

LEAD WITH LOVE

New Pastor for St. Peter... At the Call Day service at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, candidate Matthew Baye was called to and placed at our congregation! Thanks be to God! We look forward to welcoming Matthew and his family into our midst this summer.

A Retirement Reception: Pastor Wayne Wentzel of Faith, Grand Blanc, formerly of St. Peter, Macomb is retiring. The reception will be held Sunday, May 30, noon until 3 p.m. For more information, contact Cindy LaFontaine at clafontaine@faithgb.org or Sue Hooper at shooper@faithgb.org or 810.694.9351.

Annual Road Rally: Sat., May 22nd at 5:15 p.m. New this year—separate clues and separate prizes for 2 different categories; adult only vehicles and family vehicles. Sign-up form at our table in the Crossroads or in the church office. Payment due by May 18th.

"Alleluias to the King": This joint concert by the Michigan Ohio Choral and the Lutheran Choralaires, directed by Mr. Erwin Aufdemberge, will be presented on Sunday, May 16, 4 p.m., at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack Ave., Grosse Pte Woods. Accompanying them will be Rev. David Rutter (organ) and Jan Pflieger (piano.) A brass quartet, flutes, and the church's adult and handbell choirs will also participate.

New Missions Display Case: You may have noticed something new next to our member mailboxes. This new display case is our Missions Awareness Center and funding for the display case came from the new Missions Awareness Team, paid for in part by the "Muffins for Missions" event several weeks ago. Our thanks to Rich Alanskas for his construction of the case. Upcoming "Muffins for Missions" sales will help cover the cost of other components for the Awareness Center. Next Muffin event: next Sunday, May 16th.

29th Annual Mustang Golf Outing: Hosted by Lutheran High School North, this Texas Scramble will be held at the beautiful Greystone Golf Club in Washington Twp Mon., June 21st. Includes: 18 holes of golf, three meals—continental breakfast, grilled burgers at the turn and a steak dinner—and refreshments on the course. Golfers can compete in Closest to the Pin, Longest Drive, and Putting competitions. First time Mustang Golf Outing golfers receive the Mustang Package – a \$30 value. Business owners, opportunities to support Lutheran North by sponsoring a hole are available. You will find registration and hole sponsor information at http://www.lhsa.com/lhn/golf_outing.htm. Arrange your foursome and send in your reservation. Tee time is at 11 a.m.

SIT FOR WORSHIP

Ascension Day Worship: Thursday, May 13, 7 p.m.
Confirmation Class Communion... Pictures and Reception after service.

Every year an important festival of the Church is celebrated on the fortieth day after Easter. And every year, it seems, fewer and fewer people take note of this special day. The festival is the **Ascension of our Lord**. Perhaps part of the problem is that the fortieth day after Easter falls on a Thursday. With so much activity in our lives, it's easy to overlook a "holy day" that falls on a weekday.

But perhaps another reason why Jesus' ascension fails to receive the attention that it deserves is because we've failed to take note of the significance of the event. Jesus has now completed the redemptive work His Father has given Him to do and He goes to prepare a place for us so we can join Him. As Jesus ascends, the angel calls us to remember, "This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven" (Acts 1:11). We worship a risen and ascended Lord!

Confirmation Day Weekend, May 15 and 16, 2010:

Next weekend we celebrate Confirmation Day and welcome 60 young men and women into Confirmed/Communicant membership in our congregation. The rite of Confirmation will take place on Saturday (6 p.m.) and Sunday (9:30 and 11). **Please note: Communion at 8:00 service only.** We look forward to welcoming family and friends!

Welcome to God's Family, Preparing for Your Child's Baptism...

Come to the Music Room.

When: **First Sundays** of the Month, 9:30 – 10:00 a.m., June 6, July 11.

Tuesdays following the First Sunday, 7 p.m., June 8, July 13.

Budget Balanced for 2010 – 2011! For the first time in recent memory St. Peter Planning Council presented, and voters approved, a balanced budget for our next fiscal year. Though the process was difficult and at times painful, including staff pay cuts and benefit reductions, we thank God for His guidance and strength. We will continue to monitor our income and expenditures. If additional measures are required, they will be easier to deal with from a position of a balanced budget vs. a deficit budget. Hopefully as the economy improves and contributions to St. Peter increase, we will be able to restore some of the painful cuts our dedicated staff has endured.

WALK IN HIS WORD

LAST SUNDAY SCHOOL class Today, 9:30 a.m. Watch for locations!

NO Children's, Youth, and Adult Sunday morning class on the weekends of May 16 (Confirmation), May 23 (Pentecost), or May 30 (Memorial Day). Summer Adult/Youth class begins June 6th!

LifeLight on Sundays

Faculty Lounge... Charlie Wolf, leader
Room 8... Chris Oberly, leader

Financial Peace University... meets Sundays, 6 p.m., in Room 6.

Wednesdays in the Word

JEREMIAH CLASS is again studying the prophet's message from the Lord on Wednesdays, 7 p.m., in the Library.

BIBLE 101, an 8-week overview of understanding, knowing, and applying God's Word, continues in Room 6 at 7 p.m. This week's topic: "The Ancient Story." We explore the key people, events, and places of the Old Testament. If you miss a session, check out our Web site, under "Bible 101." Classes run until May 26.

Summer Bible Adventure: Dates? July 26 – 29, 2010. Destination? Jerusalem. Details? Pick up a flyer and Registration form on the narthex and Crossroads tables. Adults and youth: please pick up a volunteer form and sign up to be one of our leaders and helpers.

Youth: Today is the last day for our high school Sunday morning Bible class. We will have some combined studies with the adults during the summer. Also, you are invited to join us on most Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m. at HIS Rock as we gather in good company around God's Word.

Next New Member Class: Friday and Saturday, July 30/31st. We'll begin Friday evening at 6 p.m. and conclude by 8:30. We'll gather at 9 a.m. on Saturday and dismiss at 3:30 p.m. Lunch will be served. If you are interested in membership at St. Peter, mark your calendar and plan to join us. Our next "Retreat" weekend is scheduled for Oct 1st / 2nd.

St. Peter Lutheran School and Preschool are accepting students: Please encourage applications through the school office or online at www.splcs.com. If you have any questions about Preschool, please call Char Hohnstadt at 781-9296, ext 131.

FOLLOW TO SERVE

St. Peter Leader Elections 2010-12, Sunday, May 23, 2 p.m.

Also, Special Voters' Meeting called by the Principal Call Committee, immediately after Elections, to issue a Call.

Habitat for Humanity is our featured ministry for the month of May. Habitat is a non-profit Christian organization dedicated to eliminating substandard housing and homelessness. Habitat was founded in the belief that every man, woman, and child should have a decent, affordable place to live where they may dwell in dignity and safety. The philosophy of Habitat is that we provide a hand-up not a hand-out. Habitat provides each family with an affordable home that must be repaid over time.

May 22, 2010 is the date of our annual 2x4 sale when you will be able to buy and sign a board that will be used in the construction of a new home. Also, you will be able to sign up to work on one of our three build dates June 19, July 24 or August 21. There are many ways to be involved on our build dates so please don't feel that you can't get involved if you don't work on the construction team. Please see the sign up sheets for more information. If you have other questions please ask Pastor Ken or Domenic Venditti (venditti100@hotmail.com)

Youth: Summer mission trips participants (and parents) we will be meeting on **Wednesday night, May 12th**, to go over all trip information. You should also be receiving a letter and forms this week with specifics on the meeting times.

Blood Pressure Checks: by the Parish Health Team today in the Brides/Ushers Room in the back of the sanctuary. Nurses will be available between services from 9 – 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 – 11 a.m.

Synod Structure: Recommendations for The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod Convention in July regarding changing Synod structure and governance can be found at the Synod website www.lcms.org by selecting 'Convention', then 'Resources', and then 'The Final Report of the BRTFSSG' (Blue Ribbon Task Force on Synod Structure and Governance). A copy of the report is also available in our Church Office. The topic will be discussed following the May 23 Voter's Mtg.

Scholarship Applications: All high school, college and seminary students who plan on attending synodical schools (2010-2011 school year) to enter full-time church work, may pick up College Scholarship Fund Applications in the Church Office, or you may download the application from the St. Peter website. The deadline for applying is June 15th.