

Children's Ministry

June 26 – Summer Sunday School
July 3 – 9:00 Summer Sunday School
10:30 Worship in Sanctuary

Needed, Summer Sunday School leaders, to present an Old Testament video with corresponding worksheets provided. **Please sign up in the narthex.**



We had a wonderful time at Vacation Bible School! This wonderful experience requires many volunteers. I would like to especially thank our Preschool Director, Sue Lemon, and her assistant, Rob Allickson, as they oversee the entire preschool program, allowing me to concentrate on the elementary program. I also thank my assistants, Solveig Hansen and Brett Stewart for the myriad details that they took care of Monday through Wednesday. Thank you to our Elementary and Preschool Crew Leaders, Brittany Abbott, Hannah Aho, Charles Anderson, Loghan Anderson, Sandi Ballata, Andrew Bartling, Ian Bartling, Adam Bolton, Dana Ashley, Lia Ashley, Jenna Bartolic, Justine Coller, Whitney Davis, Mallory Dignin, Catherine Frey, Kristen Frey, Allison Galland, Alex Grace, Madison Heckel, Breanna Henk, Angie Johnson, Patty Johnson, Stephanie Johnson, Dana Lange, Marinna McDermott, Catherine Nelson, Heather O'Brien, Dana Peterson, Judy Ruth, Cindy Scott, Doug Scott, Kim Simanski,

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2 Special Events to put on your calendar:

MALE CHOIR FROM SWEDEN

Wednesday evening, September 7th
6:15-7:00 p.m.

64-voice male choir from Luleå, Sweden, featuring Lennart & Emma Johansson.

TANZANIAN CHOIR

Wednesday evening, September 21st
6:15 p.m.

Concert by a Tanzanian Choir. Come, experience what our mission teams have experienced in visiting Tanzania, as they will be visiting in the St. Paul Area Synod. We are their first stop and will host them for 2 nights. We are looking for housing for those students on Tuesday, September 20th, and Wednesday, September 21st – 2 students per home. If you would like to help welcome them to St. Stephen, the St. Paul Area Synod, and the United States, please call the church office.

Both of these concert services will be preceded with a potluck meal from 5:30-6:10.

Our prayers and condolences go to Mavis Garrett on the death of her brother-in-law; and to John Scheid on the death of his father.



RELAY FOR LIFE

A Team Event to Fight Cancer

The evening of July 29th will mark the 11th anniversary of the White Bear Lake Area "Relay for Life".

We are planning to have 3 teams from St. Stephen – Men, Ladies, and Youth. Team sign-up sheets will be on a table in the narthex. Please sign up as soon as possible so we can get team members their packets.

Luminaries will be on sale starting Sunday, July 3rd, with Luminary Sunday on July 24th.

Any questions – call Jerry Engen at 651-429-1343.

NOTE: You will notice there are a few empty spots on the Discipleship Schedule for July. If you would like to help out, call Diane in the church office (651-777-1107).

2005 Backpacks & Blessings

Every year, there are more and more families within our community who are struggling to make ends meet. An often forgotten need in families is the ability to provide basic school supplies for their children. In the past, several local churches have independently gathered school supply kits to be offered to students who attend schools and/or reside within the boundaries of the White Bear Lake Area School District. As the needs of our families continue to grow, this effort has been expanded and the invitation is extended to all local faith communities to participate in this effort.

How to donate:

- A donation bucket will be available in the narthex to drop off school supplies.
- Envelopes will be available near the bucket for those interested in offering a cash donation.

Supplies needed:

Basic bag of supplies:

4 notebooks	6 pencils
box of crayons (24 count)	ruler
Pencil box	scissors
4 pocket folders	
bottle of glue/gluestick	
washable markers	

Extra supplies added when available:

Small calculator
3-ring binder
loose-leaf paper (wide rule)
pens (for older kids)
erasers
protractor

Watch for more information during the month of July.

LET'S RIDE

If you enjoy motorcycling, come along! Everyone is welcome. Mark calendars NOW for Sunday, July 24th. Any and all makes and models of bikes wanted. Meet at church for the 9 a.m. service. At 10 a.m. there will be a motorcycle blessing followed by a 50 to 100 mile ride. We will stop for lunch along the way. Any questions, call Pete or Mary Lou Linder at 651-770-3791.

Appetizers, Snacks, Beverages St. Stephen's Cookbook

St. Stephen's women and men – we need your recipes for a new cookbook. Please leave recipes for appetizers, snacks, and beverages in the box provided in the church office now through the summer months. The cookbook will be ready for the Boutique in November.

Thank You,
Boutique Committee

LUTHERAN NIGHT AT THE TWINS

Wednesday, August 3rd - 7:10 p.m.
(Twins vs. Oakland)

Watch for sign-up in the narthex on Sunday morning, or call the church office.

Lower level reserved tickets: \$17.00

American Red Cross Blood Drive

at St. Mary's of the Lake Parish Life Ctr.
2nd & Bald Eagle, WBL

Monday, August 1st
1:00-6:45 p.m.

For donor appointment call:
651-429-7771
(Walk-ins Welcome)

YOUTH

- HEY YOUTH! Call Dee at church if you are available to bag groceries at Cub Foods on 2 July from 10-5 p.m. I still need at least five more volunteers. TIM Teamers and Confirmation students – this is a great service project if you need hours. I will buy dinner for whoever shows up for the whole day. I look forward to hearing from you.
- Just a reminder to DOC912, we are meeting at Buffalo Wild Wings in Maplewood on July 5th at 5:33 p.m. Looking forward to seeing your smiling faces. We will be attending a fellow DOC912 member's softball game after dinner.

Youth Calendar

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

Monday, July 4 All Youth
Glow Necklace fundraiser – 7:45 – 10 p.m. Money raised can be used for any youth event or retreat at church (for 2 hours work kids can raise \$25-\$50) Youth under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Sign up on the Youth Bulletin Board.

Tuesday, July 5 All Youth
Buffalo Wild Wings

Note date change:
Sunday, July 10 Confirmation Youth
Confirmation Picnic

July 11-15 All Youth
Summer Blast

Youth Calendar - continued

July 13-17 Senior High
Sonshine Music Festival

Wednesday, July 20 Grades 7-9
Mini Golf at 1 p.m. Sign up on the Youth Bulletin Board. Cost TBD.

Wednesday, July 27 All Youth
Valley Fair – Cost is \$25, includes ticket and transportation. Bring some extra \$\$\$ for food. Sign up on the Youth Bulletin Board.

Tuesday, August 2 All Youth
Buffalo Wild Wings

August 5-12
TIM Team Training/Bible Camp

Wednesday, August 17 Grades 7-9
Bunker Hills Wave Pool. Sign up on the Youth Bulletin Board. Cost TBD.

August 18-21 All Youth
Wisconsin Dells Trip - Cost is \$115, includes transportation, food, camping fees, Noah's Ark, and lots of fun. Deadline to sign up is July 30th. Sign up on the Youth Bulletin Board.

August 27 All Youth
Summer end celebration

I STILL NEED YOUR HELP!

My name is Norm Piatti and I am still looking for a room to rent. I am looking in the White Bear Lake, Maplewood and Hugo area. If you know anyone who has one room to rent, please notify me. My number is (651) 503-5947. Thanks for your help.