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July 18

COMO PARK LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Seed

The First Word

Dear Friends,

You've already seen the announcements that John Klawiter joins us as an Intern Pastor for 12 months, beginning on August 15th. John is married to Taryn, and together they have three children: Adina (3), Oliver (2) and Coraline (2 weeks). But what is an Intern Pastor and what do they do?

First, the Intern Pastor is a student, studying to become a pastor. Their "job" is to learn about parish ministry, through the doing of ministry and reflection on their experiences. The Internship Office at Luther Seminary is quick to point out that the Intern Pastor is not "cheap help" and they are not "experienced help." Some Intern Pastors have spent their whole lives as student learners, while others have a wealth of other career experience. Some Intern Pastors have already spent years doing parish ministry, and others are still in the process of discernment, trying to figure out if ordained ministry is something they are truly called to.

In fact, the Internship experience is designed to encourage the Intern Pastor to explore his or her sense of pastoral identity and call in the parish setting. Our Internship Committee is there to support the Intern Pastor in his or her development. We are grateful to Beth Huebsch, Lynn Ketelsen, Janice Kragness, Gordon Marten, Ken Purdham and Michael Rapitz for taking on this role for the coming year.

So what will our Intern Pastor do?

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John will preach, teach, lead worship, call on the hospitalized, home-bound and shut-in members, participate in “cluster” gatherings for peer ministry reviews and learning, design and complete an internship project, and participate to some degree in all of our program ministries for the coming year. We hope to see him begin “something new” among us.

At the end of the day, the Intern Pastor is accountable to the supervising pastor, and that person is responsible for his or her actions and ministry. This is a different arrangement than the congregational call of an Associate Pastor, who is accountable to the Congregation through its Council or governing board, and it reflects the Intern Pastor’s role as a learner in the congregation.

I predict that you will like John quickly. I predict that you will welcome him and his family warmly and make them feel at home here. And I pray that you will join in ministry with John as he joins in the ministries that are already yours.

God’s Peace, Pastor Marty

Kids: Celebrate the Season

Sunday, June 27

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson: *1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21* **Second Lesson:** *Galatians 5:2, 13-25*

Psalm: *16*

Gospel: *Luke 9:51-62*

Why do we stand while listening to the gospel reading? The gospel is at the center of worship. It is important because it tells the actions, stories, and words of Jesus. Gospel readings come from the first four books in the New Testament: Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. It gives us the “seeds” of worship.

Read: Galatians 5:22-23

Find your favorite fruit at home for an after-church snack and then read Galatians 5:22-23 together. “Serve” fruits of the Spirit at holiday gatherings through your actions.

Kids: Celebrate the Season

Sunday, July 4

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson: *Isaiah 66:10-14*

Second Lesson: *Galatians 6:1-16*

Psalm: *66:1-9*

Gospel: *Luke 10:1-11, 16-20*

Jesus' followers didn't take extra things with them as they traveled. Jesus' orders for the journey were as follows: "Carry nothing with you; stay with people who welcome you; peace to this house; cure the sick and tell about Jesus; if you are not welcomed, move on; whoever listens to you, listens to me and whoever rejects you, rejects me."

Read: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

Volunteer to be the greeters at your church sometime this summer.

Sunday, July 11

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson: *Deuteronomy 30:9-14*

Second Lesson: *Colossians 1:1-14*

Psalm: *25:1-10*

Gospel: *Luke 10:25-37*

Someone asked Jesus, "Who is my neighbor?" (Luke 10:29) We ask the same thing when we wonder, "Who is welcome at worship?"
Jesus welcomes EVERYONE!

Read: Luke 10:25-37

Neighbors can be family, friends, classmates, people in need, church friends, teammates, coaches, and teachers. Can you think of other neighbors? Invite a neighbor or friend to worship with you.

Sunday, July 18

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson: *Genesis 18:1-10a*

Second Lesson: *Colossians 1:15-28*

Psalm: *15*

Gospel: *Luke 10:38-42*

Abraham and Sarah had surprising visitors. They welcomed visitors and hosted a dinner. Sarah and Abraham received great news! Read about their story in Genesis 18:1-10a.

Read: Genesis 18:1-10a

When we serve others, we also serve God. Imagine you are one of Jesus' friends from today's gospel reading. How would you serve Jesus when he came to your home? Talk about Holy Communion as a meal in which Jesus is our host and we are all invited guests.

Prayer Ventures

June 23: Pray for staff providing the Lutheran response to the April 24 tornadoes that struck central Mississippi, including response coordinator Sandra L. Braasch, ELCA diaconal minister, and director of disaster preparedness and response, Lutheran Episcopal Services in Mississippi, Jackson.

24: David Tiede concludes his ministry this fall as interim president of Wartburg Theological Seminary, Dubuque, Iowa. Give thanks to God for Dr. Tiede's long service to theological education in the ELCA, and ask God guide Wartburg Theological Seminary in its search for its next president.

25: Pray for President Paul Pribbenow and the staff of Augsburg College, Minneapolis, as they prepare for a gathering of representatives from ELCA colleges and universities to explore their work with helping students discover their vocations.

26: Give thanks for Bette McCrandall who began serving in Liberia on June 1, 1984. She provides leadership to the educational ministries of the Lutheran Church in Liberia, which continues to witness to God's love and faithfulness.

27: Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Come, Lord Jesus, into the life of Christian churches in Bolivia, Chile and Peru. Help them be signs of your mercy as they work with the poor, the indigenous and the marginalized, and give them courage and faithfulness to walk in your steps.

28: Rejoice with the Rev. Dana Nelson and Thomas Ososki as they walk with our brothers and sisters in Peru. They serve the Cristo Rey Lutheran Congregation in Lima, working through Word and Sacrament Ministry in new mission starts, as well as assisting the Iglesia Evangelica Luterana Peruana in mission strategy.

29: Ask the God of the poor and disenfranchised to walk with congregations who serve in distressed neighborhoods. Give the faithful participants courage, strength, and the resources necessary to bring hope to those who suffer.

30: Seek God's blessings on the ministry of Melanie Ferraro, Lutheran Church of Hope, Broomfield, Colo., and other members of the Grand Canyon Synod's Lutheran Youth Organization as they seek to raise awareness of the ravages of malaria around the world, and raise funds to help fight the disease through the Lutheran Malaria Initiative.

Prayer Ventures

July 1: Lenoir Rhyne University in Hickory, N.C., is hosting writing workshops for high school students this month, including a course titled “Beyond Texting.” Pray for students and teachers as they enrich their God-given capacity to communicate.

2: Give thanks for all who are concluding service through Young Adults in Global Mission, the ELCA global mission program for young people ages 19-30, especially Sarah Dorman, Sara Higgins, Kaitlin Nelson, Peter Severson, and Katherine Sommer, who served in Mexico.

3: Lake Chautauqua Lutheran Center, near Bemus Point, N.Y., offers summer camp ministries for children, youth and adults. Pray for director Lee Lindeman, other staff and volunteers and for all who take part in the programs there.

4: 6th Sunday After Pentecost

Gracious God, bring healing to the political wounds felt amongst the people of Colombia, Ecuador and Venezuela. May their political authorities find ways to achieve peace among their countries. Grant them the peace and protection of your warm embrace.

5: Pray for Pastors Peter and Kathy Braafladt and Lynda Laird in the birth of Messiah Lutheran Church's second site ministry in Ridgefield, Wash. Ask God to empower Messiah's leadership as they engage in prayer, Bible study and worship, that those who have yet to hear the good news in the Ridgefield area.

6: Pray for Dr. Christine Wenderoth, director, and other library and seminary staff at the JKM Library, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, and all users, that the library may continue to help people receive the riches of the Word from many centuries and the present.

7: Blessings upon Mary Beth and Bayo Oyebade for their service with the HIV/AIDS ministry, the Mashiah Foundation, and the ministries of the Lutheran Church of Christ in Nigeria.

8: Thank God for the gift of generosity that is being nurtured within Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, North Liberty, Iowa, one of the newly organized congregations of the ELCA.

For more Prayer Ventures, visit www.elca.org/prayerventures

Family Prayers & Thank Yous

Our Prayers Go Out To...

Jackie Carr	Jim Hunter	Helen Reis
Donna Culbertson	Dale Kammueler	John Rowe
Tom Culbertson	Troy Kammueler	Gale Smack
Sam D'Agostino	Mark Lang	Dorothy Spooner
Edie Deering	Wendy Lang	Harold Swanson
Jean Eastvold	Bev Leshner	Kari Unke
Jerry Elmquist	Clara Loeffelmacher	Chuck Vail
Angela George	Helen MacDonald	Jim Volz
Betty Girod	Mary Mart	Henry Wirth
Leo Guertin	Patrick Mead	Lillian Wirth
David Harris' Family	Lillian O'Connell	

Hospitalized & Recovering ...

Military Personnel Serving ...

Josh Ciernia
Charles Hannaman
Josh Hubred
Aran Stromberg

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Lisa S. Cohen, Associate Director of Sustaining Fund

Thank You from Plymouth Christian Youth Center (PCYC)

Thank you for your gift of \$125.00 given as an Adult Forum Honorarium for Kathleen Butts, who spoke at a forum this spring at Como Park Lutheran Church. This gift is especially welcomed now, as it helps ensure that PCYC's young people will have wonderful chances to learn and grow and be safe this summer in North Minneapolis. Thanks again for your support of the mission of PCYC to "enhance skills, prospects, and spirit of North Minneapolis youth, in partnership with families and communities."

Family Prayers

🎂 July Birthdays 🎂



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| 1: Diane Holmgren
Steve Keeney | 15: Nickolas Borden
Morton Holmgren
Antonio Jungbauer
Marilyn Neuenfeldt
Deborra Spivey | 28: Scott Ketelsen
Kathryn Wilprecht |
| 2: Donald Otterby
Jane Shattuck | 16: Julie Cambronne
Jameson Durand
Eunice Heuer
Susan Kretsch
Michael Mannisto | 29: Henry Ernst
Alison Rapatz |
| 3: Ruth Rajacich
Anthony Walsh | 17: Joseph Hannaman
Ann Lundberg | 30: Diedra Carlson
Isabel Krum
Jeanette Nelson |
| 4: Thomas Idstrom
Sarah LaRoche
Elizabeth Weber | 18: Daniel Zalk | 31: Brooke Nelson |
| 5: Ellen Ferry
David Laden | 19: John Paul Kilbride | |
| 6: Mark Koenig
Celia Nelson | 20: Nicholas Martin
Elliot Moormann | |
| 7: Marvin Kotilinek | 21: Samuel Carlson
Trevor Herrboldt
Arthur Latz-Hall
James Roste
Ing-Mari Ryan
Zarida Young | |
| 8: Paul Antelman
Lizabeth Boger
Joanne Cushman
John Hanson | 22: Elizabeth Guertin
Roy Muscatello | |
| 9: Neil Skildum | 23: Beverly Holmgren
Howard Johnson | |
| 10: Jeanne Nagel
Anna Sommerfeld
Jill Westphal | 24: Floyd Bedbury
Michael Caputo
Matthew Gruber
Kyle Kosiak
Michael Weber | |
| 11: Sarah Brovold | 25: Sydney Carlson
Dean Ekola | |
| 13: Carol Sime | 26: August Carlson | |
| 14: Blaire Beecham
Matthew Hoisser | 27: Sten Johnson
Alison Rahman
Haley Schmidt
Jacqueline Simon | |
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July Anniversaries

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| 2: Alan & Dorothy Alshouse |
| 5: Harold & Helen Krinke |
| 13: Jeffrey & Janice Kragness
Jonathan & Rebecca
Lund |
| 16: Floyd Bedbury &
Janet Pankonin |
| 17: Richard & Irene Roller
Frank & Beulah
Weiss, Jr. |
| 18: Paul & Sharon
Ziegenhagen |
| 20: Alan & Dayna Rose |
| 22: Jeffrey & Rebecca
Numainville |
| 27: Craig & Carol Johnson |
| 29: Warren & Doris Anderson
Andrew & Melissa Becker |

Saints and Celebrations

June 25th is the day we commemorate as “The Presentation of the Augsburg Confession.” On this day in 1530, the Augsburg Confession was read aloud (in both German and Latin) to the Emperor Charles V and the Assembly of Princes (Diet) at Augsburg. It is reported that some notable persons slept during its reading. Nevertheless, this stimulating document which was the work of Philip Melanchthon and Martin Luther expresses areas of conformity between Lutherans of various provinces and agreement with the Roman Catholic Church.

While the document was initially signed by seven princes and the representatives of two free cities, its use quickly spread throughout Evangelical Germany so that within 15 years nearly all of those Princes subscribed to it. While no longer viewed as a political document, the Augsburg Confession is still the foundational theological writing for what Lutherans around the world believe.

~Pr. Martin Ericson

Look What's Happening Now

New Member Conversations

Sunday, August 1, 11:00 a.m.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of Como Park Lutheran is invited to visit with Pastor Ericson in the Fireside Room on the **first Sunday** of the month. **The next New Member Conversations will be held August 1, at 11:00am** (there is no New Member Class in July due to the 4th of July holiday). Six conversational topics are rotated throughout the year. You will be received as a new member after attending any four of these sessions. Topics include Lutheranism, Lutherans and Worship, Lutherans and Scripture, Como Park Lutheran Church and Social/Global Ministries, Como Park Lutheran Church and Spiritual Growth, and Como Park Lutheran Church's Mission and Goals. The next conversation is on the topic of “Como Park Lutheran Church and Spiritual Growth.”



Look What's Happening Now

Swedish Band “Jarfalla Musikkar”

Sunday, July 4, 8:30 & 10:00am

If you are in town on the Fourth of July, you are in for a HUGE treat! The Jarfalla Concert Band has about 35 musicians in large wind and brass sections and percussions. The band plays in Stockholm, other parts of Sweden and abroad, sometimes on TV and radio. They are on concert tour here in Minnesota and will play in worship on July 4th. Please join us!!

Summer Festival and Outdoor Worship *July 23-25, Hoyt & Hamline Aves.*

Como Park Lutheran Church, The Coffee Grounds, Chelsea Heights Elementary School PTO, and District 10 are coordinating summer festivities July 23-25. There will be music and food (Coffee Grounds), an art-crawl and family bike-ride (District 10), an outdoor movie with hotdogs and popcorn (Chelsea Heights PTO), **and a parking lot worship service at 10:00am on July 25, with special music and lunch (Como Park Lutheran)** - all clustered around the intersection of Hoyt and Hamline.

Amy & Ryan Magnus (Dick & Zarida Young's daughter and son-in-law) will bring the Messiah Lutheran Church Worship Band from Mankato, MN, to play at worship on July 25. Save the dates for lots of fun!!



Milwaukee Mission Trip Group Get-Together *Sunday, June 27, 3:00pm*

Pretty soon we will be sending our senior high youth to Milwaukee to care for our neighbors. On Sunday, June 27th, the senior high youth are getting together to better know one another and ready themselves to be living reminders of Christ.

We will meet at Como Park (the actual park) by the pavilion and baseball fields just off of Horton Ave at 3:00 PM. After we are done with activities, we will eat dinner together at House of Wong (next to Blockbuster on Larpenteur and Lexington Ave). All Senior High youth are welcome; but those going on the mission trip are required to participate. Questions? Please contact Josh at youthministry@comoparklutheran.org

Congregational Life

Service of Prayers for Healing

Sunday, July 11, 9:20—9:50am

This is an opportunity for those with prayer wishes and needs to gather for a brief service of music, reading and prayer with the pastor.

During this service, people will have the opportunity to come forward, kneel or stand, and receive prayers for themselves, and to ask prayers for others. Join us and receive the prayers and support of this community.



Outdoor Service and Congregational Picnic

August 22—Save the date!

Summer is here and our weekends are filling up fast! Join us for our annual picnic again this year. This is a fun way to enjoy summer with outdoor worship, a picnic and great fellowship. Invite your friends and neighbors too!



What: Outdoor Service and Congregational Picnic

When: Sunday, August 22, 2010

Worship at 10:00 a.m., featuring Live Music

Where: Como Park East Picnic Shelter at Midway Parkway & Horton Ave.
(Picnic immediately following the service—bring a dish to share.)

We look forward to seeing you all there!

e-Announcements: Are You on the List?

If you aren't on our email list for weekly e-Announcements, you don't know what you're missing! Many times there is last minute info included (meeting changes, community events, etc.). Members (and non-members!) that get the e-Announcements are usually the "first to know" any new information. **To get "connected,"** email Lori at publications@comoparklutheran.org and she will add you to the list. You may also put your email address on the communion card in the Sunday bulletins and check off that you would like to be added to our mailings. Announcements are sent in a general and Youth and Sunday School format.

Congregational Life

Hamline-Hoyt Playground Project

Chelsea Heights Elementary

Chelsea Heights Elementary School had their first fundraiser (May 8th) with Hamline University to raise funds for a new playground. If you would like to give a donation to help them out, please write a check to the Chelsea Heights PTO and mail it to the school.

You can also go to www.hamlinehoytplayground.org to view what the proposed playground site will look like, and they will take your donation online through PayPal.

Please Wear Your Nametags



We have a lot of new members and visitors, and there are new faces present at both services. It would be very helpful to everyone if you would wear your name tag every Sunday. You will be assisting many people; visitors feel more welcome and may feel that you are more approachable if you are wearing a name tag.

If you need a name tag, please visit the Welcome Desk volunteers, and they will have the office make you one or replace one that is lost or worn.

Men's Softball League: *Wednesdays at 6:30pm*

Head on out to the ball games on Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm. Show your support for the Como Park Lutheran Men's Softball Team by going out and cheering them on! The softball schedule and fields are posted at www.comoparklutheran.org. If you would like to play or would like more information, contact Jim Johnson at 763.767.2201.

Fair Trade Chocolate & Coffee

Buying Fair Trade means that more of the money you spend on coffee and chocolate will reach the farmers who actually grow it. At the Welcome Desk we are selling milk and dark chocolate bars, milk chocolate crunch bars and milk chocolate toffee bars, all at \$1.50 a bar. We sell the Fair Trade Coffee for \$7.50.

Either or both would make a nice addition to a graduation gift!