



## ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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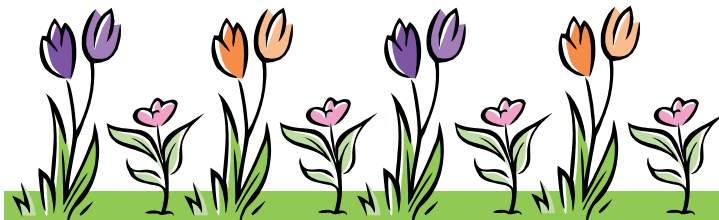
May 2010

### From the Pastor 's Desk:

“The air our body requires envelopes us on every hand. To receive it we need only breathe. The ‘air’ which our souls need also envelopes all of us at all times and on all sides. God is round about us in Christ on every hand, with his many-sided and all-sufficient grace. All we need to do is to open our hearts.”

-Dallas Willard

The Divine Conspiracy



# MAY CALENDAR

<b>May 2</b>	8:00 a.m.	Church Council
<b>May 5</b>	7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
<b>May 9</b>	8:30 a.m.	LMM
<b>May 9</b>		Mother's Day
<b>May 12</b>	12:00 p.m.	Retiree/Senior lunch
<b>May 12</b>	7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
<b>May 16</b>	7:00 p.m.	SIS Circle Meeting at the home of Becky Boland
<b>May 19</b>	7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
<b>May 20</b>	7:00 p.m.	LMM Quarterly Meeting, Summer Memorial
<b>May 25</b>	9:00 a.m.	Newsletter Deadline
<b>May 25</b>	7:00 p.m.	JOY Circle Meeting at the church
<b>May 26</b>	7:30 p.m.	Choir

## Evangelism Thought for the Month

The Lord is Risen! Alleluia!

Easter & spring are here and summer is just around the corner. As the pools, lakes, and ocean get warm and the grass and garden start to grow, the Sunday morning distractions become more and more enticing. Try not to forget that it is because of God that we have these great blessings.

This summer, will you commit to a summer of faithful and meaningful worship to give thanks for the New Life that God has given us all?

**The Deadline for the June Newsletter is Tuesday  
May 25th at 9:00 a.m.**



## SPOTLIGHT ON A MEMBER



There is no Spotlight on a Member this month. Please turn in your paperwork to Charlotte Werts so that we can continue this feature in the newsletter.

## WELCA PROJECTS

The congregation is invited to donate gift cards from Wal-Mart for our Retreat Centers or gift cards from Wal-Mart or Lowes for our Mission Churches

Any amount is welcome –Please mark the outside of the envelope for which project and place in the WELCA gift boxes at the church entrances.

## RETIREES

There will be a planning meeting of the St. Paul's retirees on May 12 at 12:00 noon in the Fellowship Hall. Lunch will be served at a cost of \$3.00 per person. If you plan to attend please notify Judy Wicker at 276-5596 or Carolyn Richardson at 276-2947 by May 9. Everyone is invited. Please plan to be present.

## THE SOCIAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE

would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped in any way to supply goods or prepare the Lenten Meals and the Lutheran Men for an outstanding Easter Breakfast. Thanks so much to everyone involved for your time and energy!

**THE SOCIAL MINISTRY** would also like to thank everyone for their generous contributions of food items and paper goods for the Food Bank.

## WELCA

SIS Circle will meet Sunday, May 16th at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Becky Boland.

JOY Circle will meet Tuesday, may 25th at 7:00 p.m. at the church.

## Hospitalized:

John Boozer  
Cheryl Kinard  
Doris Richardson  
Lori Beth Richardson  
Vera Mae Shealy  
Morgan Werts  
Reba Werts  
Nathan Wicker



Thanks to all who purchased luminaries in honor or memory of someone for the Relay For Life. Names are listed on pages 8 and 9.

## VBS

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



**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*

If you, in any way, participated in Operation Inasmuch 2010 – THANK YOU!!!! We wanted to let each of you know how very much we appreciated your help, your time and your efforts! Without you, Operation Inasmuch 2010 would not have been so successful!!

So many wonderful things were accomplished through our efforts: we had two (2) new handicapped ramps built; we lifted more than one hundred people in prayer; we lifted the spirits of those who are in local nursing homes through singing, prayer, visits and encouragement; we completely replaced a roof on a home in Chapin; we cleaned up several yards for elderly neighbors; we made major repairs to homes truly needing those repairs so that their owners can remain safely in their homes; we picked up trash along Macedonia Church Road and Highway 76; we planted flowers for a special home in Newberry; we finished installing replacement windows for a neighbor; we recycled cards for the sick; we

made 29 pillowcases and more than 50 blankets for the children having surgery at MUSC; and even with all this, we had coolers of water to each site and lunches made and delivery by loving hands, not to mention our closing ceremony, great dinner and slideshow!

Thank you again for your participation in Operation Inasmuch 2010! We look forward to another great year!!

Sandra Wessinger  
 Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church

## May Birthdays

- 1 Juanita Nalley
- 2 Mina Brooks
- 4 Heather Cook
- 5 Rita Boozer
- 7 Henry Brooks
- 8 Jeff Brooks
- 10 Martha Jo Wicker
- 11 Melodi Brooks  
Emma Smith
- 15 Susan Jackson  
Millie Stokes  
Donna Werts
- 17 Kim Holland  
Philip Jordan
- 18 Estelle Dominick
- 20 Missy Angely
- 21 Scott White
- 22 Chris Roberts
- 26 Pastor Nichols
- 29 Jennifer Summer  
Kenny Wicker
- 31 Lisa Richardson  
Jolene Wicker



## May Helpers

- Councilperson:** Edwin Dowd
  
- Ushers:** Kathy Brown  
Donna K. Dowd  
James (Bud) Dowd  
Paul Werts
  
- Counting Committee:** Barbara Dowd  
Edwin Dowd
  
- Acolyte:** Elizabeth Nichols
  
- Crucifer:** Brandy Pearson
  
- Torchbearers:** Holly Richardson  
Abby Stiver
  
- Bannerbearer:** Drew Ricard
  
- Greeters:** Nikki Perry
  
- Communion Bread:** Wayne Boozer
  
- Altar Guild:** Lori Ricard
  
- Grass Cutting:**  
 May 1 Bud Dowd, Wayne Boozer  
 May 8 Chris Roberts, Jimmy Scott  
 May 15 Michael and Steffanie Shinn  
 May 22 Edwin Dowd, Danny Ricard  
 May 29 John Wheeler, Bud Dowd
  
- Flowers for the altar:**  
 May 2 Dorothy Cochell  
 May 9 Nica Dowd  
 May 16 Ronnie Koon  
 May 23 Martha Richardson  
 May 30 Debbie Werts

# Chattin'

with



## Kevin

### Within God's Sight

By Kevin Boozer

Up and down and left and right,  
 God keeps me within His sight.  
 Forward, sideways, backwards, too-  
 Ways He sends love down to you.  
 Ways He sends love down to you.

Up and down and left and right  
 God keeps me within His sight.  
 Forward, sideways, backwards, too-  
 Ways He sends love down to you.  
 Ways He sends love down to you.

In the nighttime and the day  
 God hears every word I say.  
 And hears children everywhere  
 Who praise God through song and prayer...  
 (Because)

Up and down and left and right  
 God keeps me within His sight.  
 Forward, sideways, backwards, too-  
 Ways He sends love down to you.  
 Ways He sends love down to you... and me, too!

Two years ago, I tried to write a piece for *The Little Lutheran* that would teach children how to make the sign of the cross. The article never came together but the idea stuck in my mind until this spring when I wrote the song *Within God's Sight*. As I wrote the first verse, I thought this song might be a way to teach children to make the sign of the cross, but this song turned out to have a different purpose. This song can be set to motion, helping children learn motor skills as they move around and feel the different ways God keeps them within His sight.

When I am writing songs for *The Little Lutheran* they must have a deeper theological meaning beneath the lyrics. Other songs I write have a deeper message, because there are so many great songs already. If a child is singing one that I wrote, then that is one less time he or she is singing *Jesus Loves Me*, so I strive to add meat and meaning to my music.

Once I realized this song was about God keeping children within his sight, I wanted to be sure the children would not see God as someone scary who was looking down at them all the time. So, I made the theme of the song how God sends love down to us each day. Again, with God hearing us in the nighttime and day I did not want God seeming like a spy from above, so I mentioned how God heard children praise Him by singing--the very thing the child singing that song would be doing.

The song ends with "me, too," so it includes a group of at least two people, such as a parent and child singing with one another. The children would sing about God using a song that would bring people together—something appropriate since the church is the people. Yesterday, at Operation Inasmuch, I shared the sheet music with folks from Mt. Olivet and Macedonica. I am looking forward to sharing this song with our children at St. Paul soon, possibly during Bible School.

Have something you want to "chat" about? Give me a call or email me at [kevin.boozer@yahoo.com](mailto:kevin.boozer@yahoo.com).

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

14 Members present plus Pastor Nichols

Absent: Wayne Ellisor and Rick Caston

Devotions: Andrew Boozer

Devotions next time: Lowell Dowd

Minutes from February 7 were read and approved.

Chad Boland presented the financial report.

Chris Roberts presented the cemetery report.

Cemetery committee will address broken tombstones and spray weed killer in March.

**Committee Reports:**

Evangelism: Operation Inasmuch will be held again this year on Saturday, April 24. Nikki Perry and Andrew Boozer will communicate information to the congregation again this year. This year there will be 38 projects and be more individual based by helping more individuals in our community. They are asking people to wear their t-shirts from last year, but will order more as needed.

- A motion was made and passed to spend \$400 out of Local Outreach to go to Operation Inasmuch but after more discussion the motion was amended to increase it to \$600.

Social Ministry:

- A motion was made and passed to spend \$100 out of miscellaneous fund for a Relay for Life sign.

Property: Barry suggested that we get rid of old office furniture by asking anyone who is interested to let him know, then draw names out of a hat.

Sunday School: Allison asked permission to separate Christmas and Sunday School materials into different rooms when cleaning out upstairs rooms used for storage.

**Old Business:**

Someone came out and looked at the piano and it can be fixed. The Worship & Music committee will see about getting it fixed.

**New Business:**

- Barry noted that several years ago Council voted to increase the Pastor's pension from 10% to 12%, but it has not happened. A motion was made to research the pension shortfall.
- A motion was made and passed to move the April Council meeting to March 28.
- A motion was made and passed to give Gideons \$100 out of miscellaneous fund.
- Jane Kingsmore has requested to be removed from roll.
- Ben and Vicky Redden requested to be removed from roll.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Ricard

## In Memory of:

Cathy Dowd  
Edith Dowd  
Pat Dowd  
Jake Fulmer  
Naomia Stanley Meadows  
Carroll Stanley  
Paul L. Stanley  
Edith Dowd  
Pat Dowd  
Franklyn Bryant  
Marjean Hughes  
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Grace Evans  
Neil Werts  
Edith Dowd  
Ann Metts  
Cathy Dowd  
Pat Dowd  
Debbie Berley  
Judy Meetze  
Ricky Summer  
Madilyn Werts  
A. B. Dixon  
Joan Fuller  
Neil Werts  
Grace and Gene Evans  
Maria Alvarez  
Clarke Beck  
Gloria Black  
Linda Griffin  
Edith Dowd  
Pat Dowd  
Cathy Dowd  
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Jake Fulmer  
Edith Dowd  
Pat Dowd  
Cathy Dowd  
Mama Rae  
L. A. Lindler

## By:

Jason, Shannon, and Cal Smith  
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Edwin and Barbara Dowd  
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Jamala Wallace  
Nikki Perry  
Mike Hughes  
Narvis Werts  
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Barry, Charlotte, Tanner, Morgan and Erin Werts  
Kathren Mills  
Barry, Charlotte, Tanner, Morgan and Erin Werts  
Barry, Charlotte, Tanner, Morgan and Erin Werts  
Brandon Berley and Hailey Lester  
Jerry and Carolyn Richardson  
Donna Werts  
Donna Werts  
Debbie Ferglison  
Paula Brewington  
Barry, Charlotte, Tanner, Morgan and Erin Werts  
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Randy Black  
Katie and Drew Perry  
Barry Dowd and Judy McGee  
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Nancy Singley  
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Alex Dowd  
Barry Dowd and Judy McGee  
Alex Dowd  
Alex Dowd  
Elvie Kinard  
Allen, Cindy, Jessie and Jenna Farr  
Pam DeHart





**In Honor of:**

Rick Caston  
Gayle Greene  
Dianne Howe  
Sharon Derrick  
Narvis Werts  
Rick Caston  
Barbara Hare  
Brenda Long  
Barbara Hare  
Louise Lindler  
Linda Hiller  
Ricky Perry  
Chase Hamm  
Deanna Mead  
Deanna Mead  
Bobby and Glenda Hentz  
Louise Lindler  
Ricky Perry

**By:**

Jerry and Carolyn Richardson  
Kathren Mills  
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Janna Richardson  
Barry, Charlotte, Tanner, Morgan and Erin Werts  
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Jerry and Carolyn Richardson  
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Clint and Brandy Hiller and kids  
Katie and Drew Perry  
Barry, Charlotte, Tanner, Morgan and Erin Werts  
Randy Black  
Katie and Drew Perry  
Barry, Charlotte, Tanner, Morgan and Erin Werts  
Pam DeHart  
Nikki Perry



**ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE IS GATHERING INFORMATION ABOUT THE CEMETERY FOR THE 2011 CHURCH BOOK.**

A reminder about the information on the Cemetery

Please compose a small biography about any loved one that is buried in the Saint Paul's Church Yard. This is to help future generations learn and know about our family, where they grew up, if they were in service, birthdates, death dates, marriage dates, how husbands or wives worked or any little story you would like to include about their personality and funny and precious moments that need never be recorded. I need these as soon as you finish them. A box will be placed in the cry room so you can leave pictures or info for me and the group inputting the information. Please place all info in a brown envelope provided with your name on it.

Debbie Werts  
364-9345 or Cell 924-0993

The Anniversary Committee is now being formed. Anyone interested in chairing an activity or helping contact Debbie Werts. Several Ideas have been suggested for the up coming year. The congregation's input is needed on the projects the church is to undertake in the Anniversary Church Year. Lori Rikard is collecting pictures and scanning them for a slide presentation during the church year. If you have any pictures you want her to include in her presentation it is not too late. Debbie Werts is collecting church history, family history, and cemetery information for the 2011 Church Book.

- 1. During the 225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Pastor Rikard developed a pageant that was performed by the congregation and others in the community. Do you want to participate?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

- 2. If yes, what are you willing to do or help with?

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- 3. What other ideas do you have?

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- 4. Are you interested in having an Old Time Sunday , where our congregation dresses in period costumes for church service, and a covered dish lunch to follow?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

- 5. We are collecting information on the old time and forgotten practices of our forefathers - Making syrup, tanning hides, candle making, candy making etc. We also need old stories of our community that were handed down to you over the years. Write them up on the back of this paper or call me and I will be glad to record your information.

- 6. If you have other ideas or suggestions please list them below.

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Name of Church Member \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your input and ideas

Anniversary Chairman, Debbie Werts



*You are invited to share our special day  
As we are united in marriage*

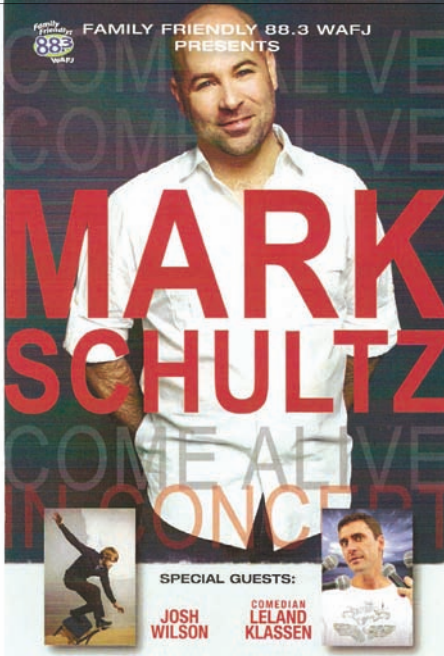
**Barbara Elizabeth Gardner  
&  
William "Harry" Metts**

*Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup>  
Two o'clock in the afternoon*

*In the garden  
Of Laurel Baye Healthcare  
1612 Jones Bridge Road, Blackville SC*

*With reception to follow in the dining hall*

*Suggested gifts: WalMart gift cards  
or donation to Laurel Baye account*



Family Friendly 88.3 WAFJ  
FAMILY FRIENDLY 88.3 WAFJ PRESENTS

**MARK SCHULTZ**

COME ALIVE IN CONCERT

**SPECIAL GUESTS:**  
JOSH WILSON  
COMEDIAN  
LELAND KLASSEN

FAMILY FRIENDLY 88.3 WAFJ PRESENTS

# MARK SCHULTZ COME ALIVE

Special Guests: JOSH WILSON / comedian LELAND KLASSEN

**THU, MAY 20  
7:30 pm**

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