



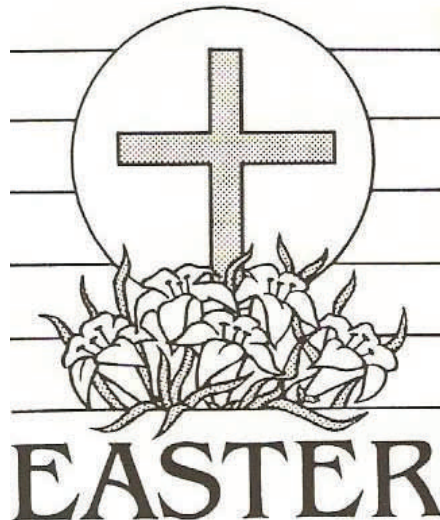
ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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POMARIA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29126

April 2010

From the Pastor ' s Desk:

Our Lord has written the promise of the resurrection, not in books alone but in every leaf in springtime.



APRIL CALENDAR

April 1	7:30 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Service
April 2	7:30 p.m.	Good Friday Service—Tenebrae
April 3	4:30 p.m.	PALS Easter Egg Hunt
April 4	7:00 a.m.	Easter Sunrise Service
April 4	11:00 a.m.	Easter Sunday Worship Service
April 7	7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
April 9—11		Camping at Dreher Island
April 11	1:45 p.m.	LCY to feed homeless—meet at Holy Trinity
April 11	7:00 p.m.	SIS Circle Meeting at the home of Lori Ricard
April 14	7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
April 18	5:00 p.m.	Catechism
April 21	7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
April 26	9:00 a.m.	Newsletter Deadline
April 24		Operation InAsMuch
April 25	5:00 p.m.	Catechism
April 27	7:00 p.m.	JOY Circle Meeting at the Church
April 28	7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
April 30		Relay for Life



He is risen

**The Deadline for the May Newsletter
is Monday, April 26th at 9:00 a.m.**



Relay for Life will be on April 30 this year. St. Paul has a team once again. If anyone is interested in being a team member please see Shannon Smith. The deadline to order luminaries or t-shirts is Sunday, April 11. Please see Shannon Smith or any other team member to purchase a luminary or t-shirt.

St. Paul Website

Our church now has a website that gives information and updates on many facets of our church. Please go to www.stpaulpomaria.com to view the website. Some pages may also contain pictures of church events. If you do not wish to be included in any pictures, please notify Evangelism chair, Lori Ricard. A huge thank you is extended to Kevin Boozer and Toby Smith for creating the website.

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 Good Morning Neighbor, it's a pretty day.  
 Let's go to church, I'm on my way.  
 Gonna lose my sorrows and all my cares.  
 Good Morning Neighbor, I'll see you there.  
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PALS

PALS will host an Easter Egg Hunt for all children of the church through 5th grade on Saturday, April 3rd at 4:30 p.m. Please bring your own basket! We will conclude the event with a hot dog supper. Hope to see you there!



WELCA

SIS Circle will meet April 11th at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Lori Ricard.

JOY Circle will meet April 27th at 7:00 p.m. at the church.

Hospitalized:

- James Lester
- John Price
- John Shealy
- Madelyn Wilson



Andrew Connelly will be offering piano lessons for all ages. These lessons will be given here at the church. If you are interested, call 924-5322.



LCY

LCY will feed the homeless in Finlay Park on Sunday, April 11th. Meet at Holy Trinity at 1:45 p.m.

LCY Sunday is scheduled for May 2nd and we will be practicing between now and then. Watch the bulletin for dates and times.

Reminder:

St. Paul Family Camping Trip will be April 9—11th.



Easter Cross

As has been the tradition in recent years, the Easter Cross will be decorated on Easter Sunday with **flowers brought by the congregation**. Members are asked to bring live spring flowers and place them on the cross in the sanctuary prior to our 11:00 a.m. worship.

Operation In As Much 2010



**"...Truly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me."
Matthew 25:40**

Please mark your calendars for **April 24th, 2010**. St. Paul is taking part in **Operation-InAsMuch** again this year! **OperationInAsMuch** was a huge success last year and this year should be even better. Please contact Andrew Boozer or Nikki Perry if you would like to participate. Everyone is welcome!! Donations to help with project costs are also welcome and would be greatly appreciated!

VBS

Save the date! This year Vacation Bible School will be held June 20—24th!



Flowers for the altar in

April:

April 4 Stanley Shealy

April 11 Mary Lou Griffin

April 18 Barbara Dowd

April 25 Sheree Richardson



Evangelism Thought for the Month

Ten Quick Prayers to Invite Visitors to Church

1. Pray for your potential Guests.
2. Pray for the opportunity to arise to invite them to Church.
3. Pray for awareness of their need.
4. Pray for awareness of the opportunity.
5. Pray for the courage to invite them to church.
6. Pray for favor that they would accept the invitation.
7. Pray they would follow through and come.
8. Pray that your church would welcome them.
9. Pray that the message and worship would be awe-inspiring.
10. Pray that they would hear the message and grow one step closer to God.

List from EvangelismCoach.org

Career Crossroads

*A spiritual retreat
for finding work that fits
your gifts and mission in life*



April 30-May 2, 2010

Lutheran Theological Southern
Seminary
Columbia, SC

The complete brochure can be found at the entrances to the sanctuary and in Megan Shealy's (Secretary) box. Deadline for registration is APRIL 1ST.



April Birthdays

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| 1 | Donna M. Dowd |
| 2 | Ruth Chapman |
| 3 | Barbara Kingsmore
Daniel Long
Vera Shealy |
| 4 | Alison White |
| 5 | Cindy Huyck
Virginia Richardson |
| 6 | Mark Boozer
Jonathan McGlohorn |
| 7 | Dudley Griffin
Shanna Gallman
Martha Richardson
Linda Teeters |
| 12 | Keith Weathington |
| 13 | Libby DeHart
Bradley Cumalander |
| 14 | Lori Richardson
Stacey Wilson
Haley Chavis |
| 15 | Marie Wicker |
| 17 | Reba Werts |
| 18 | J. P. Dowd |
| 19 | Darryl Hentz
Michael Shinn
Kevin Price |
| 20 | Gladys Boland |
| 21 | Rion Werts |
| 23 | Donnie Huyck
Duman Wicker |
| 24 | Scott Richardson |
| 28 | Cal Smith |
| 29 | Pam DeHart
Ludy Werts |
| 30 | Hannah Brooks
Sandy Erickson |

Happy Birthday

April Helpers

Councilperson: Danny Dowd

Ushers: Darryl Hentz
Ludy Werts
Nathan Wicker
Scott White

Counting Committee: Danny Dowd
Lori Ricard

Acolyte: Tanner Werts

Crucifer: Morgan Werts

Torchbearers: Whitney Roberts
Jordan Shinn

Bannerbearer: Rion Werts

Greeters: Steffanie Shinn

Communion

Bread:

April 1 (Maundy Thursday) Barbara Dowd
April 4 (Easter Sunday) Barbara Dowd
April 26 Wayne Boozer

Altar Guild:

April 1 (Maundy Thursday) Jackie Perry
April 4 (Easter Sunday) Carolyn Richardson
April 26 Kim Stiver

Grass Cutting:

April 3 Wayne Boozer, Chris Roberts
April 10 Jimmy Scott, Edwin Dowd
April 17 Danny Ricard, John Wheeler
April 24 Michael and Steffanie Shinn

Chattin'

with *Kevin*



“The Lord is Risen! He is Risen indeed! Christ is Risen. He is Risen indeed!”

For this month’s *Chattin’ with Kevin* I wanted to write those four sentences and then stop. After all, the entire Christian truth claim is summed up in them. In today’s busy world, those sentences are short enough for a “tweet” or a text message. So, could I have left it at that?

“Christ is Risen.” Proclaiming this Gospel truth is not something we can do and then stop. Hearing and learning and speaking about Jesus’ death and resurrection are merely the beginning of a life of discipleship to which we are called. What does that calling mean for us as a church body at St. Paul? How should we build upon the message of salvation? What ways do we come together and nurture each other’s faith? Should we do more to become involved in our community and reach out to others through acts of love and compassion?

Four questions to go along with the first four sentences--though many more questions are asked as we seek for our lives to be ones of faithful service to God. We work together, love together, pray together, grieve together, and celebrate together. Sometimes we disagree and it is hard to compromise as we work through conflicts. Yet, despite those struggles, and some would argue because of lessons learned from them, we remain part of one body, those persons throughout the world who join us to proclaim,

“The Lord is Risen. He is Risen indeed! Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed!”

St. Paul Lutheran Congregational Council Minutes
Sunday, Feb. 7, 2010

14 Members present plus Pastor Nichols

Absent: Rick Caston and Allison White

Devotions: Steffanie Shinn

Devotions in March: Andrew Boozer

Minutes from January 3 and called meetings on Jan. 24 and 31 were read and approved.
Chris Roberts presented the cemetery report.

Committee Reports:

Social Ministry:

Social Ministry will prepare a Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and arrange to have meals before all Lenten services.

- A motion was made and passed for all Lenten offerings to go to World Hunger.

The Social Ministry committee also requests that our church keep the old piano because the piano that was donated has a problem with some of the keys sticking.

Worship & Music:

The Worship and Music committee will get someone to look into the keys sticking on piano. Andrew has priced some new music for the choir. Wayne and Alice Boozer will fund up to \$100 worth of new music for the choir. Lenten services will be held on Sunday nights this year.

Property:

The septic tank was pumped out at the parsonage, but has not helped with water backing up. Furniture from secretary's office will be stored in Adult Bible class while the office is being painted and carpeted.

Old Business:

Lori Ricard passed out a copy of responsibilities for all standing committees.

Toby Smith, Jerry and Carolyn Richardson, Chris Richardson, and David Nichols attended the ELCA meeting at Newberry College on Saturday, February 6. About 700-800 people attended this meeting regarding recent events in the ELCA.

New Business:

- A surge protector is needed for the copier and computer in the Secretary's office.
- Kevin Boozer has updated the church website by creating several church related hyper-links.
- Toby Smith will have financial reports ready to hand out on February 13.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned by reciting the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Ricard

SPOTLIGHT ON A MEMBER



Danny Ricard Family

Danny was born in 1959 in Chester. From there, his family moved to Charleston and then to Pomaria when Danny was in the 7th grade. Danny's father, Rev. Delano Ricard, served as pastor of St. Paul for 16 years. Danny graduated from Mid-Carolina High School and then Newberry College with a degree in Accounting. Danny is Senior Vice President of Finance for Pure Fishing in Columbia. He has been a member of St. Paul for 38 years and has served on the Church Council for many of those years. Danny currently serves on the Building Committee, sings in the choir, and is President of St. Paul Lutheran Men. Danny enjoys traveling, landscaping, fishing, and loves being home with his family.

Lori grew up and was baptized at First Baptist Church in Pamplico, SC. She graduated from Clemson University in 1985 with a degree in Elementary Education and then received her Master's degree in Educational Administration from USC. During her first year teaching, Danny and Lori went out on a blind date that was set up by Lori's roommate from Clemson, Kim Moore. Two years later, they married in 1987. Lori has been teaching for 25 years and currently teaches 6th and 7th grade math at Mid-Carolina Middle School where she also serves as Beta Club Sponsor. Lori has been a member of St. Paul for 23 years. She currently serves as secretary of the Church Council, a teacher in the Kindergarten – 3rd grade Sunday School, is on the Anniversary Committee, and is a member of St. Paul WELCA. Lori enjoys traveling, walking, decorating, shopping, and cooking new recipes for her family.

Danny and Lori have two sons, Rhett and Drew. Rhett is 20 years old and is a sophomore at Clemson University double majoring in Chemistry and History. Rhett is involved with many organizations at Clemson. He is President of the Student Alumni Association, Student Body Assistant Treasurer, and serves as a Tour Guide. Rhett plans to attend Law School when he graduates from Clemson. Rhett enjoys reading and sports.

Drew is 16 and a sophomore at Mid-Carolina High School where he enjoys playing football, wrestling, and weight-lifting. Drew is a member of the Beta Club, Chorus, and on the Science Olympiad team. Drew also enjoys being a boy scout in Troop 76 and a member of the St. Paul LCY.

The Ricard family feels strong ties to St. Paul and enjoys worshiping with the congregation. They have many fond memories of fun times at church and they look forward to many more.



"Tea and Thee"

*sponsored by the
Lutheran Church of the Redeemer WELCA*

*The Lutheran Church of the Redeemer WELCA
cordially invites ladies of all ages
to join them
for*

"Tea and Thee"

*on Saturday, April 17, 2010 from 11 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.
in the Family Life Center at Redeemer.*

*Little ladies are asked to wear their Easter finery
as complimentary pictures will be made.*

*There will be a storyteller, door prizes, food, and fellowship.
Tickets are \$5.00. Children 10 and under are free.*

*Tickets for this special event may be purchased by
coming by, calling (276-2003), or
emailing (lutheranredeemer@bellsouth.net) the church.*

*Office hours are Monday through Thursday,
8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.*

The final date for purchasing tickets is Thursday, April 8.

**Mid Carolina High School
Golden Oldies
May 4, 2010
6 pm until**

In order to better accommodate you and your group, please complete the attached and mail or fax on or before April 26th:

Church/Group Name:

Address:

Phone:

Pastor/Sponsor Name:

Number Attending (62 years and older):

How many of your members will need assistance/handicap parking?

Please mail or fax to:

**Mid Carolina High
c/o Allison Hallman
377 Cy Shumpert Road
Prosperity, SC 29127
Fax: 803-364-2134
Phone: 803-364-4395**

After receiving your form, you will be mailed a confirmation with details on parking and seating arrangements!

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