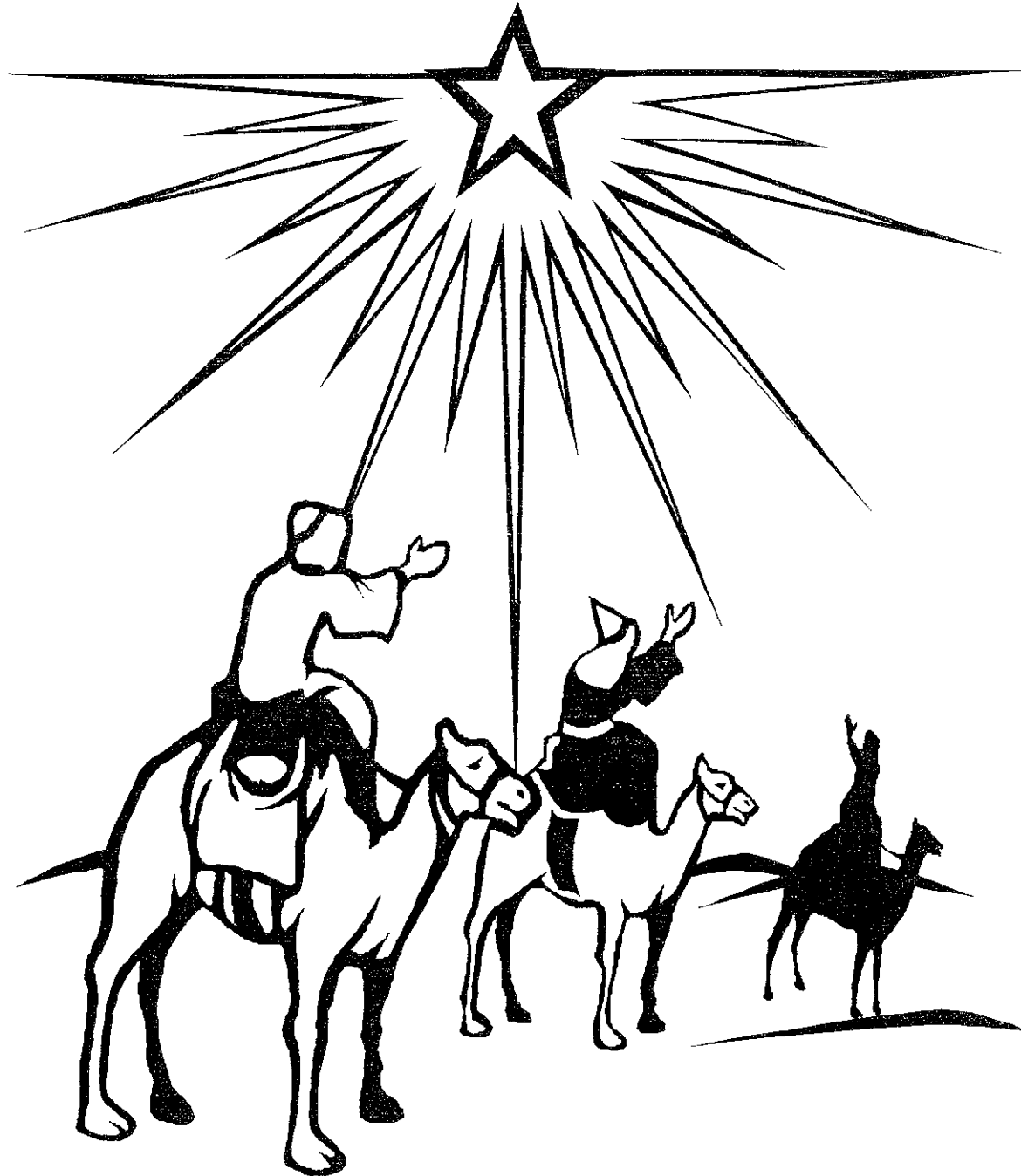


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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Grace and Salvation – The Daily Struggle –

I recently had the privilege of proclaiming the Good News from the pulpit. The opportunity to prepare a sermon was a homework assignment for Agora Ministries Discipleship Academy. The privilege of sharing it with our congregation came as an invitation from Pastor Louise. One of the purposes of the homework assignment was to experience the process that pastors follow when they prepare a sermon. A principal component of that process is to study the scripture of the day, to really get into it, and to live with it for a couple of weeks. The message that is ultimately proclaimed is the story that bubbles out of one's life during the time immersed in that scripture.

One of the many surprises in this experience is that quite a few stories bubbled out of the experience, and you don't get to share them all. Another surprise is that it doesn't stop bubbling when the sermon is over!

In this experience, the scripture of the day was the Mathew 25 parable of the ten bridesmaids (five wise and five foolish). The obvious thrust is that we must be prepared, or we risk missing "the coming of the bridegroom". A question that continued to bubble up is "If we are already saved by grace, what would we really miss by not being prepared?"

As a science-oriented person, I spend my professional life learning and working to understand and make sense of - well, pretty much everything. Yes I am one of those people who sometimes destroys mystery by rationalizing it away.

This brings me to an ongoing internal debate. I am sometimes reluctant to accept the free gift of grace because it is so hard to figure out what it will cost. If it is really free, what do we gain by all of this personal investment in following Christ? And this whole free gift business essentially takes away both the carrot and the stick from normal human motivation. The free grace internal debate, of course, overlaps with the meaning of salvation debate: "Saved from what? Saved for what?"

Among the myriad interpretations of salvation, death, and eternal life, I cling to the definition of death as separation from God. In that context, salvation has to do with maintaining a relationship with God, and eternal life has to do with my worldly life ending so I no longer have to deal with my other gods fighting to control me.

These internal debates are not entirely internal because they are nurtured by faith conversations with fellow believers. They continue daily and range from very simple to very obscure and esoteric, but ultimately, they culminate in practical conclusions that I can apply in my life, at least until the debate resumes. Here are a few of today's conclusions:

- **Grace, inclusion, exclusion**
I am saved by God's grace even though I have not earned it. God loves everyone and wants me to do the same. God chooses who is saved, and any illusion I have about knowing who will be saved results from me trying to put myself in God's place. **DON'T DO THAT!**
- **Saved from what?**
I am saved from death (separation from God). I am freed from being controlled by my dependence on money, possessions, and the other worldly things that I am tempted to put before God. I am not completely released from these things, but I am blessed, at least intermittently, with the strength and faith needed to form and maintain a personal relationship with God and to be able to put that relationship ahead of my worldly gods.
- **Saved for what?**
I am saved for the opportunity to focus on what God is up to, and to form and mature a personal relationship with Him. I am saved to become a servant.
- **So if I am saved by grace, is it taken care of once and for all?**
No. I am weak and repeatedly fall back to my own ways. I need a fresh dose of grace each day to release me from my failures and to free me for another day of trying to follow God's will.
- **This sounds like a call for good works. Where do they fit in?**
I believe that we are called by God to do good works. Some Christians believe that good works are needed to be saved. Others believe that we are saved by grace alone and freed by that act of grace to do good works in thanksgiving. I believe, pragmatically, that God wants us to be servants and doesn't really expect us to understand why.

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My worldly experience provides no basis for explaining either grace or salvation or how it works. I count these gifts as wonderful mysteries that cannot be dimmed by rationalization. It is refreshing to stand on the other side of rationalization and be able to embrace faith and accept the mystery.

Pray for one-another that, as we each work through our internal debates, we are able to discover the moments of clarity and glimpses of God that we need to nurture our faith. Be watchful for others who are struggling, and help them to be reassured that they are not alone; that we all struggle with ourselves on a daily basis.

Blessings,
Vince Jacobson

St. Paul's Congregation Council

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Property Liaison

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Youth & Family Ministries Liaison

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Worship & Music Liaison

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Assisting Liaison

Assisting Council

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Financial Secretary – Shirley Schaller

Featured Ministry Team is a recurring article written by the council member liaison to that ministry team. This month's feature is by Mary Hromatka.

Featured Ministry Team

YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRIES

Have you noticed the children around the building during the education hour? How about the adults around the table in the library? Maybe you've seen the teenagers on their way to Oak Knoll on Wednesday evenings? Or have you observed the preschoolers in the nursery about once a month with their parents? Maybe you have participated in one of the bible studies or the regular book talk discussions? What about assisting in the summer with the youth at that VBS day camp we do with those other congregations? Have you ever driven or sent your children to Luther Dell for a week? Maybe your children are a little older and they went canoeing in the boundary waters, or painted houses in West Virginia. Ever eaten spaghetti in the fellowship hall with the young adults? These activities are the roots of our Youth and Family Ministries.

I like to think of Youth and Family Ministries as a growing tree. To keep it strong it must be nurtured. There are many people who seem to continually be up to the task; Lisa Foss, Darcie Rodman, Sheri Brenden, Connie Hessevick and Pastor Louise are some of the people who generously give their time and energies to this ministry. They of course also need nurturing and assistance so that they too can grow.

As you can see there are many ways that we can all be involved. It isn't a secret club and you don't need to pay special dues. All you need is a willingness to actively be apart of the continuing study and living within our faith. We are the trunk and branches of this special tree. It is through our sharing and caring for one another and the opportunity to learn together that we can grow as Christians.

We are all part of the tree, which is the greater family of God and the branches that make up our smaller family at St Paul's. I would like to invite you to participate in one or more of the activities that the Youth and Family Ministries offer. Better yet maybe you have new ideas that would enhance this ministry. We certainly are open to all new ideas and assistance. Just let me know. Mary Hromatka

COUNCIL NEWS

St. Paul's Church Council meets at 7:00 p.m. 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.

Council Meeting Highlights

December 9, 2008

Present: Vince Jacobson, Mary Hromatka, Phil Eckhert, Kathy Powers, Kristin Campbell, Connie Hessevick, Carolyn Carpenter and Pastor Louise Mollick.

Vince called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. Mary provided a brief devotion.

Spiritual Growth

Pastor Louise led a discussion of observations and findings from the recent cottage meetings. Most of the discussion focused on summaries from the "we give thanks", "we dream dreams", and "we refocus" post-it notes everyone filled out at the meetings. She prepared a power point slide show to help guide the discussion.

Pastor's Report

Pastor Louise reported on meetings with representatives of Vida Abundante En Cristo and the Russian Baptist church. Concerns were raised about the well being of some of our members. The local (ELCA) Conference will be in January.

Ministry Teams

Pastor Louise suggested that we plan a celebration to gather all of the ministry teams together some time in the new year.

Financial, Stewardship Report

Phil reported that not all pledges are in. Preliminary results were shown in a handout. It was also reported that Thrivent will match \$1.00 for each \$2.00 given for the local food shelf.

Continuing Business

- Vince described some technology opportunity progress related to St. Paul's web presence.

- The membership participation of the Spiritual Gifts Survey has been disappointing. We will need increased emphasis.
- The church sign upgrade discussion has been deferred until after the first of the year.
- We will not purchase a holiday service ad in the local paper (affirm previous decision).
- The yellow pages contract we had entered into earlier will end soon and we will not renew.
- The introductory phone message on the church phone was discussed.

New Business

- Kathy asked about a Christmas banner. It was reported that Ruth & Bernie Johnson usually take care of banners.
- We will consider asking for individual contributions for the sign upgrade to avoid having to budget for it.
- A meeting was scheduled to work on the 2009 budget. Phil, Bernie Johnson, Shirley Schaller, Pastor, Mary, and Vince will attend. Eric Campbell and Tom Larson were also suggested as attendees.
- The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on January 25, 2009.
- We need a Nominating Committee for new council members whose terms start May 2009 and will be elected at the annual meeting. Vince will organize and lead this effort.
- Vince, Mary and Pastor Louise will meet to consider the "where do we go from here" part of the cottage meeting follow-up.

Adjournment 9:15 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Carpenter*

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 email us at StPauls@saintpaulslutheran.org.

Reminder: February newsletter items are due in the office by Thursday, January 15.

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The Fun Factor:

An Asset in Congregational Climate



Did you know that **Fun** correlates with effective, vital, ministry? No fooling, it does! No less an authority than Herb Miller (the guy who *invented* Consecration Sunday) tells you more in this month's issue of *The Parish Paper*, now available at www.mpls-synod.org

“Emotional climate is among the most influential causes of congregational effectiveness and vitality.”

—Herb Miller, author of *Consecration Sunday, Connecting with God, Leadership is the Key,*

Most congregations want to improve the quality of their ministry. Having insightful advice from leading consultants, now that's a gift! It is the gift that partners like you at St Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church help to give the congregations of this synod. Because of your congregations offering of \$1,125.00 to mission support, the practical insights of *The Parish Paper* are available—**FREE**—to every congregation and leader with the click of a mouse. Go to www.mpls-synod.org to download the November and December issues.

The Parish Paper: Ideas and Insights for Active Congregations became a useful resource for congregations' decades ago when nationally known church life consultant and teacher Lyle Schaller began it as a subscription news letter. Today fresh insights from the co-editing team of Herb Miller, Lyle Schaller, Cynthia Woolever give leaders a quick, accessible ideas and perspectives. Best of all, it is yours!

Thank you for your regular mission support offerings. Thank you for supporting the mission and ministry of your neighbors. And thank you to Pastor Mark Wegener who suggested the Synod make it available to all its congregations.

Blessings on your many ministries,

Heather E. Hammond

Pastor Heather E. Hammond, Bishop's Associate

p.s. Don't forget every month you can find this letter and other wonderful stewardship resources to share with your congregation at <http://makingchristknown.wordpress.com>. Do you have a story to tell, a gift to share, a resource you think would make great news? Please share your ideas on the website or email them to Rachel Swan, Administrative Assistant, at r.swan@mpls-synod.org.



Highlights of the 2008 Progressive Dinner

Many thanks to Carolyn Carpenter and Jan Guetschow for coordinating this outstanding event, and to all the hosts & hostesses, their helpers, and all participants who helped make the night unforgettable. Those who could not attend, were missed.

- + 46 people enjoyed each other's company at three different places during the evening.
- + Nobody got lost or went without a ride.
- + Ruth Thompson's pie server was found in Phil & Sheri's driveway after the party.
- + Beth Mikulay served several wines at the dessert. That she had made herself.
- + The food was fabulous.
- + There are only about 11 months until the next one. **Mark you calendars and decide now to be there – December 5th.**

Have you completed your Spiritual Gifts Survey?

Go online to www.StPaulsLutheran.org. It's easy, and confidential. If you need a printed version, please contact Vince Jacobson as soon as possible.

We really appreciate your participation!

12th Night Bonfire with our partners Vida Abundante En Cristo

Saturday, January 10 at 5:30 pm, everyone is invited to the annual Twelfth Night Bonfire. Bring your friends, your tree to burn, whatever

you would like to cook over the fire and something to share. We will learn new traditions and share old ones with our new partners in Christ.



Tuesday,
January 20
at 7:00 p.m.

Our focus will be *Three Cups of Tea: one man's mission to fight terrorism and build nations one school at a time* by Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin. We'll meet in St. Paul's library.

Many copies of the title are available in Hennepin County Library (in audio and large print too). But reserve one now because they are much in demand. The book is about Mortenson's efforts to build schools (especially for girls) in the region considered to be the birthplace of the the Taliban and sanctuary for Al Qaeda. Mortenson tries to battle the root causes of terrorism - poverty and ignorance - while contending with kidnapping, angry mullahs, death threats from Americans who consider him a traitor, and separation from his family.

Attention H.S. Seniors



Glen Lake Optimist Club
2009 Owinski Award
for Community Service

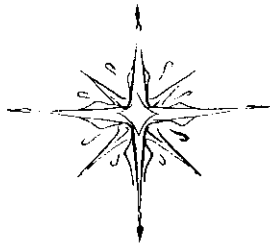
Any student who will be a graduating high school senior spring of 2009 and will attend any education institution listed on the Owinski Award Application Distribution List is eligible for the **cash award of \$1,000.**

Nominations must be made on the official Glen Lake Optimist Club form and received between **February 1st and March 31st, 2009.** Contact Bob Gerlicher at 952-474-7248, Rey Lindquist at 952-938-6506, or Wayne Jeske, 952-939-9885 for an application form or copy the one posted on the entryway kiosk.

St. Paul's office hours are:

Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm.

We were all very proud of St. Paul's Brita Moe who won this award last year. You can too!



A New Year Blessing

I hope for you in this new year of 2009

That the single, most significant dimension of life is your relationship with the Source of Goodness who never ceases to sing love songs to your soul

That you find meaning, purpose, and vitality in what you do daily

That you treasure your loved ones and let them know how dear they are to you

That you make choices and decisions that reflect your truest self

That you look in the mirror at least once a day and smile in happy amazement

That you remember relationships are what count above all else - more than work or money, or all the material things we spend so much time tending

That you live in an uncluttered manner, enjoying the freedom to be content

That you keep your sense of humor when things don't go the way you want

That you find adventure in each new day and marvel at the wonders of creation which constantly present themselves to you

That you never give up on yourself when others turn away or do not understand

That you are attentive to the health of your body, mind and spirit

That you take risks and accept the growth-full challenges that come to you

That you draw on your inner strength and resiliency when you are in need

That you carry peace within yourself, allowing it to slip into the hearts of others so our planet becomes a place where violence, division, and war are no more

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Announcing the Annual Congregational Meeting

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Sunday, January 25, 2008
10:50 A.M.

Items of business:

1. Present to the congregation annual ministry and financial performance reports.
2. Elect new council members
3. Elect delegates to Minneapolis Area Synod Assembly [May 29-30]
4. Recap November Cottage Meetings with a discussion on "Where do we go from here?"
5. Discuss deficit.
6. Discuss and vote on a proposed 2009 annual budget.

Reminder – the Bi-annual June meeting has been discontinued. Everyone, please plan to attend in January and participate in planning the future of St. Paul's.

~ LOOKING AHEAD ~

Epiphany

- ❖ January – see calendar in this issue
- ❖ February 22 – Transfiguration of Our Lord

Lent

- ❖ February 25 – Ash Wednesday
- ❖ March 4 to April 1 – Lenten services
- ❖ March 8 – Daylight Saving Time begins
- ❖ April 5 – Palm Sunday
- ❖ April 9 – Maundy Thursday
- ❖ April 10 – Good Friday
- ❖ April 11 – Vigil of Easter

Easter

- ❖ April 12 – The Resurrection of Our Lord
- ❖ April 14 to June 30 – Grief Support at Minnetonka United Methodist Church
- ❖ April 22 – Conclude confirmation classes
- ❖ May 25 – Memorial Day
- ❖ May 29 & 30 – Mpls Synod Assembly

Pentecost

- ❖ May 31 – Pentecost
- ❖ June 22 to 26 – Vacation Bible School
- ❖ June 28 – VBS joint congregation worship

SPECIAL THANKS!

- We don't use our Fellowship Hall as regularly as we did so maybe you haven't noticed the big change. Heads Up! The **Handy Helpers** recently finished painting the walls (which were badly in need of paint). They have spent many Mondays at St. Paul's and it looks so clean and restored and beautiful! Take a look and find a time to say thank you to Darold Hanson, John Riggle and Roger Ramsden. What would we do without them?

- **Rachel Larson** for the welcome banner; our **Handy Helpers & Bernie Johnson, and Juan Tuz & others** from Vida Abundante En Cristo for helping with snow removal.

- **Our Saviour's servers.** Marti (Shelter Manager) wanted to share some of the great feedback she's been hearing about the meals at Our Saviour's Shelter. The residents say that the meals are excellent! One of the residents who has been there almost three months was telling of the good things that have happened since he moved in (getting a job, etc.). He continued with the best thing has been the food. Before he came here he was working but ate a lot of fast food. He said he has felt better since he moved in because he has a healthier diet and quality of food.

So thank you all for your nutritious & delicious meals, as well as the care and concern you show to our residents when you are here! Your efforts really are appreciated. *Maryellen Skan, Volunteer Coordinator, Our Saviour's Housing, 612.872.4193x25 or volunteer@oshousing.org.*

- **to those who attended the Interfaith Thanksgiving Eve worship** at Mizpah. The joint choirs' joyful noise was outstanding and beautifully done, the service most enjoyable, the sermon very enlightening, and the refreshments incredible. The total offering collected was \$400 in cash, \$94 in checks to Mizpah, a \$20 check to the Resource Center and \$110 in checks to ICA. The resulting collective donation was then made to the Hopkins-Minnetonka Family Resource

Center for \$267 and to ICA for \$357, in honor of all four congregations.

- **to those who gave so generously** to the Synod's Sponsor A Family and the Hopkins – Minnetonka Family Resource Center's Toy Chest.

- **On behalf of ICA** – Your Local Food Shelf, thank you for your donation of \$150. With your gift, ICA will provide nutritional food, basic financial assistance, and transportation for people in need. We believe that our presence in the community makes our neighborhoods more stable and secure; your generosity means *Hope, Love, and Strength* to neighbors in need as they move toward self-sufficiency.

According to the USDA the cost of foods such as cereals, bakery goods, eggs and oils has risen over 10% in the past year. We have seen an increase in households we serve monthly, the 2007 to 2008 statistics show an increase of 48% in pounds of food distributed and a 49% jump in financial assistance for families in need. The wider variety of services ICA provides on a monthly basis helps to offset the pressure of rising costs and increased needs. Thank you for your loyalty to ICA and your charitable support of our mission.

With gratitude, *Cathy Maes, Executive Director*

~ ICA Events ~

CUB FOODS (101 & 7) Challenge the community to stock the ICA Food Shelf by purchasing 2,000 pre-packed white bags. Each bag costs \$5.00 and is filled with items requested by ICA. When the 2,000 bag goal is reached, CUB will match \$10,000 in food to ICA. The white bags are located near the checkout and can be dropped into the ICA bin at the exit.

CHAMBER MUSIC BENEFIT CONCERT

Sunday, January 18 at 3:00 p.m.
Bet Shalom Congregation, 13613 Orchard Rd.,
For information call 952-933-8325
Tickets are available in St. Paul's office
\$18 – in advance, \$25 – at the door



December 9, 2008

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
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Dear St. Paul's Lutheran Church congregation,

Thank you so much for the gift of \$302.00. Your gift will guarantee the women and children residing in our shelter have a wonderful Holiday this year. Your thoughtfulness in reaching out to them is much appreciated!

Support such as yours, especially in these poor economic times, is critical toward helping families to move forward to safe, happy and healthier futures. By remembering our families, you have made a huge impact toward giving them hope and reminding them that they are not alone.

Once again, thank you for thinking of our women and children. On behalf of everyone at Sojourner, I wish everyone a happy and healthy Holiday Season!

Warm Regards,

Pam Hoepner
Community Relations Director
952-351-4061

This letter is an official receipt for your tax-deductible gift. No goods or services have been provided in exchange for your contribution.

Sunday Bible Readings

January 4 – Epiphany Sunday

Jeremiah 31:7-14
Psalm 147:12-20
Ephesians 1:3-14
John 1: [1-9] 10-18

January 11 – Baptism of Our Lord

Genesis 1:1-5
Psalm 29
Acts 19:1-7
Mark 1:4-11

January 18 – 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

1 Samuel 3:1-10 [11-20]
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
1 Corinthians 6:12-20
John 1:43-51

January 25 – 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Jonah 3:1-5, 10
Psalm 62:5-12
1 Corinthians 7:29-31
Mark 1:14-20

Prayer & Bible Study

- † **Bible study with Pastor Louise** is held every other Saturday morning from 9:30 – 11:00 am in St. Paul's Library. Please check the monthly calendar for exact dates.
- † **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.
- † **ELCA radio ministry**, *Grace Matters*, is on Sundays at 6:30 a.m. KSTP 1500 AM and 10:30 p.m. WFMP 107.1 FM.
- † **Daily devotional booklet**, *Christ in Our Home*, is available on the entryway table.
- † **ELCA online Bible study**, *Daily Discipleship* is based on the lectionary and online at www.elca.org/evangelism/daily-discipleship.
- † **Other prayer resources** are available at www.elca.org/prayer.

West Metro 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.

Saturdays 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Wooddale Lutheran Church
4003 Wooddale Avenue South
St. Louis Park, MN 55416
Carol Fiedler ~ church liaison
(952)926-9864



<u>DATE</u>	<u>SPEAKER</u>	<u>TOPIC</u>
January 3	Mary Christopherson	New Year, New You
January 10	Cindy McHugh	Memory Bears
January 17	Elizabeth Johnson	Writing through Grief
January 24	Dennis Herschbach	Personal Story
January 31	Deborah Pope	Music in Grief Expression

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

Special Thanks to those who hosted and attended the cottage meetings in November.

Special Thanks to our children, musicians, and all those who contributed to the outstanding worship during Advent and Christmas.

Special Thanks to our service team members who participated in so many ways throughout the year to make St. Paul's a truly special and inviting community, and who shared so abundantly. God bless you!

January 2009 Service Team

★ church council member

Bell/Burdick – Lois, Glyde
Carpenter – Marshall, Carolyn★
Foss – Ryan, Lisa, Kristian, Sawyer
Guetschow – Bob, Jan
Hessevick – Connie★
Hoyhyta – Carol
Johnson – Bernie, Ruth
MacNaughton – Jenni, Katie, Zach
Majersky, Deloris
McGee – Linda
Moe – Rick, Jeanne, Britta, Erik, Kris
Nelson – Steve, Wanda
Olson – Ray, Jean
Peterson - Mary Kay
Rodman/Rudolph - Darcie, Chuck, Peter
Rutzen – Doris
Smith – Kay, Ken, Michael

February 2009 Service Team

★ church council member

Campbell – Eric, Deb, Kristen★
Eckhert/Brenden – Phil★, Sheri, Emma
& Carl Peaslee, Sarah Eckhert
Gilbertson - Roger, Darla
Hanning – Elsie
Johnson – Regina
Larson – Tom, Rachel
Madson – Annette, John
Mikulay – Mike, Beth
Pfaendtner - Kathy, Olivia, Helene, &
Luke
Powers – Tom, Kathy★, Jack, Nick
Riggle – John, Shirley
Schwitzer – Bill
Streater – Kim, Dylan, John
Thompson – Ruth



2 Bob Guetschow
7 Beth Mikulay
10 Mary Kay Peterson
14 Joyce Ramsden,
Lois Bell
19 Jean Olson,
Miki Anderson
23 Dustin Powers
28 Tom Larson
29 Mary Crossley
30 Kate Mikulay

Blessed Anniversaries

5 Steve & Wanda Nelson
9 Ryan & Lisa Foss

HAPPY NEW YEAR



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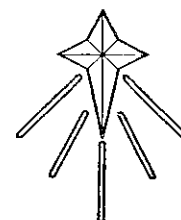
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LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING!!!!



Sunday, all
Sunday, January 4
Sunday, January 11
Sunday, January 25

9:30 am – Holy Communion followed by refreshments
Epiphany Sunday & Food Shelf Sunday
Christian education for all ages resumes, Little Lambs
Annual Congregational Meeting

Monday, all
Monday, January 5
Monday, January 12

9:30 am – Staff meeting & Handy Helpers
6:00 pm – Budget & Growth mtg, 7:00 pm – Spong discussion group
1:00 pm – Mutual Ministry mtg

Tuesday, January 6
Tuesday, January 13
Tuesday, January 20

Epiphany of Our Lord, 7:00 pm – Transformational Ministry mtg
7:00 pm – Council
7:00 pm – Book Talk in the Library

Wednesday, all
Wednesday, January 14

7:30 pm – Choir rehearsal
11:30 am – Prayer Shawl Ministry, 6:30 pm Confirmation Ministry

Thursday, January 1
Thursday, January 8
Thursday, January 15

New Years, Office closed
7:00 pm – Worship & Music Team mtg
6:15 pm – Our Saviour's serving

Friday, January 9
Friday, January 23

4:30 pm – 10:15 am Confirmation Ministry retreat
11:00 am – Meals on Wheels

Saturday, all
Saturday, January 10
Saturday, January 17, 31

9:30 am – Grief Support Group at First Lutheran, St. Louis Park
8:30 am – Men's monthly breakfast, 5:30 pm – 12th Night Bonfire
9:30 am – Bible Study with Pastor Louise