

PLAN FOR THE WEEK

Times are p.m. unless otherwise noted

Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. Fellowship Breakfast (F.H.)
- 9:00 a.m. Worship Service
- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages including 2 Adult Bible Fellowships
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
- 10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Fellowship (GYM)
- 3:00 Baptism Service at Conference Point (Maps are available at the welcome center)

Monday

- 11:00 a.m. Beach Day at Elkhorn
(ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT
TESS CERVENKA 262-903-6605)
- 6:30 Telecare
- 7:00 Salt n' Light (20 somethings)
(F.H.)
- 7:00 MERGE (young adult small group)
at the Molitor's

Tuesday

- 10:00 Prayer Shawl Meeting (F.H.)
- 12:00 Parish Nurse
- 6:30 Choir
- 6:30 Prayer Meeting (MUSIC ROOM)
- 6:30 Elder Board Meeting
- 6:30 Expedition 56 Leadership (ROOM 8/9)

Wednesday

- 10:00 a.m. "Interwoven Hearts"
Ladies Prayer
- 8:00 Sr. Hi Pancakes and Praise

Friday

- 10:00 a.m. SR HI Camping Trip leaves

Saturday

- 5:00 Saturday Community Contemporary Worship
**(Following the service:
End of Summerquest - Cookout
Please bring a salad or dessert
to share) (See insert)**

PRAYER CONCERNS

A detailed prayer list is available at the information centers in the lobby.

Missionary Focus

Mark and Brenda Bindon with SEND International
in Naknek, Alaska



Prayer requests:

- God is developing a regional church within our nearby villages. We had our first gathering of believers from the villages meeting in Naknek for the weekend this past spring. It was an important time of fellowship and worship. Pray the mutual encouragement of Christians would continue.
- So many people are attending services at the home fellowship in one of the villages, a church building needs to be constructed. Pray for the preliminary details and planning.
- Our ministry team has grown to include Kodiak Island. Currently we have one ministry family on the island. Pray for more workers to be added to the team.

Short term Missions Trip:

Work trip to Oak Hill Bible College - August 19 - 23
Leaders: Dave Cousens and Butch Eucker Work crew: Andrew Carter, Liz Carter, Rebekah Eucker, Rhiannon Gregoire, Carter Olberg, Brian Polk, April Speckman, and Hannah Voss

Family

- Don Wubs - at Lakeland Hospital fighting infection
- Arlene Vegter - recovering from intestinal surgery
- Phyllis Gebauer - recovering from surgery and other issues
- Lance Haas and Landon Petrie - undergoing cancer treatments
- Lillabelle Hill - at Lakeland Hospital recovering from knee replacement surgery and other issues
- Shirley Mielke - recovering from chemo treatment
- Judy Spong - severe health issues
- Orrie Kallem - Williams Bay Health Care Center
- Barb Petersen - fighting breast cancer, recovering from breast and hip surgery
- Rob Hess has MS - going through a very rough time
- Carmen Jeninga (8 months old) - pray that she continues to improve for her next heart surgery scheduled for September 8th

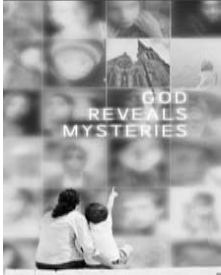
COMING EVENTS

8/29	A DAY AT THE LAKE (CORNERSTONE FAMILIES) (12:30 - 5:00 P.M.)(SEE INSERT)	9/4	SALT N LIGHT OUTREACH (For more information please contact Ben Jenkins 608-279-2879)
9/1	CHOIR SINGING AT WALWORTH COUNTY FAIR (6:00 P.M.)	9/15	JR/SR HI "SEE YOU AT THE POLE"
9/3	EXPEDITION 56 & JR HI FIELD NIGHT (7:00 P.M.)	9/15	FALL SUMMIT BEGINS
		9/19	JR/SR HIGH MATTRESS FOOTBALL
		9/23	FOREVER FIT FALL SESSION BEGINS

God's work done God's way in God's time brings God's resources

Missions and Benevolent Funds receive funds as you designate your contribution

	2010	2009	2010 Income Budget
Year-to-date General Fund Income	\$841,193.07	\$774,655.98	\$829,611.16
Year-to-date General Fund Expenses	\$800,568.81		
Year-to-date Missions Income	\$176,940.30	\$167,294.32	\$171,360.00
Benevolent Offering	\$ 48,504.67	\$ 46,875.36	



"God Reveals Mysteries...Death or Departure"

"I eagerly expect and hope...that Christ will be exalted... whether by life or by death. For to me to live is Christ and to die is gain....I desire to depart and be with Christ which is better by far." (Phil. 1:20-23)

➤ **Death or Departure...the doorway to eternity**

- Gen. 3:22,23 *"He must not be allowed to eat of the tree of life and live forever..."* Death is God's mercy!
- 2 Cor. 4:16-5:8 *"though outwardly we are wasting away, inwardly we are being renewed...as long as we are at home in the body we are apart from the Lord...we would prefer to be absent from the body and present with the Lord."* Death is God's kindness, releasing us for all eternity from decaying, human bodies.
- Gen. 35:29 *"He (Isaac) breathed his last and died and was gathered to his people."* Death is reunion! (49:33)
- Acts 7:55-8:1 *"I see heaven open and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God...Lord Jesus, receive my spirit."* Death is separation of soul/spirit from the body - exclusively human transition to immortality!
- 2 Kings 2 *"as they were walking along suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind...and Elisha saw him no more."* Death is a God encounter moment of mysterious, instant transition.

➤ **Death... a point of no return for each and all persons**

- Phil. 1:20-23 *"I desire to depart and be with Christ."* A departure for Christ-redeemed people from earth to heaven, alive, without restriction of body, sinful world, sin nature, and Satan.
- Luke 16:19-31; Matt. 16:16; Rev. 1:18; 20:13,14 "Hades" the place of the unsaved dead awaiting final judgment.

- Matt. 25:31-46 *"All the nations will be gathered before Him (Jesus Christ), and He will separate the people...as a shepherd separates the sheep and the goats...He will say: 'Come, you who are blessed by My Father, take your inheritance... Depart from Me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels.'" God's day of reckoning will position each person for all eternity future.*

➤ **Departure... a Jesus earned graduation for God's people**

- John 6:39,40 *"Everyone who looks to the Son and believes in Him shall have eternal life, and I will raise Him up at the last day."* We have the privilege and responsibility of choosing! No decision is a choice: John 8:24 *"if you do not believe I am the One I claim to be, you will die in your sins."*
- 2 Tim. 4:6-8 *"The time for my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me..."* Jesus awaits His people, crown of righteousness in hand!
- 1 Thess. 4:13-18 *"...God will bring with Jesus, those who have fallen asleep in Him..."* At the return of Christ, He will bring departed saints with Him to "rapture" the Church...only possible if they go to Him at their death.
- 1 Corinthians 15:12-58 *"If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile, you are still in your sins...but Christ has been raised! As in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive! There are heavenly bodies and earthly bodies...so we shall bear the likeness of the man from heaven. We shall all be changed..."* An immortal, glorified body for every person in which to spend eternity...alive.

NEWS, EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

THANK NOTES

Thank you notes have been put on the bulletin board outside the church office from Pastor Ilamon and Anitta Raymonvil and Shirley Mielke.

DON'T FORGET! SUMMER BAPTISM IN THE LAKE

Sunday, August 22nd, 3:00 p.m. will be our annual Baptism at Conference Point. Maps are available at the welcome center.

NEW GRANDBABY!

Jon and Cathy Kunes are thrilled to announce the birth of their first grandchild, Quincy John, born on July 4. Katie and Joe DeCiccio are his parents of Portland, OR.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Ed and Kate Wichman are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter, Emma to Jonathan Price on August 7, 2010.

CHANGING PLACE

Thank you to all who signed up for helping with the Changing Place. Schedules will be arriving in the mail soon. We are still in need of donations of diapers. Please bring them into the office by September 1.

DEEPER DIGGING NEXT STEPS

Did the Sunday message stir questions in your mind? Wish you could discuss it? August 22 a pilot project: a small group discussion forum (10:30 a.m., Sunday) open to anyone interested in discussing Pastor Doug's morning message with objective to understand more fully what God is saying to us. All welcome! Meet in the gym.

DEVIL'S LAKE WEEKEND

September 11-12, 2010

The Connected Ones ABF would like to invite you to join them for a fun weekend of adventure at Devil's Lake. Camp overnight, or come up for a day trip with your family. Some of us will be camping at Baraboo Hills Campground (800-226-7242), but you could also camp at Devil's Lake State Park. We will set up on Saturday at Devil's Lake, and canoe on the lake, hike the bluffs, play yard games, or whatever anybody would like to do.

If you are coming for the day, pack a picnic lunch. Charcoal will be provided so that you can grill if you desire.

If you are coming for the weekend, you must make your own camping arrangements. Camping cabins are available for the less adventurous among us - which is most of us! If you camp at Baraboo Hills, please let Karen Ditthardt know that you are coming. We usually eat some of the meals together, and we will let you know what to bring to help out.

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ATTENTION PRIMETIMERS (60 +)

Forever Fit exercise program would like to once again offer a program just for you! Class would be Mondays 10:30 - 11:10 a.m. beginning mid-September in the gym. If you are interested please contact Dawn Anderson 262-723-1342.

AREA EVENTS

YOUNG COUPLES, ENGAGED OR NEWLY MARRIED

Are invited to join Jim and Barbara Grunseth's small group "Marriage Patriots" meeting roughly every two weeks in their home north of Elkhorn. *"We eat, we laugh, we pray, we study the Word, and we care for each other!"* God's Marriages - God's Way!

Answers Academy and Biblical Apologetics for Real Life, a superb 13-video series on creation science and Biblical world view vs. evolution and its accompanying godless world view, discussing its impact on our lives, marriages, and families. The series features Ken Ham, Terry Mortenson, PHD, and Astro-Physicist Jason Lisle, PHD. Please call Jim and Barbara (262-642-5091) or email jgrunseth@centurytel.net. The first gathering with meal is Sunday, August 29th, 5:30 p.m. at the Grunseth home. Contact them for directions.

2010 HONDURAS MISSION TRIP

The Honduras Evangelism/Medical Team that goes in October needs donations. In the lobby is a poster that lists over the counter medications that they need to take with them. Also monetary donations will be accepted so that the team can purchase Bibles and provide optical treatments. All donations are needed by September 26. Please make checks out to Grace Evangelical Free Church. For more information please contact Michael or Colleen Loomer (262-723-4472), Shirley Fry-Sopha (262-348-9428), or Ione Tindle (262-743-1470).

LAKES AREA MOPS IS LOOKING FOR LOVE

MOPS has officially moved to our new location at Lakeland Community Church. We need loving volunteers of all ages to help with childcare. Our meetings are the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month from 8:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Please contact Kim Brosel 262-763-6436 or Amy Marten 262-742-3053 if you are able to help. First meeting is Thursday, September 16th.

2ND ANNUAL TRIFECTA CHALLENGE (Charity Golf fundraiser, dinner and auction

September 20 at the beautiful Geneva National Golf Club. Last year your efforts and support helped to raise nearly \$50,000 which was divided among these vital non-profit groups that service Walworth County and the surrounding area: Agape Home and School for Girls, A.T.L.A.S. and Army of One youth groups. If you have any questions, or may be interested in golfing or attending the dinner this year, please do not hesitate to contact Jennifer Myers (262-245-7041) or email jmyers@gnresort.com

I'd like information on:

- How to begin a relationship with Christ
- How to join this church family
- Adult Small Groups
- Women's Ministries
- Men's Ministries
- Music Ministries
- Young Adult Ministries
- Junior/Senior High Ministries
- Children's Ministries
- Other

Comments or prayer needs:

- For Prayer Bulletin
- Confidential

Unsigned requests will not be put in the prayer bulletin. We need a name to refer to for clarification but can leave the name out of the prayer bulletin, if requested.
