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2015

Bridge Builders Update

The Bridge Builder Focus Group sessions have been very successfully completed. The sessions had a total attendance of 97 people. Some folks attended more than one session but still it was a very good turnout for each of the sessions. Thanks to everyone who came and a second thanks for your comments. There were 15 goals that were presented and we received 286 comments on the 15 goals. Each of the 286 comments have been aligned with their respective goal and the Bridge Builder Subcommittees are currently reviewing each. The comments will be applied to the current draft of the Bridge Builder Plan with an eye toward those that would modify or add to the strategies to achieve the Goals. The 15 Bridge Building Goals that were presented in the Focus Group sessions are as follows:

- **#1 Communications Goal:** OSLC will provide clear and concise communication in accessible formats to its members
- **#2 Communications Goal:** The Welfare of OSLC will be enhanced when we first Listen to God, then Listen to one another with "Love being the Basis of Every Interaction".
- **#3 Communications Goal:** Create an environment in which our OSLC members take ownership of our mission and the projects/activities of our church.
- **#4 Finance/Stewardship/Budget Goal:** Adopt an ongoing Stewardship program to include updated, time – talent – monetary giving process.
- **#5 Finance/Stewardship/Budget Goal:** Adopt an annual budget based on need, which will allow us to maintain operating expenses and meet Synod guidelines for Pastoral Salary
- **#6 Planning Goal:** Progressive Youth Ministry "We are all Teachers".
- **#7 Planning Goal:** Improve Bible Study Opportunities.
- **#8 Planning Goal:** Worship Improvements.
- **#9 Planning Goal:** Create an Environment of Inclusiveness.
- **#10 Planning Goal:** Property Improvement.
- **#11 Staff Guidance Goal:** Create a detailed Description of Duties (Job Description) for all paid OSLC staff.
- **#12 Staff Guidance Goal:** Establish an annual performance evaluation process for all paid OSLC staff.
- **#13 Staff Guidance Goal:** Create a simple record keeping form capable of recording staff and church/council contacts, mileage and all categories of time off.
- **#14 Staff Guidance Goal:** Establish a Sunday morning pattern for length of Church activities that comfortably allows for Worship, Fellowship and Religious Scholarship.
- **#15 Staff Guidance Goal:** Create an occupancy agreement for the OSLC Parsonage.

The Bridge Builder Action Plan will be finalized shortly and provided to the OSLC Council. The plan will offer many opportunities to everyone in the Congregation to respond to the two greatest commandments. **First: Love God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. Second: Love your neighbor as yourself.**

The Bridge Builder Action Plan will be a living document. Revisits and updates will be made on a periodic basis. It is the intent of the Action Planning Team to come back together after about six months to gauge the success of our progress with each of the 15 Goals and add, modify or delete strategies as needed.

See Dick Rewalt for any clarifications.

Dick Rewalt

Bridge Builders Action Planning Team Lead

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING-May 12, 2015

Present Howard Lehman, Doug Thyberg, Peggy Hipsher, Rozie Maki, Tammy Sipsas, Sandy Rau , Lynette Kesler. Ken Tanula, Cindy Knapp and Pastor Kristina excused.

President Howard Lehman called the meeting to order at 5 P M. Howard read 2 devotions on discouragement being the Devils favorite tools.

Secretary's report was approved by a motion by Peggy, seconded by Doug and approved by all.

Treasurer's report was presented by Peggy. We had a balance of \$145.74 in the checking account, as of April 30. This was good news after last month's report. Lynette made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Tammy and approved by all.

Presidents Report included discussion of the upcoming Congregation Annual Meeting.

Pastors report for April;

7 Worship services

5 hours of visitation

8 meetings

6 educational meetings

1 event- Area Pastors meeting

328 miles

9 sick days left, 12 continuing ed day, and 21 vacation days left

Pastor is using some continuing ed to study a program called "Clergy Coaching"

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance committee-See the Treasurers report .

Outreach and Evangelism, Doug reported that they will be meeting on Saturday, May 16 and are looking into working with Habitat for Humanity on a house in Washburn.

Mutual Ministry Committee is continuing to work with Bridgebuilders.

Education Committee- Tammy reported that Sunday morning Sunday school has low attendance.

Property Committee-Doug reported they have not met

Worship Committee met on May 4. Hymns were selected for services through June 7. We will be changing to Setting 5 in With One Voice on May 24. We will be switching to communion by intinction on May 24 as well. Pastor will be attending the Synod Convention on May 31 so we will be using Service of the Word and no communion.

Rozie made a motion to approve the committee reports, seconded by Tammy and approved by all.

OLD BUSINESS

Pastor and Secretary reviews still need to be done.

Howard continues to work on the Youth Service NEW BUSINESS

1. Howard Lehman will be our delegates to the synodical convention on May 30 and 31. Pastor will also attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 with the Lord's Prayer our next meeting will be Tuesday, June 9 at 6:30 PM

Sandy Rau, Secretary



Volunteer Schedule

June 2015

Prayer for Families

We will continue this year to include three families or individuals in our Sunday morning prayers. I know there are many of you that pray for individuals and the needs that we know of, but there are many times we don't know when someone is in need of a prayer. This is one more way for us to care for each other placing them in God's hands.

June 7

Joann Forsythe
Rick & Jody Forsythe
Howard Fuhrman

June 14

Jens & Amy Gregerson
Darren & Laurie Hanson
Kent Getty & Jane
Bragiel

June 21

Scott & Peggy Hipsher
David & Linda Hultman
Kurt Janko

June 28

Carolyn Johnson
Jane Jensen
Jonathan & Pastor
Kristina Jensen

Date	Coffee	Lector
June 7	Cindy Knapp & Sherry Tanula	Linda Hultman
June 14	Reen Modeen & Bonnie Rantala	Tammy Sipsas
June 21	Kent Getty & Jane Bragiel	Donna Kramolis
June 28	Nan Olson & Fred Baue	Donna Callahan

Monthly
Ushers: Merv & Rozie Maki
Greeters: John & Jeanne Joseph
Altar Guild:



BIRTHDAYS this month

Carolyn Johnson—1st
Kevin Kinnon—2nd
Jennifer Anderson—7th
Bill Collins—14th
Doreen Swanson—15th
Mark Santikko—18th
Rich Wiitala—18th

Lucy Drougas—22nd
Kent Getty—23rd
Jerry Peck—23rd
Gavin Williams—23rd
Jordan Talso—29th
Wesley Lindquist—29th



Doug and Nancy Thyberg --4th
Howard & Patty Lehman—6th
Pastor Kristina & Jonathan Jensen—9th
Rodney & MaryAnn Lahti—14th
Carole & Harold Danula—17th
Dick & Evie Berge—21st
John & Jeanne Joseph—23rd
Mary Berube & John Schrock—30th

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

June 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 5:00 Worship 7:00 Al-Anon	2 Office Closed 9:00 TOPS 5:30 Yoga	3 9:30 Bible Study	4	5	6 12:00 Yoga
7 9:00 a.m. Worship Food Shelf Item — Canned Soup	8 7:00 Al-Anon	9 Office Closed 9:00 TOPS 5:30 Yoga 6:30 Council	10 9:30 Bible Study	11	12	13 Food Shelf 9:00-11:00 12:00 Yoga
14 9:00 a.m. Worship Scholarship Sunday 6:00 WELCA Bible Study Food Shelf Item — Crackers	15 7:00 Al-Anon	16 Office Closed 9:00 TOPS 5:30 Yoga	17 9:30 Bible Study 3:15 Fig Leaf Board Meeting	18 5:00 WELCA	19	20 12:00 Yoga
21 9:00 a.m. Worship Father's Day Food Shelf Item — SpegettiOs or RavioliOs	22 Newsletter Deadline 7:00 Al-Anon	23 Office Closed 9:00 TOPS 5:30 Yoga	24 9:30 Bible Study	25 10:30 Food Shelf Produce Distribution	26	27 12:00 Yoga
28 9:00 a.m. Worship Food Shelf Item — Canned Fruit	29 7:00 Al-Anon	30 Office Closed 9:00 TOPS 5:30 Yoga				

June 14th – Scholarship Sunday

Our Savior's Lutheran Church will be celebrating Scholarship Sunday on June 14th at the 9 a.m. worship service. In 2005 a member of our congregation, Merv Lindelof, established a \$3000 scholarship fund benefiting graduating seniors from our church. The scholarship was for \$300 each year and was designed to assist students planning to attend a college, university or technical college. Special consideration would be given to an individual attending a seminary. In honor of Merv's generous donation, past recipients of the scholarship have been invited to share with the congregation where their lives have led them since graduation from high school. Past recipients include the following: Jennifer Forsythe, Danielle Landgreen, Alisha Holman, Sam Knapp, Nolan Santikko, Tyler Forsythe, Austin Danula, Julia Collins, and Janice Anderson. The 2015 recipient, Sean O'Brien will be awarded his scholarship at this service. A coffee fellowship time will be held following worship in honor of the scholarship winners.

We would like to keep the scholarship program going and with your help we will be able to do it. More details will follow as June 14th approaches.

Not receiving a newsletter? Either by email or regular mailings? Let the church secretary know that you would like to be added to either the email list or the regular mailing list and one will be sent right to you. You can also access our newsletters and other church information on our website ironriverlutherans.org

TEEN CHALLENGE is the June Mission of the Month

Teen Challenge's mission is to assist teens and adults in gaining freedom from chemical addictions and other life controlling problems by addressing their physical, emotional and spiritual needs.

Minnesota Adult & Teen Challenge offers both a shorter-term treatment program called Life Renewal and a long-term faith-based recovery program for life-controlling addictions. These options allow us to effectively serve individuals with a broad spectrum of issues; from those seeking treatment for the first time, to those who have been struggling with addiction for many years.

The Northland Campus is located at the corner of Lake Avenue and Second Street East in Downtown Duluth.

Phone: 218-740-5510

Address: 2 East 2nd Street Duluth, MN 55802

Habitat for Humanity Opportunities in the Area-

Have you ever wished you could work with Habitat for Humanity? Well the opportunity is here with the Greater Chequamegon Bay Area Habitat for Humanity. The Evangelism Committee has been in touch with that organization and has learned of various volunteer opportunities. Our committee will be working on initiating an Iron River wide committee to help the efforts of the Greater Chequamegon Area HFH. Currently there is a new home construction project in Washburn. Recently there has been a Habitat for Humanity project right in our church's neighborhood. We are excited that we can offer our energy and enthusiasm to such a well-established organization. We want to encourage everyone who may be interested in this to talk to the Evangelism Committee and stay tuned for more information.

June 14 – Women's Bible Study at church at 6:00. New format and material starting. Please plan to join us for a light dessert and study. Be sure to bring your bibles. Please see Kathy Rewalt with questions.

Ushers and Greeters- The volunteer list for the Ushers and Greeters has been set up 6 months in advance so that you have time to switch months with those listed here or find other replacements . The list will also be posted on the bulletin board. If you are unable to help during the time you have been assigned, please find your own replacement and let the church secretary know of the changes as soon as possible.

Greeters

July~ Charlene Billingsley
& Karen Wicklund
August~ Merv & Rozie Maki
September~ Shirley Saker
& Eileen Bentzen
October~ Kent Getty & Jane Bragiel
November~ Reen Modeen & Family
December~ Mark & Melinda Santikko

Ushers

July~ Reen Modeen & Family
August~ Dick & Kathy Rewalt
September~ Nan & Jim Olson
October~ Laurel LaBelle
& Karen Wicklund
November~ Ted & Donna Callahan
December~ Doug & Nancy Thyberg

The following people have volunteered to be greeters this year:

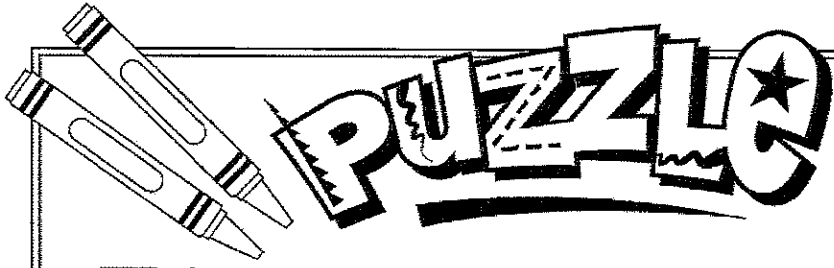
Ted & Donna Callahan, Kent Getty & Jane Bragiel, Laurel LaBelle, Merv & Rozie Maki, Jim & Nan Olson, Dick & Kathy Rewalt, Mark & Melinda Santikko, Ken & Linda Watters, Bonnie Rantala, John Johnson, Wayne & Lynette Smith, Doug & Nancy Thyberg, Shirley Saker, Charlene Billingsley, Eileen Bentzen, Reen Modeen & family and Karen Wicklund.

The following people have volunteered to be ushers this year:

Ted & Donna Callahan, Laurel LaBelle, Merv & Rozie Maki, Jim & Nan Olson, Dick & Kathy Rewalt, Mark & Melinda Santikko, Wayne & Lynette Smith, Doug & Nancy Thyberg, Ken & Linda Watters, Charlene Billingsley, Eileen Bentzen, Reen Modeen & family and Karen Wicklund.

THANK YOU FOR SERVING.

IT IS A LARGE COMMITMENT AND WE ARE GREATFUL FOR YOU.



Written for our learning

Not only did God give us the Bible as his Word, but he also gives us many people to teach us his ways. Our greatest teacher is Jesus, God's Son.

Directions: Complete Matthew 19:16-17 by filling in the blanks (using words from the Word Bank) and then unscrambling the three words and writing them on the tablets.

WORD BANK	ask	do	eternal	if	good	good	Why
	good	Jesus	life	man	One	Teacher	

A _____ came up to _____ and asked,
 "_____, what _____ thing must I _____
 to get _____ life?" "_____ do you
 _____ me about what is _____?" Jesus replied.
 "There is only _____ who is _____.
 _____ you want to enter _____ ..."

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Matthew 19:16-17, NIV

Answers: A man came up to Jesus and asked, "Teacher, what good thing must I do to get eternal life?" "Why do you ask me about what is good?" Jesus replied. "There is only One who is good. If you want to enter life ... obey the commandments."



★ A FATHER'S ★ INSTRUCTION

★ Although babies don't come with instructions, ★
 God tells parents how to raise their children.

Directions: Fill in the blanks with letters, using the number grid to find the correct coordinates. The first number goes across, and the second one goes down.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	a	L	d	i	j	g	r
2	m	b	o	k	h	u	s
3	e	n	c	x	t	p	f

"...
 2,2 7,1 4,1 2,3 6,1 5,3 5,2 1,3 1,2
 6,2 6,3 4,1 2,3 5,3 5,2 1,3
 5,3 7,1 1,1 4,1 2,3 4,1 2,3 6,1 1,1 2,3 3,1
 4,1 2,3 7,2 5,3 7,1 6,2 3,3 5,3 4,1 3,2 2,3
 3,2 7,3 5,3 5,2 1,3 2,1 3,2 7,1 3,1"

EPHESIANS 6:4, NIV

Answers: "... bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord"