



The Bethel Lighthouse

Season Three - Episode Three - March 2015

Shining the Light of Christ to a broken world.

Today we welcome **Tom Weinraub** a representative from Jews for Jesus. He will be presenting "Christ in the Passover". He will be demonstrating the meaning of each element in the Jewish Seder meal; a tradition that has been passed down since ancient times.



The Women In Our Lives - Current Wednesday night Bible Study is "Financial Peace". This series is based on the book "Total Money Makeover" by Dave Ramsey. Stan Youngs leads the sessions.

Prayer Ministry - Weekly Prayer Meeting is on Thursdays from 9:00-10:30 a.m.



The weekly Bethel Family Prayer List goes out to those who request it. Most receive it by email but 9 receive it by U.S. Postal Service. If you would like to received this prayer list please let Theresa know.

There is a weekly prayer walk every Wednesday morning from 9:30 - 11:00 led by Destiny Life church. All are welcome to participate. It meets in front of the Historic Everett Theater.

Missions - Please remember to PRAY!

A new **Missions Passport** has been published. Use it to familiarize yourself with our missionaries and where they serve. Our missionaries can always use your prayers! Many thanks to Elaine Dow for putting it all together. If you did not receive one, please stop by the back table and pick up a copy.

Monthly International Fellowship meets at Steve & Diane Mosman's home on the forth Friday of each month.



The countries represented are many and diverse. Please pray that those who come will seek to know and follow the Lord.

Rick & Carol Stark - are living in Mt Vernon and have been part of API since October. They are moving into their new home in Portland soon but will be completing the API year with us.

Benjamin and Lenna Lefsenyuk - Benjamin is a Ukrainian Pastor with a regional outreach in Far East Russia. Pray for safety in travel, sensitivity in God's leading and also for the people of Komsomolsk.



Pictorial Church Directory

Thanks to everyone who paused long enough to have their picture taken for the Church Directory. You all looked really great! AND, the Directory is now available. Be sure and pick up your copy at the back table.



From the Pastoral Staff
Youth Pastor Abe reports that things are going well at Ground Zero on Friday nights. The leadership has been focusing on "back to basics" in teaching the Gospel and discipling the kids. Each leader has been assigned a teen to meet with once each week; perhaps for coffee or "face to face" time. This connection has been very encouraging and facilitates real interaction and communication. The leaders have been faithful and attendance has been good.

The Trustees have been very busy with many repairs around the building. They work faithfully every second Saturday on projects large and small. Here is a list of a few tasks they have completed.

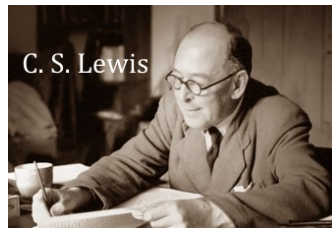
- The security system upgrade is a continuing process.
- Youth room fire escape chain link and railing repair and chain link added to the fire escape stairs.
- Outside building maintenance; Annex roof inspection; estimates and referrals.
- Addressed drainage problems on the youth room roof.
- Inspection of all exterior windows.
- Met with Don Ringman for the back porch remodel.
- Bringing back porch up to code is in process.
- Minor and routine indoor maintenance.

Major Projects in process include:

- Carpeting for the Fireside Room
- Inspection of signage which seems to be in good shape for now.
- Pressure washing quote for roof & gutters in the Spring.
- Back Porch Update - new revised commercial plans submitted and approved by the city of Everett. Contractor will review and estimate labor costs.

Please let our Trustee team know they are appreciated!

Awakenings Prayer Institute
The Art of Soul Friendship
Retreat #3
April 24th-26th
Westminster Abbey BC Canada.
Visit www.awakeningsprayer.org for more information.



Quotes

C. S. Lewis
"What seem our worst prayers may really be, in God's eyes, our best. Those, I mean, which are least supported by devotional feeling. For these may come from a deeper level than feeling. God sometimes seems to speak to us most intimately when he catches us, as it were, off our guard."

"Aim at heaven and you will get earth thrown in. Aim at earth and you get neither."

"Christianity, if false, is of no importance, and if true, of infinite importance. The only thing it cannot be is moderately important."

"God cannot give us a happiness and peace apart from Himself, because it is not there. There is no such thing."

"I believe in Christianity as I believe that the sun has risen: not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else."



Easter Sunday Celebration - Sunday April 5th. Invite your friends and come for Sunday School at 9:30 a.m., followed by coffee & goodies in the Bethel Café. Worship is at 11:00 and will feature the "Flowering of the Cross". This has become one of the most beautiful and meaningful traditions at Bethel Church.

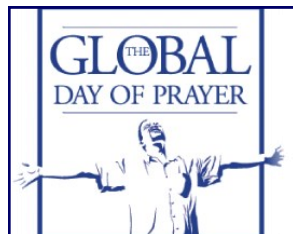
Be sure and bring flowers for the "Flowering of the Cross"!

From The Church Council

- **We have received permits** to remodel the back deck as required by the city code.
- **National Day of Prayer** - Thursday May 7th. 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Pray Stations will be located at Pacific & Colby, Hewitt & Colby, and Everett & Colby staffed with volunteers from local churches. Each Pray Station will have a small table or easel with paper and markers where passersby will be invited to write their prayers.

Our theme for 2015 is *Lord, Hear Our Cry*, emphasizing the need for individuals, corporately and individually, to place their faith in the unfailing character of their Creator, who is sovereign over all governments, authorities, and men. To further highlight our theme, we've chosen I Kings 8:28 as our Scripture for this year: "Hear the cry and the prayer that your servant is praying in your presence this day."

- **Global Day of Prayer** - Sunday May 24th. A day of repentance and united prayer.



Thanks to all who helped with another successful Baked Potato Potluck lunch. The food was delicious and the Bethel Café was packed to the brim with great fellowship.

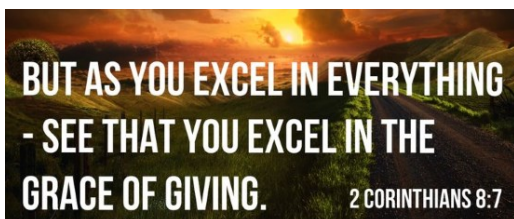
UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ Friday April 3rd - 7:00-11:00 Good Friday Evening Prayer Meeting.
- ◆ Saturday April 4th - API #1 & #2 9am-2:30pm
- ◆ Sunday April 5th - Easter Sunday Celebration!
- ◆ Tuesday April 7th - First Tuesday Fast & Pray. The theme is "Prodigals Return".
- ◆ Saturday April 11th - 9:00 a.m. Church Work Day & 10:00 a.m. Second Saturday Sewing Circle. Lunch will be served for everyone.
- ◆ Sunday April 12th - Gideons International visit.
- ◆ Sunday April 19th - Family Project with Dr. Mary Hoppa
- ◆ Friday April 24th - International Fellowship at Mosman's home.
- ◆ Friday April 24th-Sunday April 26th - API Retreat #3.

WANTED:
Items for
Charlie's
Closet



Please bring your non-perishable items to Charlie's Closet. We are in need of canned goods, pasta dinners, prepackaged snacks, cereal, rice & beans, Top Ramen (or similar) noodle soups, peanut butter & jam and anything else that will not spoil. Thanks!



Dr. Mary Hoppa is available for personal or family counseling on Sunday and Monday afternoons and into the evenings on Mondays. You may sign up for an appointment on your blue registration card, or contact Dr. Mary personally at 425.879.5283 or by email at lighthousecounseling@frontier.com