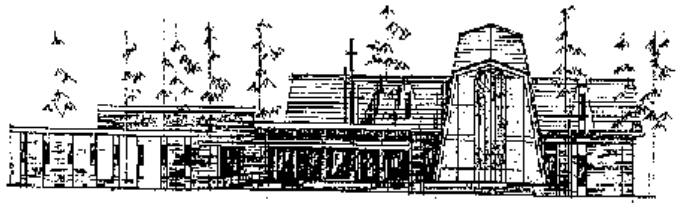


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SPECIAL SERVICES

May 1
12:00 and 7:00

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD AND NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE

Gather together for this service combining these two worship opportunities. (see page 5 for more information)



OWL'S LUNCHEON Thursday May 22nd at 11:30 in the McSwain Activity Center

Before you start your summer reading and trips come join us for our last gathering until fall.

We will have a **program** given by Greg and Donna Adams.

Meal will be provided by Middle of the Island and cost is \$7 per person.

Menu: Barbecue chicken, Roast Pork & stuffing, mashed potatoes, squash casserole, lima beans, with peach cobbler and ice cream for dessert.



SUMMER SCHEDULE FOR YOUTH

See the dates listed on the youth board for Pool days, open gym days, movie nights, day trips, kayaking, and servant days.

Hopefully over the summer some of these activities will fit into your busy schedule. As always if you have an idea for an activity let us know.



FREE FREE, FREE Camp Agape Day Camp!

Camp Agape will be here on **May 31st** from **9am-3pm** providing a free day camp to youth finishing K-4th grades... this is open to members and nonmembers of St. Matthew's so spread the word to friends and family to join you.

A sign up sheet and registration sheet are on the youth board or you may call Nancy Magruder at 791-4582.

The summer Camp Agape Day Camp will be August 4th- 8th; cost is \$100 for the week, from 9am-3pm each day. A sign up for this will be posted at a later date.

CONFIRMATION BANQUET



You are invited to join our 8th grade Confirmation Class for their banquet on **Wednesday, May 7 at 6:30 pm** in the McSain Activity Center.

We will celebrate the completion of confirmation classes for our 8th graders and they will share their end of the year papers. This is a very meaningful event for our 6 students and we hope you can be present to celebrate with them. There will be a sheet in the Commons for you to sign up for the meal.



RITE OF CONFIRMATION

for our 8th graders will be on **Sunday, May 11th at the 11:00 am service.**

There will be reception between services to honor the 6 students being confirmed.

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

During this week in which I am writing, we have buried two of our oldest members: Effie McDougald and Herbert Bost. Effie, 97, was our oldest in years. Herbert Bost was a member longer than Effie, because Herbert, 87, was baptized in and spent his whole life in St. Matthew's church. Unlike the wider culture that discounts age and unlike those churches that sell their souls in mimicry of the wider culture, our congregation honors and respects our elders who have much to teach the young about what matters most in life.

Effie McDougald, Wayne's mother and Lois Padgett's sister, told me four years ago that she was ready to go and really didn't understand why God had not yet taken her. Yet Effie exuded a joy and an abiding faith that encouraged others to place their trust in God. I'll never forget that Sunday in June 2005 when we honored those that had been married more than 50 years including the widows and widowers. Effie was there, and she was all dolled up, as they say. She was proud to show me her wedding picture and proud to be honored as an example to young and old.

Herbert Bost, beloved husband of Lucy for more than 64 years, always sang hymns at the top of his lungs. As I said at his funeral, Herbert was practicing his faith and practicing to sing God's new, new song with the heavenly choir. Our congregation has been here 116 years this year, and Herbert was a member for 87 of those years. We have benefited from Herbert and Lucy's wise stewardship of God's things time and again. Their mutual witness of lifelong faithfulness to God and to each other stands as a beacon of light in a world marked by utilitarian relationships and shallow commitments.

I could not let this moment pass, particularly because many of our members never knew either Effie or Herbert. Yet, without their love for God and for this congregation, much of what we enjoy today simply would not be here. In other words, membership in this congregation is a sacred trust that God has placed in each of our hands. We do well to ask ourselves how we are measuring up to Effie and to Herbert's examples.

When our time in this world and in this congregation is past, what will be the story of our witness and our stewardship of God's things?

We begin the month of May with Ascension Day and the National Day of Prayer celebrated on Thursday, May 1, at noon and 7 p.m. The following weekend, May 3-4, is our Cantate Sunday celebration filled with the praises of God in instrument and song. On Wednesday, May 7, at 6:30 p.m. in McSwain Center, we gather to hear the Confirmands read their papers in preparation for their Confirmation on Pentecost Sunday at 11 a.m. on May 11. That same weekend we honor our mothers. Then on May 17-18 we honor our graduates and receive new members as we celebrate the Festival of the Holy Trinity. At 1 p.m. on May 18, we gather at Empie Park for an old-fashioned Church Picnic. Finally, we honor our veterans on Memorial Day Weekend, May 24-25. During the Sunday School hour, there will be a wonderful chance to hear our oldest veterans talk about how their faith in Christ sustained them through the worst moments of the world at war.

If Effie and Herbert could tell each of us one last thing, it would be that their lives passed much quicker than it seemed at the time. They would also tell us again that we are just passing through this world and what matters most is faithfulness to God, faithfulness to family, and faithfulness to Christ's Church.

Each time I am called to a deathbed and each time I sit with a family to plan a funeral I spend the rest of that day and usually a couple more thinking about my own life. Those moments are holy moments, gifts from God's gracious hand. It is the Master's way of asking me: "Are you attending to what I have placed in your hands to manage?"

You can ignore these words and keep on doing what you're doing. Or you can stop to learn a lesson from Effie and from Herbert. It is your choice. This I know: Effie and Herbert made a lot more good choices than bad, because they were faithful to God, faithful to family, and faithful to Christ's Church. I hope we will listen and make some better choices as a congregation.

Your brother in Christ, Pastor Sam

WE CAN'T DO IT ALONE!

Opportunities abound at St. Matthew's and we can accomplish great things for God through Christ if we will just act! Thank you to all who serve God with time and talent. Many of you serve regularly and with a joyful heart. There are many, many needs that require the time and talent of God's people, not just their possessions. The group that serves with time and talent is wonderful but; **THEY CAN'T DO IT ALL ALONE, THEY NEED YOU TOO!**

This is a true story told about a brick layer who tried to move about 500 pounds of bricks from the top of a four story building to the sidewalk below. The problem was he tried to do it alone.

In his own words taken from his insurance claim form...

It would have taken too long to carry the bricks down by hand so I decided to put them in a barrel, and lower them from the building by using a pulley I had fastened to the top of the building.

After tying the rope securely at ground level I then went up to the top of the building, fastened the rope to the barrel, loaded it with bricks, and swung it over the sidewalk for the descent.

Then I went down to the sidewalk.... And untied the rope...

I untied the rope, holding it securely to guide the barrel down slowly. But since I weigh only 140 lbs the 500lb load jerked me up from the ground so fast I didn't have time to think of letting go of the rope and as I passed between the second and third floors I met the barrel coming down, this accounts for the bruises and lacerations on my upper body.

I held tightly to the rope until I reached the top, where my hand became jammed in the pulley, this accounts for my broken thumb.

*At the same time however, the barrel hit the sidewalk with a **bang** and the bottom fell out. With the weight of the bricks gone....*

The barrel weighed only about 40lbs, thus my 140lb body began a swift descent. I met the rising empty barrel around the second and third floor, this accounts for my broken ankles.

Slowed only slightly I continued the descent and landed on the pile of bricks, this accounts for my sprained back and broken collar bone.

At that point I lost my presence of mind completely and I let go of the rope!

I let go of the rope and the empty barrel came crashing down on me. This accounts for my head injuries.

And as for the last question on your insurance form. What would you do if the same situation arose again? Please be advised I am finished trying to do the job all by myself.

The load can be very heavy when only a few take the initiative to serve. As Pastor Sam reminds us, it can also be made light by many hands. Consider how you can serve with time and talent and step up.

We all need to realize that everybody that belongs to the body of Christ belongs to everybody that belongs to the body of Christ. We are related, we are in it together, as a family. We have a responsibility to support and care for our family members. Pray for guidance and step up to serving our family with your time and unique abilities today!

Richard Chinn, President

COUNCIL SUMMARY April 10, 2008

The regular monthly business and visioning meeting convened on April 10, 2008 at 7pm beginning with devotions led by Pastor Sam. The meeting was called to order by Richard Chinn, President.

The reports from the previous meeting, Minutes, Pastors' Reports, Treasurer's Reports and Parish Records Secretary Membership Report were acknowledged and accepted by motion and vote.

Carolyn Hooker was recognized and presented various concerns and issues about property. She discussed her observations of the work of our cleaning contractor, indicated the need for volunteers for garden care and proposed the organization of a work day to clean and organize the many areas used at St. Matthew's.

The Personnel team met on March 25 to discuss priorities. Dick Williams is the chair of this team. Members are Ryan Allison, Judy Benson and Mark Williams. The committee requested the guidance of council as to what policies need to be in place.

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CHURCH PICNIC

May 18 at Empie Park from
1:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.
sponsored by Christian Education and
Youth Committees.

The food will be provided so you need to sign up on the sheet in the Commons area. A free will offering will be taken to offset some of the cost of food.

There will be activities for all ages.
Please plan to attend for a special time of fellowship.

LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL UNTIL
FALL IS SUNDAY MAY 18TH.



VETERAN'S RECOGNITION
CELEBRATION SUNDAY, MAY
25TH at 9:45am
in the McSwain Activity Center.

Plan to attend this intergenerational event to honor our veterans. Any questions contact Kathren Miller.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
June 8-14 (Evening classes 6-8 pm)

Our theme this year is *God's Big Backyard!*
Please sign up to teach, to attend, to help with crafts, snacks, games, etc. Bring friends, neighbors, cousins, grandparents and your families. Activities are planned for all ages. Everyone help us celebrate and learn about *God's Big Back Yard.*

If you would like to be involved in the planning and helping with VBS contact Scott Holzberger and Tammi Gates.

Watch for our VBS display in the Commons with sign up sheets and registration forms.



Congratulations to those who recently received their 1st Communion:

Haydn Bauer Jaydon Woollard
Mark Haskins Charly Fischl
Dean Hornick Preston Gourville



May be purchased from
choir members after May
4th.

CHURCH YARD SALE!

Saturday June 21st.



We will begin collecting on Sunday the 15th and continue that week with a preview for members on Friday the 20th. We will be glad to pick items up if you are unable to bring them to us. Doors open on Saturday at 7:30am. This is a fundraiser for the summer mission trip, so we appreciate all donations.



MONDAY NIGHT
EVENING PRAYER
AND BIBLE STUDY

Join us each Monday evening at 6:00 for an hour of bible study/evening prayer service.





June 7-8: We honor all those couples that have been married 50 plus years as well as widows and widowers that were married 50 plus years (If your 50th anniversary falls in 2008, please feel free to participate). Please bring a wedding picture to the church office by Wednesday, June 4. Be sure your name is on the back of the photo. They may be picked up on the weekend of June 14-15. Our honorees are invited to dress accordingly: women in white and men in black. Formal attire is optional. *A cake and punch reception will be held between Sunday morning services.*



June 14-15

Bring Dad to worship this weekend as we honor our fathers.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
					1 <i>Day of Ascension National Day of Prayer Services 12 and 7</i> 9:00 Women's Fitness 10:00 Crossways 4:00 Brownie #739 7:00 Boy Scouts	2 HOSPICE MEAL <i>Fred and Ruthann Getsinger</i>	3 6:00 Worship/Comm 8:00 AA 8:00 AL-ANON
4 CANTATA SUNDAY 8:30 Worship/Communion 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship/Communion 1:30 GS #139/226 End of Year Ceremony	5 9:30 Spiritual Form. 12:00 Conversations 6:00 Evening Prayer and Bible Study 7:00 Sister's Bible Study	6 Women's Fitness 9:00 10:00 Prayer Group 6:30 Stephen Min. Training 6:30 Contemporary Svc Practice 7:00 Stephen Min. 8:00 AA	7 8:30 Devotional Breakfast 9:30 Spiritual Form. 5:30 Cadette GS #354 6:00 Crossways 6:30 Cub Scouts #274 6:30 Confirmation Banquet 7:30 Adult Choir	8 9:00 Women's Fitness 4:00 Brownie #739 7:00 Church Council 7:00 Boy Scouts	9	10 10:00 Choir Rehearsal at St. Paul's 6:00 Worship/Comm 8:00 AA 8:00 AL-ANON	
11 MOTHER'S DAY 8:30 Contemp. Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship/Communion Rite of Confirmation Service Reception between services <i>5:00 WIHN Families Arrive</i>	12 9:30 Spiritual Form. 12:00 Conversations 6:00 Evening Prayer and Bible Study 7:00 Sister's Bible Study <i>WIHN Families</i>	13 Women's Fitness 9:00 9:30 Faith Circle 10:00 Prayer Group TBA Peace Circle 6:00 Praise Circle 6:00 Love Circle 6:30 Stephen Min. Training 8:00 AA	14 8:00 Devotional Breakfast 9:30 Spiritual Form. 5:30 Cadette GS #354 6:00 Crossways 6:30 Cub Scouts #274 7:30 Confirmation <i>WIHN Families</i>	15 9:00 Women's Fitness 10:00 Crossways 4:00 Brownie #739 7:00 Boy Scouts NEWSLETTER DEADLINE <i>WIHN Families</i>	16 HOSPICE MEAL <i>Mike and Pat Floyd</i> <i>WIHN Families</i>	17 9-12 New Disciples Orientation 10:00 Choir Rehearsal at St. Paul's 6:00 Worship/Comm 8:00 AA 8:00 AL-ANON <i>WIHN Families</i>	
18 GRADUATION SUNDAY 8:30 Worship/Communion 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship/Communion 1:00 CHURCH PICNIC AT EMPIE PARK 1:30 Junior GS #226 <i>5:00 WIHN Families Leave</i>	19 9:30 Spiritual Form. 12:00 Conversations 6:00 Evening Prayer and Bible Study 7:00 Sister's Bible Study	20 Women's Fitness 9:00 10:00 Prayer Group 6:30 Contemporary Svc Practice 6:30 Stephen Min. Training 7:00 Stephen Min. 8:00 AA	21 8:00 Devotional Breakfast 9:30 Spiritual Form. 5:30 Cadette GS #354 6:00 Crossways 6:30 Cub Scouts #274 7:30 Choir Rehearsal at St. Paul's	22 9:00 Women's Fitness 10:00 Crossways 11:30 OWL's Fellowship Luncheon 4:00 Brownie #739 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:30 Adult Choir	23 <i>7:00 Via de Cristo</i>	24 9:00 Choir Rehearsal at St. Paul's 6:00 Easter Vigil 8:00 AA 8:00 AL-ANON	
25 VETERANS HONORED 8:30 Contemp. Worship 11:00 Worship/Communion 4:00 Concert at St. Paul's <i>Combined choirs including St. Matthew's</i>	26 MEMORIALDAY HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSED	27 Women's Fitness 9:00 10:00 Prayer Group 7:00 Ministry Teams 8:00 AA	28 8:00 Devotional Breakfast 9:30 Spiritual Form. 6:00 Crossways 6:30 Cub Scouts #274 7:30 Adult Choir	29 9:00 Women's Fitness 10:00 Crossways 4:00 Brownie #739 7:00 Boy Scouts	30	31 9-3 Free Agape Day Camp 6:00 Easter Vigil 8:00 AA 8:00 AL-ANON	

MAY BIRTHDAYS ** Denotes Youth Birthday

1	Arnold Wychel Adrianna Mayberry ** Diane Guy	12	Frank Felter	29	Sherry Bendahmane Sandra Humphrey Adam Marlow Mary Lamb
2	Carrie Whiteside Marti Felter Jeffrey Simon	14	Hannah Bendahmane Ivonne Tullous	30	Angela Piccinin
3	Dorothy Weber Deborah Pressley Dawn Hill	15	Amy Erkes **	31	Barbara Clemmons Deborah Lockwood Adrienne Porter **
4	Jodi Davis JP Miller Jeffrey Robinson Amy Miller Angela Wells Kent Linkner	17	Mark Haskins ** Declan Schwartz		
5	Nicholas Meyer ** Bonnie Weaver Rebecca Lee	18	Hilde Tyson Margaret Feilke Shirley Melito		
6	Cathy Aleksandravicius Jason Barbour Charles Ramseur Michael Grieb **	19	Mary McSwain Tara Parker Debbie Gimbal Emily Simon ** Katie Simon **		
8	Amanda Mayberry **	20	Sylvia Hall		
9	Fred Doll	21	Christopher Oring		
11	Sarah Miller Kathryn Brennan ** Mike Pierce	22	Caden Ricketts Karen Zuege		
		23	Edward McDonough AJ Marlow Melissa Holzberger		
		24	Ruthann Getsinger Kendall Bauer ** Michael Connaughton		
		26	Jennifer Snyder Lori Townsend		
		28	Jeanna Fulton **		



MAY ANNIVERSARIES

2	Elizabeth and Ray Porter	13	Ted and Robin Hueskes	24	Steve and Freda Brewbaker
5	Paul and Sandy Marlow Charles and Norma Malmberg	14	Lawrence and Lynne Hughes	26	Frank and Nancy Fauser
12	Phil and Barbara Christmas Randy and Megan Rose	15	Patrick and Sandy O'Donnell	28	Dean and Deanna Carlisle
		22	Thomas and Irene Barber Robert and Teresa Tuck	31	Jeff and Anita Turner Bruce and Rebecca Seip



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The June 2008 council meeting is to be held on June 5th to avoid conflicting with the activities of VBS.

Scott Holzberger is working on the plans for the upcoming Vacation Bible School.

A celebration honoring the veterans at St. Matthew's is being planned.

Council was reminded of St. Matthew's participation in the Agape Kure Beach "Go Camp" project. This was originally introduced by Saville Riesz who will be reaching out to St. Matthew's to further explain the project.

St. Matthew's needs Synod Assembly Delegates. Three lay persons need to be signed up by May 1.

The constitution review committee, John Antonelli, Bob Stansbury and Joel Melito will convene in a meeting with the Congregation Council on May 1 at 5:00pm.

Council began discussions on the forming of a care ministry organization. Communication and notification have been identified as important.

The Fellowship and Social Ministry teams have team leader vacancies which need to be filled.

The next scheduled council meeting will be Thursday May 8 at 7:00 pm. The meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm with the praying together of the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Peter Gimbal, Recorder



EAT UP AND KEEP THEM COMING!

Don't discard those Campbell's Soup labels. Bring them to church and put them in the tub in the hall by the church office. In thirteen years we have sent 21,850 labels. Recently I sent 60 of the Box Tops for Education and 530 of the soup labels for the Navajo Lutheran Mission School.

Other labels we send are as follows: Franco American, Pepperidge Farm, Swanson, Prego and V8 code labels so don't discard them either. You can bring just the U.P.C label like the example below or the entire label. Just put them in the tub in the hall. Thanks for your continued support of this outreach mission project.

Thanks, Jane Bruce

MISSIONARY FUND

Your generous contributions for the missionary efforts of Tim and Sarah Walter, as they work for Youth With a Mission (YWAM), is greatly appreciated. However, a recent review of the Internal Revenue Code as it affects not-for-profit religious organizations, has determined that St. Matthew's is not allowed to accept contributions designated to specific persons. In order for the church to accept a contribution for a specific person, the church would have to supervise the distribution of the contribution to them, and direct the subsequent use of that contribution by them. YWAM is a bona fide not-for-profit organization. Contributions for Tim and Sarah should be made directly to YWAM, as that organization is then in the proper position to administer the distribution of your contribution. The Missionary Fund has been closed.

The address previously furnished was incorrect.

The correct address is:

YWAM Tyler
PO Box 3000,
Garden Valley, Tx 75771.



On this Feast of the Ascension, we celebrate with joy and thanksgiving that the Crucified and Risen Lord Jesus is differently present in His Church today. Although we cannot see His Resurrected Body, we can see Him in the Word and Sacraments, in His Body the Church, and in the faces of the least of these His brothers and sisters. We are called out of our old lives into our new life in Christ where our words and deeds tell others who and Whose we are!

The Scriptures for the service are:

FIRST LESSON:

Acts 1:1-11

Before he is lifted into heaven, Jesus promises that the missionary work of the disciples will spread out from Jerusalem to all the world. His words provide an outline of the book of Acts.

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SECOND LESSON:

Ephesians 1:15-23

The risen and exalted Christ reigns over the entire universe. The author of Ephesians prays that we would be given the wisdom to comprehend this and display it through love toward others.

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 24:44-53

On the day of his ascension, Jesus leaves his disciples with a commission, a blessing, and a promise of the Holy Spirit.

REMEMBER DAILY IN YOUR PRAYERS

The following church members and friends.

Kenneth Hufham
Jane Brunt
Pru Hovis
Michael Vickery
Sarah Mairs
Maury Hanes
Charles Ramseur
Dick Bramley
Linda Parker
Pat Dearie
Marie Brown
Mary Serkiz
Carroll Strong
Dean Carlisle
Clement Doniere
Herb Fox
Earl Lindner
Steve Smith
Dorothy Heberling
James Ammons
Brenda Seitter
James Clemmons
Harold Shelton, Jr.
Betty Killian
Brandy Bocchino
Ray Wilson
Iris Whiteside

Nancy French
Diane Vickery
Naomi Era
Lillian Witter
Michelle King
Valerie Hall
Brenda Tyler
John Geiger
Kelsea Webster
Wally Schultz
Leon Wade, Sr.
Rick Robey
Bobby Seitter
Marilyn Wilson
Fran Heidorn
Elsie Heinlein
Bruni Kline
Military Families
Clyde Farmer
Beverly Chamberlain
Lois Whitmeyer
George Thompson
Bill Killian
Norma Horne
Karen Brix
Gary Faircloth

SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED to *Lucy Bost, Marie Brown and Janet Somersett* in the death of Herb on April 19th.

SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED to *Wayne and Sara McDougald, Jane McDougald and Lois Padgett* in the death of Effie McDougald on April 20th.

SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED to *Fred and Ruthann Getsinger* in the death of Fred's brother, Ken on April 2nd.

REMEMBER OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS:
Diane Koen, Emma Brunjes, Barbara Cook, Helen Hauns, Betty Lauver, Ruby Hubbard, and Jane McDougald.



The many expressions of sympathy with cards and hugs have meant so much during the passing of Fred's brother, Ken. We thank God for you.

Fred and Ruthann Getsinger



Altar Flowers

Thank you for signing up to do altar flowers for the year. A new chart will be in the Commons in August for next years schedule. This year our flowers have been done by Verzaal's Florist and Gifts. They have done a wonderful job on our arrangements. If you have a need for flowers and do not have a personal preference give them some business.



CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES!

GRADUATION SUNDAY IS MAY 18TH

We will honor our high school and college graduates at all services May 18th.

Join us to honor and congratulate them on their accomplishments.

There will be a reception between services for the graduates.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES ARE:

- Emily Anderson* Hoggard HS will attend Meredith College.
- Christine Deily* Hoggard HS will attend UNC Charlotte
- Kristen Antonelli* New Hanover HS will attend UNC Chapel Hill
- Kathleen Gates* Hoggard HS will attend The University of Georgia on a 4 year volleyball scholarship. She plans to major in exercise science to prepare her for a career as Physician's Assistant.
- Stephen Humphrey* New Hanover HS will attend Appalachian State University.
- James Robey* South Brunswick HS will attend The Citadel on a full football scholarship
- Trey Whiteside* Cape Fear Academy will attend NC State to major in Psychiatry.

COLLEGE GRADUATES ARE:

- Tim Antonelli* Duke University with a degree in Biomedical and Electrical Engineering.
- Christine Anne O'Donnell* Davidson College with a degree in Anthropology.

CONGRATULATIONS

to these young adults for their accomplishments, and to the parents of each for their faith and encouragement. May God guide each as they move into the future in continued education or move into the business world.

Those Serving in May 2008

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

- 4** 8:30 Terri Dearie, Linda Renzaglia
Nancy Wells, Scott Holzberger
11:00 Stan Brunt, Melissa Hollamon
Robert Rabozzi, Kristi Wade
11 8:30 Nancy Brennan, Lisa Hornick
Bill Fox and Jan Christine
11:00 Karin Cook, Carol Comeskey
Ken Johns, Barbara Moore
18 8:30 Bill and Bethel Paris
David Miller, Butch Ruefle
11:00 Jerry and Zan Bramley
Nancy Miller, Sandra Miles
25 8:30 Tammi and Larry Gates
Frank and Renate Gray
11:00 Bill Davis, Saville Riesz
Ana Maria Jackson

USHERS

Saturday Service: Pete Koder

- 4** 8:30 Arthur Moore and Jeff Turner
11:00 John Pollard, Tony Irenze
11 8:30 Bill Fox and Jan Christine
11:00 Happy Wade, Saville Riesz, Fred Getsinger
18 8:30 Frank Gray and Bill Rose
11:00 Peter Gimbal and Keith Geiger
25 8:30 Rich Walter and David Miller
11:00 Arthur Moore, **Needed**

GREETERS

- 6:00 Eddie and Carrie McDonough
8:30 The John Stemke Family
The Axel Erkes Family
11:00 Nell McArver, Marilyn Wilson
J.P. and Nancy Miller

LECTORS *Saturday Services:* (3) Kathy Bink;
(10) Michael Vickery; (17) Bill Fox; (24) Joanne Johnson;
(31) Nancy Thompson

Sunday Services

8:30 11:00

1 Ascension Day

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| Carol Comeskey (Noon) | John Antonelli (7 pm) |
| 4 Bill Davis | Lynette Farmer |
| 11 Rich Walter | Linda Riesz |
| 18 Fred Jackson | Carol Comeskey |
| 25 Inga Shelton | Barbara Moore |

ALTAR FLOWERS

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| 4 Lentz, B. Walters | 11 French/Hall |
| 18 Brode/Moore | 25 Ballantine/Wilson |

NURSERY

8:30 11:00

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| 4 Leo/Linda Andron | Suzanne Whitmarsh |
| 11 Annette Janssen | Bekki Lee |
| 18 Bethel Paris | Annette Janssen |
| 25 Needed | Sarah Schneider |

ACOLYTES

8:30 11:00

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|------------------------|------------------|
| 4 Shauna Ruefle | Caleigh Lockwood |
| Megan Stemke | Danni Meyer |

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|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 11 Peyton Hughes | Robert Perry, Sarah Davis |
| Meredith Deily | Dale Stansbury, Carson Plumley |
| 18 Laurel Melito | Riley Tucker, Ian Brambell |
| David Haskins | Amy Erkes, Laurel Melito |
| 25 Dale Stansbury, | Carson Plumley |
| Megan Lambert | Sarah Davis |

ALTAR GUILD Saturday: Cindy Cornett

- 4** Margaret Ballantine, Nancy Fauser, Shirley Morrow
11 Robin Hueskes, Arlene Robie, Jan Christine
18 Amy Tucker-Morgan, Kathie Tucker, Kathren Miller
25 Thelma Walter, Linda Renzaglia, Karin Cook,
Barbara Moore

BUILDING Sat: Pete Koder

SUNDAY: OPEN: Bill Rose

CLOSE: Peter Gimbal



March 30 – April 20, 2008

MEMORY OF HARRIET KUSKE

Social Ministry

Rebecca Mahler

MEMORY OF FRED GETSINGER'S BROTHER, KEN

Pastors Discretionary

Dale and Dorothy Blade

Property

Kris Hall

Debt reduction

Florence Schorschinsky

MEMORY OF HERBERT BOST

Pastors Discretionary

Carol Comeskey

Fifth Sunday

Philip and Esther Bloedorn

Richard and Sophie Williams

Jim and Ruthe Markworth

Harold and Inga Shelton

HONOR OF DOT SPRINGS, DARLENE SCHUCKER

AND PETE AND GRACE KODER

Property

Robert and Carolyn Hooker

HONOR OF JIM AND NANCY MEE'S 50TH

ANNIVERSARY

Music Fund

Jim and Ruthe Markworth

HONOR OF ALL STEPHEN MINISTRIES

Stephen's Ministries

Anonymous

HONOR OF HERB AND LUCY BOST

Fifth Sunday

Frank and Nancy Fauser

Walter and Martha Futch

TREASURER'S REPORT

March 2008

Income for the month of March totaled \$63,187
expenditures for March totaled \$48,886 resulting in a
positive \$14,301. Income for the period January thru
March totaled \$57,488. Expenditures for the same period
totaled \$149,594 resulting in a **positive** \$7,894.

Charles D. Malmberg, Treasurer

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CIRCLE SCHEDULE FOR MAY

Faith Circle Tuesday, May 13th 9:30 a.m.
@ Margaret Ballentine's home

Peace Circle Tuesday, May 13th
Time and place to be announced

Love Circle Tuesday, May 13th 6:00 p.m.
@ Laterna Restaurant on
College Road

Praise Circle Tuesday, May 13th 6:00 p.m.
@ Sophie William's home



We will be working on a new directory during May/June. Please check the current one (green) and if there is a change for you please advise the church office.

If your e-mail address needs to be updated to receive Pastor Sam's weekly e-mail call the church office.



Cookbook: Corrections

If you purchased a cookbook and have not gotten the blue correction sheet after church here are the corrections to date. Please clip this and place it in your cookbook.

- Page 17, Italian Vegetable Soup, should be a salad instead of soup.
- Page 27, Wisconsin's Best Chili, should use a pinch of sugar, instead of 2 TBS.
- Page 47, Crunchy Mixed Vegetables, Use 1/4 cup of mayonnaise, instead of 3/4 cup.
- Page 47, Easy Oven Risotto, use 3 1/4 cup of water, instead of butter.
- Pg. 81 "Spiced Pork Chops" 4 pork loin chops 3/4 thick.
- Pg. 84 "Seafood and Rice Mexicali" 1 tablespoon diced green chili.



A hug is a great gift...one size fits all. It can be given for any occasion and it's easy to exchange.