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Pastor's Page

First Corinthians 1:4-7 states:

"I give thanks to God always for you because of the grace of God which was given you in Christ Jesus, that in every way you were enriched in Him with all speech and knowledge even as the testimony to Christ was confirmed among you so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift."

We are gifted with God's blessings to be a blessing to others. What gifts from God do you communicate with speech and knowledge? Do you know that you are a blessing because you have been richly blessed? Do you know that you are needed and that the church has often fulfilled the role of helping people realize their need to be needed.

The New Year is a good time to look back at the Christmas season to see how we as a church have answered the call to be needed. The children in our Sunday school classes led us when they told the Christmas story; the confirmands when they presented their drama; and CHROS with their exciting Christmas carol worship service.

As I write this article, we are looking forward to having Marsha Hamilton return to play the organ at the Christmas Eve morning worship service. Having Marsha back fills our hearts with joy as she battles cancer with courage and faith. I'm pleased to report that Dorcas had a hugely successful Christmas bazaar. Those in Dorcas bless us throughout the year with their many acts of kindness: sending Christmas cards to the entire church community; sponsoring the Angel Tree that furnished new shoes and toys for the children at Siempre Para Los Ninos, the orphanage we sponsor in Mexico. The seniors, at their December luncheon, took an offering to help a needy family in our church. We elected an exciting group of new council members who will serve the church in many leadership roles. Penny Sallay worked extra hard in the office over the Christmas holidays. We are wonderfully blessed to have Penny. She has volunteered countless hours of dedicated and faithful service.

An area of church giving you may not be aware of is Betty Pendergast's card ministry that brings

encouragement, support, and joy to those most in need. Betty sends 40-60 cards each month (birthday, anniversary, get well, and "thinking of you" cards). Her ministry celebrates the joys in our lives and comforts us when we are experiencing a lasting, difficult situation or one of life's challenges. Betty showed me an e-mail of thanks from Janet Shuey who agreed to have me publish her feelings of gratitude for the support and love she received from one of Betty's cards.

Janet writes: "Hi Betty, sorry it took so long for me to thank you for that wonderful card you sent me. It happens that when it arrived my Mom was still here with me. When I let her see and read it, she cried. They were tears of relief and thanks for sharing your understanding of this disease. She never really realized how many people are going through the same thing as her and my Dad. She wanted me to thank you very much for your prayers and words of encouragement. I really think that it helped her. And as for me, Betty, I so appreciate all your kind cards of inspiration and encouragement you send me. God bless you. Love, Janet Shuey."

Let's keep the blessings pouring forth throughout the New Year.

Pastor Rick



5pm Contemporary Service

Lutheran Lay Renewal

We will soon be planning and organizing a church-wide retreat called Lutheran Lay Renewal. The retreat will take place at Carlton Hills and will start the evening of Friday, March 2nd and close with a meal and meeting following the 9:00am worship service on March 4th. The retreat schedule will include the following:

- Friday evening congregational dinner, "Kick-off meeting" with small groups and get-acquainted time with as many as 20 lay Lutherans from all over the country that will lead our retreat
- Friday Children's and youth meetings
- Saturday morning "coffee hours" which are small group meetings in the homes of our members
- Saturday afternoon men's and women's discussion groups, youth event and children's activities
- Special visitation to our shut-ins and hospitalized
- Saturday evening dinner and small group meetings, youth meeting and children's event
- Regular worship lead by the Lay Renewal Coordinator and a lunch to follow

The Retreat will have something for everyone and we would love to have 100% participation to at least one segment of the retreat. There will be a huge effort to have you both participate and help meet the needs of the retreat.

The Lay Renewal Weekend is more than a program. It is a ministry in which a team of lay visitors comes to our church to share their faith in Jesus Christ and work with us in strengthening our relationship with God and our faith in Jesus. Not only will your own personal faith be strengthened but the congregation as a whole will come closer together in our ministry as the result of being sparked by this retreat.

Vicki Haas and Ellie Timan are coordinating our weekend and there are many others who have volunteered to help organize the many areas that will need volunteers. You can contact Vicki at 473-8717

and Ellie at 448-2495 if you would like to learn more and volunteer to help.

Please pray for our "Renewal Weekend" that God will give us unity in His Spirit and a common understanding of how we can best serve His Kingdom at Carlton Hills.

God's Gifts Begins in January

God's Gifts is our mid-week children's program that is in its third year. God's Gifts will begin Wednesday, January 17th at 6:00pm and will run for 10 weeks until Wednesday, March 21st. The God's Gifts hour begins with a dinner for the whole family. Following dinner at 6:15pm the children attend two different groups that go over their "take home" lessons where they are given credit or points for the work they have done at home with their parents. The lesson includes answering questions on a Bible story or lesson and Bible memory verses. The children receive a prize each week for their work and if they attend enough classes and complete the work required they will go to a party at the end of the session. The lessons are all the same for our children regardless of age but the younger children are given credit for knowing even a portion of the Bible verses.

Those who earned their way to attend the trip from the fall session are:

- Tiffany Coletti
- Thomas Coletti
- Orlando Dotta
- Raul Dotta
- Danny Timan
- Michael Sallay
- Lucas Paulsen
- Robin Paulsen
- Owen Brown
- Sydnie Brown
- David Gulliver
- Austin Thompson
- Trevor Thompson
- Bryce Taylor
- Bryant Taylor

These children all earned over 200 points and are invited to attend a free party with pizza at Cosmic Bowling at the Parkway Bowl, Monday January 8th from 5:30pm to 8:00pm.

Pastor Rick's Surgery

Pastor Rick is scheduled to have rotator cuff surgery on January 10th. He will be in a sling with his right arm for one month following the surgery and will not be able to drive. During this time he will be enlisting our members to help transport him to his scheduled meetings and events. If you would like to be on his calling list to provide transportation to these meetings and events please call the church office or talk with him about the times and days you would be available to help.

Update on Marsha Hamilton

Our beloved organist Marsha Hamilton has received news from her doctors that she has only 2-8 months to live. Oddly since she has stopped her chemo therapy treatments she is feeling better. Marsha hopes to play on Christmas Eve morning and will try to come back to

still pray for that miracle. Marsha's ultimate healing is assured through our Lord Jesus.



Our Choir and CHROS performing at Guardian Angels Catholic Church



fulfill her organist duties in January for as long as she has the strength. We have been truly blessed to have Lynn Nickels fill in for Marsha over the past several months and she will continue to do so when Marsha is not able to lead us. Marsha has battled ovarian cancer for many years and has courageously done everything possible to fight that disease. She has placed her health totally in God's hands because the health sciences no longer are able to help her. Please keep Marsha in your prayers. Only God can heal her now and we all can

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Council Page

The Annual Budget and Elections Meeting was called to order by Vice-President Darrel Timan on Dec 3, 2006 at 10:30am. A motion was made to approve last years minutes by Grace Otto with Mary Thomas seconding. All approved; motion passed

Darrel explained and Budget for 2007. There were some questions asked about the new accounts and changes to the custodial service. Darrel answered these questions to best of his knowledge.

Rich Setzer made a motion to increase Pastor's Pension and Health by 15% with Penny Sallay seconding. All approved; motion passed.

Darrel named off the new officers that were running for office:

President – Darrel Timan
Vice-President – Jesse Lipscomb
Financial Secretary – Linda Gulliver
Parish Education – Marie Weber
Outreach – Vicki Haas
Trustee – Randy Catron
Worship – Diane Coletti
Rename Christian Education to Board of Deacons:

This Board will coordinate the 5:00pm Service for a 1 year term – Stephanie Myers

Delegates to the synod for 2007 are Darrel and Jeanna Timan.

A nomination committee was selected to update the Constitution and ByLaws. This meeting will be chaired by Penny Sallay.

A motion was made at 11:14am. to adjourn the meeting by Dick Maxa and Robert Reid seconding. All Approved; motion passed.

Council Meeting:

The Council Meeting was called to order by the Vice-President on Dec 7, 2006. Pastor led us in Devotion and Prayer. Here are some of the topics that were discussed:

1. The Council Retreat is Jan 26 – 27th. The Council will depart at 4:00pm.

2. T-Mobile wants to build their antenna at the corner of the church.

3. The Renovation Team wants to purchase a second trailer.

4. Tom made a motion to use \$6,000.00 from Nextel to cover the cost for renovations to the trailer, with Robert seconding. All approved; motion passed.

5. Pastor briefed us on the status of the renovations for the Act's Center. He said Dorcas agreed to purchase new blinds and paint for the Act's Center.

6. Tom briefed us on the cost for the renovations of the Act's Center. He said it would be about \$15,000.00 total for electrical, lights and fans.

7. The church roof to reseal it and the windows would be \$13,000.00.

8. Darrel suggested that a list of renovations be made and given to the Trustee's Board.

9. The nomination committee for 2007, was never voted on at the Budget Meeting. This will be carried over to the Annual Meeting in Feb 2007.

10. Darrel nominated Skip Taylor to take over as Cub Scouts Charter Representative. Tom made this motion with Sara seconding. All approved; motion passed.

Senior Fellowship Luncheon

Sr. Fellowship meets at Boll Weevil in Lakeside, 9741 Winter Garden, at 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, January 8th. Join in for some good food and wonderful fellowship. For more information call either Grace Otto, 448-8202 or Nancy Funick, 561-7823.

January Ministers

Coffee Fellowship: Nancy Funick, Laura Vaughan,
Grace Otto, Janice Davis

Communion Assist.: 7- Laura & Mandy Vaughan

14- Sue Lisowsky & Christine Goforth

21- Linda Conklin & Jennifer Brown

28- Bill Blue & Grace Otto

Communion Care: Grace Otto

Edgemoor Hospital Worship: TBA

Greeters: 7- Jennifer Brown & Jim Thomas 14- Linda

Conklin & Penny Sallay 21- Laura & Mandy

Vaughan 28- Kris Francis & Randi Davis

Lector: 7- Randy Catron 14- Tom Davidson

21- Darrel Timan 28- Mandy Vaughan

Stephen Minister of the Day: 7- Jim Thomas

14- Carol Davidson 21- Ellie Timan

28- Ed Teichner

Ushers: Diana Coletti & confirmands

January Birthdays

1 Louie Quintanilla

2 Amanda Martin

4 Jennifer Jones

6 Jeffrey Arndt

Bethany Timan

Lynn Berglund

7 Geoffrey Bradley

9 Helen Guttzeit

16 Herbert Ryden

Marian Privett

19 Jeff Sallay

Kimberly Insel

20 Naomi Schowalter

23 Charlotte Arthurton

24 Shaina Webb

26 Crysta Campbell

30 Marcy Metz

Daniel Timan

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

January Anniversaries

21 Gilbert & Trudy Hanley

29 Mavis & Richard Rones

30 Jerold & Sherry Henson

Texts for the Sundays in January

7th Baptism Of Our Lord

(Lectionary 1)

Isaiah 43:1-7

Psalms 29 (Ps. 29:3)

Acts 8:14-17

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

14th Second Sunday After Epiphany

(Lectionary 2)

Isaiah 62:1-5

Psalms 36:5-10 (Ps. 36:8)

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

John 2:1-11

21st Third Sunday After Epiphany

(Lectionary 3)

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Psalms 19 (Ps. 19:7)

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Luke 4:14-21

28th Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

(Lectionary 4)

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Psalms 71:1-6 (Ps. 71:6)

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Luke 4:21-30