



Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

May Newsletter 2010

We shall KNOW Jesus as our Lord, GROW in our faith and SHOW Christ's love to our world.

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Word of Witness

May 2010

We have this Ministry of Reconciliation

2 Corinthians 5:17-19

“So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.”

We are an Easter people:

With the amazing news of new starts, the people of God are no longer separated from God.

We believe that sin no longer has the power to divide: In Christ and thru the power of the resurrection we are truly united with Christ and one another.

Financially we speak of balancing expenses, income, and the need to reconcile a ledger.

Spiritually we see that to be reconciled, is only brought thru the balance beam of the cross.

Our Gospel message is that Christ has paid all our debts for our sins. Reconciliation is complete and eternal!

May we learn to live in that gracious rich reality of liberty of heart and soul! As we intentionally share this reality with others – our community and world is being transformed! Rejoice in this Ministry of Reconciliation!

In Christ

Blessings,

Pastor Harley Johnson

Good Shepherd News

Blessings!

- ❖ Blessings to all who contributed in the journey and joy of Lent, Holy Week and Easter Celebration! We rejoice in combined count of 498 attending our Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Saturday Vigil and Easter AM services!
- ❖ Congratulations to Pearl Zulauf who turned 96 years old on April 22nd.
- ❖ Congratulations to Gertrude Satre's 85th Birthday celebrated on April 18th.
- ❖ Congratulations to Myrtle Swenson who turned 91 years old on April 24th.
- ❖ Blessings to Ethan Nicholas Ian Mardell as he is welcomed into the Kingdom of God. Grace and Peace to his parents, Ian and Lou-Ellen Mardell and his sponsors, Scott Ife and Les Blachford. Ethan was baptized on April 18th.
- ❖ Blessings to all our Grade 12 students who will be graduating this spring! Please contact Pastor Harley if you are graduating. There is a "Transition" event being discussed and we need your input, leave name(s) on Harley's email @ goodshep.lead@shawbiz.ca

Worship Report

- ❖ Thanks for all of the good assistance for worship components, ushers, greeters, Holy Communion assistances etc. Please give Susan Miller a call if you can help or sign up in the entry!

Thanks

- ❖ Thanks for the great program given April 18th, to kick off the upcoming VBS, Hero Headquarters August 23rd -27th.
 - ❖ Thank you, Debbie Zepick and family for leading worship April 25th.
 - ❖ Thanks to Barry Bergsma for leading the Vision and Planning Day at Good Shepherd on April 17th. We discussed the Natural Church Development and the environment of Health and Hope which God Provides.
 - ❖ Thanks to Les Cannam for leading the financial package in the Marriage Preparation Course April 24th. Five couples attended.
 - ❖ Thanks to all who assisted and attended to the important Budget Process!
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Highlighting upcoming Events

- ❖ The University of Emmanuel College, College of Emmanuel & St. Chad, the Lutheran Theological Seminary Saskatoon and St. Andrew's College invite you to attend Joint Convocation Ceremonies of the Saskatoon Theological Union Friday **May 7, 2010 at 7:00pm** at Zion Lutheran Church, Reception to follow.
- ❖ Hordern Classic, Seminary Golf Tournament. May 6th @ Greenbryre Golf and Country Club. 1pm first flight, dinner to follow. Registration is \$60. Contact Harold Hesje @ 652-4524 by May 3rd.
- ❖ **SERVICES OF CHRISTIAN HEALING AT ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, SASKATOON**
Planning for a monthly basis. The next service will be Monday, **May 10th**, 2010 at 7:30 pm. June 14th. The service consists of songs of praise, sharing stories of healing and a short meditation on scripture followed by prayer and the laying on of hands for healing. Please feel free to join us. Active church membership not required.
- ❖ ***Spirituality and Wholeness Workshop*** on Friday, **May 14**, 2010 at Redeemer Lutheran Church, corner of Preston Avenue & Main Street. The speaker is Dr Carol Taylor, RN,MSN,PhD. Carol asks, "At the end of the day are people better or worse for having experienced me/us?" If you would like to learn more about this ethical question, please contact Lovina Walper-374-9796 or spiritualcarecon@shaw.ca. The fee is \$70-please make cheque payable to **Lutheran Care Society**, P.O. Box 23019, Saskatoon, SK S7J 5H3
- ❖ **"We Need Golfers! Join us for one day of golf and help change lives forever!"**
Teen Challenge will hold their Annual Golf Tournament on Monday **June 7th** at the Moonlake Golf & Country Club. Each golf participant to raise \$1,000 ~ To register on-line go to www.marathonofgolf.ca For more information please call Diane at 1-866-876-1847 Pledge books are available upon request.
- ❖ Thirteenth Biennial Convention Saskatchewan Synod ELCIC, Thursday, **July 8th thru Sunday, July 11th, 2010**. At the Hilton Garden Inn. Registration is due by May 7th, 2010. Theme is The Body of Faith; A People Sent.

Children's Ministry (aka Sunday school)

We are blessed with an awesome group of children. The children will continue to meet weekly during the 9:45 a.m. service. Our curriculum this year is based on David Cooke's Boz - the Green Bear Next Door. The goal of our children's ministry is to challenge our children to learn more and grow in their relationship with God. It is centered on three simple truths: 1) God made me 2) God loves me and 3) Jesus wants to be my friend. We are excited to have so many children attend and we are having a lot of fun!!

We are blessed with an awesome group of volunteer teachers to lead us in this journey. Many thanks to Emily Fornwald, Luke Opdahl, Rebecca Curry, Kellie Thompson, Katie Elke, Ally Forand, Shannon Sofko, Angela Taylor, Lorene Jewitt, Ruth McKeown, Leanne McCutcheon and Darla Ewaskow. We welcome your help at any time, even if you would like to assist for one Sunday.

If you have any questions, please give us a call.
Darla Ewaskow 382-9150, Leanne McCutcheon 652-8059

Natural Church Development Update

Goals established for the next 12 months.

1. Structures

To re-examine current structures within our church and re-establish fully functioning committees consisting of:

- ❖ Education
- ❖ Stewardship
- ❖ Property Management
- ❖ Evangelism
- ❖ Worship
- ❖ Mutual Ministry

The above will be the responsibility of CMT who will report at the annual AGM as to the progress and determine when the goal is complete.

2. Structures

To enhance process of communication and reporting between committees and with the congregation.

The above will be the responsibility of CMT and pastoral staff who will report at the annual AGM as to their progress and determine when the goal is complete.

3. Outreach

Over the next year (to March 31, 2011) to increase the average attendance at Good Shepherd by 10% through the following:

- ❖ Engaging inactive members;
- ❖ Increasing community presence; and
- ❖ Fostering partnerships with community programs and needs.

The above will be the responsibility of CMT.

4. Deferred Goal – Small Groups

To create five small groups related to any of the following:

- ❖ Care groups
- ❖ Sharing in ministry roles
- ❖ Education
- ❖ Faith building
- ❖ Bible study
- ❖ Stephen Ministry

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Announces VBS 2010

Ask anyone about the heroes in the Bible and they will tell you about David, Moses, Elijah, Samuel, Mary, John, or Paul. But what about the ones whose names we don't know? We know their stories, but we don't know their names.

This summer, from **August 23rd to 27th**, Good Shepherd will be welcoming children to **Hero Headquarters: Where Kids Join Forces with God.**

In Hero Headquarters, kids will identify with the stories of five unlikely, unnamed people in the Bible who are often overlooked. They were not famous leaders or called by God to perform amazing miracles – yet they became heroes because their small acts became great achievements in God's hands. Hero Headquarters will help kids discover that with God's power at work, they, too, can be hero's right where they are.



Hero Headquarters is based on Timothy 4:12, **"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity."**

[Your kids won't want to miss this exciting VBS program!](#)

Pick up your registration form in the front entry of the Church!

ELW News

This year the Creative Coffee and ELW ladies made 16 quilts. A special thank you to those who donated material and old blankets which were used as filler.

We are raffling one of the quilts to help raise money for CLWR. A little note about the quilt being raffled - The top of the quilt was pieced together by Gerdie Johnson. Draw date for the quilt will be on May 9 - Mother's Day. Good Luck and Thanks to all who bought tickets.

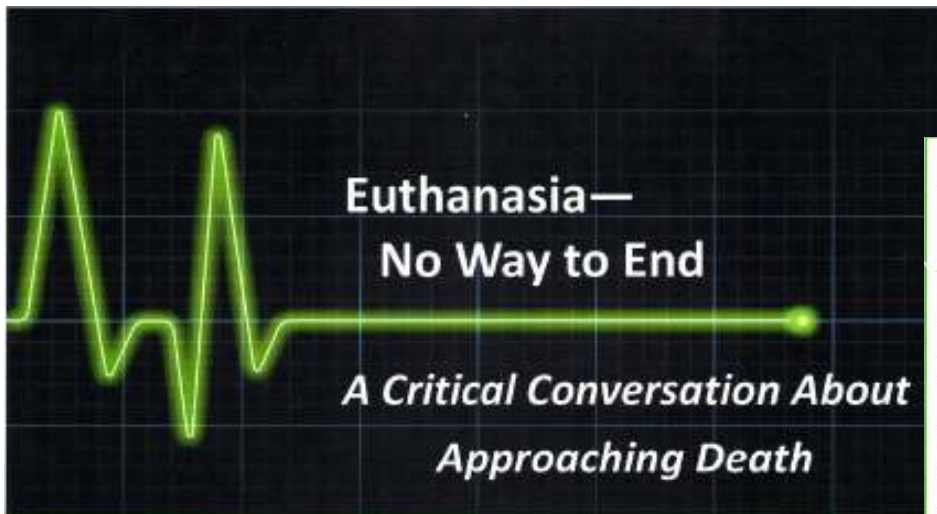
This year's bible study is called "The Word Made Flesh" written by Carla Blakley and Darlene Harrison. All ladies are welcome to attend on any given date. If you can only make one or two bible studies a year we would love to have you join us. We meet once a month usually the third Thursday of the month at different homes.

Our May bible study is on May 20 at Susan Miller's 712 Clearwater Bay Martensville. If you would like to car pool to Martensville please meet at the church at 7:00 p.m.

On June 17 at 6:00 p.m. we will have our annual Salad Supper at Audrey Balaton's 218 Emmeline Road.

All ladies are welcome - Just bring a salad to Audrey's.

The ELW ladies do not meet for the months of July and August but will resume our Bible study on September 16 at Marylea Malin's.



**Saskatoon:
Thursday May 6
2:00-3:00 pm
Rm G30,
St. Paul's Hospital**

Beyond the medical and ethical dilemmas that often surround the end of life, exists a **critical conversation** that is often overlooked.

How do we as a Christian or faith-filled community **approach and respond to death** as individuals, families and communities?

How do we **journey with those who fear** they may become a burden on others, are depressed or stressed from their illness, or fear the pain associated with terminal illnesses?



Jeff Christiansen, Executive Director of Regina Palliative Care Inc., will explore the **theological, pastoral, and spiritual dimensions** of responding to the needs of individuals and families at the end of life and will highlight the importance of a palliative care approach.

PAR: Pre Authorized Remittance

What is PAR? It is a method of direct debit donation to the church on a monthly basis.

Why do it? PAR allows us to formalize our commitment to make God first in our lives and to assist Good Shepherd's Church Management Team is maintaining programming throughout the year.

How do I do it? Simply fill out the form available in the office, attach a blank cheque marked VOID and hand it in to the church office. Your donation will be deducted on the 20th of the month.

Are there limits? There are no limits. One can give a portion of their commitment through PAR or use PAR as the sole contribution means for GS.

What if I want to change or cancel my PAR?

Just call the church office to pick up a change PAR form. Changes are effective immediately.

Thank you for your support of Good Shepherd!



*LEAVE A LEGACY™ Saskatoon
Presents*

The Ultimate Gift

Wednesday May 5th, 2010

Broadway Theatre, 715 Broadway Ave.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Show starts at 7:00 p.m.

Complimentary refreshments



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I would like to extend a warm invitation to you and my friends in the Good Sheppard family to attend a special screening of a film called the Ultimate Gift. It is the story of a spoiled grandson of a billionaire who expected a windfall after his grandfather's death, but instead saw his life change because his grandfather's instructions in his will left him on a journey of philanthropy and discovery of his own short-comings. It is a kick-off to the Leave a Legacy campaign for Saskatoon to promote philanthropy to the community as a whole and to remind people how important it is to be remembered for what you lived for, not necessarily for what you died "of". I am the incoming president of the local chapter of the Canadian Association of Gift Planners and sit on the Leave a Legacy committee.



Good Shepherd Sister ship with Hanley

Good Shepherd has received an invitation to be in relationship with a sister Lutheran congregation in Hanley.

The e-mail below has been discussed both at CMT & also the congregational meeting April 26th.

The approach of affording a full time worker being shared & funded equally by 2 congregations has mutual benefits. Current process is to have a small committee enter in to this important conversation. We give thanks to Joan Meyer, Fran Seidler & Barrie Bergsma for volunteering to serve in this capacity. Thanks for your prayers in this opportunity.

April 14, 2010

Hi Harley,

I met with Hanley Evangelical Lutheran Church this past Sunday to consider their future once Pastor Ken Finnestad concludes his time with them as their half-time pastor. The congregation wishes to explore leadership possibilities that would help them thrive as a congregation in their small town setting. Their numbers are such that full time rostered ministry is not an option.

I am writing to ask Good Shepherd to consider entering into a relationship with Hanley Evangelical that would provide sacramental ministry one Sunday a month and some configuration of worship leadership for the other Sundays. They would be prepared to fund a half-time equivalent salary. The hope would be that ministry beyond Sunday would amount to one day a week spent in their community by a portion of your ministry staff. They would expect hospital visitation of their members in Saskatoon hospitals and access to the confirmation program in which you participate when they have students.

The benefits to all concerned are great. Good Shepherd is provided with opportunity to share your gifts beyond your own congregation and to be blessed by a new relationship with a rural community and all that such a community has to offer. Hanley is blessed with connection to a vibrant worship community and will be able to share in your vision for the future with hope. The opportunities to spend time together in fellowship and ministry are endless.....

On another related matter, I would also ask if you would consider acting as vice-pastor to the Hanley congregation as future pastoral relationships are worked out. I will attach a sample relationship description so you get an idea of what is involved. Basically it would require you to lead worship with the sacraments one Sunday / month and assist them as time requires and allows.

Please relay your response to the vice-pastor request to Bishop Cindy. Feel free to contact me with any questions about these opportunities.

Blessings on your ministry,
Roger Haugen/ Assistant to the Bishop Sask Synod

Intern's Message – May 2010

Spring has arrived, Christ is indeed risen, and these are exciting times for Good Shepherd. This is a time of anticipation, cooperation, and most certainly opportunity.

Anticipation: the youth at Good Shepherd look forward to affirming their baptism on May 16th at the 11:15 service – Whitney Aadland, Damon Berggren, Daylin Janzen, Dylan Malin, Lindy McGunigal, Chanelle Reimer, Darby Whyte, and Layton Willick. What a joy and privilege we have in supporting and encouraging these young people in their walk with Christ!

Cooperation: we have many opportunities to participate with the wider body of Christ, such as the Saskatchewan Synod Conference July 8-11th, and the national worship conference in Vancouver July 4-7th. For those of you who are song writers, you may want to take note of the hymn writing contest (see www.openspirit.ca for more details). Our youth look forward as well to cooperating with Christians from across western Canada at the YC Alberta 2010 conference in Edmonton, May 28-30th.



Attending this conference from our church is Jeremy Elke, Katie Elke, Ally Forand, Emily Fornwald, Dylan Malin, Luke Opdahl, Brianne Rennie, Adam Tweidt, Justin, Teagan and Layton Willick, with leadership from Allison deHoop, Andrey Linsley and Aaron Schnell (with special thanks to Melissa Malin and Coleen Opdahl for their support).

Opportunity: As our programs begin to wind down before summer vacations begin, and as we anticipate the departure of our Intern Pastor (yes, that's me), we have the opportunity to become more involved in the worship life here at Good Shepherd. I encourage you to consider helping, not only with participating in worship roles, but taking on some of the crafting of prayers, confession litanies and our call to worship. If this is something that you are interested in, regardless of your expertise, don't hesitate to let me know.

As the wind blows this spring, may you breathe in the life-giving Wind. As the drops of rain (or perhaps snow) touch your brow, may you feel again the forgiveness and life from the same waters you were baptized in. And as the sun shines, may you be invigorated by the risen Son who continues to shine in and through you.

In Christ,
Aaron Schnell, Intern Pastor

Kinasao Lutheran Bible Camp 2010

You are invited to join us in participating in, and supporting the

Tour-de-Kinasao XVI

Kinasao's 16th Annual Walk-Run-Bike-a-thon
Scheduled for May 29th, 2010

This is a great event for individuals and families to attend and to come and enjoy a free weekend at Kinasao. You can choose to walk, run or bike in the Tour-de-Kinasao. We are also in need of many volunteers for this event. Child care will be provided while parents are involved in the **Tour-de-Kinasao Meals** and a great concert on Friday is all free as well! *Brochures and registration forms are available in your church office.*

Bring a friend, bring your family and get involved in this fun event!

Our goal this year is to have 80 participants with an average of \$450.00 in pledges each, raising over \$35,000.



June 15th-20th Celebration Weekend
and 70th Anniversary!

Kinasao Lutheran Bible Camp is looking for a few dedicated individuals or couples to join our year-round staff in 2010. We are looking for team members who are excited to share their faith in Jesus Christ as part of an Outdoor Ministry organization. Please click on the positions below for a brief description of the position and the application deadline. Please pray about how God may be calling you to Kinasao.

[Assistant Director](#)

[Business Manager](#)

[Site Manager](#)

[Assistant to the Site Manager](#)

Please visit our website for more details on these positions and for application procedures and deadlines.

www.kinasao.ca



"Grounded" In Concert!

May 29th 7:00pm at Kinasao

Come and enjoy a great evening of original guitar, violin and percussion folk-pop music, from talented duo of Ryan Davis and Matthew Kopperud.

FREE!

Donations toward the Tour-de-Kinasao gladly accepted!

May 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9:45 & 11:15am Worship Bold Church: Transformation! Choral Sunday Confirmation @ G.S 12:30 Confirmation Wind Up 6:30-8:30 pm @ LTS	Pastor & Intern's Day off	Office hrs 9-12pm 6:30 am Men's Bible Study Jerry's/8 th Devotion and weekly planning 10-11 am PASTORS	Bible Study 8:00pm Ultimate Gift @ Broadway 7pm STUDY CONFERENCE	Office hrs 9-12pm Hordern Golf @ Greenbryre 1pm @ LTS 4th-7th	Office hrs 9-12pm Seminary Graduation/ Convocation 7pm @ Zion	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
9:45 & 11:15am Worship Bold Church: Testimony! Mother's Day L.C.B.I Grad	Pastor & Intern's Day off Christian Healing @ Zion 7:30pm	Office hr 9-12pm 6:30 am Men's Bible Study Jerry's/8 th Devotion and weekly planning 10-11 am	Bible Study 8:00pm	Office hr 9-12pm Seniors Bible Study 2:00pm Wind up for Summer 7:00pm Worship and Evangelism Committee	Office hr 9-12pm Spiritual Well Being @ Redeemer 8- 3:30pm	Youth Bottle Drive Kinasao "SIT" training 9-5
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
9:45 & 11:15am Worship LCBI Go Team @ 9:45am Bold Church: Adventure! Confirmation @ 11:15, Affirmation of Baptism	Intern's Study Week 17 th -21 st CMT 6pm	Office hr 9-12pm 6:30 am Men's Bible Study Jerry's/8 th Devotion and weekly planning 10-11 am	Bible Study 8:00pm	Office hr 9-12pm ELW @ Susan Millers	Office hr 9-12pm	Kinasao May Days 21-23
23/30	24/31	25	26	27	28	29
10 am Worship Bold Church: Rock! Move to Summer Schedule 10am Worship Family Tree	Pastor & Intern's Day off	Office hr 9-12pm 6:30 am Men's Bible Study Jerry's/8 th Devotion and weekly planning 10-11 am Newsletter Submissions Due	Office hr 9-12pm Bible Study 8:00pm	Office hr 9-12pm ELCIC Ministerial 12pm	Office hr 9-12pm YC Youth Event (Edmonton) Tour De Kinasao Bike Athon	"Grounded" 7pm @ Kinasao

June 2010

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		Office hr 9-12pm Intern away 1 st -3 rd		Office hrs 9-12pm	Office hrs 9-12pm	
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10am Worship <i>Family News</i>	Pastor Harley on Vacation 7 th -12 th Intern's Day off	Office hrs 9-12pm 6:30 am Men's Bible Study Jerry's/8 th		Office hrs 9-12pm	Office hrs 9-12pm	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
10am Worship <i>Family Identity</i>	Pastor & Intern's Day off Christian Healing @ Zion 7:30pm	Office hr 9-12pm 6:30 am Men's Bible Study Jerry's/8 th Devotional & weekly planning 10-11 am		Office hr 9-12pm ELW @ Audrey Balaton's 6pm annual Supper!	Office hr 9-12pm Celebration Weekend @ Kinasao	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
10am Worship <i>Family Dynamics</i>	CMT 6pm	Office hr 9-12pm 6:30 am Men's Bible Study Jerry's/8 th Devotional & weekly planning 10-11 am Newsletter submission due	Office hr 9-12pm	Office hr 9-12pm	Office hr 9-12pm Blair Healy & Adrienne Kapeluck 2pm @ Resurrection	
27	28	29	30			
10am Worship <i>Family Matters</i>	Pastor & Intern's Day off	Office hr 9-12pm 6:30 am Men's Bible Study Jerry's/8 th Devotional & weekly planning 10-11 am				

Future Events:

July 8-11th – Synod Convention @ Hilton Garden in Saskatoon

July 18-23rd – Family Camp @ Kinasao