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The Peace Bell

PEACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Winter Camp 2011
Wolf Ridge

Snowshoers in front of Raven Rock on Raven Lake at Wolf Ridge

Ash Wednesday Worship March 9th at 7:30 pm

Join us as we mark the beginning of Lent with ashes and the sharing of Communion. Each year we consider what holds us back on our journey of faith. Time is taken to write something we need to let go of. These slips of paper are burned and we are marked with ashes as a sign of our confession. We listen and are fed at Christ's table. Forgiven and fed we can continue the journey of Lent, holding on to the hope of Easter.

Wednesday Evening Lenten Worship Prayers Around the Cross 7:30pm in the Sanctuary

This meditative worship includes quiet singing, silence, prayer and the lighting of candles. Take time each week for reflection and prayer as we journey toward Easter. This service will begin on March 9th and continue each Wednesday until Easter. The liturgy lasts between 20 and 30 minutes, based on each participants need for silence and prayer. Thank you to Patty Beech, Susan Larson Kidd and Jane Rupel for their leadership on this service.

Men's Retreat, March 4 – 6

For this year's retreat, we'll return to "Whippoorwill Hill" and the Isernhagen Cabin (near Gordon, WI) for three days of feast, fellowship, and recreation. It's Transfiguration Sunday (Matthew 17)—like Peter we'll declare: "It is good for us to be here" and in the midst of our celebration, we'll explore how we too "build dwellings for Moses, Elijah, and Jesus". Cost is roughly \$50 per person for the weekend—adjusted for part-time visitors. Scholarships and rides are available. Dietary needs and special assistance accommodated. A signup sheet is available in the Narthex. Questions? Contact Paul.

Birthday Potluck Sunday March 20th after the second service

Everyone welcome! Come celebrate your birthday (or unbirthday) around the Chinese calendar. *Sustainability* is the theme: lean & healthy food, locally grown if possible. Please bring a dish to share: main dish, side dish or salad. Attach a list of ingredients or your recipe. Deli chicken, rolls, cake and beverages provided. No time to cook? Cash donations gladly accepted.



Women's Retreat April 15-16

"Created in the Image of God"

Join us for our Women's Spring Retreat at Caribou Highlands Resort in Lutsen on Friday, April 15th until Saturday afternoon. Cost will be \$45. This includes your own bed with linens. We will be responsible for our meals. We will break into three teams — dinner, breakfast and lunch. Sign up in the Entryway!

**Please turn to page 5
for more info on the Women's Retreat**

From Pastor Kathy Nelson



March 9th is Ash Wednesday. Again we will gather in the sanctuary and the youth will mark us with the soot of ash, “Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return.” I always find it a powerfully moving service.

Ashes remind us of our own mortality, humus, humility. We are humbled in the face of death. None of us knows how much time we have here on this earth, and really this is what makes life so precious. We are part of this fragile creation. This means we are called to love and live each day creatively, passionately, lovingly. As Daniel Deffenbach wrote in *Seeds of Shalom*, “Like Adam being brought forth from the earth, I want to wear on my forehead the ashes of creation. I want to take strange comfort in the fact that from dust I came and to dust I shall return. I want to look at those who are close to me and remember how much their lives have enriched my own. I will also remember how my lifestyle choices affect those whom I may never see, both human and nonhuman.”

We are dust filled with the Spirit, the breath of God, the breath of life. We are called to live God's love now—in the present. Isaiah proclaims for God, “Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness.”

Light rising in the darkness. Lent comes from the word lengthen and marks the lengthening of days, more light. We are called to offer more light and love. This radical obedience to God's call can be our Lenten discipline. . . to create room in our lives for God and for caring for one another, for doing justice, and walking humbly with our God on this earth.

We step out in hope, for the ashes are never the final word. Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return, but the steadfast love of the Lord endures forever. The light returns and we remember all those who have gone before us on this journey.

Ash Wednesday got me thinking about the poem Doug Bowen Bailey wrote for the dedication of our Prairie Garden in 1997. The garden holds the ashes and the memories of so many. Soon it will be green again as the snow flows away. His poem is entitled “Open Ground”. . .

May we continue to practice resurrection in our lives, remember we are dust, and to dust we shall return, but the steadfast love of God endures forever.

Peace friends ~ Pastor Kathy

Open Ground by Doug Bowen-Bailey

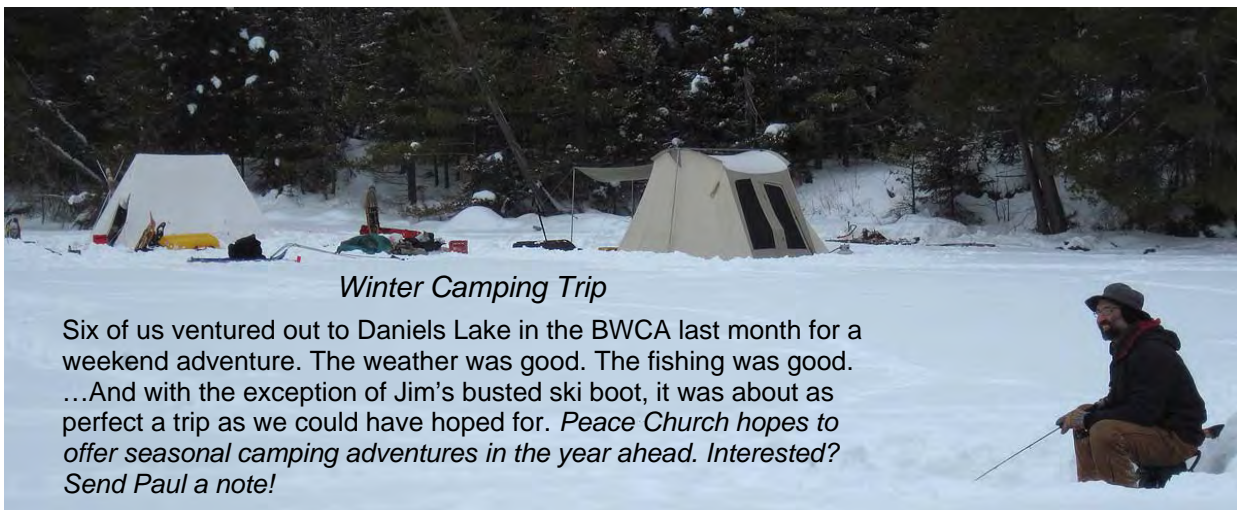
*Open ground
Laid bare before us
Turned like our hearts by sorrow's blades*

*We come, farmers all, not to bury our grief
But to plant.
Sprinkling ashes with sadness and hope.*

*This is where we sow our faith
And call beauty forth from death.
Where our tears water the soil and bloom
In their time.*

*This is the place where we,
The simple people of God,
Practice resurrection.*

Here at this open ground.



Winter Camping Trip

Six of us ventured out to Daniels Lake in the BWCA last month for a weekend adventure. The weather was good. The fishing was good. . . . And with the exception of Jim's busted ski boot, it was about as perfect a trip as we could have hoped for. *Peace Church hopes to offer seasonal camping adventures in the year ahead. Interested? Send Paul a note!*

Sundays in March

We continue to have two services each Sunday morning.

At 8:30 we have a quiet communion Service and at 10:30 our service includes children's time and an anthem by the senior choir. The sermon at both services is the same.

Special Music is always needed for our 8:30 service.

If you would like to sing or play an instrument for any of these Sundays, let Jim Pospisil or Pastor Kathy know.

Sunday, March 6 – Transfiguration Sunday

Scripture: Matthew 17: 1 – 9

Sermon: "Dazzling Reign"

This morning we will celebrate the baptisms of Aliya Wood Flotten and Lila Dalen and share Communion together. Our worship team and choir will provide our special music.

Sunday, March 13 – First Sunday of Lent

Sermon by Jack Nelson Pallmeyer

Jack is the assistant professor of Justice and Peace Studies at St. Thomas, and is a nationally recognized teacher, writer, public speaker, and activist committed to nonviolent social change. He has focused his life and work on showing linkages between faith and critical political, economic and social issues. He has written extensively on issues of hunger, poverty, U.S. foreign policy, the historical Jesus, and problems of God and violence. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in political science from St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota, and a Master of Divinity degree from Union Theological Seminary in New York City.

Sunday, March 20

Scripture: Psalm 121 and John 3: 1 – 17

Sermon: "Born Again and Again and Again . . ."

This morning, music will be by our choir and Leon Rohrbaugh, Tom Wilkowske, Ron Deters and others.

Following our worship this morning there will be a **Birthday Potluck**. Everyone is welcome as we celebrate being alive! You are invited to sit with folks who share your birthday month.

Sunday, March 27

Scripture: Romans 5: 1-11; John 4: 5 – 42

Sermon: "Using the Pitchfork"

Paul VanAntwerp preaching.

Special Music by our choir and James Moors. Also Rev. Elena Larssen will be here to present a gift she received from our Philippine Partners when she was visiting as part of a January Immersion Trip. Elena will also present as part of the Sunday forum time.

Work Camp Meeting

Sunday March 6 at 11:30 in Sanctuary

If you are planning to go on either the Urban Immersion Trip or the Biloxi Work Camp, please attend this meeting with a \$100 deposit. **More info on page 8.**

Community Forum with Jack Nelson-Pallmeyer Sunday, March 13

12:15 Soup and Bread Lunch

1:00 Presentation and Discussion

Join us for a soup and bread lunch featuring respected former senatorial candidate and longtime peace and justice activist Jack Nelson-Pallmeyer. Jack will elaborate on his Adult Forum topic of "Good Riddance to Empire."

Sponsored by the Just Peace Committee.

The community is invited to attend.

Women's Retreat Meeting Sunday March 13 at 11:30

An organizational meeting will be held in the Fireside Room for all women planning to go to this year's Women's Retreat at Caribou Highlands in Lutsen on April 15-16.

See pages 1 & 5 for more info on the Retreat.

Negotiating Your Call to Ministry

On Sunday, March 27th at 11:30 there will be a second meeting for those considering their call to ministry. This is an informal gathering over lunch for support and encouragement for those in our congregation serving in a ministerial capacity or considering one. Join us!

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering Sunday, April 3

One Great Hour of Sharing is the special mission offering of the United Church of Christ that carries God's message of love and hope to people in more than eighty countries.

The UCC works with international partners to provide sources of clean water and food, education and health care, small business micro-credit, emergency relief, and advocacy and resettlement for refugees and displaced persons. OGH also supports domestic and international ministries for disaster preparedness and response.

Please give generously to this crucial offering. More information can be found at www.ucc.org

Adult Enrichment Opportunities

Between the Worship

Learning and discussion to help us live our faith

9:30 Sunday Mornings — Fireside Room
All Are Welcome and the Coffee is On!

Sunday, March 6th — **Gary Boelhower** will facilitate a conversation about current issues. Bring your questions, thoughts and faith perspectives on things that are happening in our city, nation, and world.

Just Peace Series

From King of the Mountain to the Kingdom of God

Ever feel as if you were playing a game of "King of the Mountain"; trying to get to the top and getting repeatedly knocked back down? Are our government and our society playing "King of the Mountain" with the world's most vulnerable citizens?

How can people of faith move the king off of the mountain and embrace the values put forward by Jesus Christ? Join us as we explore this as a Lenten Adult Forum series. The series will begin on March 13th with Jack Nelson-Pallmeyer coming to inspire and challenge us to look at what we can accomplish when we reject militarism and war, and continues throughout Lent. Each Sunday will be moderated by members of our congregation or the community.

March 13: Jack Nelson-Pallmeyer "Good Riddance to Empire: An Inspiring Look at What We Could Accomplish When We Reject Militarization and War" — Saying "good riddance to empire" is the key to authentic hope. It will open up magnificent possibilities and allow us to salvage a decent future. Here's some good news. The United States has no moral authority or unique calling, no economic capacity, no military means, and no security need to embrace permanent war, invade and occupy other nations, or continue wasteful military spending. More good news: There are solutions that are not military solutions to most of the problems we face.

March 20: Xavier Bell "The Economic Consequences of Unending War" — Every war we wage is a war on our own community and most vulnerable citizens. Martin Luther King's vision of freedom from the triple evils (racism, militarism, and materialism) brought about by unending war will be explored in this session.

March 27: Lyn Clark Pegg and Reverend Elena Larssen "How Can the Church be a Force for Global Economic Justice?" Rev. Elena Larssen, Associate Minister of the Minnesota Conference, UCC, and Lyn Clark Pegg will share what they learned about the impact of globalization during recent travels to the Philippines and Nicaragua. How can we as faith-based people respond to social and economic inequities that lead to conflict and war?

April 3: Joel Kilgour and John Pegg "The Costs of War and Militarization" — Do you know the US will spend more than \$1.4 trillion on its military and military debt this year? Meanwhile, one in six US citizens lives in poverty and 46 million of us don't have health insurance. The costs of war affect us all.

April 10: Associate Pastor Paul Van Antwerp "How Will Living the Gospel of Jesus Lead Us to the Kingdom of God?"

"Tuesday Books"

7pm in the Fireside Room

We've just wrapped up great conversations on "Sabbath" and "The Heart of Christianity"! This month we begin two new Tuesday books (plus a third opportunity on Monday evenings). Sign up in the Narthex, or contact Paul. Books will be available in the office.

***Take this Bread* by Sara Miles**

First and Third Tuesdays, **March 18 & 15**

(from reviews): "Converted at age 46 when she impulsively walked into a church and received communion for the first time, the former war correspondent suddenly understood her life's mission: to feed the hungry." [Sara Miles] "Loves Jesus...and is critical of 'the sappy, Jesus-and-cookies tone of mild-mannered liberal Christianity.'" Mild-mannered she is not. \$12/book

***The First Paul: Reclaiming the Radical Visionary Behind the Church's Conservative Icon* by Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan**

Second and Fourth Tuesdays, **March 8 & 22**

(from reviews): Christian scholars [Crossan and Borg] once again shake up the status quo by arguing that the message of the apostle Paul, considered by many to be the second most important figure in Christianity, has been domesticated by the church. Borg and Crossan turn the common perception of Paul on its head, revealing him as a radical follower of Jesus whose core message is still relevant today. \$10/book

***The Powers that Be: Theology for a New Millennium* by Walter Wink**

2nd and 4th Mondays, 6:30, **March 14 & 28**

(from reviews): "Wink helps us reformulate our ancient religious concepts—such as God and Satan, angels and demons, principalities and powers—in light of what we now know. Wink's theology is shaped as much by his study of the Bible as by his involvement in the civil rights movement." \$6/book

Another Great Study Opportunity!

Jackie Falk, a member at Pilgrim and a Seminary Intern here at Peace last year will lead a **Lenten Study of the Gospel of Matthew. March 10 through April 14:** Thursdays, 5:30-7:15pm, at Pilgrim Congregational UCC. See page 10 for details.

Activities and Opportunities

Women's Retreat — Friday, April 15

"Created in the Image of God"

This is a great way to get to know other women from the congregation. We begin with supper on Friday night at 7 pm. We have time for discussion on what it means for us as women to be created in the image of God, creating a mural out of broken mirrors and colored glass, as well as singing, swimming, prayer and great eating. **(See front page.)**

An organizational meeting will be Sunday, March 13th after 10:30 worship in the Fireside Room. All welcome!

Just Peace Movie Night Friday March 18 at 6:30 pm Peace Church Sanctuary

Discussion and popcorn following the movie

The Just Peace movie for March will be "**The Tillman Story.**" Pat Tillman never thought of himself as a hero. His choice to leave a multimillion-dollar football contract and join the military wasn't done for any reason other than he felt it was the right thing to do. The fact that the military manipulated his tragic death in the line of duty into a propaganda tool is unfathomable and thoroughly explored in this riveting and enraging documentary.



Do You Like to Chat and Play with Scissors?

Hello Peace Church members! I am looking for some wonderful people who would like to get together to cut and prep all the fleece baby blankets our church gives to the new babies born and adopted at our church (just cutting, no tying). This will be a one time commitment and you will feel so productive!

Our last crew of 6 people prepared 16 blankets in about an hour and half - that was in March of 2009! We have welcomed 16 new babies into our church family since then, so it is time to come together again! The church staff was so appreciative that these blankets were all set, ready to be tied by the congregation when a new baby arrived.

Please email or call Jen Hudyma if you are interested in helping. We could meet on a Wed evening from 6:00-7:30 and get all the blankets ready for our 2011 babies! Thanks! jhudyma@charter.net or 624-1512

March Musicians Meeting

Anyone interested in helping provide special music for our worship is invited to a meeting on **Tuesday, March 8th at 7 pm** at Sir Ben's. Bring your calendars and your ideas!

PALS

"Peace Adults Learning and Socializing" Thursday, March 31 at 6:30pm

Learn about affordable red wines without the cost whine! Great-tasting wines don't have to be expensive. Bruce Jessen, a wine enthusiast, will lead a wine-tasting event on Thursday, March 31, 6:30 pm, at the home of Pat and Lynn Devlin, 4455 Sugar Maple Drive, Hermantown. We'll taste and learn about cabernets, zinfandels and merlots. Wine, cheese/crackers and dessert to be provided. Cost is \$5/person for an honorarium for Bruce and to cover some of the cost of the wine. Bruce requests no perfume or cologne, please! Did you know the scent of perfume or cologne can interfere with your ability to taste? RSVP by Friday, March 25, to Devlin's at 728-2592 or email idevlin@slhduluth.com

All adults welcome even if you can join us just once or twice during the year!

Come Help Make Pancakes at CHUM!

March 9 & 23

Pastor Kathy & crew can be found every other Wednesday at 9am at the Chum Drop-In Center flipping pancakes for the guests. Join them any time you can—you'll meet new folks and have fun!



Men's Breakfast—March 3, 17 & 31

Join us at Duluth Grill (27th Ave. W.) every other Thursday at 7am for breakfast and conversation.

Women's Brown Bag Bible Study

Wednesday March 23 at noon

Benedictine Health Center—3rd Floor Lounge

Facilitated by Cheryl Walsh.

Bring your lunch; beverages and dessert are provided. This is a time of fellowship, sharing our stories, studying various topics, and supporting one another. All women are welcome. Please join us!!

"Bring it to the Table"

Conversations on Faith for Men

Monday evenings at 6:30

Note new schedule—1st and 3rd Mondays
March 7 & 21

Beginning in March, our Men's discussion will meet on the **1st and 3rd Mondays** of the month. Join us as we share the many ways our faith meets everyday life.

Worship and Arts Committee

The worship team will meet on **Tuesday, March 8th**

Wednesday Activities

Wednesday Schedule

5-5:30: Kids Choir **5:30-6: Dinner** in Fellowship Hall
6-7: Faith Weavers in the Mindanao Room,
OWLS in Cornerstone, **Parents** in Fellowship Hall
Bible Study in the Fireside Room
(**Committees and Teams** meet on March 9 at 6pm)
6pm: Financial Peace University in sanctuary
6:15: Adult Choir
6:30-8: Youth Group (Youth Room)
and Confirmation (Fellowship Hall or Chapel)

First Year Confirmation – 9th Graders

Meets the First and Third Wednesday from 6:30 – 8 pm
We start by gathering in the youth room. During Lent the class will participate in the Prayers Around the Cross from 7:30 – 8 pm.

Wednesday, March 2 – Gospel of Mark, chapters 9 and 10

Wednesday, March 16 – Gospel of Mark, Chapters 11 & 12

Wednesday, April 6 – Gospel of Mark, Chapters 14 – 16
Resurrection means . . . !

Second Year Confirmation – 10th Graders

Meets the Second and Fourth Wednesday from 6:30 – 8 pm

Wednesday, March 9 – Ash Wednesday Service

Class will help lead this service
Jesus, and Holy Spirit Papers Due !!

Wednesday, March 23 – This Local Congregation's History and Hopes

Wednesday, April 13 – The Easter Story Revisited...
Resurrection Now

Wednesday, April 27 – The UCC Statement of Faith...
Where do You Fit?

Friday, May 6 – Confirmation Retreat — This is a required event for all. We are done by noon on Saturday. We will be leaving from church at 4 pm and driving to Camp Amnicon. This is an overnight event. You will need sleeping bag, pj's, outdoor shoes and clothing. Plan on having a great time. Food provided by the camp.

Sunday, May 22 – Confirmation Sunday at 10:30
Breakfast for confirmands and families at 9:30

Owl's Parents Group Wednesdays - 6pm Meet in the Fellowship Hall with Emily Larson for informal discussion while the kids are at OWLS.

Faith Weavers!

Kindergarten—3rd Grade Wednesdays 6-7pm

Fun, Games, Crafts all while learning about our faith and learning how to weave it into our daily lives. Fun times — stop by and give it a try.

Adult Volunteer helpers are needed!
Let Kim know if you can help.

Peace Puppets

On Break for OWLS

We will begin again on **March 30**. We hope to welcome back lots of 4th and 5th grade pup-peteers! Peace Puppets have been invited to do a show for the Men as Peacemakers award service in the Spring and of course, we will be working on our next Children's Time! Lots going on as soon as we get back together on March 30! See you then!

Wednesday Evening Bible Study

Join Pastor Kathy and Bob Stevens using Lectio Divina method of reading the Gospel lesson for the next Sunday.

Wednesdays, 6 pm, Fireside Room

Lectio divina is listening to scripture. We are listening for the still, small voice of God that will speak to us. We read slowly, attentively, gently listening to hear a word or phrase that is God's word for us this day. No prior biblical knowledge needed! We close with prayer, each praying for the person on his or her right. Join us on Wednesdays at 6 pm as we practice this ancient and yet very relevant method of Bible study.

Children's Choir

5-5:30pm Wednesdays in the Music Room

Learn fun new songs and meet friends. We usually perform once a month in Church. If your child loves singing and wants to get to know some new friends, bring the family to children's choir!

Marriage Equality Seminar at Peace Church Tuesday, March 8, 2011, from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.,

Denny Smith will be offering a free seminar on Winning Marriage Equality. Providing knowledge and skills to respond to the rhetoric of anti-gay efforts to define and limit marriage—and to promote respect and dignity for every individual, couple, and family. The seminar will be held in the Fellowship Hall. There is no fee for the seminar. Everyone is invited.

Youth and Parents

Jr/Sr High YOUTH GROUP

6th-12th graders

Wednesdays 6:30-8pm in the Youth Room

March 2nd "Swimming Party!" (Note Time Change!)

Let's "dive in" to the season of Lent. Meet at the church at **6:00** (earlier time) with a swimsuit and towel. (Parents, need drivers/chaperones)

March 9th "Let's Get Ashy"

If "getting pipy" means getting the "holy dope slap", then what's up with the ashes on the foreheads? By the time we head to the Ash Wednesday service at 7:30, it'll all make sense to you.

March 16th "Walking the Talk: Peace like a River"

And pray tell, my friend Jesus, just *how* do I go about "loving my enemies"? Here's a hint: the peace of a river happens through constant motion, and stagnant ponds tend to stink.

March 23rd "Pay it Forward: Chummy Joe's"

We'll be in the kitchen cooking our hearts out for a good cause.

March 30th "Movie Night, part I"

Whew! What a month! Tonight we'll sit back and enjoy part one of a movie. Have one that you'd like to share with PCYG? Send a note! *Oh, and bring a snack to share!*

High School "Lived Theology" Sunday Mornings at 9:30

There's a lot going on in the world. Wake up. Let's talk. I'll bring breakfast (taking requests). ~Paul

Hey Parents!

We want to thank you for all of your support with our youth group! Chaperones, drivers, donations, words of encouragement—every little bit helps! OWL Parents, take a look at the gathering on March 2nd with Rick Gertsema (see page 6). A great opportunity! ~Paul

Hey Youth Group!

We've been walking the Christian calendar in these past months. We partied through Advent, we "got pi-py" in Epiphany, and now, the next two months bring us into the season of Lent. Here's the deal: in Advent, we welcome Jesus. In Epiphany, we understand what Jesus is all about. Now in Lent, we bring it home to our own lives. So: in the midst of our fun, this is also a time for serious self-reflection. This month, after Wednesday's PCYG, we head back up to the sanctuary for "Prayers Around the Cross." We're here to help you bring it home, friends. ~Paul

Hey Senior High!

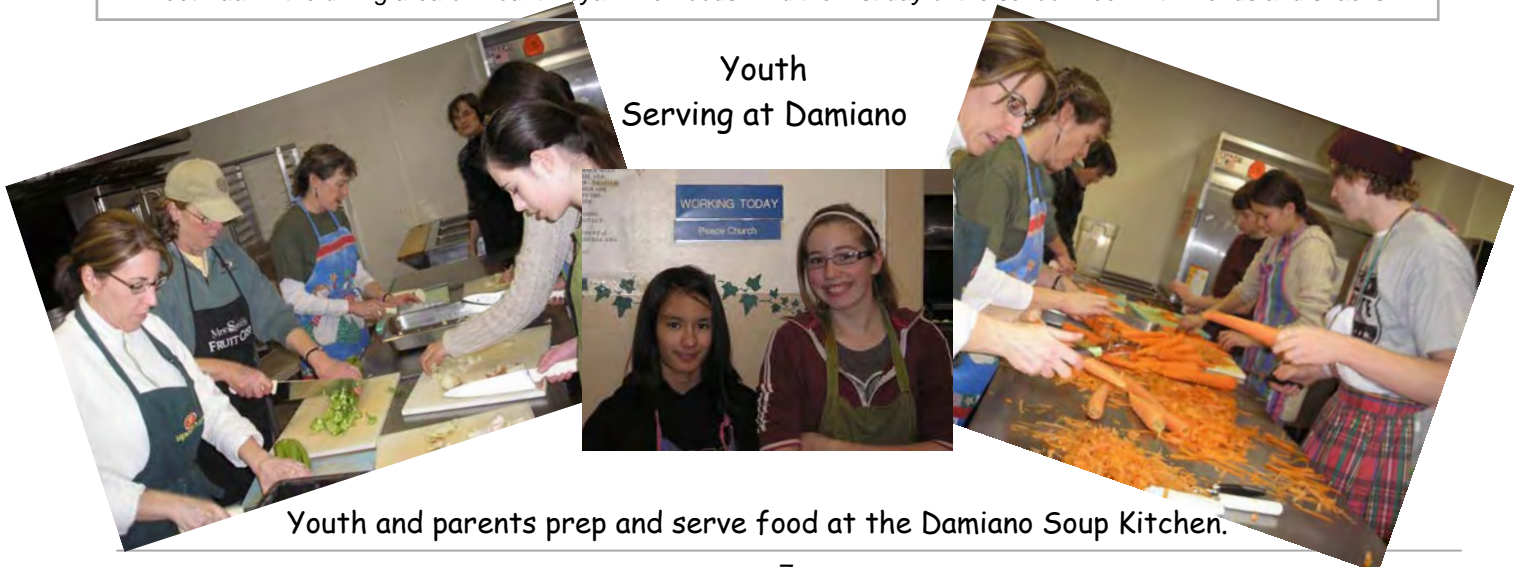
Sorry that the Ice Caves didn't work out! (I'll have a talk with that moody lake of ours). But stay tuned for upcoming activities. (Roller Derby? Laser Tag?) Also: get out of bed and meet me Sunday mornings at 9:30. It's an amazing time in our world. I need to talk to you. ~Paul

Hey Middle School!

March brings amazing and fun things to youth group! We are doing a swim night March 2nd. Then Lent is starting the week after! We'll do some Lenten type things and remember our neighbors in need. Also we'll do some reflecting of our own lives. Coming in April... two movie nights. So exciting! ~Kim

"Middle School at Mount Royal" Mondays 3-4:30pm

Meet Paul in the dining area of Mount Royal Fine Foods. End the first day of the school week with friends and snacks.



Youth and parents prep and serve food at the Damiano Soup Kitchen.

Had a friend once, back in Seminary, take a section of Matthew as an opportunity to muse upon the potential dialogue shared between the disciples on the road with Jesus (*Matthew 16:15*-*"But who do you say that I am?"*). I've enjoyed the thought of what disciples might have been said during their "down time" ever since then.

"Down time"... So, here we are walking with Jesus...last Sunday we were on the mountainside getting a hefty dose of wisdom. One week later, we find ourselves back in the hills, and there is Jesus shining—literally—standing side by side with Moses and Elijah. I picture the disciples—I picture all of us—responding to that inquiry of Jesus *"but who do you say that I am"* with a wide-eyed expression, awestruck and dumfounded.

And here, we enter the season of Lent... and I'll take a cue from our corresponding season of Late Winter in Duluth to share a bit of advice I learned when I moved here: "Don't make a major decision in late winter." Lent, like late winter, is a season to take it all in and look forward to change. We know Jesus, we've learned from him, and now we become aware of his place with God.

Take it all in... and celebrate it with the steady rhythm of a spring thaw. Let yourself feel the loose and flexible nature of exploring your faith. This is *your* time—and a warning: if faith in this season is too readily exposed to the elements, it runs the risk of quickly hardening, and we'll find ourselves struggling to gain traction and becoming a potential threat to others.

All the wonder, the awe, the beauty... I promise you, if you let the season run its course, the hard ice thaws... new life begins. ~ Paul VanAntwerp

Middle Schoolers—We're going to Camp!

This summer we are going to "GET TO THE POINT!" Along with the Wayzata Community Church we are going to go to Pilgrim Point Camp in Alexandria, MN, the week of June 18-23, 2011. This is a beautiful and exciting place for all of you to learn more about God. Kim will be going along too to partake in the fun! If you are interested registration is coming up soon. Cost will be \$459 if we register early. Scholarships will be available to those who need them. Camp is a beautiful thing, so start talking about it with your parents and friends!

Two Mission Trips Planned

Plans are well underway for two trips this Summer! We hope you will be part of one or both of them. Sign up now in the entry way.

Important Meeting!

Sunday, March 6th at 11:30am in the Sanctuary.

We will need \$100 deposit at this time to secure your space for one or both of the following trips!

Youth Urban Immersion Trip

Sunday, June 19 – Friday 24

with the Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches
(for 9 – 12th grade youth and chaperones)

Cost \$300 with scholarships available. We will stay in Minneapolis at a Retreat Center on Chicago and Lake Street.

The retreat features interactive exercises about the survival choices homeless and working-poor families must make each month. Pay the heating bill or feed the kids? Forgo health insurance to pay the rent and pray no one gets sick? Participants also learn what roles self-worth, chemical dependency, racism, the economy and domestic violence play in poverty and what is being done to break the cycle. We are challenged to reflect on what we, as people of faith, can do. We will also volunteer in Twin Cities homeless shelters, domestic violence centers, food shelves and affordable housing projects. Finally, the retreat encourages volunteers to apply what they have learned and set tangible goals to affect poverty back home in our communities.

Intergenerational Trip to Back Bay Mission

August 27 - September 4

in Biloxi, Mississippi

Cost \$400, scholarships available

We will take a Coach Bus down or possibly fly to Biloxi and then stay at Seashore United Methodist Camp—right across from the Gulf.

Anyone from the congregation age 14 and up is welcome to come! Folks with construction skills are especially encouraged.

The Work Camp program is one of Back Bay Mission's trademarks within the United Church of Christ. Back Bay Mission has developed a successful style of work camping based on experiential learning.



“Disciples on the road? Winter Camping Trip participants “taking it all in.”

Kim's Column / Church School News

Winter Camp was an amazing experience this year! We traveled to Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center, and spent our three days working out our bodies, minds, and will power. Here's a follow up of our experience.

On Friday night we all got settled into our rooms in the East dorm. We had a gathering center and kitchen just to ourselves. Rock climbing was offered to anyone who wanted to participate. Of course many of our Peace church kids and youth were all about climbing the indoor rock face. Parents and kids bundled up and walked to the climbing rock and began instructions of safety and how to climb successfully. No fear, would be the best way to describe most of our Peace kids while climbing the face. At the very tip top there is a bell to ring to let everyone know you made it to the top! If you were even more brave you could go and kiss the fake plastic goat that Wolf Ridge personnel have placed at the top. Most of the kids rang the bell and kissed the goat on repeated climbing sessions. Very proud of their bravery.

On Saturday our day was packed with different sessions available. Morning brought Bird Knowledge with participants learning about different kinds of wild birds that live at Wolf Ridge, hawks, cranes, ravens, and most especially, chickadees. After learning a little bird knowledge, Peace church people headed down to Chickadee Landing on Wolf Lake to try to feed the chickadees in

a most unusual way. They sprinkled seeds on their heads. Many chickadees landed and got a snack, and many giggles were let out about having little bird

feet move quickly about ones head. In the afternoon Cross-Country Skiing and Snowshoeing got people outdoors and active. Many who participated in these activities got a real work out having to ski or shoe



through half melted snow that had turned to ice in some places. Cross-Country Skiers hit the trails and did about 2 miles on the ice before calling it quits, but they were brave for their efforts! Snowshoers climbed down and up the steep hills, and across both lakes of Wolf Ridge, Wolf and Raven Lakes, all while wearing their snowshoes. Young snowshoers got to hear a story of the Ojibway Tribe that described the need of Spring and Summer Birds to bring the warm weather. All in all, we trekked about 4 1/2 miles. Evening brought another session of Rock climbing and a session of Ropes Course. Many brave souls harnessed up and walked on thin wires, floating islands, and wooden bridges, all about 30 feet in the air! The best part and perhaps the scariest part was the rip cord at the end where people felt what it was like to fly like a bird. Again, our younger Peace Church participants excelled at this event, but many Peace Church adults did a great job too. We ended the day with singing songs and sharing prayers.

Sunday Morning, we awoke to clean our rooms out and pile up our things to be put into our cars. We had an early breakfast and a 9:15 Peace Church Winter Camp Service. Beatitudes was the theme of the day. Paper sheets lined the room with the 9 different Beatitude verses listed. Everyone was asked to go to a beatitude verse that was pulling on their heart or mind, and were to put down an experience shared by the group. We read the different written personal messages aloud, and reminded everyone that they were blessed in their struggle, and that God is with them always. We did a remembrance of Baptism by making a sign of the cross on each others head. It was a Spirit-filled experience seeing little ones blessing older adults.

The weekend was a grace-filled, activity packed experience and I am happy to have been a part of it, sharing with the good people of Peace Church!

Kim Sturtz –Children's Minister



Youth and Children's Cabaret—April 2, 3-5pm

If your child has a talent that they would like to show, please sign up for the Youth and Children's Cabaret. We want to lift up the gifts and talents of our young people and show our support. 2-3 minute performances preferred. Get together and practice your talents. For more info please contact Kim Sturtz @ kimsturtz@gmail.com

Sunday School Teachers!

Meeting will be held @
8:30 in the Fireside Room
Sunday March 27

Church School Schedules are located on the sign-up table by the office.

**The Gospel of Matthew:
the questions behind the story**

Where: Pilgrim Church

When: Thursday evenings, 5:30 – 7:15, including a soup supper. March 10, March 17, March 24, March 31, and April 14, 2011. (NO session on April 7, 2011)

The Gospel of Matthew begs the question, "Why was this gospel written?" When we try to answer the question we also find an answer to why we bother to read the scriptures at all. Matthew's early believers were facing questions of how to make ethical and life-affirming responses to the world. So are we. Their task and ours calls for deep wisdom—more than knowledge, it is the ability to judge what is true, right, or lasting; the ability to assess what is going on and to appraise new possibilities; the ability to discern how we can draw closer to the heart of God and to the heart of our neighbor.

This is an exciting time to be a Christian! Our daily lives in the 21st century are filled with intense change and division, like those faced by the 1st century community in the gospel of Matthew. So we will study Matthew not only to learn about the gospel itself, but also to learn the "how" of the community's theology. How did they remake their religious and spiritual values such as tradition, compassion, nature, transcendence, mystery and hope into communal forces whose power made their society work? The writer portrays the gospel community's theological responses, but we will search also for their theological questions and explore the meaning of those questions for our lives now.

Please call the Peace office (724-3637) or sign-up on the sign-up table so that we can plan for the soup and have your study materials prepared for you. If you have questions, ask Jackie Falk (724-7407). If you need childcare, please note it on sign-up sheet or call the Peace office.

Bibles and a Bin

At the February Coordinating Council meeting it was noted that we are in need of two things: more Bibles for the pews so that folks can read along each Sunday morning with the scripture lessons and a compost bin for the church, requested by the Food and Fellowship Team. If you would like to help us with either of these you could send a check to the church. We are hoping to get 100 more bibles — your name and "in honor or memory of" would be placed in the

front of the bibles purchased. Bibles cost \$15 each. A compost bin is around \$80.

Memorials

Thank you for donations to Peace Church from Elrose Norfolk and Howard and Lorraine Anderson, in memory of Doris Taylor.



Snowshoe kids listen to an Ojibway story about Spring and Summer birds melting the ice away!

At the February meeting of the coordinating council, Tom Hystead and Jim McLean presented bids from three general contractors for remodeling the multi-purpose/chapel space. The council voted to award the project to Erling Hansen construction based on lowest bid of around \$87,000 (this was significantly lower than the other contractors), but also on their reputation for quality work. Thank you to Jim, Tom, and Doug Zahn, for all your work and efforts in moving this project forward. We're hoping for all the work to be done by Easter. The waterproofing project for the Fellowship Hall hit a bit of a snag as the original plan to collect and drain the water out via a trench was not possible due to ductwork found in the floor. Jim McLean is examining other options for taking care of this issue. He hopes to present some options soon so that sprucing up of the Fellowship Hall can begin.

As is usual, the boards and committees presented reports detailing all the work taking place at Peace UCC. But, I would like to specifically highlight the work of the Open and Affirming committee who sponsored discussions over the past month highlighting the concerns of the GLBT community, especially the issue of marriage equality. These discussions were capped off with a very memorable and moving event, "The Giant Human Valentine". What a tremendous sight this was, a sea of folks dressed in red, gathered in the Copper Top Church's parking lot, in the shape of a heart singing "All you need is love".

~ Mike Swanoski, Moderator

TEAM & COMMITTEE NIGHT

Most committees & teams will meet on **Wednesday, March 9** Dinner is served from 5:15 until 6 pm with meetings beginning at 6 pm. The Ash Wednesday Service will follow the meetings at 7:30.

COORDINATING COUNCIL

Coordinating Council will meet on **Tuesday, March 15 at 7pm** in the Conference Room. Visitors are always welcome.

Just Peace

Adult Forum series

From King of the Mountain to the Kingdom of God

See page 4

Community Forum with Jack Nelson- Pallmeyer March 13, noon — 2pm

Just Peace Movie night Friday, March 18, 6:30pm

See page 5

Stop Gun Violence

It is vitally important that we, as members of a faith community, advocate for issues affecting peace and non violence. After the Tucson shootings, the UCC took a stand on advocating for common sense concerning gun violence. Our elected officials need to hear from people of faith in asking them to sign on to important legislation that will ban large capacity ammunition magazines like the ones used by Jared Loughner, the shooter at the Tucson mall. Senator Franken has signed on to the Senate bill but still would benefit from hearing from you. Senator Klobuchar needs a lot of e-mails to get her to sign on. Representative Cravaack is likely not to sign but sending e-mails to his office is very important so he hears from people on the side of common sense.

You can easily submit e-mails by going to ucc.org, the UCC website —go to Justice ministries and "Take Action". It's a bit hard to find but it is labeled: "JPANet: Come Together to Stop Gun Violence". There is a nice section of background information leading to the place to submit your e-mail. The UCC has signed on to Faiths United Against Gun Violence, a national group of faith based organizations working to reduce gun violence and working in concert with gun violence prevention groups. From this UCC site: "As people of faith, we are called to stand against violence in our communities." You can be involved and take action. It's easy to do and it will make a difference. Thank you.

Joan Peterson, Just Peace Committee member and member of the Boards of Protect Minnesota and the Brady Campaign to prevent gun violence.

March is MN FoodShare Month

The Minnesota FoodShare March Campaign challenges us to collect food and cash during March which will be proportionately matched. Items you bring to church for the CHUM Food Shelf during March will multiply! (The Food Shelf bin is near the lower level door by the kitchen.)

Just Food Activities Continue at Peace!

It's time to start planning your garden, and we're here to help! Thanks to Sarah Nelson, **the Duluth Community Garden and Food Program will have seeds for sale between services and during the Birthday Potluck after service on Sunday March 20th.** They repackage seeds so you can buy them in smaller quantities. Many varieties will be available. Most packets are \$.75 and some are \$.50. The proceeds go to help provide garden plots and tilling for low-income people and for kids gardening and school gardens. Some of the seeds available are listed on their website.

The Duluth Community Garden and Food Program is also having its annual fruit tree and shrub sale. Order forms are available at the church and on the Garden Program's website www.duluthcommunitygarden.org. Orders are due March 15th, and pick up will be the end of April or early May. A list of varieties can be found on the website. The annual transplant sale will be on Friday and Saturday May 20th and 21st.

We'll also be starting a Gardening Exchange in the fellowship hall this spring, as a way to share our bounties with others. Look for the sign, and bring your extra transplants, seeds, and crops to share with others at Peace. Look for more events in April, as well!

Dismantling Racism Team

Immigration: Possibilities and Challenges

"Women, Global Migration
and Human Rights,"
Cathi Tactaquin, National Network for
Immigrant and Refugee Rights
Wednesday, March 2nd at 7 pm,
at UMD, Kirby Ballroom

"Public Policy and Immigration
Reform: How Effective is our
Current Immigration System?"

Panelists: Latino Voices, MN Chamber of Commerce, MN Immigration Law Office, and Duluth Police Dept. ~ Facilitated by LWVMN.

Wednesday, March 9th, 7 pm, College of St Scholastica, Somers Lounge

Films at the Zinema2:

"The Other Side/From the Other Side"
Monday, March 14, 7 pm

*The Dismantling Racism Team is a co-sponsor
of this immigration series*



Peace People

Thank You!

- To Ron Deters for all of his expertise and hours spent on our church lighting, including replacing the broken ceiling lights in the Fireside Room. Many thanks from the property committee.
- To Peace Church from Center City Housing Staff: "We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all of the wonderful work that you do for your community! All of your hard work and dedication is very appreciated."
- From UCC Global Ministries: Thank you very much for your recent additional gift of \$1300 to support the work of Tom and Monica Liddle in East Timor. Your commitment and support make a tremendous difference in the work we are able to carry out in partnership with churches and service programs in other regions of the world.
- To Cizzarie Schomberg for helping once again to organize this year's Winter Camp.
- To Marge Anderson and Krista Giddings for volunteering in the office. And to Cindy Macaulay and Barb Forrest for their many years of office help and care of the sanctuary. To Cathy and Kirby Wood for coordinating the indoor plant care, and for all the garden volunteers. To Gail Blum for all she does to beautify and care for the sanctuary.
- To Cindy McLean for all the time she has spent on our website, and on her creative problem solving and teaching skills for the office staff!
- To John Ameal for taking the new member photos.
- To Tim Carpenter for all of his time and technical expertise, for recording worship services and all the many hours spent on the office computers. Thanks to Doug Bowen-Bailey and Nick Zeitler for filling in when Tim is not available to record worship services.

Hold in your Prayers

- Sharon Kirtley, hospitalized at St. Luke's after having surgery for a tear in her aorta which is healing well, but she suffered a stroke shortly after surgery and is paralyzed on her left side. Surround her in your healing prayers.
- Bill DeRoche recovering from neck surgery.
- Vickie Barnes recovering from knee replacement surgery.
- Kay Stevens going through preventative chemotherapy.
- Kathy Tate being treated for metastatic breast cancer.
- Trudy Schwerdt suffering from a persistent eye infection.

Sympathy

- Marsha Hystead, whose mother died.
- Bill Kohlts, whose mother died.

New Members Welcome to Our New Members – Five new folks joined us on February 13th. Welcome to: Shawn Feralin, Nancy and Ron Edmunds, Susan Strietz, and Cindi Butcher!



Susan Streitz

Family members: Husband John, John Patrick (21), Anna (20), Bernee (90 pound Bernese Mt. Dog)

What is your vocation? Anesthesiologist

What are your hobbies/passions? Knitting, sewing (quilting), hiking, reading.

What brought you to Peace? Mission statement—peace, justice, tolerance.

What is an obscure fact about yourself that others may not know but would enjoy? Can't think of anything, my life is pretty boring!



Shawn Feralin

Family members : Nicole 19 & Seth 17

What is your vocation? Clerical, office work.

What are your hobbies/passions? Camping, hiking, skiing, both downhill and x-c.

What brought you to Peace? My daughter worked in the nursery for a while and I had heard a lot about the outreach programs and diversity of the congregation and thought it might be a good place to be. I've been attending for 3 years and it does feel like a good fit.

What is an obscure fact about yourself that others may not know but would enjoy? I'm addicted to yard sales.



Cindi Butcher

Family members: Jay husband, Ben son, Sarah daughter, Pokey & Maggie—dogs, and Alley cat.

What is your vocation? bookseller Barnes & Noble.

What are your hobbies/passions? Silent sports, running, biking, x-country skiing, canoeing, curling up with a good book, knitting.

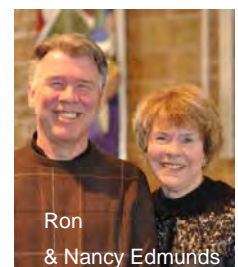
What brought you to Peace?

I wanted a church that was welcoming to everyone, active in the community and involved in social justice.

Comments: The Peace community embraced me from the start. It feels like home, a perfect fit, thank you.

Ron and Nancy Edmunds

Look for an interview in next month's Peace Bell!



Library / Birthdays

Peace Church Library Check it out!

New Adult Books

From Africa to America : The Journey of a Lost Boy of Sudan by Joseph Akol Makeer

Ellen Foster : A Novel by Kaye Gibbons

American Theocracy by Kevin Phillips

Sacred Clowns by Tony Hillerman

In God's Image : Christian Witness to the Need for Gay/Lesbian Equality in the Eyes of the Church by Robert Warren Cromey

Gay Theology without Apology by Gary David Comstock

Beyond Guilt : Christian Response to Suffering by George S Johnson

Aids, the Spiritual Dilemma by John E Fortunato

The Cost of Discipleship by Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Divorce Is Not the End of the World : Zoe's and Evan's Coping Guide for Kids by Zoe Stern, Evan Stern and Ellen Sue Stern



New Children's Books

Spring Pearl : The Last Flower by Laurence Yep

What to Do When Your Mom or Dad Says ... Do Something Besides Watching TV by Joy Berry

Elephant Goes to School by Jerry Smath

Old Black Fly by Jim Aylesworth

You Can Learn Sign Language By Jackie Kramer and Tali Ovadia

Recycling Peace

The Food and Fellowship Committee would like to establish on-site composting of Peace Church kitchen waste. If you have a large, covered compost bin you're willing to donate or lend please email the church office or call Carrie/Rolf at 525.0321. Thanks!

Older style Burley bike trailer—seats 2, in good condition. This is the “Peace Church family bike trailer”—it has been passed around to several families. Call Libby Fena at 525-1356 if you're interested—when you're done with it pass it on to another Peace family!

March Birthdays

1 Tom Hystead
Nathan Imes

2 Nick Mulozzi
Chris Evavold

3 Claudia Gagnon
Joey Rudd

4 Mary Martin
Terese Tomanek
Jeni Wergeland
Pamela Mittlefehldt
Mike Nugent
Heidi Severson
Taylor Wood
Patrick Watson

5 Erik Lundberg
Echo Funk

10 Deloris Thompson
Chris Stegmann

11 Samuel Blazevic-Seibert
Rob Gee

12 Linda Goese
Betty Greene
Pat Sjoding
Kevin Skwira-Brown
Thad Dziuk
David Cave
Isaac Evavold



13 Brian Eklund
Sherry Kozelka
Sophia Farell
Trevor MacKenzie
Jaz Farkas
Jasper Farkas

14 Jeanie Peterson

15 Sarah Messerer

16 Cynthia Coffin

17 Carl Etter

18 Philip Wood
Lori Lind
Julia Cheng
Claire Smith
Alyssa Everson

19 Andy Pomroy
Autumn Finch

20 Casey Aplin
Alan Netland
Peter Tomhave
Sophie Fink
Cedar Holden

21 Howard Anderson
Jasper Filby Williams

21 Lily Moors
Charlotte Studden

22 Charley Kendall

22 Benjamin Fena

23 Lorraine Anderson
Dick Goese
Paul Winchester
Kelly Punyko
Nikki Shrake
Jordan Wilcox

24 Cheryl Walsh
Stella Schutz

25 Sharon Crosby
Millie Timm
Cathy Wood
Warren Post

27 Joann Mork
Chris Campbell

28 Bennett Mulozzi

29 Patty Beech
Isabel Marshik

30 Grace Springsteele
Marcelle Beerhalter
Marlis Cran
Bill Watson

31 Ben Bergeron
Madeline Johnson
Jan Burns



Happy Birthday!

Peace Projects with the Chum Shelter

Many thanks to Craig Kvale, Mike Schrage, Jim McLean, Mark Liske, Jerry Cleveland, Steve Coll, and Phyllis and Scott Mead who all worked long hours on the Chum Family Shelter in February, doing much deep cleaning. Thanks to Phyllis and Steve for painting murals in one of the units, and to Phyllis who also covered a couch, and the Rohrbaughs for the use of their ladder. So far we have about 80 labor hours and \$800.00 into the project. **Stay tuned for the next work day at the shelter. New volunteers are always welcome!**

The building that is known as the CHUM Family Shelter was bought for \$1.00 from HRA in 1997. It became the CHUM Family Shelter in 1999. It has four units of apartment style housing for families in crisis.

Needs at CHUM

The CHUM Center uses **large, older microwaves** to heat food for lunch on Tuesdays and Thursdays. If you have one in your garage or attic and it works, please consider donating it! We could also use **counter top microwaves, and electric washers and dryers.**

Volunteer Office Help needed at the Food Shelf, includes data entry and tracking & recording of service statistics. Flexible schedule, preferably a.m. Contact [Meg Kearns](#) at 727-2391.

Nurse Clinic Needs: Reading glasses (cheaters) & denture adhesive. It is time for CPR training for CHUM staff. We could use \$500 to help offset the cost.

As those who stay in the Family Shelter find housing they need a few items, like **new vacuum cleaners, brooms, mops, and strollers.** A **toddler car seat** would be very handy as CHUM social workers drive families to appointments.

February 17 - April 24, 2011

Totally Warped

2011 Fiber Handcrafters Exhibition
Duluth Depot - John Steffl Gallery
Gallery Celebration March 10, 5 to 7pm
Artist Dialogue, April 7, 6pm

The Fiber Handcrafters Guild has been part of the fabric of the Duluth Art Institute and the Twin Ports craft scene for decades. In *Totally Warped*, 14 of the Guild members competed with proposals for the opportunity to participate in this exhibition which focuses on the conceptual and contemporary art possibilities of fibers.

Peace members Denise Perry and Leslie Williamson White are among the artists included in this event.

UTS Academy for Vital Christianity

What does the Bible have to do with Life Today? ...First UMC, March 5 & 12, 9:30-3:30

Many of us are uncomfortable with theological arguments that end: "the Bible says it, I believe it, and that settles it" but aren't aware of alternative ways of reading the scriptures. In this class we will return to the basics about what the Bible is, how it came into being, and how to approach it in a way that honors both faith and reason.

Instructor: Neil Elliott

Cost: Register using the flyer in the Narthex and receive the early registration rate of \$190.00 (*versus \$240.00*), regardless of your date of registration. Class fee includes lunch.

Congregational Discount: Groups of two or more congregants can register for reduced rates by calling Renee Flesner at 651.255.6138.

Scenes from Peace Church Cabaret 2011



March Volunteer Schedules

Greeters

- 6 Bill and Lisa Pomroy
- 13 Mary Martin, Bill DeRoche
- 20 Mike & Diane Swanoski
- 27 Guy & Nadine Hubert

Lay Readers

- 6 Anne Skwira-Brown
- 13 Robert Gee
- 20 Melanie Lundell
- 27 Sarah Jessico

8:30 Communion Bread



- 6 Essie Geiger
- 13 Lyn Kaim
- 20 Susan Kehtel
- 27 Steve Coll

Damiano Soup Kitchen

Sunday March 13

- 1:30: Rhonda Mittlefehldt, Laura Zahn, Jayme Hennen, Barb Forrest
- 4:00: Penny Cragun, Diane Swanoski, Rob and Grace Gee

Monday Meals at Olive Branch (1614 Jefferson)

- 7 Pat Sjoding
- 14 Maddy Carpenter
- 21 Beth Bartlett
- 28 Daina Rosen

Acolyte Schedule

- March 6: Brennen Larson, Katrina Lindgren
- March 13: Cayden Stegmann
- March 20: **Need Volunteer**
- March 27: Ahna Webster, Eli Beech-Brown



Nursery

- 6 Kristina Green, Emily Ramsey, Libby Fena
- 13 Sarah Nelson, Ellie Hoffman, Aaron Molina
- 20 Sylvie Bowen-Bailey, Patty Beech, Tavis or Amy Westbrook
- 27 Susan Kehtel/Amy Galarowicz, Andrea Brown, Laretta Shrake

Ushers

- 6 Eric & Jane Rudd, Bob & Rene Montgomery
- 13 Julie MacKenzie, Robin Davidson, Joan Severson, John Moeller
- 20 Todd & Lori Lind, Essie Geiger, Cindy Macaulay
- 27 Susan Ranfranz, Jen Pearson, John & Lyn Clark Pegg

Early Service Ushers

- 6 Bob & Kay Stevens
- 13 Barb Kehtel, Linda Lundberg
- 20 Marge Anderson & Jerry Cleveland
- 27 Hamshers

Coffee Hour Committees

March Coffee Hour

Coordinators:

Lisa & Bill Pomroy, 525-1091

Marg Paulson, 464-0561

March 6

Communion Set-up: Dick & Linda Goese (bread), Emily Larson & Doug Zahn (grape juice)

Set-up: Deb McLeod, Pomroys

Serve: John Moeller, Wes & Joan Severson

Clean-up: John & Kathy Bray, Bill Pomroy

Additional Cookies: Fenas

March 13

Set-up: Barb & Marcus Lovejoy, Marg Paulson

Serve: Jonie Landon, Cynthia Coffin, Laura Greensmith

Clean-up: Laurie & Todd Lind

March 20—Birthday Potluck

March 27

Set-up: Rick & Karola Dalen, Lisa Pomroy, Stacey Stark

Serve: Paul & Judy Hlina, Susan Streitz

Clean-up: Terese Tomanek, Steve Coll, Bill Pomroy

Cookies: Pease bring 2 dozen cookies on your Sunday. THANK YOU!

Coming up — April

Coordinators:

Holly & Doug Bowen-Bailey, 722-7166

Britt & Leon Rohrbaugh, 728-1277

Gary Anderson & Gary Boelhower, 728-4085

Teri Benton, 727-2502

Ron & Julie Deters, 626-2416

Shawn Feralin, 724-3446

Sheryl & Jim Filby-Williams, 343-2841

Chris & Vi Finch, 724-5328

Jen Pearson & Doug Hoffman, 525-0099

Tanya & Alex Jackson, 525-1480

Todd Kneebone, 786-0313

Kim & Lee Kruger, 724-1606

Laurie & Dave Linder, 525-5991

Carla Larson, 525-4127

Diana (Soland) & Joe Machones, 628-3223

Susan Maras, 722-2097

Jennifer Murphy, 727-4308

Alan & Joan Peterson, 724-6570

Daina & Joel Rosen, 389-3306

Jim & Jennie Tomhave, 879-0570

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