

SEPTEMBER 2011



The Peace Bell

PEACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

DULUTH, MN ~ REV. KATHRYN NELSON, LEAD PASTOR ~ PAUL VANANTWERP, ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Sunday September 11 — Between Memory and Hope *9/11 plus 10 — Lord Make Us Instruments of Your Peace* Service of Hope and Remembrance

Sara Thomsen will provide special music for our 10:30 service, along with our choir.

First Day of Church School

Join us on September 11 for the kick-off to our fall program year! Church School will begin at 9:30 with kids and parents meeting in the sanctuary for singing and welcoming with Kim Sturtz, our children's minister. Kids will then be dismissed to their classrooms to have time to meet their teachers.

There will be a parent meeting after the kids are dismissed. This will be a chance to register all our children and gather ideas for the year.

Bibles for Kindergarten Kids!

Kindergartners will be getting Bibles during 10:30 Worship on Rally Sunday, September 11

All Kindergartners are welcome as we give them each "The Bible for Children", a wonderful picture story version of the Bible.

Ministry Fair after Worship

After the 10:30 service there will be a special coffee hour and ministry fair. The ministry fair will feature many of the teams and committees of our congregation. Come and learn about their work and ways you can help!

Peace Babies picture September 11 at 11:30am

For babies born since September 1, 2010!

Bring your baby to church to be a part of our annual Peace Babies photo. Meet in front of the sanctuary after the 10:30 worship.



← These 2003 Peace Babies are now in third grade!

Pride Sunday September 4

Community Breakfast at 9:30am — *All are Welcome!*

Community Choir will sing at the 10:30 service — Rehearse at 10 am in the Music Room
All are Welcome!

Gary Boelhower will be preaching at both services, 8:30 and 10:30.

Harvest Dinner — Sunday, October 2 — 11:30 am-1:00 pm at Peace Church



Enjoy the bounty of Autumn: turkey on the grill, vegetables and more. Look for the sign up sheets after Labor Day. Wanted: backyard chefs and their grills. Sign up to bring apple or pumpkin bars for dessert. Save your extra garden vegetables for the cooks to prepare on Saturday, Oct. 1

Suggested donation: Family (up to 4 adults) \$20, Individual \$7, Child ages 5-12 - \$5, Under age 5 - free.

Sponsored by the Food & Fellowship Committee.

From Pastor Kathy Nelson

What a great group we had last Wednesday at the Chum Drop In Center. Several of our youth came to help us make breakfast—Rachel and Kathryn made pancakes, Hannah and Emily washed and cut up fruit, TJ helped Carl at the sink. Most of the usual crew was there too—Deanna making scrambled eggs, Pat overseeing the pancakes and Molly making us all laugh. Every other Wednesday we find what is in the fridge—usually lots of fried chicken and potatoes, heat it up in the microwaves and serve it to up to 70 – 100 folks depending what Wednesday of the month it is. The line is usually very long by the time we open the window at 10 and begin serving food. There are children in the line these days. Several families are living at the Chum Shelter sleeping on the floor because the family shelter is full.

This particular Wednesday morning I had Jesus' parable of the Rich One and Lazarus lying at his gate echoing around in my head. You can feel the chasm that exists over the Chum kitchen counter. We read this parable several years ago when we always had bible study after breakfast at Chum. "There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a man named Lazarus, full of sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table." That particular morning after Scott finished reading it out loud, I asked—Who are you in this parable? At the time I remember thinking, isn't this kind of obvious for these folks munching down left-over chicken and pancakes?

But then Roger, a larger man with a beautiful singing voice, cracked open this parable for me, and for the whole group. He answered, "I've been both. The rich man and Lazarus." Both. Who are you in this parable—the one in need or the one who doesn't notice the need of a neighbor stranger?

Lazarus lies outside the rich one's gate. Lazarus is the only one named in any of Jesus' parables. Lazarus' name means: God is my help. Lazarus was sick, and that likely meant that he didn't have family to care for him. If he had had family he would not have been begging. But someone cared enough to set him at the gate of the rich man. He longed to be fed from that which fell from the rich man's table. When rich men ate, they mostly ate with their hands and used bread to wipe the excess fat from their fingers and dropped that bread on the floor. The beggar Lazarus would have welcomed a piece of that. We're not sure from the story if he got any.

This November 1 – 11 we have an opportunity to be part of national movement in the United Church of Christ to make sure we see and feed one another, through Mission: 1.

This is MISSION: 1 — 11-1-11—11-11-11

- In 11 days, the United Church of Christ will collect more than 1 MILLION ITEMS OF HEALTHY FOOD and other household items for local food banks and outreach services.
- In 11 days, the United Church of Christ will make an extra-special push to gather online contributions of more than \$111,111 DOLLARS for Neighbors in Need, offerings that will be shared for hunger-action purposes with agencies of justice and compassion throughout the United States.
- In 11 days, the United Church of Christ will offer more than 11,111 LETTERS to Congress asking our government to reform U.S. foreign assistance in a way that more effectively benefits hungry and poor people worldwide, helping to provide a major final push to Bread for the World's 2011 "Offering of Letters" campaign.



Our own congregation kicks off this Mission: 1 Campaign at the Chum Annual Assembly where Shane Claiborne will be the guest speaker. Shane is a powerful preacher and writer. **You are invited to read his book *Irresistible Revolution* and come to a book discussion on October 25th.** We will collect food, write letters, and continue to serve both at the Drop In Center and by working on the Family Shelter. On 11-11-11 our youth will have an overnight at the church to talk about food and raise money for Somalia. This September 25th we will participate again in the Crop Walk for Church World Service.

There is much to do and learn. The parable of Lazarus and the Rich One comes to us from Jesus, our hope risen from the dead. It is a warning, out of his great love for us. Open your gates and set your tables wide and long. Cross the chasms that divide you one from another. Lazarus is near you, Lazarus is in you. Martin Luther's last written words are said to be, "We are beggars, that is true." God longs to feed us, heal us even now. Let us join in Mission: 1.

Peace Friends ~ Pastor Kathy

Sundays in September

Join us for worship! We continue to have two services each Sunday morning. At 8:30 we have a Communion Service and at 10:30 we have a service with children's time and choirs. The sermon at both services is the same.

Sunday, September 4 – PRIDE Sunday

This morning we celebrate the gifts of our GLBT members and friends. Gary Boelhower will be preaching at both of our services, there will be a community choir (practice at 10 am that morning) and a breakfast for all at 9:30 in the fellowship hall.

Sunday, September 11 — 9/ 11 plus 10 *Between Memory and Hope*

Scripture: *"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."* – John 14:27

Sermon: "Make Us Instruments of Your Peace"

This morning we begin our Fall Program year. At 9:30 children will register and meet their Sunday School Teachers. Our Adult Formation/Conversation Hour will begin in the fireside room.

Sara Thomsen will provide special music for our 10:30 service, along with our choir.

After the 10:30 service there will be a special coffee hour and ministry fair. The ministry fair will feature many of the teams and committees of our congregation. Come and learn about their work and ways you can help!

Also at 11:30 we will take a photo of all the babies born to our congregation since last September. All babies welcome! Photo will be in the sanctuary.

Sunday, September 18

Scripture: Exodus 16: 2 – 15 and Matthew 20: 1 – 16
Sermon: "Hired On"

After worship this morning the property committee will be hosting "Adopt a Pillar to Paint" team competition in honor of Mary Martin and all the work she has done on our building. Wear your painting clothes to church! See page 5 for details.

Sunday, September 25

Scripture: Exodus 17: 1 – 7 and Matthew 21: 23 - 32
Sermon by Rev. Sara Lund, a member of our congregation and chaplain at St. Mary's hospital in Superior.

Gathering after the 10:30 service for members who have joined in the last 2 years. Lunch and childcare will be provided. We really want to know how it's going for new members, so we'll solicit feedback as we eat and socialize.

Worship and Arts Team will meet on September 7 at 4:30pm in the sanctuary.

Still Looking... for Four More



Sunday School Teachers!

We've got some cute, sweet Peace Church Kids who need some amazing adult leaders to teach them this year. You don't need to have a bachelors degree in education, just a big heart and the ability to help young minds and hearts grow in God's love. If you are interested please contact Children's Minister: Kim Sturtz, 724-3637 or kimsturtz@gmail.com.

Sunday School Schedule

September 11: Rally Sunday

September 18: Acolyte Training

September 26: Regular Sunday School

Sunday School Teacher Training Thursday September 1, 6-7:30pm

Meet in the office conference room to learn about this year's curriculum, get your bin of supplies, meet your co-teacher and fellow teachers, and much more!

Adult Formation/ Conversations 9:30 Sunday Mornings in Fireside Room *All Are Welcome and the Coffee is On!*

Sunday, September 11:

Beyond Hate –Remembering 9/11

A chance for reflecting together as we remember. There will be several short videos to watch and respond to as well as a time for conversation and prayer.

Sunday, September 18: Co-Housing

Doug Zaun, Jeff Corey and Jim Soderberg will lead a discussion about co-housing and how the idea might be adapted to a neighborhood of affordable, single-family housing (like the East Hillside). Doug has a long history of interest in co-housing and Jeff an understanding of how it might be made affordable for moderate-income households including the young families that increasingly make up the Peace congregation.

Sunday, September 25

Building Blocks Program

Let's take the time to get to know our actual neighbors, with this new initiative by the city of Duluth and local churches. Short video and presentation followed by discussion—How can we love our neighbors if we don't even know their names?

Adult Enrichment Opportunities

“Peace Parenting”

Wednesdays at 6 (during Faith Weavers)
in the “new classroom” (next to the Chapel)

For parents and caregivers of young children (ages birth to 5th grade)

Let's get together and talk about raising our children in a peaceful way. Kathy Dowell will be hosting a parent/caregiver group to discuss issues involved in building healthy, peaceful, loving family relationships, communication, limit setting, living family values, managing media, peer influences, and many more. This is an open group, so you can join when you can and no commitments necessary. Raising children these days is complicated. Let's support one another. Kathy will bring resources that you may find helpful. You bring what is on your mind. We will meet during Faith Weavers on Wednesday nights 6-7pm. Questions? Email Kathy Dowell at kdowell@d.umn.edu with any questions.

Advent Devotions / Meditations

We are hoping to create a book of short devotions, poems, stories and meditations written by Peace Church members and friends for use during this coming Advent Season. We want lots of people to be part of creating this book. Send to Pastor Kathy your poetry or prose of 300 words or less. Common themes for advent are: hope, promise, Emmanuel (God with Us), waiting and new life. We hope to have copies of this book available by December 1st for people to use every day during Advent. Contributions due by November 1st.

Women's Brown Bag Bible Study

Wednesday September 28 at noon
Benedictine Health Center—3rd Floor Lounge

Bring your lunch; beverages and dessert are provided. This is a time of fellowship, sharing our stories, studying various topics, and supporting one another. Facilitated by Cheryl Walsh.

All women are welcome. Please join us!!

Wednesday Evening Bible Study

6 pm in the Fireside Room

Fellowship, Prayer and Learning Together

Come and read together upcoming texts from the Gospel of Matthew. We will be using an ancient bible study method — Lectio Divina. Each participant has unique insights to offer the group from their hearing of the biblical story. We also take the time at the end to pray for one another. Newcomers always welcome!

“Hidden Wholeness: Ten Weeks for Your Soul”

Mondays, September 19 – November 21
6:30pm, Fireside Room

We begin each meeting this way: *“This is a chance for my soul to be in conversation with God; you are privileged to listen. Because the soul is shy, please do not criticize. Because it is my conversation, please do not fix my problems or change my situation. Because it is a conversation with God, please do not interrupt. I invite you to listen, so that when you speak, I will listen.”*

If this appeals to you, take some time to give your soul the attention it deserves. Join us for a ten-week sojourn. Sign up in the Narthex or contact Paul.

Make Me an Instrument of Your Peace **The Gospel of Matthew**

Where: Peace Church, new classroom

When: Thursday evenings, 5:30 - 7:15pm
including a soup supper

Dates: October 6 thru November 11

All are welcome. Invitation is being specifically extended to members of Pilgrim Congregational UCC as well as Peace Church.

Leaders: Jackie Falk and Jerry Cleveland

This is an exciting time to be a Christian! Our daily lives in the 21st century are filled with intense division and rapid change, like those faced by the 1st century community in the gospel of Matthew. The believers in Matthew's gospel community were brutally oppressed under Roman Imperial Rule and likely recent victims of a horrific massacre. How did they come to embrace and to live by one of the great guides to peace making, the Gospel of Matthew? And how might we?

Come spend six weeks in the Gospel of Matthew and in its community to explore their questions and ours about God and power, the price of violence and the nature of peace.

Please call the church office (724-3637) or sign-up by the office 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) or Jerry Cleveland (724-4391).

**Peace Bell articles
due September 20!**

Activities and Opportunities

ANNOUNCING: Peace Church's first ever Adopt-a-Pillar-to-Paint Team Competition and Honoring Mary Martin Day September 18, after worship



The Property Committee diligently painted the exterior lower parking lot side of the church this summer, but 10 pillars still remain. Now we're challenging you to organize a team of 2-4 painters, ages 12 and up (with at least one person being an adult), to help us out. Teams will be judged on a variety of categories including painting attire, technique, form, paint spillage, etc.

Mary Martin will be honored for her many years of hard work and dedication on the Property Committee. Painting will begin following the second church service. Come join the fun — give Mary a big “high five” and have a root beer float on us while you cheer for your favorite teams! There will be a team sign-up sheet.

Gallery Wall Art Exhibit Marsha Hystead

Featuring photographs of favorite flowers

Marsha follows in the tradition of her mother and grandmother, who were perennial gardeners. She only photographs blooms that she has nurtured in her gardens, so that they can be enjoyed long after the season ends.

Save the Date! 2011 CROP Walk A fundraiser for Church World Service and its interfaith partners

Sunday - September 25, 2011

1:30 Registration - Asbury United Methodist Church
6822 Grand Ave

2:00 Walk on the Western Waterfront Trail

The walk is approximately 5K - out and back, so if you want to shorten the walk, you can turn around at any time.

REGISTRATION MATERIALS ARE AVAILABLE AT
PEACE CHURCH.

Contact Doug Bowen-Bailey for more info: 722.7166 or
dbb@digiterp.com

25% of what is raised will fund the hunger-fighting work of CHUM, the Duluth Salvation Army, the Damiano Community Kitchen, Loaves and Fishes, and the Union Gospel Mission.

Intergenerational Event “Peacestock!”

September 16-17 at Joel and Daina Rosen's
Farm in Mahtowa.

Bring the family for an evening of great food, music, and camping in the big field. All are welcome! Sign up in the narthex. Questions? Contact Paul.



Peace Church's Inaugural Fall Food Fair Needs You!

We're looking for folks willing to share their skills in putting food by, raising critters, turning garden bounty into treasured preserves, or other skills to help provide, preserve, grow, harvest, or even just find food! We know that folks at Peace have amazing talents, and we want to give everyone a chance to learn from each other, while gaining new skills to provide more healthy and sustainable foods for our families and be better stewards of creation.

Contact Jesse Schomberg (525-0325, or jschombe@umn.edu) for more details and to offer your skills during this unique event. **The Food Fair will be at Peace following church on Sunday, October 16th.** More details in next month's Peace Bell!

Come Help Make Pancakes at CHUM! September 7 & 21

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—September 1, 15 & 29

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

PALS

“Peace Adults Learning and Socializing”

*The September PALS event will be a hike,
organized by Mike Schrage and the Swanoskis.*

*Date and location to be announced.
Watch your email!*

Wednesdays in the Fall

Wednesday Activities begin on September 14!

5-5:30: Kids Choir
5:30-6: Dinner in the Fellowship Hall
6-7: Faith Weavers, Peace Puppets, Bible Study
Teams and committees meet September 14
Inquirers' Class meets September 28, October 5
6:15: Adult Choir
7-8:30: Youth Group and Confirmation

Peace Puppets

It is the fifth year of Peace Puppets for 4th and 5th grade kids. We are looking forward to seeing our veteran puppeteers and meeting new ones. We have lots of fun putting on shows, writing scripts and making puppets.



We meet during the regular Wednesday night activity hour from 6:00 to 7:00, right after dinner. We are in the Lakeview Classroom.

Our music accompanist is off to college so we are looking for someone to help pick music and play for our shows. Is this you? It is not necessary to attend Peace Puppets each week or for the whole hour. We are flexible!

We will be starting September 14 with a meeting for kids **and parents**. Hope you can be there. If you have questions ask Cindy McLean, cindy@peaceucc.org or 525-3526.

Faith Weavers!

If you are between the ages of Kindergarten and 3rd grade this is a special program just for you to learn more about God and have a craft too! From 6:00-7:00 every Wednesday night, Sarah Nelson, a special awesome adult leader, will be helping you learn more about God through skits, crafts, stories, and games! For more information please contact Children's Minister: Kim Sturtz

Choir! Choir! Choir!

Peace Church Choir will practice on Wednesdays starting **September 7th**. Rehearsals begin at 6:15 downstairs in the music room. Everyone is invited! Jim Pospisil is our music director.

Teams and Committees Wednesday, September 14

Dinner is served at 5:30 and meetings begin at 6 pm. We will have a 2011 – 2012 planning calendar for everyone. Please take time to look it over and update with new events. New folks are always welcome at any of our team or committee meetings!

First Year Confirmation *Calling All Ninth Graders*

We have a great group of youth and an exciting year planned for you with class the **second and fourth Wednesdays from 7:00 – 8:30 pm**. Potential class members include: Gunnar Aas, Victor Adams, Cody Ap- lin, Jamie Benton, Ella Brown, Hannah Car- penter, Alyssa Everson, Diana Hanka, Mina Hubert, Daniel O'Connell, Evan Poirier, Kelly Punyko, Dan Richards, Katie Rudd, Eponine Schomberg, Dylan Studden, Kathryn Tar- rago, Emily Watson. If you know of other 9th graders be sure to let them know!

We will also have retreats and a Summer Trip. The United Church of Christ National Youth Event is July 10 – 14, 2012 at Purdue University. This is a great opportunity to gather with thousands of other UCC youth!

Part of the class expectations is regular participation in worship and/ or youth group. We are asking that you be in worship or youth group (beyond confirmation class) at least 2 times a month. There is also an expectation of service hours totaling a least 4 a month.

Our first meeting will be on Wednes- day, September 14th at 7 pm with youth and parents in the new classroom. Kathy Nelson will be the primary teacher.

Second Year Confirmation *Tenth Graders!*

The second year confirmation class will meet on the first and third Wednes- days of each month from 7 – 8:30pm in the new classroom. Our first class of this year will be on **Wednesday, September 21**. You will receive a full schedule at that time. It will be great to be back together again!

*Mark your calendars now
for the UCC National Youth Event
July 10 – 14, 2012!*

Kids Choir!

**Kids Choir is starting up again
September 14th!**

All children age 3 - grade 5 are invited to join us for choir practice in the music room on Wednesdays from 5 -5:30. Kim Sturtz and Jim Pospisil will be leading the group.

Youth and Parents

Jr/Sr High YOUTH GROUP

6th-12th graders

Every Wednesday, 7pm — 8:30pm

Meet in the New and Improved Youth Room!

Hey Youth Group!

Here's hoping this note finds you ready to jump into a new school year.—*What? Don't you groan at me like that! You're looking forward to it more than you think!* In any event, we'll do our best to help you out here in PCYG. Consider us an escape from your busy days... a place where you can hang out with friends...a safe place—be it Sunday mornings or Tuesdays after school or Wednesday evenings. We begin Fall with an exciting month ahead. We're kicking off our fall activities and welcoming our new Pilgrim UCC friends to PCYG. We have the opportunity to camp-out, walk for hunger, respond to tragedy, and so much more! Hey—also take a look at the “save the dates” below and put them on the calendar. Lots of great things coming up!

~ Paul

September 7th (For Fun): **“No Youth Group”**

(look below for the “Fun” part)

We'll take a break this evening to help you get ready for the school year. Now the “for fun” part: Take this Wednesday eve to do something that you've wanted to do over the summer but never got around to it!

September 14th (For Church/For Fun): **“PCYG Fall Kick-Off!”**

Join us for a celebration as we kick off our fall activities! Meet in the youth room for games and snacks (Root Beer Floats!) Parents—you're also invited tonight! And a special welcome to the new Pilgrim UCC crew that begins at PCYG today!

September 16th-17th (For Fun): **“Peacestock!”**

Music, Food, and Camping! Joel and Daina Rosen are offering their farm for the third annual “Peacestock”. We'll have a harvest feast, play some music, enjoy a bonfire, camp in the field, and close with a great breakfast. Bring the family! (Youth—plan to have a chaperone, or contact Paul!).

September 21st (For World): **“In the Face of Famine”**

We've talked about Somalia... prayed about Somalia...seen the images and know a bit about the story. We're sad. We're angry. We're searching for answers. How can our Christian faith help us respond to the tragedy in Somalia? Let's talk.

September 25th (For World): **“Cropwalk!”**

See page 5

September 28th (For Fun): **DETAILS PENDING**

SAVE THE DATES:

(parents, mark your calendars!)

Sunday October 9th: Annual Hayride!

(after church)

Sunday October 30th: UNICEF Carnival at Peace (11:30) AND Hogwarts Party at Pilgrim (4pm)

(stay tuned for details)

Hey Parents!

And I KNOW you're ready for the school year, right? We're excited about our Fall kick-off here, and want to make sure you're a part of your child's spiritual development (whether they want you to or not!).

Join us on Wednesday, September 14th at 7pm for a Confirmation/ Youth Group celebration—

we'd like to meet with you to keep you connected and involved in our youth programming. You make the difference. Also, please do take note of the “save the dates” below. There are some great activities coming up. And as always, please lend a hand as a driver/ chaperone as you are able. The more support we have, the bigger we can dream in our ministry! Thanks for all you do. ~ Paul

Senior High Sundays

begin on Sunday, September 11th

Senior High! Meet me in the church conference room (in the office area) Sunday mornings at 9:30. It's not too early and you know it! Plus, I'll have snacks and other good things to share. Be there!

Middle School

“Tuesday Time-Outs”

begin on September 13th

Meet Paul at the Mt. Royal eating area on Tuesdays at 3:00. Enjoy a snack, sit back, and shake off your busy day. Questions? Contact Paul

Summer Youth Group at Park Point



Official run in... Water was about 50 degrees. Everyone came right back out including Paul. :)

It's that time again, the beginning of school. All the school supplies are in stores, and you know this without even seeing the school giant bargain section. The air smells of crayons, scotch tape, new pencils, and the fresh plastic of new backpacks. I always enjoyed school shopping with my parents, picking out new clothes, new shoes, and supplies. The toughest was finding a backpack that I could enjoy the whole year long. My favorite color was green, but the girls' backpacks, in my generation of school supplies, were always pink and purple... but the boys' backpacks were green and blue. Finding the green non-manly camouflage backpack was always an adventure. It kept me searching, and this annoyed my mother greatly. She just wanted to be done with the backpack shopping for the year. It would only be a few months before I needed new pants, and new shoes, because kids grow through things so quickly. The backpack was one thing that she could kind of control.

The searching for the perfect backpack reminds me a lot of our faith. We keep trying on different faiths like a backpack, asking ourselves, "Does this have enough compartments to hold all my needs? Does it have enough space to be able to carry all that I will learn or encounter, and still carry those things that make me feel safe? Does it feel comfortable to carry around, or is it uncomfortable, hurting or just awkward? Does it contain enough of the items I've attained to help me properly do my job of explaining myself to otherS?"

Faith is tough sometimes, and it's hard to carry, especially when we are confused about it. We love our God and we love Christ, but how do we share them with others without it being awkward or like we are pushing something on our friends. Invitations often help greatly when people express they are confused as what to do in their faith situations. You can help them pack their faith backpack by explaining what they'll experience when coming to your church, so they'll know how to pack their essential tools. Sometimes we all pack too much, and bring the heaviness of our other experiences along. But that is the great thing about sharing your faith, you can find someone to help you share the load, and balance out your pack.

I keep thinking about these families I have seen at numerous discount stores with their children picking out school supplies. Unknowingly, these parents are helping guide their kids to new experiences and new ideas by supplying them with the tools to move forward. Crayons all the way up to that giant Calculus Calculator. Soon I will be doing this with my own child, who will be born this December. Will I be helpful and guide my child to new ideas, or will I let them venture out and make decisions on their own. Probably a little of both. I know that I'll be supporting my child in their faith, just as God supports all his children in their different adventures in faith. Have a great School Year everyone!

The Spirit of the Lord is Upon Us as We Serve, by *Monica Liddle*

June 10, 2011

You need not go to the other side of the world to bear witness to injustice and oppression. But as Global Ministries missionaries this is part of our daily work. Through mission, we have the opportunity to make contact with poverty and suffering with our brothers and sisters the world over. Few of us are called to actually go on missions far from home, but all of us are called to listen.

Luke 4:18 speaks of healing the blind and of the bonds of oppression being broken. The message is that faith in Christ brings relief from suffering.

The five women I work with each day at Clinic Immanuel in Lospalos, East Timor tend to the sick each day. Some are sick with tuberculosis or malaria. Some are sick at heart having lost a husband, wife or baby to illness or tragedy. Old women are lonely and looking for comfort. In the clinic each day, each person gets their moment as staff tend to them each with intention and care.

Through my service in mission I truly recognize, as in Luke 4:18, that the Spirit of the Lord is upon us as we serve in this clinic each day. I feel it when we stand together and pray each morning before patients come in the doors. I feel it when I see the staff gently address a child. I feel it when I sit with one of the staff and "talk shop." I feel it when I check on the children eating nutritious food in our feeding program.

Through mission, we are sent out to work for justice, to heal the sick, to befriend the poor. We are called to follow Jesus' example of a life of devotion and service. It is all the more tangible in an environment of houses which are bamboo shacks, with irregular electricity and water supply and where diseases such as worms, diarrhea and tuberculosis are commonplace threats to health and life.

For the privilege to serve as missionaries with Global Ministries, we give thanks.

Monica Liddle, ND
Clinic Immanuel, Lospalos, East Timor

Gifts for the Liddles' Mission

Tom and Linda Curran and Pastor Paul will be traveling to East Timor to visit the Liddles this September. They would like to bring a small gift of cash from Peace Church to give to Monica to use at her discretion for one of the many needs of the Clinic where she works. We would also be happy to pack a little something small to take along for Hannah and Simon. ***Donations can be made by September 18 to Peace UCC with East Timor in the memo.***

It was seven years ago this Fall, I remember, because we recently learned that Kathy was pregnant with Eliot. We were new members at First Congregational UCC in Anoka. It had been since our high school years that K or I had ever “belonged” to a church, and for the first time our choice was not solely influenced by family tradition—this was one of those “adult decisions” (which, as noted in the first sentence, we were making a lot of that year). We had found a great church community—great people, great pastors...all the same, we were toe-dipping. Wallflowers.

And it was a Friday afternoon, I remember, because we were dropping off a box of contributions for the annual rummage sale. There Becky caught us on our way out the door: “We asked our youth group to pick somebody from the congregation they thought would be a cool Youth Mentor, and you two were chosen!” We were invited to be chaperones on a weekend retreat. K and I glanced nervously at each other, melting into the walls. Wallflowers. I recall the conversation we had that evening: “Really? Spending the night with a bunch of youth? Hmm.”

But we took the leap...and with all the literal significance in the cliché, “thank God” we did. Here were kids that were awake and curious. Here were kids that had the confidence and curiosity to ask questions that it takes most of us well into our twenties to ask.

See, we were still new to the UCC, and raised in churches where children quietly listened, obeyed, and weren't empowered to engage in their own theological constructs (let alone question the teachings of institutional church). I remember the wave of excitement that ran through me over that weekend. “My God! I have got to be a part of this!” Seven years after that first leap, here I am.

This is to share with you that we are in need of Youth Mentors here at Peace right now, that I have made the same request to our youth group that caught K and I at that rummage sale seven years ago, and that I can say with confidence that you will find the same curiosity, confidence, questioning, and engagement here at “PCYG” that thrilled me years ago. (If it does lead you to ministry, come on in and let's talk).

This is also to share with you the importance of engaging those opportunities to “leap” in your life—to embrace the Spirit as it nudges you—even if it is first received with nerve-racking uncertainty. For instance, as I write this, I just finalized the details of another “leap” in my life. It began with the discovery that I had made a grave error in my “Global Immersion” course requirement at Seminary, and that I would have to “retake” the Global Immersion course if I wanted to graduate. This news was received with great frustration and uncertainty. With patience and prayer (sometimes these are very hard work), I considered my options... how could this mistake ever be a nudge from the Spirit?

I'm happy to tell you, then, that at the end of September, I'll be joining Tom and Linda Curran on a travel to visit Tom and Monica Liddle in their Global Ministry mission in East Timor. It will be a joy to reconnect with good friends, to add color and experience to my life and world view, and (to be certain) bring all of this home to share with you. Where will this experience lead me in the next seven years? I can only wait... and trust. In the meantime, the last fortune cookie I received read “Be prepared to accept a wondrous opportunity in the days ahead!” I taped that to my computer, to remind me that just as I will be prepared to receive new and transforming nudges from the Spirit as I leap to East Timor, so too do they arrive in the seemingly mundane of the every day. ~Paul

Welcoming Committee news times three!

1. The beginning of the church year is a time visitors REALLY check out churches, and hospitality is critical in their decision to continue coming – please be super extroverted in greeting those who don't look familiar to you – welcome them, answer any questions they may have, invite them to keep coming, offer to bring them to the Fellowship Hall for coffee, introduce them to staff or others you know and chat with – in short show them why Peace Church is a wonderful community!

2. **We will be hosting a gathering after the 10:30 service on September 25 for those who have joined in the past 2 years.** Lunch and childcare will be provided. We really want to know how it's going as new members and will solicit feedback as we eat and socialize – we'll be asking for RSVP's when it gets closer.

3. **Starting October and the first Sunday each month after that we will be setting aside a special table in the Fellowship Hall after the 10:30 service for newcomers and new members.** It can be overwhelming to enter such a busy place with faces that blur together if you're new or by yourself and we want to do what we can to help with this. Look for balloons! ☺ ~ Cindy Macaulay
Welcoming Committee Chair



Youth Group at Park Point

Moderator's Report

By Council Moderator, Alan Peterson

The Church Council met on Tuesday, August 16, 2011. Treasurer Dick Goese reported that pledges are a bit more behind than last month, but not out of line with what they often are at this time of the year. Also, a proposal was considered about the church's policy in acting as a fiscal agent for other organizations. This was prompted by concerns about the tax deductibility of donations made to the church which are designated to be passed on to specific groups. It is felt that personal donations made in this way and claimed as a deductible donation might not pass IRS scrutiny. A proposal was made and passed by the Council that Peace Church would not act as a fiscal agent for groups unless endorsed by a majority vote of the Church Council. Further, donations made to groups and even individuals in this way should not be considered tax deductible. Now, that is the most abstruse and inscrutable way that I could think of to express this issue. Even I don't understand what I wrote, so if you don't, please contact me or, preferably, someone who knows what they're talking about.

As is widely known by now, our esteemed bookkeeper, Beth Chelseth has decided to return to school and change careers. Beth's last day was in August, and efforts are under way by the HR committee to hire a new bookkeeper. She will be very hard to replace.

Veronica Quillien from a Duluth Public Schools program called The Metamorphosis Project has asked the church to donate space for its meetings. The goal of this Project is to redefine the lives of underserved young girls by promoting high academic achievement. The Council voted in support of this request. They are expected to use the music room near the chapel during the coming academic year, and will be setting up our tables for Sunday coffee hour as barter for the space.

A small task force has been assembled to work on the Fellowship Hall. Peggy Maske has very generously donated money in her husband George's memory to improve the appearance of the Hall and try to deal with the leaky east wall. You may see some evidence of the investigation of the leaking problem such as absent ceiling tiles and sheets of panelling removed to inspect the basement wall. Do not be alarmed.

Alan Peterson, petersoa840@gmail.com

Inquirers' Classes

Wednesdays, September 28 & October 5
6 – 7pm in the Fireside Room

for those Considering Membership at Peace United Church of Christ

There will be two sessions to give you a better sense of who we are as a denomination and as a local congregation. Though attending both sessions is not 'required' it is a good opportunity to meet others who worship here, ask questions and see where you might fit in with all that goes on in and around here. Children are welcome—childcare is provided. You are welcome to eat dinner between 5:30 and 6 pm downstairs in the Fellowship Hall, then gather upstairs in the Fireside Room from 6:00-7:00 pm.

September 28 – Welcome, and Theology of The United Church of Christ (a look at what we believe about the Bible, sacraments, salvation and more.) Bring your questions!

October 5 - A brief overview of our local history and roots. We will also have information about our mission statement, church structure, building project, and annual stewardship drive. We have a strong emphasis on the shared ministry of all our congregation's members. You will have an opportunity to take a gifts inventory and receive a shared ministry booklet which contains all kinds of service opportunities. Stay if you'd like for a tour of the church at 7 pm.

Sunday, October 9 – New members will be received at the 8:30 or 10:30 Worship Service.

Special Thanks and Farewell to Beth Chelseth, our bookkeeper

Beth Chelseth has served our congregation as our bookkeeper for 14 years and it has truly been a blessing for us. Her position has grown and changed over the course of her many years with us as we too have grown and changed. We are grateful for her attention to the important financial details, her devotion and the care she has given our congregation. We wish her well as she goes back to school to train as a reading specialist.



Church Council — Coordinating Council will meet on **Tuesday, September 20 at 7 pm** in the Conference Room. Visitors are welcome.

On the 10th Anniversary of 9/11

Dear Colleagues and Coworkers of the United Church of Christ:

Just about everyone can remember where they were the morning of September 11, 2001 and the days that followed. As New York Conference Minister, I was scheduled to preach in New York City the following Sunday. Since all of the United States was a no-fly zone, I took the long drive through the Catskills. Needless to say the drive gave me plenty of time to think.

When I arrived, the congregation had gathered as usual on that Sunday morning. Not surprisingly, most of the folks were still in a state of shock. There was an abiding atmosphere of sadness and grieving, yet another emotion that I had not anticipated was the presence of deep gratitude. It was beginning to dawn on many of those at worship, including me, that as devastating and shocking as the attacks were, there was reason to be thankful that the tragedy could have been even greater. This awareness was accompanied by the stories of individuals who worked near the World Trade Center and could have lost their lives, but for various reasons were not there that fateful morning. Many more were grateful that, for the moment, the danger had passed. Even in the midst of mourning, our thanksgiving to God was fervent and deeper than usual.

Now, almost ten years have passed. For some who experienced personal loss, the pain still feels as acute as if it happened yesterday. For others, there is emotional distance from the horror of that day, yet reverberations remain. Mere mention of the date September 11th churns up feelings and distinct memories. During these years our country has engaged in two long wars attributed in part to the events of September 11th. Most recently, the U.S. military apprehended and killed Osama bin Laden, the person who took credit for orchestrating the attacks of September 11th.

The pain and suffering that we as Americans associate with terrorism began that day and has continued ever since. For that reason the date is etched in our nation's collective consciousness. However, it is important to note that for others around the world, that day is the day we experienced the degree of pain other nations and peoples have experienced far longer. September 11th was a day the tragedies of the world came to our shores.

As we approach this anniversary of our national tragedy, my prayer is that we do so recognizing that our national understanding of and response to terrorism have been inadequate thus far. If anything, some actions and policies of our government—from the crimes of Abu Ghraib, to Guantanamo Bay and the human toll referred to as “collateral damage”—have inspired more people to take up arms against the U.S. We are still challenged to perceive “the other” more fairly, and to pursue true security more faithfully. General Synod's recent resolution “On Actions of Hostility Against Islam and the Muslim Community” urges us to build relationships of trust and understanding with our neighbors rather than be led by our fears and prejudices. My hope is that we use this anniversary as an opportunity to reflect on these ten years, the years of America's longest war, and begin to chart a new direction.

Our gathering as a UCC church in Queens, NY on that first Sunday after September 11th, 2001 was a moment in time filled with regret and grief. It was also tinged with hope emanated from thanksgiving to our living, loving and merciful God. Perhaps that is who we turn to and where we start as we contemplate beginning anew our work toward God's just and peaceful realm “on earth as it is in heaven.”

Peace and blessings,

Rev. Geoffrey A. Black
General Minister and President of the United Church of Christ

Cracking the Shell of Whiteness

The Dismantling Racism Team has been sponsoring Cracking the Shell of Whiteness Series for church members and others in our community for the past two years. We hope that this will continue to be an integral piece of our work here at Peace and in our community. We are hoping to offer a series this fall and are looking for people who may be interested in participating.

The purpose of the Cracking the Shell of Whiteness curriculum is to bring white people together to build our capacity and skills to be more effective and accountable in the work of undoing racism. The experience is intended for white people who have had some exposure to the concepts of white privilege and want to move to a deeper level of consciousness and action. While recognizing that we are a multiracial, multicultural congregation, we acknowledge that white people have a unique and important role in helping each other to become effective allies with people of color. Acceptance and support of each individual's journey is our priority.

The series consists of six sessions. If you are interested in participating, please call the church office at 724.3637. If you would like more information, please call Sandy Moore at 724.1117.

Peace People

Thank You!

- To Dan Green for organizing and leading this year's work camp to Back Bay Mission in Biloxi Mississippi. Thanks also to all who participated!
- To our Property Committee and all those who have put in countless hours painting the exterior of our church—Mike Schrage, Denise Perry, Jim McLean, Craig Kvale, Dan Shephard, Doug Bowen-Bailey and others. Don't you love the color!!!
- From Witness for Peace—Upper Midwest staff and board: "Dear Peace UCC Community, Thank you for your donation to Witness for Peace—Upper Midwest. With upcoming plans for a full October speaker tour featuring Nancy Garcia from Oaxaca, Mexico, a Fair Trade Fair in Door County and our first regional training retreat, your support is greatly needed and appreciated. Together we will help support peace, justice, and sustainable economies in the Americas. Many thanks in Peace and Solidarity."
- From CHUM: On behalf of the neighbors we serve at CHUM, thank you for your gift of toiletries. These items have been put to good use in the Emergency Shelter. Please keep those we serve in your thoughts and prayers as they struggle on their way to stability and independence.
- Thanks to the Peace Church Softball Team for a great season (oh, and Paul's finger is healing!)
- Thanks to all our Special Musicians for August: DJ Talarico, Barb, Sergei and Diana Hanka, Jennifer Boyle, Rachel Peterson, Leon Rohrbaugh, Tom Wilkowske and others. Our 8:30 service is always looking for special music. If you are interested, please talk with Pastor Kathy or Jim Pospisil, our music director.
- To Jaslyn Adams for an incredible Soul Feast Dinner on August 21st and to all who attended and helped raise money for her house warming. Special thanks to Pastor Paul and Nettie Bothwell for working with Jaslyn.



Jaslyn Adam's Soul Food Feast at Peace

Hold in your Prayers

- Sharon Kirtley at Chris Jensen Nursing Home recovering from a stroke. Visitors are appreciated greatly.
- Eponine Schomberg recovering from a second spinal surgery. Unfortunately two rods needed to be replaced as they very unexpectedly broke. **Eponine's birthday is September 4—send her a card!** (2379 Old North Shore Rd, Duluth 55804)
- Tom, Monica, Hannah and Simon Liddle who have been in East Timor as missionaries with our World Board for two years now. Check out their blog which is linked to our web site, www.peaceucc.org. Hold them in your prayers. Also, Tom and Linda Curran and Pastor Paul will be visiting them at the end of September. **If you would like to make a financial contribution to their ministry for our group to take with on their visit, please send your gift to the church by September 18th.** See page 8.
- Our 34 youth and adults who are currently on a work camp at Back Bay Mission in Biloxi, MS. They will return on September 4. **Look at the Biloxi Blog linked to our webpage, www.peaceucc.org**
- Julie Carlsness, having surgery in September.

Congratulations

- Cienna Grace Broska, daughter of Shawne and Jason, who was baptized during worship on August 14.
- Gaius Sheldon, son of Karen and Gary, who was baptized during worship on August 21.
- Elizabeth Dupper, daughter of Kathleen and William, who was baptized during worship on August 28.

Wedding Congratulations

- Dave Ruse and Linda Hendrickson who were married on August 20th in our sanctuary with Pastor Kathy officiating.
- Sophie Netland and Patrick Hinkemeyer who were married on August 27th at Enger Tower with Pastor Kathy and Sophie's grandfather, Royal Shepherd, officiating.
- John Doberstein and Jill Rogers who were married in Bayfield on August 27th with Pastor Kathy officiating.
- Jonie Langdon and Cynthia Coffin who exchanged vows on August 28th at Park Point.

Sympathy

- The family of Rev. Robert Simpson, especially his wife Anne. A memorial service was held on August 6th at Olivet UCC in St. Paul. Pastor Kathy co-officiated.
- The family of Tom Hayes, who died unexpectedly of a heart attack on August 1st. A memorial service was held at Peace Church on August 14th with Pastor Kathy officiating and special music by Jim Pospisil and Peter Provost.
- The family of Bob Sinclair, former Peace Church member, who died of liver cancer on August 28. His funeral was at Bethany Baptist Church on August 30.

Library / Recycling Peace



Peace Church Library *Check it out!*

New adult books:

Snow Flower and the Secret Fan by Lisa See

The Baron's Apprenticeship by George MacDonald

Revenge : A Story of Hope by Laura Blumenfeld

Homosexuality in the Church : Both Sides of the Debate by Jeffrey S Siker

God at the Edge : Searching for the Divine in Uncomfortable and Unexpected Places by Niles Elliot Goldstein

Searching for Whitopia : An Improbable Journey to the Heart of White America by Rich Benjamin

Help Yourself : Celebrating the Rewards of Resilience and Gratitude by Dave Pelzer

Who Needs God by Harold Kushner

You Staying Young : The Owner's Manual for Extending Your Warranty by Michael Roizen and Mehmet C Oz

New children's books:

Divine Daisy, by Bud McClure

The Princess and the Pea by H C Anderson

What Jesus' Followers Do by Pat Floyd

Grandpa by Barbara Borack

How to Scare a Lion by Dorothy Stephenson

Snow Dog by Jim Kjelgaard

Recycling Peace

Free, used electric mobility

chair. Good condition. Ideal for indoor or outdoor use. You haul away. Call Tim or Cheryl Walsh, 525-4129 between 9am & 6pm.

Thank You from Jaslyn



To my Village and Heavenly Family, I would like to say truly, from the bottom of my heart, thank you for all the support and all of the energy and all of the donations that you presented to me on the day of the Soul Food Feast. It was greatly appreciated and will never ever be forgotten. Love, Peace, Unconditional Happiness, and Blessings be bestowed upon you! (and p.s, I'll do birthdays and grad parties). ~ Jaslyn Adams

September Birthdays

- 1 Elliot Bergsven
- 3 Maxine Proetz
Aidan Erickson
- 4 Eponine Schomberg
- 5 John Greene
Lauretta Shrake
Siri Larsen
- 7 Jennifer Zoretich
Sam Peterson
- 8 Sharon Geisert
- 9 Cameron Mitchell
Cathy Dziuk
- 10 Glenda Valdez
- 12 Emily White
Jill Pospisil
- 13 Rod Schelin
Tom Liddle
- 14 Anne Beauchamp
Emily Larson
Beth Ruark
Kate Skwira-Brown



- 16 Jerry Cleveland
Bonita Schelin
Gwen Plumb
- 17 Hans Arvidson-Hicks
Mac Tobin
Kim Landon
Nancy Edmunds
Dan Richards
- 18 Rachel Peterson
- 19 Todd Kneebone
Oscar Lundell
- 20 Eli Beech-Brown
- 21 Naomi Christensen
Stacy Sudoh
- 22 Emily Punyko
Peter Provost
Grant Provost
Mattie Fox
- 23 Lisa Messerer
John Fox
- 24 Sergei Hanka

- 24 Beth Kinney
Mary Adams
- 25 Stella Molina
Dean Fox
Brandy Hoffman
- 26 Ingrid Nisswandt
Isabelle Schomberg
Anne Simpson
Joseph Mullozzi
- 27 Charlie Bray
- 28 Andy Fena
Kris Larson
- 29 Adam Stermer Daniluk
Megan Stermer Daniluk
Kevin Kinney
- 30 Chris Bode
Karola Dalen
Elijah Johnson



Happy Birthday!

CHUM Family Shelter

The congregation of Peace Church has adopted the CHUM Family Shelter. Over the last year, members of Peace Church have done physical repairs to the building and supported families as they transitioned from homeless to housed. This project continues to strengthen the bonds between CHUM and Peace Church.

FILL THE BUCKET!

Family Shelter could use the following cleaning supplies to give to families staying in shelter and to take with them to their next residence:



10 cleaning buckets, each filled with:

- All Purpose Cleaner
- Murphy's Oil Soap (wood floor cleaner)
- Dish Soap, Dish Rag, Paper Towels
- Bathroom Cleaner, Sponge/Scrubber
- Broom & Dust Pan, Mop

Keep CHUM's Produce Shelves Stocked!

CHUM needs tomatoes, peppers, broccoli, carrots and green beans. We will accept produce that is in good shape and not "past its prime". Help Duluth's Community Garden Program and the Produce for the People keep CHUM's produce shelves stocked!

Donations accepted Monday-Friday 9am to 2pm. Downtown at 120 N 1st Ave W. Call 727-2391 with questions.

Financial Information Seminars at Pilgrim Congregational UCC Wednesday September 21 and 28, 7-9pm

The Pilgrim Church Stewardship Committee plans two September events for Church members and friends on the topics of estate planning, charitable giving, and, successful family financial planning. This is a topic for families that are decades away from retiring, as well as those who are near, or have retired. The seminars are planned to cut across age groups and provide value to all of our adult members.

The first seminar will be on Estate Planning, and Seminar #2 will examine the range of applicable financial tools, how to efficiently use those tools, how to select your advisors, and finally, how to become successful through a disciplined approach.

Our presenters are highly respected professionals who are very seasoned seminar presenters. Each session will include a panel of Pilgrim members who completed their financial plans.

CHUM Fall Community Assembly Tuesday November 1, 6:30-8pm Mitchell Auditorium, at St. Scholastica Featured Speaker: Shane Claiborne



CHUM is pleased to announce that Shane Claiborne - bestselling author, prominent Christian activist, and sought after speaker - will be our guest for the CHUM Fall Community Assembly.

***We will have a discussion of his book
The Irresistible Revolution on Tuesday,
October 25th at 7 pm in the Fireside Room.***

With tears and laughter, Shane Claiborne unveils the tragic messes we've made of our world and the tangible hope that another world is possible. Shane graduated from Eastern University and did graduate work at Princeton Seminary. His ministry experience is varied, from a 10-week stint working alongside Mother Teresa in Calcutta, to a year spent serving in a wealthy mega-congregation at Willow Creek Community Church outside Chicago. During the recent war in Iraq, Shane spent three weeks in Baghdad with the Iraq Peace Team. Shane is also a founding partner of The Simple Way, a faith community in inner city Philadelphia that has helped to birth and connect radical faith communities around the world. For more information and video clips of Shane go to www.thesimpleway.org/shane.

Bob Brenning Bike Ride for Peace Sunday, September 11th

Ride to show your support for Men as Peacemakers! This family-friendly ride starts at the Fitger's Brewery Complex and takes riders to the end of Park Point and back. There will be refreshments served afterwards, and all riders receive a free T-shirt and a chance to win a free bike! Learn more and register online at www.Pedal-for-Peace.com

What's Right With Islam

By Imam Feisal Abdul Rauf
Tuesday, September 13 at 7pm
Mitchell Auditorium, St. Scholastica

The College of St. Scholastica's Oreck Alpern Interreligious Forum will mark the tenth anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks with a talk by one of America's leading Islamic thinkers. Imam Feisal Abdul Rauf will present "What's Right with Islam: A New Vision for Muslims and the West".

The event is free and open to the public.

September Volunteer Schedules

Greeters

- 4 Jonie Langdon, Cynthia Coffin
- 11 Kim & Lee Kruger
- 18 Peggy Skylondz, Anne Skwira-Brown
- 25 John Pegg, Cindy Macaulay

Lay Readers

- 4 John Ameal
- 11 Cheryl Walsh
- 18 Jerry Cleveland
- 25 Joan Peterson

8:30 Communion Bread

- 4 White Family
- 11 Annette Strom
- 17 Janell Kohls
- 25 Robin Davidson



Damiano Soup Kitchen

Sunday, September 11

- 1:30: Phyllis & Scott Mead, Robin Davidson, Cyndy Klinksiek
- 4:00: Rhonda Mittlefehldt, Laura Anderson, Green/Kadlec family

Monday Meals at Olive Branch (1614 Jefferson)

- 5 Angel Meal Volunteer
- 12 Bob and Kay Stevens
- 19 Sandy Moore
- 26 Marlis Cran

Wednesday Meal Help

If you come to Wednesday dinners, please plan to take a turn at helping with either 4:30 prep or Clean-up.



Please let the office know if you can help out on our first Weds. Meal on September 14. There will be a sign-up sheet for you to volunteer for upcoming Wednesdays.

Nursery

- 4 Susan Stermer, Jessica/Justin Olson, Kristina Green
- 11 Lisa Fitzpatrick, Ellie Hoffman, Loni Cran-Hovis
- 18 Alison Wood, Andy/Libby Fena, Sylvie Bowen-Bailey
- 25 Mary Adams, Andrea Brown, Emily Ramsey

10:30 Ushers

- 4 Gary & Janell Kohls, Hubert family
- 11 Gary & Karen Sheldon, Marsha Hystead
- 18 Katey Fornear, Jen Pearson, Jesse Schomberg, Cindy Macaulay
- 25 Joan Severson, Jesse Schomberg, Devlins

8:30 Ushers

- 4 Gayle & Jack Kelly
- 11 Karie Simpson & Bilin Tsai
- 18 Barb Kehtel & Linda Lundberg
- 25 Marge Anderson & Jerry Cleveland

Thanks to all our Great Volunteers!

Coffee Hour Committees

September Coffee Hour

Coordinators:

Nick Zeitler & Essie Geiger, 728-4483

Katey Fornear, 525-3516

September 4

10:30 Communion Set-up: Essie and Katey

Set-up: Lynn Lanier

Serve/Clean-up: Katey, Essie

Cookies: Lanier, Poirier

September 11

Set-up: Denise & Dennis Hamsher

Serve/Clean-up: Doreen Marciniak, Swanoskis

Cookies: Hamsher, Skwira-Brown, Elsie Cook

September 18

Set-up: Krista Giddings family

Serve/Clean-up: Maggie Fink, Mario & Tiffany Zepeda

Cookies: Giddings, Watson, Van Slooten

September 25

Set-up: Bob & Kay Stevens

Serve/Clean-up: Kim Landon, **volunteers needed**

Cookies: O'Connell, Sara Carlson
Fruit: Stevens

Coming up — October

Jerry Cleveland & Marge Anderson, 724-4391
Sharon Crosby, 624-5582

Laura Anderson, 464-0566

Beverly & Dave Cave,
218-273-4041

Robin & Lee Davidson, 728-0237

Echo Funk & Nick Schutz,
218-213-7817

Jim & Vivian Gangl, 722-4905

Cammy & Shawn Hansen,
525-0100

Pam Jakubiak, 724-3103

Sarah Jessico, 341-9565

Njoki Kamau, 728-9306

Ingrid Nisswandt & Chris Larsen,
724-6104

Shari Marshik, 525-6845

Justin & Jessica Lilja Olson,
724-5210

Jim & Jill Pospisil 724-8337

Chris & Jay Sandal, 724-4934

Amy & Tavis Westbrook,
728-2550

Leslie & Mark White, 728-9545

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Music Director: Jim Pospisil
Childrens Ministries: Kim Sturtz
Bookkeeper: *Currently hiring*



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