

9:00AM Worship Service in the Sanctuary with Holy Communion

Outdoor Worship once each month at 9:00am

**June 19, Guests: Testify
July 24**

August 28, Guests: Testify

Holy Communion is celebrated each week

Church Website: www.sharingchristслоve.org

RECALL NOTICE

The Maker of all human beings (**GOD**) is recalling all units manufactured, regardless of make or year, due to a serious defect in the primary and central component of the heart. This is due to a malfunction in the original prototype units, code named Adam and Eve, resulting in the reproduction of the same defect in all subsequent units. This defect has been technically termed "Sub-sequential Internal Non-Morality", or more commonly known as **S.I.N.**, as it is primarily expressed.

Some of the symptoms include:

- ◆ Loss of direction
- ◆ Foul vocal emissions
- ◆ Amnesia of origin
- ◆ Lack of peace and joy
- ◆ Selfish or violent behavior
- ◆ Depression or confusion in the mental component
- ◆ Fearfulness
- ◆ Idolatry
- ◆ Rebellion

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2011 High School Grads

The following youth members of St. Paul Lutheran are high school seniors, graduating in June. We will honor them on Sunday, June 5th with special recognition at the 9am service (Sanctuary). A letter has been sent requesting information and asking for pictures of each grad as a baby (baptism), in elementary school and a High School senior picture.

- Jacob Albee
- Carmen Boerboom
- Erica Jasmer
- Riley McGuinness
- Joshua Mitchell
- Jeromy Post
- Genna Temte

AND...FROM COLLEGE:

- ❖ Jennifer Coozenoy graduated from with a doctorate in Physical Therapy.
- ❖ Linda Graeve graduated from St. Catherine's on May 21st with a master's in nursing as a neonatal nurse practitioner.
- ❖ Kelly Schuder received a Master's in Curriculum and Instruction from St. Cloud State
- ❖ Lindsey Qualey graduated May 22nd from the College of Saint Catherine with degrees in Exercise and Sport Science and Psychology. She is also in her first year of the Physical Therapy Program at the same school.
- ❖ Rebecca Zierke graduated May 22nd from Luther College with a BA in Political Science;
- ❖ Jessica Zierke, wife of Ben, graduated May 7th with a Doctor of Pharmacy degree.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL

Monthly

June, 2011

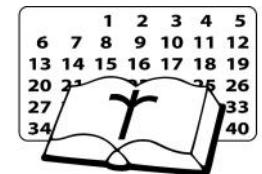


**Mission of the Month
WORLD HUNGER
AND
LUTHERAN MALARIA
PROJECT**

One billion of our neighbors are living in poverty. They struggle on less than a dollar a day—without enough food to eat or clean water to drink. Even in the United States, one in ten households experience hunger or the risk of hunger, skipping meals, going an entire day without food.

ELCA World Hunger provides individuals and communities with immediate access to food, shelter, clothing, medical supplies and care. This work ensures that the most basic of human needs are met.

MALARIA IS PREVENTABLE:
Malaria is a disease contracted through an infected mosquito. It affects all age groups and is especially harmful to children, pregnant women and their unborn babies. In 2008, there were 247 million cases of malaria, nearly one million deaths. More than 85% of the world's malaria deaths occur in Africa. A brochure will be available later in the month.



The Call Committee is nearing completion. Be sure to watch your bulletins for more information. Thank you!

CALL COMMITTEE

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Custodians: Cindy Gruett,
Bill Oswald, Jerry Nelson
Music: Jeanne Richards,

Upcoming Worship




June 5 — Easter 7
H.S. Grad Recognition
9:00am ELW w/Communion

June 12 — Day of Pentecost
Sending for Tom Nielsen, Tanzanian Partnership
9:00am Celebration Service w/Communion

June 19 — Holy Trinity
9:00am OUTDOOR
Guest Musicians: Testify


June 26 — Pentecost 2
9:00am Celebration Service w/Communion

July 3 — Pentecost 3
9:00am Celebration Service No Communion



CEMETERY SERVICES
MONDAY, MAY 30TH

9:00am Stacy Lent
10:15am Wyoming Methodist
10:30am St. Paul Lutheran
11:00am Linwood



MISSION
ENDOWMENT FUND

The St. Paul Lutheran Mission Endowment Fund is used to support ministries of all shapes, sizes and locations. Your support is appreciated and we encourage congregation members to remember the fund while writing their Last Will and Testaments. In addition, the fund does accept donations throughout the year from interested givers. If you have any questions, please ask Chris Kuehn or Jerry Nelson for more information.



IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER FOR SUMMER CAMP AT LUTHER POINT BIBLE CAMP

Schedules and registration forms are on the table by the office.

Also

Upcoming Event
9th Annual Luther Point Scramble
(4 person scramble)

9am Check-in and practice
 10am "Shotgun Start" Tee Time
 BBQ following
 \$10,000 cash prize for a hole-in-one.
 Lots of other prizes and tons of fun!

Income from this event will be used for camperships.

For Community Information
Please call the office, 651.462.5212
Or check the Kiosk for Information

- ◆ **Older Adults...Household Chores Overwhelming YOU?** ESR East Suburban Resources a non-profit agency can help. They employ adults with disabilities for housekeeping, light home maintenance, yard work, etc. Call ESR 651.351.0190. There are no fees,
- ◆ **Walk, Run, Talk, Fun! Walkers Welcome at Wyoming Elementary.** Walk in a safe environment. Register for a morning or evening session and you can walk throughout the school year. ID badges will be given and must be worn while walking. Cost is \$15 annually. See the flyer on the kiosk. Call 651.982.8110.
- ◆ **Haven Center in North Branch and Cambridge** offers counseling, therapy and coaching. For more information see the flyer on the Kiosk.



Need help with groceries?

The next "FARE FOR ALL" food distribution is **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 4-6PM** At Forest Lake VFW (near Target) www.fareforall.org

Or
RUBY'S PANTRY, Saturday, June 11 at Forest Hills UMC beginning at 8:15am (A \$15 donation is suggested.)

FAMILY PATHWAYS FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR SUMMER

Soon hundreds of children will finish the school year and be home during the summer. Family Pathways Food Pantry offers a supplemental summer lunch program to help low income families. An example of a typical lunch bag for each child includes:

2 boxes of Mac and Cheese	3 cans of soup
2 cereal bowls	Peanut Butter
1-2 cans of applesauce	2 complete meals
1-2 juice boxes	Cereal
Fruit bars	Healthy snacks
Candy treat	

The grocery cart will again be in the narthex for your donations. Please be generous!!!
 Thank you!

LOCAL FARMER'S MARKETS

- ◆ Almelund Fridays 4-7pm
- ◆ Forest lake, Lakeside Park, Tuesdays 5-8pm
- ◆ Harris, Railroad Park, Sundays 1-5pm
- ◆ Lindstrom, St. Bridget's Catholic Church, Wednesdays, 3-6pm; Saturdays, 8am-Noon
- ◆ North Branch, 8th & Main, Saturdays 8a-Noon (July-Oct.)
- ◆ Wyoming, Hwy. 61 near Grace Church, Thursdays 4-8pm

COMMUNITY SUPPORTED AGRICULTURE

- ◆ Big River Farms, Marine on St. Croix 651.433.3676
- ◆ Little Flower Farm, Marine on St. Croix 651.433.5241
- ◆ Nitty Gritty Dirt Farm, Harris 651.226.1186
- ◆ Treasured Haven Farm, Rush City 320.358.3581
- ◆ Women's Environmental Institute 651.583.0705

LOCAL PRODUCE FARMS

- ◆ Blue Haven Berry Farm, Stacy 651.491.7733
- ◆ Wisp-O-Willow, Stacy 651.462.5149
- ◆ Chisago Laks Berry Basket, Shafer 651.257.5577
- ◆ Pleasant Valley Orchard, Taylors Falls 651.257.9159
- ◆ Sunrise River Apple Farm, Wyoming 651.462.8220
- ◆ Vue Family Farm, Center City 651.257.5439
- ◆ Wild Fruits Farm LLC, Taylors Falls 612.715.0500
- ◆ Zoua and Dang Farm, Taylors Falls 651.214.2998

See the brochure on the kiosk!


PARTICIPANTS FOR JUNE — 9:00AM SERVICES

Date	Assistants	Readers	Acolytes	Ushers	Greeters
June 5 Grad Recog.	Grads, Kathie M	Grad	Megan K, Sam L,	Grads	Angie Olson Jon & Rosie Quale
June 12	Arlie	Arlie P	Jerrold L, Shelby M, Sierra N	Dale Brainard Dave Haselbauer	John and Darla Peterson
June 19 OUTDOORS	Claudia, Jerry, Sheila	Fran N	Sammy P, Brandon R, Kaylee S	Johnson Family	Lois Rustad Mike & Sue Temte
June 26	Jan B	Lois R	Lydia B, Katie B, Kaylee D	Edwards Family	Dee Wilkinson Deb Zaudtke
July 3	Zella, Shirley, Jan T	Sheila B	Michael J, Megan K, Sam L		Deb and Lindsey Rudquist
July 10	Carissa	Linda A	Ben M, Jerrod L, Shelby M		Mal and Bonnie Syverson

Shop Locally....
NEED A CONFIRMATION,
GRADUATION, WEDDING OR
BIRTHDAY CARD?

AGAPE CARD SHOP, located in the Library, has what you need. Cards for all occasions and only 50 cents per card.

ALLUMINUM RECYCLE BIN



We now have a place for all your unwanted aluminum cans and misc. aluminum items. The "can cage" is down by the shed, at least for now. It will take time to fill it up...but let's start now. Thank you!

We remember in our prayers.....



Pray for those recovering: Arnie Rudenick admitted last week to St. Joe's for depression, he was taken him off his meds and doctors will start new ones; Jim Fromm is having severe sight problems due to his diabetes and will need surgery to relieve the pressure in his eyes; Donna Mayville's dad, Gilbert, just had colon cancer surgery and Donna's mom, Marian, is recovering from a heart attack and the placement of a stint; Joyce Juelich's cousin, Judy Nelson, who is having side effects from a kidney transplant (her 2nd transplant, the first was rejected); Arnie Zoeller, hospitalized last week with a kidney problem (he only has 1) and oxygen levels; Elodee Hudon's mom, Elaine, who had shoulder surgery; Janelle Albee's parents, Dad recovering from a spinal infection and Mom, who fell and has some bleeding on the brain; Darlene Petrey; Bill Oswald's brother, Dick; Kelly Schuder's aunt and uncle; Debbie Zaudtke's daughter, Dana; Kathie Marabella's parents, Keith and Lucy Messer. We continue prayers for Tony Wicklander's health issues related to Bechet's Disease.

We pray for those fighting cancer, Bill Coppersmith, who is struggling after a stem cell transplant; Heather Temte, daughter-in-law of Mike and Sue Temte diagnosed with Renal Cell Carcinoma; Shirley Anderson and Maureen Sausen's niece, Cindy Jerve, 59, who has ovarian cancer; Eileen Ramse's niece, Cheryl Bartn, breast cancer; Rod Jasmer's Goddaughter, Caroline, 7, brain cancer; Lois Rustad's niece, Sharon Klein, with cancer of the lung, brain and bone; Karen Rozeske's cousin, Laurel Shannon; Jean Enrooth's sister, Roxanne Ostendorf; Leann McGowan's sister, Karen Johnson; Pat Miska's cousin's wife, Joanne Brant; Neal Albee's cousin, Mike Albee.

We remember those in health care facilities: Gene Thompson a resident in Parnly's Margaret's House Memory Care Facility in Chisago City.

For the health and safety of all service men and women, especially Andy Brant, nephew of Jerry and Claudia Nelson, who is in Afghanistan. All others serving in war torn countries.

+ MEMORIALS +

In Memory of Glenn Gruett
A Gift to the Lawnmower
Given by Cindy Gruett



We received a thank you from the Wyoming Lions' Club:
To Our Friends of St. Paul Lutheran Church We would like to extend our gratitude to you in lending your facility to help make our 6th Annual Roger Bosman Senior Spring Flint a huge success. You helped brighten the day of our seniors in our blessed community.

Thanks again, Wyoming Lions' Club

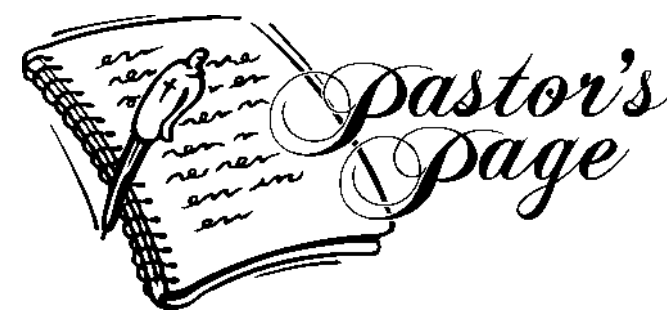
Dear Friends at St. Paul Lutheran Church,
Thank you so much for the giant Easter basket! Our family had so much fun digging through the goodies and eating the treats. Thank you especially for all your prayers—God is pouring out His grace on us through the intercession of you and all who pray for us.

Peace be with you!
Heather Temte

To All My Friends at St. Paul Lutheran Church,
I would like to thank you for the beautiful tulip plant, it truly brightened my day!
I have really missed all of you through the long haul, and couldn't have gotten through the severe pain without all of your prayers and love.

Sincerely and God Bless All of You,
Pat Crawford

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO DONATED TO THE NEW LAWNMOWER! It is a commercial grade and works wonderfully well. Your support is very much appreciated.



Dear Friends:

I am sitting here with your congregational delegates, Cheryl Glassel and Dave Nordhausen, at the St. Paul Area Synod. Our theme for the assembly is, "One Great Anthem Blending," as we focus on becoming a more inclusive church of all peoples' and seek to become more aware of the barriers, often ones we are not even aware of, that hinders multi-cultural and racial relationships in the body of Christ.

We also were reminded that we are part of a church that has ministries and partnerships all over the world and that our relationship with our brothers and sisters at Mtera Church in Tanzania is one small part of those relationships as we seek to break down the barriers between us and live united as followers of Jesus Christ. In fact, we will have an opportunity this month, on June 12, to lift up our relationship as we commission Pastor Tom Nielson to serve on the Synod's behalf as our Tanzanian coordinator for three months for the Bega Kwa Bega partnership we have between our St. Paul Area Synod and the Iringa Diocese (or synod). That day we will also learn more about the work we are doing through the ministries of our larger church to help combat malaria which results in over a million deaths a year around the world and especially in Africa. Tanzania is one of the primary target areas in the first phase of this project. "After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'" – Revelation 7: 9-10

One of the exciting parts of ministering with you here at St. Paul Lutheran is the work we do to help share and serve with others both here in our local community and throughout the world by being a part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Whether it is serving meals-on-wheels or helping with a food drive or supporting ten students with scholarships in Mtera, helping with the disaster and recovery in Haiti and Japan or even helping micro-financing projects in Nicaragua through our support of Lutheran World Relief, our small congregation is making a big impact. I hope you will find ways to be involved in our service and mission locally and globally.

Finally, a few notes about June. We are beginning our summer worship on June 5th at 9am with a recognition of our High school graduates and then will go outdoors to worship once a month this summer beginning on Father's Day, June 19th. We will be led musically that day by Testify. In addition, it is my hope we will begin to rebuild a Sr. High ministry starting with an event on June 5th from 6-9pm. It will include dinner, an activity and planning discussion for the rest of our summer plans including a possible trip to Wisconsin Dells. Entering 10th graders and above are encouraged to come and share along with some interested adult helpers.

Blessings too you as we enjoy our last 7-8 weeks together before you receive your permanent pastor!

In Christ,
Pastor Jim



Have you been unable to make it to church and communion? Would you simply like a personal visit from someone in the St. Paul Lutheran family? A member of the SPL Visitation Team would be happy to visit you and give you communion, if you desire. We use elements that have been consecrated at the previous Sunday service and a short liturgy. We will also pray with you. Please call the church office, 651.462.5212, if you would like a visit.



Please call Janelle Albee at 651.462.8084 or email her at njalbee@aol.com to place requests on the prayer chain. Requests are kept confidential unless otherwise stated by the person requesting the prayer. You may also call the church office, 651.462.5212.

PASTORAL CONCERNS: Since the inception of the Privacy Act, hospitals no longer call us to let us know when a member is admitted, so we are asking you to CALL AND LET US KNOW!!! Also, if you have concerns or wish to talk to Pastor Jim, please call the church office, 651.462.5212.

Youth & Children's News



Mission Trip Updates and Itinerary

ALL Mission Trip PAPER WORK must be into Carissa by JUNE 26th

All God's Children Preschool Registration

All God's Children Preschool will be accepting registrations for the 2011-2012 school year beginning February 1st. Redeem the coupon below and get 50% off your registration fee.

All God's Children Preschool
50% Off Coupon
Register your child by June 1, 2011
And
Receive 50% off the registration fee.
Call 651-462-6832 for more
information

DID YOU NOTICE THE LAWN SIGNS?

In the narthex there are signs that we are asking members and non-members to take and put in their yards to advertise All God's Children Preschool. We are hoping to increase our enrollment for 2011-2012.

FLOWER SALE:

Thank You SO MUCH to everyone who helped with the Mother's Day Flower Sale: We raised a total of \$579.75, which will be put towards new curriculum for next fall!! Thanks to all who purchased, and support Children's Ministries!

Looking Ahead:

Wednesday, June 15th, 6-8:00pm PICKLE NIGHT! School will be out, summer will be here!!! Wear your green, and come for a night of Children's Fellowship Fun...with Pickles! We'll play games, sing songs, and have snacks! \$2 for two hours of fun. Please let Janet know if you can join us! I'm looking for 5 or so 5th and 6th graders to help with the games. See you there!

VBS Bible School:

My VBS kit has arrived, and the planning for this year's VBS has begun! DATE/TIME: Monday-Friday, August 8-12, 9am-noon. Vacation Bible School-registration forms are available in the Narthex or on the Website. I need volunteers of all shapes and sizes and talents, if you are available that week, or to help decorate, paint, etc....I can use YOU!

VBS NEEDS:

- ❖ Anyone have a connection to a carpet company? I need BIG cardboard tubes!
- ❖ Sewers: I have a ton of cool fabric, and have a vision of great banners!! Anyone have that ability that would be willing to help out?
- ❖ Painters: I will be painting some props and backgrounds in June, I have a few people that are interested in helping, There are room for many more on that list! Is it you?
- ❖ Decorators: I will be decorating on various days throughout June and July, IF this is your thing, or you are just willing to help, gimme a call!
- ❖ Technical Help: I need someone for DURING VBS WEEK, who is good with digital and power point, to put together a surprise for each day...INTERESTED? let me know!
- ❖ Actors: I need a few dramatic types for different roles during VBS, some are for the whole week, some are just for a day or two? Sound like you?
- ❖ Station Leaders and Helpers: Snacks, Stories, Theater, Games and Crafts, all need Directors and helpers....which is your area of interest?
- ❖ Group Leaders: We are going to have SMALLER, but MORE groups this year, and we need leaders to supervise the groups and lead them through their day.

If you are interested in any of these positions, or want to ask questions, contact Janet Nutter, "Pandamania" Director at jnutter@sharingchristслоve.org. THANKS!

T-SHIRTS:

The St Paul Lutheran Church T-Shirts have arrived!! If you ordered, and haven't picked yours up yet, they are in Janet's Office.



Sending Service for Pastor Nielsen

On Sunday, June 12th we will have a Sending Service for Pastor Tom Nielsen as part of our regular church service. Pastor Nielsen will be leaving for Tanzania in late June to serve for three months as the Companion Congregation Coordinator in the Bega Kwa Bega office in Iringa. While there his duties will include responsibility for travel plans and documents required for each group making exchange visits, serving as host for groups exchanging visits between the two churches, and providing the oversight and distribution of any money exchanged in the relationships.

The 70 congregations in the St. Paul Area Synod who have partner congregations in the Iringa Diocese in Tanzania are divided into six clusters, each assigned a leader for the purpose of sharing information about activities between companions and business and information from the Synod Companion Task Force. Pastor Nielsen is the cluster leader for our congregation. He has agreed to visit Mtera Parish to deliver greetings and gifts on our behalf. We are planning to send an illustrated book of Bible stories for the children and a banner. The banner will be available on Sunday, June 5th and the Tanzanian Ministry Team asks that everyone sign their names on it. It has been such a joy to see gifts we have given to Mtera displayed when we have visited Mtera as evidence of our partnership!

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF FAIR TRADE PRODUCTS AVAILABLE



Need Coffee? Need Chocolate?

Buy these products in the narthex each Sunday and know you'll be helping poor farmers around the world at the same time.

In addition, 5% of all sales goes back to Lutheran World Relief for their development products.

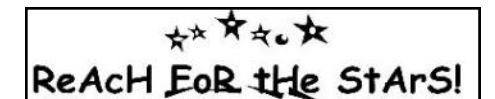
Coffee is \$5.25/\$6
Chocolate bars \$1.75

Hot Cocoa Mix and Baking Cocoa may be ordered, contact Mary Haselbauer, 433.3413.



NOON,
Wednesday,
June 22nd

Newsletter Mailed Wednesday,
June 29th at 10am



Adults 55+

Classes are on
Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays
10:30-11:30am
Cost: \$1.00



**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED ON SATURDAY, MAY 21ST, WITH
SPRING CLEANING IN THE CHURCH AND ON THE GROUNDS...
IN SPITE OF THE RAIN!!!
A SPECIAL THANKS TO THE SCOUTS WHO ALSO VOLUNTEERED THEIR SERVICES.**

**St. Paul Lutheran Council Meeting
Tuesday, May 17, 2011**

Did You Know?

The Bible talks about miracles: changing water into wine; even raising Lazarus from the dead. And the miracle of miracles: the empty tomb on Easter Day.

But miracles are not reserved for Biblical times alone. They happen every day. Sometimes in a dramatic way. Sometimes in ways so small, we barely recognize them as miracles. I experienced two of the dramatic nature recently.

I was summoned home from Arizona in March as my mother, healing from a recent fall, developed a respiratory infection, not unusual for winter in Minnesota. But it quickly turned into something worse as she slipped into a state of delirium. For three days, she was awake around the clock, repeating bizarre thoughts and occurrences, then fell asleep for the next three days. During that time, her blood levels were changing dramatically, and it looked like the end was near. As our family discussed end-of-life plans, prayer chains were activated and many prayers were said. Her pastor came with a blessing and said a prayer of thanks for her life.

Two days later, she slowly awoke. Making perfect sense. Wondering what had happened. Her lab results were returning to normal.

A *miracle*? Indeed, a miracle.

Last week, my sister, Judy, was rushed to the Intensive Care Unit following surgery to reverse an ileostomy. The surgery went well, but a short time later, her entire system went awry. Labs results were seriously abnormal, her kidneys failing, her liver enzymes significantly off. She was overwhelmingly ill. Put on a ventilator, kidney dialysis, blood transfusions, more surgery, and on and on. And, again, prayer chains were activated and many prayers were said.

Today, as I write this, she is off the ventilator, dialysis stopped, blood counts returning to normal, and she is sitting in a chair.

A *miracle*? Indeed, a miracle. We experience miracles every day, barely recognizing them as such. They are so *ordinary*.

There is a beautiful song recorded on Robert Robinson's album, *I Believe*, that goes, in part, like this:

*It's not that unusual when everything is beautiful,
It's just another ordinary miracle today.
The sky knows when it's time to snow, no need to teach a seed to grow.
It's just another ordinary miracle today.
Isn't it remarkable that every time a raindrop falls,
It's just another ordinary miracle today.
Birds in winter have their fling and always make it home by spring.
It's just another ordinary miracle today.
It seems so exceptional that things work out after all.
It's just another ordinary miracle today.
Sun comes up and shines so bright. It disappears again at night.
It's just another ordinary miracle today.*



Carol Bisek



Pastor's Report

Pastor Jim discussed the Easter Services, Confirmation Service, May 8th Mother's Day, and May 15th with Pastor Mona. We will be receiving 11 new members on May 22

Motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to accept the new members.

On May 29 Arnie Ranta will be leading the service while Pastor Jim is on vacation. Pastor recommended the confirmation students to be received into Confirmed/Adult membership.

Motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to accept the new Confirmation students.

Pastor Mentioned that Summer worship begins on June 5th with Graduations Recognition Sunday and June 12th we will commission Pastor Tom Nielson to do ministry in Tanzania.

Pastor Jim reported that the outdoor services will be June 19, July 24, and August 28th.

He also mentioned that there will be a Senior High Youth Group beginning in June.

Pastor Jim discussed the communication team, and what it will involve.

He also discussed the taxes and where we are at.

Pastor recommended an interim ending date with a possible timeline for the new pastor.

Finance Report

Judy Gatzow presented bank balance sheets for the general fund for April, preschool checking and savings accounts, A/P Aging Summary, Statement of Financial Position, Profit & Loss Previous Year Comparison and Dedicated Funds.

April 30th checking account balance was \$18,708.23.

Motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to accept the Treasurer's Report

Children, Youth & Family Faith Development Ministry Team

Pre-School – Patti Lichtscheidl reported the enrollment for pre-school is at 10 at this point. There was a discussion on the low enrollment and ideas on how to improve it. Last day of school is Wednesday, May 25th and they will be having a party for the kids and family. Graduation is on May 26th. Recommendation was given that they will need 15 students to proceed.

Children's Ministry - Janet Nutter is in the process of organizing Vacation Bible School and she needs Volunteers of all shapes, sizes and talents. She also mentioned Neighbor's Night out will be on Wednesday August 10th.

Janet mentioned she is exploring new curriculum for next year's Sunday School curriculum.

She also mentions her T-shirt and Mother's Day flower sales. They raised a total of \$579.75 with the flowers.

Sunday Forum – Kathie mentioned the last session will be May 22 w/ Pastor Jim speaking about ELCA World Hunger

Global Missions Report

Kathie Marabella mentioned June 12 will include a sending service for Pastor Tom Nielsen before he leaves for TZ.

Carol England, Fran and Dave Nordhausen plan to attend "Global" Mission Gathering on June 10-11 at Mt. Calvary in Excelsior. This event gathers congregational leaders for a day and a half of worship, workshops and sharing around global and local mission.

There is a trip for 2012 underway, possibly January 31 to February 15th.

Congregational Life/Missions

Zella Oswald reported the team is involved with the two new member classes with the second being a dinner and introduction to their sponsors and different teams.

It was discussed to send out Thank You notes to guests after they visit our church.

On May 24th a meal is being provided to the American Cancer Society Hope Lodge where Bill and Elly Coppersmith are staying during his treatment.

Property, Building and Grounds Report:

Jerry Nelson discussed the new lawn mower.

SPRRT

Cheryl Glassel mentioned the teams is continuing to work on revising the current job descriptions. After completing all the job descriptions, the Team will begin to look at the Performance Evaluation to be used this fall.

Old Business

The call committee is down to two possibilities. Next they will have a casual encounter with the applicants.

The Applebee's Fund Raiser from Saturday May 14th cleared \$900.

There was a discussion on sending a letter pertaining to the tree situation.

All God's Children Preschool Director Job Description was presented to the council.

Motion was made and unanimously approved to accept the All God's Children Preschool Director job description.

- ❖ There was a discussion on the IRS Challenge.
- ❖ Volunteer Appreciation for June was discussed.

New Business

Stewardship Congregational Cohort was discussed.

Shirley asked for recommendations for Good Neighbor Fund Guidelines and will be presented at a later date.

It was recommended to send Pastor JoAnne a plant. Judy Gatzow will look into this.

Judy discussed the Good Guy Open and a member of our congregation has been nominated for this award.

Respectfully submitted by Zella Oswald, Church Council Secretary



WELCOME TO THE ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH FAMILY

On Sunday, May 22nd we will welcome 5 new individuals/families into our church! Please take a moment to introduce yourself and make them feel at home.

Allan Dewolf
26600 Half Circle Court, Wyoming
462.3419

Allan is the manager of a Senior Housing Park. Allan says he can't sing, but likes music, especially classical, country and Gospel. He also enjoys surfing the internet, checking out "stuff". Allan enjoys traveling in the United States. His biggest joy is his daughter and grandkids.

Carla (Kevin) Haugaard
9061 W. Broadway, Forest lake
464.7237

Carla has been visiting St. Paul Lutheran for about 2 years, and is excited to become a member. Carla and her husband Kevin have lived in Forest Lake for 19 years. They enjoy working at their two businesses, Custom Cabinet Shop and as LifeStyle coaches. Carla and Kevin have 2 grown sons, one daughter-in-law, one soon to be daughter-in-law and three granddaughters. Kevin likes to drag race cars in his spare time. Carla loves to scrapbook and spend time with the grandchildren. They have not done much traveling but hope to do more in the future.

John and Janet Nutter, Sierra
23556 Capella St. NE., Linwood 55079
462.1193

We have lived in Linwood for almost 4 years, We moved here from Ramsey, MN and went to a HUGE church, Zion Lutheran, in Anoka MN, where we were very involved in Children's Ministries. Janet has worked as your Children's Ministry Director for 2 years, and is so grateful to the congregation for their welcome, and continued support! John works at Polaris, and enjoys jeeping in the summer and snowmobiling in the winter, (and in the summer too). He keeps very busy working on all those project vehicles. Janet's interests include scrapbooking, reading, and is the co-leader of two Girl Scout Troops. Sierra is a 6th Grader at Linwood Elementary, and plays a lot of different sports, plays violin (1st year), loves all kinds of crafty things, and is a Girl Scout. We're looking forward to camping together and a little travel this summer!

Steve and Julie Ohmann, Ava
4423—245th Street, Wyoming
466.0276

Steve, Julie and Ave live in Wyoming. Steve works for I-State Truck Center in Inver Grove Heights, rebuilding freightliner trucks. Julie is a marketing manager for 3M in Maplewood. Their daughter, Ava, is in preschool and loves taking swim classes, dance lessons and playing soccer through the *mini-kickers* program. Julie is an avid scrapbooker, baker and loves entertaining. As a family they enjoy exploring Minnesota and Wisconsin, boating in the summer and spending time with their families. They are excited about joining St. Paul Lutheran and becoming part of the congregation.

Brian and Nanette Renstrom, Katie
5410—270th Street, Wyoming
462.8700

Brian is the owner of Central Trailer Sales in East Bethel. Nan is the CFO and a part owner of NEI Electric in St. Paul. We have lived in Wyoming for 8 years. We have one daughter, Katie, who is 5 and will be starting kindergarten next year. We enjoy time as a family - traveling and camping, walks and bike rides. Brian enjoys motorcycles and I enjoy reading.



Overnite Hosting For Guests At Wyoming Methodist

We started our first evening attending our grandsons 6th grade band concert. That was wonderful. Then to the Methodist Church, where Steve, who would also be staying the night, as this was our first time, gave us a tour of the church. Our room had a cot and an air mattress, I got the cot and Jim the air mattress. I looked at the cot and thought "how is this wide body going to stay on that skinny cot". We apparently both managed OK as in the morning we said to each other "I heard you snoring". Guest rooms also had air mattresses and cots. A quiet night was had by all and everyone was up and had left the church around 7:30 am.

When we arrived at church for our 2nd night, the evening hosts were playing a card game with some of the family members and everyone was enjoying each other and a great deal of laughter was happening. Outside it was raining and lightening. By 10pm everyone was in their room with the exception of a family who were coming late as one of them had been working. The 3 of them arrived about 11pm. Both the man and the woman were employed. At this time both of them and their 2 year old son were on antibiotics for various issues. Everyone quickly settled down. I woke up shortly after 5 am and heard activity, the man was loading their car as this was the last day they would be at the Methodist church. That night they would be in a church in Isanti.

If any of you have little ones you could relate to everything that is needed for a small child, and 2 adults to go into a small car. I could tell you a story about each of the families that spent the week at church, but instead I hope this will lead you to give prayerful consideration to helping in some way, in November when again guests are housed at the Methodist church.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU to all of you who assisted in so many ways this past week. We will talk about this again this fall.

Peace Karen Carlson



THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY'S RELAY FOR LIFE IN CHISAGO COUNTY

JULY 22-23at the Almelund Threshing Grounds

Luminaries line the track guiding people as they walk telling the story of friends and family we have lost to cancer as well as those who have won the battle. Everyone is invited, not just those touched by cancer.

Sunday, June 5th is National Survivorship Day and you will be asked if you would like to buy a luminary for \$10 and are decorated in memory or in honor of someone who had cancer.



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY JUNE 19TH