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FIRST WORD

Adult Children of God

⁸ *Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Luke 3:8 NRS*

The image of stones and children makes one think of the saying "a chip off the old block" as a way of talking of the inheritance we pass onto our children. Stone is sturdy but it is not alive like fruit which gives life not only from its consumption as food but also because it has within it the seed which perpetuates the fruit. The image of growth and longevity comes with fruit. Fruit must grow and mature as part of its life cycle so it can bear more fruit.

The sad reality is that most people are more like a rock for they stop learning and growing in faith in a purposeful and fruitful manner once they are confirmed. This leaves most people at about a 13 to 14 year old faith. Remember what things were like at 13 and 14? You thought you knew it all and no one could tell you otherwise while your mind was full of questions. If something went wrong it was someone else's fault and you were the victim of circumstances.

Paul is well aware of this when he writes to the Romans and reminds them:

¹¹ *"When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways." 1Corinthians 13:11 NRS*

So what does it mean to put away childish ways for adult ways. Adults realize that stuff needs to be done daily, both stuff we like to do and stuff we don't like. Adults clean up after themselves and others, have things which they do well and things where they realize they need help with. Adults realize that there is always something to learn and improve upon as life becomes more complex. Adults also become set in their ways called habits which they often developed as a child. Yet it is never too late to learn new habits or change habits which are better in building life and life makes more sense as we experience what we have just heard about.

As an adult member of the church there are expectations which contribute to the life of the community of faith while also building up the individual member who is involved in discipleship. It continues the covenant made in our baptism. These five habits of discipleship come to us from a sister congregation as simple habits of faith.

Participate in Worship and regularly receive Holy Communion. Healthy habits like eating right and exercise are done on a regular basis. Regularity creates a certain sense of consistency and sustenance while building up the body of Christ. We gather around the Word, Sacraments and mission with those who make up the church in love. My favorite excuse for not attending worship is that they can't sit with those hypocrites or people they don't like. Yet you attend local events, go to restaurants where those same people are. Worship is what leads us to learn from the ideal while we live in the real as we model the kingdom of God where all are loved for who they are because of whose they are.

Participate in a study experience and/or fellowship group where I can accept God and others. It is in the small family-sized groups that we get to really learn from each other. When we know someone by name, have shared joys and sorrows, learned from each other we receive the design of companionship which God put into creation. The congregation is the one place in most communities where people interact together from all different walks of life with a common purpose. Learning from each other makes the word and promises come alive from the Bible.

Give of time, talents, and finances with emphasis on proportionate giving with tithing as a goal. As we are blessed we are to bless others with the gifts that God has given us. When we accept that we are stewards of God's possessions

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we are released from the burden of taking care of stuff. We recognize our gifts as we participate in the community of faith and find our place to complete the work of God with our hands. WE are all invested in the community and world.

Engage in daily prayer and Bible reading. Life easily takes our faith and confidence from us each and every day. Daily Bible reading refills us with the words of promise that remind us of God's abiding with us each day. A daily conversation with God through prayer helps us to remember the fatherly advice. The back of the bulletins or the chart with the preaching text for the week give you suggestions for daily reading which prepares you for hearing at worship more of God's word as well as a means for family devotions or study group plans.

Commit myself to witnessing to other people for Christ. We love to share stories, jokes, bargains and skills with others so why do we not share the most important one, the Gospel. Our witnessing means that we live our lives based on and exhibiting what we have learned and experienced through worship, study, gifts, prayer and Bible reading. A witness tells what they know to others to share their life-giving experience with others.

Just like the fingers of our hands the habits of faith work together in a purposeful way to help us grasp and hold onto the promises of God while we hold on to one another in prayer, service and worship. When we look at this with an adult faith we become aware that God's hand is there always guiding and holding up in love.

Pastor Julie A. K. Anderson

THE INTERN'S INTONATIONS

I told my field education director back in Chicago that one of the reasons I was interested in this particular internship was the opportunity to develop my preacher self. (The other main reason was the fact that WOTPM as a combined force, ministry, collective of prayer power, etc. of five congregations is a rich learning environment, but that's a whole other newsletter article!)

Weekly sermon delivery is not something all internship sites can offer. It's quite possible that some of my classmates have not delivered their first sermon. I'm already exercising the muscles and developing the routines that, God willing, will help me come to the pulpit every week with a message that is clear, meaningful and held together by the Good News. For me, this is one of the most important – and scary – jobs of the pastor.

One of the things we talked about in seminary was that if you commit to living with the text in the week before worship, God will put people and experiences on your path that will reveal a facet of the text that was not apparent before, or turn the text upside down and inside out. And do you know what? It's true. Sure, you could argue these things cross one's path regardless, but I'm quite sure that living with that text provides a certain lens ... a frame of reference ... a point of view that make these gifts of revelation stand out. They become more colorful, more moving, more thought provoking.

For example, the week we explored the difficult but wonderfully told story of The Binding of Isaac, I attended a preaching workshop in Redwood Falls. One of the presenters was a woman whose vocation has been to develop a great website with commentaries and information about the lectionary texts many Christian churches use each week. (www.textweek.com, check it out.) She told us about her autistic son, now an adult, and the struggles and grief that came with learning to parent her child. She said if it were up to her, she would not choose this journey for herself or her child. But it did not change the fact that she loved him and she did what she needed to do.

I heard this story through the lens of The Binding of Isaac story. How did those on the edges of this tense drama feel or react? It had to be one of the most heartbreaking things ever asked of Abraham. He was already grieving the loss of Ishmael and then God asks him to sacrifice his beloved promised son Isaac too. I read the two accounts of Abraham's surrender of Ishmael and Isaac side by side. Soon the agony and grief in the actions and words of Hagar and Abraham were side by side too. In both cases I'm willing to bet neither of them would have chosen those experiences for themselves or their children. They both loved their sons and they both did what they needed to do – Abraham in obedience to God and Hagar because it was all she could do.

The mash up of the woman at the workshop and Abraham and anyone who has had their hearts broken a little or a lot (which probably includes all of us, yes?) helped bring the text alive. It enriched the way I understood the story, the way I read it out loud and the way I saw Abraham.

As I continue to learn and grow as a preacher and a minister, I am really looking forward to how my time with the people of WOTPM and the communities they serve will make the stories and people of our scriptures jump off the pages of the bible. I invite you to intentionally join me in this journey too. When reading the texts we use at worship, if something really bowls you over, reminds you of someone or causes you to say something like, "I guess some things never change," please feel free to give me a call or drop me an email. I'd love to hear from you and get your take on the text. (beparsonage2@frontier.com, 507-530-1825) I hope I hear from you!

God's peace be with you,

Vicar Ann



PASTOR'S REPORT

Weddings

August 3, Helen Parker & Steven Schulte at Peace by Pastor Rasmusson

August 30, Bobbie Jo Simonsen & Jeremy Simonsen at Grace by Pastor Anderson

August 31, Kelsey Schreurs & Damian Drietz at Bethany-Elim by Pastor Rasmusson

Funeral/Burial/Committal/Memorial

August 3, Eldy Nordmeyer Committal at Grace by Pastor Anderson

August 10, Ruby Koopman Committal at Bethany-Elim by Pastor Rasmusson

August 12, Toddy Jensen Memorial at Peace by Pastor Anderson



Reminders

Just a couple of reminder of schedules from the pastoral staff:

Sabbath Days

Mondays are the usual Sabbath Days for Pastor Steve and Vicar Ann. Friday is Pastor Julie's Sabbath. In the event of needs or emergencies on those days, please call whomever is working instead of the person on Sabbath. If you do call them, don't be surprised if they don't answer their phone or emails until the next day; they need a day to recharge their batteries.

School and Public Events

With 5 different communities, 5 different school districts, and a variety of events the pastoral staff appreciates when we are informed of events that involve our members. It is best if we have a week's notice so we can work events into our schedules. Giving us something written like a note or email is best do we have a reference.

Hospitalizations

If you would like the pastor to call on you when you are expecting a hospitalization, please let us know. With the number of hospitals that our congregations cover it is always handy to know which hospital a person is at and what name they are under, as well as the dates he/she expects to be there. Federal regulations are such that people can't just call and ask who might be there; we need to know names, especially if we know you by a nickname and you are listed under your legal name.

Office Hours

The pastors attempt to make visits and have a presence in each of the communities of our Ministry on a weekly basis. Depending on the schedule of events during the week, the days they are in a community will vary. If you would like to meet with one of the pastoral staff, your best plan of action is to call them and make arrangements to meet.



Narrative Lectionary for October: Preparation for Worship

The Narrative Lectionary is an awesome, exciting, integrated, organized, unique means of experiencing the Bible story in worship. We begin at the beginning of the Bible as the story God's creation and involvement with humanity is revealed in the stories of the ordinary people who believe in an extraordinary God. During the Fall, we will be remembering the Old Testament witness of God's Chosen People. We will have glimpses of the future story from the Gospel of John where this story of promise is fulfilled.

Each week there will be a devotional study and readings on the back of the bulletin for you to read the stories in between the Sunday readings. With some daily reading you will see the unfolding of God's plan for humanity. Why not use the daily reading as a way to begin or end your day to let God's Word be an active part of your life.



BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY TEXTS FOR STUDY

Date	Sermon Text from Old Testament	Psalm	Gospel Reference	Theme
October 6, 2013	Exodus 16:1-18	105:37-45	John 6:51	Food Complaints
October 13, 2013	1 Samuel 3:1-21	29	<i>John 20:21-23</i>	Call of Samuel
October 20, 2013	1 Samuel 16:1-13	51:10-14	<i>John 7:24</i>	The Heart of God Man
October 27, 2013	1 Kings 5:1-5; 8:1-13	46	John 2:19-21 Romans 3:19-28	New Beginnings in the House of God

It is time to consider joining a Bible Study for the discipline of studying the Word. All are invited to one of the following or ask about forming a group.

MONDAY BIBLE STUDY @ 10:00 am: Come to Activity Room at Divine Providence Nursing Home for a weekly study of the upcoming readings.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: SECOND MONDAY: 5:30 pm @ BETHANY-ELIM;

FOURTH MONDAY: 5:30 pm @ GRACE: Women of all ages are invited to come for an hour of studying God's word and how it influences our lives.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY @ 8:30 am: Come to Grace Lutheran Fellowship Room for a weekly study of the upcoming readings along with coffee and fellowship.

FRIDAY MORNING BREAKFAST STUDY: Come to Bethany in Arco at 7 am for breakfast and Bible study.



What is the FAITH5™? Look

at your hands, they usually have 5 fingers with a pair of hands that mirror each other. That is what we are going to do this year with FAITH 5, mirror our life as a community of faith in our homes and vice versa. The FAITH 5 connects church to home, faith to life, spouse to spouse and parents to kids in a powerful way. The five steps of the FAITH5 are:

Step One: Share highs and lows. Name something good and bad you experienced today. Can't think of a personal one? Check out the headlines from the news and teach empathy and compassion for the broader world.

Step Two: Read a verse from your Bible. (Use the text from Sunday, as found in the chart in the newsletter, during your week or the readings on the back of the bulletin).

Step Three: Talk about how the verse relates to highs and lows. Unpack the verse a bit. What does it mean in your own words? How might it relate to where you are today in your highs and lows?

Step Four: Pray for one another's highs and lows, for your family, and for the world. Simply talk to God, thank Jesus for the good, and ask the Holy Spirit for guidance in specific problems.

Step Five: Bless one another. Trace the sign of the cross on one another's forehead or palm as a reminder that you belong to God and to one another.

As communities of faith we are going to encourage the practice of FAITH 5 as a means to connect home and church, Sunday to weekdays, and our life in church and the world. Each month we'll look at one of the points from the perspective of each place.

STEP 2 READ & STUDY: When we gather as a community of faith our worship is centered on the Word of God in the forms of the Bible and the Sacraments. We hear God's words of life through the voice of others who give it life. Those highs and lows we have confessed take on new meaning when we hear how God has taken the actions of others and used them for the building of the kingdom. In small groups we gather to study these words and how they are reflecting God's plan in our daily lives.

At home a daily reading from the Bible refills us from the emptiness that life has created from the demands of life. Like a daily supplement for our bodily health, a daily Bible reading supplements our spiritual health. Especially when we hear these words before we go to sleep we are better able to sleep in peace knowing that God is on call for us.

With our devotional reading on the back of the bulletin with daily suggestions or the weekly readings from the preaching chart we can all be nourished in our mind and spirit. The readings from the narrative lectionary give us a bit each day to ruminate on for the day as we see the story of God's faithfulness to humanity. This helps us to deal with the lows that life contains and helps us to celebrate the highs.



CROP WALK - OCTOBER 13, 2013

PARTICIPATE IN THE ANNUAL LINCOLN-LYON COUNTY CROP HUNGER WALK

1:00 p.m. registration 1:30 pm Start time
St. Stephen Lutheran Church in Marshall, Minnesota



CROP Hunger Walks are community fundraising events sponsored by Church World Service (CWS), an international relief, development, and refugee resettlement agency. Money raised by CROP Hunger Walks nationwide is used by CWS to provide food, medical care, disaster relief, and self-help development for needy people around the world.

WAYS TO PARTICIPATE

There are many ways you can participate in the CROP Hunger Walk:

- Walk the 10k route
- Support a Walker with a generous donation
- Use the online CROP Walker option
- Be a Spirit Walker – raise funds though unable to Walk
- Be a volunteer helper on Walk Day
- Serving on the Organizing Committee for the Walk
- Recruit and promote the Walk in your church or group
- Pray for the CROP Hunger Walk and for the poor and hungry.

RAISE FUNDS ONLINE

Here's an easy way to increase your Walk fund-raising. Go to www.cropwalk.org and click on the *Sign Up!* button. Click on Minnesota on the U.S. map. Scroll down the list of CROP Hunger Walks to the Lincoln-Lyon County, click on it and follow the directions. You can email family and friends anywhere in the world to help you end hunger and poverty.

HOW FUNDS ARE USED LOCALLY

Up to 25% of the money raised in our CROP Hunger Walk is distributed to local hunger-alleviating agencies in Lincoln and Lyon Counties — The Tyler Area Food Shelf and the Marshall Food Shelf (Western Community Action).

For more information about CROP Hunger Walk, call Pastor Rasmusson @ 507-829-9164



COMMUNICATIONS

When calling the Winds of the Prairie Ministry Office please use either the 507-694-1238 or 1-866-944-9687 (WOTP). Outside of office hours the Bethany-Elim number (507-694-1353) is usually forwarded to the pastor on call and can be accessed from the 1238 voicemail.



FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATION: OCTOBER 6

The following youth of our ministry will be celebrating their First Communion on October 6 at their home congregations as follows.

Bethany: Karlie and Cody Cunningham

Bethany-Elim: Anna Krier, Ryder Olsen

Grace: Emma Czech, Caul & Jaxon Harstad, Zach Miller, Tristen Simonsen

Peace: Cora Werner

St. Paul: Shae Johnson

TFA NEWS

Current class of TFA is studying the Creeds, both the articles and meanings. So ask them what they have learned about faith through their study.

NOTE TO NINTH GRADERS IN FINAL STAGE OF TFA:

Youths who have completed their formal TFA training and desire to be confirmed are to complete a faith statement, and make arrangements for a private meeting with a pastor. After meeting with the pastor, the candidates for affirmation of baptism are to present their faith statements to their congregational councils.

Faith statements may be recorded (video or audio) or written.

The following have completed their three years of Training for Affirmation or the equivalent:

* Faith Statements Submitted

Kathy Richmond*
Shanelle Buffington
Kaitlyn Jorgenson

Steven Czech
John Sutherland
Stephanie Kuhlman

Venturing Crew Fall Meeting: October 6-3:30pm

Crew 316 will gather in Arco at Bethany on October 6 at 3:30 pm to plan events for the year. Youth age 14 and older along with parents are invited to this meeting to bring together the ideas and activities that the crew would like to partake in. Call Pastor Steve with any questions.

JR. High Gathering

6th-9th graders – SAVE THE DATE! For November 22-23 at the Holiday Inn in Willmar. MN

This event is sponsored by the LYO and the theme this year is “Guess Who(se)”

Some planned activities include the gathering speaker is Eric Blake, the band Lightswitch, nightlife of dancing, games, swimming & much more, and lots of fun during mass gatherings, worship, singing, spiritual growth, relationship building and hanging out!

Get your registration in ASAP so we can send them in together.

LAST CALL FOR DIRECTORY

PLEASE SUBMIT FAMILY OR ACTIVITY PICTURES TO WOTPM@FRONTIER.COM BEFORE OCTOBER 8 TO BE INCLUDED IN THE DIRECTORY.

GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS T-SHIRTS



T-shirts in Adult and Ladies sizes are available for \$15 from the WOTPM office. They are bright green with the WOPTM logo on the front and hands on the back bearing the faith practices of the home and the community of faith. Call the office to get yours.

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

BETHANY, ARCO

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS FOR OCTOBER

Ushers: DONE & DELORES OERTER

ASSISTING MINISTER: 5 DAR SCHREURS

6 Allan Lundberg
13 None
20 Glen Sorensen
27 None

Altar Guild: ARDIS HENRIKSEN

Lector: 5 Allan Lundberg

6 Ardis Henriksen
13 Beth Daniels
20 Dar Schreurs
27 Glen Sorensen



CHICKEN DINNER THANKS

It's September 16th and the 2013 Bethany chicken dinner is in our past. It was a successful day and we want to thank everyone who helped make it that success. We are happy with the support given us by all who chose to come and dine with us. There is also a big thank you for the workers responsible for putting all this together. This event would not be possible without a lot of working hands.
THANKS AGAIN.

FaithSong: Family Christian Education on Wednesday: Families from the Arco area have been having a great time learning the stories from the first 5 books of the Bible. Families gather at 6 pm for a supper and at 6:30 come together to learn the stories of the Bible through song, storytelling, skits and art. They take the stories home for their family devotions each night. Families from the Arco area are invited to join the fun.

Dates to Remember

October 10, WELCA Bethany at B-E

October 12, 8:30am Prairie Conference Fall Gathering- WELCA – Our Saviour's-Canby.

October 23, 9:30am Women's Bible Study

BETHANY-ELIM, IVANHOE



**A Whopper & Bake Sale benefit for Charmaine & Dale Lundberg will be held on Thursday, the 3rd of October at the Ivanhoe VFW Hall from 5-8pm. You can mail your donations to Loretta Lundberg
210 North Rebecca Street
Ivanhoe, MN 56142**

BETHANY-ELIM SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS BY NANCY KROG

Sunday school has been busy in September! We enjoyed Rally Day and the service auction & the kids help spend their parent's money very fast! We distributed Bibles to our preschoolers on September 15: Addysen Kiley, Nora Brown, Kaylee Schmidt and Jayden Fleiter. On September 29 the kids sang in church we presented our third graders with their Bibles; Jadyn

Krier, Megan Krog & Madison Lawrence. We had a special "New Bible" class with the third graders and their parents. We distributed our Prayer Pal assignments after church too!

Looking ahead to October we will plan to walk over to the nursing home and share our favorite songs there. October 27 the kids will be singing during worship and collecting a noisy offering for our missionary, Heidi Epple.

Thanks to our Prayer Pals who take time to pray for our youth! The kids love this time of year when the "secrets begin" and they feel extra loved by their church family.

A SUCCESSFUL SERVICE AUCTION...not only successful but wasn't it fun??? THANK YOU, THANK YOU THANK YOU BETHANY ELIM FAMILY for your donations to the auction and also for coming and helping us raise over \$5,400 in proceeds from the breakfast and the auction.(We aren't closing that final figure yet cuz donations can still be made)..THANK YOU to Kevin, Andrew, and Deb for their auctioneer talents and to Nancy and her Kitchen Crew for a tasty breakfast and to the Church Council for all their help. THANK YOU's also goes out to our members that made food or cash donations towards the breakfast and auction. I would also like to thank Veire's for letting me purchase the breakfast supplies at their cost. BETHANY ELIM...YOU ARE ALL A BLESSING AND WE ARE ONE TERRIFIC CHURCH FAMILY. (Note: think I better also say a big thanks to my husband, Merle)...Sherry Rost

Ushers for October

6 Bernie Aronson & Hank
Bruns
13 Chris & Amy Clarke family
20 Loren & Anna Epple family

27 Gene Faulds & Roger

Nelson

Assisting Minister

6 Amy Clarke
13 Chris Clarke
20 Emily Clarke

27 Angie Jerzak

Lector

6 Arlinda Bednarek
13 Amy Clark
20 Chris Clarke
27 Emily Clarke

Acolyte

6 Kim Bloch
13 Shanelle Buffington
20 Jason Epple
27 Cody Gifford

GRACE, LAKE BENTON

Ushers for October

Mike Vos
Gerry Rochel
Blaine Maranell

Deacon/Lector

Julienne Prosch

Acolytes

6 Jayla Prosch
13 Jaylen Miller
20 Becca Berkenpas
27 Tyson Weets

Altar Guild

Darlene Willert

GRACIOUS WORDS BY Karen Lichtsinn

Diamond Lake Church - Celebration of Renewal - A special celebration was held on Sept 21 at the Diamond Lake Church to celebrate the recent renovations to our church and hall. Following the worship service, a reception was held at the Diamond Lake Hall. Thank you to everyone who attended and to all those that contributed to the recent renovations to our country church facilities. This beautiful church complex will be a light in the prairie for many years to come. We invite everyone in the WOTP to help us fully utilize this church to spread God's word in our community. Please contact Karen Lichtsinn or a Pastor if you are interested in hosting an event at the DL campus.



Food Drive - THANK YOU! As part of the ELCA's 25th Anniversary celebration, Grace Lutheran Church recently held a Food Drive on Sept 15 within the Lake Benton community. The church was able to collect 450 lbs of food for the local Lake Benton Food Shelf. Thank you to the entire community for working together to support our neighbors in need. A special word of thanks to all those that participated in the Food Drive, from making bags, brochures, delivery and pickup at homes in the community. God's Work, Our Hands.

Danebod Village Board representative needed - Please consider this opportunity to serve in our community.....We are urgently seeking a volunteer from Grace Lutheran to serve on the Danebod Village Board. Please contact Karen Lichtsinn if you are interested.

Deacon/Lector for October: Julienne Prosch

Next Council meeting date: Thursday October 17 at 7 PM at Grace.

GLCW Fundraiser is underway and if you haven't already made your donation, please do so at your earliest convenience. Thank you! GLCW

GLCW

Eight of us took a trip to Sioux Falls on Wednesday, September 4, 2013 for an informational presentation, tour and lunch at McCrossan Boys Ranch. Quilts and pillowcases were donated by our group. It was a great day.

Our October meeting will be held on October the 3rd, 2013 at 1:30pm in the Fellowship room. Hostesses for the day will be Roni Williams and Bonnie Neuberger.

The quilting ladies will be meeting on October 16th and 25th, 2013. We encourage our ladies of Grace to attend and God's Blessings to All. **Faye Rochel, GLCW President**

Acolyte training for those in 4th grade and up who need a review or instruction will be held as follows. October 6 at Grace following Sunday School. Once they have taken the training new acolytes will work with an experienced acolyte for two or three times before being added to the schedule after Christmas. Contact Pastor Julie (507-215-2388 or pastorjuliea@frontiernet.net) for more information.

PEACE, RUTHTON

CALENDAR

Tuesday, Oct. 1

9:30 a.m. – St. Matthew Circle meets at the home of Jean Lundholm.

2:00 p.m. – St. Mark Circle meets at the home of Lilen Kuhlman.

Sunday, October 13,

Fall Fundraiser, Offering Alone

Monday, October 14

5 p.m. – St. John Circle meets at the Church.

Monday, October 28

9 a.m. – Quilting Day

ST. PAUL'S, MINNEOTA

October 20th: CHILI SUPPER from 5-7pm: Come for homemade chili, desserts and great fellowship:

Adults \$7.00 and Children under 10 \$3.00

October 27th Affirmation of Baptism for Hannah Buysee



PRAYER CONCERNS

BETHANY (ARCO):

Buck Barber, Dorothy Bunjer, Norma Renken, Harvey & Blanche Jorgensen, Dagmar Blegen, Travis Noble, Connie Clausen(mother of Brenda Possail), Harley Johnson(brother of Joan Lundberg), Elsie Barber, Bill Palm(Vicar Ann's stepdad.

BETHANY-ELIM (IVANHOE):

Donna Kurth, Buck Barber, Davey Lundberg, Charmaine Lundberg, Ray Johnson, Ruth Josephsen, Jeff Neyens, Rhoda Larson, Bruce Kelm (brother of Gretchen Suhr); Gabriel Johnson (Grandson of Norma Jean Johnson); Leigh Jerzak (Sister-in-Law of Roger & Angie Jerzak); Mike Kropp (son-in-law of Ken Swanson); Jackson & Mary Grace Nelson (children of Ryan and Kate); Nancy Resmen (sister-in-law of Bernadine Olsen)Ralph & Lynn Holland.

GRACE (LAKE BENTON):

Marian Bennett, Brian Evers (son of Don & Diane Evers), Cheryl Kjergaard, Mary Haugen, Naomi Enke, Norma Burdick, Annette Fehrman, Nancy & Steve Johnson, Carol Mensen (daughter of Arlyn & Garnet Petersen), Paula Jacobson (Daughter of Wayne & Annette Fehrman), Earl Klitzke, Chet Borresen.

PEACE (RUTHTON):

LeRoy Hartson(Rosmary's son), Bonita Fuhrmann, Carolyn Holck, Rosmary Hartson, Edwin Ewald, Ellen Hansen, Vern & Edna Haraldsen, and Cliff Kittelson.

ST. PAUL (MINNEOTA):

Irene Gunlogson, Clara DeRoode.

THOSE AWAY FROM HOME:

ALL THOSE WITH HEALTH ISSUES THAT ARE SILENT & THOSE UNDERGOING TREATMENTS AWAY FROM HOME.

TYLER NURSING HOME:

CLIFF KITTLESON, CAROLYN HOLCK & BONNIE FUHRMANN(PEACE) ANNETTE FERHMAN(GRACE)

HENDRICKS NURSING HOME:

ILA RASMUSSEN(BETHANY) MARIAN BENNETT(GRACE) NORMA BURDICK(GRACE) RUTH RASMUSSEN(BETHANY-ELIM)

DIVINE PROVIDENCE NURSING HOME (IVANHOE):

MABEL DRESSEN, ELSIE BARBER & DAGMAR BLEGEN(BETHANY)

MILITARY:

PRAY FOR THE LEADERS OF THIS NATION & ALL THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD THAT SEEK PEACE. PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE FAMILY & FRIENDS WHO SERVE IN THE MILITARY OR RESERVE FORCES. ESPECIALLY:JESSE ZAFFT, LUCAS OERTER, SCOTT JOHNSON, JON DOUGHERTY, CHRISTIAN VIZECKY, DANIELLE THOMSEN, MICHAEL COLMAN, ROSS, RYAN, ANGELA & DAVID NELSON, ALLAN PETERSON, DERRICK LINNEMAN, TODD BOARD, KYLE SHEIK, ALYSON BYLONE, JIM PEDERSEN, JUSTIN SCHMIDT, ADAM DEROODE, PAM GREGOR, PAUL GREGOR JR., COREY GREGOR, CHRISTOPHER GREGOR &PAUL GREGOR.

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 Peace Lutheran 507-658-3329
 St. Paul's Lutheran 507-872-6605

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Secretary Office Hours

(Bethany-Elim Office)

Monday – Thursday 9:30am-2pm

Preaching Schedule for October 2013

OCTOBER 2013		Grace - 8:30	Peace - 10:30	Bethany- Elim - 8:30	Bethany - 8:30	St Paul - 10:30
October 06, 2013	Holy Communion (First Communion)	Gonyea	Gonyea	Anderson	Rasmusson	Rasmusson
October 13, 2013	Service of the Word	Rasmusson	Rasmusson	Gonyea	Anderson	Anderson
October 20, 2013	Holy Communion	Nystevold-Camp Sunday	Nystevold-Camp Sunday	Rasmusson	Gonyea	Gonyea
October 27, 2013	Holy Communion/ Reformation	Gonyea	Gonyea	Anderson	Rasmusson	Rasmusson

Bethany-Elim Lutheran Women of the ELCA



SOUP 'N' SANDWICH Luncheon & Bake Sale
Menu includes
Assorted Homemade Soups
 Sandwich Assortment
 Bars & Coffee

Wednesday,
 October 2nd
 Serving from
 11am-1pm

\$6

Homemade baked items will be available for sale starting at 10:30am

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St Paul Annual Chili Feed –



Sunday October 20 from 5 pm to 7 pm

Adults \$7.00

Children 10 and under \$3

Chili and all the fixings, dessert, beverage and a great time had by all.