

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, February 7, 2021
*****THE OFFICE REMAINS CLOSED DURING PHASE 2*****
OFFICE HOURS MONDAY – FRIDAY 9:00AM – 3:30PM
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TODAY

REMOTE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP

Welcome to those of you joining us for in-person service today! Worship continues to be live streamed on Facebook, our Website and Zoom.

Join Zoom Worship:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89375602512?pwd=M3hPK0plMGlzZ2M0eEhmTitoM3NQdz09>

Meeting ID: 893 7560 2512 Password: 435230

One tap mobile

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Call in option: Do not have internet? Not comfortable with entering zoom on a computer or using Facebook live? Zoom offers the option to call in to listen to the service. Call into worship while it is open — usually a minimum of 5 minutes before 9:30am until 11:00am — +1 253 215 8782 when requested follow the directions to enter the meeting number: [89375602512](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89375602512). You will be able to hear the worship service.

HOLY COMMUNION WILL BE OFFERED DURING SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

All who believe and are baptized are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper during our worship service. In this age of digital worship, you are invited to participate in the sacrament from home. If you are you not baptized, reach out to Pastor Amanda to discuss how God is inviting you not only to the table but also into God's grace and the inheritance that we receive through baptism. This is not meant to be an obstacle but an invitation.

Prepare for Holy Communion! Have the elements ready ahead of time at your home.

You are asked to have the elements of bread and wine/grape juice ready at your home prior to the worship service. Prepackaged elements are available for pick up at the office from 9:00am-3:30pm Monday through Friday.

If you do not have the elements of Holy Communion available for worship, be assured that you are receiving God's Word and grace fully in the confession and absolution and in the preaching of the Word. We look forward to a time when we can once again commune shoulder to shoulder and when Christ's body and blood can be placed in our hands and we can hear the "for you" directly. In this time, know that God is fully present with you in God's Word.

CREATOR'S FAMILY SUNDAY SCHOOL IS BACK!

We are posting Sunday School lessons with video stories and links to music videos every week. We will follow the lectionary so you can enjoy a family discussion after Sunday School and Worship.

ADULT EDUCATION

I Love to Tell the Story - Pastor Amanda will be posting a short video each week diving into the Bible Narrative and specific readings for the upcoming Sunday. The videos will be posted on Facebook, YouTube and linked to our website. Here is the link to this week's link to Bible Study:

<https://youtu.be/oD6xg3FJ1jc>

If you have any questions or comments about the Bible study please send them to

pastoramanda@creatorlutheran.net.

UPCOMING EVENTS

IN PERSON WORSHIP REGISTRATION

You may register now for in-person worship for the upcoming three weeks. The registration links are:

February 7 -

<https://creatorlutheran.breezechms.com/form/cb89c79891214516334507425523741691515080725690>

February 14 -

<https://creatorlutheran.breezechms.com/form/cb89c7989121451633450742552374169151508072569043>

February 17 (Ash Wednesday Service at 7:00pm) -

<https://creatorlutheran.breezechms.com/form/cb89c79891214516334507425523741691515080725690434526>

February 21 -

<https://creatorlutheran.breezechms.com/form/cb89c798912145163345074255237416915150807256904345>

You will receive a confirmation e-mail when you have been successfully registered and counted for a service. Please remember there are limited numbers allowed due to Covid-19 guidelines.

DAILY MORNING DEVOTIONS

You are invited to join live together in devotion daily Monday -Thursday via zoom at **9:00am**

<https://zoom.us/j/633840757>

Call into the Zoom devotion: +1 253 215 8782 when requested follow the direction to enter the meeting number: 9:00am devotion meeting # 633840757

You will be able to hear the class. When discussion is opened, you will be unmuted by the host so that you can participate.

All worship services and devotions will be posted after completion on both YouTube and the creator website: <https://www.youtube.com/user/CreatorLutheran> and www.creatorlutheran.net

GIVING STATEMENTS

2020 Year end giving statements have been mailed. Please contact Chris Grigg crgrigg@comcast.net with any questions.

PRESCHOOL OPEN ENROLLMENT

Preschool enrollment is now open to the public for the 2021-2022 school year. Please share with family and friends. Contact Andrea DeDominces at (253) 222-9463 or via email at markandrea222@gmail.com for more information (email is the preferred contact medium). You can also visit our website at <https://creatorlutheran.net/creator-preschool>.

VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

Our new volunteer program seems to be working well, but we can always use more volunteers to serve during worship. If you are interested in volunteering for in-person worship services during this time of Covid, and have not been receiving invitations, please call the office and we can discuss volunteer opportunities. We especially need more volunteers for **Ushering** and those who have been trained to do the **Sound and PowerPoint**.

PICK UP YOUR ASHES

Ashes will be available to pick up at church for the week prior to Ash Wednesday. These can be used as part of your worship with Creator at home at 7pm or when you view the worship. If you would like ashes to be delivered to your home please let the office know prior to February 12th so that arrangements can be made. You will be invited to impose ashes on your own forehead and/or on the foreheads of people in your household.

DRIVE BY ASHES

Drive by church **on February 17th at either 12:30pm-2pm or 5:40pm-6:30pm** for imposition of ashes by Pastor Amanda. Pastor will have a mask and face shield. Ashes will be applied with a single use q-tip.

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Worship will be at **7pm on February 17th**. You are invited to register to come in person or worship digitally on Facebook, Zoom or YouTube.

For those who come in person, your COVID family will be invited to come to the altar for imposition of ashes. Ashes will be imposed with a single use q-tip by Pastor Amanda, who will be masked and using a face shield.

7 SYMBOLS OF ASH

We will be considering the different meanings of Ash throughout Lent in 2021. Each Wednesday one of these meanings will be the focus of the Wednesday evening sermon. Throughout the day you are invited to come to schedule time to come into the sanctuary to pray and to walk through prayer stations designed to reflect on Loss, Mortality, Emptiness, Weakness, Repentance, Shame, and Purity.

PRAYER STATIONS

Register for a time to go through the 7 Symbols of Ash Stations one time (or more) during Lent. You and your COVID family will be the only people in the sanctuary at the time and other COVID protocols will be in place as well. Registration will open in February.

Times will be available **9am-7pm on Wednesdays in Lent**.

HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER

Worship with Holden Evening Prayer and sermon will be premiered at **7pm each Wednesday** on Facebook and YouTube.

HOLY WEEK IN A BOX

Boxes are being prepared so that your household can have worship and devotional materials for Holy Week. The boxes which contain objects that help us reflect on Jesus' passion and resurrection for us. You will be receiving information about when they are available for pick-up at the church or to request that a box is dropped off at your home.

MONDAY EVENING WOMEN'S GROUP

This is a time for connection, catching up and sharing prayer requests. During Covid we are meeting virtually on Zoom the first and third Mondays of the month at 7 pm. Please contact Janice Pendergast at janicepend@yahoo.com for more information.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

During "All things Covid" the Wednesday night Men's group has been using Zoom. The meetings start at 7:00pm and are over by 9:00pm. If you are interested in joining the meeting please contact Scott Perkins with your email address and he will send you a link for Zoom.

Scott.perkins@hotmail.com or (253) 230-3416

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Adult Bible Study meets on the **second** and **fourth Mondays of each month on Zoom from 7pm-8pm**. New group members are always welcome! Please contact Terri Heckroth for Zoom ID number.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Thursday Morning Bible Study continues with our study on Exodus. If you need to order the Exodus Study book, let us know. The bible study will take place between 10:00 - 11:30am.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9668069876?pwd=MIAvSUcxeFpUanIFdWJKekNHemZvUT09>

Meeting ID: 966 806 9876 **Passcode:** 1DMKSi

One tap mobile: +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

Meeting ID: 966 806 9876 **Passcode:** 419391

TULIP TOWN PLANTER FUNDRAISER (LAST CHANCE!)

Creator Preschool will be conducting a Tulip Town Planter fundraiser from **Thursday, January 21st** through **Friday, February 5th**. These are beautiful 8" planters that last anywhere from 4-6 weeks. A variety of colors are offered. We are selling them for \$12.00 which includes tax.

The money will go towards updating educational toys and teacher education programs. It also helps us keep our tuition costs down. If you are interested, please contact Andrea DeDominces at (253) 222-9463 or via email at markandrea222@gmail.com

COMMUNITY CARE

Pastoral Care available by calling Pastor Amanda's cell 253-470-6924.

PASTORAL EMERGENCY FUND

Creator has a fund available to be used at the discretion of Pastor Amanda to support congregation members and the community as needed. If you or another member of the Creator Community has a particular financial need at this time, please reach out to Pastor Amanda for support. We are here for one another at this time. This fund is also open for additional donations from the congregation.

SIGN IN TO BUILDING

If you enter the church building during the week for any reason, please sign in at the table by the front door with the date, your name, and mark the rooms that you enter. This information is needed for cleaning and disinfecting purposes, and in the event contact tracing becomes necessary.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, February 7, 2021

9:30a Worship w/Communion
Live Stream
7:00p High School Bible Study via Zoom

MONDAY, February 8, 2021

9:00a Morning Devotions
7:00p Adult Bible Study via Zoom

TUESDAY, February 9, 2021

9:00a Morning Devotions

WEDNESDAY, February 10, 2021

9:00a Morning Devotions
7:00p Men's Fellowship via Zoom
7:00p Confirmation via Zoom

THURSDAY, February 11, 2021

9:00a Morning Devotions
10:00a Thursday Morning Bible Study via Zoom

FRIDAY, February 12, 2021

SATURDAY, February 13, 2021

SUNDAY, February 14, 2021

9:30a Worship w/Communion
Live Stream
7:00p High School Bible Study via Zoom

We lift our prayers for:

+ Those serving in the Armed Forces & their families. + All those during this time of trial and thanksgiving who are working to keep us safe, fed and encouraged. +Those making difficult decisions. +Essential workers who are facing burnout. +Those suffering pain from chronic conditions. +The unemployed.

+For Cancer Treatments:

Nancy Thorp, Nancy Nesheim (Leslie Noborikawa's sister); Jay Lafratta (age 8) fighting non-Hodgkin's lymphoma (requested by Donna Hinkley); Fred and Tatyana Shkolnik (friends of John and Judy Bial) prayers for Tatyana who was diagnosed with stage 4 cancer; Eldena VanderZanden (friend of Leslie Noborikawa); Mary Young whose cancer has returned (requested by Joanne Hall); Pat Adams (Darin Adam's mother) as she continues cancer treatment; Comfort and healing for Susan Nickelson who was recently diagnosed with cancer (submitted by Sharon Kraus); Cal Hunziker, a former Creator member diagnosed with lung cancer (submitted by Jan Shabro); Healing and strength for Carol Beard, who is facing her third battle with cancer; Vicki Kirn's sister Diane who is fighting cancer; Ken Horn, recovering from cancer surgery (friend of Sharon Kraus); Marilyn Kelley's neighbor, Don, as he continues cancer treatment. Betty Hazen, as she has been diagnosed with lung cancer (submitted by Sharon Kraus.) Janice Harlor as she battles cancer, James Helmold for strength and health through radiation treatment (submitted by Janice Pendergast); Merritt Winchell, Robb Winchell's uncle, who is undergoing cancer treatment. Mary Lewis, recovering from breast cancer (submitted by Amber and James Bradshaw).

+Healing and Health Issues:

Jack Anderson; Sandy Rogen; Prayers of healing for Vicki Thrush, Paula Eismann's sister, Jean, as she battles health issues. Terri Randolph, hospitalized in ICU with heart problems (friend of Pastor Amanda). Jim Rutkosky for healing from a heart procedure. Prayers for Elizabeth, cousin of Carol Larson, for health concerns.

+Those who mourn

The family of Eloise Tourtlotte (Susan Hemmen's mother); The family of Bill (Pastor Amanda's uncle), The family of Jeanne (Deborah Anderson's friend), The family of Shirley (Kathy McKean's mother).

WHAT WE LOVE ABOUT CREATOR

This pandemic has not prevented Creator from continuing to do "God's work with our hands." Last Sunday we had our Annual Celebration virtually via zoom (see picture below) and it was amazing to see all that was accomplished by the committees, ministry teams, and programs of Creator. Hopefully you got a chance to look at the beautiful 2020 Annual report sent out via email by the office. Our volunteers, donations, and prayers continue to make a huge impact in our community. Also pictured is the prayer chain assembled by Terri Heckroth, representing the many uplifted prayers by the high school and adult Bible Study groups, and Confirmation. Prayer is the foundation of our work and all that is accomplished at Creator.

