

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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July 2010

From the Pastor's Desk:

Psalm 23 is a beautiful expression of the kingdom of God, in which God is with us, caring and providing for us, and blessing us, even in trying circumstances. The God of Psalm 23 is generous. Because of God's gracious provision, protection and care, we lack nothing. God invites us to rest, to be refreshed and to be restored. God leads and guides us, even in our most painful situations. And because God is with us, we can live without fear. God even prepares a "table" for us in the presence of those who would harm us. God not only provides what we need, he gives us more than we need—our cup is overflowing. When we walk with God as our Shepherd, we see our entire life—even our trials and suffering—as goodness and mercy.

James Bryan Smith The Good and Beautiful God



JULY CALENDAR

July 26

9:00 a.m.

August Newsletter Deadline

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.





The Deadline for the August Newsletter is Monday, July 26th, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.

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.

The total of the Father's Day gifts this year was \$515.00. Your gifts to the LMM Father's Day appeal are used to support the development of mission congregations in South Carolina. Without the financial support provided by LMM, several new congregations in South Carolina could not have started. Thank you for your gifts.

VBS

We would like to extend a huge thank you to all of those who worked so diligently to create a truly wonderful Vacation Bible School experience during June. We would also like to thank all of the parents and children who participated each night.



Hospitalized: Dale Epting Jenny Fellers Rita Richardson

Mark your calendars for Monday, August 30th, 2010 for the Annual Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Building Fund Golf Tournament starting at 1:30 p.m. at Mid-Carolina Country Club. The entry fee per player is \$60.00 and includes golf and cart fees, tickets for door prizes, a snack bag, and several tickets for drinks. The format will be 4 Person Captain's Choice; shotgun start at 1:30 p.m.. Event details, along with team entry forms, hole sponsorship forms, and prize sponsorship forms are available in Megan Shealy's (Secretary) box. Player entry deadline is August 25th. Holy Trinity would like to thank all that participated last year making the 2009 tournament a success, and we are looking forward to seeing you again this year. Should you have any questions, please contact Glenn Shealy at 803-345-9873



Sometimes when we face obstacles or transitions in life we wonder how the Lord will provide for us. This spring as my health improved, I began looking ahead to December and college graduation. At that time, we hope I will be healthy enough to pursue full-time employment. It is too soon, however, to tell for now.

If I would be blessed enough to be able to hold down a full-time job, I realized that it would help if I had an internship, job shadowing, or even a part-time job this summer to put on my resume. I had no idea if I were ready for such a thing or where to find something, so I kept praying and wondering what to do.

Well, in May I took a two week Religion and Popular Culture course at Newberry College. Joanie, Samantha and I spent all of one Saturday working on a presentation, and we decided to take a break and eat lunch at a Mexican restaurant. As we pulled up to San Jose I remarked that it was not the restaurant I thought of, but that it was fine with me to eat there. As we went in, we saw all these Goldwing motorcycles parked outside the restaurant.

During our meal Danny Dowd walked over and spoke to us. He and his wife, Donna, were at the restaurant with their motorcycle club. When I remarked that the class was nearly over and I was looking for freelance writing work wherever I could find it, he told me to go over to their friend, Donna Bumgartner's, table. Danny told me what a Christian woman she was and that she'd appreciate hearing about The Little Lutheran and the other work I had done.

Donna works for The Whitmire News, a small weekly paper that serves the Whitmire area, and she needed another writer. Donna offered me the opportunity to write for them. She gave me a few weeks so I could discuss it with my doctors, and once I got medical clearance I became a reporter for the newspaper. We are keeping my work-load light—one article per week during the summer. I'll have the option to continue working with her in the fall, also. The job does not pay a lot but I receive hands-on journalism experience—the very thing I had been praying about.



I later learned that the restaurant I had wanted to go to had been closed for at least a year.

So, I wanted to share this story of how the Lord continues to provide for me using mysterious ways, such as motorcycle clubs and "the wrong Mexican restaurant." Do you have similar stories you would like to share? If so, we could do them as a series of Chattin' with Kevins. Just stop me at church, give me a call at 924.7177, or email me at kevin.boozer@yahoo.com or kevinboozer@stpaulpomaria.com

Thanks, Kevin

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 St. Paul Lutheran Congregational Council Minutes Sunday, May 2, 2010

13 Members present plus Pastor Nichols Absent: Chad Boland, Danny Dowd, and Chris Roberts Devotions: Alison White

Devotions in June: Barbara Dowd

Minutes from March 28 were read and approved. Pastor Nichols read the Cemetery Report. Lowell Dowd handed out the financial report for Chad Boland.

Committee Reports:

Worship & Music: Andrew Connelly will be leaving as our organist at the end of May. He and his wife are moving back to Germany. Andrew is trying to help us find a replacement.

<u>Bible School Committee:</u> The Bible School Committee has set the dates of June 20 – 24 as Bible School Week.

<u>Grounds Committee:</u> The Grounds committee will meet to prune shrubs, put timbers back around playground, etc. on May 15.

Old Business:

Barry Werts contacted the Board of Pensions to get information about paying Pastor's pension shortfall.

• The motion as presented last month was brought back to the table and passed to pay half of the Pastor's pension shortfall this year and half next year.

New Business:

Alison White stated need to buy new cleaning supplies (ex. Broom, mop, bucket, etc) for cleaning up after Lenten meals, Bible School meals, etc. She will buy the supplies and turn in receipt.

Andrew Boozer attended the Heartland Conference Planning Committee meeting. The committee requested that St. Paul host the 2010 Reformation Service.

• A motion was made and passed that St. Paul host the 2010 Reformation Service on October 31 and provide light refreshments afterwards.

Toby Smith took the safe to have it repaired. He should have it back in a week.

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

Called Council Meeting - May 16, 2010

A motion was made and passed to allow a request by Chad and Becky Boland for a children's soccer team to practice on the church softball field. Council requests that the team sign a waiver not holding the church responsible for any accidents/injuries while practicing on church property.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori Ricard Congregational Council Secretary

July	July Helpers	
Birthdays	<u>Councilperson</u> :	Steffanie Shinn
July 1 Eddie Koon Emily Epting July 2 Lindy Richardson Taylor Richardson	<u>Ushers</u> :	John Coltrante Jimmy Kinard Dean Richardson Louis Wicker
Cindy Shealy Abigail Stiver Adam Angely	<u>Counting</u> <u>Committee</u> :	Steffanie Shinn
July 4Nathan WickerJuly 5Libby Counts	<u>Acolyte:</u>	Abby Stiver
Edwin Dowd Katie Perry John Wheeler	<u>Crucifer:</u>	Jonathon Shinn
Kaleb Boland July 7 John Tate	<u>Torchbearers:</u>	Luke Dowd Tori Summer
July 18 Wayne Boozer July 19 Paul Werts Zachary Hentz	Bannerbearer:	Joseph Tarallo
July 20 Clay Eaves, II July 22 Pam Shealy	<u>Greeter:</u>	Charlotte Werts
July 24 Alberta Moates Freddie Wicker July 26 Roy Bannister, Sr. Joseph Tarallo	<u>Communion</u> <u>Bread</u> :	Joyce Bannister
July 27 Austin Summer Lynn Graham	<u>Altar Guild</u> :	Jo Ann Richardson
July 28 Seasee Williams July 30 Shelia Bannister July 31 Kirby Richardson Tammy Wicker	July 10John WJuly 17Bud DoJuly 24Chad EJuly 31Chad EFlowers for the altaJuly 4Julie SmithJuly 11Becky & ChJuly 18Marcy DeHa	ad Boland art
Chang	July 25 Joyce & She	lia Bannister

UPDATE FROM CHRIS STUMP:

CPE: Summer for a Seminarian

As part of receiving Masters in Divinity degree, seminarians are required to complete one unit of Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE). CPE is my full time task this summer. Monday through Friday, I serve as a Chaplain intern for Palmetto Health Richland Hospital in Columbia. My main two areas are the Pediatric Emergency room and the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. Several times this summer I will also be on overnight call for the entire hospital. CPE is a time of learning what it means to be a Pastor for people in traumatic points in life. Through reflective and didactic sessions we also take time to learn about ourselves in order that we may recognize any internal barriers that we may need to work on to be an effective Pastor.

The unit of CPE ends August 6, and the newest baby stump is expected on August 12. Fall semester then begins September 9.

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." (Matthew 11:28-30)

Please continue to pray for me and for the entire Stump family.

Christopher Stump



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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.

 During the 225th Anniversary Pastor Rikard developed a pageant that was performed by the congregation and others in the community. Do you want to participate? Yes_____ No

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

3. What other ideas do you have?

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.

Name of Church Member_____

Thank you for your input and ideas

Anniversary Chairman, Debbie Werts

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Volunteers can lend their hearts and hands to our patients in so many ways...



Direct Patient Care:

- Companionship and Socialization
- Emotional support
- Patient Activities
- Power of Presence
- Listening
- Preparing light meals
- Light house work
- Running errands
- Reading
- Bereavement support

Special Projects/Administrative:

- Construction of ramps
- Sewing projects
- Crafts for patients
- Light yard work
- Office assistance
- Santa Shoppe / Christmas Caroling
- Bingo at facilities
- Community outreach



Take Action... Become a Hospice Volunjeer!

Patient Care Volunteers complete 6-8 hours of initial training, yearly on-going training and coaching, reference and SLED checks. Many of our volunteers are committed and available to volunteer at least 1-2 hours a week. If you are interested, or know of other compassionate individuals, church or civic groups that would like to learn more about hospice volunteering, please feel free to contact me. We invite you to be a part of a team of volunteers that truly make a difference in the lives of our patients and caregivers. Thank you in advance!

For more information about volunteering with Hospice Care of Tri-County, please contact: Teresa Amick, Volunteer Coordinator (803) 321-0341 | (866) 469-6334 (toll free) | tamick@msa-corp.com



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