

Saints Alive!

For all to know Christ

June 2010



The 17th Annual All Saints Golf outing is set for Friday, July 16th, 2010.

We'll be playing at Palatine Hills Golf Course. The cost is \$65.00 for golf, cart, dinner, pre

and post game beverages at the Palatine Hills Pavilion, Tee gift and prizes. Sign up is in the gathering space. If you want to come and enjoy dinner only, the cost is \$10.00.

We play a scramble format with all players teeing off. The team then selects the ball they want to play and all players except the player who hit the selected shot play on. This continues to the green where all players putt.

Sign up can be as a single, twosome, threesome or foursome. Combining groups will be done by the Committee. Checks are due by the previous Sunday, July 11th to ensure a spot.

Come out and enjoy the fun!!



The All Saints VBS Ship will set sail from Monday, August 2—August 6, 2010. 9:00 am—Noon

Registration for VBS is now underway! You can find registration forms online at www.allsaintspalatine.org or in the narthex and gathering space at church.

Sign ups for VBS Supply donations are also available in the gathering space right now. We need some staple items to help feed our hungry crew during the week. Can you donate an item or two?

REMINDER: VBS work days will take place at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Palatine on Friday, June 4, 9:00-3:00 & 6:00-10:00pm —Saturday, June 5, 9:00-4:00pm and Sunday, June 6, 12:00—4:00pm.

We are still in need of volunteers for VBS week — For more information about VBS, contact, Jen DeFranco at jtdefranco@sbcglobal.net or call 847-963-8707.



Beginning with Memorial Day weekend (May 29-30), All Saints has moved to a summer worship schedule. Satur-

days, beginning May 29, we will worship at 5:00. The Saturday service is piano-accompanied and a simple "summer-time" liturgy, featuring Holy Communion as always. Sundays, beginning May 30, we will worship at 9 am. These services will feature all of the liturgies and styles that we use all throughout the year.

Backyard Holden Evening Prayer

Did you know that we gather as a congregation on the second Wednesday of each month for Holden Evening Prayer? It's a great opportunity for prayer and singing. For the three events this summer (June 9, July 14, and August 11) we will be gathering for the same purpose, but away from the All Saints building.

At 7 pm on Wednesday, June 9 gather with us at the home of Dutch and Carole Graesser (18 Willow Bay in South Barrington). Bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on. Bring a dish or drink to pass in



some fellowship following the prayer service.

All Saints Online Bible Study

This group is for all of you want to study and discuss the Bible, but can't quite commit to regular attendance at a Sunday morning or Thursday morning or Wednesday evening group. All Saints has been involved in an Online Bible Study since early January. Currently, the group is walking through the beginning of Jesus' ministry in the Gospel of Luke (his baptism, temptation, and early rejection). Anybody can jump into the conversation at any time: to join, sign up for the group at <http://bookoffaith.ning.com/group/allsaintspalatine> (yes, you'll have to sign up for an account there, but there are some really cool tools). Then, you will be able to read a brief update or comment a few times a week by Pastor Seth with a question or two to ponder. Then the participants pose their own questions or discuss things together. The best part: you can do Bible Study in your pajamas. If you have any questions, email pastor-seth@allsaintspalatine.org



Daily Email Devotionals and Conversation

Each day (Monday through Friday), Pastor Jenn and Seth write a brief daily email devotional that is sent out via email. The scripture texts for these reflections are based on the daily lectionary, designed to tie in

to and build upon the readings from the Sundays. If you'd like to receive these and are not currently, please send an email to devotions@allsaintspalatine.org. Recently, we also added a conversational component. You can also read the devotionals at <http://aslcdevotions.blogspot.com>. Here, you can also leave comments either for the pastors or for other members and reflect back on what we've written. Join in the conversation and make the Bible a part of your daily life.

Newsletter Information



The deadline for the July issue of *Saints Alive!* will be **Wednesday, June 23rd**. Submissions should be sent to

jtdefranco@sbcglobal.net in a Word document, if at all possible. Written submissions should be placed in the editors mailbox by the deadline.

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Blood Drive Sunday June 13th



LifeSource Blood Center and All Saints Lutheran Church will be having a blood drive on Sunday, June 13 from 8:00am to 1:00pm in the gathering space.

Anyone in good health, 17 years of age (16 with parental consent) or older and weigh at least 110 pounds, is a potential donor.

An ALYX machine should be available for those of you who wish to donate red blood cells only.

For questions, or to schedule an appointment, see Roger Nelson

LOMC Swing Choir Tour – Hosts Needed

The Swing Choir from the Lutheran Outdoor Ministry Center will be visiting All Saints on Saturday, July 24. This choir of 17-25 Junior High and High School girls will be singing as part of our regular 5:00 worship service. We'll feed the choir dinner after worship here at All Saints and then, we need some host homes. We will need about 12-15 families to host the girls and their chaperones in your home. You will need to transport them from All Saints to your home, provide a bed (no sleeping on floors) for each person, a simple breakfast on Sunday morning, and transportation back to All Saints where they will catch the bus for the next stop. If you have space available, please contact Janine Byrne at jgbyrne2@comcast.net or 847-302-2532 and let her know how many you can accommodate.



Light from the pastors

Doctor of Ministry Update

by Pastor Seth

Dear All Saints,

As you read this newsletter, I am getting ready to head off to Hyde Park (Chicago's south side) for class. You may remember that I am in the midst of earning a Doctor of Ministry degree in preaching. Part of that process is three consecutive summers (2009, 2010, and 2011) of three-week summer residencies with classes and faith-filled discussions about preaching and about the church. This year's residency is from June 21 through July 8. As with last year, I will be staying in Hyde Park during the weeks and coming home to the suburbs and to worship on the weekends. Over the past year, my studies and reviews of sermons have continued.

Just to give you a little perspective: over the past two years, I have read 47 books about preaching that were specifically assigned (there were others). I've had three sermons reviewed by the Parish Project Group, my advisor, and another professor. I've written papers reflecting on those sermons and what I was trying to do. I've had great conversations with All Saints members, other pastors from a variety of different denominations and congregational settings, professors from a variety of seminaries and universities. And I've had a great time.

All of this is leading toward the writing and defense of a thesis in winter/spring 2012 and graduation in May 2012.

I want to thank the members of the Parish Project Group (PPG) who provided excellent feedback all year: Jill and Chris Bays, Sandi Bolinger, Claudia Bulta, Mike and Trina Garcia, Karen Goodlow, Gasper Grasso, Wendy Gumz, Kim and Doug Kuhlman, Bonnie Slaw, and Jeff Witt.

Thank you to the whole congregation for your continued support and for your prayers.



Congratulations to Mary Ann Schnieder. Mary Ann was one of five Palatine citizens to receive a certificate of appreciation from the Village of Palatine for her outstanding leadership role as a volunteer with the Palatine Emergency Management Agency/Citizens Corp., in April.

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Janine Byrne



Presidents Corner

We have some great news this month. The search for a new Treasurer has been successful. Kevin Ducker has agreed to become the newest Treasurer of ASLC. Kevin is very qualified for the position and was unanimously approved during our last Council meeting. George Hansen our current Treasurer will work together with Kevin over the next few months until they feel Kevin is up to speed. I would like to thank George for all of his hard work during his term as Treasurer.

I would like to welcome again our newest members to ASLC.

Jennifer Rave, Laurie McNery and her daughters Samantha and Keely and last but not least, Doug Williams our Music Director. If you have not met them yet, I urge you to take the time to make them feel welcome to our family. Look for their pictures in the narthex.

We are forming a new sub-committee to look into rebuilding our website.

The website is one of the first things prospective new members see when they search out a new church home. We would also like the website to be more useful to all the committees and ASLC members. If anyone has some input on this issue please feel free to talk to me.

Thanks aging for all the feedback I have received, keep it coming, it has been very helpful.

God Bless
Joe Quinn

Batter Up for Fun-raising!



You read that right. This one's not to raise funds, it's to raise FUN! Our Third Annual Schaumburg Flyers Outing is almost upon us. On July 18, 2010, "Family Faiths Day" at Alexian Field, Schaumburg IL, 1:20 p.m. start, we get a chance to get together with our families and friends, put our worries aside for an afternoon and spend a little money just on ourselves. What a concept! For your \$10 price of admission you will get:

- An admission ticket and excellent seating with 100 or so of your closest All Saints friends.
- A chance to sing the National Anthem to open the game, if All Saints wins the attendance race as we did last year.
- A small memento of the occasion (yet to be decided).
- Access to the brand-new Schaumburg Club with big- screen TVs, air-conditioned comfort, pool table and a real bartender.

Post-game base running for kids and a chance to get that coveted Flyer autograph you have long sought when the players make themselves available after the game.

There will be a sign-up sheet at the kiosk in the Gathering Space. Or put your check to All Saints into the offering plate with "Flyer Outing" clearly written in the memo space so our counters give you proper credit. Or contact Jon Gray at jkglaw@mac.com or 847-202-4343 for further details. It is a great time. See you at the ballpark!





FOODS RESOURCE BANK BLOG #4 May 2, 2010

Dear friends, how things change. The last time my letter talked about the cold weather and no field activity.

Well that turned into unseasonable warm weather. Most farmers have now nearly completed planting and 10% of the corn is visibly out of the ground. My corn acres are planted and I just finished planting my soybeans. I was pleased with the ½ inch of rain we just got overnight. The warm weather and strong winds were drying the top of the soil out and the seeds need sufficient moisture to grow. This is the earliest I have ever planted soybeans (April 27 and 28). I decided to plant early because the soil temps were high enough and the possibilities of frost that would kill the bean seedlings were low according to the weather forecasts. It takes about 10 days for the beans to completely emerge so a frost after May 8th will have to be assessed for damage. If I had waited another week to plant there would be no guarantee that the soil would be too dry to let the seeds grow or too wet to do field operations. Right now I'm glad to have my beans planted and will have to wait to see if that was the right decision.

Your farm partners are in a good mood this spring and for me this has been the earliest to finish planting in 25 years. If you remember the wet spring of last year this has been a welcome relief in terms of days suitable for field operations.

My next jobs are to apply a spray of nitrogen and herbicide to my corn to prevent weeds from competing for nutrients with the corn seedlings, apply a fungicide to some soybean acres to control white mold (we had severe infestations of this last year and am trying 1/3 of my acres with a control), and I have a contract with Delmonte foods for 40 acres of peas to plant next week.

Serving Together
Dean Lundeen



Church Council Notes from May 2010

The council has appointed a new treasurer: Kevin Drucker. Kevin has already started working with George Hansen to transition into his new role as treasurer. Welcome Kevin!

The Sub-Committee on Increasing Worship Attendance continues to work and meet. Some ideas and recommendations have been brought to various committees for further discussion and possible implementation within the church. Watch for (and be a part of) the new things happening at All Saints!

The Sub-Committee on Year Round Stewardship also continues its work. The Ministry Fair on May 23 is one part of these efforts – to help members and visitors find more ways to get more involved at All Saints. We are reminded that everything we do with our time, with our skills, with our interests, and with our resources are all a part of what “stewardship” means. We are encouraged to think about what else we can do to share our gifts.

The council continues to develop the concept of a Council Person On Duty (CPOD) to fit the needs of All Saints. Some discussion has been held about clarifying the roles of the ushers, to better utilize their time and their role. The CPOD position now seems to be more focused on being a “hospitality coordinator”. One of the main roles will be to be available in various ways to greet visitors and to be available to answer questions. More details still to come.

A new sub-committee is being formed to make some major improvements to the Web Site of ASLC. Some interested individuals are getting together, led by Congregation President Joe Quinn, to gather ideas and talent to reconstruct the website and make it more useful and more attractive.

For more details on all the exciting things happening at All Saints, you can read the minutes compiled in the Gathering Space, talk to any member of council, and join in the fun every week at worship.

L.A.T.E. RIDE!

Outreach is hosting a group for L.A.T.E. ride. We are planning on a lay lead sunrise devotion/service with communion on the Lake front.

Join us for Friend's of the Parks' L.A.T.E. ride, Chicago's BIGGEST nighttime ride on Saturday night/Sunday morning – July 10/11. All are welcome to come! The adventure begins at Buckingham Fountain, built in 1927 to provide a monumental focal point in Grant Park while protecting the breathtaking lakefront views. The route highlights include the South Loop, Chinatown, Greek Town, Chicago's historic "Emerald Necklace" and much more! L.A.T.E. Ride is looking at one of the largest parks on the North Side for the new rest stop location with plenty of open green space for food and fun. The ride will finish along the glorious lakefront trail, which offers stunning skyline views.



At 25 miles – the route is flat except for bridges. It is doable for cyclists of all levels.

The cost of the ride is \$45 per person. You may register on-line at:

<http://www.lateride.org>

Here's a discount code to save \$5 – **PLR8M6**. The cost will be \$40 with the discount. The fee includes a T-shirt and snacks before, during and after the ride.

Everyone is responsible for their own registration. Packet pickup will be done by a member of the outreach committee to ensure we are all in the same starting wave. Packet pickup will be on Tuesday, July 6th. You will need to be registered by July 5th.

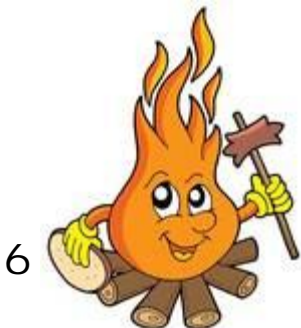
Outreach will co-ordinate the transportation to the ride and back.

This is a great event! Consider joining us for a one of kind bike riding experience.

If you have any questions, please contact Sandy Herweg or Jill Rusten.

Summer Opportunities 2010

Summer Camp 2010



The time has come to register your kids for lots of great summer camp opportunities. Brochures about all the great opportunities at Lutheran Outdoor Ministry Center (LOMC) in Oregon, Illinois are available at the Welcome Center. You can find more at www.lomc.org as well as information about Camp Lutherdale in Delavan, Wisconsin at www.lutherdale.org. Scholarships are available from All Saints. Please talk with one of the pastors.

Save the Date

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans is hosting a golf outing in support of Thrivent Builds with Habitat for Humanity. The outing is at Mount Prospect Golf Course on September 17th. Watch this space or talk with Pastor Seth for more details.

The 2010 FIFA World Cup: Will South Africans “score”? (Brian E. Konkol)

On May 15th 2004, South Africa was named as hosts for the 2010 FIFA (Federation Internationale de Football Association) World Cup, which is widely regarded as the greatest sports competition in the world. The opportunity to welcome thirty-two of the world's greatest soccer teams (and their numerous adoring fans) was celebrated as proof that the African continent was making significant progress in its bid to contribute on the global economic stage. The initial announcement brought incredible excitement for South African citizens, as the 2010 FIFA World Cup was considered a fantastic breakthrough in the ongoing developmental efforts of the nation, for it was widely communicated that “every South African” would benefit as a result of the month-long tournament.

In the past weeks, FIFA announced a \$196 million surplus for 2009, as overall revenues soared over one billion dollars. “The market trusts South Africa”, said FIFA President Sepp Blatter, making reference to lucrative television and marketing deals, such as Coca-Cola, Emirates Airline, Hyundai, Sony, Adidas and Visa. In addition, the 2010 FIFA World Cup in South Africa is projected to earn FIFA its largest revenues in history, with \$3.1 billion in corporate sponsorship and broadcasting rights already secured for the next four years, and more generous funding likely to follow. In terms of FIFA revenues, South Africa is set to become the most “successful” World Cup host of all time.

With ongoing news of massive FIFA profits, the question lingers: What about South Africans?

As the June 11th opening match of the 2010 FIFA World Cup draws closer, South Africans have increasingly expressed their discontent at the massive disparity of benefits. For example, in July of 2009, South African trade unions led a nation-wide strike after learning that some of the 70,000 labourers assigned to building and renovating World Cup stadiums were earning about \$1.50 an hour and others \$5 a week (minimum wage in South Africa is supposed to be \$200 a month). In addition, the United Kingdom newspaper *News of the World* reported how young Chinese workers in Shanghai earned 2.30 rand (approximately \$0.30) a day to manufacture models of “Zakumi” – the official mascot of the 2010 World Cup (the product typically sells for \$48). Also, reports surfaced that Adidas was manufacturing its “Jabulani” soccer balls (the official ball of the 2010 World Cup) in Asia as well, paying workers marginal wages, and leaving South African workers and industrial leaders completely out of the picture and unable to enjoy financial profit.

As multi-national airline industries increased flight costs to and from South Africa in the early months of 2010, and with expendable income of potential tourists reduced because of the global economic crisis, the amount of visitors expected in South Africa has declined steadily from 450,000 to 250,000. In addition, South African government projects on mass transportation have been met with heavy resistance, and port workers have also participated in various strikes across the country. All in all, hosting the FIFA World Cup is projected to cost South Africa far more than initially estimated, with stadium construction well over the 9.8 billion rand (\$1.28 billion) budgeted, \$1.5 billion spent on Johannesburg's Gautrain light rail transport system, and \$90 million for security, including new helicopters and body armour for police. The country has also upgraded seven of its airports, and built an eighth, the King Shaka International Airport in Durban, completely from scratch. These various developments have added significantly to South Africa's public debt, in the hope that the long-term investment will eventually pay off.

The cheapest ticket for a 2010 FIFA World Cup match is 140 Rand (\$19), whereas most will cost well over \$100. While FIFA has offered free entry to a small percentage of construction workers and various local contest winners and schoolchildren, the fact remains that most South African citizens will be left outside the stadiums built by their own hands, while foreign tourists will have the best views of the greatest soccer players on the planet. The country has an unemployment rate of nearly 30% and the average monthly income is widely estimated at R2700 (\$360). The country's most loyal soccer supporters are among the poor, and as they rarely pay more than R15 (\$2) to attend a local professional match, their attendance at 2010 FIFA World Cup venues is highly doubtful.

As a fan of international soccer, I am excited for some of the best athletes in the world to arrive on African soil, and I am indeed planning to take advantage of the opportunity and attend a few matches. Nevertheless, while I am eager for the competition and ready to support the South African and USA teams, my conscious is troubled, for the question remains: What benefit will the 2010 FIFA World Cup have for South African citizens? Yes, one can find examples of a few development projects surrounding the tournament, but what about the “big picture”? What about the long-term? Will the quality of education in South Africa increase, or will less funding be allocated as South Africa pays off its bloated stadium construction debt? What will happen to the 70,000 workers who no longer have stadiums to build? Will South Africa see the boost in tourism that it seeks (and so desperately needs to pay off its debts)? What happens if it does not?

FIFA is expected to earn billions, yet South Africa is expecting to owe billions for years to come. Whereas foreign business leaders and a small number of well-connected South Africans will reap incredible rewards long after the closing ceremony in July, the debt repayment process will most certainly leave its most negative impact upon the poor and marginalized throughout the nation. And so, the most important questions leading up to the grand tournament is not who may win the golden trophy. But rather, I hope the millions of soccer fans around the world who will be following each match are led to consider the facts surrounding the event and boldly decide not to ignore such blatant exploitation. More specifically, my hope is that fans will consider not only what is taking place within World Cup stadiums, but also what is taking place around them.

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June 2010 — Prayer Ventures

1 Ask God to bless the ministry of Pr. Linda Webster and the members of Our Saviour Lutheran Church on the Rocky Boy Reservation in Box Elder, Mont., as they share the Gospel and walk with the Chippewa-Cree tribe, hosting servant groups, providing opportunities for building respect and understanding across cultures.

2 Pray for the the staff and supporters of the ELCA’s Lutheran Office on World Community, advocating for human rights so that peoples and nations may enjoy dignity, freedom, justice, and peace.

3 Lift up in prayer the leaders for the 41 developing ELCA ministries recently approved. Lead faithful people to say yes to being Mission Partners, offering their prayers, encouragement, financial support, and the work of their hands.

4 International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression

Give thanks for the work of Linda Gawthorne among the indigenous Kogi people of Colombia displaced from their land in the Santa Marta Mountains by violence, many now outside of their traditional lands. Linda provides spiritual nurturing and is helping translate the Bible into Kogi.

5 World Environment Day
Pray for the members of the ELCA Shareholder Network as they seek to manage their investments and economic resources in a way that serves God, all God's people, and the creation.

6 Second Sunday after Pentecost
Merciful God, we thank you for the growing peace in Angola and Mozambique, and for the Lutheran churches there who are having positive impact in their communities through health service programs and the proclamation of the Good News.

7 Thank God for the young people who give one year of their lives to serve the church around the world through the Young Adults in Global Mission Program. Pray especially for Kristy Bergman, Matthew Bishop and

Emilie Swenson who serve in Hungary.

8 Ask God to bless the creative efforts of Mission Developer Steve Meyer and the people of Bridge of Life Lutheran Church, Holmen, Wis., to share the saving message of Jesus with their community.

9 Lift up in prayers Joe and the Rev. Deborah Troester and family, serving in Baboua, Central African Republic. Joe serves as water resource manager and Deborah serves as theological school instructor and communications representative for the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Central African Republic.

10 Pray for the members of the ELCA’s e-Advocacy network that the Spirit will move them to action for the betterment of their community, their state, and the world.

11 Barnabas, Apostle

Pray for Lois Dierlam, chair of the planning team for the East Coast Lutheran Educators Conference, meeting this month in Hersey, Pa. Hundreds of

June 2010 Events and Schedule

Worship Schedule

Saturday, June 5 — 5:00 PM

Sunday, June 6 — 9:00 AM

Saturday, June 12 — 5:00 PM

Sunday, June 13 — 9:00 AM

Saturday, June 19 — 5:00 PM

Sunday, June 20 — 9:00 AM

Father’s Day

Saturday, June 26 — 5:00 PM

Sunday, June 27 — 9:00 AM

Manor Care Worship

June 25 - 10:30 am



Youth Events

7th Grade Confirmation Camp

June 27

Committee/Club Meetings

- Jun 1 6:30pm Officers Meeting
7:30pm Support Comm.
- Jun 8 7:15pm Church Council
6:30pm Troop #335 Comm.
- Jun 9 1:30pm Staff Meeting
6:30pm Rosebud Club
- Jun 16 9:30am Quilting
- Jun 28 7:00pm Stephen Ministry
- Jun 22 7:00pm Comm. Night

Chapter One Book Club

June 21 —7pm

ELCA World Hunger Offering

June 6

Manfredi/Centracchio Wedding

June 12 — 3:00pm

Rehearsal—June 10—7:00pm

Today’s Child Graduation

June 3—6:00pm

Blood Drive

June 13 — 8:00am-1:00pm

Schneider Wedding

June 19

Quill Wedding

June 26

Hogg Baptism

June 6

Happy Birthday!

- Emily Akins – 06/15
- Heather Barajas – 06/25
- Conrad Barta – 06/05
- Beth Bergo – 06/23
- Jason Brandt – 06/21
- Geoffrey Buerger – 06/29
- Robin Cohen – 06/29
- Dennis Cooper – 06/01
- Cheryl Crackenberger – 06/08
- Troy DeFranco – 06/09
- Trina Drudge – 06/04
- Gen Dunlop – 06/29
- Sue Falbo – 06/10
- Scott Fiedler – 06/07
- Linda Foltz – 06/19
- Richard Foltz – 06/20
- Kyle Fredericks – 06/09
- Allison Funk – 06/03
- Beth Funk – 06/07
- Trina Garcia – 06/18
- Carol Gardner-Krell – 06/08
- John Goldenne – 06/25
- Mariann Grady – 06/13
- Diane Gylling – 06/05
- Jake Hughes – 06/12
- Kristen Hunter – 06/15
- Whitney Keck – 06/13
- Ryan Kersbergen – 06/20
- KJ Kinsella – 06/16
- Jennifer Kubitz – 06/04
- Lyn Kuehnel – 06/08
- Jessica Laabs – 06/04
- Stefan Ladenburger – 06/22
- Patrick Lewis – 06/12
- Denise Long – 06/21
- Ann Lynch – 06/13
- Bob Lynch – 06/16
- Ted Menck – 06/11
- Teresa Noble – 06/11
- Leila Noelle – 06/14
- Jan Olson – 06/19
- Edith Parenzan – 06/11
- Dan Parkin – 06/03
- Paula Perales – 06/25
- George Perry – 06/19
- Zak Reed – 06/01
- James Rushing – 06/28
- Adam Schneider – 06/30
- Colleen Schupp – 06/26
- Nickie Silk – 06/06
- Jim Smith – 06/21
- Christine Spasoff – 06/08
- Kurt Trenkle – 06/16
- LeRoy VanDyke – 06/02
- Angela Wascher – 06/07
- Michelle Wegner – 06/25
- Bob Wegner – 06/09
- Ray Winkelmann – 06/10
- Alyssa Erickson – 06/03
- Alessandro Barajas – 06/05
- Katie Schupp – 06/09
- Myles Silk – 06/11
- Cole Elder – 06/12
- Kaitlyn Olsen – 06/14
- Claire Bolinder – 06/14
- Tyler Olsen – 06/15
- Jacob Cohen – 06/16
- Kordt Gammelgaard – 06/17
- Ian Assmann – 06/26
- Brian Reed – 06/26

ELCA elementary school and early childhood education administrators and educators will gather in Hershey for worship, renewal, and training.

12 Pray for Karen Anderson, who is serving in Chile and most especially for the people of Chile as they work to recover from the February 27th earthquake. Anderson helps to design, launch, and direct an international training course on popular education in health.

13 Third Sunday after Pentecost
Good and gracious God, we thank you for the signs of hope in Brazil today. Continue to enliven the churches in their witness to the hope in Christ that is brought within reach of men, women and children in their everyday lives.

14 Thank God for the service of Carolyn Rasmussen, who is serving as a volunteer teacher at Phoebe Hospital and School of Nursing in Liberia.

15 Pray for Pastor Eric Wangen-Hoch and the ministry of Living Stones Prison Congregation in Shelton, Wash. Ask God to empower Eric's preaching, the Inside and Outside Prison Boards' leadership, and the synod's relationships with this ministry, that lives and communities be set free to live in joy and service to the living Lord.

16 Praise God for the many young people participating in the Young Adult in Global Mission program. Today remember Katherine Hagen, Heather LeMunyon, Kristen Opalinski, Michael Ray, and Elliot Williams, who serve in a variety of social ministry settings in South Africa.

17 World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought

Lift up in prayer the ministries of Desert Hills Lutheran Church, Green Valley, Arizona, as it grows and flourishes in the desert by proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

18 Pray for Korra Looschen, associate in ministry, as she begins her ministry as a synod advocate for the Book of Faith Initiative in the Grand Canyon Synod, and pray that the ELCA will increasingly embrace the vision of the Book of Faith Initiative: a vision that this church will become more fluent in the first language of faith, the Scriptures.

19 Give thanks for all ELCA short-term volunteers who give three to six months to service in locations around the globe.

20 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
O God, you who are a part of the very fabric of our whole lives, we lift up to you the people of Argentina and Uruguay. Even as they struggle with economic challenges, may they find peace with you.

21 Ask God to use the imaginative efforts of Ryan Marsh and Church of the Beloved in Edmonds, Wash., to proclaim God's good news to many in their neighborhood. May their "How shall we pray for you?" postcards result in blessings for their neighbors and for the ministry.

22 Give thanks for the ministry of Nancy Anderson and the Rev. Rodney Nordby in Papua New Guinea. Rodney serves as an auditor in the national Lutheran offices in Lae.

23 United Nations Public Service Day
Pray for staff providing the Lutheran response to the April 24 tornadoes that struck central Mississippi, including response coordinator Sandra L. Braasch, ELCA diaconal minister, and director of disaster preparedness and response, Lutheran Episcopal Services in Mississippi, Jackson.

24 John the Baptist
David Tiede concludes his ministry this fall as interim president of Wartburg Theological Seminary, Dubuque, Iowa. Give thanks to God for Dr. Tiede's long service to theological education in the ELCA, and ask God guide Wartburg Theological Seminary in its search for its next president.

25 Pray for President Paul Pribbenow and the staff of Augsburg College, Minneapolis, as they prepare for a gathering of representatives from ELCA colleges and universities to explore their work with helping students discover their vocations.

26 International Day in Support of Victims of Torture
Give thanks for Bette McCrandall who began serving in Liberia on June 1, 1984. She provides leadership to the educational ministries of the Lutheran

Church in Liberia, which continues to witness to God's love and faithfulness.

27 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Come, Lord Jesus, into the life of Christian churches in Bolivia, Chile and Peru. Help them be signs of your mercy as they work with the poor, the indigenous and the marginalized, and give them courage and faithfulness to walk in your steps.

28 Rejoice with the Rev. Dana Nelson and Thomas Ososki as they walk with our brothers and sisters in Peru. They serve the Cristo Rey Lutheran Congregation in Lima, working through Word and Sacrament Ministry in new mission starts, as well as assisting the Iglesia Evangelica Luterana Peruana in mission strategy.

29 Peter and Paul, Apostles
Ask the God of the poor and disenfranchised to walk with congregations who serve in distressed neighborhoods. Give the faithful participants courage, strength, and the resources necessary to bring hope to those who suffer.

30 Seek God's blessings on the ministry of Melanie Ferraro, Lutheran Church of Hope, Broomfield, Colo., and other members of the Grand Canyon Synod's Lutheran Youth Organization as they seek to raise awareness of the ravages of malaria around the world, and raise funds to help fight the disease through the Lutheran Malaria Initiative.

Happy Anniversary!

Brenda & Steven Adams – 06/01/86
Del & Betty Anderson – 06/15/57
Christopher & Jill Bays – 06/10/07
Mike & Sandi Bolinger – 06/27/92
Becky & Dennis Born – 06/18/77
Laura & Dennis Burke – 06/11/88
Peter & Susan Carlson – 06/07/87
Jim & Phyllis Chernich – 06/14/55
Ed & Joyce DeFranco – 06/12/65
Gen & Dick Dunlop – 06/27/70
Jill Rusten & Barry Fisk – 06/30/90
Linda & Richard Foltz – 06/14/81
Ed & Kathy Garner – 06/23/07
George & Mary Goodlow – 06/13/70
Jeff & Mariann Grady – 06/23/79
Dale & Shirley Gruetzmacher – 06/06/70
George & Karen Hansen – 06/20/87
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