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# Crosswinds

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## News From Hong, Our Partners in Nigeria

Greetings from Our Partner Congregation in Hong, Nigeria

Jay Johnson, a member of Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church in Excelsior, traveled to Nigeria in May and was able to visit the congregation in Hong. He brought with him letters from the St. Barnabas community, including a letter Pastor Wayne wrote to Amos Bukata, pastor of the Hong congregation. Pastor Bukata responded with this letter:

*Dear Pastor Wayne Peterson and our beloved brothers and sisters in Christ in Saint Barnabas Lutheran Church,*

*Grace and peace be with you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.*

*Brothers and sisters in Majamiar Almasihu LCCN No. 1 Hong are sending greetings to you. LCCN Hong has two services; English service starts at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 10:00 a.m., and then Hausa service from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon. Both sections have about 1664 worshipers total – English service has about 800 and Hausa sec-*

*tion has 600 worshipers, while Sunday School has 264 children, both Hausa and English.*

*We were blessed to worship with Mr. Jay Johnson on May 18. We were so excited to receive greetings from Saint Barnabas Lutheran Church through him, coupled with the letters received from you through the Archbishop Nemuel A. Babba.*

*I and my family and also the people in Hong are praying for you, especially as we look forward to see the coming of Ann and Andy in November if plans will go well. We thank you for choosing us as a congregation to partner with you, to join hands in the propagation of the gospel of Jesus.*

*May God bless you and protect you. May the Lord give you strength and wisdom to take care of his sheep.*

*Blessings!*

*Rt. Rev. Amos E. Bukata*

### Help the Flood Victims in Iowa and Midwest

The recent rains created massive flood in many areas of the Midwest. A good way to help is to send financial support. There is a second Gift of Love for Lutheran Disaster Response ([www.ldr.org](http://www.ldr.org)).

Checks can be made out to St. Barnabas with “Lutheran Disaster Response” or “flood” in the memo line or on your envelope. As we become aware of opportunities for service, we will pass those on to you. In the meantime, continue to hold the afflicted areas in prayer.

### Mary Newton to Present Organ Recital July 10

Mary Newton will give a 30 minute organ recital on Thursday, July 10 from 12:30-1:00. Her program will include works by J.S. Bach, Lefebvre-Wely, and our own St. Barnabas composer, Jeff Whitmill. A luncheon will be served from 11:30-12:15.

Please RSVP to Julie Hoyme if attending the luncheon. The monthly Thursday organ recitals will resume this September.

## 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:** August 21, *Pillars of the Earth* by Ken Follett, Ken & Julie Hoyme, 5930 Annapolis Ln N.

**September Book:** *The Birth House* by Ami McKay

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## 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 July 19. 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. **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 Morning-On summer break
- 1st & 3rd Tuesday evening-on summer break

### Knitters & Crocheters

Work on your own project. All skill levels are welcome. They meet the 4th Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. For more information, contact **Mary Pestel** 763-559-9138. The next meeting is July 23

### Soup N’Bread

Soup N’ Bread is on summer break during June and July. The staff will be hosting the group on Friday, August 15, at noon.

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## New Picture Directory Coming

Pictures are going to be taken for a new photo directory. On **August 4 & 5** and **September 12 & 13**, Olan Mills will be here to take photos of our member families. Sign up for times starts on Sunday, July 13 and will continue for an additional 2 Sundays.

It is hoped that we will get 100% participation. Sign up for times will be on **Sunday, July 13, 20, & 27**. After the Sunday sign up dates, all appointments will be made by a website or 1-800 phone call.

## West Suburban Grief Coalition

Regular weekly meetings of the West Suburban Grief Coalition are currently be held at St. Theresa Catholic Church, 18323 Minnetonka Blvd, Deephaven, 952-473-4422. They will be at St. Theresa’s June 5-August 28.

Meetings are held each Thursday with a social time from 4-4:30 p.m., speaker from 4:30-5:00 and break-out session from 5-6:00.

Individuals may join the group at any time by simply by coming to a meeting.

The schedule for the coming weeks is:

- July 3<sup>rd</sup> Video, “Tear Soup”
- July 10<sup>th</sup> “Wellness in Grief”
- July 17<sup>th</sup> “Dynamics of Grief”
- July 24<sup>th</sup> “Living Through & Beyond Loss”
- July 31<sup>st</sup> “How Grief Changes the Family System”
- Aug. 7<sup>th</sup> “Death of My Daughter”



## Lost and Found

The Lost and Found is overflowing with great things that should go back to their owners. Please check through this list and/or stop by and sort though the table in the narthex. All unclaimed items go into the rummage sale. If you think something is yours is here, but can not get to the church before the sale, call Julie in the office (763-553-1239) and she will set it aside for you.

**Found:** woman’s ring with stone, call Julie to identify

The Lost and Found is in the first coatroom, to one’s right after coming through the main door.

# St. Barnabas Rummage Sale - August 16

The annual St. Barnabas Rummage Sale will be held Saturday, August 16, 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:

- during the week (days or evenings) to arrange the items on tables and price them
- people to work the sale on Saturday morning
- someone to make lunch on Saturday for the workers
- many more to come at 2 p.m. to clean up. Clean up means putting everything into large bags and boxes and carrying them out to a waiting truck. This typically takes about an hour.
- A truck loading day is set for Tuesday, August 19 to send the sale left-overs to Wee Care We Share.

## Interfaith Outreach and Community Partners (IOCP) is the July Gift of Love

Summer is a critical time for local food shelves. Demand for assistance rises during the summer (as kids are home from school and not able to get subsidized lunches) plus donations for food shelves drops as summer activities distract people from recognizing the need.

St. Barnabas works with Interfaith Outreach and Community Partners (IOCP). **IOCP** is a non-profit partnership of churches, schools, government agencies, businesses, community groups, and foundations—people uniting to help people. They report that distribution levels continue to be high and donations are low.

St. Barnabas' "Gift of Love" for July will go to the food shelf at IOCP. Food donations can be brought directly to St. Barnabas and placed in the food cart in the narthex. Foods favored by children and high in protein are desired. Cash donations can be made through one's offering envelopes. Please give generously.

If you can help in any of these ways, sign up at the Welcome Center and indicate your availability.

Donations may be dropped off starting Sunday, August 10, at 2 p.m. at **the East Entrance only**. Donations will be accepted only until Thursday, August 14, at 8 p.m. Donations brought after that time place too great of a strain on our volunteers. Please make arrangements for proper placement of large items with the volunteers present or talk to Julie in the office 763-553-1239.

As in the past, we can not accept

- old computers, peripherals, or monitors, TVs
- any electronics (stereos, calculators, etc.) unless they fully work
- curtain rods or blinds.

Please do not bring anything to the sale that you would not be willing to give to a good friend. We end up paying to throw away unacceptable items, which reduces the profit from the sale. It is also good stewardship to recognize when things have reached their useful end and properly dispose of them. If you question whether or not something is useful for the sale, please call Julie, 763-553-1239.

## Interfaith Outreach Volunteer Opportunity

**Like to drive?**

Interfaith Outreach/ CONECT is looking for an individual or a team of people to pick-up and deliver groceries from our foodshelf. After a short orientation, volunteers will spend up to 1 hr. per week delivering the groceries to those who have trouble getting to IOCP. Deliveries will go to specified CONECT neighborhoods in Plymouth.

**Interested in publishing, layout or design? Would you like to use your computer skills to help others?**

Interfaith Outreach/ CONECT is looking for a capable person to manage our monthly newsletter. The Newsletter Manager will take articles and information written by staff members and layout the articles according to a general template. Our newsletter is one of the primary ways we communicate with residents about the programs we offer in an effort to build and support healthy communities. This volunteer is a key link in our communication with residents and the success of our programs. This volunteer position will require 4-6 hrs. per month. Work hours are flexible, and can be completed from your home as long as you have access to the internet and Microsoft Publisher.

Please contact Josiah if interested: 612-309-7081 or vista2@iocp.org. CONECT is a program of Interfaith Outreach & Community Partners.

Dear St. Barnabas Family

Where do we start? Thank you so much for everything you've done for our family over the past few weeks (and continue to do). The outpouring of love, support and caring has been unbelievable.



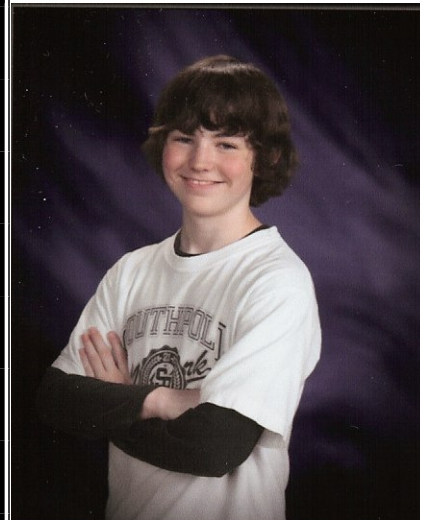
We always knew we had found a special home here at St. Barnabas, but we had no idea how special until tragedy struck our family and you opened your hearts and surrounded us with your prayers. You've responded to our every need, in ways both known and unknown to us, with selfless generosity. You've been a tangible reminder of God's love at a time when we so desperately needed it.

<sup>2</sup>We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly <sup>3</sup>remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Thessalonians 1:2-3

Thank you,

Jane, Jay, and Kathryn Blake



Patrick Blake 1994-2008

## July Baptismal Anniversaries

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|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Kelly Lindvall    | 16 Dennis Lund        |
| Norman Miller       | 17 Shawn Rasmussen    |
| Lois Troemel        | Kevin Werstein        |
| 4 Susan Swedenburg  | 18 Samuel Hoffmann    |
| 5 Marett Keyser     | Winston Smith         |
| 6 Nicole Cook       | Ginger St. John       |
| 7 Sheldon Anderson  | 19 Leif Jacobson      |
| 8 Jennifer Koepsell | 20 Sophia Seltz       |
| 9 Carol Dennis      | 21 Nancy Bjornlund    |
| Jaxon Lyerly        | Amy Guttormsson       |
| Jennifer Niccum     | 22 Carter Wolkenhauer |
| 10 Benjamin Herzog  | 23 Michael Dew        |
| Stacey Neville      | Suzanne Gerjets       |
| Michael Scalzo      | Kristin Johnson       |
| 11 Becca Dryer      | 24 Barbara Root       |
| Valerie Jones       | 25 Julie Cotton       |
| Lillianna Seltz     | Brittany Lillie       |
| 13 Phillip Demro    | 27 Brady Lillie       |
| 14 Daniel Summers   | 28 Bryan Nelson       |
| Jessica Summers     | 30 Ann Dybvig         |
| 15 Aashna           | Tristan Falkowski     |
| Boochandani         | 31 LaVerne Gund       |
| David Lindblom      |                       |

## July Birthdays

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|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Katerina Hoffmann | 8 Jerry Wade          | 21 Barbara Sanders  |
| Jennifer Reynolds   | 9 Andrea              | 23 Lila Strand      |
| 2 Allissa Franklin  | Christopherson        | Benjamin Summers    |
| Leif Jacobson       | Karen DesBles         | 25 Deborah Grill    |
| Matthew Lytwyn      | Judy Mikolich         | Rose Ann Parks      |
| John Neznik         | 10 Kayla Knutson      | 26 Tessa Lynch      |
| 3 Luz Sather        | 11 Robert Clauson     | Dwight Neville      |
| Kaitlyn Silbaugh    | Benjamin Peterson     | Barbara Novak       |
| Jeffrey Van Keuren  | Lynn Skallerud        | Bradley Nylin       |
| 4 Andean Lynch      | 12 Jessica Malchow    | Timothy Pearcey     |
| Aidan McGowan       | 13 Jane Blake         | Kristi Pierro       |
| 5 Pam Butenschoen   | Lisa Turnquist        | Emily Turnquist     |
| 6 Cyerra Donaldson  | 14 Katie Sholtz       | 27 Abram Sanderson  |
| Kari Neznik         | John Silbaugh         | Dale Sanderson      |
| Karin Rohland       | 15 Carly Redelsheimer | 28 Pam Carter       |
| Maria Seltz         | Grant Redelsheimer    | Abigail Harless     |
| 7 Joshua Franklin   | Sharon Sawyer         | Steve Johnson       |
| Sue Gregerson       | 16 Cole Hermann       | Nicholas Nermyr     |
| Kyle Haugstad       | 18 Lisa Drill         | Geoffrey Reed       |
| Shiah Sanders       | Megan Nelford         | 30 Denise Neznik    |
| Sarah Weaver        | Karl Sommerfeld       | Rhonda Keyser Rusch |
| 8 Kendall Valentine | Lucas Whelan          | 31 Robert Troemel   |
|                     | 19 Steve Novak        | Gail VonWahlde      |
|                     | 20 Jack Boone         |                     |
|                     | Brian Harless         |                     |

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# Children & Family Ministry News



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## Terrific Tuesdays

We had a great time at our first Terrific Tuesday! The group made plans for the next two meetings.

The group plans to see the movie "Wall-E" at the Plymouth Mann Theatre on **July 22**. We hope to stay close to our usual time frame but will need to see the movie schedule when it gets closer. Sign-up is an absolute must on this, so be sure and send Rose an e-mail or call and leave a voice mail, 763-553-1239, by Sunday July 20th. The cost is \$6 each, scholarships are available. The group will return to the church for treats and discussion after the movie.

Our last meeting will be on **August 12** and we will be going to French Park! Details for this outing will be in a future Crosswinds.

Terrific Tuesdays are a once a month summer fellowship opportunity at St. Barnabas for children who are entering grades 3-6 in the fall. The program usually runs from 1-3:00 p.m. Each session includes games, activities, and treats. Kids are encouraged to bring a friend. To register or for more information, e-mail Rose at rumland@stbarnabaslutheran.org.

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# Youth & Family Ministry News



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## ReVamp with a Twist

For the summer we're trying something new, fun, and exciting. We're heading to the lake!

Two Wednesday's a month we'll head up to the Snyder's cabin! Enjoy tubing, wakeboarding, swimming, as well as on shore activities too. Once the sun sets, we'll start a bonfire and spend time in worship. All Are Welcome!

Questions: Call Dennis - 763-553-1239 - dmanson@stbarnabaslutheran.org or Adam- 763-242-4131 (Call or txt anytime!) -

## All Church Summer Service Project

With the recent devastations in China and Myanmar, the shelves at Lutheran World Relief need to be re-supplied with Health Care Kits. All members are invited to join with the summer Children's Ministry Programs in gathering the supplies needed. The children in Day Camp will be assembling the kits on July 17th.

We need support from the congregation through the donation of supplies or financial gifts that will go towards the purchase of the needed supplies. Each kit will contain the following: hand towel, washcloth, full sized soap, comb, toothbrush, full sized toothpaste, nail clippers, and Band-Aids. Any donation you can give will be greatly appreciated. You may place your gift in your regular envelope, marked as "Health Care Kits" and placed in the offering plate. You may also purchase the items needed and place them in the box near the Children's Ministries bulletin board in the Ministry Center.

## News & Notes

- Our condolences go to the following families.  
**Barb and Bob Sanders** on the loss of their brother-in-law.  
**Paul Nicholson** on the loss of his younger sister.  
**Lee Johnson** on the loss of his father.  
**Scott DesBles** on the loss of his mother.
- News from our Missionaries in Cortez. They made it just fine and their rafting trip was great. They are now doing the work they went to Colorado to do, working with children, painting, etc.. Follow their trip through Twitter, <http://www.stbarnabaslutheran.org/youth/highschool/twitter/> The messages are short being limited to 140 characters, making the language unique.
- Thank you to **Liz Moen** who has been volunteering at the church this summer helping to keep the building looking in top shape. Liz, a St. Olaf junior who is going to Tanzania in a month for a semester abroad study opportunity, has found herself with time on her hands this summer. If there are other students in the same predicament, call Barry or Julie.

## Service of Prayer for Healing

Sunday, July 13, 7:00 p.m.

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.

## Summer Worship Schedule

Saturdays - 5:00 p.m.

Sundays - 8:30 & 10:00 a.m.

Morning Prayer – Thursdays, 7:30 a.m.

Service of Prayer for Healing  
2nd Sundays, 7:00 p.m.

## Barney's Blarney

Snow White bought a new camera. She happily took picture of the dwarfs and the forest, and dropped off her first roll of film to be developed. A few days later, she went to pick up the finished photos.

"I'm sorry," the clerk told her. "They aren't back yet."

Disappointed, Snow white started to cry. "Don't worry," the clerk said. "Someday your prints will come."

## VBS & Day Camp

There is still room in our Vacation Bible School and Day Camp, **July 14-17**. We encourage all of our Lighthouse and Good Shepherd School kids to sign up and bring a friend.

Registration forms on the Welcome Center

## PRAYER CHAIN

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Carol Dennis 763-559-7852



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