

# Lamb's Tale

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## FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

*"Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."*

### **Item: 2017 Lamb of God Lenten Observance**

#### Sundays: Beginning March 5

On the five Sundays in Lent we will explore the powerful stories in this Year A cycle of readings beginning with the Temptation of Jesus in the Wilderness and continuing through Jesus' encounters with people in search of the life he alone can give: Nicodemus (John 3), The Samaritan Woman (John 4), The Man born Blind (John 9), and finally Lazarus (John 11). More will be said about Holy Week and Easter (April 9-15) in the April Lamb's Tale.

#### Sunday Adult Ed: 10:45 – 11:30

#### "ELCA World Hunger's Forty Days of Giving

- Lent 1: A 'Household' Economy
- Lent 2: An Economy of Grace
- Lent 3: Livelihood and Vocation
- Lent 4: A Just World (Where All Are Fed)
- Lent 5: A Sustainable Future

#### Midweek Worship: (Wednesdays beginning March 8, 7pm)

For the Midweek worship we will use a format similar to last year: Worship will be in Luther Hall and follow the Prayer around the Cross format with *Holden Evening Prayer*. The theme will be "Luther's Small Catechism" as a part of this years' *Reformation 500* emphasis. For more details the Wednesday schedule is in this Lamb's Tale.

*Please note that worship is preceded by a Fellowship Soup Supper at 6pm.*

Please note also that we have devotional resources available for a nominal cost including A Pocket Edition of the Small Catechism and the Lenten devotional Booklet "Free Indeed" based on "Luther's Small Catechism."

### **Item: Farewell and Godspeed to Dave and Joyce Jarvis**

In three weeks longtime members of LOG, Dave and Joyce Jarvis, will relocate to their new home in Michigan. We will miss them. They have been mainstays in our fellowship and contributed in many ways. I won't list them here, but I encourage you to come to their farewell dinner on Saturday, March 11 from 4-6pm in Luther Hall. The following Sunday at worship we will wish them Godspeed and formally ask God to bless them on their journey. We thank God for all the blessings Dave and Joyce brought to us and we pray God will bless them richly in their new home.

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### **Item: Ministry Opportunities - Can You help?**

For several years now after taking over from Andrea M., Dave Jarvis has been in charge of cashing in our can, bottle and plastic recycling. The proceeds from his efforts are donated to the ELCA World Hunger Appeal. Now that Dave is leaving (see above) we are looking for someone else to take charge of the recycling ministry. If you think you might want to do this, let me know.

And, in addition, Andrea M. will no longer be doing nursery care and children's education during worship. If you feel called to do this ministry, then let me know. Until we get someone to take that job, there will be no nursery care available.

### **Item: Riverbed Homeless Community Update**

Many of you are aware that much is changing in the homeless community along the Santa Ana Riverbed where we have been serving a hot lunch every Sunday for almost 7 years. The people living in that large encampment are being evicted. We don't know yet what the final result of all this will be or how it will affect our ministry. We do know that as a result we have lost one of our partner groups. And due to other logistical needs we will have to find a different location to serve the meal - probably as soon as sometime later this month. As all these changes unfold, please keep this ministry in your prayers for God to guide our next steps wisely and especially to be with those in the homeless community who are suffering eviction and dislocation as well as loss of personal property. It is an especially hard time for them.

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### **Schedule for Wednesdays in Lent 2017**

*7pm following Lenten Soup Suppers in Luther Hall*

This Lenten Season in conjunction with the *Reformation 500 Commemoration Year* we will be using *Martin Luther's Small Catechism* as the theme for our Wednesday services.

March 1 – **Ash Wednesday:** Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion – *“Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return.”*

March 8 – Week 1 of Lent: **The Ten Commandments**

In Exodus God gives Moses the Law so the people of Israel would know how to fulfill their part of God's Covenant as God's people.

March 15 – Week 2 of Lent: **The Apostle's Creed**

How do we express belief? How do we share our faith? The Creed, crafted in the early days of the church, gives us a simple but firm foundation for sharing and professing.

March 22 – Week 3 of Lent: **The Lord's Prayer**

Lent and Lenten worship call us to repent and make a new beginning. One of the best ways to begin again with God is through prayer. And what better prayer than the one Jesus taught us?

March 29 – Week 4 of Lent: **Baptism**

Dying to our old sinful self in Baptism we rise from the waters as beloved children of God. We are walking wet through the forty days of Lent, reminded daily that we are dead to sin.

April 5 – Week 5 of Lent: **Holy Communion**

As we approach Holy Week we remember Jesus' sacrifice for us. We gather around the table to remind ourselves and one another of that sacrifice and how it shapes our lives.

*Note: Holy Week begins April 9.*



## LOG Community

Greetings,

Every January I start the new year with resolutions. I made three this year and I cannot remember what they were. It's probably safe to say I didn't keep any of them. In fact, I don't think in my life I have ever kept a single one.

I have been slightly more successful with giving something up during Lent. Shorter period of time and a promise to God is more important than one to myself.

I have given up everything from food to swearing. Not that I swore that much, after all I ran a day care for 47 years, and parents do frown on that. Anyway, I told Pastor Steve Beckham that I put a jar on my counter and would put 5 cents in it every time I swore. On Easter Sunday I would give him the jar. (He had a habit of keeping change in his pocket so he could give something to anyone who asked for money.) It wouldn't cost me much and it would help my pastor. Then Art jumped in and said he would match whatever was in the jar. With a smile on his face Pastor Beckham said "you know there is more to swearing than cuss words. Swearing includes oaths and words that substitutes for bad words." To make a long story short Lent cost us \$70.00 that year. DARN IT !!!!

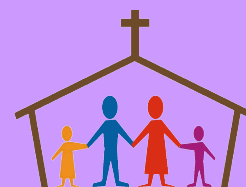
This year during Lent I want to focus on the good things going on in the world, the United States, California and Anaheim. With all the anger and hatred reported in the news, that may be somewhat difficult, but that still is my goal. I want to address things that hurt me and if I can't change them, let them go. I want to look for the good in people rather than finding fault with them. I want to appreciate and be grateful for all of my blessings. Most of all I want to thank God every day that I am living in a land that allows me all of the freedoms that I have.

If you have given something up for Lent I hope that you are successful.

My daughter recently sent me the following poem by Najwa Zebian and it sums up my focus on Lent.

Don't break a bird's wing and then tell it to fly.  
 Don't break a heart and then tell it to love.  
 Don't break a soul and then tell it to be happy.  
 Don't see the worst in a person and then expect them to see the best in you.  
 Don't judge people and expect them to stand by your side.  
 Don't play with fire and expect to stay safe.  
 Life is about giving and taking.  
 You cannot expect to give bad and receive good.  
 You cannot expect to give hate and receive love.  
 So if you're willing to see positive change in your life,  
 you must be willing to be that change itself.

God's Peace to you all,  
 Barbara



## Lamb Tale's Bulletin Board

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Sunday Worship Services

9:00 AM- English

11:00 AM - Korean



**DAYLIGHT  
SAVINGS TIME  
BEGINS SUNDAY,  
3/12/17!  
SET CLOCKS  
AHEAD ONE  
HOUR.**



Orva Sodman	3/8
Steve Bieghler	3/13
Linda Percifield	3/22
Scott Percifield	3/27
Pat Cadwell	3/31



**Sunday, April 2, 6:30pm  
at Andrea's's House  
"Silence" – Shusako Endo**



**Farewell Dinner for Dave  
and Joyce Jarvis  
Saturday, March 11, 4-6 pm,  
Luther Hall**



**Add to  
your  
prayer  
list**

Family of Gail Egenes, Richardi Hagerman, Kevin Whitley, Family of Sharon Intili, Christine Navarro, Arlene Walton, Holly Beaumont Baker, Bonnie Ausmus, Ms. Toni, Mary Dickinson, John, Scott, Jason, Jon Sean, David, Carlos, Danny, Jose Trujillo, Lavada Goldsbury, Jodi Sherman, Maggie, Anita Gomberg Stevie Fosnight, Jerry & Consuelo Burke, Joe Jordan, Hortie Perez, Marie B., Torrie C, Rose, Jennifer, Jerry Ashby, Yvonne Messer, Michael, Judy, Steven Olmanni, Helen Suarez, Sharon Stonebridge, Dan Jackson, Dolores, Vickie Trujillo, Judy Creech, Sherrie Eggers, Marie Cadwell, Pat Cadwell, Jack & Evelyn Curtis, Jim Barker, Cheryl Lynn Gielow, Fran & Roy Onishi, AdventLane Bryant, Wanda Figueroa, Tony Nielson, Delanee Woods, Chuck Johnson, Dallas and Ashby Family, Linda Henderson, Jeremy, Karen Norton, Kenny and Christopher Hahn, Christa, Christine, and Irene Murphy, Gloria, Sharon, and Susan Hurd, Jody Ferrante, Leigh Conway, Laurie Rain, Jean Anderson, Kyle Adams, Dylan Saks, Mary Kay Drenner, Margaret Browning. (If you have names to add to or remove from the prayer list call the church office @ 1-714-772-2772).



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