

June 2007



St. Paul's Lutheran

MESSENGER



Congratulations Graduates!

*Marla Bonner
Katie Campbell
Laura Mikulay
Carl Peaslee
Cassidy Streater
Austin Wilson*

*Ben Larson
Tom McGee
Becky Mikulay*

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Email: stpauls@saintpaulslutheran.org

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Website: www.saintpaulslutheran.org

Glen Floe, Pastoral Care Minister
Cindi Paulsen, Music Director

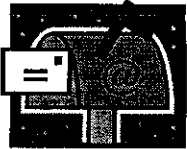
Phil Eckhert, Congregation President
Linda Dundas, Secretary

The Funny Side of Parenting

A grandfather was walking through his yard when he heard his granddaughter repeating the alphabet in a tone of voice that sounded like a prayer. He asked her what she was doing. The little girl explained: "I'm praying, but I can't think of exactly the right words so I'm just saying all the letters, and God will put them together for me because He knows what I'm thinking."

DayBridge at St. Therese Southwest in Hopkins

This Adult Day program has been designed to provide needed structure, i.e. guided activities and support for older adults who are functionally or cognitively impaired. Hours of operation are Monday – Friday 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. For further information, call nancy Homdrom at 952-960-5584 or visit website www.sttheresesouthwest.com.



Moving or Away?

Please, please notify the church office if you move or are temporarily away. Call 952-938-4683 or email updates to secretary@saintpaulslutheran.org. **St. Paul's newsletter is bulk mail and is not forwarded.** Each month newsletters are returned at a cost to us because people are away and have stopped or forwarded their mail delivery. Thank you for your help!

Pastor Glen Floe

can be reached for pastoral support on his cell phone at 612-801-1291, at his Oak Knoll Lutheran Church office, 952-546-5433, and by e-mail at apastor@oklutheran.org.

St. Paul's regularly scheduled office hours are
Monday – Friday, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM,
excluding federal holidays.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

Congregation Council

President – Phil Eckhert
and Outreach Ministry Liaison

Vice President – Jenni MacNaughton
and Worship & Music Liaison

Secretary – Jan Guetschow
and Fellowship Liaison

Treasurer – Eric Campbell
and Stewardship, Finance &
Audit Liaison

Children & Youth Liaison – Katie
Campbell & Carl Peaslee

Community Service Liaison – Ryan Foss

Faith & Life Liaison – Darla Gilbertson
and Staff Support Liaison

Property Liaison – Bernie Johnson

Assisting Council

Associate Treasurer – John Falk
Financial Secretary – Ray Olson
Pastoral Care Minister – Pastor Glen Floe

Search Committee

1. Sheri Brenden
2. Phil Eckhert, ex-officio
3. Lisa Foss
4. Bob Guetschow
5. Kris Jacobson
6. Regina Johnson
7. Ruth Johnson
8. Tom Larson
9. Beth Miklay
10. Bill Schwitzer
11. Pat Tollefson

COUNCIL NEWS

St. Paul's Council meets at 7:00 PM, the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Congregation members are welcome to attend and/or submit items for the agenda by contacting one of the Council members.

May Council Notes

St. Paul's Council met on Tuesday, May 8th.

Council President Phil Eckhart led a discussion on Transition Activities and the next steps toward beginning St. Paul's Call process. It was decided that an action plan will be presented to the Congregation at the June 3rd Spring Congregation Meeting. This may include a recommendation for updating St. Paul's mission statement and a job description to be used in the Search. It is felt that there is enough information available to make appropriate decisions to move forward.

Available information includes the Seminarian Community Reports; notes from the Cottage Meetings and Soup Suppers; and St. Paul's Assets Assessment now in progress. A special meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 29th to prepare and approve the report, and to prepare recommendations to be presented to St. Paul's members.

The Spring Congregation Meeting will be held at 10:45 am on Sunday, June 3rd. It will also be a Celebration Sunday. The Annual Garage and Bake Sale will be held the day before, June 2nd from 8 am until 2 pm, with St. Paul's Youth having a car wash at the same time – weather permitting. Items and volunteers are needed beginning on Wednesday evening, May 30th through Friday evening, between 5 and 7 pm.

The Treasurer's Report indicated giving is below budget, but so are expenses by an equal amount. Pledges for the Capital budget need to be maintained. St. Paul's will need to continue to plan carefully.

Jan Guetschow will be St. Paul's representative to the Synod Assembly, which will include voting in the Bishop election. Pastor Floe

reported on members of the congregation who he has visited. Marilyn Woods is now living with her son and has a website on www.caringbridge.org. Confirmation Sunday went very well, and the partnership with Oak Knoll was well received. Life Line Screening has apologized to St. Paul's for releasing incorrect information about their screening location in its publicity.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Guetschow

YOU ARE INVITED!
St. Paul's
Spring Congregation Meeting
will be held
June 3rd at 10:45 am
Everyone is encouraged to come.



Directory Updates

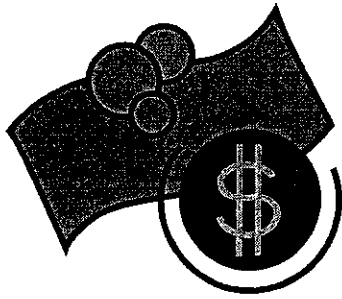
Richard and Kathleen Dvorak have transferred their membership to Our Father's Lutheran Church in Rockford, Minnesota. We wish them farewell and Godspeed.

Jenni MacNaughton and Nathan Brenk have a new addition to their family. Zachary Gordon Brenk was born April 9, 2007.

Marilyn Woods has moved and can be reached on her cell phone at 952-250-3972. Her current address is 5509 28th Ave. South, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55417. Please call before coming. Cards & notes are encouraged.

St. Paul's congregation is pleased to send you this newsletter. However, if you prefer not to receive it, please call the church office at 952-938-4683 or by email.

REMINDER: July newsletter items are due in the office Friday, June 15.



STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

May 15, 2007

The April financial reports have been completed - here is where we stand in support of St. Paul's ministry.

	Year to Date Actual	Budgeted	Over (Under)	06 Year to Date
Total Expenses	\$55,139	\$60,247	\$(5,107)	\$58,846
Total Receipts	\$54,098	\$57,077	\$(2,979)	\$64,599
Receipts Under Expense	\$ (1,041)	\$(3,170)		\$ 5,752
Operating Fund Balance at start of the year	\$ 206			
Operating Fund Balance at end of March	\$ 835			

Notes and Highlights

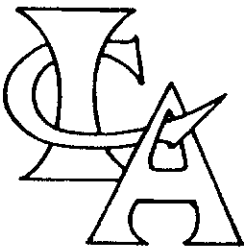
We finished the first four months of the year a little better than anticipated. Receipts are running \$3,000 below budget but, on the positive side expenses are \$5,100 less than budget and we have only a \$835 deficit in our cash balance. Our pulpit supply has been averaging \$1,166 a month against a budget of \$2,500. We continue to be a month behind on this expense and will continue to be so until our full time interim or pastor comes aboard. We have completed our severance payments to Pastor Bob. Expenses will now be significantly less per month until we bring in a full-time pastor.

A couple of concerns - the shortage in receipts, and we are averaging only \$1,838 In Capital Appeal receipts against a monthly expense of \$4,009.

If you have any questions on this report, please give me a call at 952 474-8372. If you have any questions on your current or capital giving, please contact our Financial Secretary, Ray Olson at 952 938-8612.

Thanks.

Eric Campbell
Treasurer



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COMMUNITIES ASSOCIATION, INC.**

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May 4, 2007

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church
13207 Lake St. Ext.
Minnetonka, MN 55305

Dear St. Paul Congregation:

Thank you for your generous donation of \$1,750. St. Paul's has been a valued partner for years and we want to acknowledge this partnership. We look forward to showing off our new building at our upcoming open house in June. Look for your invitation.

We appreciate your support of what we do here at ICA. Please know that we, in turn, will use this as a resource to carry out of mission: To assist our neighbors in meeting emergency needs.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Annette Marie Poeschel
Executive Director

AMP/sb

A Memorial Service
for past member
Orlin Schafer will be
held at St. Paul's
Thursday, June 14
at 7:00 p.m.
All are invited.



DON'T MISS
St. Paul's Annual
Garage/Bake Sale
& Car Wash
Saturday, June 2
8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



Men of St. Paul's
Breakfast Group
is meeting over the summer!
They meet on the 2nd
Saturday of each month at
8:30 a.m., Perkins Restaurant, Highway 7 and
Hopkins Crossroads, Hopkins. The next
meeting is June 9. All men of St. Paul's or
potential members are invited.

\$7,500 McKnight Foundation
Award Available

Nominations for the 2007 Virginia McKnight Binger Awards in Human Service are due by Monday, July 9. Submit your nomination online at www.mcknight.org/awards. Nomination forms and more information about the program are available from The McKnight Foundation at 612-333-4220 or website www.mcknight.org.

Tri-Congregation
Vacation Bible School
June 18 - 22, 2007

Led by
energetic
counselors
from



Last chance to register!

The cost of the weeklong program, including breakfast, snack, and lunch every day is \$30 per child (four and five year olds through children going into first through sixth grades) and is due upon registration. Day Camp will be held at Mizpah United Church of Christ, 412 5th Ave N, Hopkins from 8:00 am until 12:30 pm, Monday - Friday, June 18 - June 22. *Registration form enclosed.*



14th Annual
Lutheran Night
@ the Twins
Tuesday, August 21
7:10 p.m.

There is a new way to order your Lutheran Night tickets this year. All ticket orders 24 or less can call 1-800-338-9467 to order your discounted tickets right over the phone with a credit card. Your discount code is Lutheran Night ticket OFFER (valid only for this night). All groups of 25 or more can send an order form (form available in the church office). The order deadline to have your tickets mailed back to you is August 14. All orders received after August 14, will be held at the Main Box office (west side of stadium) at the WILL CALL window named Lutheran Night. Picture ID required
No discount purchases on game day.

\$1.00 from every ticket sold from the Lutheran Night program will go to "Thrivent Builds with Habitat for Humanity" to help MN families.

Lower Level Reserved	\$20.00
Upper Club Reserved	\$15.00
Upper Level General Admission	\$ 6.00



**LPBC DAY CAMP
HEALTH, EMERGENCY, AND
AUTHORIZATION INFORMATION FORM**

THIS BOX MUST BE COMPLETED FOR ATTENDANCE

Church where Day Camp is being held Mizpah United Church of Christ

Town/ST Hopkins, MN _____ Date June 18 - 22, 2007

I understand and certify that my child's participation in Luther Point Bible Camp's (LPBC) Day Camp program held at the church and its activities is completely voluntary. I recognize that certain hazards and dangers are inherent in Day Camp events and programs and I acknowledge that although LPBC and the church have taken safety measures to minimize the risk of injury, LPBC and the church cannot insure nor guarantee that the participants', equipment, premises and/or activities will be free of hazards, accidents, and/or injuries. I further recognize and have instructed my child in the importance of knowing and abiding by LPBC and the church's rules, regulations and procedures for the safety of participants. I waive any claim against LPBC and the church and/or its personnel for any lost articles; for any injury to my minor child; and/or any injury to myself. The church assumes secondary insurance coverage. I assume primary coverage.

This health history is correct so far as I know, and the person named on this form has permission to engage in all camp activities except as noted.

AUTHORIZATION FOR TREATMENT: In case of emergency, I understand that every effort will be made to contact the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the Day Camper. In the event I cannot be reached, I hereby give permission to the medical personnel selected by the church to order x-rays, routine tests, treatment, and necessary transportation for my child. I give permission to the physician selected by the church to secure and administer treatment, including hospitalization, for my child as named on this form.

AUTHORIZATION FOR TRANSPORTATION: I hereby give permission for my child to be transported for off-site outings.

AUTHORIZATION FOR USING LIKENESS: I hereby give permission for photographs/video including my child and/or myself to be used in the promotion of LPBC and/or the ELCA.

Signature of Camper's Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

Please return form to Mizpah United Church of Christ, C/O Nancy Johnson, 412 5th Ave N, Hopkins, MN 55343. Please make payment to: Mizpah United Church of Christ noting "VBS Day Camp" in the memo line

The information on this form is gathered to assist us in identifying appropriate care and will only be shared with medical personnel. This form is to be completed by the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of minors.

Camper's Name _____ Last _____ First _____ MI _____
 Female Male

Preferred Name _____ Telephone _____ Birth Date _____

Home Address _____ Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Parent/Guardian—In an emergency, notify:

Name _____ Telephone _____

Relationship _____

Location while camper is at Day Camp _____

Who will be picking your child up? _____

HEALTH HISTORY

Does the camper have any physical condition requiring special care? Please explain.

Does the camper have any allergies, i.e.: food, meds, etc? If so, describe reaction and treatment.

Explain any activity restrictions:

Do you carry family medical/hospital insurance? _____ Yes _____ No

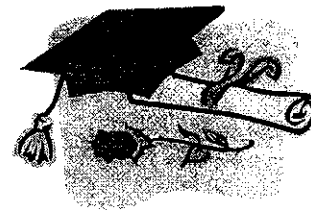
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June Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 2 John Falk
- 4 James Reynolds
- 5 Koko Tarr
- 9 Connie Hessevick
- 11 Greg Johnson,
Kim Streater,
Tammy Reynolds
- 12 Steve Nelson
- 16 Virginia Rustad
- 20 Ray Olson,
Matt Schmitz
- 21 Alex Nelson
- 22 Kris Moe
- 23 Chris Crossley,
Regina Johnson
- 25 Alyssa Bonner
- 26 Grace Falk
- 27 Peter Rudolph
- 29 Marla Bonner
- 30 Marshall Carpenter,
Rey Lindquist

Anniversaries

- 11 Eric & Deb Campbell
- 19 Paul & Pat Tollefson
- 22 Robert & Nancy Bjornlund
- 23 Roger & Darla Gilbertson
- 24 Tom & Linda McGee



High School and College Graduates were recognized Sunday, May 20th

Marla Bonner graduated from Hopkins High School and will be going to MN State University at Mankato in the fall.

Katie Campbell graduated from Minnetonka High School and will be attending Luther College in the fall.

Laura Mikulay graduated from Hopkins High School and will be going to Boston University in the fall.

Carl Peaslee graduated from Hopkins High School and will be attending the University of MN in the fall.

Cassidy Steater graduated from Hopkins High School.

Austin Wilson graduated from High School.

Ben Larson graduated from the University of Notre Dame and will be attending graduate school at the University of Minnesota.

Tom McGee graduated from the University of North Dakota and will be attending the U.S. Navy Officer Candidate School.

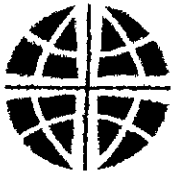
Becky Mikulay graduated from Roger Williams University in Bristol, Rhode Island. She received her BA in Architecture.

Congratulations and Blessings!

Celebration
of



Zachary Gordon Brenk
May 13, 2007



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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St Paul Lutheran Church
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Minnetonka, MN 55305-4918

Dear St Paul Lutheran Church:

"Marked with the cross of Christ forever, we are claimed, gathered and sent for the sake of the world."
ELCA Statement

On behalf of Bishop Hanson, the Presiding Bishop of the ELCA, thank you for your recent gift.

Through your support of ELCA churchwide ministries you are spreading the Gospel, building and nurturing the faith lives of others, reaching out to the unchurched, providing educational opportunities and much more. As the ELCA continues to reach beyond borders and life situations to share our gifts, it is no surprise that we are living in God's amazing grace...

Your witness and gifts are a marked example of your stewardship. Whether we are building churches, educating young people, or bringing hope to places where there was none, we have the assurance that God's grace is sufficient.

Blessings to you for your generosity and witness. Through partners like you we are making a difference in the world and making Christ known.

Sincerely yours,

Donald Hallberg
Executive Director for Development Services

Prayer & Bible Study Support Available

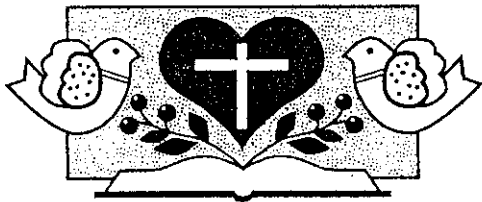
"St. Paul's Prayer Line" is activated by calling the coordinator, Maxine Rieman at 952-238-8516, cell 763-807-7682, or calling the church office when she cannot be reached.

Grace Matters, ELCA radio ministry, Sundays at 6:30 am KSTP 1500 AM and 10:30 pm WFMP 107.1 FM.

Prayer resources are available at www.elca.org/prayer.

Christ in Our Home devotional booklets are available in the library.

Daily Discipleship is an ELCA online Bible study based on the lectionary and online at www.elca.org/evangelism/dailydiscipleship.



Sunday Bible Readings

June 3 – The Holy Trinity
Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31
Psalm 8
Romans 5:1-5
John 16:12-15

June 10 – 2nd Sunday after Pentecost
1 Kings 17:17-24
Psalm 30
Galatians 1:11-24
Luke 7:11-17

June 17 – 3rd Sunday after Pentecost
2 Samuel 11:26 – 12:10, 13-15
Psalm 32
Galatians 2:15-21
Luke 7:36-8:3

June 24 – John the Baptist
Malachi 3:1-4
Psalm 141
Act 13:13-26
Luke 1:57-67 [68-80]

Tuesday Grief Support Group

West Metro Grief Support Coalition invites all persons experiencing grief due to a death. Grief support groups offer hope and healing through education, listening, sharing, prayer and fellowship.

Tuesdays 4:30-6:30pm
Aldersgate United Methodist Church
3801 Wooddale Avenue
St. Louis Park, MN 55416-5197
952) 929-6725



DATE	SPEAKER	TOPIC
June 5	Brenda DeMotte MSW, LICSW	Recognizing Depression
June 12	Barb Kobe	Making Light of Your Emotions
June 19	Judy Young	Why Do I Feel Like I'm Going Crazy?
June 26	Remembrance Service	All are welcome

For more information, please call the coalition coordinator, Darcie Rodman at (763) 546-4404

June Service Team

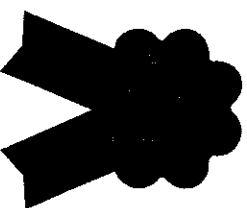
Campbell – Eric, Deb, Katie & Kristen
Carpenter – Marshall, Carolyn
Dahl – Floyd
Falk – John, Grace
Foster – Howard
Helmer – Julius, Marion
MacNaughton – Nancy
McGee – Linda, Mary, Tom
Mikulay – Mike, Beth, Rebecca, Kate & Laura
Nelson – Steve, Wanda & Alex
Peterson – Mary Kay
Powers – Tom, Kathy, Dustin, Lindsey, Nicholas & Jack
Ramsden – Roger
Rudolph/Rodman – Chuck, Darcie, Peter
Rustad – Virginia
Saal – Greg, Lisa, Nicolas, Alexander & Marissa
Schmitz – Matt, Shari, Maggie, Heidi, Kelsey & Riley
Skrogstad – Will, Dawn, Joshua
Smith – Craig, Vicki
Tarr – Koko, Sam,

Saymanii, Laykpeawon,
Florkime & Woanda Paye
Tuttle – John, Marcia
Werner – Dick, Cindy, Bryce & Bradley
Wiide - Irma

May Service Team

Bonner/Hromatka – Dean, Mary, Alyssa, Marla, Nora
Eckher/Brenden – Phil, Sheri, Carl & Emma Peaslee & Sarah Eckher
Foss – Ryan, Lisa, Kristian, & Sawyer
Gilbertson – Roger, Darla
Guetschow – Bob, Jan
Johnson – Bernie, Ruth
Larson – Tom, Rachel, Ben, & Jana
Lubarski – Bob, Sandy, Bode & Wyatt
Moe – Rick, Jeanne, Erik, Kris, & Britta

Rieman – Maxine
Riggle – John, Shirley
Rutzen – Doris
Schaller – Shirley
Smith – Lorraine
Schmitz – Joshua, Dawn
Tollerfson – Paul, Pat, Peter, Jon & Becca
Waltz – Dick, Shirlee
Winsor – Gary



St. Paul's has
received a
**Certificate of
Outstanding
Achievement**

in recognition of and appreciation
for the many blessings your hands
have brought to Beacon Hill
through volunteer services. View
the Giving Hands award on the
entryway kiosk.

The monthly "Service Team Sign-up" calendar is posted on the office door for your convenience.
Please check it weekly for remaining opportunities.



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

**Please deliver within 5 days
 of July 1, 2007**



LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING!!!!

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|--------------------------|---|
| Sunday, June 3 | The Holy Trinity, 9:30 am Holy Communion, Food Shelf Sunday
10:45 am Spring Congregation Meeting |
| Sunday, June 10 | 9:30 am Outdoor worship, Bring a Guest Sunday |
| Sunday, June 17 | 9:30 am Holy Communion, Father's Day,
Dedication of the new ELW worship book |
| Sunday, June 24 | 9:30 am Worship at Mizpah, <u>no service at St. Paul's</u> |
| Tuesday, June 12 | 7:00 pm Council meeting |
| Thursday, June 14 | 7:00 pm Orlin Schafer Memorial Service |
| Thursday, June 21 | 6:30 pm Our Saviour's serving |
| Friday, June 1-2 | Synod Assembly |
| Friday, June 15 | Newsletter information due |
| Friday, June 22 | 11:00 am Meals on Wheels |
| Saturday, June 2 | 8:00 am – 2:00 pm Annual Garage/Bake Sale & Car Wash |
| Saturday, June 9 | 8:30 am Men's Summer Breakfast |



Last chance to register for Vacation Bible School by June 1