

# PARISH NOTES – July 11, 2021

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

### *For those who mourn*

- ☞ Family of Pat H., friend of the Walcotts, who recently passed due to complications of COVID -19.
- ☞ Family of Rachel Brandt, who passed Wednesday 7/7.

### *For those battling cancer*

- ☞ Jeffrey F., brother of Janet Sonoff, battling terminal colon cancer.
- ☞ Jack W., friend of Fred Puhl, has stage 4 cancer with no cure.
- ☞ Lori Williams
- ☞ Dick Henkel
- ☞ Margaret Henkel
- ☞ For Laure, cousin of Sandy Blake, who is being treated for stage 1 cancer; prayers that she remains in remission.
- ☞ Carol Means
- ☞ Gerald H., brother of Donna Clifford, has terminal cancer.

### *For those struggling with health concerns*

- ☞ Bob, brother of Sandy Blake, recovery from surgery and an infection
- ☞ Don M., Cindy Walcott's father, who underwent back surgery.
- ☞ Carla H., friend of the Walcotts, recovering from COVID-19 and mourning the loss of her husband, Pat.
- ☞ Dorothy Hochhalter, prayers for Dr's wisdom and pain relief
- ☞ Brent Blake, recovery from ankle replacement and skin graft surgeries
- ☞ Kimberly, friend of the Talbert family, prayers for medication to work to dissolve a disabling blood clot near her brain stem.
- ☞ Lori Stevens
- ☞ Flavia Williams
- ☞ Kim Best
- ☞ Dan Yox
- ☞ Milt Talbert and family
- ☞ Linda, mother of Dara McGuire

### *For those serving in the Armed Forces*

- ☞ Trevor K., Dennis E., Chris H., Grant H.

**MASKS AT LIVING SAVIOR** – Gov. Brown has signed Executive Order 21-15 ending all remaining COVID-19 restrictions. Oregon Health Authority liaison assures us no exceptions to the governor's action apply to faith institutions. Therefore, we will no longer require mask wearing or physical distancing at worship services.

COVID-19 and its variants are still a reality, so we want to be thoughtful about how we all stay as safe as possible. We will continue basic practices such as regular surface cleaning, hand washing and hand sanitizer use. Our most recent policy stated that "we will all continue to mask and observe social distancing until such a time that we can do so without verification of vaccination status." Now that verification is no longer required, everyone is trusted to self-select whether to wear a mask or not. We encourage people to talk to each other and be compassionate, allow yourself and others to mask/distance or not without question or judgment.

As always, this policy is subject to change, and COVID or not, IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING COLD/FLU SYMPTOMS, STAY HOME!

~ Spiritual Life Board

**PATIO PARTIES** – Don't miss this great opportunity to spend more time safely getting to know each other, renewing friendships, and having the time to talk and enjoy each other's company. Party dates: Sundays, July 11, 25 & August 8 & 22, 3-5:00 pm in a backyard of a LSLC member. Sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex. More information is on the poster or in the LOGOS. Questions? Call Karen Hoppert 503-936-3661. Summer is here, let the fun begin!

**PASTOR KEVIN OFFICE HOURS** – I have time available in the office Sunday -Thursday. I welcome your visits and requests for me to visit you or others. I am glad to meet using Zoom anytime. Office staff has access to my calendar and is happy to schedule for you. Please feel free to contact me by phone/text/email: 503-505-1861/ [pastorkevin@living-savior.org](mailto:pastorkevin@living-savior.org)

**RACHEL BRANDT SERVICE** – The service is scheduled for 11:00AM, Saturday July 17, here at Living Savior.

## MISSION & SERVICE UPDATES

**LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF** - Access to the COVID-19 vaccine is rapidly changing our lives in the United States and now kindness from our congregation can deliver the same hope to our neighbors in some of the most forsaken corners of the world. Living Savior will be contributing \$200.00 to equip clinics to receive and store vaccines, train health care workers to coordinate vaccination campaigns and provide essentials for survival, including, masks, clean water and emergency food assistance. Please join us in reaching these vulnerable neighbors. Visit [lwr.org/congregations](http://lwr.org/congregations) on ways to give.

**PRISON MINISTRY** - Thank you from Angel Tree for the support and participation in the Summer Camping experience. Camp is a place to have fun in the great outdoors, make new friends, and meet caring adult counselors. Children encounter the love of Jesus and discover hope for the future. Angel Tree has received a matching grant of \$25,000, therefore doubling your donation. Support the Camping Experience at [www.prisonfellowship.org/MDS](http://www.prisonfellowship.org/MDS)

**LUTHERAN BIBLE TRANSLATORS** offers matched support up to \$15,000, doubling the gift. This gift offers the Word to people who are eager to read and hear Scripture in the language that speaks directly to their hearts. Meet the challenge: [lbt.org/give](http://lbt.org/give)

### **2021 Contributions as of 7/7/2021**

**GENERAL FUND:** \$274,903

**BUDGET:** \$291,438

**BUILDING FUND:** \$24,265



Thank you for your generous gifts!

### **Other Stewardship info:**

- We have introduced a new web and mobile based method of making your offering contributions, Give+. This feature makes it possible for either a one-time or recurring offering from either your checking or savings account. A link to Give+ is on the church homepage, and you can also download the app on your mobile device.
- One giving option that may help you reduce your tax burden is a "Qualified Charitable Distribution". For those that are over age 70 ½ and have an IRA with a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD), you can bypass paying taxes on any proceeds that are gifted to a charity/religious organization/501c3. Instead of receiving the RMD, paying the full tax, and then making your regular offering contribution, you can instead have some portion of your RMD transfer directly from your IRA to a 501c3 organization (like Living Savior) and avoid paying taxes on that income. If you would like more general information about this, please contact Adam Wilkie. For anything more specific or detailed, please consult your tax advisor.
- As continues to be the case, there are several options to consider maintaining your regular offering contributions:

Mail your offering to the church:

8740 SW Sagert Street, Tualatin, OR 97062

Drop-off at the church during regular office hours:

Tuesday through Friday from 9am to 2pm

**MONTHLY NEWSLETTER** - The LIVING LOGOS, Living Savior's monthly newsletter, has been sent by U.S. Post to our homes. If you do not receive one and would like to, please reach out to the church office. It is also available on our website under NEWS/Living LOGOS Newsletter along with the Parish Notes. It is essential to the life of Living Savior to receive news, personal messages, pertinent information including alerts of upcoming events. If you would prefer to read the LOGOS online and not receive a paper copy, please notify the church office.

**REMINDER MEN'S MINISTRY** - is hosting breakfast, fellowship and worship this Saturday morning July 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am for all interested men.

**STEPHEN MINISTRY** – Before being matched with a care receiver, you will be extremely well trained in how to care and relate to hurting people in a distinctively Christian way. A lot of the training includes what to say or do – and what not to say or do – when people are facing difficult situations. The training includes a lot of discussions, skill practices, and activities to help you grow as a caregiver. It also emphasizes trusting God for the care receiver's healing – even if we make mistakes along the way. Refer to Living Logos for more information.

**REMINDER: SINGLE WOMEN OF LIVING SAVIOR** – Our scheduled get together is at Carol Rutherford's home July 17, @ 2pm. Bring your favorite beverage and snack to share. An RSVP is requested so adequate supplies can be provided. It has been a very long time since we last met and we are looking forward to seeing everyone.

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