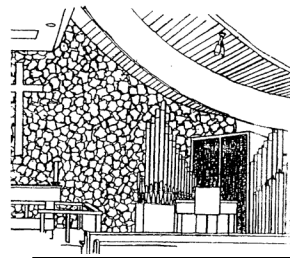




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# No DOUBTS

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## JUNE HIGHLIGHTS

**Sunday School Recognition Program:** Sunday, June 5th at 9:00 am. We will honor the hard work of our Sunday School students followed by Ice cream social after the worship service.

**Good Samaritan Dinner:** Sunday, June 5th at 5:00 pm at Christ The King Church. Congratulations to Diana Orme our nominee for Good Samaritan for Lutheran Services of Florida.

**Confirmation Sunday & Pentacost:** Sunday, June 12th  
2011 Confirmands: Sarah Mar & Kyle Kissane.

**Father's Day & June Birthday Celebration:** Sunday, June 19th. We will celebrate all the wonderful father's in our St. Thomas Family and those born in June with cake immediately following the service.

**Monthly Munchers:** Our final Monthly Munchers until September will be held at Rodbenders restaurant on Saturday, June 25. Please RSVP to Lorraine Coy by June 24.

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## FROM THE PASTOR



**Reverend Daniel C. Coy, Pastor**  
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June begins the hurricane season. The experts tell us to shut our windows and brace our house the best we can. Do you know that there is a better way. The better way is to crack a window on the leeward side of house. I have no idea what the leeward side is. I remember hearing of it some time ago. To do this I would have to learn about leeward and windward winds and the figure what they are in a hurricane. It is one of those many things I have heard about but never taken the time to learn and study to help me in a hurricane. I just plan on doing the simple stuff and pray that the storms will pass me by.

A good time to learn and study about God is Sunday morning. It is calm on Sunday morning and you can pray and listen and ask questions and learn from people who have been through some storms and know a little more about how to weather them. Or, you can just carry on like most folk and call the Pastor when the storm hits, my cell is 305-302-5094.

In Christ,

Pastor Coy



# INSPIRED for Pentecost

**SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2011**

In celebration of Pentecost and Confirmation Sunday, we will decorate the sanctuary with red Gerber Daisies. If you wish to order a plant to commemorate this holiday. Please fill out the form and place in the offertory plate. Plants may be taken home following the 10:00 am service.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to order \_\_\_\_\_ plants at \$4.00 each.



## PRAYERS & BLESSINGS

*We ask that you extend your prayers and Family & Friends*

### Members

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

### June Birthdays

6/1 Lorraine Coy  
 6/5 Christian Scofield  
 6/12 Al Engler  
 6/20 Jim Roof

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

## DEDICATIONS

### June Flower Dedications

Thank you to everyone who sponsored May's flowers.

**June 5, 2011**

*In Honor of Lorraine's Birthday  
 By Pastor & Lorraine Coy*

**June 12, 2011**

*In Honor of June & Mark's 1st Anniversary  
 By The McCunes*

**June 19, 2011**

*In Honor of Our Children  
 Cheryl & David on their birthdays  
 By Wes & Annemarie Roberts*

**June 26, 2011**

*In Honor of Jason & Ingrid's 1st Anniversary  
 By Diana Orme*

### Eternal Candle

*The Eternal Candle will burn during the month of June in memory of Connie Storms by Dennis & Kim Derr*

### Worship Assistants

#### LECTOR

Zita Thompson/Jack Hahn

#### COMMUNION ASSISTANT

needed

#### ACOLYTE

6/5 Alex Harmon  
 6/12 William Ehlen  
 6/19 Needed  
 6/26 Needed

#### ALTAR GUILD

Sherrill Ehlen

#### USHERS

6/5 Anita Seale/Ginni Egan  
 6/12 Anita Seale/Louise  
 6/19 Ginni Egan/Anita Seale  
 6/29 Anita Seale/Ginni Egan



## OUTREACH

### Outreach Committee Report Projects for April

By Ginni Egan

**Easter baskets:** 55 baskets were made and picked up by Lutheran social services. We were unable to find baskets on sale after Easter.

**Homeless:** On Easter Sunday, St Thomas provided 90% of all the food and 5 people went downtown this time. We had enough food thanks to the regular donations and also monetary donations. We will be throwing in the towel (collecting new and used towels in good condition) on the fourth Sunday, May 22. This information was in the newsletter.

We will be collecting flip flops for July

**Camillus House:** We will be cooking either on Tuesday, May 31, due to the fact the first Wed is the 1<sup>st</sup> of June

**Future goals:** we have to decide if we are collecting for back to school items. If so we need to get the word out by the middle of August when all the items go on sale

*We did not have our normal meetings in April or May*

## FELLOWSHIP

**Our May church picnic was fun for both the young and young at heart.**



## GETTING TO KNOW

In 1973, there is no doubt that God was at work when Charles Calais, Sr. and Robin Behring's lives crossed at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church in Miami. Charles grew up in South Florida, and his family was a Charter member of Mt.



Olive Lutheran Church. Robin and her family made their way from Missouri to South Florida in 1973 and joined Mt. Olive. It was there, that Robin and Charles first became friends, and active members of the youth group.

While attending high school, Charles worked for Redland Construction Company. In 1976, he enlisted in the United States Army, where he was stationed in Baumholder, Germany and at Fort Carson in Colorado Springs, Colorado. He received an honorable discharge in 1980. After returning to civilian life, he began working as a Field Service technician at Kelly Tractor Company, a Caterpillar machine dealership in Miami.

After Robin graduated from high school in 1976, she worked in the Billing Department at Wackenhut for two years. In 1978, she began working at Burger King Corporation as an Accounts Receivable Clerk and a Tax Clerk, where she remained until 1990. She later attended Miami-Dade College and Florida International University and earned a Masters Degree in Social Work.

In 1980, a mutual friend of theirs from the youth group at Mt. Olive played matchmaker. Robin and Charles reconnected as friends, fell in love, and got married on April 24, 1982. Then, in 1991, God blessed their lives by giving them a son,

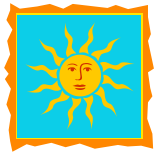
Charles Calais, Jr. (also known as Chase). Chase graduated from Homestead Senior High in 2010. He served in the Scouts through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. In January of 2010, he earned all the required merit badges and became an Eagle Scout. He is now attending Miami-Dade College and studying Accounting.

Robin happened to find St. Thomas Church on Reformation Sunday in 1995. She was inspired by Pastor Coy's sermon about Martin Luther and loved the music. Her excitement brought Charles and Chase with her to St. Thomas the following Sunday and the rest is history. Their involvement and dedication to St. Thomas spans 16 years. Robin is a Sunday school teacher, often lending a hand with other fellowship activities.

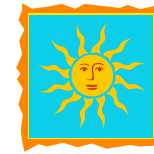
Charles has served on the Church Council, an usher, and gets involved by making sandwiches to feed the homeless, helping with the church property maintenance, and participating in Habitat for Humanity events.

This year, Charles celebrates 31 years with Kelly Tractor as a Product Support Representative in quarry mining. Robin, who was laid off in the economic downturn in 2007 from her position as Program Director at The Mentor Network, is still hopeful and praying that a new job is somewhere on the horizon. This year, Charles and Robin celebrate their 29<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

The Calais family can often be found cruising up and down Biscayne Bay in their 24-ft. PRO-LINE, where they enjoy time at Elliot Key, Boca Chita, Jimbo's, Bill Baggs State Park, Islamorada, and Haulover Beach. St. Thomas is truly blessed to have you part of its Church family.



# June 2011



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