



# Crosswinds +

## Lenten Mid-Week Services Continue

Wednesdays, February 13-March 12 Noon, 5:45 & 7:00 p.m.

One of the “salutary” (promoting health and wholeness) purposes of the season of Lent is to nurture our faith — to cultivate and fertilize it so it will continue to grow.

It is for this reason that many congregations offer extra worship serviced each week in Lent, giving people the opportunity to expand their horizons and grow their faith.

The St. Barnabas community will have three worship opportunities each Wednesday in Lent, February 13-March 12.

A noon worship service will be a brief (20 minutes), simple service of a hymn, prayers, and the reading of a section of the Passion History. The Passion History is a consolidation of all four gospel accounts of Jesus’ arrest, trial, and crucifixion. A simple meal of soup and bread will be served after the service each week.

On Wednesday evenings, the beautiful contemplative service of Holden Evening Prayer will be offered at 5:45 and 7:00, with a soup supper served from 6-6:45. The services are identical.

The theme of the evening services is “Water in the Wilderness: God’s Sustaining Grace.”

On our life journeys, we inevitably hit bumps that bruise our souls — dry times with nothing to quench our thirst. God’s people have

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consistently found that even in these “wilderness experiences”, God provides the means to sustain us — just as God sustained Moses and the people of Israel with water and manna (just enough to get by from day to day) for forty years as they journeyed in the wilderness before reaching the Promised Land.

Five members of the St. Barnabas community will share a “wilderness experience” they have encountered and reflect on how God was present for them during that time.

Feb. 13	Jann Patton	Eating Disorder
Feb. 20	Ann Harless	Spouse’s Cancer
Feb. 27	Scott Gilyard	Leukemia
Mar. 5	Keri Manson	Infertility
Mar. 12	Bob Murphey	Teenager Trials

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### Church Begins at Home

Enclosed is a resource for personal/family devotions for the next four weeks. Pull the insert out to keep on your kitchen table, night stand, or wherever it will best be available to you.

## Auction/Mexican Dinner Fundraiser—March 2

An auction and Mexican dinner will be held on Sunday, March 2 to raise funds for St. Barnabas youth ministry summer trips.

A group of 20 youth and 5 adults will go to Cortez, Colorado June 20-29. Working under the direction of an organization called Youthworks, they will work in the Cortez community in two primary areas of ministry: leading a Kids Club program and helping with home improvement projects.

A group of 7 youth and 2 adults will explore the Boundary Waters August 9-15.

The Auction will be open on Saturday, March 1 (so those coming to Saturday worship can get a look at the items) and on Sunday, March 2. The Silent Auction portion closes at 5:00 p.m. and a Live Auction follows at 5:15 p.m..

There are two settings for the Mexican Dinner on Sunday, March 2. The first setting is from 11 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and the second setting is from 4:30-6:00 p.m. The cost for the meal is \$12 for

adults and \$6 for children 12 and under for tickets bought in advance. At the door tickets are \$14 for adults and \$7 for children.

There are two ways you can help out. First, simply come to the Mexican dinner and bid on some of the great items and services that have been donated.

Secondly, the youth would greatly appreciate if you or a group you belong to would be willing to donate an item or two for the Auction.

Donation forms can be picked up from the display table at the Welcome Center and returned to Dennis after they are completed. Also, you might ask a neighbor (non-member) if they have a special service or item that they might donate to support our youth ministry.

Last year this fundraiser raised over \$5000. We hope to go well beyond that and put a good dent into our students fees and pay for the adult chaperones for the Cortez Mission Trip and Boundary Waters Trip.

## Ongoing groups:

### Alcoholics Anonymous

Every Thursday, 7:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room. For more information, contact **Ross Patton** (763-544-3617) or **Dan Johnson** (763-537-9588).

### "Barney's Boys"

Men's study and fellowship group meets every other Saturday from 8-9:30 a.m. at Panera, Hwy 55 & County Road 24. Next meetings are Mar. 1 & 15. For more information contact **Bob Murphey** at 763-475-2397 or [bjmurphey@comcast.net](mailto:bjmurphey@comcast.net).

### Pastor's Class

Pastor Wayne leads a study each Tuesday morning from 9:15-10:30. **The group is studying Paul's letter to the Colossians during Lent.** New participants are welcome at any time. Contact Pastor Wayne for more information.

### JustWomen

Pastor Chris leads a study of the Gospel of John.

- Thursday mornings from 9:30-11:00. Free child care available.
- the 1st and 3rd Tuesday evening of each month from 7-8:30 p.m.

### Knitters & Crocheters

Work on your own project. All skill levels are welcome. They meet the 4th Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. Next meeting Feb. 27. For more information, contact **Mary Pestel** 763-559-9138.

### Quilters

First Friday of each month at 9:30 a.m. Next meeting March 7. All skill levels are welcome. For more information, call **Audrey Johnson** 763-559-4459.

### Soup N Bread

The 55 and Better group meets the third Friday of each month for a lunch at church. Since the March date falls on Good Friday, the next gathering will be April 18.

## New Photography Group

The St. Barnabas Photo Group will meet on Saturday, March 1, at the studio of John Engstrom. John is a professional photographer and former member of St. Barnabas. He will conduct a presentation on "Photo Composition" and the session is open to all members of St. Barnabas. Just go to John's studio at 8821 Science Center Drive, New Hope. The event begins at 10 am and will last about 1.5 hours. Bring your camera or sample photographs and John will answer questions about them. For more information, call Ken Hoyme 763-551-1748.

## First Communion Classes

Children who would like to begin receiving Holy Communion are invited to bring their parents to First Communion classes on Sunday mornings, March 2 & 9 from 9:10-10:00 in the Fireside Room. Those participating will receive their First Communion on Maundy Thursday, March 20.

If you have questions about whether or not your child is ready to receive the sacrament, please talk with Pastor Wayne or Pastor Chris. Families are asked to register by signing up at the Welcome Center.

## Serving Help Needed for Easter Breakfast

Many hands are needed to prepare and serve Easter breakfast on March 23. Some preparatory work can be done on Friday and Saturday, some early on Sunday morning, and servers are needed throughout the morning. If you would like to help out in this important ministry, sign up at the Welcome Center.

## Pastor Chris Goes to ELCA Training Event

Pastor Chris recently served on the leadership team for a synod conference called "Vital Congregations, Just Communities." The purpose of the conference was to educate clergy and lay leaders about the scriptural and Lutheran confessional foundations for faith-based organizing for social justice. (Pastor Wayne and Paul Nicholson attended the conference.)

As a result of the success of the conference, Pastor Chris and the rest of the team have been invited to attend a two-day planning session near Atlanta (Feb. 21-22) to develop training materials and to be prepared as trainers for similar synod conferences across the country, all funded by a grant from the ELCA. This is an exciting opportunity to explore the call of Scripture and the strength of our tradition in moving toward creating a more just society as envisioned in the Gospels.

Pastor Chris will report on the results of the event and next steps at the March council meeting and in future issues of *Crosswinds*.

## D&G

Discovery & Growth is an adult education opportunity that meets most Sunday mornings from 10:30-11:30 in the Gardenview Room.

The month of February has focused on PRAYER, making use of the video series, "*The Four Acts of Prayer*", by Pastor Walter Wangerin, Jr. The series ends this Sunday, Feb. 24 with *The Fourth Act of Prayer - We Listen: The Pieties, and Emptiness Before God*.

The month of March will explore environmental issues and the Christian faith. On March 2, Ann & Andy Dybvig begin the series with a look at the Biblical basis for Christians to be stewards of creation.

## Book Discussion Group

The Book Discussion group gets together on the third Thursday evening of each month of the school year and once during the summer to discuss a novel. New participants (both women and men) are always welcome. One can come on a regular basis or just for a single time. Just contact the host for the evening to let her know you are coming.

**March 13-**(Note that the group meets a week early due to Holy Week) *Suite Francaise* by Irene Nemirovsky. Host: to be announced

For more information, call Julie Hoyme at the church office (763-553-1239).

## Easter Flowers

Lilies, mums, and hydrangeas are being ordered to decorate the sanctuary for Easter morning. Plants cost \$8-\$11 each.

If you would like to donate one of the plants "in memory of" or "in honor of" someone you love, a sign-up sheet is at the Welcome Center.

## Jazz@StBarney's

### Saturday, March 8 - Travis Anderson Trio

From Happy Hour at The Dakota to pure magic at St. Barney's, the flying fingers of Travis Anderson cast a musical spell over everyone who hears him. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$7 for members of the Twin Cities Jazz Society (TCJS), \$5 for students. Free popcorn, coffee and lemonade will be provided; soft drinks will be available for 50 cents.

## Lunchtime Organ Recital Series

### Thursday, March 13, 12:30 p.m.

Artist: **Jim Hild, All Saints Lutheran Church, Minnetonka**

The St. Barnabas Center for the Arts Organ Recital Series offers lunch time concerts on the second Thursday of each month, from 12:30-1:00. A simple lunch is served prior to each recital from 11:45-12:15. Please RSVP for the lunch, 763-553-1239.

# March "Gift of Love" for Minnesota Food Share



Minnesota FoodShare coordinates an annual campaign each year during the month of March, involving over 4,000 congregations, businesses, civic groups and schools who raise food and cash donations for food shelves across the state of Minnesota.

300 food shelves in the state participate in the March Campaign, as well as 2,000 congregations, 1,000 businesses and 1,200 civic groups and schools. Most groups participating in the campaign choose a food shelf in their area, and give their food and cash donations directly to that food shelf. At St. Barnabas, all donations go directly to Interfaith Outreach and Community Partners. Based on March donations, Minnesota FoodShare will allocate funds that IOCP can use to purchase additional food. The greater our March donation to IOCP, the greater the dollar allocation it will receive from Minnesota FoodShare.

Since 1982, Minnesota FoodShare has been a key component of a faith-based response to local hunger, mobilizing congregations, corporations, schools and community groups -- people just like you -- to reach out to the hungry.

Last year the people of Minnesota contributed an all-time record of 9 million pounds and dollars (4 million pounds of food and \$5 million) for 260 Minnesota food shelves. Each dollar enables a food shelf to buy four pounds of food.

You can contribute to Minnesota FoodShare in one of two ways:

- 1) by making a financial gift through our "Gift of Love" offering or
- 2) by bringing non-perishable food items to the food cart in our narthex. Protein items

like canned tuna, salmon, and chicken are appreciated as well as complete meals.

St. Barnabas' goal for the "Gift of Love" is that every member give something each month. When we all give a little, it adds up to a lot!



## PRAYER CHAIN

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## News & Notes

- The St. Barnabas community experienced two deaths this past week. **DeWayne Lennox** died Feb. 15 in Florida where he was in hospice care for congestive heart failure. We extend our sympathy to Eva and their two daughters. DeWayne's memorial service will be this spring after Eva returns from Florida. **Beverly Pearson**, mother of **Nancy Larson**, died Feb. 18 from pancreatic cancer. A private family service for Beverly will be held at St. Barnabas. We extend our sympathy to Nancy & Steve and their family.
- **Jim Cook** has been hospitalized at Methodist this past week with a colon infection. We are happy to hear that **Rick Grey** is back home again with his mom, Ione Botts, after a 2½ month stay in the hospital.
- The St. Barnabas group working with Lutheran Disaster Response in New Orleans this week reports that they are having a great time and feel they are making a real contribution. Three members of the group have earned the nicknames The Stripper, The Hammer, and The Flasher. We are anxious to learn their real identities when they return next week.

Check out the  
**St. Barnabas web site**  
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## March Baptismal Anniversaries

6 Richard Edlund	18 Tyler Carter	27 Beverly Drazul
Robert Weaver	Joel Porter	David Sather
7 Scott Werley	19 Lindsey Orke	Carolyn Suttor
8 Dick Meyer	20 Julie Anderson-	28 Grace Reynolds
Dwight Neville	Simonson	Kathryn Titus
Ian Neville	Rachel	Barbara Zell
Nicholas Neville	Struckmeyer	29 Caralin Walsh
9 Barry Bergh	21 Eva Lennox	Robert Walsh
Kenneth Hoyme	Jerome Zell	Brian Welschons
10 Megan Donnell	23 Darin Troftgruben	30 Anna Johnson
Kami Miskiw	24 Stephanie Pool	Adele Lillie
11 Roy Gummeson	26 Douglas	Madeline Linder
Laurie Hackl	McGowan	Vidal Vasquez
12 Janice Andersen	Lisa Umland	31 Emily Lindberg
13 Wayne Peterson	Sarah Umland	
15 Shelly Davis	27 Morgan Coffman	

## March Birthdays

1 Sarah Kate Pierro	11 Scott Tjaden	24 Twyla Bergh
2 Ian Novak	13 Lorel Anderson	Matthew Cossette
Gretchen	Marsha Gronneberg	Kaitlyn Eilderts
Struckmeyer	Jared Sather	Samuel Olson
3 Carolyn Suttor	Lynn Walters	25 Marilyn Arndt
Brady Tjaden	14 Brian Wade	Jean Berg
4 Fern Clauson	16 Michael Fritz	26 Julie Snell
George Lytwyn	Dane Jacobson	27 John Linder
5 Kathy Burkett	Kaitlyn Peterson	Greta Sommerfeld
Douglas Forsyth	Sue Spencer	Sandy Williams
6 Laura Silbaugh	17 Emily Lindberg	28 Clark Sanders
7 Darryn McGarvey	Kimberly	Myron Werley
8 Laurie Hackl	Regensburger	30 Wendy Linder
Abby Silbaugh	Caleb Stephens	Michael Umland
9 Roger Lillemo	18 Maggie Harless	31 Steven Alexander
Adele Lillie	Brady Lillie	Eli Hoff
Abigail Reynolds	22 Donald Johnson	Jay Koepsell
11 Roy Gummeson	23 Jonathan Fritz	Rose Umland
Kenneth Root	Bill Rohland	

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## ST. BARNABAS IDENTITY STATEMENT

*St. Barnabas Lutheran Church is a part of the Body of Christ and a member congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. The source of our life together is the Word and Sacraments, celebrated in our worship.*

*We name ourselves after St. Barnabas, a New Testament apostle. He was called "Barnabas", meaning "son of encouragement", because he joyfully shared the "good news" of our Savior, Jesus Christ. He faithfully supported the work of the Church with his talents, prayers, and offerings.*

## MISSION STATEMENT

*Sent by Jesus, we set our sails to be filled by God's Spirit, inspiring us to praise, grow and serve.*

## Barney's Blarney

Two very elderly ladies were enjoying the sunshine on a park bench in Miami. They had been meeting at that park every sunny day for over 12 years, chatting and enjoying each other's friendship. One day, the younger of the two ladies turned to the other and said, "Please don't be angry with me, dear, but I am rather embarrassed. After all these years...What is your name? I am trying to remember, but I just can't."

The older friend stared at her, looking very distressed, and said nothing for two full minutes.

She finally replied, "How soon do you have to know?"

## "The Passion of the Christ" with Background Commentary

Mel Gibson's movie, "The Passion of the Christ" will be shown in the Student Center at St. Barnabas (lower level) on Thursday, March 6, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Bob Troemel and Pastor Chris will interject occasional brief interruptions, offering background information about what in the movie is biblical, what is tradition and what is fiction.

While this movie is not recommended for viewers under 16, youth are welcome with a parent. Please bring your favorite movie snack to share. Beverages will be provided. Sign up at the Welcome Center. Contact Bob (763-473-4989) or Pastor Chris (763-553-1239) with questions.

## Service of Prayer for Healing Sunday, March 9

St. Barnabas offers a monthly *Service of Prayer for Healing*. The service is generally on the second Sunday of each month from 7:00-7:45 p.m.

The service is simple: gathering, listening, praying, and (for those who desire it) laying on of hands. Everyone is welcome. Come seeking prayers for yourself or to intercede on behalf of a family member or friend.

## Worship Schedule

**Sunday 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.**  
**Saturday 5:00 p.m.**

**Thursday Morning Prayer  
7:30 a.m.**

**Prayers for Healing  
2nd Sundays at 7:00 p.m.**

**Lenten Worship Wednesdays  
12:00, 5:45, 7:00 p.m.**