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Pastor's Page

II Kings 12:4-5

“One day King Joash said to the priests, ‘Collect all the money brought as a sacred offering to the Lord’s Temple...let the priests take some of the money to pay for whatever repairs are needed at the temple.’”

King Joash was a good king. Not many kings are given positive report cards in the Old Testament. Verse 2 of this 12th chapter of II Kings says, “All his life Joash did what was pleasing in the Lord’s sight because Jehoiada the priest instructed him.”

King Joash and Jehoiada the priest made a good team as they worked hard to repair a temple that was in disrepair. At first the priests ignored their instructions to repair the temple and King Joash had to demand that the priests stop using the offerings to the temple for personal gain until the needed repairs were made. Jehoiada bored a hole in a large chest and set it at the right side of the altar. That chest was used to collect a special offering to repair the temple. After waiting the first 23 years of King Joash’s reign with no results on the repairing of the temple suddenly with the efforts of King Joash and the priest Jehoiada the work would be accomplished and the temple was renewed.

We are soon approaching 2010 and the 50th anniversary of the congregation. Needed repairs to our sanctuary roof have not been made because of other pressing needs and the enormous cost of repairing the roof. The time is now at hand and the 50th anniversary of the church seems a perfect time to make these necessary repairs. The cost to repair the roof is between \$50,000 and \$70,000. No wonder we have not been able to make those repairs, but can we afford to wait?

Like King Josh and Jehoiada the priest we need to make this a team effort and enlist the help of the offerings of all God’s people. There is much to be done, but there are so many who have been positively influenced by the ministry of our church over these 50 years. If we enlist the help of those who have passed through our school and preschool and who have worshiped with us over the past 50

years we can do what seems to be an impossible task and accomplish these repairs.

The church council at its last meeting discussed the possibilities. We talked about a 50th anniversary retaining wall with the names of donors and in memory of loved ones, on our church patio. We discussed a year-long effort and all the many groups and people who need to be invited to participate in the celebration. We have much we can do and it will take a lot of effort but the end result can be exciting and inspiring.

We certainly cannot do this without the help of others but we need the equivalent of a huge chest at the side of the altar with a hole bored into it to accept the offerings of all the people for the sole purpose of repairing our temple. God has been faithful to us the past 50 years and we can respond with a one-time gift to repair the sanctuary roof.

Please join me in prayer and let’s make this effort not only something that will accomplish needed repairs but an anniversary that will set a direction and excitement for ministry that will propel us into the next 50 years.

Let me know if you want to be a part of the plans of our 50th anniversary celebration.

Pastor Rick

Finances and Attendance for June

Attendance:

| | 9:00a.m. | 11:00a.m. | Total |
|------|----------|-----------|-------|
| 6/7 | 82 | 25 | 107 |
| 6/14 | 109 | 16 | 125 |
| 6/21 | 98 | 18 | 116 |
| 6/28 | 95 | 31 | 126 |

June Finances:

| | |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Expenses | \$15,138 |
| Income | \$13,590 |
| Operating Surplus YTD | \$26,235 |

Bagels and Senior Lunch

Something each Tuesday of the month

Meet at Einstein Bagels at the Santee Trolley each Tuesday between 9:30am and 11:00am for fellowship

Except...

The second Tuesday of the month when you are invited to the Senior Lunch at a local restaurant beginning at 11:30am. Senior Lunch for August 11th is the Red Lobster in La Mesa.

Feed the Homeless August 10th

Meet at church at 2:30pm and return by 6:00pm

Let Pastor Rick Know if you would like to attend and need a ride.

Church Travel Site

Did you know that we have a church travel site where you can book airline tickets, hotel accommodations and rental cars and for the very best rates available and have a percentage of the dollars you spend come back as a donation to the church.

Go online to benefit yourself and your church:

www.ytbtravel.com/chelc

Adult Studies

Pastor Rick offers an adult study whenever there is not another special event on Sunday mornings.

Between services he will offer a study from a book called "The Book of Faith" which explains in detail the Lutheran perspective on Bible Study along with several actual Bible studies. We are now on the Bible study material. Come and join us.

Sewing Needs?

She's a wizard with a needle and thread

Can produce any garment that pops into your head

She mends, darns, and sews 'til work is completed

Call Nancy Funick at 619-270-7187 to do your sewing chores

Her prices are right and satisfaction is yours!

Church Council will not meet in August...
Next meeting in Sunday, September 13th at 4:00pm

Special Music

Every Second Sunday at 9:00a.m.

We are excited at all the talent at our church to praise the living Lord. We have set up a schedule to allow you to invite friends who may wish to receive a special blessing by these gifted musicians and vocalists. Each musician will be asked to provide special music for the 9:00a.m. worship service during the offering. Here is a tentative schedule:

August 9th - Bethany Timan and guitarists from the 11:00a.m. worship

September 13th - Marvin Hamilton and James Schloegel Duet

October 11th - Lynn Nichols' Organ recital

November 8th - Marilyn Thomas playing the Violin

December 13th - Lynn Nichols playing the Harp

Mark your calendars!!

CHROS Leads 9:00am worship Sunday, August 30th

CHROS will practice on Wednesday, August 12, 19 and 26 from 5:00pm to 6:00pm.

50th Anniversary

The church council and the first planning meeting for the 50th Anniversary have proposed the following in celebrating the 50th anniversary of the congregation in 2010.

- Both groups suggested that the celebration take place the entire year with perhaps a monthly observance. We will ask all living pastors to return to preach and lead worship. We will dedicate the Roy Monroe memorial which will include an index of the stained glass windows created by Roy for the sanctuary. We will ask the architect of the sanctuary to speak on the unique qualities of the sanctuary and ask members who helped with the construction to make comments and share photos. We will have a special celebration to honor our school and preschool's history.
- We will begin and end these monthly observances with a grand celebration, the first being on Sunday, January 17th which is the exact date for the anniversary of the congregation. All pastors, long-time members and those connected with the schools will be honored at this time. Dorcas, High-Up and Hooks and Needles will raise money at the December 5-6, 2009 bazaar to make this a free event.
- We will attempt to raise \$50,000 by creating a 50th anniversary memorial wall where labeled bricks can be purchased for \$250 each to honor a loved one or someone in our church's history that has helped to make our church what it is today. This anniversary wall will be located on the church patio.

The next meeting for the 50th anniversary planners will be Sunday, August 9th between services. Come and join the excitement.

Confirmation

Do you have a 6th or 7th grader who would like to begin confirmation in the Fall? It is also encouraged that if you have an older youth who has not been confirmed that they also join this class. The first class will be Wednesday, September 16th from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. Confirmation is two years of instruction led by Pastor Rick. If you are interested or you have questions please contact Pastor Rick.

Adult Choir

Wednesday choir practices begin, Wednesday September 16th from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. The choir would love to have you join a fun and inspirational group of singers who lead worship every Sunday. We do have members who sing on Sunday and who do not often make Wednesday practices. Contact Marvin Hamilton if you have questions.

TACO's 6th Annual Christmas In July

Merry Christmas! The Third Avenue Charitable Organization's (TACO) Christmas in July is in full swing! TACO is raising money to purchase 250 sleeping bags. Once the money is raised, the sleeping bags will be purchased in bulk from Big 5 Sporting Goods. These sleeping bags will then be filled with goodies, wrapped, and given to the homeless and low income of downtown San Diego the Friday before Christmas. Each gift of a sleeping bag and goodies will cost \$25. You can help make someone's Christmas brighter by contributing to this cause! Make checks payable to "TACO" with "Christmas in July" in the memo line.

TACO, through First Lutheran Church, is a non-profit charity that serves the homeless, elderly, and working poor primarily in downtown San Diego. Offerings include free meals, free medical, dental, and acupuncture clinics, a free legal project, a program for those who are homeless and terminally ill, as well as free mental health counseling to any and all who come.

Through the support of over 35 congregations in this area, we are able to continue this mission. Thank you for your generosity!
Rachel Line, TACO Volunteer Coordinator

Council's Page
Council Minutes
July 12, 2009

The meeting was called to order by President Jesse Lipscomb at 4:00 p.m.

Devotions: 1st Corinthians:5.

Visioning: 50th Anniversary – Pastor Rick: New Roof is going to cost \$50,000.00 = 50 years.

Penny reminded the Council about the remainder 5% of Pastor Rick's pay raise. Last December a suggestion was made to give Pastor Rick a 10% pay raise vice a 5%. It was agreed on that a 5% pay raise would be budgeted with the remainder 5% to be reviewed in 6 months.

Pastor Rick stated that he will not accept any pay raise until we are able to tithe our offerings to the Synod. This is a very strong Faith Issue for him! The Council will review this again at the end of the year.

Penny briefed Council on the piano and explained the difference between Bill Thomas Memorial Fund and the piano fund.

A new video camera was donated by the Sallay Family, and Council will be recording all meetings now with the exception of the Executive Meetings and all Special Council Meetings.

August Council Meeting is canceled.

Next meetings: Council Meeting: Sunday, September 13, 2009, 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Penny Sallay
Council Secretary

Gifts & Memorial Task Force

The MTF is currently working and reviewing 3 memorials for the church:

- Roy Monroe's Memorial existing of a podium with a book of the pictures, names and dates of the memorial windows. If anyone knows of any information concerning these windows, please notify Penny Sallay.

- Bill Thomas Memorial. All funds from this memorial will be used towards the purchase for a new piano.
- Herb Ryden Memorial will exist of a Memorial window. Research is currently being conducted on this.

We are looking for any information concerning the name of the family for the memorial of the piano located in the Sanctuary.

Penny Sallay
MTF Secretary

Piano Fund Drive

The old piano that is located in the Sanctuary is in dire need for replacement. The keys are constantly sticking and needs repairs and it no longer holds a tune. We are currently looking at replacing this piano.

The piano that has been tested these last few weeks normally cost \$7,000.00 + tax. The company is selling it to us for \$4,500.00 including tax. It has a 10 year warranty with the first 3 tunings.

We are having a piano fund drive to try and offset the cost with Bill Thomas Memorial. If you wish to make a pledge, you may sign up with Penny Sallay after Sunday 9:00 service. You may make a donation in someone's name or even your own family's name. If you have any further questions on this, please see Penny or Pastor Rick.

Penny Sallay

Directory Update

The Directory update is completed. You may pick up your insert from Penny Sallay after the 9:00 morning service in the Acts Center.

Christmas Bazaar

The Christmas Bazaar is back, with all new and wonderful crafts and goodies.

This year, Dorcas Circle will be working with Hooks & Needles, and the High-Up youths to bring you the best bazaar ever. Hopefully, the joint effort will bring exciting new items for you to purchase for yourself and gifts for others.

SAVE THIS DATE – December 5th & 6th.

Also, Dorcas is back to meeting on a regular monthly basis, with the next meeting on Saturday, August 22nd at 9:30 a.m. at Norma & Fred Borgeson's home.

In order to complete the crafts, we will be meeting every Monday evening from 5 p.m. to whenever, also at Norma and Fred's. It's a come and go when you want type of get-together. The fellowship is great, and Norma also usually feeds us pretty good.

So come and join us on Mondays for some fun, and on August 22nd for our next meeting.

Thanks a bunch!

Marie

August Ministers

Coffee Fellowship: Nancy Funick, Laura Vaughan,
Grace Otto

Communion Assist.: 2, 9- Jeanna Timan &
Gary Berglund 16, 23- Grace Otto & Laura
Vaughan 30- Youth

Communion Care: Gary Berglund

Greeters: 2, 9- Francis Family

16, 23- Betty & Gary Berglund 30- Youth

Lector: 2, 9- Jim Thomas 16, 23- Betty Berglund

Stephen Minister of the Week: 2- Ed Teichner

9- Ellie Timan 16- Mandy Vaughan

23- Kathy Darland 30- Carol Davidson

Ushers: Belinda Karge and High Up

Senior Fellowship Luncheon

Sr. Fellowship meets at Red Lobster, La Mesa, at 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, August 11th. Join in for some good food and wonderful fellowship. For more

information call Grace Otto, 448-8202 or Nancy Funick, 270-7187.

August Anniversaries

- 1 Robert & June Webb
- 1 Jennifer & Tim Brown
- 2 Diana & Vance Coletti
- 4 Michael & Joanne Huber
- 7 Richard & Betty Keehn
- 10 John & Jean Sevcik
- 11 Jack & Florence Hustad
- 15 Tom & Carol Davidson
- 15 Corinne & Lee Strand
- 17 Kimberly & Wilbur Taylor
- 30 Tim & May Hustad

August Birthdays

- 1 Jack Hustad
- 1 Keri Hyles
- 3 Vincent Coletti
- 3 Cody Catron
- 4 Chris Myers
- 5 Drew Bjorson
- 10 Brandon Avendano
- 11 Jesse Lipscomb
- 14 Corinne Strand
- 16 Katelyn Kelchner
- 17 Alandra Gomes
- 19 Sherise Stark
- 19 Cindy Ryan
- 20 Gary Berglund
- 20 Nicholas Bloeman
- 21 Rachel Schowalter
- 22 Susanne Rettig
- 22 David Lipscomb
- 22 Hailey Rones
- 25 Tim Hustad
- 25 Katie Timan
- 26 Darrel Timan
- 27 Deby Schowalter
- 28 Danielle Davidson
- 30 Wendy Avendano
- 30 Glen Teichner
- 30 Betty Maxa
- 31 Carrie Muehlenpfort

(If anyone was missed, please call the church office, 448-1888)