



ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

2496 S. C. HIGHWAY 773
POMARIA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29126

June 2011

From the Pastor's Desk:

"I shall pass through this world but once. Any good therefore, that I can do, or any kindness that I can show to any human being, let me do it now, let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again."

-Henry Drummond



JUNE CALENDAR

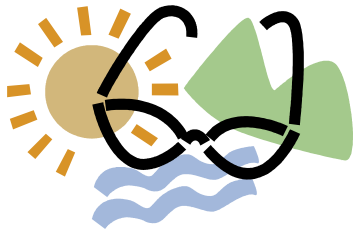
June 1st	7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
June 5th	8:00 a.m.	Church Council
June 8th	7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
June 12th	8:30 a.m.	LMM
June 15th	7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
June 15th	12:00 p.m.	Lunch Bunch at the picnic shelter
June 19th—24th	6:00—6:45 p.m.	Vacation Bible School meal
June 19th—24th	7:00—8:45 p.m.	Vacation Bible School
June 22nd	7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
June 24th	9:00 a.m.	Newsletter Deadline
June 29th	7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice



Hospitalized:

Clara Nell Bannister
 Ruth Chapman
 Emily Epting
 Mary Lou Griffin
 Jim Kibler
 Narvis Werts

 * **FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR IN** *
 * **JUNE:** *
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 * **June 5** **Juanita Nalley** *
 * **June 12** **Judy Wicker** *
 * **June 19** **Jackie Perry** *
 * **June 26** **Alison White** *
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The Deadline for the July Newsletter is Friday, June 24th at 9:00 a.m.

LUNCH BUNCH

St. Paul Lunch Bunch will meet on June 15th at 12:00 noon at the picnic shelter. Everyone is asked to bring food for a picnic. Please bring a prize (around \$1) for the bingo games. Come and enjoy the food, fellowship, and fun.

**St. Paul Lutheran Church -250th Anniversary
Upcoming Events:**

June -Spotlight – Frederick Wallern and Mr. John Coltrane

- ◆ Old Timey Sunday – Members dress in period costumes from 1750-1990's men sit on the left and the women on the right side of the church.
- ◆ Children Sunday School Project - bead crosses or other activities
- ◆ Mr. Coltrain play his music

July – Spotlight - Pastor Dowd – will also preach

- ◆ Barbershop quartet of American and early church music
- ◆ Barbeque picnic – Carold Wicker and Paul Werts

August – Spotlight -Reverend Jefferson A. Sligh and church member

- ◆ Skit by Rev. Sligh and special music
- ◆ Practices for the church play

Holy Trinity Golf Tournament



Mark your calendars for Tuesday August 9th for the Annual Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Trinity Life Center Fund Raising Golf Tournament starting at 1:30 p.m. at Mid-Carolina Country Club. The entry fee for players 21 years of age or younger is \$35.00; for all other players, the entry fee is \$60.00. Each entry fee includes golf and cart fees, tickets for door prizes, a snack bag, and several drinks. The format will be 4 Person Captain's Choice; shotgun start at 1:30 p.m. At registration on Tuesday August 9th, each player can also purchase player advantages for \$5.00 each. The maximum number of advantages include two mulligans and one throw per person. Event details, along with team entry forms, hole sponsorship forms, and prize sponsorship forms will be posted at the church office. Player entry deadline is August 3rd, 2011. Holy Trinity would like to thank all that participated last year making the 2010 tournament one of the best, and we are looking forward to seeing you again this year. Should you have any questions, please contact Glenn Shealy at 803-345-9873.

June Birthdays

June 3	Blake Bocelli
June 4	Shirley Lester Nikki Measamer-
June 6	Jo Ann Richardson Lance Hall
June 10	Donna M. Dowd
June 11	Kelly Montgomery Crystal Lathrop Wallace Werts Keenan Boland
June 15	Bryan McGlohorn
June 17	Keith Pearson
June 20	Jameson Jackson
June 21	Caleb Ulch Jimmy Scott
June 22	Richard Eaves
June 24	Jim Kibler
June 27	Jean Koon J. P. Wicker Mike Shealy
June 28	Reagan White Maggie White Kyndal White
June 29	Lowell Dowd Tara Hazel
June 30	Lynette Koon

June Helpers

<u>Councilperson:</u>	Scott White
<u>Ushers:</u>	David Nichols Rhett Ricard Benji Richardson Christopher Richardson
<u>Counting :</u>	Scott White Alison White
<u>Acolyte:</u>	Whitney Roberts
<u>Crucifer:</u>	C.J. Caston
<u>Torchbearers:</u>	Wesley Blackburn Erin Werts
<u>Bannerbearer:</u>	Tanner Werts
<u>Greeter:</u>	
Jun 5th & 12th	Andrew Boozer
June 19th & 26th	Cheryl Kinard
<u>Communion</u>	
<u>Bread:</u>	
June 26th	Joyce Bannister
<u>Altar Guild:</u>	
June 26th	Alison White
<u>Grass Cutting:</u>	
June 4	Wayne Boozer and Andrew Boozer
June 11	Paul and Stephen Werts
June 19	Bud Dowd Chris Roberts
June 25	Barry and Tanner Werts

Chattin'

with *Kevin* 

In several Chattin' with Kevin columns we have shared the stories behind hymns. There are so many good things that God gives us through music and hymns. Songs played a big part in the Bible. The disciples sang a hymn with Jesus on the Mount of Olives. Moses ordered a song be composed and taught to the Israelites so they would have another way to remember the Exodus. Psalms were sung to music, and so forth.

For the past few months I've enjoyed God's gift of music on a regular basis as Hannah and I have worked on singing and guitar playing. Not only has my health held up to it, but I think that music is something that helps my body to heal. We do warm up exercises before choir practice, training our voices to make music. To sing well you have to plant your feet, balance your body, and let excess tension go. I am learning and getting my body better trained, though it still very much is a work in progress. There's nothing quite like the feeling when a "just right" note vibrates inside your chest.

Music moves people on a variety of levels, some of which are amazing to scientists and medical professionals. Alzheimer's patients who have problems communicating can sometimes be led to a piano, seated there and then begin to play songs that they learned decades earlier.

In some ways, perhaps I appreciate music more now because of the years I could not listen to music. Maybe, but really I just love singing and have since I was in high school. Even in those years, sometimes hymns would come to mind, so I was not completely without music.

The gift of music is one that keeps on giving back. A week before he passed away, I visited grandma's brother, Tommie, in Jessie Frank Hawkins nursing home and played guitar and sang hymns with his wife, Katie. He had become less responsive by then. The visit and music was as much for her (and me) as it was for him to perhaps respond to (which he did). The hymns at his funeral and the hymns that we sang at the nursing home that day gave us one more fond memory to hold onto and reminded us of God's promises.

Music has the ability to feed and heal, to nurture and inspire. Right now Hannah and I are learning Vacation Bible School music and it has been a lot of fun to play, sing and do motions to. On Sunday mornings at 10:30 during Sunday school children up to 5th graders come sing with us, too. As we gather and sing we are giving thanks to God for the gift of music whether it be the gift to play an instrument or several instruments, the ability to sing, or the ability to be a good listener to others as they share their musical gifts.

**St. Paul Congregational Council
Meeting minutes April 3, 2011**

Devotions: Danny Ricard

Devotions in May: Barbara Dowd

Absent: Janna Richardson, Carolyn Richardson, Chris Roberts, Brian Stiver, Alison White, Scott White, Rick Caston

Minutes from April were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Dana Werts presented the treasurer's report.

Committee Reports:

Cemetery Committee – John Wheeler gave a report of the cemetery committee

Property – Al Turner gave a quote to replace the wiring. Property committee will follow-up on this. Paul Werts will work on fixing the light on the church's sign.

Old Business:

Delegates to Synod Assembly are David Nichols, Pastor Nichols, Jerry Richardson, Carolyn Richardson, and Christopher Richardson.

New Business:

Pastor Nichols presented information about the postage rate increases on April 17. Postage line item may be over budget.

Operation Inasmuch is coming up on April 30, sign up sheets will be distributed soon. Andrew Boozer is St. Paul's contact person for the event.

Respectfully submitted,
Janna Richardson
Church Council Secretary

Spotlight on a Member



PAUL SHEALY

Paul was born on January 4, 1921. He has been a life long member of St Paul's and has served on the church council, and was a member of the men's bible class, and Lutheran church men. Every Sunday, the entire family walked the 30 minute to church. He remembers the old church down by the spring, and all the hickory trees that once stood on the church grounds. The old church he says, was completely made of wood and it seems the Yellowhammer Woodpeckers had holes all over the church. One Sunday, William Richardson, Horace Werts and dad were sitting in their usual spots in the back of the church. They spotted a woodpecker, and it kept flying from rafter to rafter of the church. Now, you can imagine these three young boys watching the bird fly all around. They mentioned the possibility of the bird messing up someone's clothes and snickered at the thought!! The woodpecker set his sights on dad's right shoulder and hit his mark! I don't suppose they heard the preacher after that!

He married Vera Mae Kinard at the old parsonage by Reverend Ruff, on December 27, 1941. He was inducted in July 1942 into the Army Airforce as a military policeman, and spent most of his service career in Australia, India and China. He remembers flying over the Alps. They had their parachutes on and one of his buddies Roy Cox, unknowingly pulled his ripcord when the plane hit an air pocket. Roy found out his chute was opened when he went to the rest room and his chute followed him down the aisle of the plane.

Paul returned to the States in January 1946 and was discharged several weeks after that. He and Vera have a son, 2 granddaughters and 6 Great Grandchildren. He retired from South Carolina Electric and Gas in 1981 and started enjoying his gardening. He now commands his garden from the seat of his golf cart and enjoys sitting around and planning what he can get his son to do next!!!

One more short story has to be told. Dad has a passion for his garden! It doesn't always turn out the way he wants but he works really hard to assure the garden of perfection! Dad needed someone to drive the tractor for him so he could plant some corn. I sure was glad I was too young to do it the correct way, so, Mom was nominated and elected to drive. I thought she was doing really well, but dad didn't like where she was placing the front right wheel. After much instruction on how to, dad laid down in the row in front of the tractor. He called out to mom and said "now run over me"!!! Mom had a big smile on her face as she pushed the throttle wide open! I have never witnessed a grown man move so fast to get out of the way!!!

We all love him and praise God for giving him to us to teach us all the "Art of Perfection"!

**Congratulations to our graduates.
We are very proud of your accomplishment
and pray God's blessings for you
as you move into the future.**

Our Fall 2010 Graduates:

Kevin Boozer
Lindsay Boozer

Newberry College
University of South Carolina (Masters)

Our 2011 Graduates:

Jessica Chapman
Brandi Pearson
David Nichols
Tricia Ulch
Josh Werts

Mid-Carolina High School
Mid-Carolina High School
Clemson University
Newberry College
Clemson University (Masters)



*The Members of
St. Paul Lutheran Church
request the pleasure of your company
at a reception to honor
The Reverend David Brent Nichols
in recognition of his twenty-five years
of dedicated service in the ministry
on Sunday, the fifth of June
Two thousand eleven
from three until five o'clock
St. Paul Lutheran Church
Pomaria, South Carolina*

Mark your calendar NOW!

Vacation Bible School



June 19—23

7:00—8:45 p.m.



A meal will be served each night 6:00—6:45

Sunday—Hotdogs

Monday—Hamburgers

Tuesday—Tacos

Wednesday—Pizza

Thursday—Fried Fish



Dress Themes each night:

Sunday: Camo Night

Monday: 80s Night

Tuesday: Celebrity Night

Wednesday: Tacky Night

Thursday: Beach Night

Wear your camouflage!

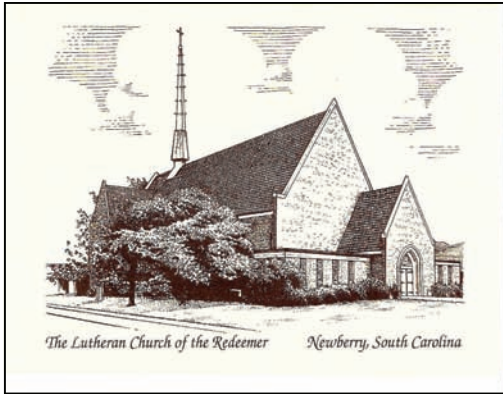
Dress like you're in the 80s!

Dress like your favorite movie star!

Dress crazy!

Dress like you're at the beach!





Dear Fellow Members in Christ,

It is with great joy that I thank you on behalf of the members of Christ Lutheran Church in Cullman, Alabama.

Your donation was more than generous. Thank you again.

God Bless,
B.L. Brown, Jr.,
President, LMM



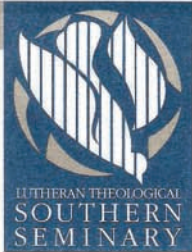
All Ladies of the church
are invited to a

Baby Shower
Drop-in

for Lindsay Boozer
and baby Thomas

Saturday, June 4, 2011
11:00—12:30 p.m.
St. Paul Lutheran Church

Hosted by the choir



www.ltss.edu

Teach, Form, and Nurture

May 18, 2011

Dear Friends at St. Paul Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your gift of \$408.49 through the South Carolina Synod last month. We received your help from the Synod a few days ago and immediately put it to work in seminary classrooms by providing teaching and learning resources. Your help is a tremendous help in the preparation of leaders for the church you love!

Along with these thanks, I want to make sure you know about the seminary's plans to merge with Lenoir-Rhyne University. At the March 2011 Board of Trustees meeting, the seminary's trustees authorized the President and his team to develop a merger plan. Much work must be accomplished before we can bring a merger resolution to the Board of Trustees in March 2012, but I want you to know these things:

- The seminary's primary mission will continue to be the preparation of leaders for parish ministry.
- The seminary will remain an ELCA seminary in Columbia, SC.
- All of the seminary's endowed funds and gifts to the seminary will continue to be used for theological education at the seminary.
- Lenoir-Rhyne University is committed to a vision of LTSS as the premier seminary in the ELCA.

Please pray for your seminary's leadership team as we work through the myriad issues involved with merger. The seminary has survived through depressions, wars, more recessions than we can count, and significant changes in the church. The proposed merger with Lenoir-Rhyne University will create an environment where your seminary can thrive in mission for Jesus Christ.

Thank you again for your help and your prayers. This is your seminary and no seminary could ask for better partners than you have been. May God bless all you do for the name of Jesus Christ in your discipleship journey!

Sincerely, In Christ,

Ron Walrath
Vice President for Development

*Thank you for everything
you are doing to prepare
leaders for the church!*

P.S. For more information about the seminary's proposed merger with Lenoir-Rhyne University, please visit the seminary's website, www.ltss.edu or call me at 803-461-3237.

Briefly describe your work situation:

State your primary reason for attending Career Crossroads:

You will be receiving preliminary work at least two weeks before the event. Please plan to spend a couple of hours completing the inventories as soon as you receive them.

Please return this form and payment of \$300 by August 8th, 2011 to

Region 9 -ELCA
4201 North Main Street
Columbia, SC 29203

For further information,
contact Region 9
803-461-3263
or email Tiffany Pieters
tpeters@lss.edu

WHAT PAST PARTICIPANTS HAVE SAID

"I have always known that God gives each of us special talents...this weekend just allowed me to see the vast number He has gifted me with."

"It is...a help to me when a small community is formed of caring Christian individuals who take the time to listen with their own and God's ear and can give you feedback."

"I can now see clearly the path I think that the Lord wants me to take and the ministry he wants me to be involved in...I also realized that I don't have to use these gifts in a church setting."

"I received feedback on specific jobs that I had not previously thought of."

"I am very confident now what direction [God] wants me to take and I can confidently start taking steps in that direction."

"Career Crossroads was very helpful and I look forward to further discerning God's call."

"Very unique experience! Awesome!"

"This seminar has left a sense [of] excitement within me!"



Career Crossroads

A spiritual retreat

for finding work that fits

your gifts and mission in life



September 9-11, 2011

Lutheran Theological Southern
Seminary
Columbia, SC

CAREER CROSSROADS

REGISTRATION FORM

FOR PEOPLE OF FAITH WHO

- ✦ want guidance in how to find work that fits their gifts and mission in life
- ✦ want clarity about discerning God's call in their lives and work
- ✦ lack a sense of purpose in life
- ✦ are unsure of their God-given gifts and how to use them faithfully
- ✦ feel "burned out" and frustrated in their careers
- ✦ wonder about changing jobs or careers
- ✦ need direction in considering possible calls to church occupations
- ✦ seek a Christian community to support and encourage them in their searches

Career Crossroads

- ✦ helps people discern
 - God's call within a Christian community
 - their personal gifts
 - their life purpose
- ✦ blends faith resources with career counseling tools
 - integrates self-understanding, the world of work, and a theology of vocation through
 - personal devotional reading
 - journaling
 - presentations
 - community discussion
 - worship
- ✦ results in articulation of a personal mission statement that can be applied to vocational decisions
- ✦ helps people apply personal discoveries to their current life situations
- ✦ provides people with guidance and support as they continue the discernment process

LEADERSHIP

The Rev. Harvey Huntley Jr. is Region 9 Coordinator for Ministry Leadership with the ELCA. He has completed post-graduate study in career counseling at Johns Hopkins University and is a graduate of the University of Chicago Divinity School. He edited *What Will I Do With My Life?*, which was written by Sue Setzer.

Ms. Sandra Holland is the Associate in Ministry for Faith Formation at St. Andrews Lutheran Church in Columbia, SC. She previously served as the Associate Director for Ministry for Region 9 of the ELCA. A graduate of Lenoir-Rhyne University, she has participated in, designed, and led vocational discernment events for young adults, as well as numerous Career Crossroads workshops.

Schedule

Check-in — 1:00 p.m., September 9th
 Ending — 4:00 p.m., September 11th

A detailed schedule will be sent after you register.

Career Crossroads is offered annually. If you are interested in this event, please use this form to register or send us your name to be put on the mailing list for future workshops. You may also call the Region 9 office at 803-461-3263.

****PLEASE NOTE****

Space for this workshop is limited to 12 registrations.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone(_____) _____

Cell Phone (_____) _____

E-Mail _____

Workshop cost of \$300 includes Friday supper through Sunday lunch, snacks, and program materials.

Plus : (please indicate your 1st & 2nd choice for housing)

_____ Overnight accommodations at the Seminary are \$25 per person per night

(as available—space is limited)

OR

_____ Hotel accommodations at a local hotel will cost approximately \$100 per night

_____ I do not need housing

Special Needs (i.e. dietary, physical, etc.) _____

To register, please return this completed form along with your check for \$300 made payable to Region 9 ELCA. This payment includes a non-refundable deposit of \$150 should you decide to cancel. Housing costs will be due upon arrival.

(Please complete other side)

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN MEN PROMOTE FATHER’S DAY OBSERVANCE

Sunday June 19th is Father’s Day. St. Paul Lutheran Men in Mission think it is appropriate that the fathers of our congregation (living or deceased) receive the recognition they deserve.

For a free will donation (in any amount) the information will be printed on an insert in the bulletin on June 19th. Donations received will be used by Lutheran Men in Mission to support mission congregations in our synod.

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING THIS FORM IS JUNE 13th. We will not be able to get information received after that date in the bulletin on Father’s Day.

IN HONOR OF

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IN MEMORY OF

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TO THE GLORY OF GOD BY

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