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O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. Psalm 95:6-7

Worship is central to our life of faith. We are called to come and worship the Lord our Maker. As a prelude to our worship, you may have noticed that lately we are singing some hymns and taking time for silence before beginning worship. It is good to have fellowship and talk with one another. That is good and proper. I believe it is also good to take time for silence in order to tune our hearts to God's voice within and without us. When God spoke to Elijah, he spoke in a "still, small voice." If we are always jabbering, we won't hear that still, small voice. So I invite you to take time before worship to still your heart. Come into the sanctuary in silence, sing a hymn with us, and then take time to turn your heart to God in silence. Prepare your heart for worship, open it to the Word of God, and then let us give God our thanks and praise.



Pr. Dave



On Sunday, October 17 after worship we will travel up to Pacem in Terris, a prayer center just north of Anoka. Pacem has 16 one-room cabins called "hermitages" scattered across 240 acres. The cabins can be rented for one or more nights as places of silent prayer. We will travel up to Pacem, take a tour of the grounds and learn more about why Pacem was begun and who uses it. We will also learn more about prayer, including the silent "listening" prayer that is encouraged at Pacem. If you would like to go, sign up on the kiosk.



Choir Notes:

Handbell Choir!

Come join us on Wednesday evenings to learn or perfect playing handbells and enjoy the company of others at St. Luke's! The handbell choir is still looking for three more ringers and absolutely no experience is necessary. This is a wonderful ministry and also lots of fun! If you are interested, please contact Leandra Hubka at musicallyorganized@gmail.com or 507-990-3402.

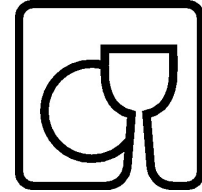


SUNDAY SCHOOL

St Luke Lutheran Church Sunday School Schedule – 2010/2011

September 12	Rally Day - Sunday School Welcome!
November 7	No Sunday School - Congregational Meeting
November 28	No Sunday School - Thanksgiving Weekend
December 5	Christmas Program Rehearsal – 10:30 to 12:00
December 12	Christmas Program Rehearsal – 10:30 to 12:00
December 19	Christmas Program Rehearsal - 10:30 to 12:00
December 19	Christmas Program at 4:00 p.m.
December 26	No Sunday School - Christmas Break
January 2	No Sunday School - New Year's Break
January 16	Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser
February 18-20	Sunday School Retreat at Camp Onomia
April 24	Easter Sunday – Easter Egg Hunt!
May 1	No Sunday School - Congregational Meeting
May 15	End of Year Celebration! Presentation of Bibles
May 22	Confirmation Sunday
July 11-15	Vacation Bible School

We are in need of people to set up for communion services or to wash communion vessels after the services. You would serve three months at a time for either the first or third Sunday of the month. See Eva Mac Niven if you would be willing to serve in this capacity, to choose the times you could serve and which services you would be willing to do. She will walk you through the procedure the first time you serve.



St. Luke is in need of a permanent driver to deliver Meals on Wheels. We provide volunteers the 4th Friday of every month from 10:45 a.m. to approximately noon. If you are interested, please contact Jane McGrew at 651-698-4569.

The MOW volunteers for August were: Al Baird and Ann Verschoyle, Audrey Rongstad and Eva Mac Niven, Larry and Carol Vigdal, Ralph and Ruth Wassman, Julia Gaarder, Ken McGrew and Jane McGrew.



Micro-lending

Everyone who is interested in making some micro-lending to people around the world, join us on Tuesday, October 5 at 6:30. We will have a simple dinner together (delicious Chinese for about \$5.00 per person) and then make some life-changing loans to people all across the world. These loans really do change lives. Even if you have never done this before, come and join us! Sign up on the kiosk.



Group Workcamp 2011

This year we are planning on going to Barneville, Minnesota July 24-30. A group from Japan will most likely be joining us. Because we will not be traveling so far next year, one thing we may do before the workcamp begins is go to a cabin or camp so that we can swim, canoe, and enjoy the great outdoors with our Japanese friends. We can plan these things together as we ready for the workcamp. Sign up on the kiosk!

Come! Join us for...

- fellowship
- refreshments
- live music
- board games

at

St. Luke Coffee House

Open to all...just drop in!

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

We'll see YOU October 22!



Confirmation Notes

On Sunday, October 10 confirmation students will all go on the CROP Walk, meeting at church at 12:30, then travel together to the CROP Walk location. The CROP Walk itself takes about an hour or so. Because we will do the CROP Walk on Sunday, October 10, we will not have class on Wednesday, October 13. Otherwise we will have class every Wednesday in October as usual.



Ladies Night Out – Ladies Night Out in October will take place on Tuesday, October 19th at Degidio's on W. 7th at 5:30 p.m. If you are interested in car pooling, please meet at church at 5:00 p.m. Please notify Joyce Bluel (651-690-4614) if you are planning on attending by Sunday, October 10th so we have an idea of how many for the reservation.



October Birthdays

- 1 - PENNEY KELLY, LILY BROVALD
- 3 - ANNE FABIE
- 5 - LAURIE SMITH
- 6 - EVA MAC NIVEN
- 9 - MIKE HEGDAHL
- 11 - AUDREY MCNAMARA,
JULIANNA CZECH
- 12 - AMY DRIER, WARREN SALABA
- 14 - LEANDRA HUBKA
- 17 - WANDA MATHISON
- 18 - KIM MILLER, STACEE SPRAY
- 21 - JACK HOLTZ, SHIRLEY JOHNSON,
STEVEN BRUMMUND
- 23 - KYLE ZVEJNIEKS
- 24 - ZACHARY MOORE
- 27 - ZACHARY STADEM
- 28 - MARTHA NOVAK
- 31 - MARGARET VIGDAL, ANN ANNALA



October Anniversaries

- 3 - ADAM AND JULIANNA CZECH: 2009
MIKE AND DEB WOBIG: 2009
- 7 - JENI DRIER AND ERIC NELSON: 2000
KENT AND BETH PETERSON: 1989
- 10 - MIKE AND NANCY HEGDAHL: 1992
- 12 - EARL AND NORMA ALEXANDER: 1946,
WARREN AND JACKIE SALABA: 1996
- 21 - JANELL AND MIKE WALTER: 2006
- 24 - DOUG AND JO KLEIN: 1981

Women's Retreat

We had a great turnout for the Women's Retreat that was held on Friday, September 24th through Sunday, September 26th. A good time was had by all, with shopping, eating, more shopping, eating, Bible study, games, crafts and lots of laughter, and more eating. Please think about joining us next year. --Julie Gaarder



Usher Notes

Many thanks to our ushers for September: Eva Mac Niven, Max Elliott, Sam Elliott, Wanda Mathison, Larry and Carol Vigdal, Dwight Paulson and Katy Eggert.

Our ushers for October will be: Roger Diestler, Doug Klein, Abby Klein, Peter Klein, Joan Wilson, Bruce Magnuson, George Heriot and Al Baird.



Highlights of the September 13 council meeting:

- The confirmation group clean up activity schedule for September 19th will need be rescheduled. A new date has not yet been set.
- The Sunday School offering jar has collected \$329.93!! Thanks to everyone for their giving! The children are discussing ways to distribute the money and will be deciding soon!
- The Evangelism commission is exploring a visitor's welcome center that would be staffed before worship and during fellowship. If you are interested in helping with this, please see Judy Salaba.
- The website should be up and ready soon!
- St. Luke is in need of another permanent driver for Meals on Wheels. If you are available the 4th Friday of every month from 10:45 a.m. until noon, please let Jane McGrew know!
- Remember, council meetings are the 2nd Monday of every month at 6:30. All are welcome!

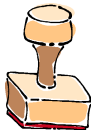
News From Council President - Nancy Hegdahl

Happy Fall,

You have recently heard about your giving and on September 26, you were asked to fill out your pledge cards, but I also wanted to remind you that you can also help by giving of your time and talent. There are opportunities to help by serving on the church council, where in November we will be holding our annual election. If you can't serve on the council you can always help by serving on one of the committees like Worship, Evangelism, Social Action, and if you are interested in that ask one of the council members, or by singing in the choir or helping with the bazaar. We can always use everyone's talents and ideas to make us better. So please think about where you would be willing to help out.



It is my pleasure to announce that we have hired a new organist, Kevin Meyer, who will be joining us on October 3 as his first service. Please join the council and I in welcoming Kevin as our newest musical staff member.

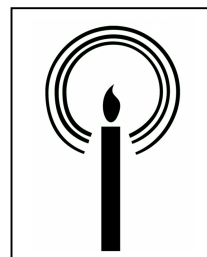


Stamping With Sue: Sue McNeill announces her monthly Stampin' Up! technique classes on the last Saturday of the month (except for holidays) in the church library from 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. For \$5, you will make 3 cards using different techniques and receive a collectable technique card. RSVP by 5:00 p.m. the Wednesday before the class (Oct. 30 next class) so a kit can be prepared for you. Email: ssmcneill@hotmail.com; work 612-596-4011; home 651-688-8176. No experience necessary. All are welcome!

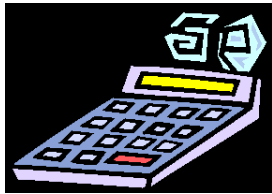


151 Hungry people came to partake of the supper that St. Mark and St. Luke prepared for them on Monday, August 23 at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in West St. Paul. Workers were Larry Litzkow, Dwight Paulson, Dorothy Zitterow, Joyce Bluel, Ann Verschoyle and Eva Mac Niven. Audrey Rongstad and Donna Paulson also helped by furnishing cookies. Thank you, one and all.

On All Saint's Day, Sunday, November 7, we will be remembering loved ones who have passed away this year. Please let secretary Jo Klein know, in written form or by email, if you would like to remember a loved one during the All Saints service. We will ask families to bring a photo of their loved one that day, and to light a candle for them during the worship service. Let us remember with thanks those who have gone before us and rest in God's eternal love and salvation.



Thank you to Jo Klein, Pastor Dave, Penney Kelly, Jeff Kingsley, Joyce Bluel, Nancy Hegdahl and Judy Salaba for help in planning the 2011 budget. This budget was presented to the church council on September 13th and final presentation and approval at the November congregational meeting on November 7th. --Julie Gaarder



Fall Bazaar Update Joyce Bluel, Committee Chair

Just a reminder, the Fall Bazaar is just 2 weeks away; mark your calendars for Saturday, October 16th.

Bring all of those gently used or unneeded items you cleaned out this summer to the White Elephant Sale. You may bring them to church and place in the corner of the Social Hall labeled "White Elephant" on the North West side of church.


Anyone willing to bake pies or other baked goods for the Bazaar please contact Dorothy Zitterow (698-9219) or Joan Wilson (253-6111). It's a *delicious* way to support our bazaar!

Do you sew, knit, crochet or like to make handmade gifts? If you are planning on making crafts for the Bazaar, we would like to know in advance, please contact Margaret Vigdal at 683-0917 or Joyce Bluel at 690-4614.


The raffle tickets are ready for distribution. The Raffle Committee could use help with mailings, phone calls, and collecting donations. If you can help in any way, please contact either Nancy Hegdahl (699-0499) or Julie Gaarder (690-0117).

The proceeds from this event have been used to make some substantial changes both to our church building and to people's lives through donations to charities. This is also a way for us to reach out and give our neighbors a chance to get to know us better. There is something for everyone to get involved with, just contact one of the following chairs:

White Elephant	Co-chairs: Jo Klein & David Elliott
Bake Sale	Co-chairs: Dorothy Zitterow & Joan Wilson
Publicity	Chair: Carol Vigdal
Kitchen	Chair: Sandi Gordon
Kiddie Room	Co-chairs: Barb Jensen & Alex Grzywinski
Raffle	Co-chairs: Nancy Hegdahl & Julie Gaarder
Crafts	Co-chairs: Margaret Vigdal & Joyce Bluel



Our heartfelt appreciation to our Bun Run Volunteers September: Mark McGough, Joan Wilson, Ken McGrew, Jeff Kingsley.



October Readers:
3 – Mike Hegdahl
10 – Max Elliott
17 – Wendy Bjorklund
24 – Sandi Gordon
31 – Barb Jensen



Many of you may have noticed that you did not receive a quarterly giving statement for June. For economical reasons, it has been decided that we will only print out one yearly statement for tax purposes. For those who would like to know the status of their givings, I can print out a statement for them when the quarter has passed. Thank you. Julie Gaarder

**2010 St. Paul CROP Walk
Sunday, October 10, 1:00 p.m.
Cherokee Park United Church**



This year, St. Luke's youth are again participating in the annual CROP Walk, sponsored by Church World Service. Please consider sponsoring them as they walk to raise money for the world's hungriest people.

Did you know that out of 100 children born in 2000, 30 most likely suffer from malnutrition in the first 5 years of life; 26 will not be immunized against the basic childhood diseases; 19 will lack access to safe drinking water; 40 to adequate sanitation, and 17 will never go to school? Did you know that more than 800 million people in the world go hungry despite the fact that virtually every country in the world has the potential of growing sufficient food on a sustainable basis?

The steps we take may not seem like much, but \$25 can provide a farm family with everything they need to make honey; \$50 can provide 400 lbs. of food to a food shelf; \$100 can provide 250 baby chicks who grow up to be egg-producing chickens.

Please sponsor our youth as they take part in this walk. See Wendy Bjorklund after church every Sunday in September and October through October 10th to make your donation. Thank you!

*"The Lord bless thee, and keep thee."
-Numbers 6:24*

Spotlight on...Ewen

I was born in St Paul, Minnesota at St Luke's Hospital--how fitting--on September 27, 1968.

I grew up on Niles Avenue, right down Cretin's front door. I couldn't have asked for a better neighborhood to grow up in. As a youth, I was actually raised Catholic and attended St Luke's on Summit, St. James and Holy Spirit. I graduated from Highland Park Senior High in 1987.

Everyone weaves their own tapestry here on earth and my cloth is woven with two sets of parents; 5 siblings in one family and 4 in the other. I love them all dearly. My only explanation at this point is that I was high maintenance and required two sets of parents. I feel I turned out just right. Please keep in mind, this is only my opinion. I'm married to Steve 11 years and we have step-son Steven (23) who has graced us with a granddaughter Kyliee (3), and keeping us on our toes at home are Matthew (7) and Samantha (5).

I am employed by the Lancette Agency, LLC as an independent insurance agent and I love it! I have been here 3 years and feel I have found my last career. Only took 25 years to get to the right career.

My interests include music and books. I can actually play an accordion, not that there are many people who want to hear one. I know how my own family feels about this...so I play for myself once in awhile. My favorite book is The University of Success by Og Mandino, because it has so many great literary pieces worked into one book.

I moved in next door to church in November 1995. I have always liked to go to church in the neighborhood I live in. So, I didn't let the fact that it was Lutherans next door slow me down. I would look out the window and wonder how in the heck they all got there already. (10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services were my speed at that time.) Eventually I would run next door in sweats and wet hair, sit in the back and try and figure out that green book. We moved to Inver Grove Heights in 2004 and I did try and go to a church in my neighborhood, but Matt just wanted the church with the cross hanging in it...that one. Since Steve kept being an usher, we just never really stopped membership at St. Luke; however, we don't get to church as much as I want being 13 miles away.

I have dipped my toe in many different parts of church: choir (favorite hymn: Amazing Grace) council, Sunday school teacher. I have tried to keep serving for coffee fellowship a couple times a year.

I could have never imagined how my life would blossom when I moved in next door and started attending this church. St. Luke is a part of my tapestry. I have been married here, my children were baptized here, and my whole family has been loved by this congregation. I love you all right back!

I would love for us to boost the amount of families with kids coming here. I wish to know 10 years from now that St. Luke is still inspiring people and filling hearts with God's word and that lives are changed for the good when they come here. 100 years from now, I would love if my children's children are looking for pictures of our family on the walls.