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Thoughts From Pastor Juli....

As most of you know by now, we elected a call committee on Sunday, Sept. 9. This is a major step forward in the process of getting a new pastor. We should all take a deep breath and rejoice! The elected committee is composed of good people, who will take their responsibilities seriously, and I am certain that they will choose a good candidate to bring to the congregation for a vote.

In the meantime, we need to support them as much as possible. Obviously, we need to pray for them, and for their wisdom and discernment. We also need to be supportive in more practical ways. Many of those who were elected are active in the congregation in all kinds of ways. Their call committee responsibilities may lead to temporary overload, or the need to be in two places at once. If you are working with them on other projects, offer to take over tasks, or be available to help more than usual, for the coming months.

In addition, the committee will be looking for names. The majority of those will come from the synod, but the congregation is also a rich source of possible pastors. There will be a form in the bulletin which allows members to recommend pastors they think would be a good match. Provide as much information as possible (there are a lot of Pastor John Andersons!) and those names will be considered as well.

Peace and blessings to us all as we enter the final stretch of this journey!



October Readers:

7: Cathy and Maggie Erickson

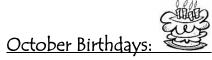
14: Sue McNeill21: Sandi Gordon28: Wendy Bjorklund



Usher Notes...

Many thanks to our
ushers for September: Eva
Mac Niven, Carl Elliott, Max
Elliott, Wanda Mathison,
Larry and Carol Vigdal,
Dwight Paulson and Katy
Eggert
Our ushers for October
will be: Roger Diestler, Doug
Klein, Abby Klein, Alex Klein,
Audrey McNamara, Bruce
Magnuson, George Heriot, Al
Baird

From Ann Verschoyle: Please pray for David's big turning point in life as he moves to a group home in Minneapolis. This is not an easy change after so many years in St. Peter's Rehab Center. Pray in faith for God's love and guidance, and family strength and togetherness. David's new address is 1307 S.E. 6th Street, Minneapolis, 55414.



- 1 LILY BROVALD
- 2-WYATT SCHULTZ
- 5 LAURIE SMITH
- 6 EVA MAC NIVEN
- 9 MIKE HEGDAHL
- 11 AUDREY MCNAMARA
- 12 AMY DRIER, WARREN SALABA
- 18 STACEE SPRAY
- 21 JACK HOLTZ, SHIRLEY JOHNSON,

STEVEN BRUMMUND

- 24 ZACHARY MOORE
- 27 ZACHARY STADEM
- 28 MARTHA NOVAK
- 31 MARGARET VIGDAL, ANN ANNALA



October Anniversaries:

- 7-JENI DRIER AND ERIC NELSON: 2000 KENT AND BETH PETERSON: 1989
- 10 MIKE AND NANCY HEGDAHL: 1992
- 12 EARL AND NORMA ALEXANDER: 1946, WARREN AND JACKIE SALABA: 1996
- 21 JANELL AND MIKE WALTER: 2006
- 24 DOUG AND JO KLEIN: 1981



Call Committee

Thank you to everyone who attended our congregational meeting on September 9th to elect our call committee. As current president of the church council, I will be chair of the committee. The following are your elected members:

Sue McNeill
Nancy Hegdahl
Mike Hegdahl
Doug Klein
Roger Diestler
Joyce Bluel
Wendy Bjorklund
Julie Gaarder
Margaret Vigdal

Please provide support and prayers for these people as they take on this important task for our congregation.

--Sandi Gordon, Congregational President



Soup Supper is Back by Popular Demand! There is just nothing like a steaming bowl of soup on a chilly day...talk about comfort food! We are pleased to announce that Soup Suppers are back on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. through the end of October for the confirmation students and choir members...or anyone else who may stop by. How? *Because generous people like YOU are volunteering to bring a pot of soup from time to time, to share with your hungry, grateful church friends...that's how!* If we all take our part, we can easily make this happen. The sign up sheet is on the kiosk. If enough people volunteer, we will continue into November and December...and hopefully beyond! PLEASE SIGN UP ASAP! Thanks.

140 Hungry people were served supper at the Loaves and Fishes program on Monday, August 27th. Many thanks to our workers: Larry Litzkow, Sandy Berger, Helen Bye, Ann Verschoyle, and Eva Mac Niven. Thanks also to Donna Paulson for baking cookies.





Wayne Siltberg

with Judy Salaba

I was born Wayne Leland Siltberg on February 23, 1929 in a small Wisconsin town called Wandroos on our farm home. My mother was Alma Olson and my father was Willie Siltberg. They met on the same ship coming from Norway to America that both of their parents were traveling on. My mother had 5 brothers and 4 sisters, and my dad had 2 brothers and 3 sisters. I was the youngest of 3: 2 sons and 1 daughter. My sister Verna married but had no children, and has since passed away. My brother Verlyn lives in Idaho with his wife and has 2 daughters and 1 son.

I went to a country grade school in Deranda, and went to high school in Amery, Wisconsin. I graduated in 1947. I had an opportunity after graduation to travel to Anchorage, Alaska with a friend. I was there about 3 months and stayed on the Augustine Island. When I came home from Alaska, I went to the cities to find work, and got a job at Seegar's, as a technician. I met Shirley in Wisconsin. While working and living in St. Paul, Shirley and I married. We had a small ceremony and were married September 1, 1950 in a church in St. Paul. Shirley had 2 children from a former marriage: Wayne (6) and Judy (3). We were all a family.

Shortly after getting married I was drafted into the army. I did my training and was sent to Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Shirley and the kids came later and we lived off base. I was a sergeant and a paratrooper. I served in the military for 2 years and 9 months during the Korean war time. While we were stationed in Kentucky our son Dan was born.

After the service we stayed at my parent's home in Wisconsin until we could get situated. I continued my job at Seegar's and we bought a home in St. Paul. Soon after we were settled in St. Paul in our own home our son Rick was born. I went to night school and learned electronics; I learned plumbing on my own. I remodeled our home and did most of the work myself over many years. You would usually find me working in my garage. I liked to hunt and fish. One of my favorite places to be is up in Northern Minnesota at our place on Tom Lake. Bill and Jean Klotz and Shirley and I spent many years working to clear the land, and enjoying time there. Our kids and grandkids all liked to come up and spend their vacations there, too.

We were invited to St. Luke Lutheran Church by Pastor A.L. Hock when it was located on the corner of Wheeler and Wordsworth. I have been a member of St. Luke for over 50 years. I have served on the council a couple of times, and have been on numerous committees over the years. Shirley and I liked the community of friends we made at St. Luke; they were like extended family that cared for each other, and I continue at St. Luke today because of that Christian family connection.

Our heartfelt thanks to the Rally Day music team: Conie Borchardt, Dan Grzywinski, Barb Jensen, Jo Klein, Andrew Stadem, Patty Stadem and Mike Wobig. The overwhelming response to this service was: "Our church should have more services like this!" So we have decided to incorporate four alternative worship services into our church year: January 20 (pancake breakfast), May 18 (last day of Sunday School), August 2 (VBS Sunday) and September 7 (Rally Day). Watch bulletins for further details!



A big thank you to the pig roast crew who prepared the marvelous pork we all enjoyed at the church picnic on Sept. 9: Dan Vigdal, Ben Vigdal, Larry Vigdal, Margaret Vigdal, Conie Borchardt, Joyce Bluel, Sue McNeill, Dorothy Paul, and Steve and Matthew Brummund.





Fall Bazaar Update

It's almost here!!! Mark your calendar, the St. Luke Fall Bazaar is Saturday, October 13th. That's only two weeks away!!!

There is still time to bring all of those gently used or unneeded items you cleaned out this summer to the White Elephant Sale. You may bring them to church until <u>noon on October 7</u>th. If you have any questions, please call Jo Klein at 699-2393 or David Elliott at 699-2397.

Anyone willing to bake pies or other baked goods for the Bazaar, please contact Audrey McNamara at 698-4993. It's a *delicious* way to support our bazaar! You will need to bring your baked goods to church on **Friday**, **October 12**th **between 6:00 and 8:00 pm**.

We will be accepting your handmade craft items for sale at the bazaar starting on Monday, October 8th from 6:30 to 8:30 pm; Tuesday, October 9th from 6:30 to 8:30; Wednesday, October 10th and Thursday, October 11th from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm and then Friday, October 12th from 10:00 am until 12:00 pm. We ask that you bring your craft items *no later than noon on Friday* to allow enough time to prepare the displays. If you have any questions, please call Margaret Vigdal at 683-0917 or Joyce Bluel at 690-4614.

The raffle tickets were distributed on Rally Day and will be available every Sunday until the bazaar. A <u>hand-crafted</u> <u>quilt</u> will once again be one of the top prizes, along with a digital camera and grocery gift certificate. If you are making an afghan or any prize for the raffle, please notify Julia Gaarder at 690-0117. The Raffle Committee could use help with mailings, phone calls, and collecting donations. If you can help in any way, please contact Julia.

We look forward to another successful Bazaar, filled with fun and fellowship!! Please consider volunteering in one of the following areas and contact the committee chair to sign up:

White Elephant Co-chairs: Jo Klein & David Elliott

Raffle Chair: Julia Gaarder
Bake Sale Chair: Audrey McNamara
Publicity Chair: Carol Vigdal
Kitchen Chair: Sandi Gordon

Kiddie Room Co-chairs: Barb Jensen & Alex Grzywinski Crafts Co-chairs: Margaret Vigdal & Joyce Bluel

Bazaar Chairs Joyce Bluel & Margaret Vigdal

CROP Walk

October 14, 2007 Edgcumbe Presbyterian Church 1:00 Registration 1:30 Walk Begins

"We walk because they walk." The "we" in the quote are friends, neighbors and other caring people in hundreds of communities who walk each year. Communities Responding to Overcome Property -- CROP! Who are the "they" in our CROP Hunger Walk motto? They are the 852 million people who go to bed hungry every night. They are people just like you, but because of poverty they must walk to accomplish the most basic tasks. CROP Walk is sponsored by the Church World Service, which stands with impoverished peoples around the world as they envision and fashion a better future. Last year CROP Hunger Walks and events raised over \$15 million to support the hunger-fighting work of Church World Service around the block and around the world. When you walk in a CROP Hunger Walk, you walk with the world!

How to help? Either contact Wendy Bjorklund for a walker sheet and collect sponsors for your walk, or agree to sponsor one of the walkers. Thanks!



October Acolytes:

7: Ellen Schultz14: Brian Spray21: Andrew Stadem

28: Michael Arndt





Many thanks to our Meals on Wheels volunteers for August 24: Al Baird, Ann Verschoyle, Louis Billmeyer, Audrey Rongstad, Bruce Magnuson, Eva Mac Niven, Ralph Wassmann, Betty Nelson and Lee Johnson.



Notes From Conie...

We all love to tell the story with words and tunes that stir the soul. We are starting to plan a Hymn Sing event and want to know what your favorites are. We will be printing a survey in the bulletin shortly. We might not be able to showcase every favorite hymn, though we will do our best to incorporate them into our worship planning. Watch for the survey and details on the Hymn Sing. Thanks!

What will we sing next? There are two upcoming opportunities to participate in the worship planning process. Please join us for one or both!

- After worship on Sun, Oct. 7, our worship hymns for the seasons of Advent, Christmas and Epiphany will be selected. If you have an interest in shaping our worship experience in this way and other creative ways, join us and share your ideas!
- Advent is traditionally the time when we change from one setting of the weekly liturgy to another. With the new hymnal, we have NINE other settings to choose from! Your worship music planners invite you to a forum on Sun, Oct. 28 at 10:15 a.m. to be part of the process. We'll listen and sing through the plethora of new resources to select one for Advent 2007. Join us in this exciting musical adventure!