

Special Points of Interest:

- November Calendar with Birthdays & Anniversaries.
- Fall Bazaar—November 3.
- Election Day—November 6.
- Food @ Faith—November 17.
- December Newsletter Article & Calendar Reservation deadline—November 20.

The Source of our Resources

Paul writes this to the church at Philippi from a jail cell in Rome. He had no personal income, no savings account, no IRA, no Social Security. His needs were met by the generosity of the churches he served or he went without. He describes his prison time in

4:12: I have experienced times of need and times of abundance.

Paul describes the ebb and flow of the events of his life. He speaks of times of need where his resources were scarce, and times of abundance where he had his needs met and more than he needed. There are times in our lives and the life of our church when we have seen our needs as greater than our resources. We also remember those other times when we have enough for ourselves and more, when we experience a time of plenty in our lives, a time when life is going well. Acts of generosity abound, but how can you be generous in the lean times? Paul gives us two simple principles to follow that will encourage our hearts to be generous at all times.

He says he has learned contentment. First, he has learned to be thankful towards God in all of life circumstances. Second, he has learned not to envy those who have more than he

does. *4:12b: In any and every circumstance I have learned the secret of contentment, whether I go satisfied or hungry, have plenty or nothing.*

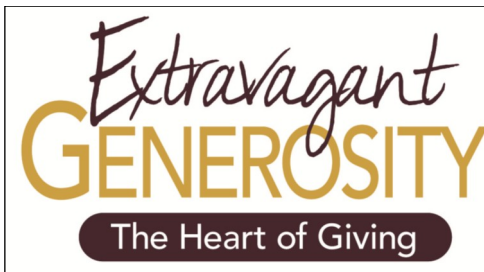
His secret is his confidence in Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit, so that by faith he can say, *4:13: I am able to do all things through the one who strengthens me.* He can do all things God requires of him,

because God strengthens him. Whatever God calls him to do he can do it because God has an infinite supply of resources. *4:19: And my God will supply your every need according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.* God supplies all of our needs, not out of His resources—a finite supply—but according to His riches in Christ Jesus an infinite supply. He acts on our behalf for His glory. *4:20: May glory be given to God our Father forever and ever. Amen.*

So what are you lacking or in need of that you don't have the resources to meet?

What is He calling you to do and you aren't responding because you just don't see how you can possibly accomplish the task?

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Stewardship 2012

Faith Messenger

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God is calling our church to do things that seem beyond our resources. Are you and I willing to live as Paul did—putting your needs and the needs of our church in the hands of God with the confidence that we can do... all things through the one who strengthens each of us. Are we willing to move forward trusting God as the one who ... will supply your every need according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.



There are challenges ahead for each of us and for our congregation. There is work to be done. There are prayers to be prayed. But in and through it all there is our God who supplies all our needs. Let us join together and trust him for the great things He has for us in the days and months and years to come.

~~ Pastor Victor Waters

COMMUNION STEWARDS NEEDED

We are looking for some new folks to get involved and help with communion. This is a once-a-month opportunity. Please contact Karen Norby at (507) 461-4260, or leave her a note in the church office, if you have questions or concerns.



THANK YOU'S

Thank you to Barb Friedl for coordinating and to Dave Baldini and Janet Jones for



volunteering to be our Sunday Bus Riders the last two weeks of October. Our turn comes around again in April — keep it in mind as a way to be

involved! Just call Barb or the Church Office to volunteer.

Thank You—Thank You—Thank You!! To all of you who have supported the Haiti Mission Trip. Without you, it wouldn't have happened! Extravagant Generosity is at work! PS—I'm asking for prayers while I'm gone, November 2-10.

~~ Sherry Scholljegerdes

On the bulletin board you can find:

To save on postage and paper, be sure to check out the bulletin board. Some items will only be posted there.

- Brochures from various schools, camp grounds and more!
• Newsletters from various agencies and organizations including: Emma Norton, Midwest Distribution Center, Gambling Alliance, United Theological Seminary, and more!
• Mowing/Lawn Care and Snow Removal vouchers.
• New items almost daily—be sure to check things out and ask for copies if you want to take something home.

NURSES NOTES— We Are Our Brother’s Keeper

Yes, we are our brother’s keeper, and our sister’s, parent’s, friend’s, and other loved one’s. Did you know that 92% of elder care is done by family members? The number of

“Bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ”
 ~ Galatians 6:2

people is on the rise, as the baby boomers age and as people live longer. We need to be prepared to face this challenge. On Oct. 15 and 16, I attended a training, “Powerful Tools

for Caregivers,” presented by the Minnesota Agency on Aging. It is part of their initiative to allow elders to stay at home. It is an excellent science-based, scripted program that can be led by non-professionals. Its objective is to “care for the caregiver” by giving them tools to meet their own personal needs. Too often, the caregiver neglects their own physical, mental and spiritual health in favor of the care of the recipient. It’s not terribly unusual for the caregiver to die first.

Our church family has decided to participate in this program, by providing the “Powerful Tools to Caregivers” for our own church

“For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother.”
 ~ Matthew 12:50

members, but also anyone in the community who would like to come.

The series is 6-weeks long and the sessions are 90 minutes. I will lead the first group with Elaine Spain, from the

Region 9 Area Agency on Aging. The dates have not been set ... yet. We hope that other churches will encourage their caregivers to come.

You can help by referring someone who is a caregiver. Encourage caregivers to come,

especially men who tend to be more reluctant. Consider being a leader yourself.

The other piece is, we will need people to stay with the care recipient while the caregiver is attending. If you would be interested in staying with a care recipient for a few hours during this time, or in general, so the caregiver gets a break, or Respite


Care, let me know! You can call me at 835-4304, or leave me a note in the church office. Please contact me with questions or concerns.

“For I was hungry and you gave me food. I was thirsty and you gave me drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me.”
 ~ Matthew 25:35

On a personal note, my father took care of my mom for over 20-years, and continued while she was in the nursing home. I so wish he could have attended a program like this! He died 4 months after mom, he had no reserves left to take on the cancer he had.

Let’s make a difference by supporting caregivers!
 Peace & Grace, Sherry Scholljegerdes

Regarding Elections:



“I met those of our society who have votes in the ensuing election, and advised them, 1) To vote, without fee or reward, for the person they judged most worthy; 2) To speak no evil of the person they voted against; And 3) To take care their spirits were not sharpened against those that voted on the other side.”

~ John Wesley, October 6, 1774

Lord! Please hear our prayer...

Cedarview Care Center—Elaine Flathers

Colony Court—Rosalind Peterson

Colony Court Memory Suites—Anna Swenson

Lake Shore Inn— Elvira Blowers, Florence Gutknecht,
Hazel Henkensiefken, Don Lohse & Mable Long

Lakeview Ranch, Dassel— Raymond Pommerenke

Morrow Home, Sparta, WI— Marlene Rietfort

Shorewood Sr. Campus, Rochester—Darlene Lynch

Those who are ill or injured: Jim & Marian Keller, Willie Mahler, Gerri Peterson, Chuck Youngberg and Nina Youngberg.

- *Please remember our family and friends in Military Service, and those who travel for a living. Keep them safe when they are away from home.*
- *Please keep our children, parents and neighbors safe this Halloween.*
- *Please pray for our Stewardship Campaign, our involvement in the Healthy Church Initiative and our Faith Family.*



FAITH ON THE HOUSEWALK!

Faith United Methodist Church has accepted an invitation to have our church as a part of the Waseca Arts Council's Christmas Housewalk, to be held December 1 & 2. It is exciting to have a "House of Worship" as part of this event. We will welcome visitors from Waseca, as well as many other communities extending from southern Minnesota all the way to the Twin Cities!

A committee is forming and would welcome anyone who is interested in working on



this event. We would like to see church-wide participation and need help from men, youth and women! A very special highlight will be the display, in our sanctuary, of Nativity sets belonging to

our members. If you would be willing to share your Nativity set(s) (you may have them back after Dec. 2, if you wish), or to serve on the committee, or to be present at the church during the open hours, please call Linda Lohse at 835-1917, or e-mail her at

TRUNK-OR-TREAT is coming up quick on **Wednesday, Oct. 31**. Please consider donating candy, or cash to help pay for candy purchases. We usually have about 500 kids and a ton of fun! Join us—wear a costume (or not) and share the fun! We are also asking for canned food donations for our local Food Shelf.

HEARTY GERMAN BUFFET

St. John Lutheran Church
(401—3rd Ave. NE, Waseca)

Sunday, November 4, 2012

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Adults—\$12.50; Children (6-10 years) - \$6.00
Children under 5—Free

Menu: “Specially made” German Bratwurst & Rye Bread, German Potato Salad, Red Cabbage & Sauerkraut, Spaetzle, German Desserts. Take out available.

Tickets—“advance sale only,” available at the Church Office (833-1703) or from Committee Members.



Proceeds go to St. John Lutheran Sunday School and Lutheran World Relief Clean Water Efforts.

SOUP & SANDWICH LUNCHEON AND TALENT SHOW

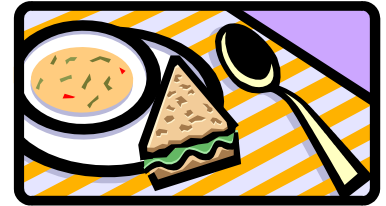
Evangelical UMC (Waseca, MN)

Fellowship Hall

Sunday, November 4, 2012

Lunch served at 11:30 a.m.

Menu: Creamy Wild Rice Soup or Broccoli Cheese Soup, Hot Pork Sandwich or Sloppy Joe, Potato Chips, Bars/Cookies & Beverage.



Reservation Deadline:

Sunday, Oct. 28. Call the Church Office @ 835-4774. Free-will Offering asked.

We invite you to join us in the Talent Show following the Soup & Sandwich Luncheon. Anyone who is interested in sharing their talent with us... Skits, singing, dancing, readings, musical instruments, etc—please call Betty Gransee at 835-2978 by Oct. 28.

CARDBOARD RECYCLING! Anyone interested in recycling their cardboard through Job’s Plus can bring it to Faith UMC on the 3rd Saturday of the month. Please break it down flat. Put it in the red pick-up truck parked by the garage/kitchen entrance. This vehicle belongs to Karen Norby’s sister, Sheryl Waugh; she is a regular Food @ Faith volunteer, and works at Job’s Plus. She also takes all the cardboard from Food @ Faith! A special thank you to her (and her family) for all this help!

27th ANNUAL “LOVE THAT LUTEFISK” DINNER

North Waseca Lutheran (Waseca, MN)

Sunday, November 11, 2012

Seatings: 4 p.m., 5 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Advance Ticket Sales Only!

Call Lowell Todd at (507) 833-3678 to reserve.

Menu: Lutefisk, lefse, delicious Swedish meatballs, mashed potatoes & gravy, coleslaw, jelled cranberries, mixed vegetables, rommegrot and Norwegian pastries.

Adults: \$15.00 Children (10 and under) \$5.00



BAKE SALE AND CREAMED TURKEY & BISCUITS

Ellendale UMC
(Ellendale, MN)

Saturday, November 17, 2012

Bake Sale—8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Luncheon—11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Free-will donation for Luncheon.

Circles are one of the small group opportunities available at Faith where Bible Study, Devotions and Prayer are shared.

Elizabeth Circle

Elizabeth Circle will meet **Wednesday, November 14 at 3 p.m. in the Upper Room.** Our hostess will be Karen Ferch. Visitors and guests

Mary Circle

Mary Circle is meeting on **Tuesday, November 20 at 1 p.m.** in the Upper Room. Note the time and location change.

Ruth Circle

Ruth Circle's meeting will be announced later.



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Guest Night

The Flemming Fold, a musical family, performed at the United Methodist Women Guest Night on October 18th. There were very many positive comments on how much people enjoyed the group. There were close to 100 present for the performance and the women served around 90 people in the fellowship hall.

It was great to see the young people in attendance. It appeared they too were amazed at the performance of the two young girls and their talent in singing and playing the instruments. The decorations in the fellowship hall had a touch of elegance and the cake was very tasty. Thanks to everyone that helped out with the event. It all adds to a very successful Guest Night.

UMW Unit Meeting

Don't forget to mark your calendars for this meeting. It is scheduled for **November 19 at 6:00 p.m.** Our devotional program will be our World Thank offering. This is an opportunity for us to respond to God's abundance

of grace with spontaneous gifts of gratitude. The funds collected are used in the total program of mission carried on through the Women's Division-mission in the United States and around the world.

We will be planning our program schedule for 2013 and have election of officers for 2013.

MN/UMW Annual Conference

We met in Blue Earth at the Hope United Methodist Church on October 6th. Shirley Burdick, Char Frankenberry, Barb Friedl, Sherry Scholljegerdes, Mary Jane Stauffer, Gloria Tollefson, Lorraine Wick and Roberta Walker attended the gathering. It was great having such a good representation from Faith United Methodist Women. It will be reported on at the UMW unit meeting.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Hands on Mission Project. We took a large box of school supplies and it was very much appreciated.

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Fall Bazaar

Our Fall Bazaar will be held on **November 3**. This is a great event to help us get ready for the holiday season. There will be gifts to buy and baked items to stick in the freezer for Thanksgiving and Christmas. And there are always special items at the silent auction.

The delicious lunch of vegetable beef soup, fresh bread and pies is something to look forward to. Invite a friend for lunch.

There is a sign-up sheet at church for the things needed for the luncheon and for the workers that are still needed. Thanks to everyone for helping out with the bazaar. The luncheon, gifts, baked items, canned food and the items people give for the silent auction make it a great bazaar.

Supper at Grace Garage

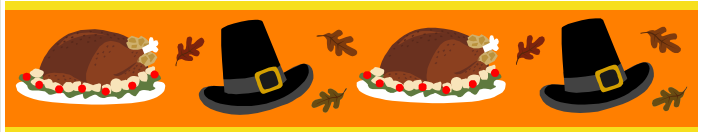
This program is sponsored by the Neighborhood Service Center. Our church has been asked to help with providing the supper for **November 29** and **December 20**.

There will be more information about this as we get closer to the dates.

Women can belong to UMW and if the Circle times don't work for you, we would still like to invite you to join the UMW organization. So many of you help at so many of the UMW events we would like to include you in our membership.

United Methodist Women welcome all women to join the organization. Anyone can join UMW who actively chooses to become involved in the organization's mission and support the Purpose, even if you are not a member of Faith United Methodist Church.

United Methodist Women is a community of women who nurture and encourage one another in their spiritual growth, personal leadership and transformation.



THANKSGIVING COMMUNITY MEAL

St. John Lutheran Church
(401—3rd Ave. NE, Waseca)

Thursday, November 22, 2012 at Noon

RSVP by Noon on Wed., November 21, please call (507) 835-4511. If no answer, leave message including the # of meals, take out (limit of 4 per address) or dine-in. If you want home delivery or a ride, please leave your address and phone number.

Free-will Offering.

This event is sponsored by the Greater Waseca Area Ministerial Association. Please call St. John Lutheran Church at (507) 833-1703 to volunteer or donate.



CHRISTMAS TIME'S A COMIN'

The fourth annual country-gospel Christmas show will be presented at the Central Intermediate School Auditorium in Waseca on December 1st and 2nd. This is a Branson-style Christmas show for the entire family's enjoyment. All proceeds go to the local chapter of the American Red Cross.

Show times are:

Saturday, Dec. 1 at 2 and 7 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 2 at 2 p.m.

Tickets are available at the Waseca Music Store (507) 835-2980, and at the door. Adults \$10, Youth 16 and under are free! Checkout You Tube for videos of previous shows!

DEVOTIONAL MAGAZINES

The Education Team was presented with a difficult choice recently. We were asked to review the costs associated with mailing out of devotional magazines for all our young people. We love our young people and of course we want to encourage them in their faith walk with Jesus! As we looked at the costs however, we decided to discontinue the mailings in order to save over \$1,200 annually.

We are hoping that by receiving these magazines, many young folks have used them and gotten into the good habit of daily devotional time with the Lord! Please encourage a young person you know to keep it up! Ask them what they have been reading about lately. If you would like to personally purchase the same devotional magazine for your young person, the details are:

Pockets (elementary)	pockets.upperroom.org	11 issues	\$21.95
Devo (jr & sr high)	devozine.org	12 issues	\$41.95
Alive Now (young adult)	alivenow.upperroom.org	6 issues	\$17.95

Another option is to purchase a devotional book. Often these books cost less than \$10. They are available at all Christian bookstores as well as online retailers such as Christian Book Distributors at christianbook.com. Thanks so much for your understanding.

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PLEASE PRAY...

Dear Lord,

We pray for the leaders of this country and every other.

May they not be swayed by politics but listen instead to the spirit of truth.

May they not harken to the false and bitter voices of a frightened world, but instead hear the angels who minister unto them.

May the world make room for their leadership and resist no more their growth into greatness.

May their virtue shield them.

May their lack of virtue be forgiven and corrected.

May their words be true

May their strength go before them, to cut like a sword through all illusion.

May they see the innocence and brotherhood in those who oppose them.

May they grow beyond a shallow fight.

And thus may we all be taken with them into new light, new peace, new politics, new hope for all the world.

Amen.

(from Marianne Williamson's book, Illuminator)

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involved!





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FALL BAZAAR & SILENT AUCTION
with SOUP LUNCHEON
Saturday, November 3

Bazaar opens at 10:30 a.m.

Great gift items: pies, cookies, candy,
"almost new" items and a silent auction
of awesome stuff!

**Lunch will be served from
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Menu includes: Homemade vegetable
beef soup, freshly baked bread, as-
sorted pies and coffee.

**Everyone is invited to join us for lunch,
we ask only a free-will donation.**

