



Crosswinds +

“Welcome Weekend” September 12-13 Staff Recognitions, Youth Bibles, Community Lunch

St. Barnabas is calling the weekend of September 12-13 “Welcome Weekend” as we make a special effort to invite and welcome new people into the St. Barnabas community and “welcome back” those of our members who have spent summer weekends at the lake.

Saturday Worship

The 5:00 Saturday service continues offering a slightly different “flavor” of worship than Sunday morning. The structure is the same (liturgical, Holy Communion, same scripture readings and sermon), but the music offers a mix of praise songs, old gospel hymns, and great piano arrangements played by David Kolden.

The September 12 service will be followed by a jazz concert/lecture, *Making Sense of Jazz*, by Mary Louise Knutson. (see page 6 for more information)

Staff Recognitions & Youth Bibles

On Sunday morning, the Senior Choir will be back leading worship at both the 9 & 10:30 services. 3rd graders entering Lighthouse

Confirmation will receive Bible story books and 6th graders entering Navigator Confirmation will receive youth study Bibles.

We will also use this Sunday to recognize significant anniversaries of three of our staff members.

Julie Hoyme has served as our Parish Assistant for ten years

Rose Umland has served as Lay Minister for Youth & Family for ten years

Jeff Whitmill has directed the Senior Choir for five years

Community Lunch

Following Sunday worship there will be a congregational lunch. The cost is only \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. No reservations are required.

For the lunch, many hands are needed to help prepare the food, serve it, and clean up afterward. If you are interested in helping out in some way, call the church office at 763-553-1239.

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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.

St. Barnabas Receives \$12,000 Grant for Parish Nurse Ministry

The Fairview Association, comprised of congregations that choose to be affiliated with Fairview Hospitals, has selected St. Barnabas and Community of the Cross Lutheran Church in Bloomington to receive grants to help start parish nurse ministries in their communities. The grant totals \$12,000 over a 3-year period: \$6,000 the first year, \$4,000 the second year, and \$2,000 the third year.

This grant will enable St. Barnabas to expand Rose Umland’s responsibilities and hours. Rose is a Registered Nurse and will now add coordinating a parish nurse ministry at St. Barnabas to her role as Lay Minister to Children and Families.

A Wellness Ministry Team has been formed to work with Rose in defining the scope and direction of this ministry. More information will follow in the coming weeks.

Church Council Tables Proposal for T-Mobile Cell Phone Tower

At its meeting on August 10, the Church Council decided to table T-Mobile’s proposal for a cell phone tower on St. Barnabas’ property until some issues are explored further and addressed. These issues include the distance between the tower and the building, landscaping around the tower, responsibility for legal fees

that may be incurred, and assurances about the monitoring of radiation levels from the cell phone signals.

Copies of the proposal and photos of a similar tower at a church in Bloomington are available for review in the church office.

JustWomen Begins Study of Hebrews

JustWomen is a study and fellowship opportunity just for women, exploring God's call to justice in our world.

This fall the group begins with a study of the Letter to the Hebrews. Here is part of what Dr. Craig Koester of Luther Seminary says about the book:

Hebrews speaks to people who find that daily life seems to be far removed from the kingdom of God. The author recognizes that the gospel's message may be glorious, yet life in the Christian community and the wider society is often discouraging. Through vivid images of Israel in the wilderness, the sanctuary and its worship, and a panoramic view of the whole history of Israel, the author shows how the message of hope can continue to motivate people to lives of faith and service.

All adult women of St. Barnabas are welcome, as are friends, sisters, moms and co-workers!

JustWomen meets at two different times each week:

- The first, third (and fifth!) Tuesday evenings from 7-8:30 p.m. beginning September 15. No childcare provided for this session.
- Each Thursday morning from 9:30-11:00 a.m. beginning Sept. 17. Free childcare is provided. (We follow the Wayzata Public School district calendar.)

For more information please contact Pastor Chris. Sign up is at the Welcome Center or by email: chris@stbarnabaslutheran.org

Ongoing groups:

Pastor's Class

Pastor Wayne leads a study each Tuesday morning from 9:15-10:30. New participants are welcome at any time. The group is currently doing a study of N.T. Wright's *Simply Christian*.

JustWomen

JustWomen begins a study of the Letter to the Hebrews in September. Two options are offered

- Thursday Mornings, 9:30-11 a.m. beginning Sept. 17. Child care is provided.
- 1st, 3rd, & 5th Tuesday evenings, 7-8:30 p.m. beginning Sept. 15.

Alcoholics Anonymous

Every Thursday, 7:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room. For more information, contact **Ross Patton** (612-418-1243) or **Brenda Pearcy** (763-550-1759). Free brochures and books that can be purchased are available in the Fireside Room.

Knitters & Crocheters

The groups meets the 4th Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 23. Work on your own project. All skill levels are welcome. For more information, contact **Mary Pestel** 763-559-9138.

Soup N' Bread

Soup N' Bread is a monthly lunch gathering of those "55 & better" on the 3rd Friday of the month. The next gathering will be Friday, September 18, at noon.

Quilters

First Friday of each month at 9:30 a.m. Next gathering is September 4. All skill levels are welcome. **Audrey Johnson** 763-559-4459.

"Theology on Tap" Debuts in September

Pastor Wayne invites those who enjoy pondering questions of faith and theology to join him on Tuesday evenings from 7-8:00 p.m. at Jake's on 55 & Fernbrook.

Each week will have a focus question that will be announced in advance, so folks can come on a regular basis or just when a question is of particular interest to them. Some questions may have fairly straightforward answers (*What are the differences between the various Lutheran denominations?*) and others have no easy answers but are fun to discuss (*Why is there evil? Do Christians believe in the immortality of the soul?*)

The first gathering, September 8, will explore the question, *What do we mean when we call the Bible the "Word of God"?*

Book Discussion Group

The Book Discussion group meets the third Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. to discuss a novel. New participants (both women and men) are always welcome. The books have been set for the rest of 2009.

September 17

Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis

Host: Ann Kolden, 763-420-5082.

Ann has multiple copies of the book and they are available in the church office.

October 15

Year of Wonders by Geraldine Brooks

November 19

The Devil in the White City by Erik Larson

December 17

Two from Galilee by Marjorie Holmes

You do not need to make a big commitment to join this group. To participate in the discussion, read the book and RSVP to the host. For more information, contact Julie Hoyme (jhoyme@stbarnabaslutheran.org or 763-553-1239).

D&G Resumes Sept. 20

D&G

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

People are encouraged to worship at 9:00, enjoy fellowship with others in the Ministry Center from 10-10:30, and then get in the habit of making D&G part of their Sunday morning routine.

The sessions on Sept. 20 & 27 will look at the many things that happened at the recent ELCA that didn't get reported in the media.

Introduction to Bible Study Offered Wednesday Evenings

Last spring over 40 St. Barnabas members took part in a six-week study called *Opening the Book of Faith*. It is designed especially for those who have not done much Bible study in the past, providing tools that help get past the idea that some have that reading the Bible is difficult or intimidating.

Dave Lindblom will offer the course again on Wednesday evenings from 6-7 p.m. beginning September 16. This is the same time as Navigator Confirmation and right before Senior Choir rehearsal, so it is a great opportunity for confirmation parents and choir members. A community meal is offered at 5:30.

The cost for the participant book is \$13. Copies of the new Lutheran Study Bible are also available for purchase — \$20 for soft cover and \$27 for hard cover.

Wednesday Breakfast Bible Study

Pastor Chris leads a one-hour Bible study in the community room at Lund's (55 & Vicksburg) on Wednesday mornings from 7-8:00. This is for both men and women. Grab a cup of coffee and something for breakfast and then join the group upstairs. Resumes Sept. 16.

SAIL "Starting" Class Offered Sept. 20

SAIL is a 4-part discipleship series for the adults of St. Barnabas. The series is based on the premise that "growing congregations are comprised of growing individuals." Our goal is not to simply "make members" for St. Barnabas, but to "make disciples" of Jesus Christ. Each of the four segments is a 4-hour experience to help us grow in our faith.

The first segment, *Starting*, is a refresher class for current members of St. Barnabas as



- ◆ *STARTING*
- ◆ *ASPIRING*
- ◆ *I'VE BEEN BLESSED*
- ◆ *LEADING THRU SERVICE*

well as introduction for people considering membership at St. Barnabas. Pastor Wayne gives an overview of the Bible, discusses our worship practices, and leads a study of St. Barnabas' mission statement.

Starting will be offered on **Sunday, September 20, from 3:30-7:30 p.m.** Dinner is provided. Child care will be provided if requested.

St. Barnabas will receive new members on Sunday, September 27. Those who are becoming members or who are considering becoming members of St. Barnabas are invited to attend this *Starting* class.

For more information, contact Pastor Chris or Pastor Wayne (553-1239). There is a sign up sheet on the Welcome Center.

September "Gift of Love" for Luther Seminary Scholarships

St. Barnabas is designating its September "Gift of Love" for student scholarships at Luther Seminary in St. Paul. Many of today's seminary students are "second career" students, having worked in another vocation for many years and now entering seminary in their 30's, 40's or 50's. Giving up a job and going back to school

is a major financial burden for these students — especially those with families. Our gifts can make that burden a little easier for someone.

Our goal for the "Gift of Love" each month is for every household to give something, whether it is 50¢, \$5, or \$50. Thanks for your gifts.

Senior Choir & Handbell Choir Looking for New Members

The **St. Barnabas Senior Choir** rehearses on Wednesday evenings from 7-8:30, with the first rehearsal scheduled for September 2.

We have an ambitious and exciting year planned - some familiar works and a good-sized slate of new ones. If you like to sing and can carry a tune, this will be a fun year to be in the choir. We're going to work hard, but we'll have a great time doing it.

New members are always welcome - all you have to do is show up at rehearsal. There are no auditions, robe measurements or other extraneous requirements: You show up, we provide the music - it's really that simple.

The choir's first Sunday singing in worship will be Sept. 13. Come join us!

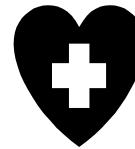
Rehearsals for the **Handbell Choir** will begin Wednesday, September 16 at 6 p.m. in the Gardenview West room. Even if you can't do a whole season (September - May) with us, we could use people who would be able to make a month or two at a time with us. The handbells play a new piece in services every month, October - May. We'd love to have you ringing with us!

For more information about both ensembles, contact Jeff Whitmill at 763-553-3083 or jeff@whitmill.net.

Blood Drive — Saturday, Oct. 3

The Memorial Blood Center is bringing its Bloodmobile to St. Barnabas on **Saturday, October 3**, from 9-1:00. A pancake breakfast is provided free of charge for all who come to donate.

Sign-up for appointments at church beginning Sept. 13 or by calling Connie Cook, 763-557-7064.



Regency Point Community Dinners Continue

The next dinner at Regency Pointe, a local apartment complex at 3300 Harbor Lane, is September 24. (St. Barnabas generally serves the 4th Thursday of the month.) We have a dedicated crew that prepares the meal, we need folks to volunteer to come and eat this meal, socializing with the guests at Regency Pointe. This is an excellent service project for adults and youth to do together. Members that have already done this have found it to be a rewarding activity. Sign up at the Welcome Center. For more information, contact **Carolyn Mueller** at 763-519-0515.

Save the Date.
Women's Retreat
 January 22-24, 2010
 at the beautiful Heartwood
 Conference Center in
 Trego, Wisconsin.
 More information to follow
 this fall!

Volunteers Sought for Evening Host & Sunday Office Host

Evening Host

An Evening Host sits in the main office from 6-8:00 on evenings when there are meetings, greeting groups as they arrive, answering phones. This could be a high school student needing service hours or any adult who has a free evening.

Sunday Office Host

These volunteers would take a 1½ hour shift (10:15-11:45 shift still needed) sitting in the main office, answering the phone and receiving items that people may drop off for staff on Sunday morning. This could be a regular job or something one does once a month. This job can be done by high school youth or adults.

If you would like more information about either of these tasks, please contact **Julie Hoyme** at 763-553-1239 or jhoyme@stbarnabaslutheran.org

What Kind of Crazy Congregation Doesn't Offer Sunday School?



Promises parents make at the baptism of their child:

In Christian love you have presented these children for Holy Baptism. You should

- *faithfully bring them to the services of God's house, and*
- *teach them the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments.*
- *As they grow in years you should place in their hands the Holy Scriptures and*
- *provide for their instruction in the Christian faith,*

that living in the covenant of their Baptism and in communion with the Church, they may lead godly lives until the day of Jesus Christ.

Do you promise to fulfill these obligations?

This fall St. Barnabas begins its sixteenth year of offering Christian Education at the non-traditional times of Wednesday after school (Lighthouse Confirmation for grades 3-5) and Saturday morning (Good Shepherd School for age 3-grade 2). This is a fairly radical practice for those who have never experienced anything other than Sunday School on Sunday morning, so it may be helpful to once again recount the rationale behind this schedule.

In May, 1993, a group of St. Barnabas members gathered to evaluate our education program and identify how we could do a better job of helping our children grow in their faith and worship life. We spent the evening formulating a "faith development" goal -- that is, we tried to envision what we want our children's faith life to look like when they are 25 and 45 and 65 years old.

Our starting point was the charge given to parents when they bring their children to be baptized. Next we looked at the confirmation vows our young people make when they affirm their baptism. We also read with great interest an article in the *Star Tribune* of 5/15/93 entitled "For kids to keep faith, parents need to set example". The article summarizes a study published in the March, 1993 issue of *Review of Religious Research*. Finally, we read results of a similar study by the Lutheran Leadership Institute which asked the question "What makes children grow up to regularly worship in a church as adults?" The answer their research pointed to — **"worshipping regularly in a church as children."**

After discussing this information, the group came up with the following goal statement:

St. Barnabas' goal for the faith development of its members is that they will be so well rooted in the gospel that:

- *they are life-long participants in worship*
- *they know the content of the Christian faith, and*
- *they can express this faith to others.*

Now that we knew where we were going, we could map out a way to get there. It was obvious that if our primary goal was to grow Christians who will be life-long worshipers, our primary concern would be to teach our children to worship by having them participate in worship every week. We explored three options:

Option 1: Have a separate education hour

St. Barnabas does not have the space necessary for all the children we have to make this option possible.

Option 2: Have education concurrent with worship and families attend both each Sunday

A second option, offered by many congregations, is to have Sunday School sessions concurrent with worship, with the expectation that parents and children would attend both. St. Barnabas tried this option and most families succumbed to the temptation of having the kids attend Sunday School while the parents worshipped. If our primary concern is to have our children regularly take part in the worship life of the church, this is not a desirable option.

Option 3: Provide education at a time other than Sunday morning

St. Barnabas chose to develop a third option, providing Christian education at some time during the week other than Sunday morning, thereby making worship on Sunday morning the priority for all ages.

Among the advantages we see this option having are:

- 1) It directly addresses the first aspect of our goal about helping our children to become lifelong participants in worship. We teach our children how to worship by having them actively participate in worship on a weekly basis. It is here that they learn the liturgy, the hymns, and the prayers that will sustain them throughout their lives.
- 2) It prepares the children for worship. St. Barnabas uses a lectionary-based curriculum which means that the lesson the children study on Wednesday and Saturday is based on the same Bible story they will hear on Sunday morning. This reinforces the learning, and several parents have related stories of their child turning to them at worship and whispering "I know this story!"
- 3) Our experience has shown that overall attendance is better on Wednesday and Saturday than when classes were offered only on Sunday.

An unexpected "plus" we have discovered is that several parents use the time during Lighthouse Confirmation on Wednesdays and Good Shepherd School on Saturday mornings to run errands (Cub Foods and Target are both close by) or to enjoy supper or breakfast together at a local restaurant.

We are always aware that this Wednesday/Saturday schedule is impossible for some families even if they would like to take part (i.e., distance, work schedule, blended family situation where child is with other parent on class day). For families with children in grades 3-5 who cannot come on Wednesday, we are able to provide Bible story books and other

materials which parents can do together with their children at home. (If you look back at the baptismal vows on the opposite page, you see how appropriate this is, for parents are intended to be the primary teachers of the faith for their children.)

It is possible that some parents have a different goal for Christian education than the goal St. Barnabas has set forth. If a parent's goal is simply to make sure their son or daughter receives some "moral training" or exposure to religious education, the expectation that they are to worship together with their children on a regular basis may be more than they anticipated. But it is not St. Barnabas' goal to give moral training. Our congregational goal (and we hope each parent's goal) is to grow Christian men and women, to do our best to help our children become mature Christians who are life-long participants in worship. Worshiping regularly

with their parents in their formative years is the major factor in achieving that goal.

It takes an extra effort for parents to bring their children to worship and education each week, but we are confident that the long-term result — having them become life-long participants in worship — is well worth the effort.

A "Family Sunday School" Option

There is a small but dedicated group of families with children age 3-grade 2 who have made the commitment to worship at 9:00 and then share responsibility for leading a class for the kids at 10:15. If you have kids this age and would like more information about this option, please contact Rose Umland at 763-553-1239 or rumland@stbarnabaslutheran.org.

Wednesday Evening Schedule

St. Barnabas families will again have the option of having dinner together at St. Barnabas on Wednesdays this year. The new schedule, which begins in full Sept. 16, looks like this: (times overlap because groups meet in different parts of the building)

4:00-5:45

Lighthouse Confirmation

for grades 3-5 (kids will receive a healthy snack when they arrive)

5:30-6:00

Community Dinner

A meal will be available for all adults and kids. It will start out with simply pizza, but may evolve into other menus if volunteers are interested in taking charge of this ministry. Talk with Dennis Manson or Pastor Chris if you are interested in helping with this important food ministry.

6:00-6:50

Handbell Choir

in Gardenview Room

6:00-7:15

Navigator Confirmation

Led by Pastor Chris & Dennis Manson, will have large group in the Student Center on the lower level.

6:00-7:00

Opening the Book of Faith

David Lindblom leads this adult study. See page 2 for full information.

7-8:30

Senior Choir

Starting Dates for Education Programs

New participants can register by calling the church office: 763-553-1239

Good Shepherd School

Age 3-gr. 2 — Saturdays 10-11:15 a.m. starts September 19
Family Sunday School, 10:15 a.m. starts September 20

Lighthouse Confirmation

Grades 2-5 — Wednesdays 4-5:45 p.m. starts September 16

Navigator Confirmation

Grades 6-8 — Wednesdays 6-7:15 p.m. starts September 16
(Small group leaders meet Sept. 9 at 6:00)

Sr. High ReVamp

Grades 9-12 — Sunday, Sept. 13, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Blessing of the Back Packs

The beginning of a new school year can be a time of both excitement and anxiety for students, whether it's the first day of kindergarten or the beginning of one's senior year. They will experience new teachers, perhaps a new school building, and meet new friends.

Join us at 7:00 on the evening before school starts, **Monday, Sept. 7**, for a brief service as we ask God's blessing on our back packs and the new school year. Teachers are encouraged to come, too!



First Communion Class

A First Communion class for children and their parents will be offered on Sunday, September 20, starting 4:30 and ending by 6:30. Supper will be provided. Siblings are welcome to come. We'll have a movie for them to watch during the class time. The children will then have their First Communion on Sunday, Sept. 27 (or whatever date works best for each family). For more information, contact Rose Umland or Pastor Wayne.

High School ReVamp Begins

Sunday, Sept. 13, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

All 9-12 grade students are invited to the first ReVamp of the fall on Sunday evening, Sept. 13. For more information, contact Dennis Manson at 763-553-1239. Check out the Sr. High website: www.stbarnabaslutheran.org/youth/highschool/

Sr. High Paintball

Saturday, September 19
9:45 am - 3:30 pm (lunch included)

Here's your chance to play paintball games with other middle school and high school youth on the outdoor fields at Special Forces Paintball. Cost:

- \$55 for Full Rental (includes Semi-Auto gun, 300 paintballs, goggles, unlimited HPA, & lunch.)
- \$45 if you bring your own mask and gun.

Print and fill out the Waiver Form at the youth website. Registration deadline: September 13.

For more information, contact Dennis at 763-553-1239.

St. Barnabas Center for the Arts Begins Fourth Year

Registration is now underway for music lessons and Music Together classes at St. Barnabas Center for the Arts (SBCA):

(sbca@stbarnabaslutheran.org) or call Jeff (763-553-3083) and let him know you'll be back. The fall term ends December 18.

September Art Exhibit

The first art exhibition of the coming season is a collection of paintings by Bruce McClain and Lois Peterson. Bruce and Lois are on the art faculty at Gustavus Adolphus College.



SBCA Music Lessons

(both private and ensembles and for both youth and adults) begin the week of Monday, September 14. Our schedules are already filling nicely, so

don't wait to register. You can do this online at www.stbarnabaslutheran.org/sbca/registration.lasso or by filling out the form by the SBCA display in the narthex. If you do the latter, just turn it in to Jeff Whitmill or drop it by the church office. Those who have been enrolled in a previous term need not re-register — just e-mail

Music Together sessions for families with children ages infant through 5 years old begin the week of September 21. This is a program in which a parent or grandparent participates with the child in the class.

Registration is available online at

<http://www.familymusiccenter.com/classes.htm> For more information, call Angela Barberg, Director, at (763) 529-2240.



Two Jazz@St. Barney's in September

Jazz@StBarney's, the monthly concert series at St. Barnabas Center for the Arts (SBCA) in Plymouth, kicks off its third season with a double whammy in September - two great jazz concerts by well-known local artists.

Saturday, September 12

Noted pianist/composer Mary Louise Knutson begins the season with a concert lecture: *Making Sense of Jazz*. This is part of SBCA's *Masters of Music* series and it's the perfect kickoff for the jazz season.

Music lovers far and wide have asked the questions,

- "How do jazz musicians know what to play?"
- "How can musicians who have never met each other play together?"
- "Is there any structure to this music?"
- "How do the musicians all come in together after the drum solo?"

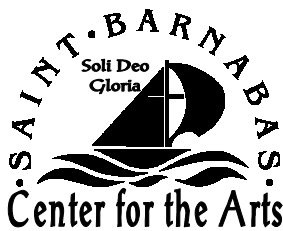
Knutson's 75-minute program (with audience participation) is designed to provide an understanding and appreciation for America's original art form.

Saturday, September 26

Jazz@StBarney's gets its official start with **Bend in the River Big Band**. Formed in 1987 from alumni of Gustavus Adolphus College, BRBB is popular at jazz gatherings throughout the Twin Cities. They've released a couple of CDs, the most recent of which is 2007's *Bad Habits - Good Intentions*, which includes such standards as *Ol' Man River*, *Stompin' at the Savoy* and *It Don't Mean a Thing*.

For St. Barnabas folks with long memories, there will be a familiar face in the trumpet section — John Egnell. John & Marie were charter members of St. Barnabas and John served as president of the congregation for a year. It will be great to have them back among us for the evening.

Start time for both concerts is 7:00 p.m. Admission for each is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. A reception with refreshments will be held after Knutson's performance; free snacks will be on hand for BRBB's concert.



Start signing up now for the Fall Semester

Lessons offered for youth & adults in Piano, Organ, Voice, Guitar, Winds, Strings & Percussion

Music Together® classes for children 8 months-age 5

Jeff Whitmill, director
www.stbarnabaslutheran.org/sbca/
763-553-3083



The best advertising for the Center for the Arts is "word of mouth."

Mention to your neighbors and co-workers that St. Barnabas has this great arts ministry.

Are you receiving the e-newsletter version of Crosswinds every Thursday?

If you have an e-mail address and you're not receiving it, that means one of two things:

- 1) We don't have your e-mail address
- 2) Your spam filter is blocking it.

If you have not yet received the e-newsletter please send Julie Hoyme an e-mail (jhoyme@stbarnabaslutheran.org) so we can verify your address and try to figure out any filtering issues.

News & Notes

- Thank you to all who donated items and those who worked so hard to make the Rummage Sale a huge success this year. Special thanks to all who spent so many hours sorting, pricing, working the sale, cleaning up, and returning to load the Salvation Army truck. The sale grossed \$4217.19 plus we received \$1250 from Thrivent in matching fund. The money is being used to pay the rest of the money owed on the Ministry Center folding chairs, office equipment, and scholarships for The St. Barnabas Center for the Arts.
- Thanks to **Steve & Tom Oelfke, Tim Sommerfeld, and Barry Berg** for installing doors on the unfinished room at the north end of the Lower Level and thanks to **Jay Johnson** for extending the duct work to bring heat down to the room. This gives us another room to use for music lessons and small groups.
- Thanks to **Steve Larson and Jim Sawyer** who have been busy with some outdoor projects this summer — cleaning and edging the rock field at the entrance to the Rain Garden, sealing the block on the east side of the building, and edging the walking path on the north side of the church with pavers.
- **Paul Niccum** has accepted a new position with a company in Dallas, Texas, so **Paul, Sandi, and Alexis** are moving to Frisco, TX this week. We wish them God’s blessing in this new venture and take comfort from the fact that since **Dan** is in Bloomington and **Jennifer** is attending St. Thomas, we will likely still see them from time to time.
- **Bryan Miller & Natalie Forseth** exchanged marriage vows on August 7. Congratulations!

- August turned out to be a big month for baptisms at St. Barnabas. We welcomed into the church:

Connor Michael, son of **Krista & Mike Loop**
Sarah Joy Xinju, daughter of **Margaret & Tim Piepkorn**

Connor Evan, son of **Lisa & Brett Turnquist**
Thomas Vincent, son of **Sarah & Tom Prasky**
Charles David, son of **Barb & Chris Johnson**
Nolan Daniel, son of **Mary Beth & Jeff Running**

- We extend our sympathy and the hope of the resurrection to **Jean Berg** on the death of her husband, **Jim**, on August 3. Jim was long-time orchestra director in the Robbinsdale School District and co-founder of the Greater Twin Cities Youth Symphony. The funeral was at St. Barnabas on August 7.
- St. Barnabas has at least three college students studying abroad this semester: **Sarah Umland** (Luther) in Spain, **Adam Snyder** (Gustavus) in Australia, and **Kaity Peterson** (Gustavus) in Ireland. This past year, **Lauren Robarge** (George Washington) studied in France, **Kristin Harris** (DePaul) studied in Italy, **Alissa Hoyme** (U of M) studied in Iceland, and **Liz Moen** (St. Olaf) and **Brita Gilyard** (Gustavus) studied in Tanzania. Any other college travelers out there? Let us know.
- A majestic red-tail hawk decided to use the cross atop St. Barnabas’ sanctuary as a perch from which to survey the area. **Bob Troemel** happened to have his camera with him that day, so there is now a photo of our guest posted on the kiosk in the Ministry Center.

Aluminum Can Recycling

Our Youth Ministry collects aluminum cans on the 1st weekend of each month (September 5/6). Place bags of cans in trailer located at the west end of the parking lot.

Baking for Coffee Hour

We are looking for folks who are willing to spend just a little time at church preparing for Coffee Hour. The supplies are provided — we simply need your time and talent. If you have never worked in this kitchen before, you are in for a treat. The big ovens and many cookie sheets make baking double batches of cookies or muffins a quick job. Sign up at the Coffee Table if you are willing to bake. If you have questions about using the kitchen, please talk to Barry Bergh (763-553-1239).

September Baptismal Anniversaries

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| 1 Jana Hawkins | 14 Kaitlyn Oelfke |
| Kristi Pierro | 15 Bill Palmer |
| Barbara Sanders | Emily Turnquist |
| John Silbaugh | 17 Bria Jones |
| 2 Olivia Fandrich | 21 Dale Sanderson |
| 3 Abram Sanderson | Clayton Smith |
| 4 Casey Werstein | 23 Stephen Scalzo |
| 5 Hazel Edlund | 24 Anders Gilyard |
| 6 Luz Sather | Clarke Sanders |
| 9 Emily Endorf | Emily Umland |
| Kevin Lillie | 25 Mason Bacso |
| 10 Eric Gustavson | 28 Maggie Harless |
| 11 Warren Hawkins | 29 Arlene Gummeson |
| 12 Isabella Hembre Conditt | Julie Houghland |
| 13 Laurie Sanderson | |
| Lisa Turnquist | |

September Birthdays

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| 1 Vivian Foss | 13 Owen Pole | Ellen Tangren |
| Parker Stephens | 14 Caleb Manson | Julia Whelan |
| 3 Julie Sohn | Bryan Talus | 24 Kathryn Blake |
| 4 Mary Paustis | 15 Nancy Bachman | Sarah Hackl |
| Terrie Silbaugh | Jack Schulz | Robert Weaver |
| 5 Madelen Mackin | 16 Jessie Hermann | David Williams |
| Joseph Silbaugh | Liana Walsh | 25 Nicholas Silbaugh |
| 6 Ashleigh Harless | 17 Curt Morrison | 26 Kyle Gambrel |
| Mike Rasmussen | Beth Van Keuren | Jack Ring |
| 7 Michele Herzog | Bill Welshons | 27 Allan Arntson |
| Gregg Nafstad | 19 Mark Anderson | 28 Joseph Johnson |
| Natalie Pole | Kevin Vickers | Derek Nelson |
| 8 Elisabeth Moen | 20 Valerie Cook | Eric Talus |
| Barbara Zell | Becky Johnson | Matthew Titus |
| 9 Arlene Gummeson | Aaron Turnquist | 29 Craig Dennis |
| 10 Siri Nelson | Timothy Walters | Arlan Hagen |
| 11 Mason Bacso | 21 Kate Neibauer | Abigail Redelsheimer |
| Nora Davis | Rachel Weaver | 30 Adam Morrison |
| 12 Judith Donnell | 22 Beth Andrews | Thomas Oelfke |
| Daniel Jia | 23 Charles Mikolich | Anna Pierro |
| 13 Peter Moen | Craig Tangren | |

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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 pastor known to have the gift of healing came to a church and there was a long line to see him. A teen-aged boy waited patiently in line and, when it was his turn, requested prayers for his hearing.

The pastor grabbed his ears and said a prayer. The pastor then asked, "How's your hearing now?" "I don't know." replied the boy. "It's not until Friday."

ELCA Churchwide Assembly Insert Inside

The recent ELCA Churchwide Assembly made front-page news last week because of the social statement it adopted on human sexuality and resolutions regarding publicly accountable, life-long, monogamous, same-gender relationships.

Included in this *Crosswinds* is an insert with

- a pastoral letter from Bishop Mark Hanson
- a summary of the presentations Pastor Wayne made after worship services on August 23
- some remarks by Dr. Timothy Wengert on what is meant by the term "bound conscience."

Pastor Wayne and Pastor Chris encourage you to read this information and welcome your questions and concerns.

Service of Prayer for Healing

Sunday, September 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) anointing with oil. Everyone is welcome. Come seeking prayers for yourself or to intercede on behalf of a family member or friend.



Worship Schedule

Sunday
(beginning Sept. 6)
9:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Saturday
5:00 p.m.

Thursday Morning Prayer
7:30 a.m.

Prayer for Healing
Sunday, Sept 13, 7:00 p.m.