



Illuminator

"Building relationships with Christ and each other"

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As the leaves finally are starting to show forth on the trees after a long winter and spring, I finally am assured that the seasons are changing and we, indeed, will have a summer. It's interesting to note that when change does not occur, it can be distressing to us. Even though we have a notion that we are creatures of habit ("You can't teach a dog old tricks."), we actually thrive on change.

We at MCLC are considering the changes in communication that have been occurring over the years: less paper mail, more internet (e-mail and Face Book); less handwritten notes and more texting, talking and twittering. Communication and keeping in touch is as important as ever. How we stay connected and reach people is changing.

And so, in this time of change, we at MCLC are seeking to stay connected in as many ways as we can. In the summer months of June, July and August, the council has approved a trial once-a-month newsletter so that those of us who rely on a U.S. mail-delivered communication will continue to receive the information that keeps us connected to our church family. For those of us who rely on e-mail or a variation there-of, we want to work toward making sure that we at MCLC stay connected to you, as well.

Inside this Illuminator, you will see the new schedule for when you will receive this mailing. You also will notice new deadlines for submission of articles, events, etc. In the coming months, we will be checking in on the congregation to get a feel for the ways we can change in order to stay in touch and to keep moving forward as a church family.

We welcome your input during this exciting time of change and growth!

In Christ,

Pastor Sally

Events Calendar

Thursday, May 19, 2011

6:30 PM Music & Worship Meeting

6:30 PM Narcotics Anonymous

Saturday, May 21, 2011

9:00 AM Bible Study God's Law and
Covenantal Agreement

Sunday, May 22, 2011

9:45 AM MCLC Worship/Recognition

11:00 AM Coffee Hour

11:00 AM Confirmation Class

1:00 PM HCCS

Monday, May 23, 2011

10:00 AM Cozy Quilters at MCLC

7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous

Tuesday, May 24, 2011

7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous

Wednesday, May 25, 2011

5:30 PM Youth on a Mission

7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous

Thursday, May 26, 2011

12:00 PM Fidelis Circle Meeting

6:30 PM La Conexion Board Meeting

6:30 PM Narcotics Anonymous

6:30 PM Roots, Shoots and Fruits

Friday, May 27, 2011

Illuminator Deadline

5:30 PM Johnson Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, May 28, 2011

3:00 PM Johnson Wedding

Sunday, May 29, 2011

9:45 AM MCLC Worship/Lay Sunday

11:00 AM Coffee Hour

1:00 PM HCCS

Monday, May 30, 2011

Office Closed for Memorial Day

PRAYER LIST

*Our Prayer List is a rotating list of all
members of Minnehaha Communion.*

Lyle & Carolyn Berg, Selina

Billington, Joan Bjorkland,

Wally & Vi Bjorkstrand, Ervin &

Marilyn Boehm, Marlene Bolin,

Rosemary Borodine, Joe Botten, Pat

Botten, Matthew, Jennifer, Mina,

Samuel & Franklin Bradley, Georgia

Bredesen, Marlin & Susan Bristor,

Marie Bruss, Mary Beth, Ashley,

Jasmine & Jeff Carlson.



Pray for our Service Men and Women

Chad Breslin (Grandson to Wally &

June Sibell), Nick Wilkes (Son of

Margaret Wilkes), Brian Nutter (Son

of Kim & Debbie Nutter), Tanya

Whale (Daughter of Dave & Barbie

Whale), Billy Markovich (Grandson of

Bill & Gerry Knutson), Jared

Anderson (Grandson of June Sibell),

Benjamin Maggard (Grandson of

Frieda Lougee, (Nephew of Jean

Lougee) Richard Johnson (Grandson

of Martha Hinkle), David Melrose,

(Son of Bruce & Deb Melrose), Rose

Bjorkstrand (Granddaughter of Wally

and Vi Bjorkstrand).

Thank You from the Heart ♥

♥ Thank you to those who participated in both Saturday church clean-up days. We accomplished a lot both inside and outside of the church!

♥ Thank you to Julie and Cheryl Miller, Scotty Roberts and Donesha Mitchell, parents, and students who are heading to Bible camp this summer for the delicious spaghetti dinner that was enjoyed by many on May 7th, over \$480.00 was received.

♥ Thank you to the Cozy Quilters for the start-up “seed” money gift for our new Roots, Shoots, and Fruits journey. We greatly appreciate the support as we begin this new journey.

MCLC COMMUNITY NEWS

The Office is Closed

In observance of Memorial Day the office will be closed May 30.

New Trial Illuminator Publication Schedule to Begin in June

The council has approved a once-a-month Illuminator schedule for the months of June, July and August. We are hoping to assess whether this would be a feasible change for our congregation. The considerations of

responsible use of resources (paper, printing cost, assembly time, etc.), increased use of the website where the Illuminator is posted, and providing a more substantial newsletter are all factors in exploring this option. We welcome your input as we move forward. In preparation for June, please note that the article deadline for June will be May 27, with mailing date of May 31. Article deadline for July will be June 24 with a mailing date of June 27.

Congratulations

Congratulations to David Olson for his 2nd and 3rd place finish at the state bowling tournament. We're proud of you, David!

Congratulations to Mariah Elizabeth Spence who was baptized on Sunday, May 15. May your new life in Christ be a source of joy and grace!

Hallum Scholarship Applications now Available

MCLC is accepting member's applications for scholarships for higher learning. If you are attending or going to attend a college or Vo Tech after high school, please contact the church office for an application. All applications are due in the office by May 31st.

Former Intern Wendy Cook Graduates!

The day is finally almost here! The people of Minnehaha Communion are invited to attend my graduation from Luther Seminary. Commencement exercises are scheduled for:

Sunday, May 29, 2011 at 3:00 pm

Central Lutheran Church

333 S. 12th Street Minneapolis

Parking is available in the ramp for a fee. You are also invited to a buffet supper celebration at my home following commencement at:

1414 E. 33rd Street

Minneapolis

I have been assigned to Upstate New York Synod, and so will be moving east at the end of June. I do not expect a call until late summer, and will live

with my mom in Pennsylvania while the call process plays out. I am very excited both about the opportunity to spend extended time with mom and to be close to a parish call! In the meantime, please come to commencement, the party or both as its suits you! I hope to see you then! (no gifts, please.)

Blessings, Former Intern Wendy

Friend of the Congregation, Mona McKenzie, Heads on a Mission Trip to Alabama-Requests Donations

Mona McKenzie is inviting anyone to donate shovels, rakes, tarp, diapers and baby formula to bring to Birmingham Alabama. Mona and a friend will be helping with clean-up efforts from May 27th to June 14th and will be offering these items to people in need. In addition, she is looking to borrow an enclosed small, light-weight trailer for transport. You may drop off donations here at MCLC or call Mona for more information at 952-944-9419.

Perfume Allergy & Sensitivity

It has come to our attention that some MCLC members get severe headaches and experience breathing difficulties when exposed to perfumes and colognes. In addition, we have received calls from people who are seeking a fragrance-free worship site. We know MCLC members will appreciate having this information as we seek to be a welcoming community to each other and our neighbors.

HEY YOUTH!

Confirmation News

The students are completing their confirmation studies for this year on Sunday, May 22nd with a special confirmation class.

Those who are participating in the rite of confirmation on June 12 have been preparing their faith statements and selecting a Bible verse that reflects their beliefs.

Parents, please note that we will be having a group picture on June 12 at 8:45 a.m. Please have your students to the church by 8:30 that morning.

Sunday School News

Our final Sunday school for the school year will be Sunday, May 22nd. We will be celebrating our year with special opportunities for involvement within the worship service. If you or your family has a gift to share: music, reading the lessons, ushering, lighting the candles, drawing, dancing, etc., please let Kathie Peterson or Pastor Sally know so that we may include you in the service.

On May 22, we also will have a special recognition of the Sunday school teachers!

Upcoming Scripture Texts and Readers List

You can find complete texts on our web site,
www.minnehahacommunion.com.

May 22, 2011 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 7:55-60

Psalms 31:1-5, 15-16

1 Peter 2:2-10

John 14:1-14

May 29, 2011 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 17:22-31

Psalms 66:8-20

1 Peter 3:13-22

John 14:15-21

June 5, 2011 Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:6-14
Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35
1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11
John 17:1-11

June 12, 2011 Day of Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13
John 20:19-23

Ushers List

May

- 1 Paultina Rollay, Patty Dolan
- 8 Verna McCarty, Mugs Wilkes
- 15 Mary Beth, Jeff Carlson
- 22 Patty Botten, Wes Rannow
- 29 Sherry Trego, Cleo Medlock

June

- 5 Jack, Hillary Williams
- 12 Bryan, Syd Hagelberger, Linda Glass
- 19 Bob McMaster, Ron Halverson
- 26 Wally & Vi Bjorkstrand

July

- 3 Troy, Toni Medlock
- 10 David Anderson, Dave Whale
- 17 Roxanne Dunlop, Dan Mooney
- 24 Wes Rannow, Helen Holtti
- 31 Patty Botten, Patty Dolan

August

- 7 Jean Lougee, Brenda Robbins
- 14 Peter & Jackie Nutter
- 21 Paultina Rollay, Cleo Medlock
- 28 Verna McCarty, Mugs Wilkes

If you can not usher on your assigned week, please find a replacement and let the office know of the change.

Many thanks.

June birthday's

- Nancy Trottier 6-2
- Bob Marshall 6-3
- Shani Catarra 6-4
- June Sibell 6-4
- Marty Thurber 6-8
- Vi Bjorkstrand 6-11
- Marjorie Anderson 6-13
- Norman Arlandson 6-13
- Linda Glass 6-14
- Mugs Wilkes 6-14
- Carnet DuPont 6-17
- Brittany Brigham 6-18
- Dorothy Sather 6-18
- Branden Skalsky 6-20
- Curtis Town 6-20
- June Knudsen 6-21
- Dave Whale 6-22
- Julia Wolke 6-22
- June Rannow 6-23
- Joniqua Ankerfelt 6-26

- Inez Holritz 6-26
- Emogine Ovall 6-27
- Carrie Wolke 6-29
- Paultina Rollay 6-30
- Sophie Skalsky 6-30

And in the End...

Russian Vocal Ensemble

Will be performing at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 2730 E. 31st Street Minneapolis on Sunday, May 22 at 4:00 pm. The ensemble Lyra, will be performing Russian folk songs. A reception will follow, for ticket info please go to lyra@htlcmpls.org.

Active Aging!

Comfort Keepers is sponsoring a new exercise program on Metro Cable Network Channel 6 called "Active Aging." Airing Mondays at 11:30am - right before the senior favorite "Polka Time!" This show features 20 minutes of senior-safe exercises that can be done from a standing or sitting position - and hopefully will get seniors started on a road to better health. An informational clip can be viewed on You Tube at the following link:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=keaVBX

skKIo. Spread the word to seniors you know who might benefit from this programming and encourage them to tune in!

Spread the Word

You are invited to a special Spread the Word Informational Event with Store To Door, a nonprofit that provides grocery shopping and delivery for home-bound seniors. We offer events to introduce the community to our service, whether for client referrals, volunteer opportunities, or for community leaders who want to be current on what's out there to support seniors. These events are not fundraisers - no financial commitment is sought from those invited. We simply want more people to know about our good work and to tell the people that they know, and so on. The next Spread the Word event will be: Monday, May 16, 2011, St. Pius X Catholic Church, 3878 Highland Avenue, White Bear Lake, at 8:30 AM - immediately after morning mass. Light breakfast served. Open to all community members. RSVP to Susan Herridge at susan@storetodoor.org or 651.642.1892 ext 130.

Life in Balance Stress Workshops

In the midst of a career change? Been recently laid off and wondering what's next? Stressful circumstances at midlife may be out of our control, however we can learn to manage our reactions to them. Soma Ventures is offering a workshop featuring simple and gently guided movement and breath breaks yoga. Tuesday May 17, 5:30 – 7:00pm at St. Peder's church 46th Avenue & 42nd Street. And Thursday June 16, 10:00 – 11:30pm at Lund's community Room 1405 West Lake Street. Sponsored by SHiFT, cost is \$20 for Members and \$25 for Non-Members. For more information and to pre-register, please visit the website at www.somaventures.com

Defensive Driving Course

Dan Cheung, with State Farm Insurance, is offering two defensive driving courses to the residents of Minnehaha Communion Lutheran Church. This course is for people age 55 or older and qualifies them to receive a 10% discount on their auto insurance for three years. Classes will be held on Tuesday, June 7 from 5:30 to 9:30 pm and Wednesday, June 8,

from 12:00 to 5:00 pm. Class size is limited to 30 people, please call 612-728-1000 for information and RSVP.

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Lovejoy, Nick Salkowski, Bruce Melrose.

Fairview Representatives: Barbie Whale, John
Molinaro

Ushers

May 22 – Patty Botten, Wes Rannow
May 29 – Sherry Trego, Cleo Medlock

Reader

May 22 – Kathie Peterson
May 29 – Jeff Carlson

Tellers

May 22 – Jean Lougee, Peter Nutter
May 29 – Joan Vindedahl, Janet Lovejoy

Van Driver

May 22
May 29 – Jean Lougee, 612-724-5520
Please call for van service by Saturday before 7:00pm

Coffee Hour Servers

May 22
May 29

Attendance

May 8 - 98
May 15 – 101

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