



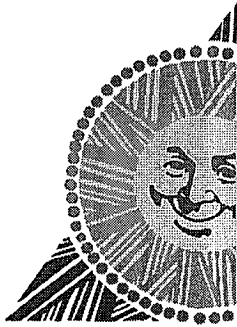
# Shepherd of the Hill

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## Summer – Already?!

The school year really feels like it has flown by. It feels like we just got started, and now we’re wrapping things up! Join us for worship on June 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:30, for Youth Sunday—our kids and teenagers get a chance to lead us in worship, and we find out what faith means to them. Then, on Sunday June 12<sup>th</sup> the multi-age Sunday school class is challenging the Elders/Deacons and the Jr/Sr High kids to see how smart they are when we put our own twist on the game show, “Are you Smarter than a 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grader?” Our Multi-age class will show off everything they’ve been learning in Sunday school all year.

The last week of June, from June 27<sup>th</sup> through July 1<sup>st</sup> from 9:00am-12:30pm is Vacation Bible School. We’ll be bringing the beach to SOTH as we learn how Jesus is at work in our lives. Kids from all over the community will be coming to VBS (and lots of them—we’re planning on having around 100 kids,) and we need your help to make it possible! At printing, I still have a lot of need for donations and volunteers. Check out the craft supply list in this newsletter and see me in the Fellowship Hall to see what snacks we need donated. As always, feel free to donate gift cards if you want to donate but are unsure what to get.

On July 1<sup>st</sup> at 12:15pm is our annual End of VBS Celebration! This is a fun fellowship time, as well as a time for our congregation to reach out to the parents of our VBS kids. I’d love to see the whole congregation there to check out what the kids have learned all week at VBS and to reach out to these families from our community.

Be on the lookout for other summer activities at Shepherd of the Hill: the All-Church Camp Out in July is always great fun, and sign-ups are going on now in the fellowship hall! The Women’s Spring Retreat was turned into a summer retreat, and has been rescheduled for July 9<sup>th</sup>. Check with myself or Brett to see what’s going on for the kids and teenagers this summer, or for more information on Sound View Camps.

Blessings to you this summer season!

*Susan Boyles*

# Looking Ahead at Worship

June 5, 2011

YOUTH SUNDAY

10:30 a.m.

June 12, 2011

Day of Pentecost ~ Communion Sunday

10:30 a.m.

"The Birth of God's People"

Rev. Gary E. Mathiesen

Acts 2: 1-21

We will celebrate the birthday of the church, Pentecost. Pentecost celebrates the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles in the book of Acts, ushering in the beginning of the Church, 50 Days after Jesus' resurrection. The word Pentecost means "fiftieth day" in Greek.

**Please wear RED to worship in celebration!**

*When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. – Acts 2: 1-4*

June 19, 2011

Trinity Sunday

9:30 a.m.

"I Am The Resurrection and The Life"

Rev. Gary E. Mathiesen

(fifth in a series of seven)

John 11: 1-44

June 26, 2011

13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m.

"I Am The Way, The Truth, and The Life"

Rev. Gary E. Mathiesen

(sixth in a series of seven)

John 14: 5-14

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## WELCOME!

We are happy to announce that Kathryn Lehmann has accepted the position of Music Director at Shepherd of the Hill.

Kathryn is currently a member of the Voice Faculty at the University of Puget Sound, where she has been teaching for three years. Prior to UPS, Kathryn has been the Director of Choral Activities at Pacific Lutheran University and Oregon State University. She also taught at the University of Oregon as a professor of choral music education. As a church musician, Kathryn has directed choirs of all ages and contemporary services at Mt. View Lutheran Church of Puyallup, Little Church on the Prairie in Lakewood, Trinity Lutheran in Tacoma and Atonement Lutheran in Boulder, CO. She received her education in music at Pacific Lutheran University, Westminster Choir College and the University of Colorado. Kathryn has been a member of SOTH for 9 years with her husband Steven Zopfi and daughter Kelsey Olson.

# Vacation Bible School

Be on the lookout in the fellowship hall during coffee fellowship for the VBS table. Susan Boyles will be there to help YOU help VBS!



You can:

- Register your child to attend VBS, and pick up fliers and registration forms for your kids' friends.
- Volunteer your time during VBS.
- Donate craft items or snack items for VBS.
- Donate your time and food to the End of VBS Celebration on the last day of VBS.

Vacation Bible School is not possible without the help of our congregation, so come by and talk to Susan to find out how you can do your part to help out.

## VBS Craft Supplies currently needed:

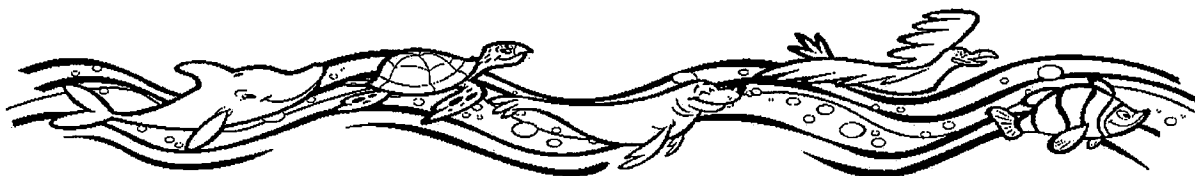
Washable magic markers  
Larger variety beads  
12" X 18" white and gray craft foam sheets  
White cardstock  
Construction paper  
Play Dough  
Small Sea Shells  
Small glass pieces (for mosaics)  
Wooden spoons  
6" Styrofoam rings, about 3/4" thick  
Red chenille wires  
Wiggly eyes  
Jingle bells  
Glitter Glue  
Glue dots



Adult-sized scissors  
Adhesive backed magnets  
Ocean and beach themed stickers  
3/8" wide ribbon  
Duct tape (all colors)  
Plastic Grocery bags (for stuffing)  
Medium & Jumbo pasta shells  
Black Buttons  
Toothpicks  
Lunch bags, plain white or tan  
Craft Sand (beige—not colored)  
Red Food coloring  
White Sheets  
Joann & Michaels store coupons

**VBS Youth Leader training:** All youth leaders must attend a leader's training session on one of these dates: Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, or Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am or 2:00pm; or Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am.

**VBS work parties:** Come and help make decorations, prepare the craft projects, and set up the church for VBS. Work parties will be held on Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, and Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> from 10am-2pm; and Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at approximately 10:45am (following the worship service).



## News & Notes . . .

### Movie Nights @ SOTH

Kids of all ages are invited to popcorn, lemonade and fellowship, plus a movie! Movie starts at 7pm, get there a bit early to get your snacks and get comfy!

**Friday, June 10<sup>th</sup>:**

Ramona and Beezus

### Newsletter Deadline

The deadline to submit items to the **July newsletter is Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 10am.** All items must be in written form (hard copy or email) and submitted to the church office.

### Women's Book Club

The Women's Book Club meets every third Tuesday of the month in member's homes at 7:00 p.m. Members pre-read the book, and then discuss their thoughts at the meeting. **All women are invited to attend!**

Date:

June 21

Book:

*Beneath a Marble Sky: A Novel of the Taj Mahal*, by John Shors

At the home of:

Cindy Tobosa (531-9644)

### All Church Summer Camp Out

There are still campsites available for the All-Church Camp Out weekend on July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, & 24<sup>th</sup>, at Grayland Beach State Park at the ocean. Contact Mark Severin (253-535-1394) for more information.

### Tuesday Morning Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

The last meeting of the season will be on Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00am, before taking a break for the summer months.

### Church Office Hours

The church's main office is open for business Monday-Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Rev. Gary Mathiesen's office hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings.

## Graduation Parties

The congregation is invited to the following celebrations!

**Jesse Baker:** Graduating from Rogers High School

Open House on **Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>** from 2:00-7:00 p.m. at the Baker's home, 12502 106<sup>th</sup> Ave. Ct. E., Puyallup

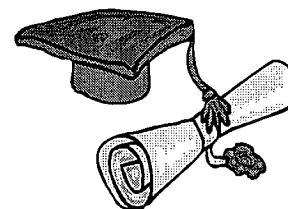
**Steven Johnson:** Graduating from Bonney Lake High School

Open House on **Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>** from 2:00-5:00 p.m. at their home -

21822 26th St. E., Lake Tapps. A Hawaiian meal will be served, wear your aloha clothes! Steven will be at WSU in the fall. RSVP please to 253.447.3827 or mckeedots@comcast.net.

**Karl Severin:** Graduating from Rogers High School

Open House on **Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>** from 3:00-7:00 p.m. at the Severin's home: 14307 71<sup>st</sup> Ave. Ct. E., Puyallup



**FISH Food Bank Emphasis for June:  
Baby Food (jars/cans/cereals) - Diapers - Formula**

*The donation box is located in the narthex.*

## June Mission Opportunities

**Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>: Community Meal** at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Puyallup.

Arrive to serve the meal at 1:30 p.m. Provide enchilada casserole, baked beans, corn, lettuce salad w/ dressing, fruit, or dessert. Contact Carlista Barttels to volunteer. (Phone: 253-845-5442; or e-mail: [cbarttels@comcast.net](mailto:cbarttels@comcast.net))

**Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup>:** Lunch at Nativity House in Tacoma.

Make sandwiches after 9:30 service. Leave SOTH at 12:30 p.m. to serve lunch. Contact Sheri Martin to volunteer. (Phone: 253-840-3742; or e-mail: [sheralyna@msn.com](mailto:sheralyna@msn.com))

**Every Monday, Wednesday, & Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup>:** A drop in center for homeless friends in Puyallup. 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. at Puyallup First Christian Church.

This is a mission of various churches in the area and is an outgrowth of our Freezing Nights Ministry. The purpose is to provide a welcoming safe place for people to gather for relaxation, games, movies, conversation, and some snacks. You can schedule a specific time to help, offer food for snacks, or just drop in for fellowship. Contact Bonnie Goddard (from 1<sup>st</sup> Christian) to volunteer. (Phone: 253-848-5907; or e-mail: [bonniejafra@aol.com](mailto:bonniejafra@aol.com)) You can also contact SOTH members Marty Warr or Carlista Barttels to find out more information.

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*We may forget that the poor are not an abstraction but rather a group of human beings who have names, who are made in the image of God, whose hairs are numbered, and for whom Jesus died.*

*From Walking with the Poor: Principles and Practices of Transformational Development*

*By Bryant Meyers*

### **Put your FAITH IN ACTION - Be the Church!**

**SAVE THE DATES: October 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, & 9<sup>th</sup>**

Throughout the weekend, on Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup>, there will be varied local **FAITH IN ACTION** mission work projects appropriate for ALL the people of SOTH to participate in... the young, the old, and all the ages in-between; families, singles, couples, neighbors, and friends. We will not have our regularly scheduled worship services on Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>! Instead, on that evening, SOTH will be participating in our first ever **FAITH IN ACTION** Celebration!

### **FAITH IN ACTION Small Groups**

Besides the actual community service projects mentioned above and the Sunday Celebration, one of the key components of the **FAITH IN ACTION** event is service-oriented, Bible-based education and discussion set in small groups or classes. Starting Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, varied small groups will participate in a 4-week study of the concept of loving our neighbors in a manner that follows Jesus' teaching and example. This is a DVD-based teaching curriculum with participant guides. Each small group will need a facilitator. If you would like to volunteer as a small group facilitator, contact Carlista Barttels (845-5442) or [cbarttels@comcast.net](mailto:cbarttels@comcast.net).

**Put your FAITH IN ACTION - Be the Church!**

# Sunday School News

## Important Dates:

June 5<sup>th</sup>: Youth Sunday

June 12<sup>th</sup>: Are you Smarter than a 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grader? Find out on this last day of Sunday school.

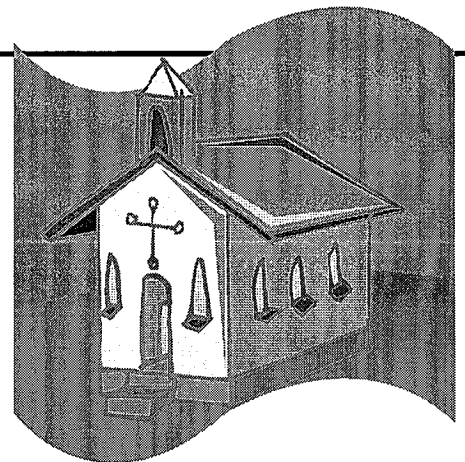
September 11<sup>th</sup>: Sunday school kickoff for the 2011-2012 school year!

If you are interested in helping out with Sunday school during the 2011-2012 school year, please speak to Susan Boyles. She has a particular need for people wanting to teach a toddler/preschool class!

## Mexico 2011

Shepherd of the Hill Presbyterian Church is partnering once again for a border cross adventure to Tijuana with Presbyterian Border Ministries from July 9-17, 2011.

For up-to-date information, check out the blog at [www.tijuana2011.blogspot.com](http://www.tijuana2011.blogspot.com)



## June Birthdays & Anniversaries

### BIRTHDAYS

4<sup>th</sup> - Barbara Williams  
6<sup>th</sup> - Jillian McClure  
7<sup>th</sup> - Lianna Johnson  
7<sup>th</sup> - Janet Yoest  
9<sup>th</sup> - Rita Quinn  
11<sup>th</sup> - Lisa Kinnaird  
11<sup>th</sup> - Craig Snider  
13<sup>th</sup> - Margaret Wagaman  
13<sup>th</sup> - Mary Lou Dickerson  
13<sup>th</sup> - Ed Sharp

14<sup>th</sup> - Ryley Boyles  
14<sup>th</sup> - Twila Elrod  
15<sup>th</sup> - Karl Severin  
15<sup>th</sup> - Max Sharp  
26<sup>th</sup> - Dona Johnson  
26<sup>th</sup> - Isaac Wagner  
27<sup>th</sup> - Steve Fox  
29<sup>th</sup> - Ryan Yoest  
30<sup>th</sup> - Clare Brown

### ANNIVERSARIES

2<sup>nd</sup> - Paul & Sandy Monaghan  
5<sup>th</sup> - Thomasina & Ryan Goodspeed  
9<sup>th</sup> - Brent & Natalie Miller  
10<sup>th</sup> - Ken & Valerie Emly  
11<sup>th</sup> - Glen & Debbie Baker  
14<sup>th</sup> - Paul & Bev Cascio  
15<sup>th</sup> - Scott & Lisa Martin  
16<sup>th</sup> - Brian & Rey Southwell  
19<sup>th</sup> - Ron & Marion Hale  
26<sup>th</sup> - Don & Anne Bennett  
29<sup>th</sup> - Brian & Michelle Wagner

# Children & Youth Ministries

## God's Gang

3rd-6th Grade

**Mondays, 6:30-8pm**

We have two more God's Gangs of the school year, but God's Gang night won't be gone for good: we'll be having some special summertime God's Gangs to get us through 'til the next school year!

May 30<sup>th</sup>: No God's Gang, Memorial Day

June 6<sup>th</sup>: Space night

June 13<sup>th</sup>: Under water night—hello 2<sup>nd</sup> graders, goodbye 6<sup>th</sup> graders!

### Summer God's Gang Events:

Monday, July 11<sup>th</sup>: 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Big Messy Night—biggest, messiest, and yuckiest yet! Bring a change clothes if you don't want to go home slimy.

Monday, August 1<sup>st</sup>: Mini-games night—we did it last year, and it was so much fun that we're doing it again: a night filled with quick games and challenges. Earn money for an end of the night auction of prizes.

Monday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>: Water games—if the weather is hot, we'll be turning on the sprinklers and bringing out the water balloons.

## Junior High Youth Group

7th-8th Grade

### **More than Friends**

Birds and the Bees had great reception as a two-month series. We are so proud of our Junior Highers for sticking with it and for the deep conversations we had. June will be wrapping up the school year with some fun and games.

### Events in June

June 5<sup>th</sup>, 9am: Youth Sunday

Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 5pm: "Minute to Win It" Youth Group

Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 5pm: Game Night

Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup>: NO youth group – Happy Father's Day!

Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup>: Last Youth Group Event of the School Year 5-8pm -- Join us for some go-carting, picnicking, and park games. What a way to end the year!

June 27<sup>th</sup>: Vacation Bible School starts

Junior Highers – be sure to sign up to help out with Vacation Bible School this year.

*Follow us on Facebook or the website*

*(<http://www.sothyouthgroupjrhi.blogspot.com/>)*

## Senior High Youth Group

9th-12th grade

Check out

[www.sothyouthgroup.blogspot.com](http://www.sothyouthgroup.blogspot.com)

### **End of the Year Dinner**

Wednesday, June 8

Details to be announced!

### Summer Events!

Stay tuned for more info and mark your calendars for these great summer activities:

### **Wednesday Youth Groups in the Park**

Every week in July and August from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

**Backpack Trip** – August 17-20

**Junior High Urban Plunge** – August 24-26

**Thanks again for helping us raise over \$9,000 for our youth programs at our annual auction on May 7<sup>th</sup>!**

## **Sound View Summer Camps**

Registration has started for this summer's camps at Sound View ([www.soundviewcamp.com](http://www.soundviewcamp.com)). Shepherd of the Hill does have scholarships available for Sound View camps. Last year, we sent a group of God's Gang kids to Sound View for their first time at camp, and they had a blast! If you have any questions or want help coordinating your child's camp experience with their friends, give Susan Boyles a call.

The dates are: If you're finishing -

Grades 2-3: Tuesday-Friday, July 5-8

Grades 4-6: Sunday-Friday, July 17-22; OR Sunday-Saturday, August 7-13

Grades 6-8: Sunday-Saturday, July 10-16; OR Sunday-Friday, August 14-19

Grades 9-12: Sunday-Wednesday, July 31-Aug 3

**Email: [SOTHPresby@aol.com](mailto:SOTHPresby@aol.com)**

**Phone: 253-848-4357**

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