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Come Worship With Us!



Wednesdays and Sundays
at 6:30

Dinner is at 5:30
Dial '05' to attend
Pr. Kristy Daniels

Check it out:

- Compass Housing Alliance**
www.compasshousingalliance.org
- Faith Advocacy Network (FAN) formerly LPPO and WAC**
<http://fanwa.org/>
- All-Merciful Savior Monastery**
<http://vashonmonks.com>
- Holden Village**
<http://www.holdenvillage.org/>
- Holy Trinity**
<http://www.htlcmi.org/>
- Holy Cross**
<http://www.hclutheran.net/>
- Northlake**
<http://www.northlakelutheran.org/>

Opportunities to Serve and How You Can Help

Here are some ways that you can partner with our ministry:

1. Pray for us
2. Come and worship and learn more about our congregation and about the issues surrounding homelessness.
3. Contact Volunteer Coordinator Kristi Weber to serve meals or volunteer in other ways (206) 357-3108.
4. Advocate with Faith Action Network (FAN) for affordable housing, prison reform, immigration rights and many other things that effect our congregation and our community.
5. Invite Pr. Kristy to your congregation for Adult Education, to preach or lead worship.
6. Become a supporting member of our congregation. Call Pr. Kristy for more details. (206)357-3112.
7. Share the wonderful story of this congregation.
8. Organize a sock or hygiene drive at your church or school for the Compass Housing Alliance clients.
9. Share this newsletter with a friend.
10. Order a shirt !

Phone: 206-357-3112
E-mail: PastorKristy@compasshousingalliance.org
www.compasshousingalliance.org/get-involved-now/thechurch-of-steadfast-love/

Thank you for your prayers and support!



Bill and William with the hats that they made!



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Special points of interest:

- Northlake Lutheran
- All-Merciful Savior Monastery
- Holden Village

The self-proclaimed knight-Sir William

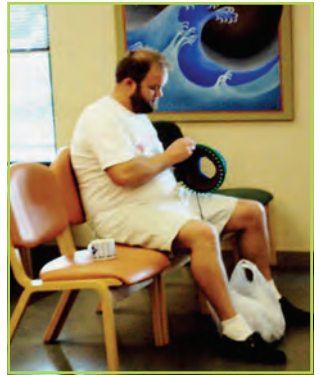
William learned how to knit the first week of September, as I write this it is the 23rd of September and he has already made 20 hats!

“Making hats is my faith in action, because the homeless will be comforted. Faith is an action word, we trust in God for our salvation but we show our faith by defending the fatherless, the widows and pleading the cause of the poor, even though I am poor I have the abilities and the materials

to make hats. (The yarn is from a grant that we received from Gethsemene Lutheran.) Sir William certainly appreciates it and so do those receiving the blessing of the hat.”

William found himself in the Men’s Program of Compass Housing Alliance after being homeless 2 1/2 years. He is a veteran. “God has been working in my life and I’ve realized what faith is, and so I make the hats and scarves with joy, cheerfulness and care.”

“The benefit of making the hats is the joy of the Lord. I like the variety of the colors of the yarns that are provided. I have aspirations to be a cook if God is willing.



Above-William working on a hat in the church.

Left-working on hat #1 in the office.

I’m now staying at the Mark Cooper House waiting for site based section 8 housing. I’ve been a member of the Church of Steadfast Love for a couple of months. I have enjoyed the services and communion with the fellow congregation members.”



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Celebrating Together

On Sunday September 11th a small group of congregants travelled to Holy Cross Lutheran in Bellevue to join in celebration with them and with others in the community for a multi-faith worship service in remembrance of the day and to celebrate 50 years of ministry. The worship service was followed by a fair that included apple pressing and a pie-eating contest. Our ringer, Patu, has found employment and can no

longer attend church with us and so David stepped up to the pie plate and did his best coming in a respectable 2nd place. The winner won a pie and so we feel second might have been the real first :) Our relationship with Holy Cross has included helping to prune the trees in their orchard, working on their community garden at its inception and helping to prepare the park and amphitheatre they know have on site.



Pie-eating hero!

All-Merciful Savior Monastery

On June 10th a group travelled to Vashon Island for a Servant Project with the monks at All-Merciful Savior Monastery. The location was beautiful, the weather perfect for work and the congregational participants were up to

the challenge. One group worked on putting up a fence to keep deer out, while others worked clearing debris off the trails to keep the threat of fire low, should we ever see the sun. We worked companionably all morning and then were



Fr. Paul, Fr. Moses, Jeff, Jonathan, Joell, Johnny, Larry, and Fr. Tryphon

served a delicious and healthy lunch of spaghetti. In the afternoon Pr. Bjoern joined us for a little while and we took time to tour the grounds, relax, and get to know each other better. The

location was very peaceful. The chickens that are on the property (not eaten) were a source of amusement and the generosity and kindness of those with whom we worked made the day a great success. The ferry ride was also a special treat and no one complained about their sore muscles the next day.



Jonathan, Johnny, Fr. Moses, and Larry installing a fence to keep the deer out

Coffee House at Northlake

On June 25th at 7 p.m. Northlake Lutheran generously hosted a Coffee House in support of the congregation. It was a fun evening of fellowship and music. The songs were from the 60's, 70's and beyond and those in the audience were invited to sing along.

The music was performed by the praise band of the congregation, **Songs of Hope.**

Pr. Jonasen is a member of the Compass Housing Alliance Board and an active supporter of the Church of Steadfast Love. He has provided pulpit supply and come to lead the music for worship. Northlake also supports the congregation by welcoming Pr. Kristy in at least once a year to preach.

I enjoyed the event immensely and left that evening feeling like our ministry is truly valued, and humming some of my favorite tunes.

Thank you Northlake!



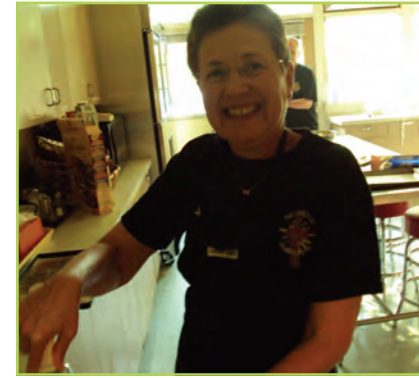
Above-Alan Murdock (bass); Janet Loewen (guitar & vocals); Sara Hayashi (vocals) and Pr. Jonasen (guitar & vocals); not pictured: Janet Mador (flute)

Left-Ken Musgrave Pr. Kristy and Janet Loewen looking at the congregational information and picture cube.



TO ALL THE WORLD

On Saturday, September 10th, the Church of Steadfast Love held their first ever fundraiser. Holy Trinity Lutheran Church on Mercer Island was gracious enough to host us, and many wonderful volunteers came together to provide beautiful music, delicious food from around the world, and great raffle prizes. The fellowship hall was comfortably full and the guests cheerfully contributed to make the event a success. Our thanks goes out to all who helped, participated, and contributed to enable us to share the Word, and be the word. Your generosity allows us to provide a safe place to worship, the funds to make our worship services accessible and the freedom to travel throughout the synod giving back freely as we have freely received. Thanks and God bless you!



Congregation member Darlene Buss making Lumpia, a staple of Filipino cuisine.



Lindsey sampling some Japanese food provided by Rich Mathes.

David L.



We had fun just being together.

Time broadens out into its majestic flow--it is amazing how long a day is without our everyday busy-ness to speed us up or slow us down.

It was a chance to visit the world as it was in olden times, when we had only each other for help. Now that I am a "villager," it is wonderful to be able to visit that space in my mind, anytime I need to.

As an organist and servant of the Lord, I go through my days with a sense of God's presence. I sometimes feel like I live in church, and count it a privilege. This part of Holden was not new to me.

What affected me most about Holden, in addition to the overwhelming glory of Nature, was the absence of any artificial media--no phones to ring, no radio, television, internet or email to interrupt the natural flow of time. There was nothing much to do, except to pitch in and help with the chores, or to TALK with other people. The art of conversation and of story-telling was restored. I met and got to know several people--you, David, John, and others.

John



It was a very nice experience. Nature is God's handiwork and is pristine. What I liked best was nature and the hikes. I liked the food, it was back to nature food. The company that I was with was very wonderful! I loved the ferry and I took a lot of great pictures. Thanks!

David S.



Sharing this beautiful environment with these loving people is a blessing that I will cherish for the rest of my days. It is my third time accompanying the group and each trip is special in its own way and it never gets old. I always enjoy the company of those who travel with me. Getting a chance to share it each year is great. The coffee and the homemade bread were delightful. I'm also grateful for those who made it possible for us to go, that is really generous. Thank you, thank you, ...thank you!!!-David

David L. enjoying the scenery

David S. saying "goodbye" to the never-ending coffee



Larry

Step back in time a hundred years, it's an amazing adventure!

-Larry



Left: John dominating in pool

Above: Larry reeling them in--he caught more than 20!