



The SteepleView

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF NORTH CAPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

February 2012

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Important Dates

- Feb. 2** Council Reports Due
- Feb. 9** Council Meeting
- Feb. 10** Sr. Breakfast @ Apple Holler
- Feb. 10** Lock-in for HALO
- Feb. 12** Baptism Birthday Celebration
- Feb. 12** Camp Sunday
- Feb. 12** Mission Trip Meeting
- Feb. 12** Mentor Lunch
- Feb. 15** Amazing Grays @ Raymond
- Feb. 15** March newsletter deadline
- Feb. 16** CEFY
- Feb. 19** Mission Meal
- Feb. 19** Family Tobogganing
- Feb. 22** Ash Wednesday Worship
- Feb. 29** Lent Soup Supper
- Feb. 29** Lenten Worship

Worship Schedule

- 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM** Worship
 - 9:15 AM** Christian Education Hour
 - 9:00 AM & 11:30 AM** Refreshments/Coffee Hour
- Child Care Available during worship (up to age 5).*

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Weekly Articles due Wed noon of that week
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February Baptism Birthday Celebration

February 12



Lenten Services Wednesdays at 7:00 pm

February 22—Ash Wednesday w/Imposition of Ashes
 February 29, March 7, March 14, March 21, March 28

The Origin of the Ashes—Have you ever wondered where we get the ashes for the Ash Wednesday service? In the tradition of the church, the palm fronds from last year's Palm Sunday service are burned to make the ashes. This action connects the penitential service of Ash Wednesday to the journey of Jesus to the cross. Join us for the Burning of the Palms. We will meet after the 10:30am service on Sunday, February 19 to burn palm fronds in preparation for Ash Wednesday (February 22).

If you have any palm fronds at home, please bring them to church so that we can include them in this meaningful action of preparation.

Soup Suppers—Wednesdays

February 29—March 28
 6:00—6:45



Holy Week

- April 1—Palm Sunday
- April 5—Maundy Thursday—First Communion
- April 6—Good Friday—7:00 pm Tenebrae—A Service of Shadows

Easter Sunday

- April 8—7:00, 9:00 & 10:30 Worship w/Holy Communion
- Easter Breakfast 8:00—9:30 am

Staff and Council Directory

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February Lessons

February 5 – Fifth Sunday Epiphany
Isaiah 40:21-31
Psalm 147:1-11, 20c
1 Corinthians 9:16-23
Mark 1:29-39

February 12 – Sixth Sunday Epiphany
2 Kings 5:1-14
Psalm 30
1 Corinthians 9:24-27
Mark 1:40-45



February 19 – Transfiguration of Our Lord
2 Kings 2:1-12
Psalm 50:1-6
2 Corinthians 4:3-6
Mark 9:2-9

February 22 – Ash Wednesday
Joel 2:1-2, 12-17
Isaiah 58:1-12
Psalm 51:1-17
2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

February 26 – First Sunday in Lent
Genesis 9:8-17
Psalm 25:1-10
1 Peter 3:18-22
Mark 1:9-15

Stay Connected on Facebook

North Cape now has a Facebook page. To become a friend, send a request to nclc@wi.net.

A Note From Pastor Brad



The Meaning of Snow... An Existential Reflection

What is the meaning of a snowflake? To a child, it means running to the television and hoping to see your school district listed on the cancellation “crawler” on the bottom of the screen. It means jumping into snow banks, screaming gleefully on the way down the hill, throwing snowballs, building forts, and teaching your younger sibling how to tell the difference between “good” snow and “bad” snow by its color.

What is the meaning of a snowflake? To an adult, it means getting up early, slipping your snow pants on over your pajamas, shoveling, salting, leaving early for work, re-arranging your schedule or calling a babysitter if school is closed, scrapping off the windshield, and praying that the anti-lock brakes work when you need them.

In case you haven't figured it out yet—I fell out of love with snow a long time ago. Ask my wife, and she'll verify that I have an aversion to shoveling like it's an incurable, life-threatening illness. Snow slows down life. And I often want to just plow right through any obstacle that I find in my way. Hence the reason I get Christmas Cards and Birthday wishes from a local auto-body shop. (If my insurance agent is reading this—just kidding!)

The liturgical season of Lent, which begins on Ash Wednesday, February 22, gives us an opportunity to slow down and examine our life of discipleship. How are we experiencing the blessings of God and serving our neighbor?

It's easy to get frustrated when things never seem to change. The economy is still pretty depressing, our prayer list for sick members never gets much shorter, and our political conversation is as divided as ever.

God! C'mon already! When are you going to rise again, anyway!? Easter can't come soon enough!

I think the call to expectant waiting—disciplined patience—is one of the biggest challenges to my faith sometimes. Ministry can feel like moving a giant snow bank with a small, garden hand trowel. Our human weakness keeps us from fully achieving our dream of building a Christ-centered community filled with hope and opportunity for all people.

It sounds to me like the disciples had some similar frustrations with the pace of the coming of the Kingdom of God. They implore Jesus in Luke chapter 17, “Increase our faith!” And he rebukes them, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you” (Luke 17:6).

Whenever I hear that story...I think about how impossible it would be to make a tree jump into the lake. And I think...“Exactly God...that's exactly what I want to be able to do...make things happen...NOW! And what you are asking me to do is too much!”

But I think I'm missing the point...Jesus is trying to refocus the vision of the disciples. Rather than worrying about the size of the obstacles, he wants us to focus on the power of even the tiniest bit of faith.

Think about this illustration from God's wondrous creation. The Grand Canyon was etched by water—one raindrop at a time—joining the flow of the river. As disciples, we don't need to dig the canyon, we just need to be a raindrop—one among many of God's disciples—working with Christ to move mountains.

Peace,
Pastor Brad

Family & Youth Happenings

"TRAIN CHILDREN IN THE RIGHT WAY, AND WHEN OLD, THEY WILL NOT STRAY." PROVERBS 22:6

I wanted to pass along a devotion that I enjoyed, and hopefully you will too...

Those who are wise will take all this to heart: They will see in our history the faithful love of the Lord." ~Psalm 107:43

At times you may feel that you are alone and that God is far away. He is not a distant power. He is an active presence in your life. When you develop the habit of understanding your days as if God has shaped them, you gain insight into how to draw closer to him.

Things don't just happen. Those things you may call "accidents, surprises, or discoveries" are actually exposures of God's love and constant concern for you. If you keep your faith and trust in God, the meaning of these things will become clear. If you greet each new day and expect it to reveal the glory, power, and love of God, your hours will be filled with joy and awe. His mystery will lead you toward him.

Blessings, Kim

Director of Youth & Family Ministries

~Matthew 6:25-34~

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Mission Statement:

To **BUILD** personal faith and responsibility

To **GROW** our experience of community and commitment

To **EQUIP** families and youth in mission and ministry of J.C.

**Need financial assistance for an event? Contact Kim, financial aid is available for all youth events, thanks to the generous contributions from the congregation.*

Parent & Caring Adult Area!

**"You're NOT doing Youth Ministry,
until the Youth are DOING the Ministry!"**

Table Prayer

God our Father, Lord and Savior
Thank you for your love and favor
Bless this food and drink we pray
And all who share with us today. Amen

Caring Conversation Starters...

Who is the nicest person you know?
Why do we have laws in our society?
If someone asked you how you know your
parents love you, what would you say?

Family Tobogganing Event

Sunday February 19

Let's gather together young and old for a Sunday afternoon of sledding/tobogganing at Camp Maclean in Burlington! We will leave NCLC parking lot following 2nd service and return around 3pm. Cost is \$8 which includes a pizza lunch, drinks and hours of sledding. Sign-up Deadline is Sunday, February 12.

We want YOU!

The *Christian Education Family and Youth* team are looking for more volunteers to join us! We gather the *Third Thursday* of the month from 6-7:30pm to discuss events, Sunday school, and are a support team for the Director of Youth and Family Ministry. Come and share your spiritual gifts no matter what they may be. We are looking for behind the scenes and hands on people!! ***Come join us on Thursday, February 16 in the church library!***

Family & Youth Happenings cont...

Activities

B.A.S.I.C Youth Group-Pizza Party

February 26, 2012

Who: Grades 7-12

Cost: \$5

Bring: your favorite pizza topping

Mission Meal

Sunday February 19, volunteers and food donations are always needed! This is a GREAT service for a family to participate in. Anyone who wishes to carpool please be at church by 3pm.

Mentor Program Lunch

When: February 12

Who: 9th graders & Mentors

Time: 11:30-1:30pm

**mentor/teen pair are to bring a side dish for our potluck lunch. Together we will break bread, fellowship, check in on the process, and partake in a group Bible study.*

Lock In for HALO

When: February 10-11

Who: 7th-12th grades

Time: 8pm (Friday)-2pm (Saturday)

What: This year we will be raising money for HALO to purchase items from their wish list! During our lock in we will prepare the soup and sandwich lunch we will serve Saturday afternoon at HALO!

**all participants are expected to help raise funds for HALO, information sheets are located on the youth board, under the sign up! **

Calendar of Events

Feb 5- Jr. High retreat deposits-DUE

Feb 10-11- Lock in 4 HALO

Feb 12- Camp Sunday

Mission Trip Meeting @ 9:15am

Mentor Lunch @ 11:30am

Feb 16- CEFY @ 6pm

Feb 19- Mission Meal @ 3pm

Family Tobogganing @ Lutherdale

Feb 22- Ash Wednesday

Feb 26- B.A.S.I.C Youth Group-Pizza Party

Feb 29- Lent Soup Supper & Worship

Upcoming Important Dates:

March 16-18- Jr. High Retreat @ Lutherdale

****Parental/Adult help is needed at ALL Events & Friends are always WELCOME!***

Discipleship

Camp Sunday-February 12

We will have visitors from Lutherdale Bible camp at both services and during the Sunday school hour. Special camp discounts will only be valid for that day. All you need is a \$50 deposit to secure your child's registration for the summer.

2011 Sr. High Mission Meeting

When: Sunday, February 12

Time: 9:15am

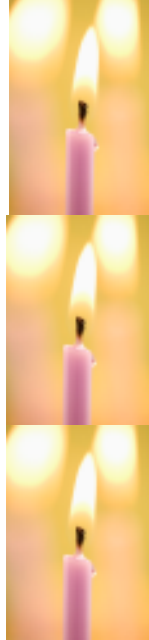
Where: Parsonage

Our mandatory group overnight is March 30th-31 from 7pm-7am.

*****All Sign Ups on the Youth & Family Boards, located across from the church office.*****

Happy Birthday to Our Members Born in February

*Janet Blum Feb 3
 *Lois Jaspersen Feb 3
 Allen Kurhajec Feb 3
 Sloane Hagen Feb 4
 Debra Johnson Feb 4
 Connie Michels Feb 4
 Eugene Syvrud Feb 4
 Sue Gordon Feb 6
 Bonnie Napierkowski Feb 9



Christa Wittenberg Feb 9
 Drew Dinauer Feb 10
 Brittany Brownlee Feb 12
 Josh Dobson Feb 12
 Zander Rasmussen Feb 12
 Stephanie Richardson Feb 13
 *Ron Koerber Feb 14
 Jacob Dinauer Feb 17
 Stephanie Munding Feb 17
 Carley Brownlee Feb 19



*Ken Christensen Feb 19
 Dean Jacobson Feb 20
 Joel Kopac Feb 22
 Erin Johnson Feb 23
 Julie Lewandowski Feb 23
 *Janet Rivest Feb 24
 Lee Toll Feb 24
 Alannah Lofquist Feb 25
 Sheila Hummel Feb 26
 Justin Dilley Feb 27

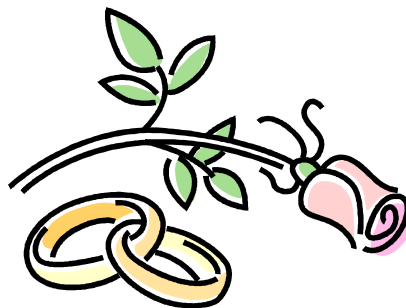
*Members who are 70 or over

Happy February Wedding Anniversary

Connie & Pat Michels
February 5

Lori & Dennis Kasprowicz
February 6

Mike & Melanie Reichert
February 9



Wayne & Kitty Friend
February 13

Dean & Lyda Jacobson
February 14

Jerry & Chris Zortman
February 29

		Please Remember Our Shut-ins			
Mildred Anderson 15941 Durand Ave 31-B Union Grove WI 53182 262-878-3198	7/31/29	Evelyn Helm 1707 – 100th St Franksville WI 53126 262-835-2034	9/15/21	Myrtle Narlock 109 – 13th Ave Union Grove WI 53182 262-878-3204	11/8/20
Hope Barr Tudor Oaks S77W12929 McShane Dr Muskego WI 53150	4/1/22	Ivy Jacobson Mt Carmel Medical & Rehab 677 E State St Burlington WI 53105	1/26/19	Evelyn Nelson Stafford Manor 4208 Marquette Dr Racine, WI 53402	1/12/19
Charles Berry 21224 Olson Rd Franksville WI 53126 262-835-4227	3/29/29	Joyce Koenig Mt Carmel Reflections Unit 677 E State St Burlington WI 53105	7/13/26	EllVerne Pluck Ridgewood Care Center 3205 Wood Rd Racine WI 53406	12/16/27
Art Helm Oak Ridge Care Center 1400 – 8th Ave Union Grove WI 53182	4/28/23				

OUR HEARTFELT THANKS

Dear North Cape Family, Your thoughtfulness was very kind and so appreciated. Thank You for making our Thanksgiving so very special. There aren't enough words to express how blessed you made our family feel.

Carol Bodven, Sue Halsey & Family

Thank you to Patty Stritesky for helping chaperone the Club 56 event. It was greatly appreciated!

WELCA/NCLC Congregation, The Kropidlowski family would like to Thank You for the Christmas cards and the kringle that you sent us. We appreciate that you thought of us this holiday season and we hope your Christmas/New Years was as great as ours. Our friends loved to taste a little sample of Wisconsin heritage, and little Damien also enjoyed his first kringle. We are truly blessed to be part of such a wonderful, caring group of people at NCLC. Thank you again and God Bless.

Sincerely,

Dale Kropidlowski & Family

P.S. We are also accepting any warm weather you can send! :)

Thanks to all that stopped and helped take down all the Christmas decorations.

Special thanks again to Bob, Carter, Robbyn and Jill. They had quite a time getting that tree over for storage.

Thanks to Dave Beeman for outside greens.

Thanks to Roger and Lisa Johnson for donating two large mirrors for the brides on wedding days. That will be very appreciated by many wedding parties.

Severe Weather Reminder—In the event of severe weather, please check with your favorite radio or television station to see if our church is closed for worship or other activities have been cancelled. You may check with: Storm center 4—TMJ4 TV, Fox 6 Storm Center, Weather Watch 12—WISN

Women's Bible Study
Mondays, 7:00 PM.

Altar Guild Chairs:
Laurel Rybka 835-1326,
Jill Peterson 835-2792

Mission Quilters Tuesdays, 9:00—Noon.

North Cape Legacy Quilters
1st and 3rd Thursdays, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Yoga with Lynette Tuesdays, 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Dear Women of North Cape Lutheran Church—Thank You! Blessings to you for the blessings you share with us, \$300! Happy New Year! Women's Resource Center

Dear Women of North Cape Lutheran Church—Thank You for your donation of \$300 to the **Homeless Assistance Leadership Organization Inc., HALO.**

Wisconsin State Fair—Here's the Official Photo of the new Fairest of the Fairs, Richelle Kastenson of Racine County! Great shot by Hamburg Photography! Congrats again Richelle!



WHAT WE'RE UP TO AT NORTH CAPE



Amazing Grays Social Club...

Bringing our Seniors together through food and fellowship!

When: Wednesday, February 15, 2012

Time: 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Where: Raymond Community Church

Cost: Free-will offering accepted, but **NOT required.**

Entertainment: The Raymond School Choir
Lunch served at Noon. Hope you can join us!

2012 Mission Trip News—We are proud to report that the trip is full with 24 participants! We will be serving in China Grove, NC from June 23-July 1, 2012. Our fundraising efforts are in full swing! We would like to thank all who have participated in the Fill the Soda Can, Canes and Cards, and the Ice Fishing Jamboree! Your support goes much further than those fundraisers. It reaches all the way to China Grove, N.C. We only have a few more fundraisers left before we depart in 4 months! Throughout February we will be in the narthex selling our trip Stock Sales. In April we will host the annual Easter Breakfast, and on May 19 will be our annual scrap drive (start saving your cans, metal, aluminum, copper, etc...). Thank you again!

BINGO—A group of us will be going to Oak Ridge Care Center on Thursday afternoon, February 23, 2012 to host a bingo game for the residents. If you have any gently used discards that we might use for bingo prizes, they would be greatly appreciated. Please place the items in or near the Oak Ridge Magazine Box in our south entry way. If you would like to help with bingo, please consider joining us. It doesn't require any special talent other than a big smile and willingness to help!

Sr. Citizen Breakfast -

Friday, February 10, 8:45, Apple Holler. Sign up in the Binder on the Welcome Center.



CHURCH MOUSE CORNER

Just when I finish my hand-knit green and gold sweater, the Packers forget to show up and play football during their first playoff game. It looked more like a game of "Red Rover, Red Rover, let the Giants come over." Anyway...that's the last time I listen to Pastor Brad's theological dribble about the Packers being the "frozen chosen."

Speaking of tailgating...I'm so glad the men's ministry reorganized under the capable leadership of Don Greer, John Poorman, and more than a dozen other faithful men at North Cape. Their late fall tailgate parties in the church parsonage garage have lived up to their name. They were grillin.' And the weather was chillin'. I can't wait to lick the pot of barbecue at the next meeting. These guys know how to cook, and they leave behind some delicious drippings. None of this indoor, spic and span, clean up every crumb cooking that WELCA does. (Although when I do catch a crumb of the desserts that Pastor Brad sneaks into his office—the taste is heavenly).

Join the guys at the next Grillin' and Chillin' Event. And don't worry, I'll clean off the grill for you.

Dedication Sunday — On Sunday, February 19, we will take time during our services to thank God for the wonderful memorial gifts we have received during the past year. We will ask that God use these gifts to draw us closer in fellowship, worship, and service.



Amazing Grays

The weather was cold outdoors but it couldn't have been toastier in North Cape's basement on Wednesday, January 18th. The Amazing Grays held their monthly senior luncheon and the group, of about 95 people, were entertained by none other than "Elvis"! He sang to individual women (and some men) and got them up dancing and moving to the music like no one else could. What a treat it was to see the glimmer in their eyes when "Elvis" singled them out – some were apprehensive at first but they quickly became entranced by the King. The "Elvis" magic continued as he passed out scarves that had wiped his brow and politely kissed women's hands. What a way to warm up a cold winter day! We also had an Elvis trivia contest with a large Elvis guitar bank presented to the winner and enjoyed a reminiscent reading by Pat Dahl. Everyone enjoyed a lunch of chili, ham and turkey sandwiches and numerous wonderful desserts. In addition, six door prizes were won. If you are a senior and haven't been a part of this free event in the past, come check us out. We'd love to have you!

Thanks to everyone that made this event such a success. They include: Carol Bodven, the Dahls, the Eschs, the Greers, Donna Polston, the Poormans, Laurel Rybka and the Waldrons. Thank you to Jackie Becker, Kathy Christiansen, Shirley Craven, Ardine Hebron, and Barb Welch for bringing such delicious desserts! Thanks also go to Mike Bishop (Elvis) for such a tremendous performance!



Who will be next?



Looks like she said yes!



"I thought I smelled a new knee."

WHAT WE'RE UP TO AT NORTH CAPE



Kim and Janey got scarves and a kiss on the cheek, too.



Look-alikes, wouldn't you agree?

We Will Pray For You—Would you like to have Pastor Brad visit you in the hospital? If so, please contact the church office. Would you like prayers lifted up on your behalf for any reason? We have a phone prayer chain and an email prayer chain. If you have any prayer concerns please contact the church office: 262-835-2206 or E-mail nclc@wi.net.

Our Prayer List— Charlie Berry, Mildred Anderson, Fischer Hansen, Al Bodven, Nancy Peterson, Patty Brouwers, Lori Kasprovicz, Joann Schmid, Josh Kurth, EllVerne Pluck, Alda Gordon, Cameron Holewinski, Maxine Brown, Jim Gruettner.

Please Also Pray for Military Members:

AMN Joseph Tanking
New address not available as of this printing
(Birthday - April 16)

AMN Dale Kropidlowski
7927—Unit A
Anderson Circle
Elmendorf AFB
Anchorage AK 99506
(Birthday - April 22)

WHAT WE'RE UP TO AT NORTH CAPE



Communion Assistants— We are in need of communion assistants at the 8:00 AM service. Please sign up in the binder on the welcome center if you are not already being called.

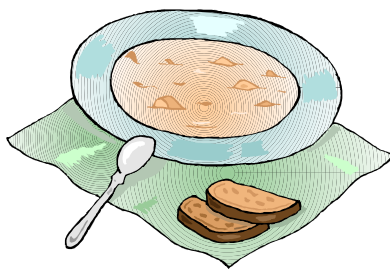
Wheaton Franciscan Hospice is committed to helping families achieve the right to die with dignity and compassion in the comfort of their own home. To support this mission we are looking for volunteers with the loving heart and hands of a good neighbor. Many satisfying volunteer opportunities are available, from in-office clerical help to nurturing patients and caregivers.

Learn about Wheaton Franciscan Hospice volunteer opportunities in the greater Milwaukee or Racine areas, by calling Pam Balthazor at 414-874-6170 or 262-884-2980. Training will be scheduled in your area for late January or early February.

Mission Meal—Sunday February 19, volunteers and food donations are always needed! This is a GREAT service for a family to participate in. Anyone who wishes to carpool please be at church by 3pm.

Lent Soup Suppers—begin Wednesday, February 29 and go through March 28. We are in need of committees, families, and small groups to lead an evening. This has been a long time fellowship tradition here and this will be the fourth year that the free will donation will be going to the A.R.C.H. Medical Center to help with Olivia Hansen's therapy. A sign up and information sheet will be available on the welcome center. Any questions speak to Kim Schwartz.

The first Lenten Soup supper on February 29 will be sponsored by Outreach and the Monday Night Women's Bible Study will prepare chili.



The BIG Ten! Lenten Sermon Series

Ever dream about being a starter in the Big Ten Conference?! Now is your chance. During our Lenten worship services, Pastor Brad will present a sermon series on the "The BIG Ten—Living Large with the Commandments." Sure, the Ten Commandments start with "Thou Shalt Not." But the true purpose of the Ten Commandments is not to diminish our possibilities, but to guide us into an abundant and fulfilling life. Luther explains in the Small Catechism that the Commandments not only tell us the things we shouldn't do, but also the things we should do to please God and serve our neighbor.

Think these are the Ten Steps to heaven? Think again...Jesus preaches about the impossibility of obeying the true spirit of God's commandments.

Think these Ten Commandments are so "self-explanatory" we don't need to study them after we are confirmed? Wonder why the altar at North Cape has the roman numerals "I, II, and III" on one side and "IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, and X" on the other? Did you know that other Christian denominations number the Ten Commandments differently than we do? Did you know that the Ten Commandments can be found in two different places in the Old Testament?

Come and Join us for our Lenten Worship and invite your family, friends, and neighbors.

February 22 7PM—Ash Wednesday Worship (with Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion)

Wednesdays February 29, March 7, 14, 21, 28--
Lenten Soup Supper and Worship
Supper 6PM
Worship 7PM

April 5, 7PM Maundy Thursday Service (First Communion)

April 6, 7PM Good Friday Service

COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Thursday, November 10, 2011

Pastor's Report

Pastoral Acts: 4 Marriage preparation sessions; 1 Baptism instruction session; 4 pastoral counseling; 3 Hospital visits; Funerals: Robert Holler (10/24), Mark Wendland (funeral 10/25, burial 10/26 in Plymouth, WI) Confirmation (10/30/11): Jacob Bauer, Sam Gultch, Caleb Gumieny, David Jones, Daniel Jurasovich, Chad Lecus, Taylor Riley, and Ashley Seeman. Weekly Staff Meetings; Weekly 8th and 9th Grade Confirmation; Consultations with members regarding mission and ministry: 3

Ministry Highlights - During the month of October, I was enriched by the creative leadership displayed by our members. Our Fall Festival pumpkin catapult is now famous due to an article in the Journal Times. The addition of the hay ride on the Jacobson farm and pumpkin bowling made the event bigger and better than ever. On behalf of the Outreach Team, Don Greer and Joe Strueder built a sturdy and aesthetically pleasing system for special event promotion. And our stewardship committee inspired us with their amazing mosaic cross. On October 9, we honored first responders as part of our monthly "Called to Serve" series.

Finance Committee - The finance committee met on Tuesday, November 1 to review the congregation's financial position and work on a draft budget for 2012.

Stewardship Committee - The committee met on October 26 and November 3 while working to complete a month-long stewardship season. The committee led a celebration of Commitment Sunday on November 6 complete with the unveiling of a mosaic cross made from recycled materials.

Other Meetings and Events: Food Bank Board Meeting, October 12; El Salvador Delegation Meeting October 16.

Time away: October 7, 2011 (Family Day off); November 11-19 (El Salvador); January 2-January 9, 2012 (Family Vacation)

Finance Committee—As of the end of the third quarter (September), financial reports show the congregation has \$84,535.93 in unrestricted funds. However, most of that (\$53,088) came from the estate of Jane Minshall and the finance committee felt those funds should not be used for operating expenses from the General Fund. A small amount is earmarked for youth activities, leaving a total of \$30,668.20 of remaining unrestricted cash reserves. As of the end of the third quarter (September), financial reports show a year-to-date operating deficit of \$15,531.34. (The congregation approved a 2011 Budget with a projected deficit of \$17,004.84). The committee discussed the need to examine our current trend of deficit spending and its intermediate and long-term effect on ministry and financial stability. The finance committee plans to offer an update to the congregation on November 13. The committee also plans to put a brief summary of our financial position in the bulletin and the December newsletter, with the goal of encouraging members to "catch up" on their giving and reduce the deficit before the end of the year. The finance committee also reviewed non-staff operating expenses and made some adjustments for the draft 2012 budget. The finance committee presented four scenarios for staffing and salaries that might also address the deficit. Council reviewed and discussed at length the four proposed budgets.

On a motion by Kathie Greer, seconded by Nancy Rasmussen, the Council Meeting adjournment was extended to 9:03 p.m.

On a motion by Rhonda Smerchek, seconded by Kathie Greer, the Council Meeting adjournment was extended to 9:18 p.m.

Council determined the options to reaching a balanced budget are to increase giving or make adjustments in staffing expense. Therefore, the response to Finance Committee's proposals is to make cuts of 3% to Pastor's salary and Organist's salary; cut Youth and Family Director to three quarter's time with no cut to insurance allowance; cut Secretary's time to 32 hours per week. Council also urged Finance Committee to proceed with the planned Budget Hearings for the Congregation to attend.

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Camp Sunday

The logo for Lutherdale Ministries is circular, featuring a stylized white 'A' shape in the center, surrounded by blue waves. The text 'LUTHERDALE MINISTRIES' is at the top and 'RETREATS • ADVENTURE CENTER • SUMMERCAMP' is at the bottom.

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Sunday February 12th, 2012

- Sign up for a chance to win a free week of camp
- Register for camp today with a check or credit card and get one entries for a free week of camp, plus a free week for a friend.
- \$15.00 in Canteen Credit and a free t-shirt.
- 25% New Camper Discount (Elem Level Camps Only)
- 10% Sibling Discount (Excludes Family/Grand Camps)

Note: Special Offers available only thru a Camp Sunday visit from a Lutherdale representative.

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Grades 1-3 Young Pioneers
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Grades 6-8 Jr. High
Grades 9-12 Sr. High, LYLE Camp

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Specialty Camps include: Musical Drama Camp, Night Owls Camp, High Adventure Camp, Horse Camp, Golf Camp, Confirmation Camp

Note: Every camper is subsidized by donations. Additional camperships available for those in need.

February 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Noon Bulletin & Wed. e-mail info due	2 Council Reports Due	3 OFFICE CLOSED	4
5 5th Sunday Epiphany 8:00 & 10:30 Worship w/Communion 9:15 Christian Education Penny War Ends	6 7:00 Women's Bible Study	7 9:00 Mission Quilters 7:00 Yoga	8 Noon Bulletin & Wed. e-mail info due 6:45 Bell Choir	9 7:00 Council Meeting	10 OFFICE CLOSED 8:45 Sr. Breakfast Lock-In for HALO 8 pm—2 pm	11
12 Baptismal Birthday Celebration 6th Sunday Epiphany Camp Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 Worship w/Uplift at 10:30 9:15 Christian Education 9:15 Mission Trip Mtg. 11:30 Mentor Program Lunch	13 7:00 Women's Bible Study	14 Valentine's Day 9:00 Mission Quilters 7:00 Yoga	15 Noon Bulletin & Wed. e-mail info due March newsletter Info Due 11:00 Amazing Grays @ Raymond Community 6:45 Bell Choir	16 6—9 Legacy Quilters 6:00 CEFY	17 OFFICE CLOSED	18 Laura Fadrowski & Tim Conklin Wedding
19 Dedication Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 Worship w/Communion 9:15 Christian Education 3:00 Mission Meal 11:30 Family Tobogganing Outing	20 Presidents' Day 7:00 Women's Bible Study	21 9:00 Mission Quilters 7:00 Yoga	22 Ash Wednesday Noon Bulletin & Wed. e-mail info due 6:45 Bell Choir 7:00 Ash Wed. Service	23	24 OFFICE CLOSED	25
26 1st Sunday Lent 8:00 & 10:30 Worship 9:15 Christian Education BASIC Pizza Party	27 7:00 Women's Bible Study	28 9:00 Mission Quilters 7:00 Yoga	29 Noon Bulletin & Wed. e-mail info due 6:00 Soup Supper 6:45 Bell Choir 7:00 Lenten Service			

FEBRUARY VOLUNTEERS	SUNDAY FEB 5	SUNDAY FEB 12	SUNDAY FEB 19	ASH WED. FEB 22 7:00 pm
Greeters: 8:00 10:30	R Dichtl, M Blaney Carol Harcus	Tom & Pam Johnson Jan McCann	Ron & Darlene Koerber Wendy Hebron	Maxine Brown
Ushers: 8:00 10:30	Dennis & Lori Kasprovicz Craig & Wendy Hebron	Ken Nelson, Mel Hebron Steve & Cheryl Fladwood	Duane & Ann Henderson M Dziekan, K Rank	John & Chris Poorman
Acolytes: 8:00 10:30	Meghan Timler Grace Bauer	Anna Goder Noah Lorey	Jack Betthausen Bailey Flannery	Hannah Muszynski
Readers: 8:00 10:30	Gary Ahrndt Don Holm	Kathy Christiansen Robbyn Wilks	Clay Zortman Pam Rehberg	June Decker
Communion Prep: 8:00 10:30	Larry & Sharon Nelson Diane & Rick Bisci	<i>No Communion</i> <i>No Communion</i>	Chris & John Poorman Jill Peterson	Maggie Teichert
Communion Assistants: 8:00 10:30	Ann Henderson Maggie Teichert	<i>No Communion</i> <i>No Communion</i>	T'Ann Hoffman Keith Jacobson	Jill Peterson
Sound & Video Ministry: 8:00 10:30	Steve Johnson Dale Mosher	Roy Gawlitta Yvonne Lauer	Wayne Rasmussen Sue Gordon	Brian & Yvonne Lauer
Treats: 8:00 10:30	Cheryl Jorgensen Vicki Kurt	Arlene Beeman Faye Smith	Chris Poorman Karen Gumienny	
	SUNDAY FEB 26	WEDNESDAY FEB 29		Counters: Kathy Paul Altar Guild: Laurel Rybka
Greeters: 8:00 10:30	John & Chris Poorman Chuck & Shirley Craven	Bev Gawlitta		Team Captains
Ushers: 8:00 10:30	Arnie & Linda Waldron Wally & Donna Polston	Amber & Emily Rasmussen		Greeters: 8—Bev Gawlitta 534-3298, 10:30—Maxine Brown 878-1733
Acolytes: 8:00 10:30	Bailey Flannery Grace Bauer	Grace Sorenson		Ushers: John Stalbaum 895-2457; Acolytes: Barb Welch 835-2271;
Readers: 8:00 10:30	Jill Peterson Karen Benson	Kathie Greer		Readers: 8—Pat Dahl 878-0274, 10:30—Miriam Dziekan 878-4730;
Communion Prep: 8:00 10:30	<i>No Communion</i> <i>No Communion</i>	<i>No Communion</i> <i>No Communion</i>		Communion Assistants: Jill Peterson 835-2492;
Communion Assistants: 8:00 1030	<i>No Communion</i> <i>No Communion</i>	<i>No Communion</i> <i>No Communion</i>		Sound & Video: Yvonne & Brian Lauer 262-210-6230;
Sound & Video Ministry: 8:00 10:30	Paul Kaprelian Brian Lauer	Yvonne & Brian Lauer		Treats: 8—Kay Lecus 835-1653, 10:30—Teresa Holm 878-3248
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