



St. Paul's Epistle
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A Word from the Pastor ~

HARVEST

I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor. (John 4:38)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The arrival of October brings thoughts of harvest. Farmers are busy on their combines, apple picking has begun in earnest, and most of our gardens are in their final stages of productivity. Harvesting takes work, but the labor of harvest is only the final labor in a succession of work that began in the spring.



Last Spring I expanded my garden from a little 2 ft. x 4 ft. plot to 6 ft. x 10 ft. There was sod to be broken up, soil to be turned and fertilized, planting and tending of

plants to be done. Harvesting was the easy part. It was fun to watch the tomatoes, cucumbers and peppers ripen and then to simply pluck them from the plants when they were ripe. The first cucumber to ripen was cause for rejoicing—the joy of the harvest, enhanced for me by an appreciation of the work that occurred before the harvest.

After His encounter with a Samaritan woman at a well Jesus told His disciples that He was sending them to reap fruit for which they did not labor. Many of His followers, not appreciating the labor necessary to achieve the harvest, would later leave in disgust after hearing Him teach that it was necessary to feed on His flesh and drink His blood to have eternal life (John 6:53 ff.). Others would return from the harvest fields rejoicing that demons were subject to them in Jesus' name, only to be rebuked by Jesus for rejoicing in such a thing. Rather, He told them to rejoice that their names were written in heaven (Luke 10:17 ff.).

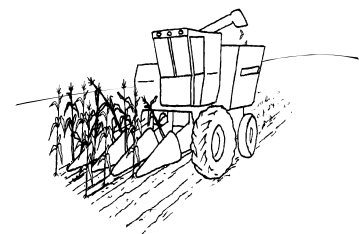
True harvest joy comes from seeing and recognizing the work that occurs before the harvest. At times, by God's grace, we are blessed to partake in the labor of

planting and watering the seed of the Gospel. At other times we will be privileged to witness the harvest as God gives growth to saving faith in hearts. Jesus' disciples would not recognize or understand that labor until after witnessing His death and resurrection. Then they would rightly rejoice in such "harvests" as 3,000 souls being added to the fellowship of believers in one day (Acts 2:41) and they could even rejoice when they were counted worthy to be beaten for preaching in the name of Jesus (Acts 5:40-41).

They could rightly rejoice in such things because the hard labor had been accomplished by a Savior who took up human flesh so He could labor here on earth for the harvest of all who would believe in Him. He would labor so hard that His sweat would be as drops of blood. Then, as He willingly submitted to His task masters, His blood would be spilled by their whips. And He would take up the yoke of the cross until finally, in His dying breath, He declared His work finished. Then, like a seed planted in the ground, He rose to new life on the third day, "the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep" (1 Cor. 15:20).

We are now privileged to rejoice in the harvest. The work already accomplished by our Savior has been proclaimed to us. More than that, all of His work has been credited to us. Given credit for His labor, we now continue with the work He gives us, rejoicing, even in our suffering, for the privilege of having entered into His labor. Knowing and believing in the work He has already completed for us, our harvest songs of joy declare to the world: *Come and see what God has done: He is awesome in His deeds toward the children of man.* (Ps. 66:5)

Rejoicing in the work
of the Lord,
Pastor Licht



From the Parish Nurse ~

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

October is National Dental Hygiene Month. This year's theme is "Healthy Habits are Easier Than You Think". This observance focuses on maintaining optimal oral health while leading a busy, active lifestyle. Prevention is the focal point. The American Dental Hygienists' Association (ADHA) stresses the value of working to increase public awareness about the importance of preventive services in keeping good oral hygiene.

Dental caries is the major cause of tooth loss in children; periodontal (gum) disease is the major cause of tooth loss in adults. Approximately 80% of American adults have some form of periodontal disease. The majority of those with gum disease don't know they have it because in its early stages, it is usually painless. Tobacco is the primary cause of oral cancers. Overzealous use of over-the-counter home bleaching products can wear away tooth enamel, especially with solutions that contain acid. Some whitening toothpastes rely on abrasives to remove external stains as opposed to actually changing the color of teeth. Tongue and lip piercings can cause blood poisoning, prolonged or permanent drooling, damaged sense of taste, toxic shock syndrome, permanent damage to tooth enamel and oral disease, and transmission of infections such as Hepatitis B and HIV.

There are tips to improve the health of your teeth and gums. Remember to replace your toothbrush every 3 to 4 months and after illnesses like a cold or flu. Researchers have established that thousands of microbes grow on toothbrush bristles and handles. Most are harmless but others can cause cold and flu viruses, the herpes virus that causes cold sores, and bacteria that can cause periodontal infections. Snacking on celery, carrots, or apples helps clear away loose food and debris. Chewing gum can eliminate food particles caught between teeth after a meal and also helps prevent plaque build up by stimulating saliva production.

Make an appointment with your dentist and dental hygienist so appropriate treatment can be provided for your teeth and gums. Dental professionals can make recommendations on dental care products. May God bless our health and the health of our loved ones. (Information taken from ADHA website).

Darlene Rueter, RN
St. Paul Parish Nursing

Human Care

Human care for area residents is provided by:
New Opportunities, Inc.
23751 Hwy 30 E, Carroll, IA 51401
792-1344

Programs Include:

Child and adult care food program, child and adolescent health program, women's health, maternal health, Head Start, weatherization, affordable housing, Big Brothers and Big Sisters, OWI classes, juvenile alcohol drug education, Zero Tolerance Class and Gambling Treatment Services.

Make a Difference Day!

The first annual Carroll Community "Make a Difference Day" is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 16, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. New Opportunities, Inc. is recruiting volunteers in the Carroll area to paint or weatherize several homes. Anyone can volunteer to help out!

In addition to volunteers, they are seeking applications from elderly, disabled, and low-income households that are interested in these services. Applications are **due by Oct. 6** and are available by calling 792.9266 or online at www.newopp.org and click on the Make A Difference Day! Link.

The two goals for Make A Difference Day are to weatherize homes in order to reduce home energy consumption, thereby helping households save money on heating bills; and to paint homes in order to keep them well-maintained and attractive, allowing them to be an asset to our neighbors.

Anyone interested in forming a St. Paul Volunteer Group can contact Ryan or Darlene Rueter at 792-2642 evenings **by Sunday, Oct. 3.**



Helping Fairview Elementary School

The school nurse has need for clothing for students that get wet clothes during the school year. Items needed are sweatpants and underwear sizes 5, 6, 6x, and 7 as well as all size youth socks and mittens. Clothing will be collected during the months of September, October, and November. Items can be left in the Church Narthex.

Ready, Set, Recycle!"

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) of Iowa will host the 2015 National Convention in Des Moines! You can help our Guild earn funds to cover expenses by being a part of our "Ready, Set, Recycle" campaign. Bring the following recyclable items to church and place them in the box in the cloakroom off the Narthex or call Barb Brockelsby at 790-9592:

- Empty inkjet printer cartridges
- Empty laser printer cartridges
- Used cell phones
- Laptops, including power cords
- Palm Pilots (PDAs)

Please leave in original boxes if possible or place in plastic zip-lock bags. Thank you for your help.

Unacceptable items: Toner tubes/cartridges, Epson printer cartridges, Cannon BCI cartridges, Remanufactured cartridges, refilled cartridges or new unopened cartridges. Any cartridge that DOES NOT have a metal print head is unacceptable.

Circle Dates—

Lydia: Tuesday, Oct. 12, 7:00 p.m.
East Room, Darlene Rueter,
hostess & topic leader

Rachel: Wednesday, Oct. 13, 1:30 p.m.,
Fellowship Hall, Shirley
Sunderman, hostess; Pastor, topic



**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN WOMEN'S GUILD
1/1/2010 – 9/14/2010**

	<u>BALANCE FWD</u>	<u>PLUS INCOME</u>	<u>MINUS EXPENSE</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
Parish Nurse	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$0.00
Lydia Circle	35.39	84.00	135.00	(15.61)
Rachel Circle	30.00	70.80	0.00	100.80
Mites	0.00	237.65	237.65	0.00
Coins For Christ/Mites	0.00	98.27	98.27	0.00
Quarterlies	0.00	65.00	200.00	(135.00)
Social Ministry	124.28	0.00	0.00	124.28
Gifts of the Heart	650.00	50.00	650.00	50.00
New Christmas Deco	0.00	150.00	0.00	150.00
TOTAL RESERVES	\$ 839.67	\$755.72	\$1,320.92	\$274.47
General Fund	448.58	1,208.80	834.37	823.01
TOTAL CASH FUNDS	\$1,288.25	\$1,964.52	\$2,155.29	\$1,097.48



Gifts of the Heart

The LWML (Lutheran Women's Missionary League) was formed to give women the opportunity to grow in their faith and also to reach out to those people around them with the love of Christ. The Lutheran Women's Guild (LWG) at St. Paul is a member of the national LWML. We meet monthly to learn more about God in our lives and enjoy Christian fellowship. We also gather our offerings (Mites) and help support the Mite Mission Projects within our district and synod. Our few coins will help millions of dollars to be distributed to mission projects around the world.

The LWG at St. Paul has established a tradition of raising monies each fall that will be distributed to projects determined by the Guild members. This special money drive is referred to as **Gifts of the Heart**. Through these gifts of money we can help people learn more of Christ's love in our congregation, community or in far away lands. Besides the three projects chosen this year, we will also send 10% of the donations to Mites.

The three chosen projects for 2010 are:

Our own Little Lamb Preschool, the long-standing mission supported by St. Paul to children of our congregation and community. Three and four-year-olds come to classes in the morning to hear about Jesus, to learn how to play together, and to start to generate those skills they will need in kindergarten. Again this year there is no tuition requirement for four-year-olds to help us be competitive with the no cost preschools offered in the Carroll Community School District. This contribution will help offset some of the costs for Little Lamb.

Our seminary students Adam Onken who is on vicarage at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Warrensburg, MO and **Drew Bayless** who is a first-year student at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO.

Lutheran World Relief of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Their mission statement: "Affirming God's love for all people, we work with Lutherans and partners around the world to end poverty, injustice and human suffering." Your gifts make it possible for LWR to respond quickly and efficiently to emergencies—wherever and whenever they happen.

We have set a goal of \$1500 for **Gifts of the Heart**. Donations may be made now through December 2010 and can be placed in the Guild drawer across from the church office.

Christmas Tree and Decorations

Our current Christmas Tree and decorations for our chancel are beyond repair, so it is time to purchase new ones. The Guild has collected \$150.00 but we still need your help. Please consider making a donation towards this purchase. Please place your donation in an envelope marked "Christmas Tree & Decorations" and place in the offering plate or in the Guild drawer across from the church office.

Bible Study: A new study on "**Miracles**" in the LifeLight series will begin Monday, Oct. 18, at 7:00 p.m. at church. We will meet every other Monday evening thereafter. Everyone is welcome. To help defray the cost of the Bible Study, we suggest a donation of \$9.00 per student book (our cost).

Mission Trip: Joe Eisenbacher, along with five other men from the Lutheran Fraternity at Iowa State University, made a Mission Trip this summer to Welkom, South Africa, to help build an orphanage. He will be here Sunday, October 3, to speak to the Adult Bible Class about his experience. Plan to attend.

Delano and Linda Meyer, who have been missionaries in Ghana, will be here Saturday, October 9, for a presentation on their mission experiences and expectations now that they are retired. A meal will be served in the Fellowship Hall following the worship service and prior to their presentation. Everyone is invited.

Operation Barnabas: This fall the state of Iowa will be experiencing the largest deployment of National Guard troops since World War II. Many Iowans will be affected by this deployment as will most congregations. What are the needs of these soldiers and their families? How can you support the troops as well as the families left behind? Mike Moreno, Operation Barnabas Director, LCMS, will present a workshop at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Lake View on Oct. 16 that will address these questions. This workshop will offer suggestions on how to reach out to military members in our area and their families with the love of Christ. The workshop will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There is no charge for the workshop and lunch and snacks will be provided. Please contact Pastor Mick Wolfram to register for this workshop at 515.279.3609 or email mcwolfram@aol.com



Lutherans For Life

God Speaks Hope into Hurting Hearts

by Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb (from *Life Date*, Fall 2010)

As an Air Force medic, I listened to many beating hearts. As a pastor, I listened to many hurting hearts. As executive director of Lutherans For Life, most of the hurting hearts I listen to are those from women who have had an abortion. I have a pretty good knowledge of postabortion syndrome, but it's head knowledge and can never give me a heart fully empathetic to the hurting hearts I hear from. I speak to these hearts as best I can, but I know my words are lacking.

But God's words never lack! He speaks to hurting hearts from a heart that fully understands. Listen to some hurting hearts. Listen to God speak to them and give them hope. Listen to God speak to you if your heart hurts.

"I sure don't feel forgiven, God." God speaks: "That's okay; feelings often lie. Forgiveness is not a feeling. It is an objective reality made possible by the death of My Son, Jesus. Because He suffered for you, I can say to you, if you confess your sins, I am faithful and just to forgive your sins and cleanse you from all unrighteousness (1 John 1:9). Have hope! This is My promise to you! You do not receive forgiveness by feeling it but by believing it."

"But God, I cannot forgive myself." "That's okay; forgiveness is not something you do to you. It is something I do to you. You, like all sinners, were dead in your trespasses and sins and could do nothing about it. But because of My great love for you, I have made you alive through Christ (Ephesians 2:1-5). Your hope lies in My actions toward you, not in your actions toward yourself."

"But God, I feel so guilty." "That's okay; like every sinner, you *are* guilty. I accept your guilty plea. But I love you so much that I carried out the punishment you deserve on My Son, Jesus. (1 John 4:10). Because of Jesus, you will not receive the sentence your guilt deserves. Your hope is not in the lack of guilt, but in my promise not to punish you because

of your guilt."

"Still, I'm filled with such grief." "That's okay; in fact, that's good. It means you acknowledge the humanity of your baby. It is good and necessary to grieve. You can get help with your grieving by calling **Word of Hope** at 888.217.8679. So grieve, but you need not grieve as those who have no hope (1 Thessalonians 4:13). You have hope in My love for you and in My grace and mercy. Entrust yourself and your baby to Me."

Yes, there is hope for hurting hearts. It does not come from you; it does not come from me. It comes from God through Jesus Christ. Peace and healing flow from this hope.

**My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus blood and righteousness;
No merit of my own I claim
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.
On Christ the solid rock I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.**

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Carroll Area Iowans for L.I.F.E. Events ~

Stand Up For Life Annual Life Chain, Sunday, October 3, from 2:00—3:00 p.m. Gather in the Carroll County Court House parking lot at 1:45. Show your support for the sanctity of human life, especially the unborn.

† † †

40 Days For Life Fall 2010 Campaign taking place now through October 31 in Carroll. Supporters of Carroll Area Iowans for L.I.F.E. will be praying along Hwy 30 in front of the Santa Maria Winery each day from noon until 1:00 p.m. Join them during your lunch hour whenever you can, even if for only 5 minutes. Together we can save lives and publicly witness to the dignity of every human life. Abortion kills a baby every 24 seconds.

Notes & News

Camp Okoboji Fall Volunteer Week October 1-10

Camp Okoboji is providing more opportunities for volunteer service this fall than ever before. Why, because volunteers and the staff of Camp Okoboji have placed a high value on time. **Therefore Friday, Oct. 1 through Sunday, Oct. 10, have been set aside as Fall Volunteer Days.** You, your spouse, your family, your friend(s) may come and stay at Camp Okoboji for any length of time from Oct. 1-10 and volunteer to assist the full-time and year around staff with lots of projects. Please call ahead for reservations at 712-337-3325 so we can make plans for housing and meals.

We will hold church services in the Christian Life Center on both Sunday, October 3 and 10. Pastor Leroy Riemer will conduct the service on Oct. 3 and Pastor George Clausen on Oct. 10. There will be an Omelet Brunch on Sunday, Oct. 3. A free-will offering will be taken with the proceeds going to the Annual Fund.

Iowa District West is moving!

The District Office has been purchased by Iowa Central Community College and will be moving to the former Heartland Insurance building at 409 Kenyon Road (across from Friendship Haven) later this fall. Laborers for Christ workers have arrived and are assisting with the remodel.

Volunteers are needed for both skilled and unskilled work. There will be some wall changes, restroom updates, and a lot of finishing updates (removing wallpaper, painting, and carpeting/tiling). If you have a specific skill or talent you can share, please let us know. Generally workdays will be Tuesday thru Saturday. Volunteers are also needed on Saturdays to provide food for all the helpers. If you can help during the day or evening in October, please call Laborers Jim and Patti Adams at 563.650.3180 or email patandjim58@yahoo.com

The Bible & the Qur'an presentation Wednesday, October 20, 7 p.m. at the Greteman Center, Holy Spirit Church. The Qur'an (Koran) is the Holy Book of Islam. In this informal presentation, Deacon Greg Sampson will give a broad overview of the Koran showing where it harmonizes with the Bible and also noting where it is absolutely opposed. The material is based on the book by Jacques Jomier, The Bible and the Qur'an. All are invited. No charge.

Circuit Reformation Service Sunday, October 31, 2010

At

**St. Paul Lutheran Church, Carroll
7:00 p.m.**

Pastor Dan Vogel will preach

**A Harvest Dinner
will be held before the service
from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.
here at St. Paul
(Watch for more details)**

Quarterly Voters' Budget and Election Meeting

**Sunday, October 17, 1:30 p.m.
Fellowship Hall**

On the Agenda:

**Election of Officers for 2011
Adoption of Proposed Budget for 2011**

Offices to be filled & Nominees:

Board of Elders: Aaron Pook
Leon Schoenfeld
Bd. Of Finance: Lowell Stammer, Incumbent
Human Care: Darlene Rueter, Incumbent
Youth Ministry:
Bd. of Education:

Christian Fiction Book Club will meet in the East Room on Sunday, November 7, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. We will be discussing Like Dandelion Dust by Karen Kingsbury. Everyone is welcome. (We will not meet in October.)

Mom's Bible Study group is now meeting at 9 a.m. every other Tuesday in the East Room. The next meeting will be October 12.

Men's Breakfast & Table Talk will meet Saturday, Oct. 16 from 8:30-10 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All men are invited to this time of breakfast and fellowship.

October is Clergy Appreciation Month And October 17 is Clergy Appreciation Sunday

Clergy Appreciation Month is an excellent time to demonstrate love, appreciation, and encouragement for our pastors.

Simple acts that feed a shepherd...(from the LCMS Commission on Ministerial Growth & Support)

1. Pray for our pastors
2. Express appreciation, spoken and written
3. Respect their time
4. Live in peace
5. Encourage their personal interests
6. Lovingly insist on "time off"
7. Support a strategy for professional connections
8. Encourage time with their loved ones
9. Respect the dinner hour
10. Show special attention to his wife, but treat his children the same way you treat other children

Let our Pastors know you appreciate them and their faithful service to God and to St. Paul Lutheran Church.

They will appreciate it!!

Youth Notes & News

St. Paul Youth are now on Facebook. Please go to Facebook and search St Paul Youth to see upcoming events and pictures from past events.

Youth Gathering ~ Some of our Jr. High Youth will be traveling to Des Moines for the Jr. High Youth Gathering on October 30th and 31st. Let's keep them in our thoughts and prayers that they have a safe and wonderful time.

Hayride ~ On Friday, October 8, at 6:00 p.m. the youth of St. Paul and their families and any other interested St. Paul members are invited to a Hayride and bonfire at Tracy and Cheri Onken's farm. Everyone is welcome.

We will begin with a hayride and then have hotdogs, chips and bars while enjoying a fire. It should be a great time. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to Cheri Onken at 822.5557 or Penny Harmenting at 792.6265. We will also have a sign-up sheet for you to RSVP at church. This is so we have an approximate head count for food.



125th Anniversary A year and a half of Celebration Sharing the One Thing Needed

Upcoming Anniversary Events planned:

- October 31, 4:30-6:30 Harvest Dinner; 7:00 p.m. Circuit Reformation Service
- November 7, Special All Saints Day Service
- December 1, 6:00 p.m. Special Christmas Choir Cantata
- Feb. 20, 2011—Hymn Fest
- October 8 & 9, 2011—125th Anniversary Celebration Weekend

Anniversary Trivia Questions

Answers to last month's questions:

1. *When was our Sunday School addition dedicated?* April 9, 1995
2. *What year was the first year confirmation class was taught in English?* 1921

October questions (look for the answers in our History Timeline in the Fellowship Hall and in our next Newsletter)

1. *Who was the first resident pastor for St. Paul?*
2. *What statue stood over the altar at the second church building? Where is it located now?*



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

10/2 Harold Ehlers
 10/3 Emily Puck
 10/4 Duane Proctor
 10/5 Tyler Grundmeier
 10/7 Bob Anderson
 10/7 Lori Sander
 10/9 Brian Miller
 10/9 Calliste Reiling
 10/10 Jason Beckman
 10/10 Louis Grade
 10/10 Delone Joens
 10/11 Vicki Grundmeier
 10/11 Max Sherwood
 10/12 Jodie Luft
 10/12 Ann Schapman
 10/14 Janel Niceswanger
 10/15 Tami Biggerstaff
 10/15 Kim Charlton
 10/15 Donna Spaen
 10/17 Arlene Jung
 10/17 MacKenzie Reiling
 10/18 Jonathan Rueter
 10/19 Daniel Lawler
 10/19 Emily von Qualen
 10/21 Marissa Biggerstaff
 10/22 Ian Quandt
 10/22 Keith Tornow
 10/23 Franklyn Venteicher
 10/23 Donna Wright
 10/24 Virgene Behrens
 10/24 Levi Bender
 10/24 Viola Petersen
 10/24 Heidi Schmidt
 10/25 Hannah Clausen
 10/25 Morgan Dettman
 10/25 Clare Nagl
 10/25 Amber Nieland
 10/25 Rachel Proctor
 10/25 Jan Wess
 10/26 Cindy Erickson
 10/26 Treva Hahn
 10/27 Lucy Carmer
 10/27 Shirley Schirck
 10/28 Jacqueline Leymaster
 10/28 Donna Meyer
 10/28 Breanna Quandt
 10/29 Kayla Grundmeier
 10/30 John Reglein
 10/30 Julie Thelen



OCTOBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

10/3 John & Carlyss Heuton
 10/6 James & Terri Kramer
 10/9 Loren & Kim Dentlinger
 10/9 Mike & Cynthia Hogan
 10/10 Kevin & Sylvia Brinker
 10/15 Lonny & Cindy Lehrkamp
 10/16 Jim & Joelle White
 10/17 Kevin & Ashley Flathers
 10/19 Scott & Rana Quandt
 10/28 John & Donna Meyer – **58 yrs**
 10/30 Travis & Erin Anderson
 10/30 Wayne & Barbara Harmening

Please call the church office at 792-4354 if any of the above information is incorrect or if your birthday or anniversary is omitted. Thanks.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR

The Lutheran Hour may be heard on Sundays on the following radio stations in our area:
 KAYL, 990 AM, Storm Lake, 10 am
 KDSN, 107.1 FM, Denison, 6:30 am
 KDSN, 1530 AM, Denison, 10:30 am

Also available 24 hours/day on the Internet @ www.lutheranhour.org
 Speaker: Rev. Ken Klaus

Oct. 3—*Millstones*

The Bible is quite clear; some sins are worse than others. The Lord reserved some of His harshest pronouncements for those who would tempt children to sin. (Luke 17:1-10)

Oct. 10—*Mercy*

The concept of mercy has fallen out of favor. People believe they can control their own lives and don't need anyone's mercy, much less God's. (Luke 17:11-19)

Oct. 17—*Itching Ears*

Other sins seem to rise and fall in popularity, but blasphemy-throwing insults at the Lord has never gone out of style. (1 Timothy 4:3-5)

AUGUST ATTENDANCE

	Saturday	Sunday	Total
8/1	82	98	180
8/8	55	90	145
8/15	86	87	173
8/22	64	99	163
8/29	73	97	170
Avg.	72	94	166

Bible Class Avg.: 21

Total Communed: 688

Pastoral Care Visits for Aug: 151

OFFICIAL ACTS

(No Official Acts during the month)

Lutheran Singles Association

Singles Fall Weekend Getaway
 October 1-3, 2010

Heit's Point Lutheran Conference
 Center, Lincoln, MO

Visit www.heitspoint.com for more information

Singles Spring Retreat
 March 18-20, 2011

Saint Paul Institute for Education
 (SPIFE), Concordia MO

Visit www.spife.org for more info

2011 Lutheran Singles
 Association Conference
 June 9-12, 2011

Camp CILCA
 Cantrall, IL (near Springfield)
 Theme: Ships of Life

Oct. 24—*Unjust Rewards*

You don't have to go to church in order to be forgiven, but honestly, when you're out on the golf course, do you really pray "Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner?" and then receive the assurance of God's mercy? (Luke 18:13-14)

Oct. 31—*We Preach Christ Crucified*

"We preach Christ, crucified." St. Paul said that as if there is a connection between the cross and our sin. There is. This is a classic Lutheran Hour message from Dr. Oswald Hoffmann. (1 Corinthians 1:23-24)

Worship Assistants for October

LECTORS: (Sunday Only)

Oct. 3	Deb Schmidt
Oct. 10	Pastor
Oct. 17	Pastor
Oct. 24	Darlene Rueter
Oct. 31	Pastor

GREETERS:

Oct. 2	Norma Jentzen
Oct. 3	Pearl Kurth
Oct. 9	Sally Sullivan & Lisa Quandt
Oct. 10	Sheri Howard
Oct. 16	Jerry & Doris Wilson
Oct. 17	Darrell & Shirley Sunderman
Oct. 23	Joe & Durene Eisenbacher
Oct. 24	Carolyn Dammann
Oct. 30	Amos Asmus
Oct. 31	Misty Thooft

ELDERS:

Oct. 2/3	Mike Janssen
Oct. 9/10	Jerry Frehse
Oct. 16/17	Larry Bayless
Oct. 23/24	Joe Eisenbacher
Oct. 30/31	Tracy Onken

ACOLYTES:

Oct. 3	Journee Kajewski
Oct. 10	Peyton Raymond
Oct. 17	Gabrielle Howard
Oct. 24	Bryce Widdel
Oct. 31	Justin Thooft

5-8 GRADE USHERS:

Oct. 3	Dan Buck
Oct. 10	Tyler Harmening
Oct. 17	Tanner White
Oct. 24	Mason Millard
Oct. 31	Nathan Nelson

ALTAR GUILD:

Miriam Auen, chairperson
Ina Rae Nieland
Kyle Halbur
Carolyn Dammann
Barb Quandt
Stephanie Buse

SATURDAY USHERS:

Barb Brockelsby
Max Sherwood
Denis Schirck
Reese Abbe

SUNDAY USHERS:

Randy & Pam Stanzyk

Electronic Giving

A convenient, consistent way to help our church grow

Enjoy the convenience of electronic giving

Our church offers electronic giving, which allows you to make donations on a scheduled, automatic basis. If you are writing checks and preparing envelopes every week, you will especially appreciate electronic giving. It is convenient for you and provides much-needed donation consistency for our church.

How to get started

To set up electronic donations, simply contact the church office for an authorization form. Donations can be debited automatically from either a checking or savings account.

TREASURER'S REPORT

August 2010

Budget & Non-Budget Figures

Bal. on Hand 7/31/10	\$ 577.65
August Receipts	24,491.05
August Disbursements	21,654.01
Loans from other funds	<u>0.00</u>
Bal. on Hand 8/31/10	\$ 3,414.69

Actual Budget Figures for August

Actual Aug Budget Rects	\$23,240.11
Actual Aug Budget Disb	<u>19,942.57</u>
Overage for August	\$ 3,297.54

Actual Budget Figures Year to Date

Needed Y-T-D	\$185,531.33
Actual Budg. Rcts Y-T-D	164,734.09
Shortage for Budg Y-T-D	(20,797.24)
Actual Budg Disb. Y-T-D	176,244.26
Actual Dollar Shortage Y-T-D	(11,510.17)
Scholarship Loan Balance	\$10,000.00

African Missions/International Students/Hispanic Ministry/LBT

Total Needed for 2010	\$9,000.00
Received by 9/19/10	6,122.50

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Sunday—10:15 a.m.

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