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Pastor's Message

Epiphany is the season of revelation. God revealed Himself to the Wise Men speaking to them in a language they understood, the language of the stars. A bright star guided them to the baby king, Jesus.

As I drive away from Emmanuel Church I see the new development being built south and west of the church. I hear the still, small voice of the Holy Spirit call to me. God wants to lead these dear folks to Jesus too. Sometimes it seems they speak a different cultural language. So God invites us to make our ministry and our worship relevant to them. While I'm not comfortable with change I do want to honor Jesus. If you have suggestions for how we can make our music and worship meaningful to our neighbors please speak to me.

On a personal note, gracious people continue to check in with me, asking how I am feeling now that Carolyn has been gone for over half a year. I tell them that I'm fine. But later, when I'm alone, I stop and ask myself, "How am I doing?" "What am I feeling?" One feeling I recognize is **gratitude.** I am grateful for the forty-three years Carolyn and I had together. I am grateful for the joy and love she possessed and that flowed from her into our marriage and family. I am grateful for the support and encouragement she lavished upon me. I am grateful for our family—four children, and ten grandchildren (and our siblings). Carolyn was the heart and center of our family, she loved us and we loved her. Now the Lord says to her, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant. Enter into the joy of thy Lord."

I am also **forlorn**. I miss Carolyn, I miss our talks and her touch. I wish she was sill with me. Knowing that will not happen in this lifetime, I sometimes dare to ponder my life with a new woman in it. But, no, I'm not ready to think about that. Then I remember the health issue I face and know that will preclude my ability to be a fit husband. So this is my life now and I will abide with my forlorn feelings and my feelings of gratitude.

Thank you, Church, for your love and support as I make my way through this grief.

I still love you, my Dear.

Tim Cartwright, Pastor

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

Pregnancy Resource Center

Our Pregnancy Resource Center has a specific need and we can help.

Currently the center *needs*Diapers (specifically size 5 & 6)

Girls toddler clothes (2—3 Years)

The resource center does *not need*Baby Sweaters & hats

Baby Blankets

Thank you for your generous support of this ministry.



Thank you, Carol, for assisting with this ministry.

Kitsap Mental Health

There is a need at Kitsap Mental Health for the following items:



Infant-Adult

Shoes, Jackets, Hat, Scarves, Mittens
Pants, Sweaters.

Books for all ages

Stuffed Animals

Please make sure that the clothes are new or gently used and clean

Look for the red bin in the fellowship hall, if you have any questions ask Rosie Armstrong.

Martha & Mary



Save the Date!

2019 Generations of Care Western Gala

Saturday, April 27, 2019—6 PM to 10 PM
Suquamish Clearwater Casino Resort
Live & Silent Auctions....Hors d'oeuvres..Dinner
Currently Tickets are available contact

Currently lickets are available contact www.mathaandmary.org or 360-626-7879

Please keep our missionary, Cheryl Fox, in your prayers.

Cheryl is currently undergoing treatment for cancer.



"First Fruits"

Ninety-two servings of soup and other nourishing food was donated at our last First Fruits Sunday. What this means to our brothers and sisters, who are in need of life supporting food is: rent, doctor bills, utilities, children's needs, etc. can be addressed. With 1,100 homeless teenagers in Kitsap County, the need for food grows everyday. We may not be able to feed everyone, but with your loving support, we can help. We are steady and dependable gives each and every month and the Food Bank thanks you for your love of others. *Thank you, Emmanuel!*



Thank you Sally & Larry, for supporting this ministry





Adelaide Sandra arrived on

February 28 , 2019. She weighed 6 lbs. 14 oz. and is 20 inches long.

Congratulations to Mollie, Ward & family





Recently we had a baby shower for Mollie and Ward. A few days later they welcomed their daughter into this world. She is joining her 3 older brothers.







Thank you Mary, for the pictures!



Members Serving in February

Altar GuildCarol Henning

Jean Reed

ReaderBob Klempan

Members Serving in March

Altar GuildJoEllen Klempan Rose Link

ReaderJean Reed

Sunday School for All !!!!

Sunday School starts at 9:00 AM

Adult teacher, Larry Farner
Children's teachers, Judy Armstrong,
Chelette Williams, and Mary Moen.
Song leader, Patrick Gehring.

Men's breakfast will continue.
First Saturday of the month at 8:00
am. The location is Der Blokken in
Manette. Questions? Talk to Larry
Farner or Pastor Tim.

Your help during coffee hour?

Thanks to all who are signing up to host coffee hour! If you are interested, the sign up sheet is on the counter in the fellowship hall! Thank you to Carol R. for being our coordinator for coffee hour. Thanks to Theresa P. for all your help in the kitchen during coffee hour.

some of us are giving monetary contributions to help cover the cost .

Contributions can be given to Carol Reece.