

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 22, 2010

Prayer Triad for Sunday, August 22: St. Paul Lutheran Church, Sugar Island (Vacancy); St. Luke Lutheran Church, Sullivan (Pr. Brad Lindberg); Bristol Lutheran Church, Sun Prairie (Pr. Jonathan Baker); Olivet Congregational U.C.C., Columbus (Pr. Lee Zortman, Sandra Schieble-Interim).

Spending Plan Update! Approved spending plan through July

	\$131,409.25
Contributions through July	<u>112,241.66</u>
Deficit	(19,167.59)

Labor Day and Christian Vocation: On September 6, 2010, the U.S. celebrates Labor Day. "It constitutes a yearly national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country" according to the U.S. Department of Labor website. Christians believe that ALL vocations are **calls from God**. God has given everyone certain skills, interests, and opportunities that lead them to the place God has called them to serve. The Christian faith also teaches that all honest work well done is service to God. On Sunday, September 5th, we will celebrate Labor Day weekend here at Faith by celebrating the vocations of Faith people. On that day please wear or bring along something that symbolizes your "job", paid or unpaid. It may be a uniform or a tool or anything that represents your everyday work. On that day we will include a blessing of vocations in the worship to remind us that we also serve God in our day-to-day work.

Faith's Rummage Sale has been set for Thursday, September 23, 9am, to be held in the banquet room at the Cardinal Alehouse and Bowl. It is a one day sale only. Members are asked to bring their items already marked on Wednesday, September 22 (only). A bake sale is also being planned. Vendors may rent a space for \$10. A sign-up sheet for workers can be found on the narthex table. Questions? Contact Denny Langfeldt at 920-296-9388.

Attention Sunday School Teachers! We will have a training for our new curriculum on August 26 at 6:30pm at the church. We look forward to seeing you there and to the beginning of our Sunday school year.

Fundraiser! The **shingles on the parsonage roof** have been replaced. Please help offset the cost of this project by sponsoring the cost of shingles and roofing supplies. *We have (2) \$20 boxes and (26) \$35 boxes waiting to be filled. Are you able to help? Stop by and sign up this morning.* There is a sign-up poster on the table in the narthex. After signing up, place your contribution check, made out to Faith Lutheran Church and marked in the memo "roofing", in the box labeled PARSONAGE ROOF FUNDRAISING MONIES found on the ledge outside the office window. *Please do not put your roofing contribution check inside your regular offering envelope. Payment would be appreciated as soon as possible.*

Welcome! Whether you are a guest or one who crosses these doors more regularly, you are welcome in this place. The worship of God is the deepest activity of the human spirit. We ask that you please sign the Friendship Pad at the end of the pew and supply us with an address so that we might send you greetings and information about the life of this congregation.

Holy Communion this morning at the 10:00 service is open to all baptized Christians who seek the presence of Jesus Christ for assurance of forgiveness and strengthening of faith. All visitors who commune in their home churches are welcome to commune at the Lord's Table at Faith. If you prefer to avoid wine, white grape juice is also offered. It is also perfectly valid to choose to receive only bread or only wine/grape juice. The Christian church has always taught that Christ is fully present in either element alone. If you would like to receive communion at the pew, please notify an usher or pastor.

Children who do not yet commune are invited to come forward with their families at communion time. Children who are communing, please hold your hand out to receive the bread; if you are not communing, fold your hands and you will receive a blessing.

An Invitation to Share in a Ministry of Healing Prayer: This morning those who desire to be prayed for are invited to come to the communion rail for a prayer during the Hymn of the Day. You may request prayers for anything you may be concerned about, for yourself or other people. We ask you to please fill out the **Prayer Request Card** found in pew rack and bring it with you when you come forward to the railing or you may place it in the offering plate.

Bulletins this morning have been sponsored by David and Lori Kikkert in honor of their 14th wedding anniversary.

Received into the Body of Christ through Holy Baptism this morning is **Kailey Mary Schroud**, daughter of Martha and David Schroud. Her sponsors are Mary Wangerin and Matt Schroud.

Our Christian Sympathies to Terry and Ruth Nordal and family on the death of their nephew Eric Rudrud. His funeral is Monday, August 23 in Minneapolis, MN.

THE STORIES THAT TELL THE STORY! Sermon theme for next Sunday is *The Fiery Furnace* — Daniel 3.

The *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (ELW) book is now available in **large print**. Please check with an usher.

Just a friendly reminder that the lounge may be used as a **cry room** during worship for those with fussy children. You will find the controls to the speakers on the small window wall.

Do you know someone who needs or would like a **pastoral visit**? If so, please be the eyes and ears of Faith's ministry and let the office know about that need.

Please *silence* your **cell phone** during worship.

If you are away on a Sunday but want to know the current announcements, stop in and pick up the latest worship bulletin from the brochure rack on the kiosk in the narthex. Weekly announcements are also available on line on the website www.faithcolumbuswi.org

WEEKLY CALENDAR

TODAY		9:00	FELLOWSHIP AND REFRESHMENT TIME
Mon. 8-23			Pastor Bob's Day Off OFFICE CLOSED
Tues. 8-24	10:00		Ministerial Association Meeting
	11:00		Staff Meeting
Thurs. 8-26	6:30		Sunday School Teacher Training
	7:00		Red Tenters' Bookclub @ Ruth Nordal's
Fri. 8-27	4:30		Confirmation Retreat @ Lutherdale Bible Camp
Sat. 8-28	3:30		Confirmands Return from Retreat
Sun. 8-29	8:00		Worship
	10:00		Worship/HC

Mark Your Calendar!

- **OFFICE CLOSED** Monday, August 23.
- **Red Tenters' Bookclub** meets Thursday, August 26, 7pm @ Ruth Nordal's.
- **Confirmation Retreat** @ Lutherdale Bible Camp Friday, August 27-Saturday, August 28. Leave Friday from Faith @ 4:30pm.
- **6, 7, 8 Grade Confirmation Orientation** w/parents Wednesday, September 1 @ 5:45pm.
- **Columbus Public Schools Early Childhood Celebration** @ Faith Thursday, September 2.
- **OFFICE CLOSED** Monday, September 6 — Labor Day.
- **Worship Committee** meets Tuesday, September 7 @ 5:30pm.
- **Scroll Circle** meets Wednesday, September 8, 1:15pm @ Eva Van Horn's.
- **6, 7, 8 Grade Confirmation Orientation** w/parents Wednesday, September 8 @ 5:45pm.
- **Bell Choir** resumes practice Wednesday, September 8 @ 6:30pm.

Lutheran World Relief (LWR) items: (school kits, health kits, sewing kits, layette items, soap bars) may be brought to the church at any time and placed in the box labeled LWR located by the dividing wall. Items will be packed on Tuesday, September 28 at 9:30. Volunteer helpers are needed! Questions? Contact Reta Thies.

Our **Fall worship times** resume on Sunday, September 12 at 8:00 and 10:30. Sunday school resumes also on September 12 beginning at 9:20am.

Service Opportunity: Bring in school supplies and backpacks for kids in need at the Columbus and Fall River elementary schools. A box has been placed in the narthex by the dividing wall for your donations. Backpacks can be gently used. *Thanks for taking care of these community's kids.*

Lutheran Colleges and Universities College Fair: On behalf of the Lutheran colleges and universities the synod office would like to announce the upcoming college information event in our area. A college fair and workshop is set for Sunday, August 29 in Madison at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 7337 Hubbard Avenue, Middleton. Registration begins at 1:45pm, Financial Aid Seminar at 2pm and the College Fair from 2:30-4pm.

Looking Ahead!

One Year to Live Retreat - September 17-19, 2010 MacKenzie Environmental Education Center, Poyette, WI. This is a retreat for men where hearts and souls can be strengthened by the call of Christ. It is sponsored by Lutheran Men in Mission. About 30 men have attended each of the past two OYTL's in Wisconsin. Many have found it to be a spiritual and life impacting experience, different from any other retreats or conferences they have attended. *One Year to Live* Retreat video testimonies, promotional and registration materials are available at www.lutheranmen.org Event\One Year to Live page. The Summer 2009 LMM Foundations newsletter also features the retreat and is available at www.lutheranmen.org Resources\Foundations Newsletter to Live page. Space is limited. Register ASAP to ensure your spot. The two WI OYTL's have been filled to capacity. The \$175 registration fee includes lodging, meals and retreat materials. Commitment to attend from Friday 5:30pm to closing on Sunday at 3:00pm is required.

The Columbus/Fall River Food Pantry is always in need of non-perishable items. Suggested donations are: peanut butter, jelly, pasta, spaghetti sauce, cake mix, frosting, pancake mix, syrup, canned soup, saltine crackers, pork and beans, Minute Rice, instant potatoes, cereal, canned meat (tuna, chicken, spam, stew, toilet paper. A box has been placed in the entrance of the church for you to drop off your donated dry goods. *Thank you for your support.*

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John Burke Correctional Institution in Waupun continues to collect **yarn** for