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Pastor's Page

Ezra 3:10,11-13

“When the builders completed the foundation of the Lord’s temple...many of the older priests, Levites and other leaders who had seen the first Temple wept aloud when they saw the new Temple’s foundation. The others however were shouting for joy. The joyful shouting and the weeping mingled together in a loud noise that could be heard far in the distance.”

Isn't that a fascinating picture being painted?

“Joyful shouting” and “weeping” are described as “mingled together in a loud noise”. It is even a more fascinating picture when you realize it is the older generation doing the weeping and the younger generation doing the joyful shouting. And it is all happening because the temple’s foundation was now laid.

The book of Ezra is about the rebuilding of the temple. After the people of God had been conquered by the Assyrians they were sent into exile and the temple in Jerusalem had been destroyed. But in the years to follow the Persian king Cyrus conquered the Assyrians and the people of God were allowed to return to Jerusalem and rebuild the temple under Ezra’s leadership. The above verses describe the reaction of God’s people to the laying of the foundation of the new temple. The older generation was in mourning and the younger generation rejoiced.

Why?

It may be true that the older generation was weeping for joy but certainly not entirely. The laying of the foundation for the new temple brought to mind the pain and suffering that they had experienced in having the first temple destroyed and the exile and enslavement that followed.

The younger generation was rejoicing because their focus was on the future and the rebuilding of the temple that was once destroyed but would now

become glorious again. It is true that the new temple may never be as rich and plush as the one destroyed, but they had no memories of the old temple and what was going to replace it.

It is so true that there are generation differences. One generation tends to look at life from the perspective of the past. The other generation looks at life from the perspective of the potential for the future and its hidden promises.

Don't we need both perspectives? Isn't it important to remember the past? We really need to remember the mistakes of the past. It has been said that unless we remember the mistakes of the past we are doomed to repeat those mistakes.

But we also need to look to our future with new eyes and a new perspective. It has also been said that a definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over and expecting different results.

One of the things that I like most about Carlton Hills is that we have an intergenerational environment at our church. We have a lot of people who represent all the generations and we can be richer for that diversity. I say we “can” be richer because the differences between our generational perspectives can also be a source of conflict and division. The key is that we must listen to one another and value the opinions of the generations that are different from our own.

We are going in both directions at full speed.

Our senior ministries are vibrant and growing. The senior lunch started with 15-20 participants and now the meal is served to 30-40 participants.

Our youth want to start a worship service that will be just for them on Thursday evenings. I am sure it will be loud and I am sure it will tap the resources of who our youth are in exciting ways. It is an idea that is taking shape and form as I write these words.

What does the future for our church hold? I can say with confidence I have no idea but it will be exciting and it will be a glorious mix of the new and the old. We will honor the past and we will

experiment in the future. What we all need to remember is to be faithful to our Lord and to listen to the wisdom of those around us.

Pastor Rick

Finances And Attendance For June

Attendance:

	9:00a.m.	11:00a.m.	Total
6/6	80	33	113
6/13	106	28	140
6/20	104	28	132
6/27	93	47	140

July

Attendance:

	9:00a.m.	11:00a.m.	Total
7/4	70	20	90
7/11	115	32	147
7/18	102	29	131
7/25	80	36	116

June Finances:

Expenses	\$13,337
Income	\$15,434
Operating Surplus YTD	\$17,907

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 September 14th at the Soup Plantation at 9158 Fletcher Pkwy.

Church Council Will Meet Sunday, September 12th At 4:00p.m.

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/chele

Outfit for a special night?

Broken zipper?

Waist too tight?

Button lost?

It's Nancy you call,

Sewing, she does it all!

Nancy Funick, seamstress

(619) 270-7187 (619) 933-7823

Massage Anyone?

Matthew Kassahn the grandson of Mary Thomas has recently completed his schooling to become a Massage Therapist. He is located at 3142 E. Plaza Blvd., Suite T in National City. His massages are as little as \$60 for an hour. Contact Matt at 619-672-5981 or 619-475-6417 if you want to treat yourself or you want to give someone you love a special gift.

Second Sunday Special Music

We are excited to return to our special music Sundays once a month and most of those presentations will be the second Sunday of the month. What a wonderful way to share the wonderful gift of music that we possess in our church.

September 8th Men's Quartet of James Schloegel, Hank Schneider, Bill Orton and Marvin Hamilton

October 10th James Schloegel

November 14th Marvin Hamilton

December 12th Pamela Blyth playing Christmas carols on the dulcimer

Martin Luther studies moved to Saturdays

Next fall Pastor Rick will be teaching a Synod sponsored class on Martin Luther, Saturday September 11, 18, 25 and October 2 at Tierrasanta Lutheran Church from 9:00am to Noon

Saturdays have been chosen because it is hard to find 3 hours on a week day evening and we have some people who find it impossible to come during evening hours

We will be studying "Martin Luther The Christian Between God and Death" by Richard Marius

If you would like a copy of the book contact Pastor Rick

The class costs \$50 for those who attend but it is free for members of Carlton Hills

What a deal!!

First Communion

We have 5 children and one adult scheduled to participate in a First Communion class on Saturday, August 28th from 9:00am to 10:30am. First Communion will be Sunday, August 29th at the 9:00am worship service. If you would like to join us please contact Pastor Rick. We offer this class only once a year. We let parents decide when they believe their children are old enough for First Communion instruction but we have many children taking first communion beginning in 1st of 2nd grade and older.

Confirmation

Confirmation will begin its new class on Wednesday, September 15th from 5:30p.m. to 6:30p.m. Confirmation is for anyone in 6th grade or older who wants to make a commitment to their faith through weekly instruction for a 2 year period. Confirmation also includes 2 retreats and a summer camp. Confirmands are asked to complete 16 sermon notes and 16 hours of community service each year. If you are interested please contact Pastor Rick.

"Not It" Youth Event

Area Lutheran churches have scheduled an all night bus trip from Friday, September 24th at 7:00p.m. at St. Andrews LC to 6:30a.m. at St. Peters LC at Ocean Beach. The night will include a ropes course, dodge ball, laser tag, broom ball and worship. Talk with Stephanie or Belinda if you are interested in attending.

Fall Festival

Saturday, October 23rd
Mark your calendars!!

Proceeds will go to the "God Account" which is designed to help our members with extraordinary financial hardships

Make a Joyful Noise Art and Music Camp 2010

Make a Joyful Noise Art and Music Camp 2010 was an amazing success! This summer we ministered to 46 children from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm for four weeks. The parent evaluations included strong statements about our program, "*camp brought Christ back into our home*" and "*My child accepted Jesus for the first time this summer – thank you!*" and "*I have never been witness to so many fabulous college and high school students worshipping the Lord!*"

We had the strongest staff of our six years and more adult volunteers than previously. The collaboration with our daily Senior Lunch program

proved to be a strength of the summer. Thank you to all involved.

Also, thanks to the generous donations of many church members, we made our budget and even have funds left to begin planning for next summer. The Lord has richly blessed this summer ministry of our congregation.

Belinda Karge (camp administrator)

Upcoming Events for Children and Youth of the congregation

Pre-K to third grade:

The first and third Tuesday of every month beginning in October we will be introducing a Pre-K to third grade children's bible study. TOT's for CHRIST will be from 6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. The first study is Tuesday, October 5th in the ACTS center. If you have questions, contact Stephanie Myers (619) 971-1606.

Grades four through six:

The first and third Wednesday of every month beginning September 15th we will continue the 456 group. This group will meet from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the ACTS center.

Confirmation :

Confirmation begins September 15th Wednesday nights from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Youth and Young Adult Events:

Parent meeting for High School and College Youth will take place on Sunday September 26th between services (10:15 am to 11:00). This meeting will be lead by Stephanie and Belinda. High school and College Youth will begin meeting Thursday evenings in October immediately following the new service.

Mark your calendars

New Youth Lead Service "*One Salvation*" Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. beginning October 7th – more details to come in the October ECHO.

Council Corner for July and August

The Council has enjoyed having the summer off from meetings, grateful for the blessing of extra time with family and friends. However, that does not mean that the Council has not been busy this summer. Laura has faithfully sent treasurer's reports for our review. Skip reports that the roofing company has started work on refurbishing the roof!

And, with sadness we accepted Gary Berglund's resignation from the Council.

The constitution permits the Council to appoint people to fill remaining terms of vacant Council positions. So, this summer we "met" via email and affirmed Edward Kassahn to fill the Parish Education position and Becky Byrd to fill the Worship and Music position.

Welcome, Edward and Becky! We look forward to seeing you at our next Council meeting.

Next meeting

Council: Sunday, September 12, 4:00 PM in the ACTS Center

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Blyth
Council Secretary

September Ministers

Coffee Fellowship: Nancy Funick, Laura Vaughan, Grace Otto

Communion Assist.: 5, 12- Gary Berglund & Darrel Timan 19, 26- Vicki Haas & Kim Taylor

Communion Care: Laura Vaughan

Greeters: 5, 12- Timan Family
19, 26- Reaney Family

Lector: 5, 12- Laura Vaughan 19, 26- Gail Orton

Stephen Minister of the Week: 5- Mandy Vaughan
12- Kathleen Darland 19- Carol Davidson
26- Marian Privitt

Ushers: Laura Vaughan, Norma Borgeson, Kathleen Darland, Marie Freeman, Matt Kassahn, Betty Maxa, Skip & Kim Taylor

Senior Fellowship Luncheon

Sr. Fellowship meets at the Soup Plantation, 9158 Fletcher Pkwy, at 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, September 14th. Join in for some good food and wonderful fellowship. For more information call Grace Otto, 448-8202 or Nancy Funick, 270-7187.

September Anniversaries

- 10 Rebecca & Jeffrey Taylor
- 10 Thomas & Tammy Halloran
- 13 Misty & Kent Thompson
- 14 Marie & Cole Freeman
- 16 Ron & Elizabeth Adams
- 17 Chris & Stephanie Myers
- 18 Lorraine & Ralph Beyer
- 19 Andrew & Heather Bjorson
- 22 Penny & Jeffrey Sallay
- 25 Tom & Jane Reaney

September Birthdays

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|----|------------------|----|-------------------|
| 2 | Laura Vaughan | 16 | Gabriel Callaway |
| 3 | Sylvia Smith | 16 | Henry Schneider |
| 4 | V. Grant | 17 | Vicki Haas |
| 5 | Juliana Avendano | 17 | Wilbur Taylor |
| 5 | Kim Naour | 17 | Linda Conklin |
| 5 | Penny Sallay | 19 | Michelle Webb |
| 8 | Thomas Gulliver | 20 | Robert Reid |
| 9 | Joanne Salaz | 20 | Terri Flores |
| 10 | Sydney Brown | 21 | Erik Parhiala |
| 11 | Cara Henson | 24 | Eleanor Timan |
| 11 | Thomas Reaney | 28 | Randall Catron |
| 13 | Misty Thompson | 30 | Miranda Chrislock |

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

Make a Joyful Noise Art and Music Camp 2010



