

OUR MISSION:
In Christ we love & serve God and our community.

MAPLE LEAF LUTHERAN CHURCH

CROSSROADS

STEWARDSHIP: The Stewardship Committee invites you to reimagine the offering on **Sunday, May 7th**. We invite all of you to bring **canned or boxed food** which we'll collect during the offering portion of our worship. Stewardship is so much more than money. It is a way of life and it calls us to connect with our community. Stewardship is the way we use all of the resources that God has entrusted to our care so that we can love God and our neighbor. Help us share that love with our neighbors by donating all of the collected food to North Helpline Emergency Services & Foodbank.

GARDEN PARTY: Property Committee invites you to join the party... moving bark, pruning, and weeding on **May 13th** from 9AM-1PM ;)

SUMMER DAY CAMP AT MAPLE LEAF: Plan to join us this Summer for the week of **Monday, July 10 – Friday, July 14** as we host Lutherwood Bible Camp at Maple Leaf Lutheran Church (10005 32nd Ave. NE, Seattle) for a week long Day Camp (VBS.) We will meeting daily from 9am to 3:30pm in the Community Hall of Maple Leaf Lutheran Church. This event is for kids who will have completed kindergarten to completed 5th grade by this summer. Older kids can be "Jr. Counselors." All are welcome! **It pays to register NOW: \$150 after before June 1, \$175 after June 1.** Special rates for Maple Leaf members, see Pr. Julie. To register go to ReachOutChurch.org and click on the links on the left side of the page that say "Day camp info" and "Day Camp form." Or contact Pr Julie at mapleleafelcapastor@comcast.net and she'll get you the brochure & form.

This year we MAY offer the option of a sort of "co-op after care" program from 3:30pm - 5:30pm, Monday through Thursday. If this is something you are interested in please let us know as soon as possible. If we have enough interest & enough parents willing to help one day that week we'll be able to make it happen.

ADULT FORUM CONTINUES TO JUNE 11: As we get ready to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the 95 Theses, we'll continue with the Ever-Reforming: A Reformation 500 Cross-Generational Study series. A new section on Martin Luther begins this month. Classes are

here in the 3rd floor library at 9AM every Sunday. **New topics are as follows:**

-5/7 Week 16 Simul Justus et Peccator- **A Theology of Saints and Sinners**

-5/14 Week 17 Liturgy and Why We Do the Things We Do in Worship (**The Gathering**)

-5/21 Week 18 Liturgy and Why We Do the Things We Do in Worship (**The Word**)

-5/28 Week 19 Liturgy and Why We Do the Things We Do in Worship (**The Meal**)

-6/4 Week 20 Liturgy and Why We Do the Things We Do in Worship (**The Sending**)

-6/11 Week 21 **Roots of Reformation Music**

Come for all of the classes or just those that catch your interest, all are welcome as we enjoy this time studying our past and applying it to our present. We hope you will join us!

MAY 2017

BOOK CLUB: (7pm, please join us!!) 5/16 *Bold Spirit* by Linda Lawrence Hunt at Gloria M's. 6/13 *Commonwealth* by Ann Patchett at Kathy C's.

THANK YOU TO OUR OUTGOING COUNCIL MEMBERS:

At our May 21 Annual Congregational meeting we will be electing some new Council members which means we will also be saying "farewell" to those currently serving in those positions. Those ongoing members are: **Mission Committee chairperson: Karen V, Property Committee co-chair, Ned C and Stewardship Committee chairperson: Erin N.**

We would like to acknowledge and thank them for their years of service and dedication to Maple Leaf Lutheran Church. While we know they will still be around and hopefully serving in different capacities, we want to sincerely thank them for all the work that they have done in these important roles. We appreciate you!

PRAYERS FOR SYNOD ASSEMBLY VOTING MEMBERS:

This year the Northwest Washington of the ELCA Synod Assembly will take place on May 20 in Mount Vernon. At our February congregational meeting we elected Marijayne G, Bruce R. and Dorothy J. to be the voting members from Maple Leaf Lutheran Church. At our May 21 Annual Congregational Meeting we will hear a report from the Synod Assembly. **Please keep our voting members in your prayers as they attend to the important work of the Church.**



Our annual Spring Congregational Meeting is Sunday, May 21, after worship service. Please join us!

ATTENDANCE & GIVING STATISTICS

APRIL	2	9	16	23	30	Totals	Average
Attendance:	79	95	180	82	85	521	104
Offering	\$ 4645	\$ 3762	\$ 5916	\$ 2670	\$ 3127	\$ 20120	\$ 4024

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOMINEES FOR MAY 21 ELECTIONS: At our upcoming May 21 Spring Congregational Meeting we will be electing some officers who are up for a second term and Council members/committee chairs. Please plan on attending that meeting were we will also accepting nominees from the floor.

Here is the list of nominees:

- Vice President: Susan T.
- Secretary: Tom L.
- Property co-chair: Susan H. & Steve O.
- Stewardship chair: **Still need a nominee**
- Mission chair: Carol W.
- 2018 Nominating Cmt: Marijayne, Lucas, Sandy G.

Also, we'd like to say thank you to our current Nominating Committee: Chris T, Kim S, Jim F, Trayton O, Sandy G & Pastor Julie.

HOUSING LUTHERWOOD CAMP COUNSELORS? We are looking for someone who'd be willing to host our Lutherwood Day Camp Counselors for the week when they are here this summer running Day Camp. They'll arrive for

worship on Sunday, July 9 and leave around noon on Friday, July 14. There will be 3-5 counselors, gender unknown. They just need a place to crash, couches or floors are fine. The church will provide breakfast, daily sack lunches and either restaurant gift cards or invitations to someone else's house for dinner. You just need to house them. You don't even have to be home if you're going to be away for that week during the summer.



For the past 2 summers the Cokelet's have housed the counselors and can answer any questions you may have. If we can't find a home to host them, they will stay on the 3rd floor at church, which is fine, but sometimes it's nicer to have a "home" to return to after a long day with the kids at Day Camp. Please let Pr. Julie know if you are interested or have questions. **Thanks for considering it.**

SAVE THE DATE: BICYCLE RODEO – TBD this June. We're looking for volunteers to facilitate a bike rodeo in the Parking Plaza after worship some Sunday in June. Please contact Eli P. to get in on the fun.



Automate your offering with Simply Giving®, the Thrivent Financial program to support **Maple Leaf Lutheran Church** through EFT (electronic fund transfer) from your bank account. Automatic deposits may be single, weekly, monthly, or variable, and may be canceled any time given 2 days' notice. Please see Chris J (chris@merledog.com), the Treasurer, to submit the short form & voided check to get started

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ONLINE / AUTO-PAY	SMART PHONE	MAIL	SUNDAY
ReachOutChurch.org Simply Giving®		10005 32nd Ave NE Seattle, WA 98125	Use Envelopes for cash or check

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JOIN US FOR FAMILY CAMP! Please save the date for Family Camp this summer. We'll be staying 2 nights (**Fri–Sat, AUG 4–5**) at Black Diamond Camps outside Auburn. Come enjoy a variety of fun activities, get to know your fellow church members better, and enjoy a Christ-centered weekend. All are invited. We reserved space for 20 adults & 20 kids. For affordable pricing, registration, & additional details, please email Darrick darrickmeneken@yahoo.com.

PRIDE PARADE: SUNDAY JUNE 25, 2017: It is time once again to start planning for our participation in the annual Seattle Gay Pride Parade. We will once again be marching as Open Door Ministries/RIC & Gay-Friendly Churches. This year's parade will be held on **Sunday, June 25th**. The parade is scheduled to begin at 11:00 a.m., but as those of you who have participated with us in the past know, we do not actually start moving down the parade route until noon or later. This makes it a bit easier for congregations - who have services earlier in the day - to participate. The walk time is roughly 2.5 hours and 1.5 miles long. Last year we had over 100 marching in our contingent - a powerful and public testament to God's inclusive love for all. We hope to have even more joining us this year. Save the date on your calendar and be looking for more info and a sign-up sheet to come.

SCRIP SUNDAY IN MAY WILL BE ON THE 2ND SUNDAY, MAY 14 – GET READY FOR SUMMER AND SUPPORT MAPLE LEAF!

As you anticipate graduations, Father's Day, gardening and summer activities, why not pick up a few scrip gift cards from Maple Leaf to use for groceries, gifts, entertainment and even travel.

Stop by the scrip table after service to check out the variety of retail gift cards available. MLLC receives a percentage (between 2-16%) of your purchase—at no cost to you!

For more information at home, go to the church website (www.reachoutchurch.org), and use the link to "shop with scrip.com" on the right side of MLLC home page. Once at the scrip page, select the "shop" button at the top to view the variety of gift certificates available. Or, to register as a Maple Leaf family, and place your order on-line, you will need to create a family account (tab on left side) and use Maple Leaf's enrollment code: 2D57262717896.

For instant scrip: *ScripNow!* – ANY TIME You Want! You can order, pay for, and print eCards for various participating for select retailers (such as Home Depot, Safeway, Starbucks, AMC theaters and

Amazon.com), and use them within minutes, or email directly as gifts. To use this great convenience, you must be signed up for PrestoPay service on the ShopWithScrip website for Maple Leaf. If you want help to access this service, or have any questions about scrip gift card system, please contact Susan T at the scrip table.

Remember also the AMAZON link (located just below the *shop with scrip* link.)**on the Maple Leaf website** (www.reachoutchurch.org). Whenever you shop Amazon, by first connecting to it through the Maple Leaf link, MLLC receives additional rebate. Thank you for your support—Susan T.

PENTECOST SUNDAY IS JUNE 4: Remember to wear red to church on Pentecost Sunday which is June 4 this year. Pentecost Sunday is the day that is called the "Birthday of the church." It is the day that we remember the early disciples receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit. Red symbolizes joy and the fire of the Holy Spirit. Read more at Acts 2: 1-20.

EASTER THANK YOU



The Family Ministry Committee would like to offer our sincerest thanks to all the Maple Leafers who have graciously stepped up to help with events during the last few weeks. We were saddened to lose 2 longtime members in Earl and Paul, but so thankful that many people came forward to bring cookies and help with their memorial receptions. Everyone's efforts made these events go smoothly & freed family members to concentrate on guests, not the kitchen.

We also appreciate the efforts of everyone who contributed to the wonderful selection of breakfast casseroles shared at the Easter Breakfast—they were delicious. We believe we served over 130 people a tasty breakfast before worship. Thank you, too, to our "few" good men (actually, more than a few!) who served food, made coffee, replenished serving platters, and cleaned up afterwards.

It is said that "many hands make light work", but it is more than that. When many people work together on these events there is an energy created that makes the work more fun, the event more welcoming, and the love more tangible. Thank you to everyone who comes forward to create strong events here at Maple Leaf.

GIVE BIG ON MAY 10TH

COUNTDOWN TO GIVE BIG, a campaign hosted by the Seattle Foundation.



A Few Days to go...

Visit the website and do it NOW or sometime before AND/OR the day of **MAY 10th**. The day is Wednesday and we need your support. A little 'give' by many, makes the donation to MC², BIG.

Meadowbrook Community CARE supports, educates and engages the community. OUR work is food security, shelter, holiday family support and English Language Learning support for local elementary school children.

Inclusive outreach and impactful care for our neighbors. That's the investment and that's the pitch to your friends and neighbors.

Thank you for your continued support and prayers.

--Terry Vogel, Community Partnerships Director

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**Let's do this.
Together.**

#GIVEBIG

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

MAY	7	14	21	28
READER	Alyssa	Dorothy J	Randy Gos	Marijayne
COMM ASSTS	Terry & Karen V.	Kathy C & Paularose	Sandy G & Emeline	Karen A & Lynne S
GREETERS	Sandy G	Catherine J	Karl F	Nancy G
USHERS	Olsens	Tiptons	Lentz s	Koll s
ASST. MINS	Emeline	Ron	Randy	Jim
ACOLYTES	Marie J & other	Josh K. & Soren J.	Ally & other	Brit J. & Ally K.
ALTAR	Randy	Kathy	Kiki	Susan
VAN DRIVER	Ned	Bill	Jim T	Joe
KIDS' TIME	Karl F	tbd	Pastor Judy Brennan	tbd
CHOIR DIR	Handel Shin	Handel Shin	Handel Shin	Handel Shin
ACCOMPANIST	Yoon Shin	Yoon Shin	Yoon Shin	Yoon Shin
MINISTER	Pastor Julie Blum	Pastor Julie Blum	Pastor Judy Brennan	Pastor Julie Blum
LITURGY	ELW 8	ELW 2	Feast	New Song
COOKIE chart	Koala, Morrison, Tipton, Warren, King, Koll, and Fiddick			

CALENDAR OF EVENTS: MAY 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 9:00 AM Quilting 5:00 PM Pacifica Choir 9:00 PM Nightly Shelter all month	2 11:00 AM Staff Mtg	3 4:00 PM Pacifica Choir	4 7:30 AM Grateful Bread Bible Study 10:00 AM Text Study 7:30 PM MLLC Choir	5 janitorial 6:45 PM Camino Al Cielo	6 janitorial Waldorf Parking 3:30 PM Organist 6:45 PM Camino Al Cielo
7 9:00 AM Adult Forum 9:00 AM Confirmation 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship- bring canned goods 11:30 AM Scrip Sunday 3:00 PM Church Shelter Meal	8 9:00 AM Quilting 5:00 PM Pacifica Choir	9 11:00 AM Staff Mtg 1:00 PM Alzheimer's Association Care-giver Support Group	10 4:00 PM Pacifica Choir	11 7:30 AM Grateful Bread Bible Study 10:00 AM Text Study 7:30 PM MLLC Choir	12 janitorial 6:45 PM Camino Al Cielo 6:45 PM Seattle Recorder Society	13 janitorial 9:00 AM Yard-work party 1:30 PM Recorder Orchestra of Puget Sound 3:30 PM Organist 6:45 PM Camino Al Cielo
14 Mother's Day Scrip Sunday 9:00 AM Adult Forum 9:00 AM Confirmation 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 11:30 AM Mission Cmt	15 9:00 AM Quilting 5:00 PM Pacifica Choir	16 11:00 AM Staff Mtg 7:00 PM Book Club	17 4:00 PM Pacifica Choir	18 7:30 AM Grateful Bread Bible Study 10:00 AM Text Study 7:00 PM Exec Cmt 7:30 PM MLLC Choir	19 janitorial 6:45 PM Camino Al Cielo	20 janitorial Synod Assembly 9:00 AM Deadline for Cross-Road 1:30 PM TCMA Recital 3:30 PM Organist 6:45 PM Camino Al Cielo
Additions or corrections? Call the church office (206) 524-2448 or email mapleleafoffice@comcast.net						
21 9:00 AM Adult Forum 9:00 AM Confirmation 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 12:00 PM Congregation Meeting 3:00 PM Community Shelter Meal	22 9:00 AM Quilting 5:00 PM Pacifica Choir	23 11:00 AM Staff Mtg	24 4:00 PM Pacifica Choir	25 7:30 AM Grateful Bread Bible Study 10:00 AM Text Study 7:30 PM MLLC Choir	26 janitorial 6:45 PM Camino Al Cielo	27 janitorial 3:30 PM Organist 6:45 PM Camino Al Cielo
28 9:00 AM Adult Forum 10:30 AM Worship	29 Memorial Day 5:00 PM Pacifica Choir	30 11:00 AM Staff Mtg	31 4:00 PM Pacifica Choir			

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

9a Sunday School/Confirmation
 9:30AM Adult Forum
 10:30 AM Worship Service

Nursery Hours

Sundays from 9AM-noon

Weekly Education

7:30 AM Thursday Bible Study
Grateful Bread Bakery
 NE 70th St & 35th Ave NE



At Maple Leaf Lutheran Church, we rejoice in the diversity that enriches, nurtures and challenges the life and ministry we share in Christ. We welcome visitors and members of all backgrounds, races, gender identities and sexual orientations. We share Word, Baptism and Communion with all people. We believe that the Gospel is God's unconditional gift. To all — especially those who have ever felt excluded, alienated or left behind — we extend a heartfelt embrace. In the spirit of love and goodwill, we treasure one another's similarities and accept our differences as we strive to discover what it means to be reconciling in Christ. Come walk with us as we are transformed by God's path of grace and peace, truth and love.

To those who see what we say, come and see what we do.

The **SHARE Program** meets nightly in the Community Hall from 9pm to 8am. In cooperation with Seattle Housing and Resource Effort, Maple Leaf houses 20 homeless people in our basement 365 nights a year.

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