

Community Outreach

METRO LUTHERAN: The Twin Cities host the largest Hmong population outside of Cambodia. In December the Minneapolis Area Synod of the ELCA ordained and installed the first Hmong pastor in the synod at the Luther Memorial Church in north Minneapolis. Read more about the Rev. Nengyia Her on page 5 of February's Metro Lutheran. Copies are available at the Welcome Center and the kiosks (one located near the library and the other near the west entrance.)

WINTER OPEN HOUSES AT CONCORDIA ACADEMY – ROSEVILLE:

Concordia Academy – Roseville invites interested families to an open house on one of the following day: Friday, March 5 beginning at 1:00 p.m. Take a tour led by a student ambassador, visit classes, meet the principal, staff, and current parents. Learn how we are equipping students for lives of faith and service. CA-Roseville is located at 2400 North Dale St. in Roseville. Contact Marilyn Mick at 651-484-8429, ext. 136.

MARDI GRAS SERVICE AND NEW ORLEANS DINNER: The community is cordially invited to attend the annual Mardi Gras service and New Orleans dinner at St. Matthew Lutheran Church (4101 Washington Street NE, Columbia Heights) on Sunday, February 14. The service begins at 10:45 a.m. with the dinner following immediately afterwards in the church's fellowship hall. Members of the Dixiedores Dixieland Band are featured musicians for the event. Tickets for the dinner are \$8 and are available through February 8th by calling the church office at 763-788-9427. St. Matthew is handicap accessible.

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WEEK AT A GLANCE: FEBRUARY 7 – FEBRUARY 13, 2010

If you would like a printed version of our service today, copies are available on the table as you enter the Worship Center or you may ask one of the ushers for a copy.

TODAY:

7:30*, 8:30, & 11:00*AM Worship Service - * Communion Service

9:45 AM Education Hour

MONDAY:

6:30 PM POPA Athletic Directors Meeting

TUESDAY:

9:00 AM Tuesday Morning Work Crew

1:30 PM All Staff Meeting

6:00 PM WOM Board Meeting

7:00 PM WOM/Elders/MVCT Board Meeting

7:30 PM AA

WEDNESDAY:

8:45 AM Prince of Peace Chapel

9:30 AM Adult Bible Study

4:45 PM Wednesday Evening Meals

5:00 PM Joyful Ringers

6:00 PM New Song/Confirmation/Senior Youth

6:30 PM Good Vibrations/Kingdom Kids

6:45 PM Wednesday Night Bible Study (Luke & Acts)

7:00 PM Messiah Singers

THURSDAY:

10:00 AM Thursday Morning MOPS

2:00 PM Cribbage

7:00 PM Jubilant Bells/Couples Bible Study/Thursday Evening MOPS

FRIDAY:

6:00 AM Men's Bible Study at RJ Riches

9:10 AM MOPS

SATURDAY:

TODAY'S ORDER OF WORSHIP

7:30* & 8:30 SERVICES

Opening Hymn: "Light of Light, O Sole-Begotten" # 914

Hymn of Praise: "My Soul Rejoices" – printed out

Hymn Verse Response: "My Soul Rejoices" – printed out

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 14:12b - 20

Gospel Reading: Luke 5:1-11

Offering Hymn: "Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service" #848

Sermon: "You Did Not Adopt God – He Adopted You Thro' Jesus Christ"
Galatians 4:4-5

7:30 Communion Hymns
"O Savior, Precious Savior" # 527
"Beautiful Savior" # 537

Closing Hymn: "On What Has Now Been Sown" #912

11:00* Service ENTIRE SERVICE DONE ON POWER POINT

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THOSE SERVING YOU TODAY:

7:30*, 8:30, & 11:00* Services:

Worship Leader :

Pastor Richard Krogen

Proclaimer

Pastor Philemon Ngare

Organist:

Kay A. Knutson

Acolytes: 8:30

Amanda Schoenwald & Andrea Garcia

11:00

Raushan Soule & Maggie Jahnke

Ushers: 7:30

Jon Strasser

8:30

Bill Kath, Dave Kleba,

Jon Kleba, Henry Moerer

11:00

Sharon Ehrreich, Rod Radtke, Bruce Smith

Worship Assistants: 7:30 Ed Roth 8:30 Sean Ward 11:00 Carl Schwanbeck

Readers: 7:30 Roleene Roehle 8:30 Jo Norell 11:00 Joe Tokos

Greeters for February 7:

7:30 Frank & Carol Slaker

8:30 Chet & Arlene Ewer – Mary Brisse

11:00 Mike & Dawn Hodges – Carl Schwanbeck

Greeters for February 14:

7:30 Oral & Alta Evanson

8:30 Jeff Goldsmith – Judy Angle

11:00 Ron & Dayle Boyce – Bev Tikkanen

Communion Assistants for the Month:

7:30 8:30

11:00

Welcome Center:

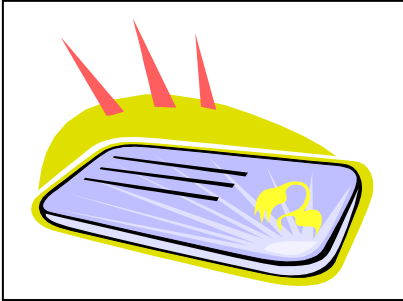
7:15 – 7:30 Gayla Marks 8:20 – 8:40 Ila Johnson

9:25 – 9:50 Sarah Bardal 10:45 – 11:00 Rich & Sharon LaBounty

12:00 – 12:15 Tom Relling

YEAR END STATEMENTS FOR 2009 are available on a table by the Welcome Center. This statement covers all of your offerings for 2009 and serves as a receipt for your taxes. Please pick your envelope up as soon as possible. If you have a concern about your statement, please call Sarah B or Carol Hyatt at 763-784-1786.

WE HAVE OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP OUR NEIGHBORS



Every month we receive calls and visitors in the office looking for help with things like rent, clothing, gas, baby formula, heat bills, bus passes, diapers, groceries, prescriptions or other items. Sometimes an agency like Love INC or CEAP can meet the need. Other times we work in partnership with another organization to meet multiple needs, and sometimes we are able to meet an immediate need on our own.

In the past year we have given more than \$500 to people IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY in the form of assistance with simple items such as gas and groceries. **BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP!** We are in need of gift cards in amounts from \$10-\$25 for items described above. Suggested stores would be Super America, CUB, Aldi, pharmacies, Target, Kmart, Walmart, Subway, etc. If you would like to donate a card, please record the amount on the card and hand it directly to Carol, Allison, Kay or JoElla. MANY THANKS. ***The recipients of these cards are grateful for the gift!***

GOT A QUESTION ABOUT THE LCMS? The LCMS Church Information Center is just a call or click away. Call 888-843-5267. This toll free number connects callers to real live people who will help you find information. Click them: infocenter@lcms.org You can read them via email to ask your question and get an answer.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 7 from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. and join us for an evening of rollerskating to Christian music at CheapSkate in Coon Rapids. ALL ARE INVITED. More information to follow.

News & Notes – February 7, 2010

Welcome friends! We're glad you're here today. Whether you are a long-time member or a first-time visitor, please be sure to indicate so on one of the blue cards found in your bulletin. Please turn your blue card in during the time of the offerings. Visitors, please stop by the Welcome Center in the Gathering Space for your gift.

- **Directional Signage** is located throughout the building suspended from the ceilings. If you aren't sure which way to go, look UP!
- **THE NURSERY** is available for parents and their children three years of age and younger and is located in the hallway across from the rear of the Sanctuary.
- **Busy Bags** are filled with quiet activities for your children to use during the service. They can be found in the entryway of the Gathering Space. The busy bags and their contents can be returned to the Gathering Space after the service.
- The **Welcome Center** is located right outside the Worship Center and is filled with information about Messiah and its many activities. Feel free to ask the volunteer any questions you may have.
- **Restrooms** are on the south side of the Gathering Space.
- If you would like to receive **Holy Communion** and are unable to approach the Communion Rail, please talk to one of the worship assistants or an usher before the service and they will assist you.
- **FM 88.1** Are you experiencing difficulty hearing during the worship service? Try listening to the worship service on a FM radio tuned to 88.1 FM. We encourage you to bring a good quality FM radio with high quality ear buds, and then listen direct to the pastor and music without the distractions. FM radios are also available at the welcome center.

LEADING OUR WORSHIP this morning is **Pastor Philemon Ngare**. **Messiah's Public Worship** is currently conducted and the Word proclaimed by three worship leaders, **Pastor Richard Krogen, Pastor Del Wippich** and **Pastor Philemon Ngare**. All are members of Messiah and share the public worship duties. **Kay Knutson** is our Director of Music and plans our Order of Worship. **JoElla Kath** is our church secretary and prepares our bulletin and News and Notes.

ALL WOMEN OF MESSIAH AND GUESTS! Join us on Tuesday, February 9 at 7:00 p.m. to hear Rob Haarsager, Executive Director of LOVE INC of NWRC (Love in the Name of Christ of NW Ramsey County) tell us of this organization and ways we can help. There will be a short meeting and then "Make Your Own Valentines". It will be a fun evening so bring a friend and join us. Board meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Sunday Morning Adult Education Class Schedule

	8:30am		9:45am			
	Blue Room B	Room 210	Blue Room A	Blue Room B	Room 210	Fireside Room
2/7	Study of John	Thru the Bible	Orphan Care & Adoption	Study of John	Thru the Bible	Hearts Ablaze
2/14	Study of John	Thru the Bible		Study of John	Thru the Bible	Hearts Ablaze
2/21	Study of John	Thru the Bible	Biotechnology: Pandora's Box?	Study of John	Thru the Bible	Hearts Ablaze
2/28	Study of John	Thru the Bible		Study of John	Thru the Bible	Hearts Ablaze

WE ARE ALL ADOPTED BY OUR KING... now what about the 150 million orphans worldwide? Cindy Kruger, foster parent, adoptive parent, and branch director of Bethany Christian Services of MN will be sharing with us about the orphan crisis, orphan care, and adoption **TODAY** during the 9:45 education hour. Come learn more about The Church's call to care for these children in need. You can also visit with Cindy before and after services at the Bethany Christian Services display table. Stop by to pick up literature on orphan sponsorship, adoption, pregnancy counseling for persons facing unplanned pregnancies, and other ministries within Bethany.

Biotechnology: Have We Opened Pandora's Box?

Stem cell research today goes far beyond the lab and continues to have far-reaching effects in many other scientific and medical fields. Come and hear Marie Larson from Human Life Alliance share a brief overview on stem cell basics and then delve into the biotechnology surrounding stem cell research. You may be surprised how it impacts our society's views on women, human dignity, the family and the individual. Marie will be here February 21 at 9:45am. www.humanlife.org

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION:

TRANSFORM YOUR MIND so that you will understand God's good, pleasing, and perfect will (Rom 12:2). **Together as the body of Christ at Messiah, let's read through the Bible in 2010!** At 8:30 and 9:45, Ron and Melea Bardal and others will be facilitating weekly discussions based on the previous week's daily readings. Other small groups may choose to meet at other times throughout the week for those already in a Sunday Bible class. Think of how we can truly impact the world for God if together we are literally "on the same page!" Today we will be discussing Leviticus 1-3 and Matthew 24:1-28.

Read Through the Bible Reading Schedule for the week of January 31, 2010 (to be discussed in small groups on February 7). *Before reading each day, ask the Holy Spirit to open your mind (to set your heart ablaze!) to understand the words on the page. Then jot down any questions or insights that come to mind and bring those "jots" to your group to share.*

Sunday, Feb.7: Leviticus 1-3, Matthew 24:1-28

Monday, Feb. 8: Leviticus 4-5, Matthew 24:29-51

Tuesday, Feb. 9: Leviticus 6-7, Matthew 25:1-30

Wednesday, Feb.10: Leviticus 8-10 Matthew 25:31-46

Thursday, Feb. 11: Leviticus 11-12, Matthew 26:1-25

Friday, Feb. 12: Leviticus 13, Matthew 26:26-50

Saturday, Feb 13: Leviticus 14, Matthew 26:51-75

Life Quote

"It may not always be true in the sports world, but for the Christian, 'chastity' and 'champion' do go together. God makes us champions through Jesus Christ. Champions can make good decisions that honor God. Champions can make good decisions that honor others. Champions can be a positive influence and bring change within the Church and into society. Chastity! It is the choice of champions."

Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, executive director of Lutherans For Life

www.lutheransforlife.org

BAZAAR! The Bazaar is Saturday, November 6, 2010 and will be here before we know it. We sold over 150 jars of jams, jellies, and apple butter last year at the Bazaar. We need your help again this year by saving your 8 ounce (Kerr/Ball) jelly jars with the rings. Please leave them in the church kitchen marked Bazaar. If you have any questions, call Lucille K.

THANK YOU! Mark and I would like to thank the members of Messiah for helping replace Mark's stolen bass guitar. It was very generous of you to help out and was greatly appreciated!!! Blessings to all of you!! *Mark E. & Kay A. K*

FOOD SHELF DONATIONS – Thanks to your generosity, we were able to donate \$464.00 to the CEAP Food Shelf and 152 lbs. to the Ralph Reeder Food Shelf. During the month of February we are collecting non-perishable items for the CEAP Food Shelf. Please leave your donations in the bin marked Food Shelf or you can make a monetary donation by marking “Food Shelf” on your offering envelope. The items they are in most need of currently are:

<i>Tuna</i>	<i>Pancake Mix</i>	<i>Syrup</i>
<i>Peanut Butter</i>	<i>Canned Pasta</i>	<i>Ramen Noodles</i>
<i>Boxed Dinners</i>		

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SMALL GROUPS – ABLAZE: The goal of the Missouri Synod Ablaze program is to reach out to those who do not know Christ. Part of that program is to educate those of us who do know Christ on how to reach out to others. We encourage all small groups to continue their fellowship and education towards that end.

We have started a library of group educational material to help accomplish this. Currently there are three new offerings for small groups:

1. “Just Walk Across the Room”
2. “How to Share Christ Confidently”
3. “Becoming a Roman 12 Christian”

These group materials will be located in the library.

Small group studies have been very beneficial to learn about God's work and to become better friends with other members of Messiah. If you currently do not belong to a small group but would like to, or have any questions on the study material please contact; Renie Eapen, Ron Bardal, Steve Gaynor, Rich LaBounty or Rob Stadler



MESSIAH BOOK CLUB'S SELECTION FOR FEBRUARY is "Class Action" by Clara Bingham and Laura Gansler. This is the true story of Lois Jenson who was among the first women hired to work at a northern Minnesota iron mine. Conditions for women were horrible and Lois eventually found the courage to file a complaint against the company and eventually won, setting a legal milestone that improved working conditions for American women. Extra copies of the book are available. Contact Audrey B if you are interested. We meet at 2:00 on the third Thursday of each month in the CrossRoads area. Come join us!

DAFFODIL DAYS! 3rd year confirmands will be taking your orders for bunches of daffodils and other items. Orders will be taken on Sunday, February 7 and February 14. Flowers will be available for pick up on **Sunday, March 21**. Questions! Contact Lynn R.

OFFERINGS: General Fund: \$10,702 Mortgage Fund: \$2,639 Missions: \$440 (5.0% of General Fund) \$535 Weekly Fund Needs: \$12,355 Weekly Mortgage Fund Needs: \$4,053

ATTENDANCE: Sunday: 393 Sunday School: 49

Orphan Ministry Fund Testimonials

We are very excited Messiah has a fund dedicated to orphans. Adoption is an expensive undertaking and we appreciated the money Messiah provided along with all the clothing and medical supplies for the orphanage. The kids in the Russian orphanage have very little and we are thrilled to be used by God and to have the support of a loving congregation.

Thank you to all the people at Messiah who support the orphan ministry.

Tom and Sue R



Several of God's children are without families throughout the world. God found it fitting that two of those children should be ours. God's grace, the prayers of many, and the wonderful gifts we received, allowed us to bring Leo and Laura home. The adoption journey is exciting as you dream of your future, travel to exciting destinations, and meet your children. The journey also is filled with stress and questions. Do we know how to take care of kids? Will they love us? Will we be good parents? How will our marriage be affected? Will we get kids who are healthy and happy? Finally, how do we pay for this? God granted us the peace we needed as our journey unfolded. This peace, in part, came through the gift of Messiah's Orphan Fund. Messiah's gift confirmed God's grand design for us. Leo and Laura were chosen to be ours; they were our children before they were born. God took our burdens upon His shoulder and said, "rest easy." God chose Messiah to be our church home, to help bring our family together, to help take our burden away and allow us to rest easy. Thank you for your prayers, thank you for your gifts. Two wonderful children now bless us everyday.

Thank you Lord, our family is complete.

Matt and Sarah K

You Can Donate to the Orphan Ministry Fund You can make a donation at the **Adoption Honor Wall** in the Gathering Space. Choose a face, pin it on the board, and write something about the person you wish to honor. This could be an adopted loved one or someone else involved in the adoption process. Then donate any amount to the Orphan Fund, which is used to assist families with adopt-related expenses. If you wish to make a donation another time, please note Orphan Ministry on your check memo line.

SENIOR YOUTH UPDATE

Last week

"Let's talk" Bible study led by Mr. Rich LaBounty

This Week

"Let's Go" Rollerdome at the Metrodome. \$6 admission \$5 skate rental if you need skates. We will leave Luther Hall by 6:15

Sunday Youth Bible Study

We finally finished our book study on *Secret believers*. We will resume our world religion studies beginning next week. Today will be a fun light get together.

Upcoming Events:

Monday Feb. 15th **Interfaith Youth Service Day**. (Students are out of school that day) Come join other teens from around the Twin Cities in an Interfaith Day of Service. It is held in Saint Paul. We will be taking a van for the event so space is limited. Please contact Becky Kunz for more detail or to RSVP.

Wed. Feb. 17th **Haiti Fundraiser** Messiah Sr. Youth will be hosting the first Lenten Supper of this year. There will be a bake sale and dinner. All proceeds will go directly to help Haiti. Please join us and help support the relief efforts. Please contact Becky Kunz to donate baked goods for the sale. (763) 717-2824 or bkunz@messiah-lutheran.org

Teenserve 2010 Dates: June 27th-July 3rd New London, WI. Our youth will attend our 13th year participating in this wonderful short term mission trip. More details to follow soon but. Cost is \$399 most of our students raise the entire amount, so please don't let the cost stop you from serving in Christ name.

Wednesday Evening Meal – February 10

Grilled Chicken Sandwiches,
Salad, Chips and Dessert
Served 4:45 – 6:15 PM

Donations Accepted

CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE

(submitted on 01/20/10)

On 01/14/10, the CC met to review all the Personal Information Files and the Self-Evaluation Tools for 47 call candidates. After much discussion and consideration, we decided to send questionnaires to 16 of those candidates. The questionnaire will be sent out on 1/21/10.

We have asked the candidates to return the questionnaire by 2/7/10. The CC will next meet on 2/16/10 to review the questionnaires and decide on the candidates that we would like to interview.

Again, please remember, these names are confidential. In order to respect the privacy of the candidate and his church, the CC will not be able to share any names.

Please continue to keep us in your prayers.

Please address questions, comments to any member of the CC:
Matt K, Jeff F, Jeni A, Carl S, Marian E, Wayne L, Phyllis G