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Welcome Pastor Matt and Family

Greetings from Pastor Matt

Back in the late 1860s on the North Dakota prairie, a Norwegian immigrant named Torjus got together with his friend Anders and talked about their need for God's Word. They and several neighbors in their new township of settlers started a prayer service in a friend's parlor. After a couple of years they built a church and continued to build God's Kingdom with their families and neighbors. A hundred years later, Torjus' great-great-grandson was baptized in that church on a frozen December morning. And now, you've called the great-great-grandson of that immigrant to be your new senior pastor. Torjus and Anders didn't know all of what God would make of their conversation about the Word; so many lives and so many stories of faith, but what a joy to be part of the journey.

It is a great honor and privilege to be called to serve Long Lake Lutheran. To pastor a congregation is a great responsibility, but it is also a great joy. Nora, Jon, Erik, and I are very excited to be joining the family of faith at Long Lake.

One of my first tasks will be to meet as many of the members of Long Lake as possible before the end of the year. I would greatly appreciate the opportunity to visit with you at church, at a coffee shop, or even make a pastoral visit to your home. I would love to learn your story as I seek to learn the story of this congregation and community.

In the 24th Chapter of Luke we find two of Jesus' disciples traveling on the road to Emmaus. They are puzzled as to what the resurrection story means. Jesus comes and walks with them but they don't know who He is. As they walk, He teaches them the meaning of the scriptures. At the end of the day, He stays with them, breaks bread with them and is finally revealed to them. As we walk together on the journey of faith, I have no doubt that Jesus will walk with us, guide us, and teach us His ways. What a wonderful opportunity it is to walk with Christ. We will build God's kingdom by serving others in His name and by leading them to a life giving faith in Christ. It is with great joy and excitement that I look forward to where God will lead us.

God's Peace, Pastor Matt

Sunshine Circle September 14, 2010



We had a big day of sewing, tying, sorting, cleaning, and replenishing cards. With 14 members and 28 helping hands, we got a lot done. Thank you members for all your joyous help without you, this could not be accomplished. After our work we stopped for prayer and a reading by Becky— “Before I got Here”. We then enjoyed lunch and lots of laughter together. Our next meeting is October 12th at 1:00 pm. All are welcome and there is something for everyone to work on.

Loretta

“Two can accomplish more than twice as much as one, for the results can be much better.” Ecclesiastes 4:9

Minutes of the September 9, 2010 Council Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm.

Present were Martin, Steve, Rose, Tony, Monica, Bruce Yurich, Pastor Dave and Pastor Rhonda. Devotion was shared by Pastor Dave on Stewardship.

October council reps. Rose for 8:00 and Monica for 10:30.

Master calendar was reviewed. Spire deadline Sept. 15th.

August minutes reviewed. Motion to except the minutes by Bruce and seconded by Martin. August minutes approved.

Treasures report given. A motion to except the report was made by Monica and seconded by Rose. Motion passed.

Committee reports.

Worship and Music: Steve reported that Reformation Sunday Oct. 31st there will be 15 students confirmed. We discussed plans for that Sundays services. Choir will sing on the 1st and 3rd Sun.

World Mission and Evangelism: Jim: Rally Sunday there will be a large map so each family can map out where they live. Providing us with a map of where all members live. IHN will have a short video on Sunday.

Oct. mission of the month will be the mission quilt program and midwife kits.

Congregational Life: Rose reported there will be a pie social after Thanksgiving service.

We need to start lining up the servers for advent soup suppers. Pastor Rhonda reported that Betsy is working on Trick or Trunk for Halloween. This will be under Congregational Life. We are planning a pot luck lunch Sept. 26th after second service for Pastor Dave with a short program.

Education: Monica and Pastor Rhonda reported they are ready for Rally Sunday. They need to get a key for the Cornerstone for Leslie. There will be 15 students confirmed on Oct. 31st. They are going to have a brunch on Oct.30th for the students and their families.

Property: Martin: They have worked on the water fountain at the Corner Stone. The heating system needs some work. There has been a new man out and there is about \$3,000 of work that needs to be done to it. They will address this Sunday in church.

New Business: Pastor Matt will start on Oct. 3rd. A motion was made to pass the \$60,000 salary of Pastor Matt by Bruce and seconded by Steve. The motion passed. This is within Synod guidance and commence beginning with his start this fall and last through December 2011.

We want to Thank Pastor Dave for all he has done through this time of transition.

The meeting was closed with Pastor Dave leading us in prayer at 9:30.

Respectfully submitted Rose Hass

Worship and Music Committee Report, September 2010

Our meeting was officially called to order at 6:45 PM Sept. 2nd. Present were Pastor Dave, Kristy, Karen, Madge, Janelle and Steve.

We started off by touching on plans for Rally Sunday and making sure any last minute details were addressed. We were comfortable with the way things are coming together with our only question being whether or not there was enough corn in the garden for the meal.

Sunday Sept. 19th the youth will be leading both services. The early service will still be a traditional format and the second service more informal. Madge will be playing for the 2nd service since Kristy will have to leave shortly after the 1st service.

At a previous committee meeting, we had discussed the possibility of switching the Sundays that the Choir sings from the 2nd and 4th Sundays, to the 1st and 3rd Sundays. This would give the Choir the opportunity to sing during communion. The main sticking point of this switch was where the Choir could stand and not be in the way. It was decided to leave this for the Choir to decide and since I'm writing this report the morning after our first Choir practice, I can report that the Choir has indeed made this change! We think we can manage without causing any inconvenience and hopefully provide something that will make our communion experience even more meaningful.

Now that we have voted to extend a call to our new Pastor, and the speed that this transition is moving, this was our last W/M meeting with Pastor Dave. We would like to sincerely thank him for his contributions, not only to our committee, but to our Church as a whole. If we think about some of the things we've been through since Pastor Howard retired, it's easy to see the role Interim Pastors play and their importance in the overall health of congregations throughout the ELCA. Pastor Dave has done a magnificent job! He has done his job through humor, compassion and love. I'm proud to call him my friend and we will miss him greatly!

THANK YOU PASTOR DAVE!

**Steve Vigstol
Worship and Music Chair**



A CONCLUDING UNSCIENTIFIC POSTSCRIPT

Pastor Dave

This is my last article for the Spire as your Interim Pastor. I began 16 months ago as your Interim Pastor. Both you, as Long Lake Lutheran Congregation, and I have now gone through and completed a process of transition, discernment and learning. Now you have called a new senior pastor and I will move on.

There have been two guiding principles for me as I served you. The first is the words from the Prophet Isaiah, chapter 43:

**“But the Lord Says,
Do not cling to events of the past
Or dwell on what happened long ago.
Watch for a new thing I’m going to do
It’s happening already; you can see it now.
I will make a road through the wilderness
And give you streams of (living) water there”.**

The other is your mission statement:

**Following Christ’s example of Love and Forgiveness,
We open our hearts and our doors
To reach out to all people
As we proclaim the Gospel
And grow in Christ’s Love**

In this interim process you have considered what God (the Holy Spirit) has been doing among you in the past. You have considered your current mission and ministry in the present and have developed a vision of Christ’s mission and ministry in this place for the future. This interim period has been a time of challenge and great reward. It has been a great privilege for me to be with you and to lead you in this process.

This is a difficult time for me. I have been part of the Long Lake Congregation family now for 16 months. I have gotten to know many of you quite personally in times of joy and times of difficulties and sadness. You have become friends as well. So, for me, there is sadness as I take leave of my pastoral time among you. But this is also a time of celebration and joy for me and you. You need to be joyful and celebrate your accomplishment of completing the interim tasks. You need to celebrate the coming of your new senior pastor and move on to whatever challenges await you. So it is with some sadness but also a lot of joy that I move on to whatever challenges await me.

We live in tremendously difficult and challenging times. It is my prayer for you that the Compassion of Christ will sustain you and that Mission of Christ will challenge you as you move into the future. I wish you all of the Abundance of God’s Richest Blessings.

Missions and Evangelism Outreach – September 15, 2010

Missions

Mission for October is Quilts and Midwife Kits. A reminder - NEW – We have CHOCOLATE bars (Both dark and milk chocolate). Every 4th Sunday we sell Coffee and now Chocolate to assist the Lutheran World Relief “Fair Trade” efforts supporting farmers and artisans (for more info see me or go to www.lwr.org). Come and visit me at the Chocolate and Coffee kiosk in the Narthex.

Evangelism Outreach

The Maps are Ready!!!

Please stop in the fellowship hall grab your named pin and put it in the map where you live. Please be careful when doing this, being that the pins are sharp. This event is part of our Congregational In-Reach for us to get to know our Church neighbors better. We realize this will take some skill on everyone’s part to place a pin with your name on it at

the location of your residence – no one said Evangelism is easy. Evangelism is an extreme sport. Thanks for your participation.

Our next Evangelism Outreach meeting will be scheduled for early October, watch for details.

Respectfully,
Jim Vincent



Message from the President:

Even though summer is ending, there is no shortage of new things happening at LLLC. First and foremost is the excitement of Pastor Matthew Flom starting his tenure as the Senior Pastor of Long Lake Lutheran Church. Pastor Matt has been very excited about his start at LLLC ever since accepting our unanimous call from our congregational meeting. He has visited with our executive team, found curriculum for adult ed, familiarized himself with our pastoral care list and sought direction through prayer for himself and our congregation. He is also being supported by our call committee which has now assumed duties as the Pastoral Care team. Pastor Matt will preach on October 3rd for the first time and he looks forward to meeting everyone and starting to develop relationships with our congregation. Please plan to worship that Sunday to hear Pastor Matt preach. This will be a great way to support, meet, and greet Pastor Matt and his family. We hope that Pastor Matt's ministry is extremely successful for many years to come.

Our Rally Sunday service was outstanding and the Country Gospel team did a great job of leading worship. This service began our new church calendar. Confirmation will be under way again on Wednesday nights and Sunday School will be starting as well. I want to say "Thank You" to all those volunteers who will teach and mentor the youth of our church. This also begins the time of year when we get to hear the choir led by Donna Larsen. They will be singing on communion Sundays this year. The Country Gospel team, led by Steve Vigstol, will also be regular contributors in worship. These two music teams really do add to our worship experience in honoring our Lord.

As I reflect on things ending this summer I have to note the success of two new ministries at LLLC. Our Community Garden team has donated over 900 pounds of food to the Family Pathways food shelf. Phil Lundeen and the team have been busy harvesting and putting vegetables in the truck to haul there. This ministry has served our community well. Also we have completed our first year of softball games for our adult and youth on our memorial field for BJ Johnson and Missy Morey. Many teams commented on the honor of playing on such a field and the quality of its condition for our first year. Dale Lundeen did a great job of maintaining the field with honor. Some exciting ideas came with this field. The Peterson family donated a playground set for all the little ones to play on during games and practices. We are also the first team in the Dalbo Ministry Softball league to have a concession stand. This activity helped raise funds to support ministries at church. All of these items I write about are exciting for our congregation’s future. We will also be planting gardens and playing ball next Spring.

One era ends with the close of summer though. I need to say the biggest and most heartfelt thanks to Pastor Dave Solberg. Pastor Dave will forever be a part of LLLC history, he is a real Pastor who lead our church for 18 months in a time of transition. He empowered lay people. He supported and developed new ministries. He helped bring in new members. He shared Christ's love thru his Pastoral care of our congregation. He baptized many and helped eulogize those close to us. He shared the gospel with grace and love. Pastor Dave, thank you for leaving an impression on my life and our church that I will not forget. Thank you for serving LLLC so well. Blessings on all that you do and may God continue to use you in great ways to share Christ's love. Tony Steiner

Friends of Ruth October Spire

We are bound together in God's word through the book of Ruth to serve women of all ages at home and around the world."

We met on August 30th a very hot and humid evening in the Cornerstone with seven members present.

Betsy lead us in a devotion about complaining. "How Common Our Complaints!" Job 10: 1-7 Job learned a lesson about not complaining and accepting God's authority. Complaints being transformed into thanksgiving and praise.

We discussed the Upcoming Event for this December. We're going to advertise this close to home outing and get a sign up to see how many members we can attract to go into Hardy Performing Arts Center in Cambridge to listen to Robert Robinson in Concert. The cost is only \$20.00 per person and held on Saturday December 11th. Be sure to look for the sign and registration box to get in on this Close to Home Outing.

Mindy had picked up our Treasurer's report: We have \$350.23 and will use some of this money to help offset the cost of batting for our quilts and also sending the Newborn Kits off to places overseas. We also thought about having a Mission of the month to help us earn monies for sending kits and toward more batting in quilts. Connie talked about donations for the money we'll need to send along with each newborn kit.

We talked about the Christmas Tea. The date we'd be looking at is November 28th at 2 p.m. We are going to check out the "Second Cup of Christmas Tea" read and discuss the possibility of using that book this year. Then alternate with the original "A Cup of Christmas Tea" the next year. More discussion will be made of this at our October meeting. So find the book and bring it along to share your ideas with the group and make our final plans.

We have picked our a date for our Spring Luncheon; it will be March 19th. Some ideas were brought up to go along with our theme. Lots of ideas for this new theme: Patterns of Life

We've noticed that the microphone for Pastor Rhonda is not working properly. Karen shared that she had spoken to Steve about getting a new one, especially since we had given a \$300.00 check toward a new microphone. Steve said he has a friend that is checking into this and it is more complicated than we thought. We have to have it fit into our existing system. So hopefully, it will be done soon.

Janelle went to the Pregnancy Center to find out whether or not they could use our Newborn Kits. Since we have had such a great response from our congregation in their donations toward our kits, we wanted to be able to help some local area people with Newborn Kits. So Janelle wrote down some more questions to find out exactly what they need in their kits. She suggested that we use this as another venue for distribution of the Newborn Kits since it would be close and therefore, less expensive to get them distributed. Everyone agreed and thanked Janelle for getting the information and sharing her thoughts.

We enjoyed watermelon, cheese, meat, and crackers to snack on with cool refreshing lemonade .

Our meeting for next month is **October 4th in the Cornerstone at 6:30 p.m.** We'll work on putting together Newborn Kits, continue our discussions of having a Christmas Tea, our plan to sponsor a Hardy Performing Arts Center Outing for December 11th. We have lots of ideas for working with and helping the women of our church and those in other places around the world. ***Join us for our gathering of Friends of Ruth.***



**School Tutoring
Available
Tuesdays
at 7:00 pm
In the Cornerstone**

Does your child need help with their school work?

**An Opportunity for tutoring is available on
Tuesdays, at 7:00 pm in the Cornerstone
Beginning on October 12th.**

Questions? Call Mary at 753-0654



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Craig M. Corbin, Director

Monthly News From Luther Point

October 2010

Announcing 2010-2011 Weekend Camps! Questions about Jesus: Who? Where? And So What?"

October 1-2, 2010: Senior High (9th-12th Grade)
October 15-16, 2010: Junior High (6th-8th Grade)
March 18-19, 2011: Elementary (3rd-5th Grade)

Look for more information online at www.LutherPoint.org as it becomes available.

Family Advent Retreat: December 4-5, 2010: Mother-daughter, father-son, grandparent-grandchild, families of all shapes and sizes--Join us for a special Advent Retreat! Together we will explore the meaning of the Advent season. Mark your calendars now!

Look for more information online at www.LutherPoint.org as it becomes available.

Day Break 2010-2011: Book your Day Break event NOW!! Reservations are currently being accepted and preferred dates are beginning to fill. Contact Jesse at 715-689-2347 or Jesse@LutherPoint.org for more information. Events are on a contractual basis for a fee to support the Day-break ministry.

Daybreak is a year-round music ministry team that provides meaningful youth ministry experiences for area congregations. Focused on building relationships, the team will engage the members of your congregation by bringing camp to you! Teams can come to your church and provides a variety of ministry opportunities—including worship, campfires, retreat and lock-in programming, and service projects. Or, you may book a retreat at Luther Point with Day Break providing programming!

Annual Meeting Announced: October 16, 2010

Luther Point's Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, October 16, 2010 at 9:30am in the Gary Loktu Center at Luther Point. Lunch is provided. Each congregation may have at least 2 voting delegates (larger congregations may have more depending on size of congregation). It is important that we have your input in the future of Luther Point. With questions, contact the Luther Point office at 715-689-2347.

Honor a Loved One's Legacy with a Memorial Fund Gift

The Luther Point Bible Camp Memorial Fund is a way for families to honor loved ones. Consider giving a Memorial Gift to honor an anniversary, birthday, wedding, other milestone or in memory of a loved one. Your Memorial Gift will be used by Luther Point Bible Camp to provide meaningful and vital ministry to young people, families, adults and congregations. Your gift is used to support Christian camping and retreat ministry with people of all ages during all seasons of the year. When your gift is received, a card is mailed to the family or person you designate. All gifts are tax-deductible as provided by law. Mail your gifts to the Luther Point Memorial Program, 11525 Luther Point Road, Grantsburg, Wisconsin 54840. With any questions, contact Development Coordinator Bill Stafford at 715-689-2347 or Bill@LutherPoint.org.

Together in Ministry

Rev. Craig M. Corbin, Executive Director



BENEVOLENCE FUND

UPDATE

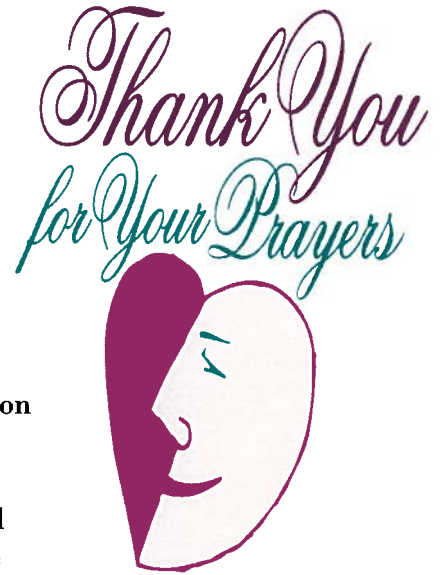
The Benevolence Fund is in need of being replenished. We need funds and could also use County Market and Cub gift cards.

If you are able to contribute, please put them in offering plate marked for the Benevolence Fund.

Thank you and may Christ bless you!

From the Prayer Team!

This is a Thank You from myself and my son Chuck. I would like to thank all who have inquired about my son, after seeing his name in the prayer requests list, and for those who have prayed for him. For those of you who don't know about Chuck, he has struggled with alcohol and drug addiction for the last 15 years of his life. He will turn 31 in November. The last 6 months have been the worst. He has pretty much been "circling the drain". I say this, because as bad as he was, he should be dead. I started attending the prayer team on Thursday mornings because I knew there were people who were praying for my son and I wanted to "pay it forward." I had told my son about what I was doing and he said in his drug addict attitude, "well good for you". Two months ago he was arrested and put in jail. In jail he has been off of drugs and started going to church services and Bible study. He has not been to church since he was confirmed, but he asked me for a Bible, which he began to read and can now quote scripture from. After being there for about a month he told me one day " Mom, I want to thank you and please thank those who have prayed for me, because I believe I would not be alive without your prayers." My heart just soared to hear this change in attitude. I had a God moment about 2 weeks ago. He had called me after I had been working all day in the yard and I was tired and dirty. He asked if I could bring him some of his money so he could get some things from the canteen. I grumbled and whined " Why now? Couldn't you have called me earlier!" Being mom, I said o.k. I cleaned up and went to the jail about 9 pm. I checked in and they said they would be with me in a few minutes. Well a few turned into 15, then 25, testing my patience. Finally, the door opened and out walked a neighbor who I knew had been doing Bible study in the jails. He asked what I was there for and I told him that my son was in the jail. I asked if my son Chuck was in his Bible study. We confirmed Chuck's identity by his size and the big tattoo on his forearm. He then went on to tell me that Chuck is so on fire for the Lord and keeping up with all the questions he has is very difficult. Well, needless to say, I started to bawl. I have heard a lot of words and things said about my son, none as awesome as that. I waited another 10 minutes, after that meeting, to have someone come for the money I was to drop off. I did not care how long I had to wait. I realized God had a reason He wanted me there that night. He had something He wanted me to hear. What a blessing I would have missed if I had not waited. God works in wonderful and mysterious ways through other people and circumstances. His timing is always perfect. Chuck has also been receiving visits from Pastor Howard McCray of the Fish House Ministries. Chuck really enjoys those visits and they have great conversations. Last Wednesday he was taken to St Cloud prison and will be there the next 2 1/2 years. When Chuck calls, he tells me he loves me and he even thinks I'm amazing. Without prayers I may have never heard those words again. The other day he told me not to worry, that he would be o.k. You know what I believe... he is going to be just fine. So I just want to say, I believe in the power of prayer and that God has a plan for us all. If we will, as they say, " let go and let God". We cannot mess with God's will. I believe that God came to save us from ourselves. Because on our own, we are a mess, but with Him we CAN do all things. So please continue keep Chuck in your prayers and I will continue to do the same for all of you.



*Sincerely with blessings to you all,
June Huge*

Education Meeting Minutes: September 2010

Present: Marcy Stoeckel, Mindy Peterson, and Pastor Rhonda

Sunday School is ready to go with teachers. We could use one or two more substitutes or assistants.

Rally Day invites are out. We discussed last minute details for installation, including gifts for teachers, mentors, and kids during the children's sermon.

We discussed a role for a "craft person" in Sunday School with the idea of a possible "all Sunday School craft" once every 4-6 weeks and during different "seasons" of the church. Monica and Rhonda will follow up with her and plan accordingly.

We discussed the radical difference in the size of the confirmation class this year and how we will navigate the change. We also worked on small group divisions for confirmation and worked on dividing mentors for our small groups. We discussed several possibilities for exciting activities this year due to the more intimate size of the groups.

LeAnn Snidarich and Pastor Rhonda already have plans for the children's Christmas pageant and are working on getting it lined up for December.

Sunday School Children will be singing in church on a regular basis this year starting (hopefully) on October 10th.

The Sunday School Curriculum we used last year (SPARK) has an online component this year that allows parents and leaders to access lessons and other information (like church calendars and announcements online) so all parents and leaders (and any members who would like to) will receive a log-in. Watch for more information to come.

Property Team Update:

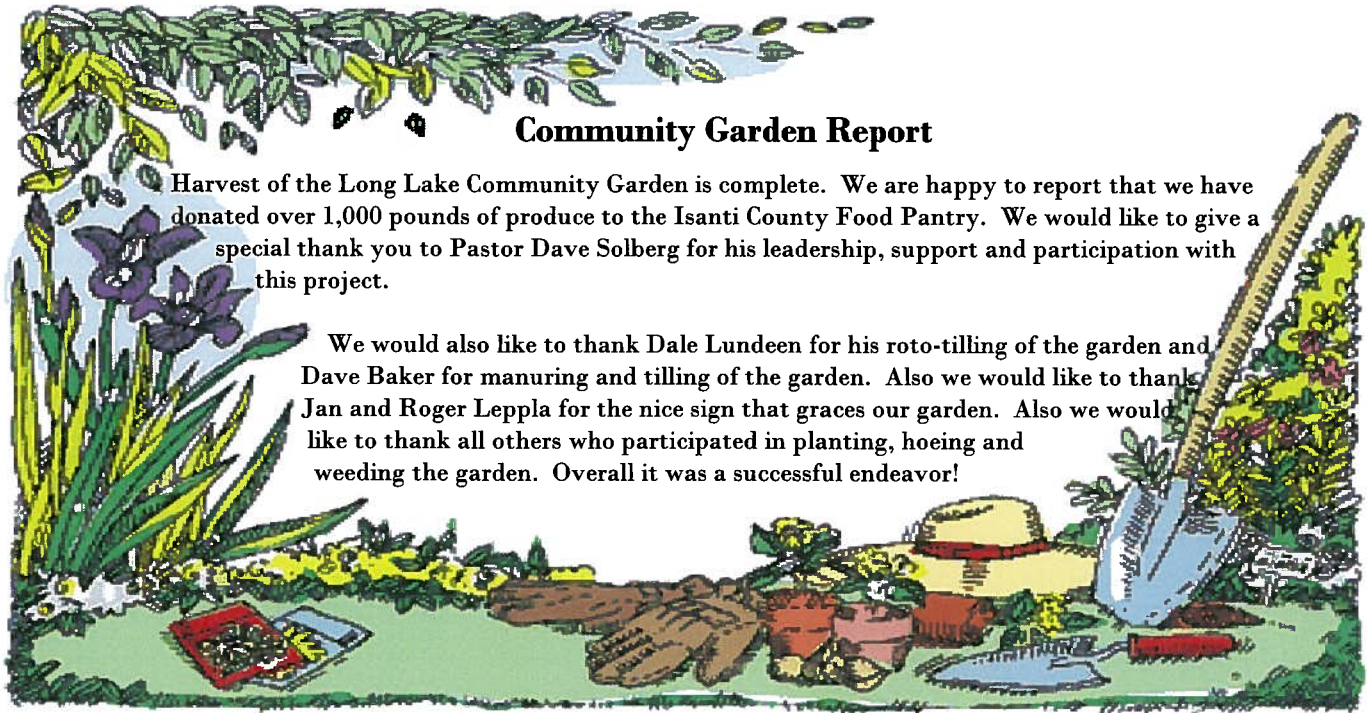
FURNACE UPDATE

Parts have been ordered to fix the system.

The work has begun. The old parts have been torn out, and the team is continuing to see that it is fixed before the heating season is here.

Donations can still be made to the project by either marking them for the furnace repair project and placing the contributions in the offering plate, or by going to the website and making the contribution there.





Community Garden Report

Harvest of the Long Lake Community Garden is complete. We are happy to report that we have donated over 1,000 pounds of produce to the Isanti County Food Pantry. We would like to give a special thank you to Pastor Dave Solberg for his leadership, support and participation with this project.

We would also like to thank Dale Lundeen for his roto-tilling of the garden and Dave Baker for manuring and tilling of the garden. Also we would like to thank Jan and Roger Leppla for the nice sign that graces our garden. Also we would like to thank all others who participated in planting, hoeing and weeding the garden. Overall it was a successful endeavor!




That's Right! It's Back! Trick or Trunk—A fantastic ALTERNATIVE for trick-or-treating on Halloween will once again take place at Long Lake on Sunday, October 31st!

And . . . You're Invited!!!!

1. Come all you ghosts and goblins—you superheroes and storybook characters—**join us on Halloween, October 31st to do your trick-or-treating at our Trick-or-Trunk event!**
2. **CALLING ALL MEMBERS OF LONG LAKE AND OUR COMMUNITY! We are looking for people willing to give up a couple of hours on Halloween to come sit at your car—open your trunk (you can decorate or not)— and hand out candy to the ghosts and goblins that come trick-or-treating through the parking lot. Sign up in the Narthex or with Betsy Vincent if you can be one of our 50 trunks this year. (Yes, that is our goal)**
3. **Donate candy in the narthex for those who volunteer their trunks!!**

Pastor Rhonda's 95 Theses



Ok, Ok, so I'm not 16th century monk...and I don't have a giant church door to post a list of demands on...and there technically aren't 95 of them...but the Festival of Reformation is this month and I thought it would be a GREAT gimmick!

So here it goes...

1. Let it hereby be declared that as Associate Pastor of Long Lake Lutheran Church I express my utmost appreciation for the transition team, the call committee, the council, and the entire congregation during the duration of this interim period. This family of faith has proven that it is driven by the gospel and the desire to be a community and I lift that to God in praise!

2. Let it also be hereby declared that I express my deepest gratitude to the "Real" Pastor Dave who was willing to give so selflessly of his time and gifts to help shepherd this community during the interim. His gentle presence and his words of truth in love were a gift to this congregation over the past year. In addition, his mentoring and collegiality were priceless and something I will miss as he transitions to new ventures. I pray for him and his entire family as he moves forward in his ministry – may his new interim be closer to home. :0)



3. It is with much ado that I welcome into our kinship Pastor Matt. It will be a very quick transition for us to say good-bye to someone so beloved and hello to someone we have waited for so long all at one time. So let's give ourselves some time to adjust, be excited, and enjoy this time of new beginnings. As for Pastor Matt, welcome. Welcome to our family of Christ! We hope you like it here. Now, when you get a minute, can we talk about why you get the big office when I have to store all the youth and education stuff in mine???? (Just kidding...)

4. Let it finally be known that aside from all the thank-yous and the welcomes, that ministry is hopping around here!

- Confirmation is off to a running start with a year of studying the Bible, Service Projects, Social Events, Retreats, and all kinds of great events to grow faith!
- Sr. High Youth Group started with a BANG! 17 out of 20 showed up the FIRST night! Our hope is to keep that rolling as we continue to bond, grow, and shape...Wed. 7-8:30pm!
- Sunday School looks to be explosive again this year. We even hope to have the kids singing in church once a month!
- Mission Trip Sunday was a hit – and if you didn't hear the kid's stories and testimonies – you missed out – even I was surprised at their depth! Next year's trip? Already in the works!
- Reformation Festival Service coming your way October 31st at 8am – Remember Martin Luther? Come celebrate one of the important days in our church year!
- We will confirm 15 on Sunday October 31st at 10:30! 15!
- I challenged you all to find your joy – AND THEN TO SHARE IT – HAVE YOU STARTED????



Well, so it wasn't 95 – but my guess is that you are appreciative of that. As I always say – ministry here at Long Lake is always quite a ride and this month has proven no exception. Come join us – experience and find your joy! Then share it!

Without Further Ado....P. Rhonda

JOY!



ALERT! ALERT! This is an IMPORTANT notice about WORSHIP! It is also an IMPORTANT notice about our family of faith!

It is hereby decreed that **Sunday October 31st** is declared BOTH a day to celebrate the **Festival of Reformation** and the **Rite of Confirmation!** The schedule will be as follows...

8am: Reformation Festival Worship (Traditional LBW Communion Service kicked up a notch) We will even pull out the new causable! Come celebrate the posting of the 95 Theses and the Father of the Reformation with a rousing rendition of "Almighty Fortress" and other Martin Luther Hymns as we celebrate this important Sunday in our church year!

9:15am-10:15am:

- Adult Education
- Sunday School Special Reformation Program!
- Reception for our 15 Confirmands in the Fellowship hall – join us for CAKE!

10:30am: Confirmation Service designed by our 15 Confirmands:

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|---------------------|-------------------|
| Lucas Anderson | Kendra Beckensten |
| Courtney Eisenbraun | Morgan Engren |
| Alex Hysten | April Schmidt |
| Jacob Jaffe | Ethan Jasch |
| Savannah Maguire | Kala Schleif |
| Joel Vincent | Kelsey Lynn |
| Mollie Laidly | Sarah Koester |
| Greg Hawks | |

for their Affirmation of Baptism in front of their family, friends, and God. *Just a note, **that while our Confirmation service is at our regular worship time and all are welcome, due to the exciting fact that we are Affirming the Baptism of 15 confirmands, keep in mind that the service will run at least 90 minutes long.***

Make sure to congratulate these new ADULT members of the church family on their promises when you see them. Remember, they can vote now! :0)

We hope to see all of you on October 31st as we celebrate a VERY SPECIAL DAY ALL AROUND!



Youth & Family Calendar at a Glance!

Sat. Oct. 2nd: Day-Treat for 6th – 9th Grades!

Sun. Oct. 3rd: Pastor Matt's First Sunday! **Youth Committee Meeting! COME JOIN US!!!!**

Wed. Oct. 6th: Confirmation 6-7:30pm, Sr. High Youth Group 7-8:30pm.

Sun. Oct. 10th: **Sunday School Kids SING** in Both Services!

Wed. Oct. 13th: Confirmation 6-7:30pm, Sr. High Youth Group 7-8:30pm.

Sun. Oct. 17th: Don't forget Your Forum at 9:15am!

Wed. Oct. 20th: Confirmation 6-7:30pm, Sr. High Youth Group 7-8:30pm (**Confirmands: STOLE MAKING!!!!** Older youth will help!)

Sat. Oct. 30th: **CONFIRMATION BREAKFAST, Pictures, and Rehearsal! 9am**

Sun. Oct 31st: Reception for Confirmands 9:15am in Fellowship Hall – with CAKE! 10:30 Confirmation Service! **TRICK-OR-TRUNK** in the evening!!!



October Birthdays, Baptisms and Anniversaries



DATE OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

01-Oct Marlene Westover
Martin Lynn
02-Oct Gary Grell
Wayne Olson
03-Oct May Strike
Lukasz Andrews
04-Oct David Jaques
Bruce Yurich
Jack Hlavinka
07-Oct Jean Englund
Ernest Englund
Sherri Eisenbraun
Finn Netzer
08-Oct Marcia Johnson
Madelyn Blue
09-Oct Jack Bauer
10-Oct Michelle Kopp
Marcia Westover
11-Oct Dale Lundeen
Tom Fornberg
LeAnn Snidarich
12-Oct Gregg Akason
14-Oct Heather Blue
15-Oct Duane Oberg
Molly Peterson
16-Oct Karden Micheels
20-Oct William Rowe
21-Oct Kyle Billett
23-Oct Katelynn Steiner
Clark Hlavinka
24-Oct Michelle Stanius
25-Oct Dennis Belsheim
26-Oct Jessica Meeks
27-Oct Lesley Rowe
Jason Sonterre
Peyton Stanius
28-Oct Sophia Magaard
29-Oct Charlotte Sonterre
30-Oct Lana Johnson
Nicole Nelson
31-Oct Rebecca Agranoff

DATE OCTOBER BAPTISMS

Donna Bahr
Nicholas Hemsworth
Mindy Hemsworth
Kyle Vogtlin
Thomas Steirns
03-Oct James Englund
Kenneth Englund
Carol Fleischer
05-Oct Steve Anderson
07-Oct Conrad Hugel
Karyn Hansen
Brandy Engren
Jodi Engren
Gabrielle Johnson
10-Oct Samatha Jaffe
McCoy Strike
11-Oct Will Remus
Karen Baker
Merri Roos
13-Oct Kelsey Bartz
Korbin Lynn
15-Oct Megan Vincent
Kendra Fleischer
16-Oct Bruce Jernell
17-Oct William Tewalt
20-Oct Erin Gave
21-Oct John Sonterre
23-Oct Sheldon Strike
24-Oct Madison Yurich
25-Oct Jeffrey Engler
27-Oct Marv Evenson
Shirley Fixell
Curt Strand
28-Oct Joshua Hass
29-Oct Lucas Anderson
Michael Anderson
30-Oct Cody Goodhart

October Anniversaries
08-Oct Derek & Amie Johnson
12-Oct Kevin & Sherry Lind
13-Oct Harlan & Madge Lillemoen
14-Oct Judy & Les Michaelson
Chad & Abby Fournier
16-Oct Heather & Mark Townswick
22-Oct Mike & Merri Roos
26-Oct Joyce & Roger Bocksell
31-Oct LeRoy & Marlyse Moon

DATE PASTORIAL ACTS FOR SEPTEMBER

BAPTISMS



19-Sep Zachary Miller
26-Sep Everett Wachsmuth
Kylee Staff
Adam Staff Jr.
Addison Egge

WEDDINGS

For this reason a man will leave his father and mother



and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh.
Genesis 2:24

11-Sep Martin & Tara Mahrer
17-Sep Jerry & Katie Schaefer



Funerals

04-Sep Shirley Lange
18-Sep Ernie Gave
23-Sep Glenda Wanless

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE OCTOBER 2010

| DATE | TIME | GREETER | LECTOR | USHERS | ALTAR GUILD | KITCHEN | Acolyte |
|--------------------------------|-------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| 03-Oct | 8:00 | Linda Oliver | Karyn Hansen | R & J Leppla | Sorenson/Sorenson | G & C Anderson | B Hysten/K Lynn |
| | 10:30 | D & S Eberhardt | Bill Peterson | J & S Oldenburg | Sorenson/Sorenson | S & D Vigstol | I Jasch/A Koester |
| 10-Oct | 8:00 | Paula Scheller | Ronda Fenlon | T & L Fornberg | Sorenson/Sorenson | J & R Hansen | Nicole Nelson |
| | 10:30 | C & A Fournier | Janet Meeks | C Engren/J Meeks | Sorenson/Sorenson | C & J McColley | Liz Meeks |
| 17-Oct | 8:00 | D & W Strike | Dave Johnson | L & C Perrin | McColley/Beck | Linda Oliver | M Peterson/K Pederson |
| | 10:30 | Janelle Peilka | S Eberhardt | D & S Eberhardt | McColley/Beck | S Beckensten | E Riebe/S Steiner |
| 24-Oct | 8:00 | W & N Remus | John Hass | J & R Hass | McColley/Beck | W & N Remus | E Pruka |
| | 10:30 | Bruce Riebe | B Riebe | Bucks Family | McColley/Beck | C & A Fournier | S Peterson |
| 31-Oct | 8:00 | Judy Olson | Wayne Olson | Dave & Karen Baker | McColley/Beck | W & B Olson | M & S Peterson/C Stierns |
| | 10:30 | Janet Meeks | Janet Meeks | Ken & Kathy Schlieff | McColley/Beck | B & M Peterson | B Hysten/K Lynn |
| COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES | | | | | | | |
| | | | | 8:00 Rose Hass | | 10:30 Monica Ahlman | |

Thanks to all the Volunteers

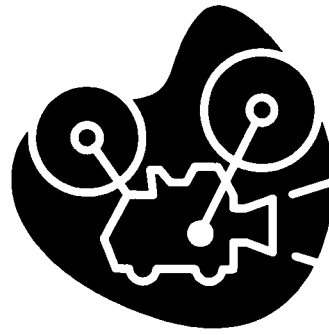


October 2010

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 3 Youth Team Mtg. 11:30 Worship 8 & 10:30 Ed Hour 9:15 Caring Hearts /Hands | 4 Friends of Ruth 4-H Stoeckel 4-H Northern Lights Caring Hearts /Hands | 5 AA ~ Cornerstone 7pm Caring Hearts /Hands | 6 Confirmation Dinner Confirmation Caring Hearts /Hands Adult Choir 6:30 pm | 7 Prayer Team 9:30 am Caring Hearts /Hands | 8 IHN Caring Hearts /Hands | 9 IHN Caring Hearts /Hands |
| 10 Worship 8 & 10:30 Ed Hour 9:15 | 11 4-H Lakeside | 12 AA ~ Cornerstone 7pm Tutoring 7 pm Sunshine Circle 1 pm | 13 Confirmation Dinner Confirmation Adult Choir 6:30 pm | 14 Prayer Team 9:30 am Senior Game Day Worship/Music Team Council | 15 Spire Deadline Movie Night American Graffiti | 16 |
| 17 Worship 8 & 10:30 Ed Hour 9:15 | 18 4-H Stoeckel 4-H Northern Lights | 19 AA ~ Cornerstone 7pm Tutoring 7 pm | 20 Confirmation Dinner Confirmation Adult Choir 6:30 pm | 21 Prayer Team 9:30 am WELCA 1 pm | 22 Women of Faith Concert | 23 Women of Faith Concert |
| 24 Worship 8 & 10:30 Ed Hour 9:15 | 25 Lunch Ladies 11 am | 26 AA ~ Cornerstone 7pm Tutoring 7pm | 27 Confirmation Dinner Confirmation Adult Choir 6:30 pm | 28 Prayer Team 9:30 am Senior Game Day 1pm | 29 Spaghetti Dinner | 30 |
| 31 Worship 8 am Ed Hour 9:15 & Confirmation Worship 10:30— 12:00 | | | | | | |



OCTOBER



Movie Night

October 15th

7:00 pm

*The Classic film from the 1970's
"American Graffiti"*

Community Garden Report:

**Our first community garden yielded over
1,000 Pounds of food for the food shelf.**

**Thanks to Pastor Dave for his leadership in this
Mission!**



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OF LOVE AND FORGIVENESS
WE OPEN OUR HEARTS AND
OUR DOORS TO ALL PEOPLE AS WE
PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL AND GROW
IN CHRIST'S LOVE."**

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

**DATED MATERIAL –
PLEASE EXPEDITE**