



Crosswinds +

Bread for the World “Offering of Letters” Set for May 18

More and better development assistance for the world’s poorest countries is the focus of the Bread for the World **Offering of Letters Sunday, May 18** at St. Barnabas.

Tables will be set up in the Ministry Center to encourage people to write a short letter to their senator and representative to urge them to include funding in the U.S. budget to give people in poor countries the skills and opportunities needed to break the cycle of poverty. These include investment in education, agriculture, health, nutrition and clean water. Sample letters, information,

writing materials and addresses will be available.

More and better development aid is a critical component in meeting the Millennium Development Goals adopted in 2000 by the nations of the world, including the United States. One reduce by half the proportion of people living on less than \$1 a day and to reduce in half the people who suffer from hunger.

For more information, contact David Helgen, David Lindblom or Bob and Lois Troemel.

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May “Gift of Love” is for Habitat for Humanity

Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity builds homes in partnership with families who demonstrate need and willingness to work with Habitat for Humanity by helping to construct their own housing. With a safe, decent and affordable home to call their own, families are then free to concentrate on parenting, employment, education and community engagement. Each Habitat build provides a setting for people from all walks of life to work side by side in partnership with future homeowners—finding common ground as they create quality, affordable housing.

Twin Cities Habitat relies on volunteer labor and tax deductible contributions of cash, materials, professional services and property to build homes. In operation since 1985, Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity has built more than 650 homes in the seven-county metro area.

To support this project, the “Gift of Love” for the month of May is designated for Habitat for Humanity. The monthly St. Barnabas “Gift of Love” supports important ministries not included in our regular budget.

Your gift might be the change in your pocket or \$5 or \$50. When we all do a little, it adds up to a lot.

Thank you for your gifts. And a Big Thank You to **Adam Wolkenhauer** for his leadership as St. Barnabas participated in the Ramsey build last week.

It’s Not Too Late!

Our Vacation Bible School and Day Camp, **July 14-17** are filling up, but there is still room for more. We encourage all of our Lighthouse and Good Shepherd School kids to sign up for this exciting week of fun! The theme for VBS (ages 3-1st grade) is “Rainforest Adventure”, where we will explore what it means to share, give, grow, love and praise. The theme for Day Camp (grades 2-6) is “Just for Life!”. It is like a week up at Luther Park Bible Camp, without the sleep away part. Members are welcome to invite friends and grandparents can bring their grandchildren.

Registration forms are available on the Welcome Center and can be turned into the church office. If you have any questions call Rose Umland, 763-553-1239.

VBS Leader Meeting, Sunday, May 18, 11:30 a.m., Fireside Room

Spring Cleaning, Rain or Shine Saturday, May 24, 9 am-noon

It is time to get the church building and property cleaned up for spring. There are indoor and out door projects to do, so we’ll be here rain or shine. There are paths to be raked, patios to sweep, windows to wash and much more. If you can spare an hour or two, Please sign up at the Welcome Center or RSVP to Barry Bergh, bbergh@stbarnabaslutheran.org

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.

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 meeting is May 24. For more information contact **Bob Murphey** at 763-475-2397 or bjmurphey@comcast.net.

Pastor's Class

Pastor Wayne leads a study each Tuesday morning from 9:15-10:30. **While Pastor Wayne is on sabbatical, the group will participate in a video course on the History of the Papacy. The course is taught by Professor Thomas Noble of Notre Dame.** New participants are welcome at any time.

JustWomen

Pastor Chris leads these studies:

- Thursday mornings from 9:30-11:00. Free child care available. Summer break starts Thursday, June 5
- 1st & 3rd Tuesday evening of each month from 7-8:30 p.m. Summer break starts Tuesday, June 3

Knitters & Crocheters

Work on your own project. All skill levels are welcome. They meet the 4th Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. Next meeting May 28. For more information, contact **Mary Pestel** 763-559-9138.

Discovery & Growth

Is on summer break. Look for new programs starting in September

55 & Better, Soup n'Bread

Watch for announcements about future programming.

Introductory Self Defense Class

Dean Lillie is offering an introductory self defense class on **Thursday, May 22, 6:30-8 p.m.** If you have ever been intrigued by the idea of learning self defense awareness, this is a no obligation way to learn how to defend yourself. Side benefits are stretching, increased flexibility and strength. No equipment needed, just comfortable loose fitting clothing and athletic shoes. Sign up at the Welcome Center. Interested but can't come that night—call Dean Lillie 763-559-5196

Yard Work Can Be Fun...

...especially when it's not at your own house. *We have the equipment - if you have the time...*

Each week through out the growing season, St. Barnabas is looking for two people who enjoy the outdoors and would like to volunteer 4 hours to mow, trim and pickup around the property. We also need people with skills to provide routine maintenance on our equipment.

We have a 48" Husqvarna Lawn tractor, a 42" John Deere riding mower, a 21" self propelled walk-behind, a gas trimmer, and a gas leaf blower.

All of the units are quite simple to run. Barry Bergh would be more than happy to spend a few minutes giving some simple operating instructions.

Sign up at the Welcome Center or give Barry a call at 763-553-1239 (church) or 612-590-8645 (cell).



Men's Golf Retreat

The Men's Golf Retreat will take place on Friday & Saturday, June 13-14. Plans are being made to play at Monticello Country Club on Friday afternoon, stay at St. John's University that night, then play Albany Golf Club on Saturday. Golfers will be back to St. Barnabas by 5:00 on Saturday.

This is for golfers of all abilities. Each plays his own ball on Friday and is part of a foursome scramble on Saturday.

Costs for green fees, food, and lodging will be \$125-\$145 (depending on whether one rents carts or walks).

You can sign-up for the retreat at the Welcome Center or by calling Barry Bergh at the church office (763-553-1239). Please indicate if you plan to play both days, just Friday, or just Saturday.

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.

Summer Book: Date TBD, *Pillars of the Earth* by Ken Follett

Youth & Family Ministry News



Dennis Manson

Car Wash Fundraiser ~ This Sunday, May 18th from 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. Help support our students traveling to Cortez, Colorado for a mission trip and our Boundary Waters Canoe Trip participants!

6th Grade Orientation meeting

Parents are invited to join Dennis Manson, Lay Minister to Youth and Family, to our 6th Grade Parent Orientation Meeting on **Wednesday, May 21** Here Navigator Confirmation goals, overview and important dates!

Luther Park Camp

This year our middle school students have the opportunity to participate in the Great Lakes Middle School Mission Trip with Luther Park. Spot still available! Sign up this week. Download registration material from <http://www.lutherpark.com/>. If you have question please contact Dennis Manson or Luther Park.

Paintball ~ Saturday, May 31, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm (lunch included)

Here's your chance to play a few paintball games with other middle school and high school youth from St. Barnabas along with their friends on the outdoor fields at Special Forces Paintball. Registration Deadline: Sunday, May 25th
Cost: \$55 for Full Rental (includes Semi-Auto gun, 300 paintballs, goggles, unlimited HPA, & lunch.) \$45 if you bring your own mask and gun. Bring extra money if you shoot more than 300 paintballs!

REVAMP w/ a Twist

Twice a month, starting on June 4th, this summer YOU are all invited to the Snyder's cabin near Annandale.

We are planning on two departure times 4:30 & 5:30. At the cabin we've got: * Wake boarding, * Volleyball, * Bocce Ball, * Tubing, * A Paddle Boat, * Knee boarding, * Water skis, * Basketballin', * Frisbee, * Swimmin' Water and more. Around sunset we'll get a bonfire goin' and have a lil worship time cuz worship is AWESOME!!!! Its gonna be sweet! I'm super excited and you all should be too! And definitely BRING YOUR FRIENDS! The more the merrier.

So, if you have any questions or comments call or text Adam Snyder 763-242-4131 or email him, asnryder@gac.edu, or talk to Dennis!

So, what do YOU have to do before June 4th? Fill out a Registration form located on the Youth Bulletin Board or at www.stbarnabaslutheran.org Peace Out Home Slice! Have an AWESOME rest of the week!,

Adam Snyder

Important Summer Dates

Vacation Bible School & Luther Park Day Camp July 14-17

(at St. Barnabas)
Age 3-First Grade: 9-11:30 a.m.
\$25/child
Grades 2-6: 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
\$50/child
(maximum \$120/family)

St. Barnabas Week at Luther Park July 27-August 1

Registration Forms are at the Welcome Center

St. Barnabas Rummage Sale

The annual St. Barnabas Rummage Sale will be held Saturday, July 12, from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. **Thrivent Financial for Lutherans** is matching the first \$1600 profit from the sale. The money will be used to fund several projects, including: Ann & Andy Dybvig's trip to our partner congregation in Hong Nigeria, camper scholarship fund for Luther Park, and family scholarships for the St. Barnabas Center for the Arts.

Many volunteers are needed to help with this ministry. Sign up at the Welcome Center and indicate your availability.

Interfaith Outreach and Community Partners

Neighborhood Plant Sale

May 14-17

At last spring is here and it's time to begin digging and planting in our flower gardens. You'll find great deals on perennials and bushes at the annual Plant Sale to be held on May 14-17 at 17400 12th Ave N in Plymouth. The hours will be 7:00 - 5:00 (W-F) and 7:00 - 1:00 (Sat). Donations of plants and pots are welcome. All proceeds will be donated to Interfaith Outreach & Community Partners. Call Gary Yanish at 763-7990 with questions.

Wayzata Empty Bowls

Thursday, May 22

Empty Bowls is a celebration of charity, creativity, and community! Support the pottery students from Wayzata High School at the Empty Bowls event on Thursday, May 22nd from 5:00-7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria (for only \$10.00). Enjoy delicious soup, bread and a handmade bowl of your choice. Advance tickets are available at Interfaith Outreach, the WHS Activities Office, and the Community Education Office at Central Middle School and include free admission to the Orchestra Concert the same evening at 7:30 p.m. Tickets will also be available at the door. All proceeds will be donated to Interfaith Outreach & Community Partners. Call Nancy Holden at 952-288-2570 for additional information.

News & Notes

- Our condolences go out to those St. Barnabas members that have experience loss in these last two weeks.

To **Julie Hoyme** and family on the loss of her brother Daven Drawert.

To **Diane Endorf** and her family on the loss of her mother.

- Save the Date. **Paul and Roberta Nicholson** invite the members of St. Barnabas to an Open House on Sunday, June 8, from 2-6pm in the Ministry Center to celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary.
- Mary's Place the homeless shelter in Minneapolis is looking for good, useable baby strollers. If you would like to donate a stroller, you may bring it to St. Barnabas where it will be picked up and taken to the shelter.
- On Sunday, June 1, 1:30-5:30, there will be a Sending Party for the **Seltz Family** as they prepare to leave Plymouth and move to their new life in Iowa. Go with our blessing, but we are not saying good-bye, just see you soon.
- Where's Wayne...So far there haven't been any sightings of Wayne as he is on his sabbatical. Let us know in the church office if you spot him anywhere in the country, except here in Plymouth.



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Spring Prayer Breakfast

Friday, May 30

Get inspired for the beginning of summer at the Spring Prayer Breakfast on Friday, May 30th, 7:30 a.m., Wayzata Country Club. Wes Hamilton, president and owner of Allegra Print & Imaging in Plymouth and former offensive lineman for the Minnesota Vikings, will share his faith story around the importance of focusing on what matters. Advance tickets (\$15.00) are available at Interfaith Outreach, The Foursome and area churches. Call Nancy Holden at 952-288-2570 for additional information.

IOCP's FoodShelf

The foodshelf needs your support. Potatoes, canned meats and fruit, meal in a box, mac and cheese, and soups of all kinds are currently unavailable for purchase at Second Harvest Heartland, the regional food bank. These items are included in the 800 bags prepped weekly for families using the FoodShelf. Please help. Your donation may be brought to the food cart in church or directly to IOCP, 110 Grand Avenue, Wayzata.

Earthkeeping

Tip



Reduce-Recycle-Reduce

Don't forget Plymouth's special recycling drop-off day,
Saturday, May 31,
9-am-3:30 pm

Recycling Drop off Center
14900 23rd Ave N

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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

A woman was at home with her children when the telephone rang.

In going to answer it, she tripped on a rug, grabbed for something to hold on to and seized the telephone table. It fell over with a crash, jarring the receiver off the hook. As it fell, it hit the family dog, who leaped up, howling and barking. The woman's three-year-old son, startled by this noise, broke into loud screams. The woman mumbled some colorful words.

She finally managed to pick up the receiver and lift it to her ear, just in time to hear her husband's voice on the other end say, "Nobody's said hello yet, but I'm positive I have the right number."

St. Barnabas' H.S. Graduates Open House Invitations

The St. Barnabas community is invited to the following graduation open houses:

Tyler Carter—May 31st from 11-2,
4370 Harbor Lane, Plymouth

Maggie Olson—May 31st from 11-2:30,
St. Barnabas Ministry Center

If there are other families who would like to publicize their open houses, please call the church office and we'll put the invitation in the next *Crosswinds*.

Worship Schedule

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

**Summer Hours
start May 25
Sunday 8:30 & 10 a.m.**

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

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

Sunday Help Needed

We are looking for a person or two who would be willing to come to Sunday worship a little earlier each Sunday and help prepare for morning fellowship.

If you can help start coffee, turn on lights, etc, talk to Pastor Chris or email her at chrish@stbarnabaslutheran.org or Barry Bergh, bbergh@stbarnabaslutheran.org.