



First Lutheran Caller

JUNE 2011

PENTECOST

The festival of Pentecost is celebrated 50 days after Easter. (The name comes from the Greek word “fifty.”) Originally a Jewish agricultural festival, also known as the Feast of Weeks, it corresponded to the wheat harvest.

The Jewish festival of Pentecost occurred 50 days after Passover and the ensuing exodus from Egypt. It celebrated the giving of the Ten Commandments on Mt. Sinai. The Christian Church changed the meaning of Pentecost into a celebration of the giving of the Holy Spirit to the followers of Jesus.

Jews celebrate Pentecost as a transformation from slavery under the domination of the Egyptian pharaoh to a willing obedience to God. Christians celebrate Pentecost as the fulfillment of Jesus’ promise to give his followers the Holy Spirit which would empower them to live as his followers in the world. With the coming of the Spirit the Christian church exploded in size and began to reach across the world. Therefore, it is sometimes referred to by Christians as the birthday of the church.

This year we will celebrate Pentecost on Sunday, June 12. It will be an occasion for festive worship. We are

blessed to be celebrating several baptisms that day. It will be a reminder that the Spirit continues to fill persons, young and old. The Spirit comes into our lives to energize us to live as Christians.

I have seen so many ways in which the Holy Spirit has been active among us in the past several months. The careful strategic planning process that many of you participated in is beginning to bear fruit. A new wind is blowing in our congregation, it seems to me. It is the wind of the Holy Spirit.

Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit says the Lord of hosts.

Zechariah 4:6

Pastor Tom

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**CALLING ALL
1ST THROUGH 6TH
GRADERS AT
GA CHURCH, MT. CAR-
MEL,
NE COMMUNITY, AND THE
NORTHEAST MINNEAPOLIS
NEIGHBORHOODS!**

Gustavus Adolphus Church (27th & Johnson NE) is doing a children's musical, and we are invited to participate.

Performances: Friday, August 26, 7:00 pm and Sunday, August 28, 7:00 pm

Rehearsals: Every Thursday, 7:00 - 8:00 pm, beginning July 7

First Lutheran children are invited to be a part of "Moses and the Freedom Fanatics."



**JAMBOREE
PARADE IS
COMING!**

It is that time of year again - time to start thinking about the 2011 Heights Jamboree Parade. Our theme will be Pandamania! which coincides with our 2011 VBS theme. Mark your calendars now for Friday, June 24. The parade starts at 6pm so we will need to be lined up in our spot by 5:30pm. If you would like to ride down with us please be at the church by 5pm. We can use as many walkers as we can get! It is always a fun time so please join us. If you choose to cheer us on from the sidelines, please say an extra prayer for no storms this year so the parade won't be canceled! If you have any questions about the float or have a few minutes to help put our masterpiece together, please contact Lyn Larson at clarlson@mac.com or 763-



**FUNDRAISER
FOR FIRST
LUTHERAN!**

Starting June 6th and every 1st and 3rd Mondays (excluding Monday holidays), we'll be having movie days / nights at 11:30 am-1:30 pm and 7:00 pm-9:00 pm in Martin Luther Hall.

Kicking things off, will be a *Laurel & Hardy* film festival.

Suggested donation: \$11 per adult and \$7 for kids under 18.



2012 ELCA Youth Gathering
citizens with the saints
Ephesians 2:14-20

**2012 ELCA
NATIONAL
YOUTH
GATHERING
July 17-23, 2012 in
New Orleans, LA**

30,000+ Youth and Adults
For those currently (2010-2011) in 7th grade and up

Total cost: \$1,100 (can pay up to half in credits)
Monthly payments of \$100 due the 15th of every month, July 2011-June 2012

Cost includes: flight, hotel, food, t-shirt for each day, event registration, activities.

Check out the ELCA website for more details:
www.elca.org/gathering
Sign up on the Youth Board if you are interested in attending.

**SUMMER SCRIP
BEGINS JUNE 5TH**

Scrip sales will move to alternating Sundays for the summer months. Scrip will be sold on the following Sundays during the summer: June 5th, June 12th, June 26th, July 10th, July 24th, August 7th and August 21st. Weekly scrip sales will resume on September 11th.

WORSHIP AND MUSIC

By Peter Carlson, Director of Music



Beginning June 8...

First Lutheran's Happy Hour

Join us each Wednesday this summer for a mid-week celebration!

Light refreshments will be served at 5:30 pm for a time of fellowship with your church friends.

A casual worship will be held in the Chapel at 6:00. FLC members are lined up to share faith stories each week.

Then, feel free to go out to dinner and keep the party going!

ANOTHER SUMMER WORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

If Wednesday evening worship does not fit your schedule, you are invited to attend worship on Monday evenings this summer at our sister congregation, Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church. They will have a service of Holden Evening Prayer each Monday at 6:30 pm, beginning on June 6. Mt. Carmel is located at 1701 St. Anthony Parkway NE.

WORSHIP ALERT

Remember that during the summer there's only one service each Sunday at 10:00 am! This summer our worship services will be a little simpler and more casual, featuring favorite hymns and upbeat praise songs. The service structure will be the same each week, with communion served every Sunday.

MUSIC AT FIRST

The final concert of the 2010-2011 season is coming up on Sunday, June 5 at 4:00 pm. Saying farewell to Music Director Ed Schlueter, the **Mississippi Valley Orchestra** will present Mahler's wondrous Fourth Symphony. Joining the group in the final movement—depicting a child's vision of heaven—will be Twin Cities soprano **Margaret Houlton**. The suggested donation for tickets is \$7 each and they will be available at the door.

PENTECOST IS JUNE 12!

Celebrate the birthday of the church by wearing red, the color of the tongues of fire that appeared on the heads of the disciples. Our sanctuary will be decorated with red geraniums in memory of loved ones who have passed away.



YOUNG AT HEART

Tuesday, June 7

Picnic and Concert at Lake Harriet

The 'queen' of Minneapolis' nationally acclaimed park system is the site for our evening picnic this month. We'll dine on KFC's chicken with all the fixin's and then enjoy the specials this beautiful park has to offer: --stately bandshell with music by the Richfield Symphonic Band—popcorn and ice cream cones—people watching: roller bladders, bikers, runners, dog walkers.

There are benches for the concert audience, but you may prefer to bring your own special picnic chair. Sunglasses, hats/visors should be considered.

\$12 for picnic and van ride. Ice cream and popcorn not included.

5:30 pm meet at church

7:30 pm concert

9:15 pm estimated return

Adverse weather such as heat, humidity, cold, rain, etc. may beset us. Cancellations can be made until noon that day.

Comin' up:

Wed, July 6, 10:30 a.m. Minneapolis Pops Orchestra at Nicollet Island Pavilion. Lunch 'out' somewhere. The program is entitled 'Coming to America' and highlights the varied backgrounds of the immigrants who have settled here in the years since 1776. Gershwin and Cole Porter and Sousa, etc. etc.

Wed, July 20, 1 p.m. Guthrie Theater 'H.M.S. Pinafore' --Gilbert and Sullivan's first blockbuster is among the most crowd-pleasing musicals in history. Seats have been reserved as follows: 5 at \$19 each; 20 at \$33 each

A pay-in-advance event: checks must be given to Paul Christensen by June 17.

Wed, August 10, 7 p.m. Tambouritzen's at Mounds View H.S. A unique ensemble of college students dedicated to preserving the music, songs, and dances of Eastern Europe. A very colorful event.

September—Fort Snelling
November 15, Tuesday—Potluck at church

ENDOWMENT

"Dollars Forever"

Your Assets

Benefits from gifting from your assets

Assets are anything that you own. You have an opportunity to share your assets with others. Consider these various items you may own:

- Cash
- Investment accounts like CD's money market accounts, etc.
- Stocks, Bonds, Mutual Funds
- Retirement Plans
- Insurance
- Personal Property (automobiles, collectibles, heirlooms, etc.)
- Real Estate (residential, recreational, commercial)
- Business Ownership Interests

Assets can be used to make a gift today, providing an immediate impact on the mission and ministry of First Lutheran Church. Current gifts are tax deductible as allowed by law. If you would like more information on gifting your assets, contact Brenda Moore, ELCA, Regional Gift Planner, 507-934-4614.



Graduation Recognition

On June 5th, we will recognize our graduating high school seniors during the 10:00am worship service as they celebrate this milestone achievement in their lives. Quilts, lovingly made by Mission Workshop, will be presented to our high school seniors. Just as we wrap our infants in a blanket of love at baptism, we send our seniors out into the world wrapped in the love of their First Lutheran Family.



High School Seniors 2011

Jonathon Edstrom
Matt Meyer
Edward O'Brien
Lindsey Miller

Travis Starkson
Matt Vescio
Dan Cooper
Rebecca Schultz

Isabella Lee
Katie Hauser
Amanda Lee

VALLEYFAIR

Monday, June 27

Meet at FLC at 1pm Returning to FLC at 11pm
(Eat lunch before arriving and bring extra money for dinner, games and/or souvenirs.)

\$35.00 per person – includes admission and unlimited drink wristband!

(Ticket cost is \$39.99 at the gate!)

\$20.00 for those 3 years & older *and* less than 48" tall in shoes, or 62 years & older

- includes admission and unlimited drink wristband!

Those 2 years old and under are **free** – no drink wristband.

ALL ages are welcome.

Under age 12 must have a parent/guardian attending.

Sign up below and all participants get your payment (and medical release form if under age 18 – if you don't already have one on file) in **no later than Sunday, June 5th!**

Recommended to bring:

Money and cell phone in a plastic Ziploc bag for those wet rides!

Sunscreen, sunglasses, swimsuit and towel if you wish.

Money for dinner, snacks, games, souvenirs, etc.

SONSHINE MUSIC FESTIVAL

Wednesday, July 13, 8:00am -Sunday, July 17, 2pm
Christian Music Festival – Great for the family!

Willmar, Minnesota

100+ Bands of all different genres

Sports Arena Stage, Kid's Tent, Vendors, and so much more!

Camp out in Tent City with *thousands* of other believers, enjoy great music and worship.

See the line-up at www.sonshinefestival.com

Ticket cost:

For those ages 12+: \$130 per person

For those ages 6-11: \$70 per person

For those under age 6 (and pastors): free

Cost includes: transportation, camping, food, admission. Does not include: 2 food stops while traveling, souvenirs, any trips into town (Target runs, Dairy Queen, etc.) Interested in attending?

THANK YOU !

Thank you to everyone who supported the Youth & Family Ministry of FLC through the flower sales! This year's flower sales were a great success and we appreciate all that you do for this ministry. A special thank you to Ruth and Tiffany Craft for all of their help in organizing this fundraiser!

10:00 AM

Acolytes:

June 5	Laura Super	Joseph Super
June 12	Erin Johnson	Catie Miller
June 19	Allison Olsen	Jessica Kaliher
June 26	Nasya Marquis	Simone Woods

Readers:

June 5	Rita Schultz
June 12	Lynelle Kennedy
June 19	Bonnie O'Brien
June 26	Karen Peterson

10:00 AM

Ushers:

June 5	Einar & Elinor Berg	Rita Schultz
	Roger & Dorothy Anderson	Dave & Karen Maurer
		Nicole Maurer
June 12	Tom Dillenburg	Glen & Betty Krahl
	Mike & Pam Hartel	Janet & Ben Streed
		Erin Johnson
June 19	Len & Jan Casanova	Tom & Sonja Super
	Tom & Bonnie O'Brien	Laura Super
		Dave LaSota
June 26	Fred Edstrom	Erica Edstrom
	Jonathon Edstrom	Larry Larson
	Ramona Wold	Tim Traynor
	Bill Baker	Simone Woods

Bus Driver:

June 5	Ron Davidson
June 12	Vance Husen
June 19	Charles Pierson III
June 26	Dale Streed



June 2011

Monthly Planner

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study Breakfast - Bobby & Steves Auto 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM AA Meeting - Elizabeth 6:00 PM Rachel Circle Potluck - Marcia Nordgren's 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Monte Horeb Prayer Time - Elijah	2 9:00 AM Intercessory Prayer - Chapel 9:30 AM Wiggle, Giggles & Tickles - Elijah 10:15 AM Wiggles, Giggles & Tickles - Elijah 7:30 PM AA Meeting - Gabriel	3 4:00 PM Set-up for Wedding - MLH 5:00 PM Krueger/Thorson Wedding Rehearsal - Sanctuary 7:30 PM - 10:30 PM Tim Practice Time - Sanctuary 9:00 PM Monte Horeb Worship Team - Gabriel	4 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM Krueger/Thorson Wedding Prep - Peace, Gabriel, Chapel, Sanctuary 2:00 PM Krueger/Thorson Wedding - Sanctuary 3:00 PM - 10:00 PM Thorson/Krueger Wedding Reception - MLH 5:00 PM Monte Horeb Prayer Time - Elijah 7:00 PM Monte Horeb Worship - Gym
5 10:00 AM Monte Horeb Prayer Time - Gabriel 10:00 AM Worship with Communion & Graduation Recognition 11:30 AM Monte Horeb Worship - Gym 12:00 PM Monte Horeb Sunday School - Gabriel, Elijah, Noah's Ark, Elizabeth & Faith 4:00 PM Mississippi Valley Orchestra Concert - Sanctuary Food Shelf Sunday	6 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM Movie Festival - MLH 6:30 PM Hope Circle - Peace 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Movie Festival - MLH	7 9:30 AM Staff Meeting - Faith 10:00 AM LaLeche League - Noah's Ark 11:00 AM Columbia Heights GA - Gabriel 5:30 PM Young at Heart - Lake Harriet 7:00 PM Monte Horeb Worship - Gym	8 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study Breakfast - Bobby & Steves Auto 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM AA Meeting - Elizabeth 5:30 PM FLC Happy Hour (5:30 - Treats, 6:00 - Worship) 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM GA 4th Step Conference - Gabriel 7:00 PM Baptism Orientation - Faith 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Monte Horeb Prayer Time - Elijah	9 9:00 AM Intercessory Prayer - Chapel 7:30 PM AA Meeting - Gabriel	10 5:15 PM SEEDS Campers leave for Camp WAPO 7:30 PM - 10:30 PM Tim Practice Time - Sanctuary	11 5:00 PM Monte Horeb Prayer Time - Elijah 7:00 PM Monte Horeb Worship - Sanctuary
12 10:00 AM Monte Horeb Prayer Time - Gabriel 10:00 AM Worship with Communion 11:30 AM Monte Horeb Worship - Sanctuary 12:00 PM Monte Horeb Sunday School - Gabriel, Elijah, Noah's Ark, Elizabeth & Faith 1:00 PM Youth Campers leave for WAPO 4:00 PM SEEDS Campers return from WAPO	13 12:30 PM Hilltop Circle - MLH 7:00 PM Martha Circle - Peace	14 9:30 AM Staff Meeting - Faith 10:00 AM Writer's Group - Peace 11:00 AM Columbia Heights GA - Gabriel 12:00 PM Stephen Ministry Potluck - Peace 5:15 PM Memorial & Endowment - Faith 6:00 PM Monte Horeb/FLC Task Force Meeting - Elijah 6:30 PM Men's Club - Hope 7:00 PM Monte Horeb Worship - Sanctuary 7:00 PM Prayer Shawl Gathering - MLH	15 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study Breakfast - Bobby & Steves Auto 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM Painting Party 10:00 AM Book Club - Peace 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM AA Meeting - Elizabeth 5:30 PM FLC Happy Hour (5:30 - Treats, 6:00 - Worship) 6:30 PM Century Committee Meeting - Staff Kitchen 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Monte Horeb Prayer Time - Elijah	16 9:00 AM Intercessory Prayer - Chapel 9:30 AM Wiggles, Giggles & Tickles - Elijah 10:15 AM Wiggles, Giggles & Tickles - Elijah 7:30 PM AA Meeting - Gabriel	17 6:00 PM Youth Campers return from WAPO 7:30 PM - 10:30 PM Tim Practice Time - Sanctuary	18 5:00 PM Monte Horeb Prayer Time - Elijah 7:00 PM Monte Horeb Worship - Sanctuary 7:00 PM No Experience Necessary Bible Study - Peace
19 10:00 AM Monte Horeb Prayer Time - Gabriel 10:00 AM Worship with Communion 11:30 AM Monte Horeb Worship - Sanctuary 12:00 PM Monte Horeb Sunday School - Gabriel, Elijah, Noah's Ark, Elizabeth & Faith FATHER'S DAY	20 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM Movie Festival - MLH 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Movie Festival - MLH	21 9:30 AM Staff Meeting - Faith 11:00 AM Columbia Heights GA - Gabriel 7:00 PM Monte Horeb Worship - Sanctuary	22 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study Breakfast - Bobby & Steves Auto 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM AA Meeting - Elizabeth 5:30 PM FLC Happy Hour (5:30 - Treats, 6:00 - Worship) 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Monte Horeb Prayer Time - Elijah	23 9:00 AM Intercessory Prayer - Chapel 9:30 AM Wiggles, Giggles & Tickles - Elijah 10:15 AM Wiggles, Giggles & Tickles - Elijah 7:30 PM AA Meeting - Gabriel	24 5:00 PM Papillon/Bicknase Wedding Rehearsal - Sanctuary 5:30 PM Columbia Heights Parade 7:30 PM - 10:30 PM Tim Practice Time - Sanctuary	25 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM Wedding Prep - Gabriel, Peace, Chapel, Sanctuary 4:30 PM Papillon/Bicknase Wedding - Sanctuary 5:00 PM Monte Horeb Prayer Time - Elijah 7:00 PM Monte Horeb Worship - Sanctuary
26 10:00 AM Monte Horeb Prayer Time - Gabriel 10:00 AM Worship with Communion 11:30 AM Monte Horeb Worship - Sanctuary 12:00 PM Monte Horeb Sunday School - Gabriel, Elijah, Noah's Ark, Elizabeth & Faith	27 1:00 PM - 11:00 PM Youth to Valleyfair	28 9:30 AM Staff Meeting - Faith 11:00 AM Columbia Heights GA - Gabriel 6:30 PM Boards (Bach, Elijah, Gabriel, Hope, Peace, Youth Room) 7:00 PM Monte Horeb Worship - Sanctuary 7:45 PM Council Meeting - Faith	29 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study Breakfast - Bobby & Steves Auto 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM AA Meeting - Elizabeth 5:30 PM FLC Happy Hour (5:30 - Treats, 6:00 - Worship) 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Monte Horeb Prayer Time - Elijah	30 9:00 AM Intercessory Prayer - Chapel 9:30 AM Wiggles, Giggles & Tickles - Elijah 10:15 AM Wiggles, Giggles & Tickles - Elijah 7:30 PM AA Meeting - Gabriel		

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH 2011 BUDGET - INCOME Through April 30, 2011						
			Total Annual	To Date	To Date	
			2011 Plan	Budget	2011 Actual	
Envelope			\$ 425,000	\$ 91,152	\$ 152,350	
Electronic Fund Transfer Memo				\$ 46,149	\$ 49,121	
Cash			\$ 10,000	\$ 3,486	\$ 4,365	
Children's Globe			\$ 500	\$ 180	\$ 253	
Initial Offering			\$ 1,000	\$ 805	\$ 847	
Thrivent Choice Gifts			\$ 1,000	\$ 325	\$ 4,978	
Special Gifts			\$ 35,000	\$ 13,150	\$ 11,122	
Fundraiser Income			\$ -	\$ -	\$ 673	
Debt Savings			\$ 52,000	\$ 21,460	\$ 19,904	
Total			\$ 524,500	\$ 176,707	\$ 243,612	
ADMINISTRATION			\$ 19,000	\$ 6,333	\$ 3,814	
Rentals, Weddings, Interest						
EDUCATION			\$ 5,000	\$ 662	\$ 391	
EVANGELISM & OUTREACH			\$ 7,500	\$ 3,712	\$ 5,708	
Supper Income						
MUSIC			\$ 8,000	\$ 4,392	\$ 4,257	
MINISTRY			\$ 10,000	\$ 4,937	\$ 4,839	
Lent, Easter, Christmas Thanksgiving						
YOUTH MINISTRY			\$ 14,000	\$ 8,988	\$ 9,109	
			\$ 588,000	\$ 205,731	\$ 271,730	
Other Income						
Lutefisk Dinner			\$ 18,000	\$ 18,879	\$ 18,594	
Bazaar			\$ 13,000	\$ 200	\$ 20	
Other: Fundraising, Funerals, etc.			\$ 4,000	\$ 635	\$ 792	
Men's Club Income			\$ 14,000	\$ 4,667	\$ 23,317	
GRAND TOTAL INCOME			\$ 637,000	\$ 230,112	\$ 314,453	
FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH 2011 BUDGET - EXPENSES Through April 30, 2011						
			Total Annual	To Date	To Date	
			2011 Plan	Budget	2011 Actual	
PAYROLL			\$ 362,400	\$ 158,584	\$ 137,581	
ADMINISTRATION						
Office Supplies, Insurance, Postage			\$ 60,100	\$ 23,838	\$ 29,785	
OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE			\$ 72,000	\$ 39,913	\$ 41,928	
EDUCATION EXPENSES			\$ 7,000	\$ 1,642	\$ 1,365	
EVANGELISM AND OUTREACH EXPENSE			\$ 9,000	\$ 2,833	\$ 4,786	
Advertising, Suppers, Stewardship						
MUSIC EXPENSE			\$ 13,000	\$ 4,333	\$ 4,381	
MINISTRY EXPENSE			\$ 4,500	\$ 1,362	\$ 2,499	
YOUTH EXPENSE			\$ 17,000	\$ 5,667	\$ 6,793	
BENEVOLENCES			\$ 54,000	\$ 18,000	\$ 11,363	
			\$ 599,000	\$ 256,172	\$ 240,481	
Lutefisk Expenses			\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,791	
Bazaar Expenses			\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ -	
Kitchen Supplies			\$ 1,500	\$ 663	\$ 544	
WELCA Expenses			\$ 3,500	\$ 1,168	\$ 434	
Men's Club Expenses			\$ 14,000	\$ 4,667	\$ 16,806	
GRAND TOTAL EXPENSES			\$ 628,000	\$ 271,670	\$ 268,055	
PERPETUAL RESERVE LOAN					\$ 41,000.00	
		Paid Loan 2/24/11			\$ (41,000.00)	
					\$ -	



PICTORIAL DIRECTORY COMING!!

It's time to make a new pictorial directory!! Since our last directory we have received many new families and we want to include them all. A pictorial directory is very important to our church family. It brings us closer by learning the names of new families and the new families can learn the names of the long time members.

We have scheduled photo sessions for the following dates:

Tuesday, July 19 - Friday, July 22 2 pm to 9:20 pm

Saturday, July 23 9:30 am to 5:10 pm

Monday, September 19 - Friday, September 30 2 pm to 9:20 pm

Saturday, October 1 9:30 am to 5:10 pm

By having two weeks of photo sessions we can hopefully include everyone - students in July before they leave for college and those away for the summer can have their pictures taken in the fall.

There will be a poster in the Commons to sign up for an appointment. Every family is invited and encouraged to have your photo taken. Please sign up soon!!!

CENTURY COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR HELP...

As you probably know, First Lutheran Church is turning 100 years old in 2012! The Century Committee is hard at work planning all the different celebrations and events that will happen throughout that year. However, we could use your help. We are trying to come up with a theme, phrase or slogan that we can use throughout our 100th Anniversary year. If you have any ideas please submit them to Julie Johnson via email, leave a note in her mailbox in the office or talk to any of our Century Committee members to share your thoughts.

Committee members are Ruth Dodson, Paul Christensen, Lyn Larson, Dorothy Markowitz, Tara Mumm, Chad Habeck, Ross Hedlund, Katie Hedlund and Julie Johnson. All entries will be considered and reviewed by our committee. We look forward to your help.

FIRST LUTHERAN'S EMAIL ADDRESSES CHANGING

First Lutheran's internet service and email accounts are going to be upgraded the **first week of June**. This means that the church's main email address and the church staff email addresses will change.

Please make a note of the following addresses and update your computer's address book: There is a grace period so for a few weeks in June we can still receive qwest.net mail.

firstlutheran@q.com

flctomcarlson@q.com

flcpastoramy@q.com

flcpetercarlson@q.com

flcyouth@q.com (Leisha Tays)

flcnathanroberts@q.com

flcjuliejohnson@q.com

flcdayleboyce@q.com

flcroger@q.com

flcsonjasuper@q.com

INFANT LAYETTE PROJECT UPDATE

The kit requirements have been changed a little for the baby care kits. If you are starting to look for these items (new or gently used) at garage sales or as you are shopping, PLEASE CHECK OUT THE REVISED LIST WHICH IS POSTED ON THE WELCA BULLETIN BOARD IN THE COMMONS!

PAINTING PARTIES

We got off to a great start in May painting many of the windows in the north wing of our building and inside hallway. Thank you to those who volunteered their time. There's another painting party planned for Wednesday, June 15, 8:30am to 12:30. Weather permitting we'll paint outside on more windows or if rainy, we'll paint classrooms and hallway walls.

RACHEL CIRCLE

Will be meeting at Marcia Nordgren's for their annual summer Potluck, June 1st. Address is 5118 Eastwood Rd., Mounds View. Phone number is 763-786-3659. Time: 6:00 PM (**note time change**).



CONGRATULATIONS to the ladies of the Prayer Shawl Ministry.

At the May, 2011 meeting, the 200th comfort shawl was turned in.
(That's 200 shawls since our first meeting in May of 2009!)



These beautiful shawls have been lovingly knitted or crocheted in a variety of colors and patterns and are given (at NO CHARGE) to people experiencing a comfort need (your family, friends, relatives, neighbors, or co-workers.) FLC membership is NOT a requirement. If you know anyone that could benefit from such a gift, (someone hospitalized, in chemo therapy, hospice, a nursing home resident, depressed, lonely, bereaved, in treatment, whatever), notify the church office, or come and pick one out and deliver it yourself.

If you are interested in participating in this rewarding ministry, you are welcome to join us at our monthly informal gatherings.

No experience necessary; there is always someone that can help you get started.

Our next gathering will be TUESDAY, JUNE 14, at 7.p.m., at church.

If you need further information or encouragement, please call Betty Krahl 763-788-6854 or Joyce Hagfors 763-571-3109



SUMMER OFFICE CLOSURE

Once again the church office will be closed on Fridays during the summer beginning Friday, June 3 thru August 26. This will help our budget by saving on utility expense.

If you have a pastoral emergency the pastors can always be reached at their homes. In an emergency, please call Pastor Carlson (612-871-2642) or Pastor Orstad (651-917-9243).

**SUMMER SUNDAY
MORNING WORSHIP
AT 10:00 AM**



FIRST LUTHERAN WRITERS

Have you ever thought, or been told by your friends or family, "You should write that down"? Writers, both beginning and published, meet at First Lutheran every second Tuesday from 10—12, in the Peace room. They share and encourage each other's writing. Journals, trip or family memories, poetry, opinions, letters to editors, stories: anything goes! Anyone is welcome to visit and see if this activity works for you!

FROM OUR RECORDS

May Weddings

Jacob Kogler & Michelle Greenlee 5/7

May Baptisms

Evan David Fannon 5/8

Son of Eric & Amanda Fannon

Kaleb Walker Graefe 5/29

Son of Jonathan & Gwen Graefe

Oliver Denison Habeck 5/29

Son of Chad & Melissa Habeck

Funeral

Stefan Ingvarsson 6/1

BOOK CLUB

June 15, 2011

10:00—11:00 am

Meet in Peace

"Jane Eyre"

By Charlotte Bronte

For information call or E-mail

Char Zarich

763-572-1220

LadyChar@comcast.net

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday Mornings

10:00 AM Worship

Wednesday Evenings

First Lutheran “Happy Hour”
 5:30 pm Treats
 6:00 pm Worship

SHOUT! Worship

5:00 pm 2nd Sunday of the month



CALLER DEADLINES:

Please have any information for the Caller into the church office by the end of the business day on the **12th** of each month.

E-mail address: firstlutheran@qwest.net

WEB Address: www.flcch.org