



Happynings

May 22, 2009

This Week's Readings

May 24th: 7th Sunday of Easter:
Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; Psalm 1;
1 John 5:9-13; John 17:1-19

The newsletter and calendar for Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (ELCA) Rochester • Minnesota

PACK A NO-WASTE LUNCH. When packing lunches, use plastic containers that can be washed and used repeatedly. The containers will cost less in the long run than disposable plastic bags. The Green Team meets monthly; if you are interesting in joining us please contact Donna Caflisch at 286-8805.



9TH GRADE CONFIRMATION STUDENTS: All ninth graders who were confirmed last weekend may pick up their group picture, and your picture collage, in the church office.

FAITH IN MOTION: TOUR DE PEPIN, SATURDAY, JUNE 6... RAIN OR SHINE.

This bicycle ride offers you the opportunity to enjoy the captivating terrain and historic towns that line Lake Pepin along the Great River Road, as well as scenic views from the comfort of a genuine replica 1800s paddleboat... All riders will receive a complimentary ticket for a full excursion tour on the Pearl of the Lake paddlewheeler, a complimentary admission ticket to the National Eagle Center, and a complimentary ticket to Friday Night June 5th Pasta Dinner from 6-9 pm at Hok-Si-La Park; Catered by Bronks Bar and Grill.

Limited to 800 riders, save \$10 by registering on/before May 22... after that its \$50 registration fee. For more info see: <http://www.lakecity.org/tourdepepin/rules.html> For those who'd like to ride share, please contact Tim on 288-3607 by Monday June 1. Plan to meet at 6:30 AM at Tim Fynskov's home (1925 31st Place NW, Rochester) for 7:00 AM departure to Lake City.

ACTION FOR AXEL A benefit for Axel Johnson, who is battling cancer, will be held at the Kahler Grand Hotel (Heritage Hall) from 5:00pm-1:00am on Friday, June 5th. Axel is the nephew of GSC members Mike & Gayleen Johnson. Scheduled events include dinner, silent and live auctions and live music by Snoot Gibson. Tickets are \$10 for all ages and can be purchased at Achieve Results Physical Therapy of Rochester, or at the door the evening of the event. For more information, call **507-269-6492** or email: actionforaxel@yahoo.com

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

Saturday, May 23

5:30pm Worship

Sunday, May 24

(Summer Worship Schedule Begins)

8:00am Outdoor Worship

9:30am Worship (Sanctuary)

Monday, May 25

Memorial Day — Office Closed

Tuesday, May 26

7:30am Men's Coffee

9:30am Stay and Play

10:30am Staff Meeting

7:00pm Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 27

7:00pm Remix

8:00pm Brass Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Thursday, May 28

7:00am Ephesians Bible Study

7:00pm Sisters in Faith

Saturday, May 30

5:30pm Worship

Sunday, May 31 (Senior Recognition Day)

8:00am Outdoor Worship

9:30am Worship (Sanctuary)

PRAYERS

+ For all members of Good Shepherd, especially: Steve & Tami Kazeck (Makinzee, Bailey, Taylor), Jason & Jenny Kerkvliet (Ella), Jay & Vanessa King (Andria, Samuel).

May 24 — Seventh Sunday of Easter

+ For all congregations in the Southeastern Minnesota Synod, including: Our Savior's Lutheran in Lyle, Grace Lutheran in Fairmont, Katesch Lutheran Church in Tanzania (partnered w/ Grace, Fairmont), Our Savior's Lutheran in Faribault, Manyoni Lutheran Church in Tanzania (partnered w/ Our Savior's Lutheran, Faribault), St. John Lutheran in Montgomery, Choma Lutheran Church in Tanzania.

SUPPORT OUR SUMMER YOUTH TRIPS

Our high school youth will be off and running all over the country this summer. The first trip is our Mystery Destination Mission Trip at the end of June. Then, several of our high school youth heading up north on a backpacking trip with Camp Amnicon at the beginning of July. And the final trip is to the National ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans.

There are several different ways that you can support us in this. All of the money that we raise, will go directly to our trip costs. We all thank you so much for your support and prayers!

We are selling shares for our youth trips. Each share is a \$25 donation to support our youth. Because of your generous support, one of the youth will send you a post card on each trip (the mission trip and the Youth Gathering). You will also be invited to a breakfast in August where we will show pictures and talk about both trips and we will be praying for you while we're gone.

Another way that you can support our youth is by purchasing SCRIP cards and donating them to one of the trips. Here are some of the needs:

1. Mission Trip - Gas, Fast Food, Grocery, or American Express cards which we can use for any needs that arise.
2. Backpacking Trip - Gas
3. Youth Gathering - Fast Food, Grocery, or American Express cards which we can use for any needs that arise.

Both shares and SCRIP cards are available for purchase at the Welcome Center or by talking to Janet. We thank you so much for your support of our youth!

ACTS OF FAITH: INTERFAITH LEADERSHIP IN A TIME OF GLOBAL RELIGIOUS CRISIS

You are invited to a special presentation by Dr. Eboo Patel: Wednesday, May 27, 2009; 7:30 p.m. — Mayo Civic Center - Presentation Hall

Dr. Patel is the Founder and Executive Director of Interfaith Youth Core (IFYC) in Chicago, IL. He was recently appointed by President Obama to the Advisory Council of the White House Office of Faith Based and Neighborhood Initiatives. He holds a doctorate in the sociology of religion from Oxford University, where he studied on a Rhodes scholarship. He writes "The Faith Divide," a featured blog on religion for the Washington Post and is author of the book Acts of Faith: The Story of an American Muslim, the Struggle for the Soul of a Generation.

BIRTHDAYS

- 22nd Mel Baumgartner, Patrick Stallman, Molly Feijo, Brennan Jones, Joe Livingston
- 23rd Steve Fiek, Ladd Freitag, Alexis Goetsch, Lindsey Kirkeby, Judy Laures, Robyn Ohashi, Madison Thompson
- 24th Kristi Groves, Reece Thompson
- 25th Samantha Anding, Mark Mulholland, Sasha Fenske, Gayleen Johnson, Julie Moenck
- 26th Kelsey Fluegel, Heather Fuelberth, Anton Plonka, Wendy Turri
- 28th Jeaneen Alcorn, Steven Carr, Janis Evers, Sarah Hanscom, Ashley Price
- 29th Randy Frey, Diane Johnson, Ken Jones, Abby Marquardt, Emma Marquardt, Sara Marquardt, Emma Mulvihill, Colleen Rud, Paige Turri, Ryan Turri

RAINBOW PRESCHOOL IS LOOKING FOR A NEW DIRECTOR. Rainbow is a Christian Preschool located at Zumbro Lutheran Church. The salaried position averages about 20-25 hours a week throughout the year. We are looking for someone with a love and respect for preschool children, the skills to direct and empower teachers, and the flexibility to work in a changing environment. Please send resumes to the Rainbow Board President: Rev. Siri Strommen Campbell at siri@molive.org OR 2830 18th Ave NW Rochester, 55901

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Worship Services (with Holy Communion)

Saturday 5:30 PM; Sunday 8:00 & 9:30 AM

Staff

- Dave Berg..... Pastor
- Karen Pahl..... Pastor
- Jack Friedli..... Pastoral Assistant
- Cynthia McLaren Associate in Ministry
- Janet Youngers Youth Coordinator
- Mike Tilges Office Administrator
- Roger Harty, Mark Kubat, ABC Custodians
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