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# Is it a Growing Season?

We can see a growing season in the fields all around us, and in the flowers, and in the maturation of the animals that might have been born in the spring. They are growing into what they were created to be, some with help, some with neglect, some tenaciously in adversity.

The season after Pentecost, also called the season of the church, or ordinary time, are the same for us. Growing time. Are we? Are we as individuals, as couples, as families, as a faith community? I'm not primarily talking about numbers, though numbers matter, too! In a book called, Grow Deep, Not Just Tall, author & speaker Karen Kaiser Clark encourages us to deepen our understanding, our compassion, our relationships, our contributions.

Sometimes I think we don't grow because we don't start. We want the big, showy growth, and don't do the small steps that send down roots deeper, or grow thicker skin. But let's just start! Invite a friend to worship, or to help another friend; do something sacrificial, and don't tell anyone. Open your Bible at a time you normally wouldn't, and read for a bit. Find time to sit and listen to God now that you're out of school. Let's grow. It matters.

Love, Pr. Mary Kaye



14 We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. 15 But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, 16 from whom the whole body joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

~Ephesians 4:14-16 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)











# Service of HEALING

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17th 7:00pm

## Are you going back to college?

...moving to a new home?

Do you have new employment?

...ANOTHER NEW ADVENTURE?

...or new awarenesses about yourself?

You and our community (young, old, and in-between) are encouraged to come and be renewed with God's healing Word, prayer, and alternative Christian music. Bring friends!

# LAYETTENEEDS

WELCA/Sarah Circle members are asking for your support in donating new or gently used:

Recieving Blankets Sleepers & Quilts or larger blankets.

Donations can be left at the church office. Thank you!



# July COUNCILMEETING

Council will meet **Sunday**, **July 10th**, **at 4:00pm**.

## SARAHCIRCLE

Sarah Circle will meet again, **Tuesday, July 5th at 9:30am** and will be hosted by Cynthia Holmberg. All are welcome!

# C ouncil

Many thanks to outgoing FELC Council Member, Julie Valez, for your time of service. Prayers for the new members and officers as they begin a new year.

Don Hansen—President
Duane Olson—Vice President
Joe Landgreen—Treasurer
Gayle Langer —Secretary
Sharna Braucks
Jackie Bjork
Rose Anderson
Pastor Mary Kaye Ashley
Financial Secretary: Jerry Rhoads



# MOWING Sign-up

This season's mowing sign-up is posted on the bulletin board. If you are able, please sign up, as many hands will lighten the task.

# M en's BIBLESTUDY

Our Men's Bible Sudy gathers at the **Chisago House** each **Saturday morning at 8:00am.** Contact Jerry Rhoads with any questions.

# **QUILTERS**

Quilting meets each 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 9:30am. No experience needed to join this enjoyable group!

# OFFICEHOURS @ FELC

Monday—Tuesday—Thursday 9:30a-12:30p

The office will be closed, Monday, July 4th.

# **JULY**BIRTHDAYS



Carlson, Racheal	07/02
Greene, Erick	07/05
Loen, Jesse	07/06
Linngren, Jason	07/07
Hasselquist, Scott	07/08
Thorson, Daniel	07/08
Peterson, Timothy	07/09
Rhoads, Deborah	07/10
Alexander, Renee	07/11
Rogers, Ryan	07/12
Schumann, Kara	07/12
Bisel, Nathan	07/13
Braucks, Sanora	07/15
Holmberg, Cynthia	07/16
Thorson, Naomi	07/21
Alden, Ethan	07/24
Shepardson, Janet	07/26
Alexander, Joseph	07/27
Nelson, Tyler	07/27
Rolla, Krystal	07/28
Valez, Dustin	07/28
Lynch, Geary	07/29
Mattson, Joe	07/29
Nelson, Louisa	07/30

Please contact the church office if there are any errors or omissions. Thank you.

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# C ongratulations **GRADUATES!**

Marinda Carlson, James Goranson, Ryan Rogers, Dalton Langer; missing Colton Dexter (Pictured with Michelle Lynch (L) and Pastor Mary Kaye Ashley.(R))



## MONTHLY GIVING REPORT

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. —2 Cor. 9:7 (NIV)

## Budgeted Weekly Expenses: \$3114.

06/05 Giving:	4210.75
06/12 Giving:	2217.00
06/19 Giving:	3401.40
06/26 Giving:	2251.20

Thank you for your faithful giving. Please contact FELC Treasurer, Joe Landgreen with any questions or concerns at:

715-417-1429 or jlandgreen.jl@gmail.com.

# FY2015-2016 FINANCE REPORT

The fiscal year end financial reports will be tabulated after June 30 (end of our fiscal year). Please look for final reports to be available in upcoming Sundays and in the August newsletter.



**LIBRARY**TREASRES

Need some good reading material for the sumer? Come visit the FELC Library. We have many books for young and old in many areas of interest.

Thank you to Julie Valez for maintaining the library so beautifully!

# S weet, COLD& COMMUNITY!

Every week, in our bulletin announcements, PMK is going to announce a group that is invited at Schoony's for ice cream! Be in worship every week, or go online to read if you're out of town. (A one scoop cone might even be free to someone in the group invited!)

Wednesday, 7/6 4pm; confirmation students & their parents Wednesday, 7/6 6pm people that aren't official members of FELC and may not want to be.

Who is welcome? C'mon, have you met PMK? All are welcome!

Who gets a free cone? One or more people who show up from that day's invited group.

How many times will PMK do this? Up to a dozen, probably depends on how many people show up each time.

Can we bring friends? PLEASE bring friends!

What if no one comes? I still get ice cream! Best food for sermon preparation study!

# Simplify!

### CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CONNECTION

a ministry of stonecroft.org

Mon • July 18th • 11:30am

\$10.00—inclusive • Oak Forest Center 2824 130th St. Frederic, WI 54837

—Special Feature— Getting your home ready to sell.

> -Music-Kris Palmer

—Speaker— Pam Magawa Facing Fear, Anxiety and Worry.

RESERVE BEFORE MONDAY, 7/11

RESERVATIONS AND CANCELLATIONS NECESSARY.

Please call for reservations at least one week prior.

651-592-7416 (Betty)

715-554-2330 (Mary)



-<u>Treats & Servers</u>-Sign up on bulletin board.

-Plastic Coffee Containers needed for TwF crafts this year. Please bring clean empty containers to the church office.

## -Your presence for

TwF Fundraising Dinner & Reunion on Saturday, July 30th at 6:00pm and Ecumencal Worship & Potluck on Sunday, July 31, 2016 at 9am, both at FELC.

# Cass Lake

## CONNECT

to a Christian Community;

## INVITE

 $\begin{array}{c} \textit{into the life and love of God;} \\ \textbf{EQUIP} \end{array}$ 

to make God-honoring choices in their lives and to put their faith into practice.



















# MOTE ass L ake 2016





# 20th Anniversary Season of Together With Friends!

20 years ago this wonderful, summer community ministry was launched and is still going strong! We will be celebrating 20 years of teaching the good news of Jesus as a united body of Christ here in Taylors Falls. 6th-12th graders may apply to be on the Junior Staff each year.

# **Pulled Pork-Fundraising Dinner:**

SATURDAY, JULY 30TH 6:00pm - Dinner 7:00pm - Entertainment at First Lutheran

Each of the Taylors Falls Churches are asked to provide a portion of the meal, Sign-up will be posted soon.

# **Ecumenical Worship:**

SUNDAY, JULY 31ST, 9:00AM at First Lutheran (TwF sings & potluck to follow)

TWF Bible Camp will be at First Lutheran July 12th, 14th, 19th and 21st: We would like to be working ahead to assure that we have enough volunteers to supply & serve a morning snack. The sign up is on the bulletin board; or you may speak with Michelle Lynch or Pastor Kevin Schuman (Director of TWF) 651-465-6792. Thanks to ALL the volunteers who've already signed up to teach a Bible story or supply treats!

# Girl's Summer Mindfulness Group

The House of Hope: Christian Therapy Center www.thehouseofhope.com 2070 US Hwy 8, St. Croix Falls, WI 54024 715-483-3000

The group is for girls ages 13-17 who could use some skills in learning how to ease stress and difficult emotions, while having a fun place to connect during the summer! The group is based on Mindfulness-based Stress Reduction that seeks to help youth live with more kindness, curiosity, and hopefulness – toward others, themselves, and their future.

When: Thursdays, 3:30-5:00pm. Beginning June 23rd. No session July 13th. Final session on August 18th.

Call ASAP to register! We accept most insurances. Sliding scale available.

(Mindfulness-based Stress Reduction is an empirically-validated form of therapy that provides results when implemented.)



LIVING PROOF Simulcast

and Worship with Travis Cottrell

# Saturday, September 17, 2016

Doors Open: 8:30 a.m. Event: 9:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.

Alliance Church of the Valley
1259 State Road 35 ~ St. Croix Falls, WI 54024

# **Free Event**

Lunch will be provided

More at Facebook: ACV Women's Ministry and www.StCroixAlliance.com

LifeWay Women | events



# Luther Point Bible Camp Summer Celebration Live & Silent Auction! Quilt & Craft Sale!



# Join in the fun!

Bid on beautiful quilts and other artisan items made by groups and individuals. If you've already got enough quilts, consider offering

financial support to our "Needs and Wants" fund.

# **Schedule for Sunday, August 7th**

**11:00** Lunch

Silent Auction
Quilt Viewing
Quilt & Craft Sale

Canteen is Open for Business

**12:30** Praise Time led by Summer

Staff

**1:00-3:00** Auction!

Money raised at this <u>important fundraiser</u> goes toward everyday expenses as well as helping campers come to camp.

Every dollar raised helps Luther Point

"Form Faith and POINT to Christ"

## **Interested in Donating?**

Monetary donations are always accepted, as well as donations for the live auction, silent auction, and the quilt/craft store.

We appreciate gifts of all kinds as well as prayers for our ministry!

# Luther Point Bible Camp & Retreat Center

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### Caroline Greene

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Please hold the ministers and council members in your prayers that God would give them the wisdom, strength, courage, patience and perseverance to serve this community of faith as they lead us in our mission for the sake of the world and the glory of God.

Next council meeting is Sunday, July 10th, 4:00pm in the Library.

# Mission Statement

# Gather, Grow, Go.

**Gather**—all people into the saving faith through Jesus Christ and to worship together;

**Grow**—through the Word of God in faith, understanding, and love with God and one another;

**Go**—as the Holy Spirit sends us to care, serve, and witness; For the sake of the world & for the glory of God! (Mission Statement approved 2009)

"Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations." Psalm 90:1

Please send submissions to: <a href="mailto:parishc@tflutheran.org">parishc@tflutheran.org</a>
Articles Due the 15th of each month.



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