



# Kirkkopulletiini

## OF FINNISH LUTHERAN CHURCH

### July - Aug 2017

#### KESÄ AIKA

Ja Jumala sanoi: "Kasvakoon maa vihreyttä, siementä tekeviä kasveja ja hedelmäpuita, jotka maan päällä kantavat hedelmissään kukin lajonsa mukaista siementä". Ja niin tapahtui. 1. Moos 1:11

Tähän aikaan vuodesta elämme keskellä vihreyttä, vehreyttä, siementä tekevien kasvien runsautta. Siemenessä itsessään on paljon voimaa. Siinä on kasvusta kaikki tärkeä. Jumalan sanasta sanotaan, että se on siemen. Se tarkoittaa sitä, että kun luemme tai kuulemme Raamatun tekstejä meihinkin istutetaan sanan siemeniä. Jumalan sanassa on paljon voimaa. Raamatussa sanotaan, että Jumala on rakkaus. Rakkaudessa on paljon voimaa. Paljon, paljon enemmän kuin missään ihmisen mielestä voimakkaassa asiassa. Rakkaudessa on enemmän voimaa kuin kuolemassa.

Kun siemen on istutettu, se alkaa kasvaa. Se tarvitsee vettä, ravinteita ja valoa. Kasvit ja puut ja kukat luonnossa saavat kaikkea tätä. Siemenessä oleva voima alkaa kasvaa ja keväällä ja kesällä me näemme valtavan määrän kaikkea kaunista ja ihmisille ja eläimille tärkeää ja hyödyllistä. Jumala antaa niille kasvun. Jumala antaa meihinkin istutetulle Jumalan sana siemenelle kasvun. Me voimme kertoa Jumalan rakkaudesta sanojen tai tekojen kautta, mutta me emme voi antaa sille kasvua. Jumala antaa. Me saamme kasvaa Jumalan hoidossa ja Jumalan tuntemisessa. Jumalan rakkauden tuntemisessa.

Se, mitä siemenestä kasvaa antaa meille ravintoa. Se, mikä Jumalan sana siemenestä kasvaa antaa myös meille ravinto, ja meidän kauttamme myös muille.. Kun opimme, että Jumalan rakkaus on aina olemassa ja voimassa, että Jumalalle kaikki on yhtä tärkeitä ja rakkaita, me kasvamme niin, että välitämme muista ihmisistä ja luomakunnasta. Mitä enemmän kasvamme, sitä enemmän rakkaus omassa sisimmässämme kasvaa.

#### SUMMER TIME

Then God said., "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with seed in it." And it was so.

At this time of the year we live in the midst of greenness, verdancy and the abundance of seed producing plants. There is a lot of power in a seed itself. The seed has all that is important to a plant. It is said that the word of God is a seed. It means, that when we read or heard texts from the Bible, seeds are being planted in us. There is a lot of power in the word of God.

The Bible says that God is love. In love there is a lot of power. A lot more than in the things we consider powerful. In love there is more power than in death.

When the seed has been planted, it begins to grow. It needs water, nutrients and light. Plants get all this in the nature. The force inside of the seed starts to grow and in the springtime and in the summer we can see an abundant variety of beautiful and useful plants. God gives them growth. God gives growth to the seeds planted in us too. We can tell about God's love by words and deeds, but we cannot give the growth. God can. We can grow in God's care and in knowing God. Knowing God's love. What grows from the seed, gives us nourishment. What grows from the seed of God's word also nourishes us, and through us others too. When we learn, that God's love indeed exists and that to God everyone is dear and important, we grow to care about other people and the creation.

The more we grow, the more love grows inside of us.

Pastor Nina

## Guests from Finland

We are again lucky to have had Nina Tetri-Mustonen visiting us, now for five Sundays in May and June. Pastor Nina and her husband Greg arrived with eight musical companions who treated the congregation with special music during the services and at the coffee in Maki Hall.



Brave men singing on Mother's Day

In the picture below are: Pauliina Pajala (violin), Tuija Savolainen (accordion), Kati Molkkari (accordion) Tapani Riddarström (base) and singers Kirsi Mäki, Kristina Turunen, Tuula Pajunen, Pauli Pietiläinen together with Pastor Nina. Mr. Pauli Pietiläinen, who is both a cantor from the Sibelius Academy and an ordained pastor was giving the communion with Pastor Nina on May 28.

We certainly enjoyed the visitors being here and look forward to welcoming them again!



## May 2017 Pitopöytä Brunch

The pitopöytä brunch on May 21 was a real treat with Heikki's now famous smoked salmon on the main menu and strawberry shortcakes and pullaa as dessert. This, together with guest Pastor Jukka Joensuu's service and the choir singing "Kesäpäivä Kangasalla" made it a very special Sunday and a great start of the summer!



## Coming Events:

Sunday July 30, 2017 Singing with the Church Choir

August 27, 2017 at 3 PM Viipurin Lauluveikot 120th Anniversary Concert, at University Unitarian Church, 6556 35th Ave NE in Seattle.



Male choir Viipurin Lauluveikot ("Viborg's Sångarbröder"), was founded in Vyborg in 1897 and is one of the oldest men's choirs still active in Finland. After the Second World War, the choir moved from Vyborg to Helsinki because Finland had lost Vyborg to the USSR. Many prominent composers, conductors and soloists have worked with Viipurin Lauluveikot. The honorary marches of Viipurin Lauluveikot were composed by Jean Sibelius and he was also an honorary member of the choir. The choir is very active both in Finland and abroad. It has visited for example England, Japan, Hungary, Lithuania, China and the USA (1973 and 1976). In 2012 the choir had a 115-years anniversary tour to the previous hometown Vyborg and to St Peterburg, Russia.

Now, in 2017, on their 120th Anniversary Year, they are on a tour on the West Coast in USA and Canada. Please mark the calendar date for this historical event!

## **Wedding, Birthday, Graduation or other events..**

Rent a space in the Finnish Lutheran Church, Sanctuary, Maki Hall and kitchen. For more information please contact: Heikki Mannisto ( 206-910-7427) e:mail [mannisto.heikki@ekono.com](mailto:mannisto.heikki@ekono.com)

# JULY 2017 HEINÄKUU

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 Aaro Aaron
2 Maria, Maija, Mari <b>Church Service at 10 AM</b> Pastor: Bill Moos Organist: Aaron Otheim	3 Arvo	4 Ulla, Ulpu	5 Unto, Untamo	6 Esa, Esaias	7 Klaus, Launo	8 Turo Turkka
9 Jasmin, Ilta, Jade <b>Church Service at 10 AM</b> Pastor: Kristy Daniels Organist: Yvonne Vollan	10 Saima, Saimi	11 Elli, Noora, Nel li	12 Hermann, Herkko	13 Joel, Ilari, Jari	14 Aliisa, Alisa Turkka	15 Rauni, Rauna
16 Reino <b>Church Service at 10 AM</b> Pastor: Sr. Liz Colver Organist: Aaron Otheim	17 Ossi, Ossian	18 Riikka	19 Sari, Saara	20 Marketta, Maarit, Reet ta, Margareeta	21 Johanna, Hanna, Jenni, Jenna, Hannele, Hann	22 Leena, Matleena
23 Olga, Oili <b>Church Service at 10 AM</b> Pastor: Sr. Liz Colver Organist: Aaron Otheim	24 Kristiina, Tiina, Kirsti, Kirsi	25 Jaakko, Jaakob	26 Martta	27 Heidi	28 Atso	29 Olavi, Olli, Uolevi, Uoti
30 Asta <b>Church Service at 10 AM</b> Pastor: Bill Moos Organist: Maria Mannisto Church Choir Singing!	31 Helena Elena					

**July  
Birthdays to  
celebrate**



Anna-Leena Christensen	10
Eva Mannisto	12
Matti Niemisto	12
Clayton Vollan	16
Hans Olofsson	19
Richard Von Hagel	19
Brad Borland	28
June Smith	30
Anne-Marie Karppinen	31

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# AUGUST 2017 ELOKUU

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 Maire	2 Kimmo	3 Vanamo, Linnea	4 Veera	5 Salme, Sanelma
6 Toimi <b>Church Service at 10 am</b> Past.Jorma Pesonen Organist: Yvonne Vollan	7 Lahja	8 Sylvi Sylvia	9 Erja, Eira	10 Lauri, Lassi	11 Susanna, Sanna	12 Klaara
13 Jesse <b>Church Service at 10 am</b> Past.Jorma Pesonen Organist: TBD	14 Onerva, Kanerva	15 Marja, Marjatta, Marita	16 Aulis	17 Vernereri	18 Leevi	19 Mauno, Maunu
20 Samuli, Sami <b>Church Service at 10 am</b> Past.Jorma Pesonen Organist: TBD	21 Soini, Veini	22 Iivari, Iivo	23 Varma, Signe	24 Perttu	25 Loviisa	26 Ilma, Ilmi
27 Rauli <b>Church Service at 10 am</b> Past. Jukka Joensuu Organist: Maria Mannisto Church Choir Singing!	28 Tauno	29 Iines, Lina	30 Eemil, Eemeli	31 Arvi		

**August Birthdays to celebrate**



Eila Viitaniemi	2
Heli Suokko	3
Sandy Kallio	3
Mary Hillman	9
Jenni Makinen -Tang	13
Deborah Rudbäck	17
Håkan Rudbäck	23
Sirkku Vasama	29

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***Finnish Lutheran Church*** is located in Crown Hill, serving all the Finns in the Washington State area and people with any interest in Finnish language or culture. We have services both in **English** and in **Finnish** with Finnish Liturgy **every Sunday at 10 am**, everybody is welcome!!!! Finnish music is presented with our numerous and gifted members and friends. You are welcome to stay for a coffee and refreshments after church and get to know new people!

### **From the Church of Finland's website:**

#### *Everyone has a story to tell*

The church is the sum of its parts. All sorts of people - young and old, male and female - belong to the Evangelical Lutheran



Church of Finland. As Finland has grown more international, so the face of the church has changed. We seek to be a church for the whole nation and for all the people within it - regardless of their background. Your gifts are valued; your experience is needed. Get to know us, and let us get to know you!

Here are the thoughts of one of the people who make the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland what it is:

#### *Baptism in Finland*

I wanted my children to be baptized, because it's what Christian parents ought to do. And baptism is a gift for children. We are wise parents, but we still need the help and support of God in raising our children. Each of our children also has a Burmese name. So when they are adults, they'll know about the culture and background they came from.



We celebrated our youngest son's christening at the same time as the birthdays of other members of the family, and the pastor blessed the birthday heroes too. It's a tradition in Burma. Why, life is a gift from God! My husband laughed, because he'd never celebrated a birthday party with a pastor before. It's truly a great gift that a pastor can come to a family celebration for free. I'm happy to pay church tax! -- Zar Zar, Espoo.