

Luck Lutheran Church St. Peter's Lutheran Church Newsletter



Letter from the Pastor:

I'm in Luck! That is what I tell people when they ask me where I'm doing ministry these days. Those who aren't familiar with this fine community (believe it or not, there are some!) usually respond by saying, "I'm glad you're in luck, but where are you serving?" And that is my opportunity to tell them all about Luck, Wisconsin.

I understand that there are several legends concerning the naming of Luck. In the old days, when travelers by horse and wagon reached the shores of Big Butternut Lake by nightfall, they were considered to be in luck. I agree that some things in life involve luck or coincidence. Not everything is pre-planned or determined. But not everything in life is luck either. We have a role in shaping our future.

When Jesus called his disciples, it was their decision to follow the Lord. They made the most important decision of their lives and it changed the world. When Joshua gathered the tribes of Israel under his leadership, he gave them a role in their future, "Choose this day whom you will serve, but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." Later on, during days of great challenge, when the people were captives in Babylon, Jeremiah sent them a letter of encouragement including these words of promise: "For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope."

I'm glad to know that God has a plan. Although I might not see it clearly or know it perfectly, I know it's there. As I trust God and walk by faith, that plan becomes more clear and visible to me. I've experienced it many times in my life and so have many of you. That is why one of my favorite verses in the Bible is this: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your path." (Proverbs 3:5-6)

Trusting in the Lord. Walking by faith. Taking time to pray and worship. These are top priorities for us right now, as both Luck and St. Peter's move forward. We have our work cut out for us. It's time to get busy, now that the decision has been made to pursue two call processes. Yes, I know these are challenging times and there is much uncertainty. But I also know that it will be a tremendous experience for us to work together and discover God's plan for us.

In my office, I have a photo taken by a friend. It shows flowers blooming along the shores of the Dead Sea in Israel. The ground looks parched and dry, as if nothing could possibly grow in such a place. Yet there are those beautiful, bright flowers in the midst of this desert place. It's a sign of hope and promise.

I'm absolutely certain that God is already at work, leading us into a bright future for Luck and St. Peter's. You are wonderful people and a blessing to serve. May the Holy Spirit guide us during this interim time in seeking new pastoral leadership. Until then, as I tell folks, I'm in Luck!

Pastor Norman Belland

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Luck Lutheran Church—Council Meeting Minutes—January 20, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Mike Broten.

Members present: Pastor Norm Beland, Mike Broten, Amy Dueholm, Brian Paulsen, Kathy Deiss, Juanita Dietmeier, Al Tomlinson, Mark Jensen, Josh Hetfeld and Bryan Allen.

The Council Meeting Minutes from December 16 were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Brian Paulsen and seconded by Mark Jensen. Approved.

The Treasurer's Report for December 2009 was reviewed. Giving as of December 2009 was down 3% compared to this time last year (2008 \$159K and 2009 \$154K). Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Amy Dueholm and seconded by Brian Paulsen. Approved.

Opening Prayer: Pastor Norm provided an opening prayer.

Jean Giller spoke with the council regarding reviving the Woman of the ELCA group at Luck Lutheran. She would like to request at the annual meeting that the council add a line item in the budget for \$250 for the WELCA. The Day of renewal will be hosted by Luck Lutheran woman this year. The group will meet on 2/20 for soups and sweets. On 3/13 they will meet with the woman of Milltown Lutheran Church.

Mary Faye Maiden-Mueller asked the council if the Luck High School Baccalaureate could be held at Luck Lutheran on Sunday, May 16. Motion to accept this date for Baccalaureate was made by Kathy Deiss and seconded by Mark Jensen. Approved. She also wanted to find out if the fellowship hall was available on June 5 so she could host her graduation party there.

Pastor's Report: 1.) Pastor has received a copy of the synod interim call process book, which will help guide us in the coming months. This will be available to the transitional task force and call committee. 2.) Ruby's Pantry has provided Luck Lutheran with emergency gas cards and a \$100 gift to be used where needed. 3.) Pastor will be on vacation on 2/14. Pastor Carol Peterson will preach.

Committee Reports:

Education: Sonja continues to work with local churches regarding combining

Vacation Bible School. OFJ is going well. They still need more help. OFJ will be singing during church services on 3/7 and 5/9. Confirmation Sunday is 4/25. Next meeting will be 2/16.

Evangelism:

Fellowship:

Property: 1.) The sidewalk is moving again outside the front doors. We will monitor it and see if it moves back after winter. We do have a warranty on it so if it needs to be fixed we can do so at no extra cost. 2.) Received a bid on cabinets for the sound system. This will be added to our file and reviewed at a later date if we decide to proceed with the project.

Stewardship:

Worship: Met 1/13. We are working on the schedule for Ash Wednesday through Easter Sunday. Coin folders will be sent to families. We discussed if we should continue Monday night Worship services in the summer. The council agreed that we should continue having the Monday night service. We will still need music for these nights. If anyone is interested in providing the music, please contact a council member. We will promote the service to the whole community.

Youth: Senior High Youth: 1.) They had supper on 1/6 and will serve chili at the annual meeting on 1/31. 2.) They made dinner for the Serenity House. 3.) They will have a lock-n on 2/5. 4.) They will be selling cinnamon rolls on 2/21. Middle High Youth: 1.) On 1/13 they had dinner and played bingo at the United Pioneer Home. 2.) They are taking pre-orders for subs that will be available on Super Bowl Sunday, 2/7.

CCC: 1.) Discussed the Fall Fund-raiser and determined that a volunteer group or committee should be set up to be in charge of this annual event. This will be presented at the annual meeting. 2.) They will be reorganizing Cherish Our Children. 3.) The backpack program is going well. There is a wooden post in the Narthex that has envelopes on it that the congregation can take to help donate. 4.) The Serenity House mission is still going. 5.) They are organizing the groups to serve the soup and sandwiches during Lent. The council will be serving 3/3. There will be a posting at the meals as to where the money will be going. Motion to give \$200 to MHY, and of the re-

maining money 25% to Loaves and Fishes, 25% to Hope House principle loan amount and 50% to Haiti earthquake victims was made by Josh Hetfeld and seconded by Al Tomlinson. Approved. Maundy Thursday will have rutabaga soup again. 6.) Pentecost Sunday will be on 5/23, there will be events during the church service.

Old Business: 1.) The Fellowship Hall Remodeling Proposal Task Force met 1/20. They have a couple of bids and have some numbers to work with. We will provide the congregation with an update at the annual meeting. 2.) Preparations are being made for the annual meeting on 1/31. 3.) The joint council meeting will be on 2/10 at 6:30 pm. 4.) Juanita attended the training on the Luther Point Bible Camp "Opening More Doors Together" campaign. The campaign will be 6 weeks long. Our congregational goal and start date will be discussed at a future meeting. 5.) Survey results were reviewed and will be presented at the annual meeting. Based upon survey results, a motion to recommend the congregation vote to terminate the joint parish agreement with St. Peters' was made by Brian Paulsen. Discussion. Those in favor were Brian Paulsen, Josh Hetfeld, Amy Dueholm, Mike Broten and Al Tomlinson. Those opposed were Mark Jensen, Juanita Dietmeier, Bryan Allen and Kathy Deiss. Motion carried by 5 to 4 vote in favor. New Business: 1.) Paula Hischer asked to upgrade her computer so it is able to run her financial program. Motion to purchase 2 ram drives for \$98 was made by Brian Paulsen and seconded by Al Tomlinson. Approved. 2.) Council thanked Mike Broten and Mark Jensen for their three years of service on the Church Council. They also thanked Al Tomlinson for his year of service. All of their hard work and dedication has been greatly appreciated.

Next regular Luck Council Meeting: Wednesday, February 17, 2010 at 8:00 pm.

Kathy Deiss made a motion to adjourn. Bryan Allen seconded. Carried. Council closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Dueholm, Secretary

St. Peter's Lutheran Church—Council Minutes—February 10, 2010

Members Present: Pastor Norm, John Baker, Greg Letch, Leslie Valentine, Barbara Petersen, Jennifer Renfroe. Missing: Dale Skow, Dave Paulson.

Meeting Called to Order by Barbara Petersen.

Secretaries Report: Report was read. Motion to accept as printed by John B., seconded by Greg L.

Treasurer's Report: Starting balance \$16,440.46. Ending balance \$20,199.12. Motion by Jenn R. to accept as read. Seconded by Greg L.

Pastor's Report: Many services and meetings were held. Luck made deci-

sion to terminate joint parish agreement with St. Peter's. Baptism of Gabriel L. Renfroe was held January 17th. Pastor Norm will be on vacation February 14th. Pastor Carol Peterson will preach.

Old Business: School house—looking into more grants. Thoughts of having a "Raise the Roof" program. Possibly concerts, fund raisers, etc.

New Business: Mailboxes in choir room will get updated. Revamp of committees for boxes. Will take place to update old list for boxes.

Transition to new pastor: Council will start working on filling in profile

and bring to next meeting to get the ball rolling and then pass it on to the call committee when formed.

A sign up will be made for people interested in being on the call committee. Around five members of all ages, male and female. These five will need to be officially voted for and also need to be confirmed members of the church.

Council will meet with Pastor Todd Iverson, Wednesday, February 24th after Lenten services to discuss future.

Next Council Meeting will be March 2, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.

Motion made by Jenn R. to adjourn,

Mission Action—March 2010

CALLING ALL SEWERS!!

For those of you who would like to sew at home, we will display piles of fabric squares in the church narthex from which you can choose. These squares are for 60"x 80" quilt tops for Lutheran World Relief. Notice the various sized squares.

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Your help is needed for completing School Kit bags for LWR. The bags are partially assembled, but need a hem around the top and the handles attached. Can you finish 5, 10, or more? If you would like to do all the sewing on a bag (or bags), that help would be welcome, too. Please contact Mary Jo Arndt (825-5324).

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We plan to have a beginner's class for sewing World Relief quilts. Notice the sign-up sheet on the quilt square table. The date will be announced later

LOAVES AND FISHES community food pantry needs volunteers on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 11 to 1 p.m. Men are especially welcome to volunteer and help with some of the heavy lifting of food cases. A great way to make a difference and help our neighbors in need. Contact Vivian Brahmer at Loaves and Fishes.

Mark your Calendars! Sunday April 11th at 2pm St. Peter's Lutheran will host a concert put on by Opera singer David Midboe to help Loaves & Fishes Food shelf. David, who is a baritone, studied vocal music at River Falls under Elliot Wold and later studied voice with Richard Alderson in a masters degree program at Northwestern University, Chicago. David entered an Apprentice program at the Zurich Switzerland Opera House and for nineteen years had a career singing solo rep. in various European opera houses. David is now teaching voice in the Northern Wisconsin area. He will be singing show tunes at the concert and it will be free will offering. Don't miss this wonderful show! Refreshments will be served.

Vivian Brahmer
Loaves and Fishes Coordinator

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY!

Teachers are needed for the next 4-week session of Sunday School (OFJ), beginning March 7.

This is a great chance to work with our wonderful children and share the Gospel message. Material is available.

No experience necessary.

Contact Sonja Jensen



DIAL-A-DEVOTION

- March 7 In Memory of Helen Berklund from Christine Pedersen & Family
- March 14 In Memory of a "Special Friend" Darlene Jensen from Christine Pedersen
- March 21 In Memory of Lloyd & Agnes Thompson from the Steen Family
- March 28

NOTE: Sponsors are needed for Dial-A-Devotion. Please call the church office at 472-2605 if you would like to sponsor a week or weeks. Thank you!

COMING ATTRACTION:

APRIL 17, 2010

ST. PETER'S SPRING SALE

THIS IS A FUN DAY FOR ALL FAMILY MEMBERS. WATCH NEXT MONTHS NEWSLETTER FOR COMPLETE DETAILS. CAN'T AFFORD TO MISS THIS!!

CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY

AT LUCK LUTHERAN

Wednesday, March 10

1:30 p.m.

ALL IS WELCOME!

PASTORAL ACTS

Baptism at Luck Lutheran Church

Dalton William Rowell

February 7, 2010

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Memorial Gift at Luck Lutheran

<u>In Memory of</u>	<u>For</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<i>Ethel Handeland</i>	<i>Quilting</i>	<i>\$10.00</i>

**THANK YOU TO
LUCK LUTHERAN
MARCH & APRIL SERVICE
GROUP**

Thank you to the March & April Service Group for their ministry during these two months. Service Group Leaders for the months of March & April are Sheila Brom & Judy Giller. We give thanks for their leadership.

The Service Groups are vital to our congregational life and especially our worship life together. Each of the Service Groups have approximately 50 members. The Service Groups serve in the following capacities:

- *Ushers
- *Lectors
- *Greeters
- *Altar Flowers
- *Cheer Cards
- *Coffee Time
- *Prepare Communion
- *Serve Communion
- *Funerals

If you are not presently involved in one of our Service Groups and would like to help in this way, please contact Sheila Brom or Judy Giller.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY "FINISH LINE" has been set for Saturday, May 8th.

Luck Lutheran Church will be organizing a team to walk for this year. Please watch for further announcements in the April and May newsletters.

Men's Group Breakfast

March 13, 2010

Men's Group Breakfast at Luck Lutheran Church.

7:00 a.m. coffee

7:30 a.m. breakfast

Please join us on this "Walk of Living Faith"

Men's Group Committee

LUTHER POINT BIBLE CAMP

EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE

APRIL 1, 2010

Luther Point Summer Bible Camp brochures are available in the narthex. Early Bird Discount Registration deadline is April 1st. Please fill out the registration form and mail it with your deposit to Luther Point. Camperships provided by Luck & St. Peter's Lutheran will be 1/2 of the Member and Early Bird Discount Rate. Camperships will be sent from the church directly to the camp after campers register.

OPENING THE BOOK OF FAITH

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path"

Members of Luck & St. Peter's Parish are invited to join with one another in the monthly discussion of the Gospel text for the coming Sunday. This 45 minute Bible Study will be held at Luck Lutheran on Wednesday, March 3, at 1:30 p.m. and also following the Lenten Service. Leadership for this "Opening the Book of Faith," exploring Luke 13:1-9, will be given by Pastor Chuck Arndt. Come and be renewed, enlivened, inspired and empowered.



2010 MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES

Wednesdays,
February 17 – March 24
6:30 p.m.

“Great Voices of Faith”

“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of our Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.” (Colossians 3:16-17)

This year’s Lenten theme is “Great Voices of Faith.” Each week we will focus on the words and witness of a follower of Jesus and reflect of their path of discipleship. Who were they? Why did they follow? What price did they pay? How did the life of faith transform their lives? Jesus said to his disciples, “If anyone would come after me, let them deny themselves, take up their cross and follow me.” (Matthew 16-24) Each week there will be a dramatic portrayal of someone who headed the call of Jesus.

Midweek Wednesday Themes

- **March 3** – Mary, the beloved one
- **March 10** – Dietrich Bonhoeffer,
Lutheran pastor and teacher
- **March 17** – Archbishop Romero,
Martyr of San Salvador
- **March 24** – Simon of Cyrene,
Bearer of the cross

Holy Week

- **Maundy Thursday, April 1, 6:30 p.m.**
(soup supper from 5:30-6:15)
- **Good Friday, April 2, 5:00 p.m.**
- **Easter, April 4, 6:30 & 10:30 a.m.**

LENTEN REMINDERS

- The Season of Lent will include ***Wednesday evening services*** at Luck Lutheran Church starting at **6:30 p.m.** ***Soup and Sandwich Suppers*** will be served each Wednesday in the Fellowship Hall from **5:30-6:15 p.m.** (A free-will offering will be received for the supper.)



Time to order flowers for Easter!!!



If you wish to order flowers for Easter, your order must be at the church by March 14th. They need this extra time to get the order filled, so be sure and make your decision as soon as possible. The Easter Lilies (5 to 7 blooms) are \$10.00; Mum Plants are \$12.50; Cyclamens are \$12.50; Azalea plants are \$24.00; and Patio Geraniums are \$17.50.

Please make checks payable to Luck Lutheran Church.

The choices are as follows:

Easter Lily: _____	Mum: Yellow _____
	White _____
Azalea: _____	Purple/Lavender _____
Cyclamen: _____	Patio Geranium: _____

(or) I will be bringing a plant of my own (with name on it) _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of or to the Glory of God _____

From _____

(Please attach cost of each plant ordered - Thank you!)



FIRST COMMUNION INSTRUCTION Pastor Belland will be teaching a class for 4th graders and up, in preparation for their first communion. The class will meet on Saturday, March 20th, from 9 until 12 noon. First communion will be celebrated on Maundy Thursday, April 1st during the 6:30 service. A letter will be mailed to 4th grade families. If your child is older and would still like to participate, please contact the church office to register.



HELP WANTED...

MUSICIANS will be needed this summer to accompany the Monday night services at Luck. We are looking for people who can play either piano, guitar or other instruments as well. Paid position.

Contact the church office if interested.

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Luck Lutheran Church Council 2010

St. Peter's Lutheran Church Council 2010

Terms ending in:

2011

Kathy Deiss—Treasurer, Stewardship
 Juanita Dietmeier—Youth
 Josh Hetfeld— Fellowship, CCC Team

2012

Bryan Allen—Education, Property
 Amy Dueholm—Secretary
 Brian Paulsen—President

2013

Steve McCormack—Vice President, Worship
 Butch Nick—Evangelism
 Alan Tomlinson—Fellowship

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John Baker
 Jennifer Renfroe—Secretary

2012

Dave Paulsen
 Barbara Petersen—Vice President

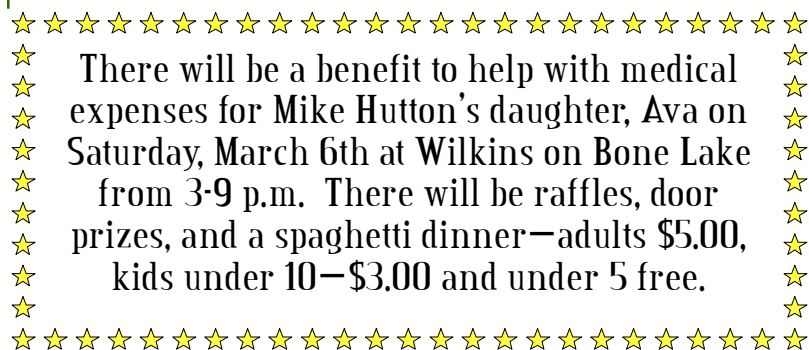
2013

Greg Letch
 Dale Skow—President
 Leslie Valentine—Treasurer

Notes from the Senior High Youth

Mary Maiden Mueller

Thank you so much to everyone who contributed to the chili dinner at the annual meeting! We raised about \$240 for the Backpack Program and food shelf. Although there is no Senior High supper for March, there will still be a meeting on the 3rd at 5:45 (during the soup and sandwich supper) where we will be discussing the Chicago mission trip. All Youth are reminded that they are serving the soup and sandwich supper on March 24th, and everyone is asked to help out. (The same reminder goes for the Easter brunch on April 4th!)



There will be a benefit to help with medical expenses for Mike Hutton's daughter, Ava on Saturday, March 6th at Wilkins on Bone Lake from 3-9 p.m. There will be raffles, door prizes, and a spaghetti dinner—adults \$5.00, kids under 10—\$3.00 and under 5 free.

To All Churches,

Just a reminder that the Feinstein Foundation challenge is on again for the 13th consecutive year. The more donations made to the Food Shelf from March 1st to April 30th, the more of the Feinstein money we will get! These donations can include cash, checks and food items earmarked for the Feinstein challenge. This foundation started by Alan Feinstein in 1991 will distribute \$1 million among food banks nationwide. Your donations toward this campaign makes you partners in the most successful effort to fight hunger of all times.

Thank You, Vivian Brahmer

Loaves & Fishes Monthly Report

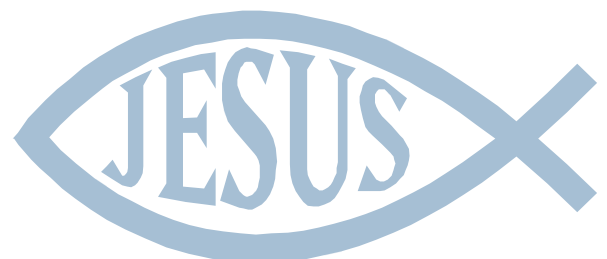
Households Served	120	Luck School District	64
Adults	253	Unity School District	56
Children	125	New Families	8
Total	378	Unity 6	Luck 2

USDA FOOD RECEIVED 65 Cases
 NON-USDA (Donations) 2085#
 Groceries Purchased 578#
 Volunteer Hours 82 hours

Items needed : canned or dry potatoes, canned meats, cereal, peanut butter and juice.

Thank you all for your support in our mission to feed the hungry.

Vivian Brahmer



REMEMBER THOSE SICK OR SHUT-IN OR IN THE NURSING HOME

Key: (L) = Luck (SP) = St. Peters (*) = non-member friend/relative of the parish

UNITED PIONEER HOME: (210 Park Avenue East, Luck WI 54853)

(L) Lillian Christensen	(L) Clyde Christensen	(L) Alice Nielsen
(L) Ray Berklund	(*) Art & Helen Clarkson	(L) Richard Paulsen
(SP) Virginia Bille	(*) Chet Johnson	(*) Dorothy Ressler
(L) Herb Byl	(L) Bernadine Kirk	(L) Irene Rud
(L) Edis Calder	(L) John Nygren	(L) Evelyn Skow

FREDERIC NURSING HOME: (205 United Way, Frederic WI 54837)

(SP) Lila Rowe

COMFORTS OF HOME: (105 Oak Street, Frederic, WI 54837)

(SP) Bill Southard #10

SHUT - INS AT HOME:

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(SP) Christine Pedersen 515 S. 1st St., Luck, WI 54853

(L) Eleanor Selvig 1374 State Rd. 48, Luck, WI 54853

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(L) Mavis Hutton

PIONEER APARTMENTS – 612 Second Street St., Luck, WI 54853

(L) Jessie Nordquist – Apt. #10

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(L) Mary Langeness

SUNRISE SENIOR LIVING – 18605 Old Excelsior Blvd., Minnetonka, MN 55345

(L) Florence Fredrickson

(If any names have been inadvertently omitted from this list please contact the church office 472-2605)

March into a New Job!

Looking to be a CEO, or for an entry level position, or something in between?

Learn how to construct a well written resume along with tips for “Selling” yourself – even in a new career path. Also learn how to prepare for interviews. Improve your odds of landing a position in these tough economic times! Class is taught by the owner of Management Recruiters of the St. Croix Valley.

2 convenient times and locations for this 1 FREE class:

Monday March 1 – 6:30 p.m. - FREE

Peace Lutheran Church 2355 Clark Road near Dresser

Tuesday March 2 – 6:30 p.m. - FREE

Bone Lake Lutheran Church 1101–255th Ave. near Luck

Call 715.553.0707 for more information



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Grantsburg, Wisconsin
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Greetings from Luther Point!

March 2010

Summer 2010—Put Us on Your Calendar Moms: This is a special word to our moms who are beginning to look ahead to the summer of 2010. The camp schedule is on the Luther Point website: LutherPoint.org. Online registration is available now so register early, especially for the Specialty Camps, like Horse Camp, Guitar, Drama, etc. those programs fill up early. Once again, there will be a number of Incentives and Discounts, so take advantage! **Camperships will also be available.** Look for Campership request form on the webpage: lutherpoint.org. Summer Brochures will be in congregations and homes by early February.

RETREAT OFFERINGS: Check our website for more details regarding upcoming retreat events scheduled for the winter months ahead, some of the offerings include:

3rd-5th Grade Weekend Camp: March 20-21, 2010

Prayer Shawl Retreat: April 22, 2010, 9 am-3pm

Register online or call and talk with Lisa. 715-689-2347

Luther Point Ambassador Retreats: These retreats are a time to come together, get some fun, new ideas and receive information to promote Summer Camp and Retreats. The Retreats will be held February 6 and 27 from 9 am until after lunch. If your church does not have an Ambassador, please come to one and share in the fun!

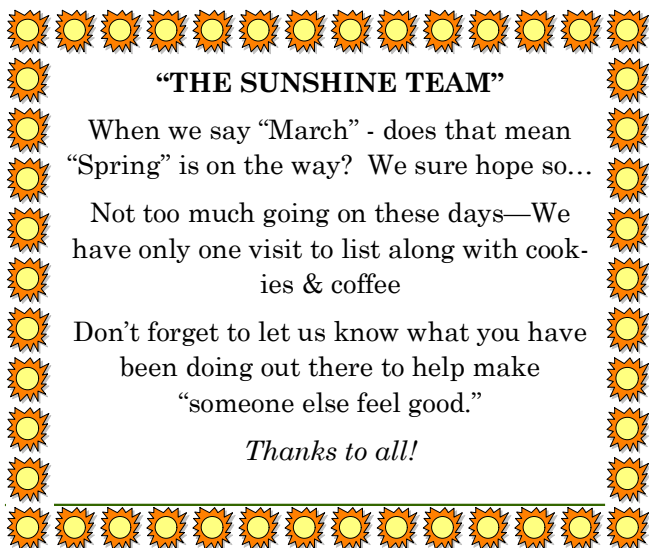
Looking for Summer Ministry Team Applicants: Do you know of someone from your congregation who enjoys working with youth? Do they have a desire to share their life and faith with people? Please encourage those young college students to consider summer employment at Luther Point Bible Camp. Applications for summer employment are available on our website. Scroll down to the employment section on the left hand tool bar. Plant a seed in the life of a college student. Also, Jesse Weiss, Program Coordinator is looking for high school students who are interested in spending two weeks at camp in the **BUDDIES Program** (Building Up Dedicated Disciples Into Experienced Servants)

Congregations Set A Goal to Increase Camper Participation: I am asking each congregation to challenge themselves to set a specific goal for camper participation for this coming summer. I also ask that the goal be challenging. For the past two years the camp has seen a dramatic decline in the number campers coming to Bible Camp. **This trend simply cannot continue to happen.** If camper participation remains as it has been for the past two years, more pressure is put on congregational support, donor gifts and retreat source revenues.

Opening More Doors Together (OMDT) Capital Campaign Update: Congregational Leader training sessions were held January 9th and 10th. About 18 churches have leaders who have been trained on how to conduct a pledge drive in their congregations. Please consider being on a Congregational Task Force to conduct a campaign on behalf of Luther Point.

Thank you for your partnership!

Craig M. Corbin, Director



“THE SUNSHINE TEAM”

When we say “March” - does that mean “Spring” is on the way? We sure hope so...

Not too much going on these days—We have only one visit to list along with cookies & coffee

Don't forget to let us know what you have been doing out there to help make “someone else feel good.”

Thanks to all!

Senior High Mission Planning...

Many members of our Sr. High Youth are fundraising and planning an upcoming mission trip to Urban neighborhoods in Chicago. While the planning is still in progress, their goal is to leave on Friday, April 9th following school to travel to Chicago. Saturday will be spent volunteering with hunger relief programs in the city. Sunday the youth will attend an inner-city Church service before heading for home.

If you are interested in chaperoning or volunteering to assist in their fundraising efforts, please contact Donna Johnson or Juanita Dietmeier.

NORTHWOODS HOMELESS SHELTERS SHELTER NIGHTS SUMMARY FOR 2009

In 2009, Northwoods homeless Shelters provided 2,166 shelter nights in three shelter units.

Partnership House 1: 850 shelter nights

Partnership House 2: 542 shelter nights

Hope House: 774 shelter nights

Summary of Housing:

In 2009, Northwoods Homeless Shelters supplied 2,166 shelter nights. We housed 19 family units. The average stay was 48 days. Nine families were exited into permanent housing. One family moved in with their family or friends. Four families left no forwarding address or had no exit interview. One individual exited into another shelter. One family were exited for non-compliance with the program. In another case, a non-compliant adult exited the shelter and allowed his children and other parent to remain sheltered. Three families carried over into 2010.

Of the 19 family units we served, seven were single mothers with children, one was a mom that had 50/50 custody, three were couples with no children, six were two-parent households, and two were single individuals.

Of the families we served, one couple was on Social Security. No one was receiving Veteran's Benefits. No was waiting for SSDA. Out of seven single mothers, only one was receiving child support. Three heads-of-household were working at the time of entry into our program. Three had no vehicle or means of transportation.

Client Assistance in 2009 for 19 family units:

Supplied food to 19 families

Supplied gas cards to 11 families

Supplied phone cards to two families

*Paid for prescriptions or medicine for individuals in two families

Paid for dental care for one individual

Paid for medical equipment for one individual

Paid for care repair or towing for three families

Paid for rent assistance for three families

Paid for utility assistance for three families

*some of these were co-pays only

Total Clients Served:

Adults—27

Children—30

Total families served—17

Average family size—3.24

Total singles served—2

