



Crosswinds +

Bread for the World “Offering of Letters” - May 2



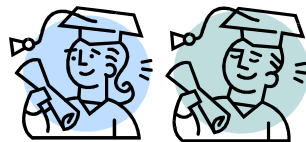
Bread for the World
Seeking Justice. Ending Hunger.

Statistics show that 14.6% of households in the U.S. struggle to put food on the table and that 22.5% of children live in these families, a 34% increase in one year.

Stop in the Ministry Center before or after worship to write a letter. Information and writing materials will be available.

The St. Barnabas community is invited to join the annual Bread for the World Offering of Letters at St. Barnabas on Sunday, May 2, to ask members of Congress to support tax credits that help low-income families in the United States make ends meet and support their children.

Food assistance to hungry people is vital, but it only addresses the symptoms of the problem. Bread for the World members work with Congress to protect and strengthen tax credits that make a big difference for low-income workers. The Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) is a refundable tax credit geared primarily toward families with children.



St. Barnabas will recognize its 15 high school seniors and offer prayers of blessing as they move through this significant transition point in their lives at the 10:30 service on Sunday, May 2.

Following worship, the seniors and their families will be treated to a BBQ lunch served by the juniors and their parents.

We are in the process of gathering information about our seniors' plans for next fall and will share that information in the June *Crosswinds*.

High School Seniors Recognized on May 2

Kathryn Dryer

Kelly Hiserodt

Leif Jacobson

Andrew Johnson

Matthew Lytwyn

Michael Moen

Nick Neville

Beth Olson

Kelsey Paustis

Greta Sommerfeld

Eric Talus

Jeff Tangren

Aaron Turnquist

Lucas Whelan

Wade Williams

May Healing Service Focuses on Women and Girls

Sunday, May 9, 6 p.m.



St. Barnabas' monthly Service of Prayer for Healing will have a special focus in May -- celebrating women and girls through prayer, Scripture, poetry and special music.

We will focus on the health, mental health, and social concerns that that resonate most with or are specific to women, such as infertility, menopause, breast and reproductive cancers, eating disorders, depression and anxiety, self-injury, domestic violence, sexual violence, emotional abuse and chemical use.

We will also lift up the work of the hands as it is traditionally honored in Scripture—washing, cooking, tending, loving—with a blessing and anointing of women's hands.

Men and women, boys and girls are all welcome. If you have never attended a service of prayer for healing, come and see. The services are contemplative and quiet. Consider it a gift of peace, rest and prayer for the women and girls in your life. Invite a friend or family member to join you. For more information, please contact Pastor Chris.

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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.



Ongoing groups:

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).

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 studying the book of Revelation.

JustWomen

Pastor Chris leads these studies. In April & May they will be studying the book of Romans. Two options are offered

- Thursday Mornings, 9:30-11 a.m.
- 1st & 3rd Tuesday evenings, 7-8:30 p.m.

Theology on Tap

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. RSVP to Pastor Wayne by noon Tuesday if you plan to attend.

Breakfast Bible Study

Pastor Chris invites folks to join her in the Community Room at Lunds on 55 & Vicksburg on Wednesday mornings from 7-8:00 a.m. The group is studying Romans through May.

Quilters

First Friday of each month at 9:30 a.m. Next meeting May 7. All skill levels are welcome. **Audrey Johnson** 763-559-4459.

D&G

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

Do plan to come to Discovery and Growth at 10:30 each Sunday, May 2, 9, and 16. The focus of all three sessions will be about Prayer. There will be helps and encouragements for all of us in our prayers. That includes those who find it difficult to pray; those who wonder if prayer "works"; those who want to deepen their prayer life.

On **May 2, Dr. Wendell Frerichs**, Professor Emeritus of Luther Seminary will lead us in answering two questions: "How do we participate in the prayers of Sunday Worship, making them our own?" "How do we find the time, energy and commitment to pray in our daily lives?" You may also want to take a look at his two small books on Conversational Prayer.

Sunday, **May 9, David Helgen** will speak. Have you ever heard of the Daily Texts? The use of matched verses—one from the Old Testament, one from the New for each day of a year, goes back to a practice of Prayer that started with the Moravians in the seventeen hundreds. Now, people from all branches of the Christian Church use them. David Helgen will share his experiences of with a Lutheran Version of the Texts which include classic hymns, and suggest ways to use them.

Our guest on **May 16 will be Mons Teig**, former Director of Worship for the ELCA who will give us ways to use the prayer offices of Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer and Compline in our hymnal, Evangelical Lutheran Worship. He will lead us to see how these prayer offices may be used in our congregation, and for individual or family daily prayer.

Members are encouraged to come for all three sessions, yet will find it much worth while to come only to one.

Rummage Sale Plans

The St Barnabas Rummage Sale is **Saturday, August 14**. Donations for the sale will be accepted starting Sunday, August 8.

Keep the Rummage Sale in mind as you do your spring cleaning. Things that we can not accept: old electronics, especially CRTs and old TVs., curtain rods and blinds, or anything too worn to be given to a friend. The Hennepin County Recycling Center in Osseo is a great place to dispose of these things properly.

More info in future Crosswinds.



Food Lovers Summer BBQ

Food Lover's (adult singles and couples) are celebrating summer with a **Summer Barbeque**. Please bring your food ready to serve. Don't forget to bring your receipts and the costs will be divided.



The group meets on **Saturday, May 22, 6 pm**. Warren and Jana Hawkins are hosting.

Please sign up at the Welcome Center and indicate what you are bringing. Carol Talus (763-557-7097), Jana Hawkins (763-559-1280), or Barb Novak (763-639-8657).

Men's Golf Retreat - June 18-19

Plans are starting to be made for the annual St. Barnabas Men's Golf Retreat. The dates are Friday and Saturday, June 18-19.

Though we don't have all the details in place yet, the format will be the same as in past years. The group will play a course fairly near the metro area starting about 12:30 on Friday (so guys can still show up for work on Friday morning). Depending on the direction we go, we'll stay overnight at Gustavus, St. Olaf, or St. John's, and then play a course in that area on Saturday. Green fees, food, and lodging generally run about \$150.

For more information, contact Pastor Wayne.

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Shine Appeal Passes \$830,000 and Is Still Growing!

The members of St. Barnabas are responding generously to the "Shine" Capital Appeal.

As of April 18, we have received 140 pledges for the three-year appeal totaling over \$830,000. **Thank you!**

We expect to receive over 170 pledges in total, so we are waiting for the responses from another thirty households. With their participation, we hope to still pass \$900,000.

Pledges may be placed in the offering plate this Sunday or returned by mail.

St. Barnabas Hosts Luther Park Dinner

Luther Park has established **The Point and Cross Club** as an opportunity for people to assure the ministry of Luther Park will have sufficient financial resources to flourish in service. You are cordially invited to be part of this vibrant group of concerned people by providing annual gift support to the ministry. It is easy to join. Your gift of \$100 or more enrolls you for the calendar year.

Luther Park says thank you to Point and Cross members by returning to them a number of benefits:

- a beautiful personalized plaque;
 - a special newsletter, *Reflections*, which informs them of camp news and plans;
 - inclusion in the honor roll listing of members;
 - a festive get-together of members each year
- If you are interested in becoming a Point & Cross Club member and attend the free dinner on **May at 5:00**, please contact Rose Umland or Pastor Wayne.

St. Barnabas Hosts Synod Global Companion Celebration

The Minneapolis Area Synod will hold a Global Companion Celebration on Thursday, May 13 at St. Barnabas. The evening begins with a simple supper at 6:00 p.m. followed by the program at 7:00 and plenty of time for networking, discussion, and sharing of resources until ending at 9:00.

This gathering is designed for ALL Minneapolis Area Synod congregations who are involved in global companion relationships around the world, or those interested in entering into a global partnership. St. Barnabas is one of these congregations, having a companion relationship with Church of the Messiah in Hong, Nigeria.

A presentation on involving children and youth in the congregation's global ministry will be the focus of the gathering. Children and youth can

be a vital force within a congregation, stimulating interest in global partners and the issues they face, spurring the congregation to additional ministry opportunities.

Kris Perry, Companion Synod Coordinator, will briefly discuss plans for the annual visit to Nigeria in November as well as new developments with the other synod companion, The Leipzig District of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Saxony, Germany. There will also be updated information on the Lutheran Malaria Initiative.

St. Barnabas members are encouraged to attend. Sign up at the Welcome Center. If you would be interested in helping prepare and serve the meal, please contact Pastor Wayne.

May "Gift of Love" for Habitat for Humanity

The "Gift of Love" for the month of May is designated for Habitat for Humanity.



Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity (TCHH) brings people together to create and preserve homeownership in our neighborhoods, to partner with hard-working, low-income families to be successful homeowners, and to inspire action that promotes affordable housing for everyone in our community.

TCHH will serve more than nine hundred families this year by creating and preserving homeownership in the Twin Cities.

TCHH is best known for its Homeownership program that builds and rehabs simple, quality

homes in partnership with low-income families and the community. They sell the homes with affordable, zero percent interest mortgages, making a 30-year commitment to each new homeowner and to the community in which they live.

TCHH also preserves home ownership by helping low-income homeowners repair and maintain their homes through its *A Brush with Kindness* program and by assisting families living in the City of Minneapolis who are facing foreclosure or who have fallen behind in their mortgage payments through its *Mortgage Foreclosure Prevention* program.

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. Thanks for your gifts!

The Marks of Discipleship

- Daily prayer
- Weekly worship
- Bible reading
- Service in and beyond the congregation
- Spiritual friendships
- Giving time, talents, and resources

Jesus said, "Go and make disciples of all nations..."
(Matthew 28:19)

The Festival of Pentecost is May 23. Wear something red!

Pastor Chris to begin Sabbatical May 24

Sabbatical (from Latin *sabbaticus*, from Greek *sabbatikos*, from Hebrew *shabbat*, i.e., Sabbath, literally a “ceasing”) is a rest from work, or a hiatus. The concept of sabbatical has its origins in several places in the Bible where there is a commandment to desist from working the fields in the seventh year as well as the commandment to rest on the seventh day as God did.

The intent of the sabbatical is three-fold: rest, relationship and renewal. Hence, the sabbatical benefits both the pastor and the congregation. Sabbatical time is designed to give the pastor time to restore personal relationships with family and close friends. Rest is just that...with a less hectic schedule there is time for prayer and devotion, sleep and exercise. Renewal is for the benefit of the pastor and the congregation through the fruits of reading, study and continuing education.

St. Barnabas has generously made provision for called pastors to take a sabbatical leave after every seven years of service. Pastor Wayne enjoyed such sabbaticals in 2000 and 2008. I began my ministry here in 2001 as a pastoral intern. Called and ordained in 2003, I celebrate my seventh year this year and am thus eligible for a sabbatical leave of 12 weeks.

I imagine the weeks will fly by as they are already full. My first scheduled activity is a week of retreat at the lake home of Craig and Jean Humphries (which I won in the silent auction last year!) This will include time for solitude, clergy retreat and family. Beth is graduating from Wayzata High School in June, so we will also be busy with her celebrations. (Please join us at her open house at the church on June 5 from 11-2!)

Beth and I will also travel to Europe in June with a group from Wayzata High School. We will tour London, Paris, and Rome and focus on writing as we go. I will spend some time with Maggie, who will be working in Sioux Falls this summer, and with my family in Detroit Lakes. I will close the sabbatical with our Annual Family Sabbath: two weeks on Lake Five in Vergas, Minnesota. Lake Five is a non-motorized lake we have enjoyed for the past 12 summers and is generally our favorite two weeks of the year.

The intervening weeks will be spent reading, writing and gaining some proficiency in yoga. My focus will be on a question that has been niggling at me since we did a series of interviews in the congregation last winter: “How can we enhance people’s experience of God and how can we learn to talk about our experience of God?” I will be reading a number of books by J. Phillip Newell, the founder of the Iona Community in Scotland. I also plan to read in the areas of healing, prayer and suffering.. In addition, there are a few books that have been lurking on my shelf for the past several years, including: *The Language of God* by Francis S. Collins, *Come Be My Light* by Mother Teresa, and *What Crucified Jesus?* by Ellis Rivkin.

Thank you in advance for this extraordinary gift of time and rest. This is an incredible thing for a congregation to do for its leaders and I pledge to use it well and come back ready to engage with renewed energy.

Blessings on your summers! I will be holding you all in prayer.

Pastor Chris

**Did you hear
who is turning
50 on May 10?**

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 per week 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.

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



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 them know you are coming.



May 20

A Reliable Wife by Robert Goolrick
Host: Barbara Root
kenroot@msn.com

Bring your book ideas to the meeting in May. We will be choosing our books for the rest of the year.



Children & Family Ministry News



Rose Umland

Register for Vacation Bible School & Luther Park Day Camp

St. Barnabas will offer **Vacation Bible School** for kids age 3—entering 1st grade, July 19-22, 9-11:30 a.m. (Kids must be 3 by 9/1/09.) The theme is “Baobab Blast.” Cost is \$30 per child.

That same week, St. Barnabas will host **Luther Park Day Camp from 9-3:00** for kids entering grades 2-6. This year’s theme is “Keeping the Earth.” Luther Park counselors come to St. Barnabas bring all the fun of bible camp to us! They provide a real camp experience—singing, learning, creating, and playing. Kids bring a bag lunch each day. Two snacks will be provided each day. Cost is \$40 per child.

Registration forms for VBS and Day Camp are available at the Welcome Center.

Adults and older youth who enjoy working with kids are encouraged to come and help! Let Rose know if you are interested.

Luther Park Camp

Luther Park is a fun and beautiful camp near Danbury, Wisconsin and St. Barnabas is one of its member congregations.

St. Barnabas kids are encouraged to go to Luther Park August 1-6. St. Barnabas youth are welcome to go other weeks, but August 1-6 is the week Rose Umland and Dennis Manson will be at Luther Park part of the week with our children and youth.

All registrations must be mailed to camp directly with a deposit to save your spot. Registration forms are available from Dennis Manson or online at <http://www.lutherpark.com>

If you intend on going to camp, register now — don't delay or spots may get filled up. Your friends are invited to join us! Scholarship help is available. Just check with Rose or Dennis.



Blood Pressure Checks 2nd Sunday of Each Month

The St. Barnabas Wellness Team is arranging to have nurses in the congregation provide blood pressure checks on the second Sunday of each month. The next checks will be offered Sunday, May 9. The BP checks will be offered between the two worship services (10:00-10:30) in Rose Umland's office.

News & Notes

- A big St. Barnabas welcome to these folks who officially became part of the congregation on April 18:

*Tom & Rebecca Anderson
Laura Hammock*

Heidi Foley

*William & Andrea Gjersvik
Landon*

Diann Hodson

Charles Kreager

Todd & Sue Megrund

Kristi Rivers

*Rick Stepan & Kim Provo
Andrew Provo*

*John & Barbara Zurek
Lauren & Andrew*

- What is St. Barnabas doing well in its Children, Youth, and Family ministries? What are “best practices” used by other congregations that we could bring here? To help answer those questions, the staff and Church Council have engaged two children and youth ministry professionals to observe our ministries and conduct interviews with about 25 youth and parents. **Sue Megrund** (a new member of St. Barnabas) and **Peter Erickson** of **InterServe Ministries** will be among us over the next few weeks. If you would like to participate in the interviews, please contact Pastor Chris or Pastor Wayne.
- Tom & Cindy Lindberg** represented St. Barnabas at the Gustavus Adolphus College Association of Congregations annual meeting on April 17.

- The Minneapolis Area Synod held its annual assembly at Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church in Prior Lake on Saturday, April 24. Voting members attending from St. Barnabas were **Michele Burnett, Jennifer Redelsheimer, Bernice Sather, Meredith Smith** (one of forty high school students at the assembly), and **Pastor Chris**.
- St. Barnabas will host three landscaping/gardening events for the City of Plymouth in May:
 - Paul Buck, forester for the City of Plymouth, will offer a **tree seminar** on Wednesday, May 19, at 6:30 p.m.
 - Metro Blooms will offer a two-part **rain garden workshop** on Thursday, May 20, and Thursday May 27 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Registration is only \$10 for each workshop. Go to www.metroblooms.org or call 651-699-2426 to register.

Lost & Found

Please check the Lost & Found in the big coat room for any items misplaced this last year. Featured this month are 2 black women's coats:

- sz med., *Ruff Hewn* coat with fur trimmed hood (and reading glasses)
- Sz lge, black leather, *Izod* (and black leather gloves)

Unclaimed items are put into the Rummage Sale in August.

Last Sessions for Education Ministries

St. Barnabas' youth education ministries will have their final sessions of the school year on the following dates:

Good Shepherd School
(age 3-grade 2)
May 1

Lighthouse Confirmation
(grades 3-5)
May 12

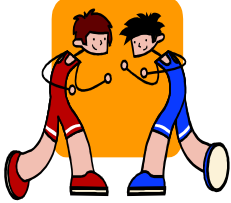
Navigator Confirmation
(grades 6-8)
May 12

May SBCA Concerts

Poetry Smackdown IV—A Benefit for the SBCA

Saturday, May 1, 7:00 p.m.

Begins with dinner @ 6:00 p.m.



Ignoring pleas from Twin Cities poetry lovers, a rumored injunction from the International Poetry Association and conventional precepts of common decency, the Page-to-Stage program of St. Barnabas Center for the Arts (SBCA) will present *Poetry Smackdown IV - Just When You Thought It Was Safe*, on Saturday, May 1 at 7:00 p.m.

SBCA Director Jeff Whitmill and a secret contingent of friends are gearing up to read poetry from noted authors Taylor Mali, Big Poppa E, Rumi, Naomi Shihab Nye - and a host of others whose poetry will amaze, amuse, and maybe even pull on a heartstring or two.

It's funny, it's poignant, it's outrageous, it's profound. It's a cheap date. It's short enough that you'll still have time to catch a movie afterwards.

But for this hour we'll be throwing words and phrases all around your head, bouncing them off memories and serving them up like the latest dessert at Cafe Latté.

It's a sampler platter of some of the best new poems in print, with a side dish of a golden oldie or two, just to cleanse the palette.

Jeff Whitmill and actress Jane Blake created the Smackdowns in 2007 as a way of introducing the community to some of the best in recent poetry. Interest has been growing; each Smackdown garnered more fans than the previous ones.

The entertainment will be preceded by an Italian dinner served at 6:00 pm. Reservations are required for the dinner (by April 29). If you're in the church building you can sign up at the Welcome Center in the narthex; otherwise, an e-mail to jeff@whitmill.net stating the number coming for dinner will serve just as well.

Cost for the meal and show is \$15.00. For just the show at 7:00 and the dessert that follows, the recommended freewill admission is \$5.00.

The poetry program will run about 75 minutes. Proceeds will benefit SBCA, helping with scholarships for music students whose families can't afford the full lesson fee and tunings for the Center's pianos.

This Smackdown is recommended for persons 12 and older, due to some language and one intemperate gesture.



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

Jazz@StBarney's

Stan Bann's Big Bone Band

Saturday, May 22, 7:00 p.m.

Formally founded in 2009, Stan Bann's Big Bone Band has brought a fresh new sound to the Twin Cities jazz scene. Consisting of trombones, euphoniums, tuba, and jazz rhythm section the ensemble showcases Bann's original compositions, inventive arrangements, and many of the finest low brass specialists in the Twin Cities area.

"I have been writing for this instrumentation for many years and love the lithe power and depth of the low brass choir," says Bann. "The trombone's sheer range of expression is incredible. From warm, almost inaudible pads to thundering raw and exciting statements the trombone has all bases covered. Not many instrument families can stretch that far."

Audiences have agreed with Bann's assessment and have made Stan Bann's Big Bone Band's performances "must see" events.

"During our first season I had many audience members come up after our concerts and talk about the magnificent sound of the ensemble," Bann said. "Many commented on how they didn't know what to expect of a 'Big Bone Band' but they absolutely loved what they experienced."

"Whenever I play music my goal is to share something personal with the audience. Making that connection is a tremendous feeling. Sharing something as joyous as making and enjoying music is indescribable," Bann observed. "Based on how our audiences responded we've made those connections. I'm delighted to be able to continue this rapport with the great fans of the Twin Cities and beyond!"

Bann, a Minnesota native, has received international acclaim as a composer, arranger, trombonist, educator, and band leader. His music and recordings have been heard and embraced by audiences, musicians, and critics around the world.

Bann attended Berklee College of Music where he received his degree in Jazz Composition. While maintaining a heavy recording studio schedule, appearances with Herb Pomeroy and other Boston jazz luminaries, he was a soloist with the renowned Berklee International Dues Band. During that time he also performed and toured with the MIT Concert Band as a guest artist.

In 1990 he formed the Stan Bann Big Band. Since its inception Mr. Bann has performed over 350 concerts and clinics, including a monthly 19-year stand at O'Gara's in Saint Paul.

As a performer Mr. Bann has appeared with the Temptations, Patti Page, Red Skelton, the Manhattans, David Allyn, and many others. He is a frequent guest on many radio jazz programs, including NPR's The JAZZ Image with Leigh Kamman.

In addition to his big band leading duties, Mr. Bann is the principal trombonist for the Bloomington Medalist Concert Band. He has toured the United States and Scandinavia with that ensemble.

Admission is \$10 for adults, \$7 for Twin Cities Jazz Society members and \$5 for students.



Youth & Family Ministry News

Dennis Manson



Blessing of Seniors - May 2

On Sunday, May 2, St. Barnabas will recognize its graduating high school seniors at the 10:30 a.m. worship service, followed by a BBQ lunch for the students and their families.



The Class of 2011 (the juniors) will be helping to serve, grill and clean-up the lunch. If you are able to help please call Dennis (763-553-1239).

Mission Trip Fundraisers

Auction

Many thanks to all who donated to our Youth Auction, attended the dinner, and bid on auction items. We raised \$4,700 to be split between some extra Mission Trip expenses, our fundraising tithe and the students.

Car Wash - May 23

Students will be out in the parking lot on Sunday morning, May 23, ready and willing to wash your car, van, SUV, or even your boat while you worship. Free will donation.

Aluminum Can Recycling

Our Youth Ministry collects aluminum cans on the 1st weekend of each month (this month's collection is May 3/4). Place bags of cans in entry at east end of building.



Navigators

The last Navigators is May 12 from 6:00-7:15 pm. We will be having a Pizza Party along with 8th grade awards — that is if everyone passes the Movin' on Quiz. :)

8th Grade Mentor Meeting

Our 8th graders are in the process of selecting adult mentors for the summer and fall with whom they will have the opportunity to have meaningful conversations centered around faith, worship, and life in the church. Dennis will be contacting the members whom the students have selected as someone they respect and would like as their mentor.

The students and their mentors will meet for an orientation on Wednesday, May 19, at 6:00 p.m.

Summer Mission Trip Training

Our next Community Training meeting is Sunday, May 23 @ 6:30 p.m. (food included) Everyone's final balance is due on May 23!

Summer S-T-R-E-T-C-H

Summer Stretch is a service and recreational ministry for current 6-9 graders, centered on Gospel values.

Students will come each Wednesday from June 16 through July 28 from 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (No Stretch on June 23) After a morning of service and reflection, the group will break for lunch before going out and having fun and fellowship with friends. This ministry provides a meaningful connection and investment in the community. Stretch ends with a trip to Valleyfair on Thursday, August 5.

Cost is \$130 (\$50 non-refundable deposit) and includes transportation to and from service and recreational events, recreational activities fees, Valleyfair ticket, and t-shirt.

Check out the web site for more details including registration forms. Space is limited! Only 3 spots remaining!

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).

May Baptismal Anniversaries

May Birthdays

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| 1 David Kelzer
Nancy Lykkehoy | 14 Cameron Carlson
Juliet Carlson
Alissa Hoyme
Emily Ilse | 22 Michael Fritz
Pia Leiseth |
| 2 Lorel Anderson
Heidi Eilderts
David Robarge | Kaitlyn Peterson | 25 Tracy Swwed |
| 4 Michael Umland | 15 Kaitlyn Eilderts | 26 David Reynolds
Wade Williams |
| 5 Oskar Hembre
Conditt | Ian Novak | 27 Connie Cook
Andrew Pole
Lisa Pole |
| 6 Mark Muhlstein | Kenneth Root | Joseph Seel |
| 7 Jay Koepsell | Rose Umland | 28 Bill Paustis
Joel Scalzo |
| 8 Joseph Bernau
Annette Lund
Patricia Phillips | 16 Louise Kramer
Donald St. John | Laura Silbaugh |
| 9 Cassandra Mossefin | 18 Thomas Jacobson | 29 Emma Turnquist |
| 10 Kirsten Hoyme
Inge Milliken
Brenda Percy | Julie Snell | 31 Oliver Smith
Greta Sommerfeld |
| 12 Sally Lundeen-Hoff
Collin Sohn | Jeff Whitmill | |
| 13 Thomas Houghland | 19 Donald Johnson
Barbara Wade | |
| | 20 Jean Humphries
Margaret Olson | |
| | 21 Walter Smith
Adam Snyder | |

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| 1 Becca Dryer | Jessica Drill | Barbara Wade |
| Inge Milliken | 12 Joshua Gambrel | 20 Erick Burkett |
| Amy Titus | Bonnie Welshons | 21 Samuel Hoffmann
Thomas Rohrer |
| Laura Walsh | 13 Jann Patton | 23 Emily Martinez
Alex Milliken |
| 2 Joyce Arndt
Phillip Demro | Lisa Pole | 24 Taylor Porter |
| Austin Smythe | Arnold Thron | 25 Annelise Johnson
Rhiannon Reed
Emily Umland |
| 4 Leigh Jacobson | 14 Jaxon Cook | 26 Lisa Gilyard |
| 5 John Wells | Beth Croen | 27 Amy Guttormsson |
| 6 Robert Sanders
Walter Smith | Kelly Rogers | 28 Don Ilse |
| 7 Sheldon Anderson | 15 Jay Johnson | 29 Isabella Hembre
Conditt |
| Wade Lykkehoy | Katherine Oelfke | Deborah Oelke
Clayton Smith |
| 8 Jeffrey Running | 16 Nancy Bjornlund | 30 John Demro
Cathy Franklin
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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.

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A preacher of the old school was describing the events of Judgment Day and, of course, he used Biblical phraseology whenever he could.

"Oh, my friends," he intoned, "imagine the suffering of the sinners as they find themselves cast into the outer darkness, removed from the presence of the Lord and given to eternal flames. My friends, at such a time there will be weeping, wailing and a great gnashing of teeth!"

At this point, one of the elders of the congregation interrupted to say, "But Reverend, what if one of those hopeless sinners has no teeth?"

The preacher crashed his fist on the pulpit, "My friends, the Lord is not put off by details. Rest assured: teeth will be provided!"

Worship Schedule

Sunday
9:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Saturday
5:00 p.m.

Thursday Morning Prayer
7:30 a.m.

Prayer for Healing
Sunday, May 9, 6:00 p.m.
Special focus on women and girls - see article on front page.



Blood Drive - May 1

The Memorial Blood Center is bringing its Bloodmobile to St. Barnabas on **Saturday, May 1**, from 8-noon. Sign up in the narthex or call Connie Cook (763-557-7064) or the church office (763-553-1239).

To make sure all our donors are well fed, a free pancake breakfast will be served to all donors.