

Children's Ministry

May 1 – Food Shelf Sunday
May 8 – Mother's Day
May 22 – Last Day of Spring
Sunday School
June 13-17 – Vacation Bible
School

During the month of March, our congregation, joining others across the state, collected food as part of Minnesota Food Share. Our Sunday School goal was to collect more pounds of food than our guitar-players combined weight! To meet that goal we needed to collect over 500 pounds of food! We collected 541 pounds! Thank you to everyone who helped us to achieve our goal! We collected \$65.00 in cash contributions.

We also have an ongoing goal to collect more food in 2005 than we collected in 2004. Your response to our March Food Drive has definitely gotten us off to a good start!

Last year: January – 208 pounds
This year: January – 206 pounds
Last year: February – 149 pounds
This year: February – 86 pounds
Last year: March – 249 pounds
This year: March – 521 pounds

Correction:
Bill Krannich donated balloon valentines on Sunday, **February 13th**.

**A gift for all mothers on
Mother's Day
Sunday, May 8th**

Our prayers and condolences go to the Betty Nelson on the death of her brother; and to Tim Spencer on the death of his father.

With Sincere thanks to Pastor Dan & Pastor Jim for all the prayers and support during the illness, and upon the death of our father, Clarence Wild. Also, thank you to the Women in Ministry group for the luncheon and their kindness.

The family of Clarence Wild

I sincerely want to thank everyone who prayed for me and sent cards when I had my recent surgery. It meant so much to me for the caring of my church family. Also, special thanks to Pastor Dan and his prayers and visits. God bless you.

Caroline Felland

CHILDREN'S SAFE HOME

WIM is collecting items for the LSS homeless shelter for teens! A list of "requested items" is on the WIM Board. Please donate only items in very good condition.

Senior Choir – NO rehearsal on Wednesday, May 18th.

The next Steppingstone will go out on May 3rd. Articles need to be turned in to the church office by Sun., May 1st.

EAST CENTRAL CLUSTER Women of the ELCA SPRING MEETING

Thursday, May 5, 2005
at

Bethlehem Lutheran
490 N 4th Street, Bayport
6:30 p.m. Registration
\$3.00/Refreshments

See WIM bulletin board
For more information

TANZANIA DINNER (Traditional African meal)

at St. Stephen

April 30th, at 6 p.m.

\$5.00 person/\$12.00 per family
A free-will offering will be received
Program: Reverend Richard Lubawa

(from Iringa)

Missionaries: Pastor Don Fultz &
Eunice Fultz

Call St. Stephen to order tickets
651-777-1107

ADULT FORUM

Objections Answered Video and Bible Study with RC Sproul, will continue March 24 & May 1.

Lesson 6: Is There Life After Death?
Video on April 17 – Bible Study on April 24

Lesson: Why Does God Allow Suffering and Evil? Bible Study on May 1
Sundays, in the Library @ 9 a.m.

Youth

April 30th - Paint Ball All Youth
Chaperones needed! Contact John King
(651-777-0967).

Sunday, May 1st TIM Team donut sales

Wednesday, May 4 Confirmation
Year-end Party, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 8th TIM Team
11:45 a.m. - TIM Team Meeting

Tuesday, June 7th All Youth
1st Tuesday of each month and
thereafter...meet at Buffalo Wild Wings in
Maplewood at 5:33 p.m. for fun and
fellowship.

Sunday, June 12 TIM Team
Last TIM Team Meeting until the fall.

Thursday, June 23 Senior High
Golf & BBQ

Sunday, June 26 Confirmation Youth
Confirmation Picnic

Saturday, July 2 Senior High
Bag groceries at Cub Foods - 10-5 p.m.

Monday, July 4 All Youth
Glow Necklace fundraiser

Tuesday, July 5 Senior High
Buffalo Wild Wings

July 11-15 All Youth
Summer Blast

July 13-17 Senior High
Sonshine Music Festival

Wednesday, July 27 All Youth
Valley Fair

Tuesday, August 2 All Youth
Buffalo Wild Wings

August 5-12 TIM Team Training

August 18-21 Senior High
Wisconsin Dells Trip

August 27 All Youth
Summer end celebration