

**As One Church Serving in Multiple Locations our Mission is:  
*To be a gathered people living, loving and serving as Jesus did...so that all may know him.***

## LABOR DAY WEEKEND

### **CONGREGATIONAL LIFE**

#### **Reflections on a Love Letter**

Reading over Paul's shoulder as he writes his letter to Philemon, we find ourselves challenged to consider the relationship between duty-rights and love-forgiveness. Paul invites us to consider these things within the context of the love we all have received from God in Jesus Christ.

#### **New Worship Times and Format**

Some of you just rolled your eyes. Others said it out loud, "great, here we go again. Now what are 'they' trying to do!?" You have a right to be somewhat suspicious. I know you've been through a lot of changes. But let me tell you why this change is coming your way.

Worship and Education are central to the mission of the Christian Church in general and to Hosanna Lutheran Church in particular. Sunday mornings are the single largest gatherings of our community of faith. We need to create room enough to do both well during our time together on Sundays. Finally, in my short time here, I have heard from a number of people that they are hungry for adult Bible Study and Sunday Forum opportunities.

Therefore, the new schedule will be as follows:

#### **September 11 begins:**

##### **Saturday Evenings**

5:00 PM (Garden Chapel) – **Table Talk** (following an old Martin Luther model) – refreshments, songs, brief introduction of Gospel lesson by leader followed by discussion of the passage, and a time of open prayer together. (This service will not include the sacraments with the possible exception of the week before Christmas and the week before Holy Week.)

This is a place to dialog, even wrestle with the Scripture – as Jacob wrestled with God in the desert. We will focus on the Gospel lesson or one of the readings for the following week. So if you choose to attend a Sunday service in the next week you will be able to continue to thoughtfully engage – agree or disagree – with the way the preacher chose to work with the text.

#### **September 12 is:**

##### **Celebration Sunday:**

Have fun with us on this morning. There will be music and choir at both the 8:30 and 10:40 a.m. services. A brunch style potluck will be served (sign up sheets at the Welcome Desk) from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. There will be crafts, games, and

activities for children during that same time frame. The various Hosanna mission and outreach programs will have poster displays throughout the church. Come celebrate what it means to be part of Hosanna.

#### **September 19 begins:**

##### **9:30 AM – Education Hour**

**Adult Study:** "A Walk Through Matthew's Gospel: Hearing the Story Again for the First Time."

**Sunday School:** (preschool through grade 6): Join us in an exciting journey through a variety of bible stories in the Old and New Testament.

#### **Hospitality Appreciation**

##### **Sunday September 12, 10:00 – 10:30 am**

All those on Hospitality teams that assist during services are welcome to join us in the Youth Room for recognition of your service time. This is also an opportunity for discussion and clarification of this mission. Anyone interested in becoming a part of this vital service opportunity please feel free to join us.

#### **Stop by the Green Team Table**

##### **In the Upper Commons Area**

The Green Team has put together an informative and insightful display on recycling. Take a guess on how many crushed soda cans are in the bale and you could be a winner. Drawing will be on Celebration Sunday.

#### **Changes are coming for the Palm**

Beginning in October the Palm will become a monthly publication. Don't worry though, you will be getting weekly information and updates in the bulletin. Because of this change I will need any articles or information for the month of October to be to me no later than September 20<sup>th</sup> at 9 am. For any subsequent months the deadline will remain the same; articles for the following month will need to be to me by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. I appreciate your patience in the midst of transition. Please send info to Allyson Thiele at [athiele@hosannachurch.net](mailto:athiele@hosannachurch.net) or call 651.464.5502.

#### **Gluten-Free Communion Wafers Available**

If you would like to receive a gluten-free wafer during communion, please let a hospitality team member know as you enter the worship service.

## **New Member Orientation**

If you are searching for a spiritual home, know that you are welcome here! Please call or email the church office to sign up or fill out the card at the Welcome Desk.

### **Sarah Circle September 8th**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Wed. of each month 10am - noon**

September's study found in "Lutheran Woman Today" magazine is on how we study the Bible. All are welcome. Connector: Barbara Johansen 651.433.5592

### **Green Team Meetings**

The next scheduled meeting is Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 5:00 pm (during the Wednesday evening meal). All are welcome to attend. Connector: Michael Thomas 651.245.2346 or [mail@michaeljthomasarchitect.com](mailto:mail@michaeljthomasarchitect.com)

### **Yogadevotion Resumes**

**Saturday mornings 9:30-10:30 Sept. 18- Nov. 6**

Gentle stretching movements combined with relaxing background music and personal prayer time. No experience necessary. Led by Lisa Ender, certified Yogadevotion instructor. Cost \$50 for 8 weeks. Register at welcome desk or contact [csorensen@hosannachurch.net](mailto:csorensen@hosannachurch.net).

### **Women's AA Group Mondays 6-7 p.m.**

#### **Experience "Women of Faith" Oct. 22-23 !**

**Fri. Oct. 22, 10am-9:30 pm and Sat. Oct. 23, 9 am-4pm**

Join thousands of other women of faith at the Excel Center in St. Paul to experience God in our lives through music, dance, drama, and powerful speakers. Cost \$89. Make your reservation now at the welcome desk by writing a check to Hosanna with "Women of Faith" on the memo line. Connector:csorensen@hosannachurch.net

## **SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Bakers/kitchen help needed**

Wednesday evening meal time would not be a success without kitchen help as well as bakers for our desserts. A sign-up sheet for both of these volunteer opportunities is in the Program Sign-Up notebook on the Welcome Desk. Connector: Rick Bahnemann 651-464-5502 ext. 2010, or [rbahnemann@hosannachurch.net](mailto:rbahnemann@hosannachurch.net).

### **Handbell Choir starts September 21 7:00 pm**

Interested in joining the Hosanna Ringers? This year, we will practice weekly but will only be a part of worship services 4-5 times throughout the whole year. Our rehearsals will be moving to Tuesday nights as well. Old and new members are asked to contact Matt Haider at [mhaider@hosannachurch.net](mailto:mhaider@hosannachurch.net). All are welcome!

### **Quilters, Crocheters, Knitters Invited**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Tue. of each month, 12:30-3:00 p.m.**

Questions? Contact Diane Zak, 651.464.7075.

## **EDUCATION**

### **ADULT**

#### **Wednesday Evening Adult Study**

**6-7 pm in the Conference Room**

We will working through the study "Making Sense of Scripture-Big Questions About the Book of Faith". Led by Pastor Lamont.

### **YOUTH**

#### **Confirmation 5:55 – 7:30pm**

Wed. Sept. 8 – Guide/Manager Training (5:55 – 7:00)

Wed. Sept. 15 – Introduction for Youth and Parents

Registration form at the Welcome Desk. Connector: Pastor Jim Mericle 651.464.55025 ext. 2006 or

[jmericle@hosannachurch.net](mailto:jmericle@hosannachurch.net)

#### **Confirmation Lock-In**

**Starts Sept. 25 at 9 am**

Confirmation youth get ready for your first lock-in of the new season. Please arrive by 9 am on Sat. Sept. 25 ready to focus on "Sacraments". End time is Sun. Sept. 26 at 12 noon.

Connector: Pastor Jim Mericle 651.464.5502 ext. 2006 or

[jmericle@hosannachurch.net](mailto:jmericle@hosannachurch.net).

#### **Higher Ground 5:55 – 7:30 pm**

Programming for youth grades 9-12 begins Wed. Sept. 15.

Registration forms are at the Welcome Desk. Connector: Matt Lovgren 651.464.55002 ext. 2004 or

[mlovgren@hosannachurch.net](mailto:mlovgren@hosannachurch.net)

#### **WANTED... "Dead or Alive"**

**Preferably Alive!!**

Two or three youth are needed from both 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade, along with some parents, to form a planning committee to plan events for the upcoming school year. Any activity suggested by the youth is open for discussion (i.e. overnights, bike rides, sledding, skiing, field trips). We will meet one Wed. per month after regular confirmation class. The first meeting is scheduled for Wed. Sept. 15. For more info. or to sign up call the church office at 651.464.5502 or contact Harry Eckert (651.464.3558), or Linda Knyphausen (651.214.4461).

### **CHILDREN**

#### **Kingdom Quest (KQ) 6:00 – 7:00 pm**

**Starts Wednesday September 15!**

Kingdom Quest is a great option for families who want to learn together on Wednesday nights! The program is available for children age 3 through 6th grade. All children will begin the evening together with 15 minutes of music in the Great Hall, which will be followed by a Bible lesson and activity time in smaller groups. Nursery care is provided from 5:45 – 7:00 p.m. and ice cream sundaes will be served during Bible time on the second Wed. of every month. Please consider volunteering and spending your Wed. evenings with these wonderful kids!

Registration forms, which include more information, are available at the Welcome Center. Connectors: Renae Reedy (433-8018 or [renaereedy@frontiernet.net](mailto:renaereedy@frontiernet.net)) and Julie Peterson (982-1658 or [jpete1@mac.com](mailto:jpete1@mac.com))

## **Wednesday Evening Dinner 5:00 – 6:00**

### **Beginning Wed. Sept. 15**

Hosanna is offering delicious meals on Wednesday nights.

#### **Cost structure:**

2 and under	free
preschool-2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	\$ 2.25
3 <sup>rd</sup> gr. – 12 <sup>th</sup> gr.	\$ 4.00
Adults	\$ 4.25
Family max	\$15.00

This year we are also offering “meals to go”. Thinking “green” bring your own plates and dishes in, or add .50 for disposable containers. Meals may be purchased in advanced **which is very much preferred to keep food cost and waste to a minimum**, or you can pay-as-you-go. Connector: Rick Bahnemann 651-464-5502 ext. 2010\_or [rbahnemann@hosannachurch.net](mailto:rbahnemann@hosannachurch.net).

### **Dinner Menu**

**Sept 15:** Spaghetti/meatballs, cheesy garlic bread, salad bar, chocolate chip cookies

**Sept 22:** French Toast, blueberries, bacon, fruit, brownies

## **OUTREACH**

### **Relay for Life Thank you**

We want to thank all who supported us in raising funds for this year’s American Cancer Society Relay for Life. Our three teams from Hosanna raised over \$16,000. Again many thanks from Cool Running Teams 1,2 and 3

### **Meals on Wheels**

Drivers are needed for this vital program for the months of September and October. Contact Amy Jungbauer at 612.940.9659.

## **CONGREGATIONAL CARE**

### **Prayer Support, Spiritual Care, and Visitation**

It is our desire to be available to one another in time of need, and during life’s challenges. If you are in the hospital, have a death in the family, would like a visit, have a new baby, or have a public (listed in the Palm) or confidential (not published) prayer request, please contact Pastor Lamont or Allyson in the church office.

### **Public Prayer Requests 9/1/10**

*“Don’t worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank Him for what He has done.” Philippians 4:6*

#### **Comfort In Grief**

Rena Benedict- death of Mary Elizabeth Kuyper (Rena’s mom) on Aug. 14

#### **Thanks and Praise**

Kirk Swenson- safe return from Afghanistan

#### **Pray for Healing**

**Leo Dohmen-** back in hospital following heart surgery

**Clyde Tyler-** moving to memory care facility. Pray for Bert and family in this transition

**Adrian-** Janice Ward’s granddaughter

**Jack Storlie-** strength and healing after successful surgery

**Lorna Peck-** Deb DeVore’s aunt diagnosed with stage 4 lung

cancer

**Allison Sundman-**Pastor Jim and Sondra Mericle’s daughter- getting stronger and improving

**Linda Hackl-**cancer-surgery recovery

**Emma-** Lisa and Ted Phillip’s 7-yr. old daughter

Taylor-Mary and Trevor Boerem’s 12 year old son

Savannah Yaritz- medical evaluation

Patti Yaritz- decisions concerning daughter Savannah’s care

Sue Chester- leukemia

Dave Haider-cancer

Keri Johnson-Ron and Janice Ward’s niece-cancer

Ginny Kypke-Betsy Friesen’s aunt-cancer

Lynn- Nick (Andrea) Acker’s sister-cancer

Kim Byam-Peggy Berg’s relative-cancer

Michelle Swanson-Peggy Berg’s friend-cancer

#### **Upcoming Surgery**

Tim Tollefson-possible arm surgery

#### **Comfort and Peace**

**Alma Kretzschmar-** Deb (Chuck) DeVore’s mother-wisdom and discernment on possible hospice move

Pat Phillips-Ted (Lisa) Phillips’ father

Bill Daly -Marilynne and Dave Olson’s friend

Bill-Harold (Susy) Richey’s brother

#### **Protection and Blessing for Military Troops Stationed Overseas**

Ben Vedder- Cindy and Mark’s son- Afghanistan

Josh-David and Robin Hopkins’ grandson

James McArthur- friend of Cassandra Brandt and Andy Levesque

Betsy-Jeff (Danielle) Burnett’s sister

Sam- Karen and Lyle Alm’s relative

Katie- Karen and Lyle Alm’s relative

Kurt Nahl-Kayla Williams’ stepdad

#### **Other**

**Students and teachers preparing for the start of the new school year**

# Calendar of Events

## September 6 – September 12, 2010

### **Monday, September 7 Labor Day**

OFFICE CLOSED

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Women's AA (Luther B)

### **Tuesday, September 8**

10:00 am -11:30 am Al Anon (CR & Nur)

4:00 pm - 7:00 pm Hugo Community Food Shelf Open (Outreach Cntr.)

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Troop 733 Committee Meeting (CR)

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Al-Anon Group (Luther A)

8:15 pm - 9:15 pm FL 12X12 Study Group (Luther A)

### **Wednesday, September 9**

10:00 am - 12:00 pm Sarah Circle (YR)

10:15 am - 12:15 pm Staff meeting (CR)

5:55 pm - 7:30 pm ConfirmationGuide Training (Library)

### **Thursday, September 10**

3:00 pm - 7:00 pm Hugo Community Food Shelf Open – Hugo

6:30 pm - 9:30 pm Worship Team Rehearsal (GH)

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Befrienders (CR)

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Troop 733 Meeting (YR)

### **Saturday, September 11**

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Table Talk Service

### **Sunday, September 12 Celebration Sunday**

8:30 am - 9:20 am Liturgical Worship (GH)

9:30 am - 11:00 am Brunch Potluck (FH)

9:30 am - 11:00 am Celebration Sunday Festivities (GC)

10:00 am – 10:30 am Hospitality Appreciation (YR)

10:40 am - 11:30 am Worship and Praise Service (GH)

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## Forest Lake

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### **Saturday**

5:00 p.m. Table Talk

### **Sunday**

8:30 a.m. Liturgical Worship

9:30 Education Hour

10:40 a.m. Worship and Praise Service

*Thanks for Worshiping with us!*

*Please Join us for Refreshments*

*following each service.*

## Hosanna Harbors' Outreach

### **Outreach Center at Victor Marketplace**

14755 Victor Hugo Blvd. #101

Hugo, MN 55038 651.429.1576

**Global Gallery and Fair Trade Gifts**

**Hugo Community Food Shelf**

**Bountiful Re' Thrift Boutique**

**Thank you** to the businesses that have sponsored this Palm:

*Robert H. Collins, Attorney at Law*

*Jim Christensen of Sherman Insurance*

*Patriot Bank Minnesota*

*Krueger Law Firm*

*Thomas S. Turry D.D.S.*

### **Here for the first time?**

Stop by the Welcome Center for information about the Hosanna Church community and all it has to offer.

***Hosanna is a place to connect and worship God through...***

***Worshipping***

***Inviting***

***Connecting***

***Growing and Giving***

***Serving***

***Pastor Lamont Koerner, Interim Pastor***

***James Mericle, Confirmation Pastor***

### **Find it at the Welcome Center!**

Brochures (Info Rack), sign-ups and more. If we don't know the answer, we will find someone who does, or have someone get back to you this week.

***Thank You to all of this weeks sponsors of the Palm!!***

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