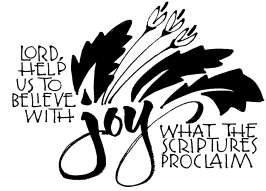


# THE SEED



CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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REV. DR. PAUL K. SCHWARTZKOPF, PASTOR



Dear Friends in Christ,

On May 21, our congregational council met with our Bishop Warren Freiheit to discuss the process for an Interim Pastor and calling a new pastor. Bishop Freiheit answered questions and outlined the process.

Briefly, the process is:

1. Before I retire on August 31, Bishop Freiheit will recommend an Interim Pastor for the council to approve and who will begin September 1.
2. In September, Bishop Freiheit's assistant, the Rev. Dr. Jackie Linden-Shade will meet with 20 to 25 members of the congregation to do a Mission and Ministry Study. Following the direction of the Rev. Linden-Shade the congregation will also complete a Congregational Profile. (The Mission and Ministry Study and Congregational Profile will be given to Bishop Freiheit to inform his search for a candidate for the congregation to call as pastor.)
4. According to our congregation's constitution, the council will appoint a Call Committee consisting of 6 members of the congregation. (If you know of a pastor who might be a good candidate, give that pastor's name to the Call Committee. The Call Committee will pass on the name to Bishop Freiheit.)
5. Bishop Freiheit—after considering names submitted from the congregation, names on his list of available candidates and names of other pastors he may know—gives to the Call Committee the name and the Pastor's Mobility Papers of one candidate whom the Bishop thinks will be best suited to serve the mission and ministry of the congregation.
6. The Call Committee will consider the qualifications of the Bishop's nominee and decide whether to get to know the candidate better, perhaps by a visit with the congregation, or to ask Bishop Freiheit for another nominee.
7. At some time, the Call Committee will recommend to the council that a particular candidate be called as pastor.
8. The council will then decide whether or not to recommend the candidate to the congregation. (Council may decide to have the candidate visit.)
9. After the council recommends a candidate, the congregation will vote, probably at a special congregational meeting. A 2/3 majority vote is required to call a pastor.
10. After the congregation votes for a candidate, that candidate has to decide whether or not to accept the call.
11. If the candidate accepts the call, starting date, installation and all the particulars are worked out.

Usually the interim situation lasts from 6 to 18 months, often about one year.

Throughout the process, PRAYER for the Holy Spirit's guidance is essential!

On another matter, I want to give you an update on my health. I continue to feel great. I have no symptoms at all. The MRI and scan were unable to identify any tumors anywhere in my body. Nevertheless, the PSA tests indicated that there is some cancer present. I will have another PSA test the last week in May. If that test shows an increasing PSA, which means the cancer is growing, then I will begin radiation treatments of the area where the prostate was. The radiation will be done here in Quincy, five days a week for approximately 7 weeks.

Again, thank you all for your support and your prayers.

In all things, trust God!

Yours In Christ,

Paul K. Schwartzkopf

# Come Get the Message

from Pastor Schwartzkopf



Enhance your worship by reading the theme for the day and the Biblical word on which it is based. Then come to worship round the Word of God.

June 7, The Holy Trinity **“HERE AM I”**

The responses of Samuel and Isaiah (Isaiah 6:1-8) and all whom God calls have been beautifully set to music by Daniel Schutte in the hymn “Here I Am, Lord”.

June 14, 2nd Sunday after Pentecost **“LOVELY AS A TREE”**

A tree has been used as an image of the Kingdom of God by the prophet (Ezekiel 17:22-24), by Jesus (Mark 4:26-34), and by others. Behold the tree for God to see.

June 21, 3rd Sunday after Pentecost **“PEACE WITH CHRIST IN CHURCH”**

In the Bible, stormy seas often represent evil and chaos. In the New Testament, a boat often represents the church. Read Mark 4:35-41 with these two symbolic meanings in mind.

June 28, 4th Sunday after Pentecost **“EXPLORE THE WONDERS OF THE WORD”**

In this Sunday’s prayer of the day, we ask God to be our defense against all danger so “that we may live and grow in faith and hope”. The wonders of the word of God that we study in Vacation Bible School help us grow in faith and hope. Read Psalm 9:1-2.

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## THANK YOU

Thank you to all who remembered me during my recent illness—for your prayers, cards, calls, visits, food, and kind thoughts. All are much appreciated.

Nelson Colgrove

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## CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC

Sunday, June 7, beginning after the 10:30 worship service, approximately 11:30 a. m.

Bring a dish to share—appetizer, salad, vegetable, or dessert—and Fellowship Ministry Team will provide meat and drinks and table service. You can dine inside or outside and plan to stay the afternoon to enjoy the activity and games.

Feel free to wear picnic clothes to worship. Do invite others to join us for picnic fellowship.





## Council Highlights – May 12, 2009

Present at the May 12 meeting of the Council were: Bonnie Conover, Bruce Holderbaum, Joan Kammerlohr, Darrell Kruse, Stuart Peters, Sue Reeder, Trish Santos, Pam Schuering, Pastor Schwartzkopf, Reth Stollberg, David Tooke, and Barbara Wilkinson Excused; Jack Bousner

President Stuart Peters called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. Bruce Holderbaum provided the opening devotions. Bonnie Conover will provide devotions for the June meeting.

Announcements: The Property Party (Reth Stollberg, Jeff Stollberg, Bruce Holderbaum, and Stu Bell) worked at Virgene Gilkerson's house.

Minutes of the April 14, 2009, meeting were approved as written.

**Reports of the Financial Secretary and the Treasurer:** The reports were discussed. Trish Santos clarified that the \$360.00 amount in the Learning Team budget was for the renewal of Akaloo. Pastor Paul moved and Pam Schuering seconded to approve the reports.

**President's Report:** Stuart Peters invited Bishop Freiheit to meet with the Council on May 21 to discuss plans for calling a new pastor.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Paul shared an update on his health. We are waiting for applicants to staff the nursery during the 10:30 a.m. service. He shared a thank you note from the Quincy Area Youth Chorus for using the sanctuary for practices. Pastor Paul was asked by Council to attend the meeting with Bishop Freiheit on May 21. He also discussed his role in the future. Recovery Resources have been using our facilities for lunch and dinner. There have been no problems so far. They will be using our facilities for 4-5 weeks. They will make a donations after two weeks and then again at the end.

### **MINISTRY TEAM AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Stewardship:** The team is going forward on New Member Orientation. The meeting will be June 6 at 9:00 a.m. for a brunch and presentation by Dick Tabb and Barbara Wilkinson. Ann Schwartzkopf is putting together a Power-Point presentation. Council members and spouses were invited to attend also. They discussed sending out cards to members we haven't seen for a while. The team has a system in place to call new visitors within 24 hours. Ann Schwartzkopf will share the Power-Point presentation at the next meeting on May 28 at 7:00 p.m.

**Service:** None

**Property:** Darrell Kruse reported all the jobs the men have worked on this month. We will discuss the location of the shed at the June Council meeting. We will also discuss the care of the floor in the social hall.

**Worship:** Hymns have been set for May. The team will meet on June 3 to select the June hymns, Mary Reeve and Bonnie Scran-ton will fill in for Barbara Rhineberger selecting flowers until she is ready to return. Trish Santos volunteered to help in August.

**Witness:** Reth Stollberg reported that Linda Dillman and Bonnie Conover have been working on plans for the November 11 Ploughman's Lunch. We discussed the idea of having some free dinners at church with donations. This may start in July. The team has been scheduling bringing in blankets. Soap will be collected the week of Vacation Bible School. Congregational members will donate money and then Linda and Bonnie will buy the supplies.

**Learning/youth:** The team met this week to schedule Sunday School teachers through July. The team focused on Vacation Bible School. They still need a Preschool teacher and someone to take pictures and run the DVD. Pastor will try to get a meeting together for Sunday at 10:30 to further discuss the times for VBS.

**Fellowship:** The Congregational Picnic will be held on June 7 after the 10:30 a.m. service. The team is working on plans and sign-up sheets will be sent around later.

### **Old Business:**

- Purchasing a new computer was discussed. Bruce Holderbaum moved and David Tooke seconded that the church purchase a desktop computer from Computing Made Easy. The motion passed.
- The Super-Duper sale was discussed. Pastor Paul will talk about the sale on Sunday and then will pass out sheets to see what kind of participation we get.
- Discussion about becoming a Green Congregation was tabled until the next meeting.

### **New Business:**

- We discussed a request for using the building for Tai Chi classes which would be for one hour for eight weeks. Twenty percent of the income would go to the church for building use. This activity would begin in the fall. Bonnie Conover moved and David Tooke seconded the motion to approve this request. We will negotiate times later.
- Pam Schuering brought up the idea to provide food for sick congregation members. Pastor Paul will circulate a sign-up on Sunday. An article will also be in the Seed.

The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Kammerlohr, Secretary

**NEXT COUNCIL MEETING—Tuesday, June 9, 2009, at 6:30 PM**



*AVERAGE SUNDAY  
WORSHIP ATTENDANCE  
FOR JANUARY through MAY 17*

20 Weeks 2009	102
20 Weeks 2008	106

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**MEALS FOR MEMBERS**

If you are willing to prepare and deliver a meal for a member whose schedule is crowded by illness, injury, birth or death in the immediate family, please phone the church office 224-1624 to volunteer or sign up on the VOLUNTEER FOR MEALS sign up sheet that will be passed around in worship on the first Sunday in June.

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**NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION**

Saturday, June 6  
9:00 a.m.—10:30 a.m.

Members who have officially joined the congregation since January 1, 2008, are being invited to a new member orientation brunch on Saturday, June 6, to begin at 9:00 a.m. and end by 10:30 a.m. A buffet breakfast will be provided and members of our Stewardship Ministry Team will do a power point presentation on the congregation and how it works. Included will be what each ministry team does and how the council works. Baby-sitting will be provided in the nursery. All family members of the new members are invited.

Anyone else who would like to see this new presentation by the Stewardship Ministry Team is also welcome to come.

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**ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

The Tuesday morning Adult Bible Study on the Gospel according to Mark concluded on May 26. In June the Adult Bible Study will meet as part of the Vacation Bible School which will be Monday through Friday, June 22-26, 10:00 a.m. to Noon. The topic will be Psalms that praise the wonder of God's word and work. Pastor Schwartzkopf will lead the study and discussion.

# SUPER DUPER SALE

**SATURDAY, JUNE 13**  
**7 a.m. to Noon**

## **Items Needed for Super Duper Sale**

Your support is needed for the Super Duper Sale. We are accepting donations of good clean childrens and infant clothing, household goods, small appliances, toys, books, outdoor equipment, and baked goods.

**NO Adult clothes**  
**NO Electronics—computers, TVs, etc.**

Donations accepted on

**Thursday, June 11**  
**1:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

And

**Friday, June 12**  
**9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

\*If you can price items before you bring them, please do. If you can't price them, bring them anyway.

Phone the church office if you need to have something picked up and delivered to church.

## WORSHIP LEADERS FOR JUNE

	June 7	June 14	June 21	June 28
<b>ASSISTING MINISTER</b>				
8:00 AM	Sue Reeder	Bonnie Scranton	Ann Schwartzkopf	Misty Coyle
10:30 AM	Crystal Bernett	Bonnie Scranton	Barb Wilkinson	Misty Coyle
<b>USHER</b>				
8:00 AM	Jerry Shackelford	Dick Tabb	Joan Larner	Ron Larner
10:30 AM	Bruce Holderbaum	David Maas	Ashley Stollberg	Joe Brinkman
<b>READER</b>				
8:00 AM	Marilyn Shackelford	Phil Conover	Sue Reeder	Ann Schwartzkopf
10:30 AM	Jerri Klusmeyer	Sue McLennan	Peggy Bailey	Barb Wilkinson
<b>ACOLYTE</b>				
10:30 AM	Kara Wolf	Ian Jones	Dylan Probert	Emily Stollberg
<b>GREETERS</b>				
8:00 AM	Bonnie Scranton	Virgene Gilkerson	Bill & Kathy Wolters	Mel & Linda Dillman
10:30 AM	Donna Leenerts	Brent & Marcy Bigley	Reth & Jennifer Stollberg	Keith & Kim Glasgow
<b>DEACON</b> 10:30AM	Barb Rhinberger	Misty Coyle	Crystal Bernett	Cheryl Brinkman
<b>SOUND SYSTEM</b>				
8:00 AM	Bonnie Scranton	Ann Schwartzkopf	Bill Wolters	Kathy Wolters
10:30 AM	Stuart Peters	Olin Shuler	Bruce Holderbaum	Stuart Peters
<b>COFFEE HOUR</b>	Group 3	Group 4	Group 5	Group 6

*If you cannot help on your assigned Sunday, please find a replacement and make a change on the appropriate sheet on the office bulletin board. Many Thanks!*



If you have a birthday in June and your name does not appear on the following list, we would appreciate it if you would notify us so that we can complete our records.

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| <p>June 1 Matthew Bailey<br/>Nelson Colgrove</p> <p>2 Anita Wall</p> <p>7 David Maas</p> <p>8 Sue Tabb</p> <p>10 Norma Shuler</p> <p>14 Kristi Bigley</p> <p>15 Mindy Wolf<br/>Wayne McLennan</p> <p>16 Darrell Kruse</p> | <p>17 Nancy Zimmerman<br/>Mark Sill</p> <p>Lorna Legreid</p> <p>David Probert</p> <p>18 Marc Conover</p> <p>22 Zachary Maas<br/>Kristi Chitwood</p> <p>23 Scott Coyle</p> <p>27 Jonathon Franklen</p> |
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If you have a wedding anniversary in June and it does not appear below, please notify the church office.

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| <p>June 8 Steve and Roene Bartle</p> <p>9 Bill and Kathy Wolters</p> <p>12 Marc and Wendy Conover</p> | <p>16 Paul and Mary Hesse<br/>Stuart and Kris Peters</p> <p>28 Tom and Sue Reeder</p> <p>30 Don and Oneta Burner</p> |
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