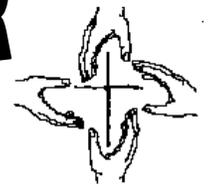


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# GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER



*MAY & JUNE 2011*

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What happens when you suddenly spot grazing deer while driving down the road? If you are like me, and the traffic permits, you may pull off to the side, being very still, and watch. Silence. Oh, no, not a sneeze, not now. Do not move. Do not frighten the deer.

Suddenly, the deer glance in your direction. “I really should get that muffler fixed.” Too late. The doe has sensed your presence and imminent danger. She and her fawn turn around and flee. In the blinking of an eye they are gone, running and leaping across the field, leaving no trace of their prior presence only a memory that lingers in a moment of silence.

Silence. God speaks to us in silence. We await His still, small voice in the quiet hours of dusk or dawn, in the solitude of our room, the peaceful serenity of a quiet church, the stillness of a warm spring day. In the protection and privacy of the darkness, in our solitude we open our hearts to God. We tell Him our cares, our concerns. We lay before Him the burdens of our hearts. Or, maybe we just rest in Him, in His loving embrace.

What joy; what peace, knowing our God is never too busy for us, never on vacation and out of contact, no matter when or where we come to Him. Not only does He willingly hear us but He also anxiously awaits our words. And, He also responds, speaking to our hearts. What an awesome privilege is our faith - a precious gift of the Holy Spirit. We need our quiet times. We need to exercise the gift of our faith, the gift of communication with our God – the gift of Prayer.

*“Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for You my God.” Ps. 42:1*

Do these words of the Psalmist reflect your spirituality as we struggle through our daily routines? Look at the chaos of the world today. This moment’s silence becomes the next moment’s bomb explosion; the next gun shot; the next action of violence and rage. We all need our quiet times. We need to exercise the gift of our faith, the gift of communication with our God – the gift of Prayer.

Look at your life – what is your focus?

God invites us, by His grace, to spend quiet time with Him. What a precious gift are those times of solitude, quiet and silence spent with the Lord. I encourage you to spend more time with Him – starting right now. If we begin our tasks with the Lord, He will bless everything we do in his name. But you know that. Who am I to preach to you? Don’t listen to me, listen to Jesus: “Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest awhile.” The true joy of such a retreat is that you rest in the Lord – you rest with the Lord.

May you find your own quiet place. May the peace of God keep your heart and mind in Christ Jesus. May the Lord, draw closer to you. May our gracious God bless your retreating, your waiting, your watching, your silence, your praying and your witnessing.

Also, may the Joy and Blessing of Easter be with you daily as you walk and rest with Jesus. May that Joy and Blessing fill your life as you seek to Tell The Good News About Jesus to those you know And meet who are being blessed by your witness.

*Rev. David E. Bernard, Pastor*



### Outreach

Hey, what do you think of our new name? We love it! It really tells what we do- what we all do-to show we love the Lord. Just think about all those things you do daily that help someone out, even your spouse or children, maybe even a stranger, in the smallest way. Those things can make such a big difference in the life of someone who is struggling. Easter is a wonderful time because it brings all this to the front of mind but don't let it go back. Make an effort to make a difference.

Our calendar of events has been sort of quiet but behind the scenes there's much going on. Please keep your ears and heart open, your eyes to see, and your hands to work when you read or hear of what Outreach is working on.

Relay for Life has been busy with small things, like the pie and ongoing necklace sale, plus some other things from the fall. We have reached our goal already of \$1,500. What a great accomplishment! Let's see if we exceed the \$2,000 mark before Relay for Life takes place on June 11-12. We have lots of time. Many thanks go to the committee for their time, commitment to the cause and especially their ideas that help to make this possible. We are reaching out into the community and finding out how generous they are. Plan to be a part of Relay for Life. We will be looking for people to walk. This year we would like to have someone walking for the whole event. (I'll share a secret with you – the best time is the early morning hours.) Plus, we will need some people to sit at the booth, which will allow our walkers to walk. Watch for the sign up sheets. It's going to be a great event!

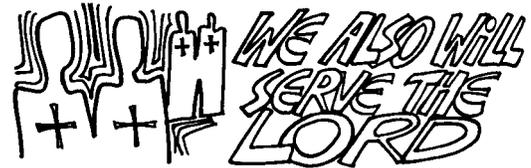
The Garage Sale will take place at the church on May 14 from 9 to 3. Please bring household items, jewelry, and gently used children's clothing to

church form 5-7. We will be setting the Garage Sale up according to price. For example, there will be a \$1 table, \$2 table, etc. So, I'm sure spring cleaning is going on, so see what you have to contribute to our Garage Sale. Money raised will go to Relay for Life. I see \$2,000 in our future.\

Do you know what your blood pressure is? Remember that the second Sunday of every month is Blood pressure screening time. It is done privately in one of the Sunday School rooms. Keeping your blood pressure in the correct range is important to your health. So, come on May 14 during fellowship time and have your blood pressure checked.

Serving with gladness,

Teri Devan  
Outreach Chairman



Therefore, if there is any encouragement,  
if there is any consolation of love,  
if there is any fellowship of the Spirit,  
if any affection and compassion,  
make my joy complete by being of the same mind,  
maintaining the same love, united in spirit,  
intent on one purpose.

Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit,  
but with humility of mind regard one another  
as more important than yourselves;  
do not merely look out for your own personal  
interests,

but also for the interests of others.  
with fear and trembling, in singleness of heart,  
not in the way of eye-service, as men-pleasers,  
doing the will of God from the heart,  
rendering service with a good will and not to men.

### **We Are God's Workmanship!**

St. Paul writes, "For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." (Ephesians 2:10). If we are seeking and sensitive – and sometimes when we are neither – God will open our eyes to a need or an opportunity to serve Him, something He's already prepared for us and for which He has equipped us. There is no greater joy for the Christian than to join God in the work He has prepared for you. I am reminded of two stanzas from the great hymn "Hark the Voice of Jesus Calling", written in 1868 by Daniel March:

Hark, the voice of Jesus calling,  
"Who will go and work today?  
Fields are ripe and harvests waiting,  
Who will bear the sheaves away?  
Long and loud the Master calls us,  
Rich reward He offers free;  
Who will answer, gladly saying,  
"Here am I, send me, send me?"

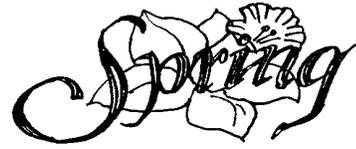
Let none hear you idly saying,  
"There is nothing I can do."  
While the lost of earth are dying,  
And the Master calls for you;  
Take the task He gives you gladly;  
Let His work your pleasure be;  
Answer quickly when He calls you,  
"Here am I, send me, send, me."

*Contributed by Gale Hedgecock*

### **The Economy & Stewardship**

No matter what our financial status is in today's really tough economy, we still have much to be thankful for. We have a home, food and clothing, people who really care about us. All gifts from the God who loves us. Giving, even if it is a small amount, out of a heart of gratitude will help us find contentment. Giving proves the condition of our hearts. Giving builds our faith and invites God's supernatural intervention into all aspects of our life including financial.

*Taken from an article contributed by Barb Hartman*



### **Daffodils - a poem by William Wordsworth**

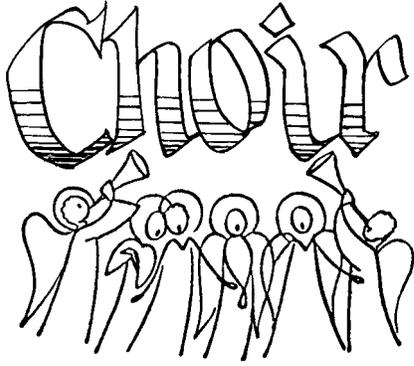
Continuous as the stars that shine  
And twinkle on the milky way,  
They stretched in never-ending line  
Along the margin of a bay:  
Ten thousand saw I at a glance,  
Tossing their heads in sprightly dance.

The waves beside them danced, but they  
Out-did the sparkling leaves in glee;  
A poet could not be but gay,  
In such a jocund company! I gazed—and gazed—  
but little thought  
What wealth the show to me had brought:

For oft, when on my couch I lie  
In vacant or in pensive mood,  
They flash upon that inward eye  
Which is the bliss of solitude;  
And then my heart with pleasure fills,  
And dances with the daffodils.

I wandered lonely as a cloud  
That floats on high o'er vales and hills,  
When all at once I saw a crowd,  
A host, of golden daffodils;  
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,  
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

**Many years ago a Pastor was heard to say,  
"Lutherans would rather die than deny the truth  
of the Bible, but you almost have to kill them to  
get them to read it!" O the difference between  
what we profess and what we practice!!**



### *Voice of the Shepherd*

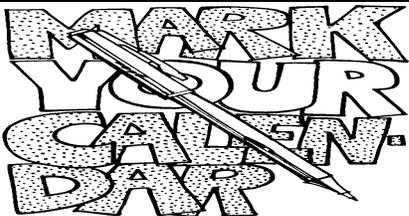
Do you have a desire to sing? If so, come join us on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. as we celebrate God's love through music. We usually rehearse for approximately 1 ½ hours each week. We would love to add your voices to our group. All you need is a commitment of your time and talents. Sing unto the Lord a new song...Psalm 98:1; I will sing and make music...Psalm 108:1; Sing and make music in your heart...Eph. 5:19. Holy Scripture tells us to rejoice with singing and to lift our voices in song.

If you have questions please call Karen Devan 761-4004

### **Editor's Notes**

**Attention: It takes about seven days to put together the newsletter once the articles are in. Then we need about three days for mailing time to reach some who live in other states. Please help us meet our deadline by having your articles to Rebecca Harrington by the 18<sup>th</sup> of the month. rharri9@tcwny.rr.**

**Thank You  
Rebecca Harrington**



**Fund Raiser for Relay for Life! Garage Sale at the church, Saturday, May 14, 9-3. See Teri Devan's Outreach column for more information.**



### Sunday School News

Our Sunday School children are studying lessons which are following the scripture readings assigned to our worship services. Our present term began March 6<sup>th</sup> and will run through to May 29<sup>th</sup>.

The lessons include:

- The Transfiguration
- The Temptation of Jesus
- Jesus Teaches Nicodemus
- Jesus/the Samaritan Woman
- Jesus Heals a Blind Man
- Jesus Raises Lazarus
- The Passion of Christ
- The Resurrection of Christ
- God's Servant Stephen
- Philip and the Ethiopian
- The Conversion of Paul
- Peter and Cornelius
- Peter's Escape from Prison

We welcome children in Kindergarten through Grade 6 to join us for Sunday school classes on Sunday morning from 8:45-9:45 from September through June. Come and experience God's Word with other children through Bible study, songs, crafts, mission projects and games. Our newly baptized children are encouraged to come and be a part of our family. Bring a friend to join you.

Linda Bahr  
Chairman of Christian Education



## LWML Peoria Ingathering

Items Needed by June 12th:

New Bath Towel  
New Hand Towel  
New Washcloth  
Men's, Women's or Children Underwear  
(in original packaging)  
New Children's Picture Bible or Arch Books

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### Mary-Martha Minute

The LWML ladies are busy once again. Since the last newsletter, we have planned and organized the Lenten Soup Suppers, manned a booth at the Canastota Health Fair, participated in the LWML Central New York North Zone Spring Rally, and made the Palm Crosses from Palm Sunday. My personal favorite was the Canastota Health Fair where we gave out 50 Pedometers with devotions and 50 Children Activity Booklets with pencils called "The Power of the Cross."

It was nice to see some of our Ladies at the last Mary-Martha Meeting who were snow-bound during the winter months. There is always room for more at our meetings. So please join us on May 10 and/or June 14 before we recess for the summer.

Before we recess, we will be planning for the Fall Retreat at Camp Pioneer. Karen Devan is helping the host Genesee Zone with the Entertainment. She is organizing a Zone Talent Show. So our society will show off our talents for the Central New York North Zone. I encourage all the Ladies of Grace to consider going to the Retreat (participation in the talent show is optional). Please see the back bulletin board for a registration form or ask me for one.

Our LWML Society is still collecting used printer ink cartridges, etc. and returnable containers to help raise money for the LWML National Conventions in Pittsburgh 2013 and to send three of our ladies to Peoria in 2011. Specifics for these two items are in the weekly bulletin. So keep 'em coming! We are also collecting items for the Ingathering in Peoria in June. Items collected at the Convention will be given to the Orphan Grain Train and Peoria Area Agencies. If you would like to participate in this, please bring your donations to Church by June 12<sup>th</sup>. We will assemble kits at our Mary-Martha Meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup>. See the Advertisement for LWML Peoria Ingathering for specific items to donate.

In His Service,

Kathy Pavelock, President Mary-Martha LWML

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### Grace Lutheran Church Family Assistance Fund

In 2003, Grace Lutheran Church established a fund that could be used to assist any family with financial hardships. The families who benefit from these donations do not have to be members of the congregation. The Board of Deacons and the Pastor decide on distribution of these funds. When a need is identified, they request funds from the treasurer. Only the Board of Deacons and the Pastor know who the recipient is. The Family Assistance Fund is replenished each year with 1% of the approved annual budgeted income. Of course, anyone may make a donation at anytime of the year for this fund. Simply identify that you wish the donation to go towards the Family Assistance Fund. If anyone knows of a family or individual in need, please speak to the Pastor or to one of the Deacons.

In His Service,

Kathy Pavelock, Treasurer

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The Grace Website is now listing current events. Check it out at:

<http://www.grace-lcms-cny.org/>

If anyone has something they would like me to add to the website, please let me know.

Kathy Pavelock

# May

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
<b>1</b> 8:45 AM-BS/SS 10:00 AM-Holy Communion 11:00 AM-Fellowship & Deacon Meeting	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 6:00 PM-Choir Practice	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> 8:45 AM-BS/SS 10:00 AM-Worship 11:00 AM-Fellowship Mothers Day 	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 6:00 PM-Choir Practice 7:30 PM-MM LWML	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Fundraiser for Relay for Life 9-3 
<b>15</b> 8:45 AM-BS/SS 10:00 AM-Holy Communion 11:00 AM-Fellowship	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 6:00 PM-Choir Practice	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 8:45 AM-BS/SS 10:00 AM-Worship 11:00 AM-Fellowship Armed Forces Day 	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 6:00 PM-Choir Practice	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> 8:45 AM-BS/SS 10:00 AM-Worship 11:00 AM-Fellowship	<b>30</b>  <b>Memorial Day</b>	<b>31</b> 6:00 PM-Choir Practice				

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# June

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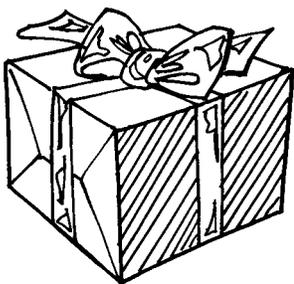


### ***Birthdays***

May 2 Madeline Neumiller  
16 Barbara Hartman  
19 Pastor Bernard  
26 Adam Thomas  
27 Tenea Harmon  
28 Jessica House  
? Darlene House

### ***Baptismal Birthday's***

4 Barbara Brinck  
6 Vemla Smolsey  
9 Leslie Whitney  
19 Jacob Whitney  
22 Bianca Brinck  
22 Chad Brinck



### ***Birthdays***

June 4 Patricia Clark  
7 John Pavelock  
9 Ashley Gualtieri  
10 John Flay  
12 Katie Hurre  
15 Ann Eldred  
15 Gail Flay  
22 Floyd Whitney Jr.  
25 Christina Wall  
28 Kimberly Medley

### ***Baptismal Birthday's***

3 Gail Flay  
10 Ashley Croy  
13 Addison Moran  
13 Bailee Underwood  
13 Kailee Underwood  
14 Colton Underwood  
18 John Richmond  
21 John Pavelock  
27 Patricia Clark

### ***Anniversaries***

2 Charles & Gail Flay  
15 Delarno & Krystal Burton  
25 Floyd & Leslie Whitney Jr.  
29 Hoyt & Gale Hedgecock

# THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

John 8



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**"I am the light of the world, and of life.  
Whoever follows me will not walk in the dark."**

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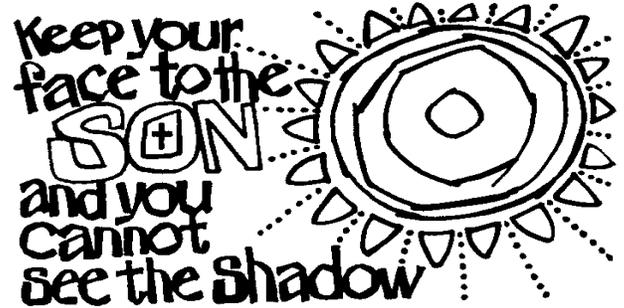
**Hours of Worship**  
**Sunday 10:00 AM**

**Holy Communion 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays**

**Fellowship Hour 11:00 AM**

**Sunday School & Bible Study 8:45 AM**

**Women's Bible Study-Tuesday 10:00 AM**

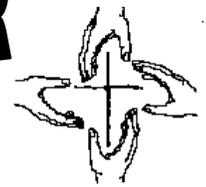


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On Saturday 18 June 2011 I did something I have never before done in my lifetime; I officiated at the funeral of a Fallen Hero. If you are reading this, you probably did not know her. Her name was SGT. Devin Ariel Snyder.

She was 20 years old, almost (in less than two months) a legal adult by our standards of age. She had been a member of the US Army since 11 August 2008, (when she was barely 18). She was deployed to Afghanistan in March 2011 and on 4 June 2011 she paid the ultimate sacrifice when her Humvee hit an IED and she along with three other MP's was killed instantly.

I have known Devin and her family for close to twenty years. She was a beautiful "All American Girl" who loved her family, friends, her job and her country.

At less than twenty-one years of age she knew the meaning of life and freedom and she knew at what cost life and freedom came in the United States. Devin took unto herself, as a motto for her life, a prayer written by noted American theologian, Reinhold Niebuhr. You might know this prayer as the serenity prayer. Many know the first part, but few are familiar with the entire prayer:

*God, give us grace to accept with serenity  
the things that cannot be changed,  
Courage to change the things  
which should be changed,  
and the Wisdom to distinguish  
the one from the other.  
Living one day at a time,  
Enjoying one moment at a time,  
Accepting hardship as a pathway to peace,  
Taking, as Jesus did,  
This sinful world as it is,  
Not as I would have it,  
Trusting that You will make all things right,*

*If I surrender to Your will,  
So that I may be reasonably happy in this life,  
And supremely happy with You forever in the next.  
Amen.*

In addition, she took John 15: 12-17 as her guide. Devin was about higher things, of that I have become convinced in these past two weeks – L-O-V-E.

The Gospel reading recounts Jesus' words to His Disciples and us, His followers, about true love. Devin not only knew, but came to better understand in her all too short life the meaning of these words.

She willingly went, fulfilling a calling, and I firmly believe her service to her Country in the Army was a calling, fulfilling a calling that ultimately included her supreme sacrifice, laying her life down for "friends," people we admit she probably did not know, in a place thousands of miles from her home. And all of this out of this "great love"

Jesus speaks about in John chapter 15. In about two weeks (from the time I am writing this) our nation will celebrate its 235th birthday. We will gather as families and communities to celebrate and party, as we are wont to do. There will be much food and drink and the obligatory fireworks of our traditional 4th of July celebrations, in honor of those who have paid the price for our freedom.

It is by God's Grace that we are privileged to live in this "Land of the Free and Home of the Brave." It is by God's Grace that we, lost and condemned sinners are "Blessed to be a Blessing." It is by God's Grace that in the midst of the horror that is man's sinful nature in waging war, we too can live by the Words of Jesus:

**John 15:12-17**

12 'This is my commandment, that you **love one**

**another as I have loved you.** 13No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. 14You are my friends if you do what I command you. 15I do not call you servants\* any longer, because the servant\* does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. 16You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. 17I am giving you these commands so that you may **love one another.**

May God continue to bless America as we place our faith and trust in Him. And may He allow His peace and mercy to flow across our great country that all who call this land home might live in His Peace and Blessing.

May God be with those, who, like SGT Devin Snyder, not only sign but willingly put their lives on the line for the cause of Peace and Freedom.

May God be with us and continue to bless us. May God be our peace and comfort. May His love and mercy surround and enfold us. May we grow in our faith in order that we may walk with Jesus and the Saints of God in His eternal presence.

“To the king of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be all honor and glory forever and ever.  
*Pastor David Bernard*

### **One Nation Under God**

The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing;

he frustrates the plans of the peoples.

The counsel of the LORD stands forever,  
the plans of his heart to all generations.

**Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD,  
the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!**

The LORD looks down from heaven;  
he sees all the children of man;  
from where he sits enthroned he looks out  
on all the inhabitants of the earth,  
he who fashions the hearts of them all  
and observes all their deeds.

The king is not saved by his great army;  
a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.

The war horse is a false hope for salvation,  
and by its great might it cannot rescue.

Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him,  
on those who hope in his steadfast love,  
that he may deliver their soul from death  
and keep them alive in famine.

Our soul waits for the LORD;  
he is our help and our shield.  
For our heart is glad in him,  
because we trust in his holy name.

Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us,  
even as we hope in you. (Psalm 33:10-22 ESV)



We the people of the United States of America celebrate the birth of our nation on Independence Day, July 4<sup>th</sup>. Amidst the solemn ceremonies in the morning, family picnics in the afternoon, and fireworks in the evening, shall we not think about what it is that enables this nation to be so special?

### **The Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance has since 1954 stated that we are “one nation under God.” A nation under God, is that who we are? Is that how we were founded?

Listening to modern rhetoric, one may be led to believe that the “one nation under God” phrase is a recent undertaking to inject religion where it never was and does not belong. “Keep your religion to yourself, in your family and your churches,” they say, “not in the public square.” They claim the nation was founded with a wall to keep you there.

There are many valid and compelling counters to this argument, and it is useful for Christians to be aware of some of them.

Do you know where “one nation under God” comes from? Was it coined by President Eisenhower when he was converted and baptized as a Presbyterian in 1953?

No, the Pledge was first spoken with these words by Louis Bowman, a chaplain of the Illinois Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, on February 12, 1948—Lincoln's birthday. Bowman explained that the words came from Lincoln's Gettysburg Address (1863), “the nation shall, under God, have a new birth of freedom.”

When I was learning the new pledge in Cub Scouts in the mid-1950s, we were carefully instructed to

say “one nation under God” (not “one nation, under God”). Over the years many have divided the phrase into two, as if “under God” is separate, almost an afterthought or even some type of creed, rather than integral with the nation itself.

One artist’s concept of “One Nation Under God” is the painting by that title by Jon McNaughton. If you have a computer, you’ll want to visit this work at: (type carefully)

[http://www.mcnaughtonart.com/artwork/view\\_zoom/?artpiece\\_id=353](http://www.mcnaughtonart.com/artwork/view_zoom/?artpiece_id=353)

The painting depicts Christ bearing the U.S. Constitution. He is surrounded by figures from our founding to the present, and closest to Him is a young lad representing the future. As you roll your mouse over each figure, McNaughton explains how that person contributes to “One Nation Under God.” Beautifully done!

### The Constitution(s)

One may argue that we are, more accurately, “fifty states under God,” rather than one nation under God, since the Constitution of the United States mentions God only in the context of prohibiting a religious test as a qualification for holding federal office. The constitutions of *all fifty states* give credit to God for their existence. Typical is that of New York State:

We The People of the State of New York,  
grateful to Almighty God for our Freedom, in  
order to secure its blessings, do establish this  
constitution.

Several states have religious freedom clauses, such as Michigan’s “Every person shall be at liberty to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience.” A number of states even deny public office to a person who “denies the being of God.”

### The Great Seal

It’s on the back of every \$1 bill, so you’ve seen it before. You recognize on the obverse *E pluribus unum*, “out of many, one.”

One what, perhaps one nation under God? In 1782, when the seal was adopted, did it depict “one nation under God? Yes, it did.

On the reverse, the pyramid, strong and enduring, is unfinished.

Where the top of the pyramid should be, the Eye of Providence (God) watches over it. Over the

Great Seal of the United States



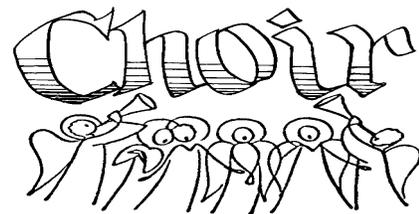
Eye appear the Latin words *ANNUIT* (he nods, or approves) *CŒPTIS* (undertaking)—“He approves our undertaking.”

The motto below the Roman numeral 1776 at the base of the pyramid is *NOVUS* (new) *ORDO* (order) *SECLORUM* (of the ages). Indeed this nation was a “new order” in many respects, not least of which were its founding with blessings and guidance provided by God, and its firm protection of individual conscience with respect to belief in God. We are not told how to worship, or even that we must worship. And we are certainly not told to hide our worship. Divine guidance is at least as useful in the public square and in Albany and in Washington as it is on Carter Road. May we and our leaders listen to the voice of God, and heed it.

As we celebrate and enjoy our nation this summer, let us keep in mind the importance of being “One Nation Under God.” May our Independence Day become also a Day of Thanksgiving.

Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us,  
even as we hope in you. (Psalm 33:22)

Glen Bahr



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fast and needs to be mowed every few days, could I do that?

Have you taken a walk around the church acreage lately? If you have not, take a few minutes to explore the beauty of our property. This is just a small part of the blessings bestowed on us by the Lord who loves us.

We have had beautiful spruce trees donated to take the place of some that died, the new bell house and newly sanded and painted bell are in place, the garden around the crosses is being redesigned and enlarged. The Rose of Sharon that George & Alice House donated are flourishing around the propane tank to disguise it.

Two beautiful benches sit beside the doors for comfort along side the lovely plants there.

Have you ever taken a look at the storage barn? It is pretty neat. It has an upstairs for storage with a great stairway just made for climbing. Wouldn't it be wonderful to have something like that for our church building to make access to our huge attic possible? Did you even know we had a huge attic?

Work will continue in August on the mouldings and shelves inside the sanctuary. This is finishing work and will streamline the area behind the organ. The mouldings will go along the wall behind the altar as well as behind the organ to give them a more polished look.

In the future, we hope to have a white cross on the Carter Road end of the building with back lighting that will be visible at night for miles along Rte 13.

All these additions to our church did not magically appear. They are the result of hard work and dedication by members of our congregation. Their love for our Lord and Savior truly shines through these efforts.

Our Lord does not need these gifts from us, but we need to give them. What can I give? Yes, I give my weekly offering. That is just the beginning of what I can give. I can give my time to clean, serve on the altar, be an usher, an acolyte, teach in Sunday School and Vacation Bible School. Could I sing in the choir or play an instrument? There are all kinds of ways to serve Him. There is a lot of opportunity just taking care of our lawns. The grass grows very

Could I serve in an office? There are all kinds of committees that need my help. For example, Stewardship, Outreach (Evangelism), Prayer Chain, Prayer Shawl Ministry, Altar Care, Deacon Board. Am I suited for any of these jobs? Oh, wait a minute! What have I been taught? If I give my best and do my best to please my Lord, then He will be satisfied.

We all have different gifts and it is up to us with the help of the Lord, to figure out how to use these gifts for the furtherance of our mission here on Carter Road.

May our Lord and Savior, who continues to guard and keep us bless our mission and inspire us to go and tell what our faith means to us. *Pat Clark*



### **The Lord Is My Shepherd**

A Sunday School teacher decided to have her young class memorize one of the most quoted passages in the Bible - Psalm 23. She gave the youngsters a month to learn the chapter. Little Rick was excited about the task - but he just couldn't remember the Psalm. After much practice, he could barely get past the first line. On the day that the kids were scheduled to recite Psalm 23 in front of the congregation, Ricky was so nervous. When it was his turn, he stepped up to the microphone and said proudly, "The Lord is my Shepherd, and that's all I need to know."

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Thank You , Rebecca Harrington

### The Bible

Did you know that... When you carry the Bible, Satan has a headache. When you open it, he collapses. When he sees you reading it, he faints. Let's read the Bible every day so he keeps on fainting. Maybe one day he'll have a stroke and never wake up.

### Relay For Life (Outreach Report)

Thank you to all who supported the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life held on Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>. Much hard work, discussion and effort was put in to make this year's event the success that is was!

Our first official team GRACE meeting was at Teri Devan's home where she served us a fabulous breakfast which helped get the relay discussion ball rolling with great ideas.

In March, our team held a pie sale and wow these ladies can bake! Apple, meringue, blueberry and peanut butter pies were baked and every last one was sold! In April, the women were croqueting necklaces and selling them to friends relatives, relatives were selling them to friends and so on. The luminary forms were given out and sold as well. May 14<sup>th</sup> was our fundraising garage sale. Many items were donated and we made \$429!

Relay Weekend!

On Friday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, we started the prep work for the event. Dana, Bob and Sandy loaded the truck with tables, chairs, tents, coolers and a banner.

Saturday morning we all drove to Oneida High School and unloaded the items in the parking lot. Some items we carried, some were transported by the relay helpers committee. Set up went fast and the weather looked promising for awhile.

The opening ceremony was quite nice and the sun was shining. The survivors' walk was the first event and Barb Hartman and Pat Clark walked together. Pat's husband Paul stayed with us and cheered them on. The caregivers walk was next and Terry Hartman walked with Barb. It was beautiful.

Many booths were at the event and at ours, Sandy and Dana's family helped sell croqueted necklaces, raffle tickets, soda and water.

Later in the day, the weather had stated to turn and the rain came. Needless to say, we all got soaked, but being troopers, we stuck it out. Little Lisa and her mom (Sandy daughter/granddaughter) walked 11 miles. The little one finally sat down and told me her feet hurt.

In the evening, the rain continued and we were not sure if the luminaries would be able to be lit & set out. We put them out once and had to bring them back to the tent, due to the rain. By 9:30pm the weather cleared enough that the luminaries were set out again. The bag piper played "Amazing Grace" and we all walked the track in silence. So many luminaries make you realize that we are here only by HIS grace.

Thank you to all the members of GRACE for the help and support. Thank you to all who gave generous donations. Over \$2600.00 was realized. We had a great year! *Jeanne Griffin*

Hi, my name is Elizabeth and I'm 7 years old. I wanted to help raise money to fight cancer. So I walked in the Relay for Life on June 11, 2011 with my Grammy and the *Go with Grace* team. I know what it feels like to have somebody die of cancer. My Grandpa Butch died of cancer and the mother of my mom's friend, Mrs. Coon. Two people donated money if I walked. It didn't take me long before I walked 10 miles, plus it only took me 5 ½ hours. By this time my feet were as red as the poison apple the witch gave to Snow White. But I kept telling my mom I was "determined." Now, I know that cancer hurts more than my feet.

-Elizabeth Larli

**"Blessed is the man who can sit on a hard pew in church as he can on a hard bleacher at a ball game."**



**Vacation Bible School,**  
**July 18-22, 6:8:30 PM.**

We're having our own beach bash at Grace Lutheran Church, 3965 Carter Rd. Come, register and be prepared to have a great time. Kids ages 5-13 are welcome to join the fun! See you in the SON!

***Birthdays***

July 3 Joe Underwood  
4 Kurt Medley  
7 Charles Flay Jr  
10 Annie Whitney  
11 Hoyt Hedgecock  
11 Dionne Underwood  
11 Millie Weismuller  
16 Lyle Stevenson  
19 David Thomas  
22 Karen Devan  
26 Jason Flay  
26 Krystal Burton  
26 Devin McCormick  
27 Mackenzie Eaton  
27 Jane Gualtieri  
27 Tim House  
27 Mackenna Narolis

***Baptismal Birthday's***

4 Tonya Everitt  
11 Adam DelaRoche  
11 Danielle DelaRoche  
14 Ann Eldred  
15 Betsy Dodge

***Anniversaries***

2 David & Darlene Kirk  
12 Glen & Linda Bahr  
16 Lyle & Nelda Stevenson

18 Adam & Tammy Moran

19 Pastor & Ruth Bernard

***Birthdays***

Aug 1 Benjamin Scholl  
4 Anita Thomas  
7 Summer Wall  
9 Susan Dodge  
11 Aaron Thomas  
14 Rev. Ben Bahr  
15 Greg Scholl  
18 Gale Hedgecock  
22 Paul Clark Jr  
24 Ashlee Gilbert  
28 Dana Smith  
30 Darlene House  
31 Rose Fidler

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? Krystal Burton  
? Joe Underwood

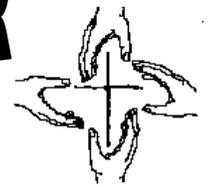
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30 John & Barbara Richmond

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# GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER



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*(The following is an adaptation and paraphrase of General George S. Patton's speech to the 4<sup>th</sup> Army on 5 June 1944. Some of the names were changed to make it fit; some of the words were changed to clean it up for publication in a church newsletter. ☺)*

You may be seated:

Now, I want you to remember that no Christian ever won **THE WAR** by dying for his own petty kingdom. He wins by making the poor dumb devils lose their kingdom. Men (women and children), all this stuff you've heard about Christians not wanting to fight, wanting to stay out of **THE WAR**, is a lot of horse dung. Christians traditionally love to fight. All **real** Christians love the sting of battle. When you were kids, you all admired the champion marble shooter, the fastest runner, the big league ball player, the toughest boxer. Christians love a winner and will not tolerate a loser. Christians play to win all the time. I wouldn't give a hoot in hades for a Christian who lost and laughed. That's why Christians have never lost and will never lose **THE WAR**. Because the very thought of losing is hateful to Christians.

Now, the Church is a team. It lives, eats, sleeps, fights as a team. This individuality stuff is a bunch of horse hockey. The American postmodern pipsqueaks who wrote that stuff about individuality don't know anything more about real battle than they do about theology.

We have the finest food—The Lord's Supper--and equipment—the Word of God, the best Spirit and the best pastors in the world. You know, I actually pity those poor devils we're going up against. I do. We're not just going to exorcise those devils, we're going to make

them fall like lightening out of heaven and cast them to the depths of hell.

Now, some of you, I know, are wondering whether or not you'll chicken out under fire. Don't worry about it. I can assure you that you will all do your duty. The Devils are the enemy. Wade into them. Exorcise them. Cast them out to outer darkness. When you hold the hand of a Neighbor, a creature of our Heavenly Father, who has been overthrown by the Enemy...you'll know what to do.

Now there's another thing I want you to remember. I don't want to get any messages saying that we are holding our position. We're not holding anything. Let the Enemy do that. We are advancing constantly and we're not interested in holding onto anything except the Enemy. We're going to hold onto him by the nose and we're going to kick him in the posterior. We're going to kick him back to hell all the time and we're gonna go through him like stuff through a goose. (*Sorry about the analogy.*)

There's one thing that you Christians will be able to say. And you may thank God for it. Thirty years from now, if you are still alive on earth, when you're sitting around your fireside with your grandson on your knee and he asks you "what did you do in the great Commission," you won't have to say, "Well, I sat on my butt in Canastota."

Alright now, you sons-of-the Father, you know how I feel. Oh, and I will be proud to lead you wonderful guys into battle – anytime, anywhere. That's all.

*Pastor David T*



## Sunday School News

By Linda Bahr

It's hard to believe that summer is half over and school is about to begin. Our summer VBS was a "Splash of Fun" enjoyed by about 25 children and several adults. Songs, crafts, snacks and games kept everyone busy and our heat wave that week, made our beach adventure very realistic. A program with songs and a skit followed by a balloon launch and ice cream, gave a fitting closing to our last VBS evening. We extend a BIG thank you to all the students who came and to all the volunteers who helped out. We couldn't have had a success without you.

Sunday School at Grace will commence on Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:45 a.m. in the church nave. Our teachers include Kathy Pavelock, Lorraine Warren, and Tammy Moran. They will be assisted by Kelly Gilbert, Teri Devan, Aaron Bahr, Karen Devan, Kate Hurre, Beth Scholl, and me, Linda Bahr. There will also be an Adult Bible Study class held in the fellowship hall at the same time, so parents and other interested adults can have an opportunity to share the Word of God with each other.

We have 4 youth entering Confirmation Classes this fall and about 11 children entering classes from Grade 2 to Grade 6. If you know of any child or youth interested in attending our classes, please contact me at linda@gbahr.com. (315-339-1979), or the church office (315-697-2128) to register. Thank you.

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Thank You

Rebecca Harrington

## OUTREACH

Wow! It's back to school and work. Summer was a great time to get refocused on the things we want to complete to honor the Lord by the end of the year. A friend of mine that Labor Day was like a Fall New Years Day because we pause to see what goals we'd like to achieve by the years' end knowing we have someone there to guide us.

The Relay for life committee will have met at the end of August to plan for 2012. I'm sure you'll be hearing more over the course of the upcoming months. This isn't fact as I write this- BUT we are considering doing a relish sale right before thanksgiving. If you have a great recipe for some kind of relish please share it with us.

Also, the Outreach Committee is meeting at the end of August to get back on track with some interesting activities. We are holding a Lutheran World Relief Fair Trade Coffee Tasting on Saturday September 24 at 10:30 AM. Fair Trade Products are important to the farmers or workers because they get a fair price or wage for the goods they grow or make. These products especially help the women who would be unable to have a proper job to make a god wage. So, come check out these products.

Do you plan ahead? We sure hope so. We will be linking up with LWML to hold a Lia Sophia Fundraiser for Mites – Bejeweled for Mites! We will be inviting the other societies from our zone as well. It will be Sunday October 2 at 2 PM at Grace. Be sure to invite a friend because all are welcome. Mites go to the LWML to meet their grant goals. - Maybe even our own grant to continue the Refugee Project.

Keep your eyes and ears open to more Outreach activities! Go out and show the love the Lord has given to you.

Serving with Gladness,  
Teri Devan

Outreach Chairman



### On Stewardship

Here we are again! September-October! Fall! Once again we say goodbye to vacations, trips to the beach, picnics, little league baseball and soccer. It's that time again. Time to get our children back to school, our high school grads off to college. Time for football and basketball, play-offs, the World Series..(can you tell I'm a baseball fan?)

It's time we start thinking about raking the leaves, winterizing our homes to save energy. I know it sounds too early but down deep we all know it's coming. WINTER!! Brrr! Since our summer has been so hot and humid this year, I think I will notice the cold even more than ever. I just pray that the cold is not as over the top as the heat has been.

I am so looking forward to visiting daughter Kim while she is working in Pa., then Paul & James coming to visit and work on our house, while I get to go to LWML Retreat at Pioneer, and finally a visit to my sister and brother-in-law in October. All in all a busy few weeks.

Comes the time of renewal. I think most of us do sit down and think about all we want to do when the weather cools and the breezes ruffle and blow the beautifully colored leaves around. It gives us pause to prayerfully consider our next few steps.

God has given us much to admire and so too, we have much responsibility as well. Our responsibility is two-fold. First, we care for our bounty, second, we are charged with sharing it. He who cares for the needy (both physically and spiritually) also serves God.

We are all stewards of Grace Lutheran Church. We are all to help maintain both the House of God, and the grounds that surround it.

Prayerfully consider what you can do to serve God and man. Let Property Care Chairman, Dana Smith know she can count on you.

How about teaching, Altar Care, Usher and Acolyte? All are very important ways to serve. Also, Council elections will be held at the November Voters meeting. Are you willing to serve?

*Pat Clark, Stewardship Chairman*

### Red And Yellow, Black And White

We've only to look around us, Lord, to understand that You must love the variety! You must love those details that make one thing *different* from another. And, Lord, You did the same with Your people—for a purpose. We **are** so very different—one individual from another. It was YOUR plan. Why, do we have so much trouble with that? Why does the very thing that brings You such enjoyment—so much happiness—cause us to get hurt feelings—ruffled feathers. How quickly our differences bring out the very worst in us: criticism; sharp tongues; hostility—and yes, even acts of violence.

Your people have different personalities and different styles, Lord. It was by Your design. We make different choices that are evident even in the ways in which we worship and praise You. Help us to find joy in that, just as You find joy in that!! Help us to embrace our neighbors who are so different from ourselves. Help us to love and respect the wonderful variety that You have surrounded us with here on earth. You created, and said, "It is good!" May we know in our hearts, and show in our actions that it is, indeed, *very good!*

We love You, our Heavenly Father, and pray in the name of Christ Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

*Excerpt Taken from partners in prayer via  
Pastor Schneider*

**FALL CLEANING:** Can you believe that fall is just around the corner? Please mark the dates on your calendar to give some of your time & talents. Our help has dwindled in the past couple of years - Many hands make light work! **Sign up sheets are posted in the fellowship area.** See Dana or Sandy for questions. Thank you!

## A Cute Story About My Sister, Genaveria

“Thank God I Don’t Have to Wear Diapers”

I am blessed. I have a lovely family of four godchildren here and a large family in Evansville, Indiana where I spend winters. This story has come down through the family.

When my sister, Genaveria, was 65, the company she worked for closed. She decided she was not ready to completely retire, so she went to work as a home health aide. She did that for 10 years. When facing her 77<sup>th</sup> birthday she decided to retire for good. By that time she was only working 16-20 hours a week. She had her last day of work on a Friday so her family had a retirement part for her on Sunday.

The following Friday she took 3 of her great-grandchildren out for the day. Their ages are 7-11. Calab, the 11 year old, asked his granny just what the word retirement means. Was it an extra long vacation or what? She told him it was a permanent vacation because she wasn’t working anymore. Calab said, “oh, yes if you were still working you would be doing laundry or cooking for people so now you have to wear diapers”. Genaveria said, “no Calab, thank You God I don’t have to wear diapers.”

To understand Calab’s reasoning you need know that everyone over 16 in this family works outside the home except a niece, Goldie who is a homemaker.

There were only two people in his family who did not work. One was his great-grandmother who was my sisters age but she was bedridden and wore diapers. The other was his grandmother who is in a wheelchair and wears diapers. So therefore, Calab thought that any old women who didn’t work had to wear diapers.

*Submitted by LeeDella Longway.*



He said to them, “but who do you say that I am? Simon Peter answered and said, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” Matt. 16:15

**We are saved by grace alone.  
God’s Riches At Christ’s Expense.**



**2011 HALLOWEEN FUN!  
OCTOBER 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> – 324 TYNA RD.,  
CLEVELAND**

**FREE ADMISSION**

**HAYRIDE**

**FACE PAINTING**

**CHILDREN’S COSTUME**

**PARADE/CONTEST**

**BAKE SALE**

**CRAFT BOOTHS**

**REFRESHMENTS & CHICKEN BBQ(tickets for the BBQ can be bought ahead of time; 1/4 or 1/2 chicken with salt potatoes, cole slaw & roll.)**



**SPOOK WALK begins @ dark;  
children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.**

**PLUS MUCH, MUCH, MORE!!!**

**Hosts: Velma & Jim Manley; Judy & John Wallace**

**Exact times and additional advertisement will be forthcoming.**

**Sign up sheet for volunteers and/or donations will be posted in the fellowship hall @ Grace.**

**Questions:**

**675-8128 Jim**

**697-9450 Dana**

**366-9937 Judy**

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TO GRACE  
LUTHERAN CHURCH, 3965 CARTER RD.,  
CANASTOTA, NY – MORTGAGE  
REDUCTION FUND.**

**Submitted by Dana Smith.**



### LWML CNY North Zone Fall Rally

Trinity, Utica's LWML will be hosting the Fall Rally, Sunday, October 16 at 3:00 pm. Registration begins at 2:30pm. The LWML registration fee is \$5 which includes supper. Contact Charlene Young if you plan on attending (315)733-3970 or char.young@verizon.net. Our speaker will be John Karawacki from the new **Utica Development Center for Veterans in downtown Utica**. We will be collecting these items for our veterans in need - furniture, household items, cleaning products, non-perishable foods, paper products (napkins, tissues, toilet paper, paper towels), hygiene products, blankets, sheets, new pillows, towels and wash clothes.

**Stained Glass Windows:** Grace has 22, 2'x4', stained glass windows that we will be selling. They originated around the 1890's, and were previously located in Redeemer Lutheran Church, Oneida, NY. If, as a member of Grace, you are interested in them, you have until September 18<sup>th</sup> to let the Property Care Committee know of your intent. You will also be required to pick the window(s) up by that date. A donation to Grace is required, though there is no set amount. They were available for viewing Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at the Moran home in North Bay; however, if you were unable to get there and would still like to look at them, please speak to Tammy or Adam Moran(245-4156).

**Donations should be specifically earmarked "Stained Glass Windows".**

**ORGAN:** Grace has received the donation of an Allen Organ from the Campbell Dean funeral home in Oneida. It is an upgrade and much newer than the present Allen Organ. Therefore, we are looking for a home for the older organ. If you are interested, members of Grace may offer a donation to the church, and "take it away!". Anyone interested should speak to either Karen or Dave Devan, or Dana Smith. If, by September 18<sup>th</sup>, there has been no interest, the organ will be advertised to sell.

**Donations should be specifically earmarked "Organ".**



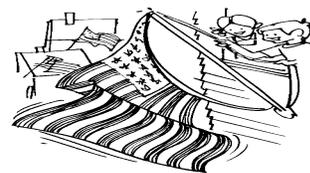
**TIME & TALENT SIGN UP SHEETS:** Are all posted in the fellowship area. There are many areas in which you can serve: Usher - Reader - Altar Guild - Cleaning - Acolyte - Choir - Outreach. When you consider the number of hours in a week, most of these services require very little of your time. Jesus gave us Eternity - can't you spare a little of your time? Dana



### *Voice of the Shepherd*

Do you have a desire to sing? If so, come join us on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. as we celebrate God's love through music. We usually rehearse for approximately 1 ½ hours each week. We would love to add your voices to our group. All you need is a commitment of your time and talents. Sing unto the Lord a new song...Psalm 98:1; I will sing and make music...Psalm 108:1; Sing and make music in your heart...Eph. 5:19. Holy Scripture tells us to rejoice with singing and to lift our voices in song.

If you have questions please call Karen Devan 762-4222.



### September 11, 2011, 911 Memorial Service

There will be a gathering at the Memorial park in Canastota, NY to honor all those lost in 2001. You are invited to participate. There will be refreshments later at the Canastota Fire House.



### *Birthdays*

Sept 1 Barbara Brinck  
1 Kiara Burton  
1 Emma Hurrle  
3 Rev Ben Bahr  
3 Rebecca Harrington  
4 Marie Parent  
7 Alice House  
7 Parker Scholl  
9 Nkai Harmon  
10 Velma Smolsey  
10 Skye Wall  
15 David Devin  
17 Gage Everitt  
18 Delarno Burton  
19 Bradey Narolis  
21 David Eaton  
22 Glen Bahr  
24 Christopher Hurrle  
24 Phillip Neumiller  
26 Jamison Everitt  
28 Nelda Stevenson  
30 Beth Scholl

### *Baptismal Birthday's*

8 Jessica House  
11 Karen Devan  
19 Dana Smith  
28 Benjamin Scholl

### *Anniversaries*

1 Paul & Jeanne Griffin  
2 Billy & Tabitha Minor  
5 Roger & Lorraine Warren  
8 Terry & Barbara Hartman  
23 Joe & Dionne Underwood  
24 Robert & Dana Smith  
27 John & Kathy Pavelock

### *Birthdays*

Oct 4 Kelly Gilbert  
15 Zachary Eaton  
16 Brooklyn Wall  
19 Michael Miller  
21 Lee Della Longaway  
23 Gordon Medley  
26 Jean Case  
27 Jeanne Griffin  
28 Aaron Bahr  
29 David Kirk  
29 Rhiannon Snyder  
30 Marcia Neumiller

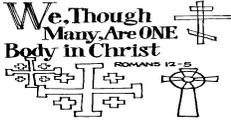
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16 Alice House  
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21 Millie Weismuller  
21 Kelly Gilbert  
23 Gordon Medley  
28 Aaron Bahr

### *Anniversaries*

2 Greg & Beth Scholl  
9 Doug & Dolores Antl

# September

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<b>11</b> 8:45 AM-BS 10:00 AM-Worship 11:00 AM-FS & SS <b>Sunday School            resumes</b>	12	<b>13</b> 6:00 PM-Choir Practice 7:30 PM-MaryMartha LWML Primary Election Day at Grace Polling place	14	<b>15</b>  Pastor led 6:30 PM-Adult Bible Study: comparative Christian religions	16	<b>17</b>  LWML Retreat at Pioneer Camp
<b>18</b> 8:45 AM-SS/BS 10:00 AM-Worship 11:00 AM-FS & Confirmation Class Women return from retreat	19	<b>20</b> 6:00 PM-Choir Practice 7:30 PM-Council meeting	21	22	23	<b>24</b> 10:30 AM-Coffee Tasting Lutheran World Relief 
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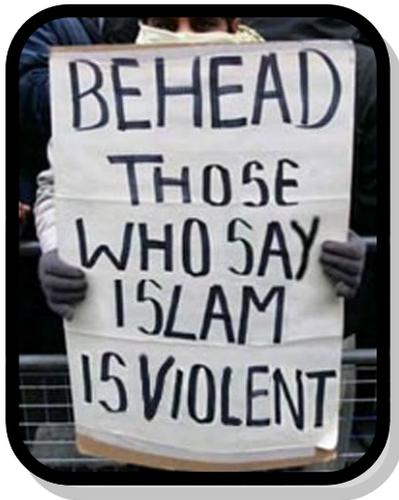
Is the church ready to interact with and receive new believers?

Is youth aware of the threat of Islam on campuses

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Speaker: Cynthia Khan

Date & Time: October 8, 2011

9 am - 2:30 pm Lunch provided

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Workshop for Christians only, Please!

