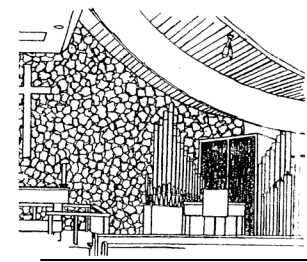


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AUGUST EVENTS



CALLING ALL CHILDREN!

RALLY DAY

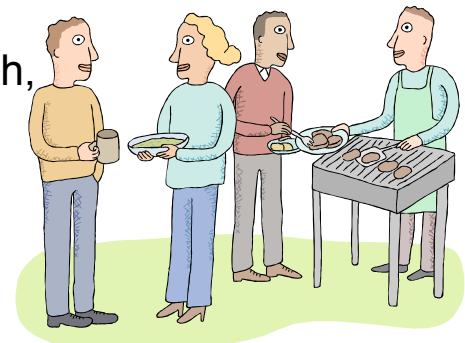
Sunday August 28th 2011
It's Back to SCHOOL & Back to SUNDAY SCHOOL!

Fellowship Potluck Barbecue

Saturday, August 20th,
2011
7:00 PM

At the Schmekels

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Deborah Wong Mar, Organist



FROM THE PASTOR



Reverend Daniel C. Coy, Pastor
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Happy August! There is always apprehension in the minds of those of us who live in the Hurricane area in August. We fear the winds and the storms. We recall any we have been in and remember those who have suffered in all disasters. We are aware that the storms in life are not limited to those of nature or even illness of body. There those troubles of human relationships to say nothing of the horror of wars. But, God still loves us and God still works to bring us joy in our sickness and peace in our relationships.

God is working in this world to help us find comfort and hold to faith in the midst of the storms. Consider this your reengraved invitation to a party given in Gods honor every Sunday morning at 10:00. Happy August!

Pastor Coy

LUTHERANS IN HISTORY

Some Interesting Facts about Lutherans in History - Did You Know That....

1. Lutherans were in America 7 years before the Pilgrims?
2. The first book translated into any American Indian language was Luther's Small Catechism.
3. The first "Stars & Stripes" was made by Sara Austin and the Ladies Aid Society of Gloria Dei Lutheran Church in Philadelphia. It was presented to John Paul Jones and received the first salute granted to the Star Spangled Banner in Europe.
4. Our Statue of Liberty was made by a French Lutheran, M. Frederic Bartholdi.
5. It was a Lutheran boy who called a Lutheran sexton to ring the Liberty Bell.
6. The Liberty Bell was hauled from Philadelphia to Allentown PA by a Lutheran, Frederick Keiser, in 1777. The bell was then hidden under the floor of zion Lutheran Church.
7. The first president of the Continental Congress was a Lutheran, John Hanson. He served until Washington was inaugurated.
8. A Lutheran, Michael Hilligas, became the first Treasurer of the United States, serving until Alexander Hamilton took office.



PRAYERS & BLESSINGS

Members

Amy Petrusky Brown
 Bud Plehn
 Ella Derr
 Ginni Egan
 Helen Marlar
 Louise Yankowskas
 Wes Roberts
 Dalia Berge

August Birthdays

8/1 Gene Kissane
 8/2 Glenn Adamo
 8/4 Bunny Hamer
 8/7 Anita Seale
 & Charlotte Gittler
 8/11 Jack Hahn
 8/20 Charles Calais
 8/21 Robin Calais
 8/24 Daniel Coy Jr.
 8/26 Kyle Kissane
 8/28 Tim Scofield
 8/31 Monica Alba

Worship Assistants

LECTOR

Ebba Peterson

COMMUNION ASSISTANT

Ebba Peterson

ACOLYTE

8/7 Samantha Ingram

8/14 Needed

8/21 Needed

8/28 William Ehlen

ALTAR GUILD

Lorraine Coy

USHERS

8/7 Kim Derr/Dennis Derr

8/14 Kim Derr/Dennis Derr

8/21 Anita Seale/Ginni Egan

8/28 Anita Seale/ Ginni Egan

We ask that you extend your prayers to:

Family & Friends

Abby Duff	Maria Gentle
Alice	Michael Lamons
Charles Acheson	O'Campo Family
Dolly	Orin Coy
Dr. Ermilio Rosado	Priscilla
Heather Grier	Sally Real
Jacqueline Jimenez	Schooley Family
Jim Crouse	Scott
Johnson Family	Tanya
Mack McCullough-	The McCune Family
Melodie	Vic

DEDICATIONS

August Flower Dedications

Thank you to everyone who sponsored August's flowers.

August 7, 2011

In Memory Of Violet Gallistel
 By Dennis & Kim Derr

August 14, 2011

In Loving Memory of Fred Scofield
 By Tim Scofield

August 21, 2011

In Honor Of Daniel's 25th Birthday
 By Pastor & Lorraine Coy

August 28, 2011

In Honor Of Jeff, Hillary & Jacks Birthdays
 By Jack & Marji Hahn

Eternal Candle

The Eternal Candle will burn during the month of August in Honor of the Glory of God.

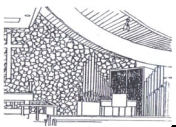


PHOTO OPPS



Congratulations to Kelli Sue Marlar for completing her Veterinary Residency Program. Pictured here with her mother Helen and sister Dawn



Congratulations to Our first Communion recipients, and Baptismal Candidates. (Pictured l to r) Devin Vandersluis, Denny Betz, Pastor Coy, Samantha Ingram, Hailey Dion and Holland Betz

YOUTH NEWS



Throughout the month of July, the church youth group had joined together to watch "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Part 2" as well as gathered at the Mar home for a Youth Group pool party. The youth laughed, shared stories, and got to know each other better before the summer would end. Our youth group consists of fun and enthusiastic teenagers who evidently love movies, the pool, video games especially "Mario Kart" and anything pertaining to Harry Potter. As a youth group, we are enjoying our time as young people and are gradually becoming closer to each other as we grow in grace.



RALLY DAY 2011

SUNDAY SCHOOL "SONSHINE"

Can you believe it? We're already looking toward the beginning of another school year. The "BOGO's" for school supplies are in all the advertising fliers. School clothes and uniforms are on sale in the dept. stores. As we enjoy the slower, albeit hotter days of the vacation period, we anticipate new experiences as the year moves ahead.

St. Thomas Sunday School is no different. Children move ahead into new classes which offer new materials, new experiences, maybe new teachers and perhaps, new responsibilities. **What remains the same**, are the stories of the power of God our Father, the love of God the Son and the fellowship which comes through God the Holy Spirit. The constancies of God's love and the importance of our response to it are new every day, yet still the same.

It is important that our children know this love and it is important that children and adults alike rediscover it. One of the places this happens is Sunday School. We invite all children of God to find the class that will be their place to learn and rediscover the gifts of God to us.

PLACE: St. Thomas Lutheran Church

DATE: Sunday, August 28, 2011

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

It the place to be for your weekly dose of Sunday School Sonshine!

2011 SUNDAY SCHOOL ROSTER

Kindergarten/Grade 1

Teachers: Kim Derr & Bonnie McCune

Brittany Dion (Gr. 1)
Courtney Dion (Gr. 1)
Andrew Zampella (Gr. 1)

Grades 2-3

Teachers: Lorraine Coy & Kristin Nysten

William Ehlen (Gr 3)
A.J. Gonzalez (Gr. 3)

Grades 4-5

Teachers: Debbie Bagnoli & Robin Calais

Denny Betz (Gr. 4)
Haley Dion (Gr. 4)
Shay Scofield (Gr. 5)
Devon Vandersluis (Gr. 4)

Confirmation Class

Teachers: Anne Cario, Sherrill Ehlen
& Annemarie Roberts

Holland Betz (C-2)
Emily Ehlen (C-2)
Alexander Harmon (C-1)

(Confirmation Class Cont)

Samantha Ingram (C-2)
Sydney Kissane (C-1)
Savannah Nylen (C-2)
Geert Vandersluis (C-1)

Youth Ministry



Teacher: Cedric Mar

Sarah Boorman
David Coy
Kelsey Elliott
Adrian Harmon
Kyle Kissane
Daniel Ledbetter
Luke Lee
Rebekkah Mar
Sarah Mar
Ashley Palmer
Joshua Palmer
Katie Schmeckl
Christian Scofield
Savannah Scott



August 2011



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>Camillus House Dinner</i>	2	3	4	5	6
7 <i>10:00 am Communion Service Food Pantry Collection</i>	8	9 <i>NO COUNCIL MEETING</i>	10	11	12	13
14 <i>10:00 am Worship Service</i>	15	16	17	18	19 	20 <i>Barbecue & Pool Party Potluck at the Schmekels 7:00 pm</i>
21 <i>10:00 am Communion Service AUGUST BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION</i>	22 <i>Back to School</i>	23 <i>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</i>	24	25	26	27
28 <i>9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship Feed the Homeless RALLY SUNDAY & Potluck Lunch</i>	29 	30	31			