



Our Mission: to be and make disciples for Christ

Inviting All

Apostles Lutheran Church

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Call the church office if you have questions about any of Apostles' ministries.

We Welcome You

We warmly welcome all to join us on Sunday mornings for our Traditional Worship at 8:15 & 11:15 AM or our Contemporary Worship at 9:45 AM.

Third Sunday after Pentecost

Job 38:1-11
2 Corinthians 6:1-13
Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32
Mark 4:35-41

Attendance

Sunday, June 14, 2009

8:15	9:45	11:15
65	123	52

Faith Commitments

Needed per week: \$9,183
 Offering for June 7 - \$9,984
 Difference - \$801

Deficit for the year - (\$15,461)

GFS Marketplace has opened in Brandon on Hwy. 60. They have restaurant quality food and foodservice products, and are open to the public. They have good prices and a nice selection. No membership is required. If you shop there, and sign-up for a "Fun Funds" card, they send rebates back to Apostles. What could be easier? Check them out when you have the chance.

Rebecca's Quilting Circle Update!

Due to USF's Reading Enrichment Program using our campus for June & July, Rebecca's Circle will be relocated to the Harmony & Social Rooms for June and July. The group will resume meeting in Theisz Hall in August.

First Friday Circle

The first Friday of July is the 3rd. First Friday Circle will not meet in July. (Hopefully all will be enjoying a long Independence Day weekend☺) The circle will be back quilting in August. Hope to see everyone on Aug. 7th.

Café Corner

The Café is closed this morning in support of the JJJ Youth Mardi Gras brunch. Be sure to visit the Café next Sunday to see what goodies the Café team has in store for us.

Day Camp and VBS News

Due to a mix up in communication the dates for DayCamp/VBS have been changed! The new dates are July 20-24th.

The registration packets for Day Camp and VBS are ready and are available outside the Narthex and online at Apostleslutheran.net. Registration is open for Apostles members and to the community. Space is limited. The cost is \$30.00 per child with a family maximum of \$60.00. Classes are available for potty trained 3 year olds through 8th grade. If you have any questions call Kit O'Rourke at 689-2571.

SPA TIME 4 GIRLS HAS BEEN POSTPONED!!

Spa Time 4 Girls that was scheduled for Friday, June 19th has been postponed until September. Stay tuned during the summer for the new date and time!!

Welcome to the Neighborhood!

We will be hosting a "Welcome to the Neighborhood" luncheon for the new residents of Apostles Village. There is a planning get together this Wednesday, June 24th at 11:00 AM in Theisz Hall. If you would like to be involved in this friendly outreach, call Jane Brown at 671-4571 or just come and join us on the 24th. More hands (and ideas) make for easier work☺

New Member/Inquirer's Class

Inquirer's Classes continue this morning, from 11:00-12:15 PM in the Harmony Room, through next Sunday June 28th. To help parents, Kit O'Rourke has a class for PreK-5th grade children. Nursery is available for children 3 and younger.

HEY, APOSTLES FAMILIES! IT'S NIGHT OF JOY TIME!!!

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, September 12** at Disney's Hollywood Studios in Orlando. Performers include: Mercy Me, Flyleaf, Jars of Clay, Skillet, Family Force 5, Grits, Mandisa, Revive, Josh Wilson, Above the Golden State and Abandon. We will be staying again at the Clarion Maingate Hotel. Cost is \$60 and includes your admission and hotel room. Cost does **NOT** include any food purchases. We will be eating breakfast at Denny's, which is next door to the hotel. Sign up online at apostleslutheran.net and click on the Night of Joy icon.

"Living Christ's Love"

We have a food pantry, "Living Christ's Love", for members of our Apostles' family that are struggling. To help keep the cupboards stocked, we invite children to bring an item of food each week.

Today, June 21st is oatmeal or grits.

Next week will be cereal.

We collect contributions at the beginning of Children's Church.

FOR OUR CHILDREN

Preschool-2nd grade Children's Church at 8:15 & 9:45 am **Worship.** Children are dismissed before Pastor's sermon and return before Communion.

Children's Activity Bags are located under the Visitor's table in the Narthex. Please leave the bag after worship so they may be reused each week.

Esther Circle

The ladies of Esther Circle will meet this Tuesday, June 23rd at 10:00 AM in the GR.

All women of the church are welcome to come for this morning of devotions & fellowship.

If you are new at Apostles:

Please let us hear from you. There are informational cards in the back of every pew.

Over Flow Parking is available at the Dr.'s office across Kingsway Rd. and the empty lot across from the church on Morgan Street.

Hearing Aid Devices are available. Please ask an usher.

Coffee is served in the Fellowship Café from 9:00-11:15 am.

Childcare, for ages birth-3 yr. olds, is provided in the nursery during all services. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Restrooms are located in Theisz Hall or along the walkway between the Church Office and the Preschool building.

This week at Apostles...

Today:

Worship at 8:15, 9:45 & 11:15 AM
Father's Day
Blood Drive, 8-1 PM (Mobile Unit)
JJJ Mardi Gras Brunch & Auction (TH)
New Member Class, 11:00 AM (HR)

Monday:

Reading Enrichment, 9:30-5:30 PM (TH)
Cub Scouts, 7:00 PM (TH)

Tuesday:

Reading Enrichment, 8:30-5:30 PM (HR)
Meals on Wheels, 9:00 AM (TH)
Esther Circle, 10:00 AM (GR)
Bible Study, 7:00 PM (SR)
Troop 110, 7:30 PM (TH)

Wednesday:

Apostles Village "Welcome to the
Neighborhood" Planning Mtg., 11:00 AM (TH)
Ichthus Rehearsal, 8:00 PM (WC)

Thursday:

Reading Enrichment, 9:30-5:30 PM (TH)
Gloria Dei Choir, 7:00 PM (WC)

Friday

Girls Scouts troop 881, 7:00 PM (PS)

Sunday

Worship at 8:15, 9:45 & 11:15 AM
New Member Class, 11:00 AM (HR)
JJJ Youth & Parent's Mtg., 11:15 AM (TH)

(TH)= Theisz Hall, (SR)= Social Room, (NT)= North
Theisz, (PS)= Preschool, (WC)=Worship Center,
(GR)=Garden Room, (LJ)=Library

I hope you signed up for the Jesus, Justice & Jazz Youth Mardi Gras Brunch. (If you didn't, check with Chris, maybe they made extra) The aroma coming from the kitchen smells delicious. Even if you aren't having brunch, come on down and support the youth by participating in the Silent Auction.

Did you hear the news! The ELCA has started down an exciting road. We have a new national theme; "God's work, Our hands". They (we) even have TV ads. Have you seen them? If not go to; www.elca.org/Who-We-Are/Our-Three-Expressions/Churchwide-Organization/Communication-Services/Our-Brand.aspx. Questions? See Howard McNair.

Lutheran Outdoor Ministries of Florida has developed an exciting weekend retreat in partnership with the Florida-Bahamas Synod Youth Ministry and The Older Adult Ministry Task Force, for grandparents and their grandchildren, called *Life Together at Luther Springs*. This event is to be held July 17 -19, 2009. Cost is \$50.00/person.

This event is for grandparents and grandchildren, who would like an event to celebrate your connectedness! Special effort will be made to develop closer ties through very specific activities designed to help each generation learn more about the alternate generation. Games! Classes! Meals! Fun activities! It sounds like fun!
Go to LOMF's website for more information.

Day Camp News

Day Camp is fast approaching. We are still looking for 4 host families. Homes with adults or older children are preferable, as our counselors will need some "crash time" after a full day of fun with the children. The counselors will arrive on Sunday, July 19th and leave Sunday, July 26th. Mr. Greg will cook breakfast and lunch for them at church and each host home will provide dinner for all of the counselors **one night**. If you have some extra space that you can spare, let Kit know.

Remember, you are never too old for a wonderful camp experience. We still have some volunteer positions open for mature high school students and adults to help in Day Camp classes.

And last but not least, we have tons of crafts planned for Day Camp. Here are some supplies we will need:

7 yards of fleece	Fabric Markers
10 sheets of poster board	Glue
Old magazines	Craft foam
Sticky notes	Tissue paper

Your donations can be dropped at the church office. I want to thank everyone, in advance, for your help in making this week a success for the children.

Dedication of Apostles Village

If you were not able to attend the Service of Dedication for Apostles Village, you missed out on a joy filled afternoon. Pastor Vige and Bishop Benoway led the beautiful Service of Dedication. New residents of Apostles Village joined members of Apostles, representatives from LSF and LifeLink, visiting clergy, local, state and federal government representatives, as well as visitors from the surrounding communities to celebrate and give thanks to God for the culmination and new beginning of this wonderful outreach ministry.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time, energy and talents to make the service and reception so welcoming. The future residents were appreciative and are **VERY** eager to move into their apartments.

Give The Gift Of Life. Blood Drive Today, 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

I gave my blood, Christ gave his.
I gave a pint; He gave his all.
The needle is small, sharp;
the nails were large, dull.
The table soft, restful; the cross rough, painful
The nurses kind, gentle; the soldiers cruel, mean.
The crowd applauds my sacrifice;
They that passed by reviled him.
Mine is O positive; His for positively all.
Mine, at best, will prolong a life for a while;
His, without doubt, can save all, forever.

Confirmation Class of 2011

If you are a parent (or know someone that is) that will have a 7th grader this year, you probably have not even thought about the upcoming confirmation classes, but SueAnn has.

The following kids are on her list;

Christopher Blaisuis	Jacob Brown
Clark Canham	Finian Corbett
Michael Desmond	Cassidy Dossin
Britta Gundlach	Sarah Kane
Darien Santmyer	McKenna Smith
Zachary Duby	

If your child is not listed, give SueAnn a call in the office at 689-2571.

How is God at work in this world through your hands?

How would you illustrate it through a 30-to-90-second video? The ELCA is inviting members and the general public to submit their videos to a contest inspired by our tagline: "God's work. Our hands." Prizes include a \$5,000 ministry grant for ELCA congregations or a \$2,500 cash prize for individuals. Second prize in both categories is an HD flip video camera. The contest runs from June 15, 2009, through July 15, 2009. For more information go to; <http://www.elca.org/ELCA/Video-Contest.aspx> or contact Howard McNair at M4109@aol.com or 813-643-8655.

Youth, Young Adult & Drama Ministry News

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH!

Don't forget, we are planning to go to Tampa on Sunday, June 28th to help serve food at a homeless shelter. Sign up this week!

Nintendo Wii Contest...redo

So Apostles Youth didn't win the Nintendo Wii in the FBSynod's first contest. Well don't worry... we now have a second chance to win a Nintendo Wii for our Youth Group! Simply go to www.fbsynod.com/wii to enter the contest. Please make sure you complete all of the required entry fields and that you enter before July 31, 2009.