

HILLTOP HERALD

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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MAY 2009

Our Sincere Thanks

To the many persons who assisted with worship during Lent, Holy Week and Easter, from our choirs (Handbell, vocal and Tone Chimes), to acolytes; from altar helpers to readers; from Assisting Ministers to ushers and greeters. We are truly blessed with so many persons who have made worship ministry a part of their personal ministry. A special word of thanks is due our Director of Music, Sue Daniels, for her selfless dedication, her liturgical expertise, and her untiring service. Many, many thanks to all!

And, our thanks . . .

to Linda Bugden, for the many hours of clerical help - bulletins, mailings, newsletters, and anything else she's been asked to do - she has given over the past months since retiring from her job with the Ronald McDonald House. If *you* could help out with "office work," even now and then, please contact our secretary, Nancy DeSantis (545-4211).

Summer Service

Schedule

8:30 & 10AM

Beginning May 24

Beginning *Sunday, May 24* we will initiate our Summer worship schedule (two services, at 8:30 and 10:00AM) Sunday Church School for grades pre-K through six will continue to be held during these summer months on a weekly basis, at 10:00AM. (NOTE: The Christian Education Committee is looking for volunteers to teach a SCS session [that's just *one session the whole summer!*]. If you are interested or want more info, please contact Marlene Bayer, 652-6251.)

Adult Social Group Cinco de Mayo

Friday, May 15, 7:30PM

The Adult Social Group will come together for a fiesta celebration of "Cinco de Mayo" at the home of Bill and Lisa Tomalavage (917 Wenrich St) on Friday, May 15, beginning at 7:30PM.

Please RSVP Bill and Lisa (email them at billtom_22@yahoo.com or lisatom9@yahoo.com, or phone 540-0415) to let them know you'll be there, and to find out what you can bring to add to the table. (P.S. The Adult Social Group is open to *all* adult members of our church family - if you're an adult [at least sometimes] you're welcome!)

After-Five Group

Wed, May 20, 7:30PM

The After-Five Group will meet on Wednesday, May 20, at 7:30PM in the Great Room. Wendy Plowman will make a presentation on the "plants of the Bible." All are welcome and invited to attend. Please call Bev Stickley (545-3661) so we have an idea of the number of people attending. (NOTE: The After-Five Group is open to all women AND men, both members and friends.)

"Speaking of God . . ."

"Speaking of God . . ." - our monthly opportunity to come together for informal theological conversation - will meet on Sunday, May 10, at 9:15AM, in Room 10. Join us as we "speak of God."

Bible Basics . . .

will meet on Sunday, May 17, at 9:15AM in Room 10. Our topic - led by Pastor Stickley - will be the New Testament: from Paul's letters to Revelation. Hope to see you!

Summer Reading Program

Our Church Library is sponsoring its second annual Summer Reading Program for children finishing grades 1 through 6. To participate, simply sign your name on the poster in the Church Library and read twelve (12) books from the Church Library collection from May 24 to September 6. When returning a book you've read to the Book Return Basket, place a "star" in the designated space on the poster. On Rally Day in September, a book and/or voucher will be given as a prize. Be sure to read books for your own age level, and do not list books that you have read previously. If you have any questions, call or see Mrs. Stickley. Be sure to sign up, and have a wonderful summer reading!

A Biloxi Thank-you

Thanks to the members of the congregation for again sponsoring members of our church on a mission trip to Biloxi the week of March 9. Members on the trip included Bev Dinsmore, Tim Morgan, Paul Daniels, Tony and Emily Wright, Angenette Miller, Karen and Sam Mummert, and Randy and Betsy Sibert. The team worked on the house of a disabled woman who takes care of her 40 year old mentally challenged daughter. The week after our team left, the home was dedicated and the family was able to move from a RV they were living in on the property to their new home. Our congregation should feel good that a family who has not had a real home to live in is finally in a new home of Again, our sincere thanks. Randy Sibert, Missions Comm.

Summer Schedule

(8:30 & 10) begins 5/24

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Return Service Requested

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Youth Happenings

Upper Elementary Youth Group (grades 4-6)

- ◆ May 31, 2-3:30PM - Outing with CLY

Christ Lutheran Youth (CLY) (Grades 7-12)

- ◆ May 17, 6-8:30PM - Youth Meeting
- ◆ May 31, 4-8:00PM - Youth Meeting

Thank You . . .

- ◆ to Sherry Hanshaw for making and donating a beautiful basket to hold palms for distribution on Palm Sunday.
- ◆ "Dear Friends, We thank you for thinking of us, and delivering the beautiful flowers on Easter Sunday. The visit from Pastor Stickleby, at our home the previous week, was greatly appreciated. Curtis and Audrey Reed"

A New Arrival!

Our congratulations to Sam and Kim Hartley on the occasion of the birth of a daughter, Autumn Marie, on March 2 (7lbs, 14.1 ozs/19 inches). [NOTE: Kim is the daughter of Dennis and Janet Deibert]

Address/Directory Changes

- ◆ Shirley Powell c/o Debbie Miller, 1008 Fairview Rd, South Abington Township, PA 18411
- ◆ Paul & Sue Daniels - psdani@verizon.net

Summer Sunday School . . .

will run from June 7th through August 23rd. (NOTE: there will be no classes on July 5 due to the holiday) We are currently looking for teachers who would be willing to teach *just one Sunday*. A sign-up sheet is posted in the Great Room. Sign up now! For more information, contact Marlene Bayer (652-6251).

And, a SCS party!

The Sunday Church School will hold their year-end party on Sunday, May 17 in Fellowship Hall. Be sure to attend this fun event!

Confirmation, May 17

Three of our younger members - Danielle Debley, Jacob Roesch and Rochelle Straub - will be confirmed at the 10:30AM service on May 17. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

Pastor's Sabbatical

The Congregation Council has granted Pastor Stickleby sabbatical leave from May 18 through July 7, providing him some concentrated time for reading, writing, study and travel. During this time, Pastors Paul Baranek and Wynn Devonshire will provide leadership at worship. Should you need to contact a pastor, please call the Church Office.