

# The Monthly Newsletter of Pilgrim Lutheran Church

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## From the Desk of Pastor Pete Noble Characters

The Bible’s book of Acts tells the story of the church as it grew in the very early years after Jesus ascension. The good news of Jesus Christ met a lot of different reactions as it traveled from city to city. For example, we might call Thessalonica a disaster. A man named Jason let Paul and Silas stay at his house. Some of the people of the city were so angered by the message that they dragged Jason before the city officials and he actually had to post bond before he could go home. A lot of trouble just because Jason offered some hospitality! (You can read the story in Acts 17:1-9)

Paul and Silas had to leave town at night. It must have been quite a relief to them to meet a very different attitude in Berea, the next town. “The Bereans were of more noble character than the Thessalonians, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true.” (Acts 17:11) The Bereans set a great example for us today. Just like the Bereans, we live in a time and place where a lot of different ideas and philosophies compete for our hearts and minds. Which ones are true? Are they all true? Are they all false? Follow the example of the Bereans—look into Scripture.

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This month we offer another unique opportunity to look into Scripture. Vacation Bible School will be June 22-24. It's a time to enjoy fellowship with one another and to get into God's word. As always, it's intended for the whole family. Come and be refreshed.

This summer we'll also continue the "Ask the Pastor" format in the first worship service of each month. If there's a biblical question you'd like me to address in one of those services let me know. You can use the "Ask the Pastor" tab on the website or send me an email or speak with me. We've had some good challenging questions in the past and I look forward to digging into God's answers with you again this summer.

In the other worship services this summer we'll be studying the lives of some of the people in the Bible. Some of the stories will be familiar, like Noah. Others, like Deborah, might be new to some. All of the stories will encourage us in our own walk of faith.

*But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you have learned it, and how from infancy you have known the holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Jesus Christ.*

*Paul to Timothy (2 Timothy 3:14-15)*

## **Summer sermons at Pilgrim**

### **Real People**

God uses real people like us to accomplish his will and the Bible is full of their stories. This summer in our Sunday services we'll explore the lives of a few of those people. Come join us to be encouraged and comforted by the stories of God at work in their lives.

We'll also continue with "Ask the Pastor" on the first Sunday of each month.

**June 6:** Ask the Pastor

**June 13 :** Noah remained faithful when nobody else did.

**June 20 :** (Fathers' Day) Abraham the "Father of the faithful" believed God could do the impossible

**June 27 :** Moses and God overcome the odds

**July 4 :** Ask the Pastor

**July 11 :** Rahab took a risk for the Lord

**July 18 :** Deborah put her confidence in the Lord

**July 25 :** Ruth made a promise because she believed a promise

**August 1:** Ask the Pastor

**August 8:** Pastor's vacation, guest speaker

**August 15:** Mike Westendorf special concert

**August 22:** Camp Croix weekend, guest speaker

**August 29:** Esther was in the right place at God's time

**September 5:** Peter found his strength in Christ



## “School” Ends, Summer Vacations Begin, Learning Continues

There is an oft quoted principle in education: Twenty percent of the influence in a child’s life comes from school, 80% comes from the home. In a nutshell, this means that, even though Pilgrim Lutheran and Minneapolis Public Schools will soon go into dormancy for 10 weeks, the students’ education goes on—in a *BIG* way. Who’s the teacher? That’s right mom and dad, it’s you! What are you going to do to continue your child’s education this summer?

Don’t freak out. You don’t have to take all the textbooks home, plan lessons for two months, design alternative assessments, buy a copy machine, correct papers for an hour a day, and invest in a new whiteboard. One of the most important ways that you can continue your son or daughter’s education this summer is to go on vacation.

Now hold on.

I’m not talking about *just* a “roller coaster and sunbathing” kind of vacation (although these things provide opportunities of their own). I’m talking about a “working” vacation, an “experiential” vacation, if you will. Take your kids somewhere *you’ve* always wanted to learn about. Get excited *with* them about a new place! Maybe the Black Hills of South Dakota would be a good choice. How about Rocky Mountain National Park or the Boundary Waters of Minnesota? Not such an outdoors person? Try Colonial Williamsburg, or the crown jewel of historic destinations, Washington D.C. Don’t have the time or pocketbook to support these mega-adventures? Have you ever seen the unique landscape of Blue Mounds State Park? What about Mystery Cave near Rochester? Have you ever been to Lake Itasca, headwaters of the Mississippi? Hiked a portion of the Superior Hiking Trail (even a mile or two)? Spent the weekend strolling the wharves in Duluth? These all provide local potential for some GREAT experiential learning. Regardless of where you go, really get *involved* in the trip. Don’t just hit the tourist traps and eat at McDonalds the whole way. Research the history of the area (Did you ever stop to think that anywhere there are people, there is history?), check out the local national or state parks, treat yourself to a restaurant with some “local color” and stretch your family’s culinary boundaries.

So you’ve already squeezed the last dime from your pocketbook and the last minute from your summer calendar? All hope is not lost. If nothing else, find *SOME* way for you and your kids to break your routine this summer. Buy a \$2.99 Frisbee and try out a disc golf course. Borrow a bike and conquer the Grand Rounds on two wheels. Watch an outdoor movie. Borrow a GPS and go Geocaching. Borrow the Museum Adventure Passes (two admissions free!) from your local library. Eat some sushi (I’m serious!).

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It's like this. Every new experience your child has broadens their horizons and gives them a broader base from which to view their world. They become more able to relate to people around them. They become more comfortable with a more diverse group of people and places. And here's the really important part: The experiences your child has in their life help determine how well they will be able to witness the saving message of Christ to the world. The more frequent and diverse the experiences are, the better.

What you do with your kids is 80% of their education. How are you going to spend your valuable time with them this summer?

Luke Hartzell,

Director of Experiential Education

## Summer Computer Lab

Here is another opportunity for your children this summer. Why not enroll them in the Summer Computer Lab sessions? This will be a structured lab setting. Students will work at their own pace, with tutoring, giving them an opportunity to catch up or get a jumpstart on the coming year.

Students will be using the Success Maker Program which includes Math, Language, Reading and Spelling software in addition to the Knowledge Quest Suite of Math and Language Learning Tools.

Students may also take keyboarding using the Type to Learn Program along with creative writing, internet studies and more. Students are free to drop in any day but will be expected to pay for the entire 2 hour session.

Students must have the appropriate fees when entering the lab. See fee schedule below.

### **Tuesday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. starting June 8<sup>th</sup>**

1 child	\$20.00/2 hour session
2 children	\$30.00/2 hour session
3 children	\$40.00/2 hour session

\* The computer lab will be open from June 8th through July 15th. It will be closed from July 20th through the 29th. It will reopen from August 3rd through August 12th.

**Please enter the building through the Stevens Avenue door**



## Mark Your Calendar...



### Annual Rummage Sale hosted by the Ladies Guild

**\*\*\*We are in great need of help!!**

The annual rummage sale is set for June 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> if you have anything you want to donate please drop them off in the school building. All Items **must** be clean, in working order. Items not allowed are computers, monitors, microwaves, and TV's. We are also looking for volunteers to help before and during the sale. If interested please contact Zoe Herzig at 763-360-6150

### EVENTS AT ST. CROIX LHS

#### **Friday, June 4**

Music Dept. Spring Concert: An American Tapestry 7:00pm (a farewell reception for five teachers will follow the concert)

#### Summer Carnival

Saturday, June 26 @ Pilgrim  
More details to follow later

**Camp Croix weekend IS August 20-22**



### Vacation Bible School

Mark your calendars for our family Vacation Bible School June 22-24. 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. We'll begin each evening with supper for the whole family. Then we'll divide into age groups. For the children will enjoy some time at the "Circle J Ranch" with story times, crafts and activities. Teenagers will have their own separate class, and adults will be able to choose from a number of class offerings including

Discipleship,

Team Building: Recognizing and Accentuating your Personal Strengths  
Sex and Marriage

...and more

All of these classes are designed to help us see God's perspective on some important areas of our lives. Come, enjoy the fellowship and grow in God's word!

**The School Gym will be closed Starting July 23<sup>rd</sup> until the School resumes in order to refinish the floor.**



### June Birthdays



### Wedding Anniversary



Siaffah Kiazolu	1
Zion Fahey	2
Williameta Jallah	2
Nicholas Loescher	2
Ake'la Johnson	5
Elizabeth Laudolff	5
Michael Homan	6
Dale Mueller	6
Michael Dieter	7
Grace Ribolzi	7
Geraldine Michael	8
Darlene Moy	11
JoAnn Owens	11
Karma Huggar	13
Susan Noonan	13
Duane Sonnenburg	13
LaVonne Vrchota	14
Julianne Johnson	16
Alyson Sroga	16
Carol Johnson	18
Darrell Miller	19
Christine Bonde	20
Jonathan Hudrlik	21
Betty Wied	22
Ralph Kiecker	23
Sharilyn Schochenmaier	24
Lynn Burmeister	25
Sandra Puterbaugh	25
Barry Gostchock	26
Amanda Neumann	26
Corey Bandelin	27
Thomas Odegard	27
Arnold Fick	28
Sarai Gostchock	28
Christian Ndekwe	30

Jeffrey & Donna Ditzel	4
Greg & Dawn Johnson	5
Kevin & Jennifer Dlykes	9
Andrew & Gina Kruse	10
Aaron & Elisabeth Robinson	10
Joshua & Rebecca Kramer	17
Robert & Laurie Gunderson	20
Floyd & Margaret Rodmyre	26
Walter & Dene Zimmermann	28
Michael & Sarah Homan	30

### June Altar Flowers



Available Sundays if anyone wishes to provide flowers are : June 13th , 20th and 27th. Contact Lila Aske.

### Congratulations:

Confirmation class of 2010  
Kalle Burney, Miles Graves,  
Davin Johnson, and Matthew Tucker



## Announcements...



### **DO YOU KNOW AN UPHOLSTERER?**

The fabric on the couches in the fireside room is completely worn out. We are looking for the name of someone who does reupholstering furniture to give us a bid. If the cost is too much, the couches will need to be replaced. Someone in the business could also tell us if they are worth the repair. Please contact Tam Bandelin at church (612-825-5375) or Karen Sonnenburg (952-884-6845) with a name and telephone number. Thank you.

### **CRAFTERS NEEDED**

Crusader Volunteers from St. Croix Lutheran High School will again be hosting the "FESTIVAL OF SEASONS BOUTIQUE" on Saturday, November 20, 2010 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Croix Lutheran High School. We are in need of crafters. Tell your friends, neighbors, relatives, co-workers, etc., that we are looking for individuals interested in selling their handmade crafts, gifts and artwork. It's not too early to reserve a space now. For a registration form and more information call Lynn Kosloske: 612-750-0022 or online at [http://stcroixlutheranhs.org/festival\\_of\\_seasons](http://stcroixlutheranhs.org/festival_of_seasons).

### **NEW FEATURE ON PILGRIM WEBSITE**

If you go to [www.pilgrimonline.net](http://www.pilgrimonline.net) you will find a photo of the front of Pilgrim Church on the right hand side of the page. If you click on that photo you will have instant access to all of the worship services that our own Larry McGowan has videotaped over the past year along with some special events. Kudos to Larry!!

The link to the Pilgrim Worship archive is also found on the bottom of the Worship Recordings page which can be reached if you click on Worship Recordings on the left hand side menu on the main (home) page.

Joe Sorensen

### **Host families needed**

St. Johns (NE Minneapolis) is looking for a host family for a summer school teacher in their summer outreach program. She is a MLC college student from Texas. She would need housing from June 26 through July 23. If you are interested and able, please contact Scott Gostchock at 612-825-5375 ext. 106. Your help would be greatly appreciated! Lord's blessings always!

# FAMILY FUN TIME

## Bible Wordsearch

Wordsearch 177

Luke 12:42-48

D A Y U N B E L I E V E R S H  
T E S U H E R E C N D W F L O  
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T E B E T V A K H W U S A G T  
S R L I C M I F I T O N A I H  
U V O P E T U N E N A L M M I  
R A W D Y L G R G G G E L O N  
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## Parable of the Returning Ruler

ASKED LORD  
ASSIGN MANAGER  
AWARE MANY  
BEATEN MASTER  
BLOWS PIECES  
CHARGE PLACE  
CUT PROPER  
DAY PUT  
DRUNK READY  
EXPECT RETURNS  
FAITHFUL SERVANTS  
FEW SUPPOSE  
FINDS TAKING  
FOOD THINGS  
GIVEN TIME  
GOOD TRUTH  
HOUR WISE  
ALLOWANCE  
DEMANDED  
DESERVING  
ENTRUSTED  
POSSESSIONS  
UNBELIEVERS

After you find all the hidden words the left over letters spell out a  
Bible verse reading from the top left to the bottom right

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Psalm 54

MORE PUZZLES AT:  
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# Pilgrim Lutheran 2010 Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Men's Bible Study 6:30-7:30 a.m.	2 Bible Study 6 p.m.	3	4	5
6 Worship Services: 8:30 Traditional 10:30 Outdoor Worship	7 Finance Meeting 7 p.m.	8 Men's Bible Study 6:30-7:30 a.m. Council Meeting 7 p.m.	9 Bible Study 6 p.m.	10 Rummage Sale	11 Rummage Sale	12 Women's Bible Study 9 a.m. Rummage Sale
13 Communion Services: 8:30 Traditional 10:30 Outdoor Worship	14	15 Men's Bible Study 6:30-7:30 a.m.	16 NO Bible Study	17	18	19
20 Worship Services: 8:30 Traditional 10:30 Outdoor Worship	21	22 Men's Bible Study 6:30-7:30 a.m. Vacation Bible School 5:30-8:30	23 Vacation Bible School 5:30-8:30	24 Vacation Bible School 5:30-8:30	25	26 Women's Bible Study 9 a.m. Pilgrim Carnival 1-6 p.m.
27 Communion Services: 8:30 Traditional 10:30 Outdoor Worship	28	29 Men's Bible Study 6:30-7:30 a.m.	30 Bible Study 6 p.m.			