

**24 Jun 2010**

# **July Newsletter**

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## **Service Sunday: August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

As we prepare for Service Sunday, a day when Our Savior's will spend our Sunday morning worshipping God through the love and service of other people, we need your help.

You can help in any number of ways. The Goal of Service Sunday is to live out our faith through actively serving other people in Faribault and joining together as a community of faith to be Christ's hands in our world.

### **What can you do to help?**

- Pray for the planning team and for the Sunday morning asking God to guide us with His wisdom.
- Mark your calendars and get ready to come to Our Savior's on August 29<sup>th</sup> ready to work.
- Make sure to dress for some manual labor.
- Consider being a part of the planning team. Contact Pastor Joanna with your ideas for projects for people of all ages.
- Allow people to serve you. Perhaps some of the yard work around your home has become too much for you, or maybe you need some maintenance done in your home. One of the gifts of being a part of the community of faith is having a larger family to rely on for support and care. If you would like a service team to come to your yard or house to help out please sign up. We will have special service request sheets made up. Please fill one out and someone on our planning team will contact you. There is a box in the narthex for you to place your request.
- Let us know of any special talents you would be willing to share with others on this particular day. I know some of you are skilled in a trade or area such as carpentry, electrician, gardening, sewing, etc. Please let us know if you would be willing to lead a group or work in this particular area.

**We have so many gifts and talents within our congregation. I feel truly blessed to share** ministry with all of you. I look forward to August 29<sup>th</sup> and spending the morning putting our faith in action in Faribault!

*Blessings,*

**Pastor Joanna**

## **July and August Worship Schedule**

(one service at 9:00 a.m.)

### **July 4<sup>th</sup>-Traditional Worship.**

**Isaiah 66-** We celebrate our Country's Independence and our call as a nation and as Christians to bless others in Jesus' name.

### **July 11<sup>th</sup> - Contemporary Worship led by Proclaim!!!**

**Luke 10:25-37-** The Group that Notices Things-We are invited to notice the needs of others around us and respond with the help they need.

### **July 18<sup>th</sup> - Contemporary Worship led by Free Spirit**

**Luke 10:38-42 -** Listen up!- God urges us again and again to Listen up! And to heed his Word.

### **July 25<sup>th</sup>-Traditional Worship.**

**Luke 11-** Exploration of the Lord's Prayer.

### **August 1<sup>st</sup>- Traditional Worship.**

**Luke 12:13-31** Priceless: Only the new life that Christ gives us is lasting and truly priceless.

### **August 8<sup>th</sup> - Contemporary Worship led by Free Spirit.**

**Luke 12:32-40** "Where The Treasure Goes, the Heart Follows"

### **August 15<sup>th</sup>- Mission Trip Sunday Contemporary Worship led by youth attending mission trips.**

### **August 22<sup>nd</sup>- Blue Grass Service**

**Luke 13-** Our Bent-over-ness and Jesus' healing touch

**August 29<sup>th</sup>- Service Sunday-** We gather at 9am at the church and then spend our morning doing God's Work with Our Hands throughout the community. (See front page for more details)

**Congratulations and  
God's Blessings!**

To  
Anna Sheridan and Erik Williams  
who were married at  
Our Savior's on  
June 5, 2010

**Baptisms**

June 20, 2010  
Jalen David Lansing  
son of  
Steve and Jocelyn Lansing.

June 27, 2010  
Emilynne Chavis  
daughter of  
Krista and Jeremy Chavis  
*Welcome to the family little ones!*

**Our Sympathy To:**  
Dick and Kathy Johnson  
in the death of Kathy's father,  
Lloyd Hinderman.

Brad and Kirsten Hutchison  
in the death of Brad's father,  
Robert Hutchison.

Jon and Karla Weng  
in the death of Karla's grandmother.

Charles and Debra Moline  
in the death of Debra's father,  
Roger Aaker.

*May the promise of resurrection  
into eternal life give you much hope and comfort  
in this time of loss*

**Community Garden**

The weather has been kind to the Community Garden this year. Plants are off to a good start and the garden looks to become productive. People will be eating well in a couple of months. Much of the success is due to the hard work of the gardeners, who are about as varied as the vegetables! We have gardeners from Honduras and Guatemala, from Mexico and Somalia, born here or born elsewhere, from mobile homes, apartments, and houses. But all share the excitement of awaiting the gifts of Mother Earth. We want to thank those who have helped make this garden grow... Donahue's Greenhouse and Farmer Seed for the generous donations of plants and seeds, Heselton Construction for the load of black dirt, the State Health Improvement Project for its support of a water tank, the anonymous woman who donated the sweet corn and pea seeds, and Dan Zielske for all his hard work. But we also want to thank some unexpected supporters. The children of Our Savior's Lutheran Church sent us a check for \$1648.54 that they collected for their mission project this year. The Faribault Diversity Coalition was chosen as their recipient. We are so grateful for their support.

But the beauty of this goes even further. One of the goals of our work is to encourage others to join in creating a welcoming community. We do what we can to create welcoming spaces, but the reach of the welcome is so much greater when it is extended in the daily lives of the many who partner with us. The gift of the children is just that...a symbol of their desire as members of this community to make Faribault a place where everybody can feel at home, where they are glad that others have chosen to live here, where they say "welcome" to the immigrant and refugee children who share their schools and their streets. That is what makes this work so fulfilling. That is the real fruit of the garden. The children are giving all of us a beautiful example.

Again, the heart of the child shows us the way. Whatever your contacts with people of other cultures, of other conditions, of other language and customs, you can be the one who makes the difference. You are the one who communicates respect, who helps people feel they belong. Thank you too for the good you do. Our garden is growing well.

*Have a gentle day,*

*Milo*

## **National Night Out:**

August 3<sup>rd</sup> is National Night out- a night that is designed to bring neighborhoods together in community. This year we would like to host a National Night out here at Our Savior's in order to reach out to our neighbors in an act of friendship. Please contact Pastor Joanna if you are interested in helping out.

## **Ice Cream Social at First English**

We did in fact lose our competition against First English in the Super Hero challenge for Hunger. On August 8<sup>th</sup> immediately following our 9am worship time we will head over to First English in order to serve them ice cream. We hope you will join us. Please sign up on the yellow cards to help out.

## **Another Way To Share the Fruits of the Earth!**

If any gardeners end up with extra produce this summer Carolyn Treadway has offered to coordinate and deliver it to the Faribault Food Shelf and the Welcome Center. Instead of letting our harvest go to waste let's use it to nourish those who are hungry. Please bring your produce to a box near the Welcome Counter and it will be picked up and delivered. If you have any questions please contact Pastor Joanna.

## **Children's Ministry**

### **Vacation Bible School**

Don't forget that VBS is the week of August 9-13. If you've already signed your child up great! If not, we have lots of space available, so let us know immediately if you'd like your child to attend. Feel free to invite relatives and friends to join! All registration material can be found at the church website [www.oursaviorsfbo.org](http://www.oursaviorsfbo.org) under Children's Activities. We are also still looking for a few more student and adult volunteers for VBS. If you are free the week of August 9 from 8:30-11:00 am each day, please let us know.

## **Sunday and Wednesday School**