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## Pastor's Message

Dear People of God,

I've always liked the concept of the buffet table – there's a surprise! So many choices, so many foods to experience, so many tastes to satisfy! As we move into the summer months here at LCOS, we have a buffet table of ministry opportunities from which you may choose; I hope you will not only enjoy those things that are familiar, but I also encourage you to try some new things and expand your "tastes".

Throughout this newsletter you will find details for a variety of ministry opportunities, but allow me to whet your appetite with the following menu:

- summer Sunday worship schedule begins on June 6 (9:45 a.m.), celebrating "Music Sunday", and the Youth hosting the first post-worship "punch bowl " time – a cookout for the congregation

- Dayton Conference Hunger Pot Luck @ North Riverdale Lutheran Church, Wednesday, June 16, 6:30 p.m.

- Saturday, June 19, we are hosting youth (and adults) from St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Rome, Wisconsin, as they make their way to West Virginia for a mission trip; they will be with us in Sunday worship

- Fathers' Day Post-Worship "Pig Roast", June 20, 11:00 a.m.

- Vacation Bible School is held June 21-25, with activities for all ages, including an adult discussion group

- In worship on July 3 and 4, we will bless our children and youth who will be heading off to Lutheran Memorial Camp that Sunday afternoon

There is plenty more coming later in the summer, including a congregational canoe trip down the Little Miami River, a joint worship service at St. Paul's Lutheran to celebrate the opening of the new "Noah's

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# WORSHIP NOTES



## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**Saturday**, 5:30 p.m. - Prayer Labyrinth

**Sunday**, 9:45 a.m. - Sanctuary

## WORSHIP THEMES

### *June 6, Second Sunday after Pentecost*

The Time after Pentecost is a teaching time, a growing time, in the life of the church. Today's texts celebrate God's ability and intention to provide us with a new lease on life. To that end we gather today with the whole people of God to be instructed by the word and nourished in the blessed sacrament.

### *June 13, Third Sunday after Pentecost*

The enormity of our sin is surpassed only by the mercy of God. We come, repentant, to the table of the Lord. In the body and blood of Jesus, in the announcement of our absolution, all our sins are forgiven. "Happy are they ... whose sin is put away." Happy are we.

### *June 20, Fourth Sunday after Pentecost*

This Sunday's texts paint startling pictures of the horrific—the demonic—nature of sin. The church's repeated celebration of the holy communion counters that tragic reality in a continued showing forth of the death of Jesus "until he comes." It is a dramatic declaration of "how much God has done for you."

### *June 27, Fifth Sunday after Pentecost*

We have no good apart from God. That makes our Lord's call to follow him an invitation to freedom. This is freedom to revel in the Spirit's fruits: love, joy, peace, patience, and the like. This is the path of life.

## PASTOR'S MESSAGE

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Ark Pre-School" (a joint ministry project between LCOS and St. Paul's), and "Faith Day" at the Reds. As you enjoy the summer, remember to make time for God, worship, service, and study of God's Word. If you plan to be away, please consider mailing in/dropping off your church offerings before you leave town so that our ministries can be offered and enjoyed by all who are in town!

In Christ's joy,

*Gary*

## THEOLOGY ON TAP

This month, our public discussion group will meet on Monday, June 28, 6:30 p.m. at Chappy's Tap Room and Grille, on Alex Bell Road.

## LCOS MISSION STATEMENT

+ *Share God's Word*

+ *Serve Community*

+ *Grow in Faith*

## VISION STATEMENT

We are a growing, diverse congregation actively sharing God's blessings in the world community.

## Council Update

Your council met on May, 17. Pastor Eichhorn led us in a devotional and we all asked for God and the Holy Spirit to guide us during our preceding. Our financial Dons, (Anstaett and Hartman) apprised the council of our current financial condition. Our current financial condition does not seem much different than prior years, however I'm concerned about the ability to fund future ministries if our giving does not increase, either from new membership or increased contribution from our congregation. Everyone agreed that we need to pull the covers back from our Stewardship and Evangelism committees and get the word out about Lutheran Church of Our Savior. If anyone feels that chairing either committee would be of interest please let myself or any staff member know.

I have been exploring joint ventures with other protestant congregations in the area. As Pastor Eichhorn reminds us: we don't worship brick and mortar, but it is nice to have it surround us.

The weekend of the 23rd will bring two new adults into the church. Lauren Louise Worley and Ryan Kugel. We are blessed as a congregation to welcome two fine new confirmands to our congregation.

The Foundation Committee met with our investment adviser (5th/3rd) and I am happy to inform you that we have made up most of the ground we lost last year. It looks as if we may be able to expand some ministries if the market holds.

New business introduced the idea of updating our website. Everyone believes the

contact is good but we need a more friendly format. The world wide web is our modern portal to Evangelism and Stewardship. We do so many great ministries at Lutheran Church of Our Savior, we need our community to know.

It is in Christ that we find out who we are and what we are living for. Long before we first heard of Christ ... he had his eye on us, had designs on us for glorious living, part of the overall purpose he is working out in everything and everyone.

Ephesians 1:11 (msg)

Respectfully,

*Chris Becker*

## MUSIC SUNDAY

On **Sunday, June 6**, as we move into our summer worship schedule, we will celebrate our music ministries with Music Sunday during 9:45 a.m. worship. In addition to special music presented by the various choirs, we will sing a variety of hymns, all designed to praise God in music.

### Lutheran Church of Our Savior

Rev. Gary Eichhorn, *Pastor*

Rachel Spry Lammi, *Associate in Ministry*

Terri Balsom, *Office Manager*

Don Hartman, *Treasurer*

Don Anstaett, *Financial Secretary*

Ginger Minneman, *Music Director*

Celeste Hoerner, *Joyful Noise Choir*

Joe Beal, *Sonshine Choir*

Richard Freudenberger, *Handbell Choir*

Chris Becker, *Council President*

Rev. Robert A. Willauer, *Pastor Emeritus*



## GALACTIC BLAST VBS

June 21-25

5:30 pm - Family Dinner

6:00 - 8:10 pm - Activities

- Nursery for age 0-3
- Space Adventures for age 4 through entering grade 6
- Youth volunteer opportunities (grades 7 - 12)
- Adult Class about Environment & Faith led by Pastor Gary and Pastor Bob

Register Now! Brochures with registration forms are on display throughout the church. You can also register online at

<http://www.cokesburyvbs.com/galactic-blast/LutheranChurchofOurSaviorVBS2010>

## SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

June 13 through August 20

(no class July 4)

**Parents:** be sure to bring your children to worship at 9:45 am each Sunday this summer. Your child(ren) ages 4 to grade 3 will learn more about God, the Bible, and faith through fun hands on activities; *while you have an opportunity to focus on the Sermon.*

## HANG TIME

Thank you Kim Buechele for serving our youth as the Hang Time adult facilitator this Spring. Hang Time will resume in the Fall. We are seeking additional adult volunteers to help with this low-key time of fun for our 5 - 8 grade youth.

## HUNGER "POT LUCK"

Lutheran congregations in the Dayton Conference are coming together on Wednesday, June 16, 6:30 p.m. for a pot luck dinner to raise awareness and money to help combat hunger throughout the world. Everyone is invited to bring a dinner food dish to share to North Riverdale Lutheran Church (45 Kurtz Ave., off north Main Street), as well as a canned food item. In addition to enjoying great food and fellowship among Miami Valley Lutherans, we will also hear a brief educational presentation about hunger in Dayton. Monetary donations will be collected for Lutheran World Relief, and the canned food items will be given to the Jeremiah's Letter food pantry.

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OFFICE HOURS (Mon. - Fri.):

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon / 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

# Youth Group News



The youth had two dinner meetings in May with Pastor Gary. At the first meeting, there was a discussion of what the youth believed were the gifts God had given them in their lives, and what they want to do with those gifts now and in the future.

A planning meeting was held on the second dinner night. Plans were made for what the youth will be doing over the summer months.

Our Pennies for Peace project will be wrapping up at the end of the school year, which will be the first week in June. We will be getting a total of the money that was donated.

## **FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

**June 6, Sunday** - Youth will be hosting a cookout to be held after church. This will be in honor of the High School and College graduates from our congregation.

**June 18-19, Friday and Saturday** - Friday the youth will be doing a wedding set-up, time TBA. On Saturday, the youth will be doing wedding clean-up at 4:30 p.m., and attending the Saturday evening worship after clean-up. VBS set-up will be after the Saturday evening worship this same evening. Dinner will be served to all who help set-up. There is also the possibility we will be hosting a youth group from

Wisconsin this same weekend. They will be passing through on their way to do a mission project.

**June 20, Sunday** - The youth will be helping with the set-up for the pig roast.

**July 10** - Holy Terrors will be doing a canoe trip. This is open to the congregation, and we encourage our youth and their families to join in this activity.



- **June 21-25** - Vacation Bible School
- **July 10** - Canoeing trip with Pastor Eichhorn
- **August 13-14** - Lock-in and FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

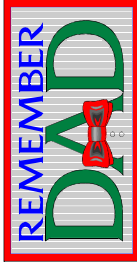
## **THAT DAY IN MAY PARADE**


Thank you to the Hang Time youth and the Lewis family for leading us in the parade. Thank you to the other families who participated!





# JUNE 2010



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> 7:00 a.m. Prayer breakfast 9:30 a.m. Sewing 3:30 p.m. Staff 7:00 p.m. Christian Ed	<b>2</b> 7:00 a.m. AA 7:30 p.m. Social Ministry	<b>3</b> 6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir at Lammit's	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 9:00 a.m. Al-Anon 10:00 a.m. AA & Al-Anon 2:00 p.m. Rwandan 5:30 p.m. Worship
<b>6</b> <b>MUSIC SUNDAY</b> 9:45 a.m. Worship 9:45 a.m. SCS	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 7:00 a.m. Prayer breakfast	<b>9</b> 7:00 a.m. AA	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 9:00 a.m. Al-Anon 10:00 a.m. AA & Al-Anon 2:00 p.m. Rwandan 5:30 p.m. Worship
<b>13</b> 9:45 a.m. Worship 9:45 a.m. SCS 10:45 a.m. Property <b>VBS set up</b>	<b>14</b> FLAG DAY 	<b>15</b> NO Prayer breakfast	<b>16</b> 7:00 a.m. AA 9:30 a.m. Sewing 2:30 p.m. Bethany Communion 6:30 p.m. Hunger pot luck at NRLC	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 11:30 a.m. JOY Group lunch & meeting	<b>19</b> 9:00 a.m. Al-Anon 10:00 a.m. AA & Al-Anon 2:00 p.m. Rwandan 5:30 p.m. Worship <b>VBS set up</b>
<b>20</b> <b>FATHER'S DAY</b> 9:45 a.m. Worship 9:45 a.m. SCS <b>PIG ROAST</b> <b>VBS set up</b>	<b>21</b> NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	<b>22</b> 7:00 a.m. Prayer breakfast	<b>23</b> 7:00 a.m. AA	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> <b>VBS clean up</b> 9:00 a.m. Al-Anon 10:00 a.m. AA & Al-Anon 2:00 p.m. Rwandan 5:30 p.m. Worship
<b>27</b> 9:45 a.m. Worship 9:45 a.m. SCS <b>VBS clean up</b> 3:00 p.m. Scared Hairp	<b>28</b> 6:30 p.m. Theology on Tap	<b>29</b> 7:00 a.m. Prayer breakfast	<b>30</b> 7:00 a.m. AA	<b>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL</b>		



## HEALTH MINISTRY NEWS

### JUNE 1 is STAND FOR CHILDREN DAY

*Stand for Children is an innovative, grassroots child advocacy organization.*

Their mission is to use the power of grassroots action to help all children get the excellent public education and strong support they need to thrive. Stand for Children members believe we need to stand up for our children now - particularly for their education from pre-school through high school - to create a better future for America.

Stand for Children builds effective local and statewide networks of grassroots advocates capable of convincing elected officials to invest in and reform children's programs. Following specific priorities chosen by Stand for Children members, they focus on securing adequate funding for public schools and reforming education policies and practices to help children thrive academically, giving them the opportunities they need to become successful, productive citizens.

#### *Where do Children Stand?*

Today, for the first time in our nation's history, the next generation will likely fare worse than their parents - unless we intervene. Global competition and automation have led to the loss of tens of millions of U.S. jobs in the past generation. For children to succeed in today's fast

changing world, we must equip them to be proficient in core academic subjects, effective communicators and team players, and capable of learning quickly.

*Here's why Children need you to stand for them.*

Children's urgent needs continue to be ignored by too many elected officials. Why? Because children can't vote and don't make campaign contributions. The more that adults stand together for children, the more lawmakers will support strong public education and other programs that give them a fair chance in life. It's that simple.

While Stand for Children doesn't have an Ohio affiliate, adults can still advocate for good education through voting, campaign contributions, and contacting local, state, and federal government leaders.

Find out more at [www.stand.org](http://www.stand.org).

### BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

Will be taken after all worship services on June 12 & 13.

**WALK TO QATAR:** Congratulations on the 2700 miles walked this spring! Even though the official "Walk" is over, keep up your own walking and exercise.

## SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS JUNE 6

**Worship & SCS - 9:45 a.m.**

# Stewardship

## TO KEEP YOU INFORMED OF OPERATING FUND STATUS

### April 2010

Offerings (against budget):	\$24,137.57
Loan Payment (from savings):	1,800.00
Foundation (against budget):	0.00
Other collections (non-budget):	
Social Ministry:	952.00
Memorials:	125.00
House loan payoff:	1,000.00
Special Projects:	333.00
Haiti donations:	0.00
Foundation-scholarship/benev	0.00
Expenses:	\$57,405.67
(Receipts - Expenses):	-\$31,468.10

### 2010 Totals (as of May 16)

YTD collections (against budget):	\$127,077.67
Loan Payment (from savings):	8,448.41
Foundation (against budget):	49,665.36
YTD non-budget collections:	
Social Ministry:	5,381.02
Memorials:	730.00
HVAC / House loan:	8,279.00
Special Projects:	12,493.00
Haiti donations:	3,923.00
Foundation-scholarship/benev	1,577.02
YTD Expenses:	\$191,549.75
YTD Balance (rcpts-expenses):	-\$14,806.72

HVAC Loan paid off in February. House sale (to go to Foundation) = \$364,675.57

- Submitted by Don Hartman

## OFFERING UPDATE

It is not unusual for our congregation's offering to run behind during the summer months, as many people are away on vacation. But, this year, with the economy still attempting to recover, and many people taking pay cuts to keep their jobs or seeking employment, the council wants to encourage everyone to consider the following before summer vacations begin:

- please mail in/drop off your church offerings before you go on vacation
- if you find yourself in the position to give more, try increasing your offering \$5/ weekly or monthly, or by any amount you are able to give.

Thank you for your continued support for our ministries!

## Joy Group

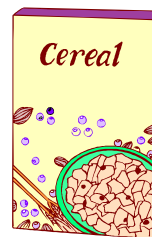
### PICNIC AND PLANNING MEETING

The picnic and planning meeting will be held at the church on **June 18** at 11:30 a.m. Food will be furnished (Chicken, Potato Salad, Beans, Veggies, Dessert, Beverage).

Sign up in narthex or call Strohmingers at 299-5031 by Sunday, June 13. Your fellowship and input are needed.

### JUNE CEREAL DRIVE

The June food drive emphasis will be *Cereal*. The Social Ministry Committee encourages you to bring any and all types of breakfast cereals to the church on **June 5 and 6**. Individual boxes are especially desirable.



# Wel ca News

## Women Enthusiastically Living Christian Actions

No small group meetings are scheduled for June, July or August, BUT our weekends always bring all our church friends together! Remember June 6th!! Sunday morning Worship is at 9:45 a.m.! !!! This is the month to bring "cereal" for the Social Ministry Committee's on going food drive. Try to include the individual boxes.

June 7 is Church Women United's annual meeting when they present the Human Rights Award to a local person who has given outstanding service to the cause of human rights. The program starts at 1:00 p.m. at the South Park United Methodist Church, 140 Stone Mill Rd. If you are interested in going, contact Carolyn Haman, 667-9159.

I'm reminded almost daily, and it is more evident as I rapidly age, that friends are absolutely priceless! I'd like to share this quote with you, that I shared at my circle last month. It was spoken by Robin Roberts. *"The best part of life is when your family become your friends and your friends become your family."* I'll add, and when it is your church family, that best part becomes even better.

See you in church.

*Shirley Coen*



**MONDAY,  
JUNE 21**

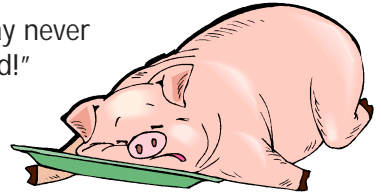
## CINCINNATI REDS TICKETS

Hurry and reserve your tickets NOW! We have a block of tickets for the August 1 Reds/Braves game in Cincinnati (1:15 p.m. start), which is also "Faith Day". A special free concert by the Christian band "Mercy Me" (songs include "I Can Only Imagine"), will be held after the game. Tickets are \$5 for \$22 seats. We may be able to order more, but don't take your chance – contact Pastor Eichhorn now to reserve your tickets. All tickets must be picked up in worship on July 31 or August 1.

## PIG ROAST

"Fathers' Day never tasted so good!"

After worship on **June 20**, you are invited to



enjoy great food and fellowship as David Schmidt serves up another taste of heaven with a pig roast. Bring your favorite hot sauce or BBQ sauce to share and compare – we'll provide everything else! The youth will help serve the meal.

## PROJECT BLESSING

On May 5, members of LCOS were blessed to be a part of Project Blessing and that outreach. Vicky Schmidt, Bettie Savage, Ron Iverson, Jane Ross and her daughter Audrey Daufel and Suzanne Bruns served a total of 97 people, including 22 volunteers. Those who baked cookies were Sue Harbaugh, Che Brewer-Coon, Lynne Lane, Linda Petersen and Jan Wallace. Thanks to all who made the event go smoothly.

# Remember in Prayer

*When we pray for others, we lift them to God, seeking God's grace and blessing in their individual situations. When we ask others to pray for us, we honor them with our trust.*

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## **MEMBERS**

Jim Brown  
Don Cox  
Al Davis  
Hilda Mae Durig  
Bryan Griffin

Harley Homan  
Jim Lee  
Lucille Loudenslager  
Loren Metzler  
Pastor Robert Neeb

Thelma Snyder  
Ralph Thomas  
Pat Weibel

## **FAMILY & FRIENDS**

Henry Aldridge, friend of the Harper family  
Andrea Acquista, Steve Harper's niece  
John Beal, Joe's father  
Conrath family, friends of the Stowes  
Melissa Ehrbar and family, UD student friend of Carol Harper  
Caelan Guthrie, Cap and Nancy Phillip's grandson  
Julie Haines and family, Jackie Dawson's cousin  
Natalie Harris, friend of Lynn Hartman  
Walt and Betty Hildebrandt, friends of Suzanne Bruns  
Jennifer and David, friends of the Welins  
Lori Kroger, friend of Marjorie Williams  
Lori Lambdin, friend of Dick Freudenberger  
Steve Lechner, friend of the Waltz family  
Bob Manski, friend of Bill Stager  
Bonnie Mehlhorn  
Jordan Miller, friend of Marjorie Williams  
Ferne Neeb, Pastor Bob's wife  
Mark Nicholson, friend of Dick Freudenberger  
Bevy Jo Parker, co-worker of Kim Buechele  
Barb Rife, Willauer's neighbor  
Lazarus Siafa, friend of the congregation  
Thomas Siafa, friend of the congregation  
Eleanora Spry, Rachel Lammi's grandmother  
Nancy Stormer, Tyson's neighbor  
Bill Thum, Mary Kaye Rhoades' brother  
Whitset family, friends of the Stowes  
Terry Zickfoose, friend of Dick Freudenberger

