th, beginning at 8:30 in the fellowship hall, with a breakfast of pancake, sausage, eggs, and juice being provided. There will be a signup sheet in the fellowship so we can buy enough food. There will be other classes given at other times, so if a Saturday morning does not work for you, you will have other opportunities to attend this important class. It is important, since it will guide us in decision making about our mission.

If you have any questions, please contact a member of the church council.

Mark Smalley – Council President





BE TRANSFORMED

Romans 12:2



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MISSION: To experience
and share God's love through
worship,
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VALUES:
Radical Hospitality

Passionate worship

**Intentional faith
development**

**Risk-taking mission and
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