

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ATTENTION ALL 6th-12th GRADERS!!

Looking for some adventure this summer? Have we got the solution for you! Join us as we tower through the trees over 200 feet in the air, canoe down a river, climb rock walls, hike, bike, goof-off, and have a great time at Eagle Bluff in Laneshboro, MN, **July 9-11**. Lodging in a dorm-type setting for two nights, with all meals and activities included. How much would you pay for this adventure of a lifetime? Act now and you can get all of this for the low, low price of only \$60! That's right--you get all activities, meals, lodging, and supervision by some really cool adults for the low price of \$60! Act now and you may get the opportunity to play some practical jokes on a certain youth director. Sign up now!

Dinner for Six (or Eight!)

It's time to sign up for our third session of Dinner for Six and be reassigned to a new group. We welcome new and old Bethlehem members, singles or couples, to consider joining this social event. There are no special requirements to participate, other than a desire to become better acquainted socially and to enjoy fellowship with one another at Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

Summertime is a great time for grilling out, and brunch works well, too. It doesn't always have to be a dinner, and you only host your group once. A sign-up sheet is in the office. Won't you please join us? The next session starts **July 1**. If you have any questions, please call Dee or Roger Saman at (507) 388-6756.



FROM OUR LIBRARY

The Words of Four Interesting Men

1. Our Endangered Values, by Jimmy Carter (306 Car).
2. Fatherhood, by Bill Cosby (306.8).
3. I Would Have Become a Grandparent First, by Willard Scott (306.87).
4. The Abolition of Man, by C.S. Lewis (370.1 Lew).



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The Lutheran Hour Golf TODAY is our annual Lutheran Hour golf outing at the Minneopa Golf Course. Tee-off time is 3:00 p.m., with hamburgers and dessert to follow at 5:30. If you have any questions, contact Dee or Roger Saman at 388-6756.

A member of Bethlehem is in need of a bicycle for recreation and transportation. If you have a gently used adult bike that you are willing to donate, please let the office know.



Martha Circle will meet on Wednesday, June 16, at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Janice Ahlness, 1553 Mourning Dove Path.



The 2010 Minnesota All-State Lutheran Choir, making its 41st annual tour, will present a concert on **Tuesday, June 22, at 7:30 p.m.** at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 700 South Broadway, in New Ulm. About 40 Lutheran young people, chosen through auditions from all over the state, will be performing a wide variety of music from the classics to gospel. The choir has attained wide acclaim with its fine choral technique and unique style of performance and is in great demand each summer as it tours through Minnesota. The conductor of the Minnesota All-State Lutheran Choir is Dr. Thomas Rossin. The concert is free and open to the public.



Our Savior's Board of Endowment has a lot for sale on the west side of the Northridge area of upper North Mankato. Streets and utilities are in. The asking price is \$50,000, but the Board is willing to negotiate. If interested, please contact the Board chairman, Perry Eimers, at 387-1650 for additional information.

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Angel Fund!!

A member of Bethlehem has offered a generous gift of **\$10,000** if we step up to match this money for needed building repairs and maintenance. **WE'VE ALMOST MET OUR GOAL!** The projects include installing a new air conditioner in Grounds for Joy; updating the ladies' restrooms on the main and lower levels; completing State-mandated updates to our elevators; and repairing the sanctuary roof. Please make checks payable to Bethlehem and write "Angel Fund" on the memo line. Contact Jim Halbur (243-4115) or Bob Brown (387-2976) if you have any questions.



The **OWLS** (Older, Wiser, Lively Lutheran Seniors) will gather on **Thursday, June 17, at 11:30 a.m.** in the Heritage Room for a potluck picnic without ants. Our entertainment for this event will be three magnificent performers: Jill Evenson, Laurie Rossow, and Christine Schulz. Please wear your name tags, as we are inviting Grace's seniors to join us. This is one great party that you won't want to miss! The hosts will be Bruce & Marilyn Barklow and Gary & Carole Morphew.



MN Teen Challenge here on June 27, 2010

Minnesota Teen Challenge is a faith-based residential chemical dependency program for teens and adults with chronic alcohol, drug and other life-controlling problems. **During our 9:30 a.m. service on June 27**, individuals from the group will share their addiction and recovery stories through testimonials and song. After the service, there will be a congregation potluck/brunch in the dining room sponsored by the Fellowship Committee and the June serving group.

Announcements for the week of
June 13-20, 2010
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WEEKLY GIVING/ATTENDANCE

Week of June 6, 2010:

Offered for the Lord's Work: \$11,145.00
June Mission Project --
Habitat for Humanity: \$161.00
Angel Fund: \$9,815.00
"Joseph" free-will offering: \$868.46
Worship attendance - June 6:
9:30 a.m. -- 404

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:30 a.m. ~ Worship Service
10:30 a.m. ~ Coffee (Grounds for Joy);
Adult Forum (Habitat for Humanity)

SAVE the DATES!

When: Wed., July 21 – Sun., July 25,
5:00-7:00 p.m. on Wed.-Fri., &
Saturday morning rehearsal
What: Choir Camp
Who: Youth of all ages!!

We will learn a musical/cantata during the evenings Wed – Fri. Dress rehearsal will be on Saturday morning, and we will present it in church on Sunday! Contact Laurie Rossow at <ljam@hickorytech.net> about signing up.

CHOIR CAMP



Family Picnic and Family Fun!

All youth/children/families are welcome to join us on Sunday, July 18, from 5:00-

8:00 p.m. at the Sandersfeld residence, 1208 Lake Street, in lower North Mankato. Bring your lawn chairs and any lawn games to play, along with a dish to pass. We will provide the hot dogs, hamburgers, beverages, serving utensils/plates, and smores. The evening will start with a fun game of group Kick Ball (softball), followed by fellowship over a nice meal. We'll end the evening by making smores over a bonfire!



RADIO BROADCAST



This morning's radio broadcast is sponsored by Lee & Loretta Snilsberg, in honor of their 69th wedding anniversary. To sponsor a radio broadcast in honor of or in memory of someone, sign up on the bulletin board near the church office. The 9:30 a.m. service is broadcast on KTOE 1420 AM every Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

BETHLEHEM MISSIONS

Echo Food Shelf Emphasis:

During the month of June, we'll be collecting personal care items.

Bethlehem's Mission Project for June: Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity invites you to participate in the "Get on the Beam" Campaign. The "beam" is a 2 x 4 located in the narthex. Please sign your name on the 2 x 4 when you donate in the attached bank. The "beam" becomes part of the framework for a Habitat house. The donations purchase materials. Thank you for your contributions. We are also organizing "Bethlehem Build Crews" and "Bethlehem Lunch Crews". You can sign up for these crews in the office where you'll find the dates listed.

~ Community/Global Mission Board

School is out for the summer, and the ECHO Food Shelf needs YOUR help!

For many families, summer means the absence of the school lunch program. ECHO has created a special breakfast/lunch package to include with general food orders for families with school-aged children. We will distribute these packages through the summer until the school lunch programs start up again. Our packages include food that will provide breakfast and lunch for a child for one week. They include: breakfast cereal, milk, bread, peanut butter, jelly, sandwich meat, and eggs. We estimate that we will distribute 2,400 of these nutrition packages during the summer and that it will cost \$9.45 for each. Please help keep our kids from going hungry this summer and donate what you can. Every dollar donated to ECHO can result in \$9 worth of non-perishable food purchased through Second Harvest, our regional food bank.

LECTIONARY FOR 6/20/10

First Reading: 2 Sam. 11:26-12:10, 13-15
Psalm: 32
Second Reading: Gal. 2:15-21
Gospel: Luke 7:36-8:3

IN OUR PRAYERS

Willie Hoppe
Glenn Saxton
Con Sletta
Arlene Stenzel
Rae Allan
Janyce Struss

Jean McDowell
Eric Barnes
Chloe Elmgren
Harvey Menk
Al Eichers

(Prayer request forms are in the pews and the office. Please place the completed form in the offering plate or in the Prayer Requests box in the narthex.)

Included in our prayers each week are several "sister" congregations of our SE Minnesota Synod of the ELCA. The Synod is focusing upon prayer this year, "A Synod Joined in Prayer," and is encouraging congregations to pray for one another. This week we pray for:

Jackson Lake Lutheran in Amboy
Msange Lutheran in Tanzania (partnered with Jackson Lake in Amboy)
Solor Lutheran in Webster
St. Paul Lutheran in LeCenter
Immanuel Lutheran in Wykoff
Ikhanoda Lutheran in Tanzania



The Sioux Trails Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

invites all to attend its annual Summer Noontime Organ Recital Series at Bethlehem, held at 12:10 p.m. on Tuesdays beginning on June 15 and concluding on August 24. This long-standing tradition in the Mankato area features performers from the Sioux Trails Chapter, as well as friends from other chapters. **Recitals are 1/2 hour long and open and free to all!**

Performers:

June 15 Ron Shilling
June 22 Verda Pape
June 29 Ames Anderson
July 6 David Mertesdorf
July 13 Nicholas Schmelter
July 20 Chad Winterfeldt
July 27 Charles Luedtke
August 3 Aaron Hirsch
August 10 Chad Fothergill
August 17 Matt Gerhardt
August 24 Christine Schulz