

## Feastival (Rally Day)

September 11, 2011

### Worship!! 9:30 am,

"All God's Children..."

Free to Grow in Forgiveness!"

with remembrance of 9/11/01 tragedy and assurance of God's unceasing love and forgiveness. Children will be excused after the children's sermon, about 9:50, for Sunday school class, followed by a

time of Fellowship!! 10:30,

with really special treats, followed by

Feastival!! 10:45, children will

join adults in Fellowship Hall for a lively presentation of fun new ideas for MLC followed by a

### Cake Walk Sock Hop!!

Never heard of a Cake Walk Sock Hop? We are collecting socks for the homeless. The admission to a hop around the cake walk is a pair of socks (socks will be available for purchase at MLC) Don't feel like hopping? Sponsor a child's admission to the sock hop cake

walk, followed by a grand Potluck!!

11:30, and more really fun sock-themed

Kids' activities!! Each

household will take home a "free to

grow" spruce seedling!!

## Welcome

Minnetonka Lutheran is the church where kids (0-110 only) are free to express their gratitude to our loving Creator. All are welcome to the table of God's grace.

You and your children need a church community—MLC needs you.  
Win-Win!!!

### Mission

Grow in Faith, Share the Good News,  
Serve in Love, All in Jesus' Name.

### Vision

Children  
Community  
Servanthood

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## Children Highlights

The 2011 Sunday school year begins Sunday, September 11, 2011 9:30 am

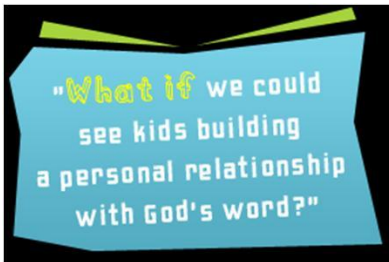
### Activate Faith... SPARK

MLC has just received its shipment of our brand new Sunday school curriculum for 2011-2012! We are very excited to introduce SPARK.

Spark is a faith formation program that gets children ages 2 through grade 6 excited about God's Word. Spark lessons bring to life 150 stories from the Old and New Testament through games, art, music, and science, to accommodate all the different ways kids learn.

The students will use their Spark Bibles each Sunday as the focus of their lessons with accompanying study materials to guide them and their teachers in lessons from both the Old and New Testaments.

The Minnetonka Lutheran congregation, together with the students' parents, will present Preschoolers a story-style Bible and third graders an NRSV study Bible. Both of these Bibles are a part of the "Spark" study curriculum with colorful covers, illustrated Bible stories for younger students, and helpful study notes for older students.



## Youth Highlights

### Confirmation

At Minnetonka Lutheran we use Augsburg Fortress' "Here We Stand" curriculum, which takes students, grades 7-9, on a three year journey through the Old and New Testaments, preparing them to, in the final year, tackle questions of faith and Christian Identity. Confirmation meets each Wednesday night.

6:00 Family Dinner:- People of all ages are invited to join together for a hearty meal served by confirmation families. The meal has a suggested donation of \$3 per person or \$10 per family.

6:45-8:00 Confirmation Class time: Students meet in large and small groups to wrestle with how faith and life intersect.

### YES: Youth Empowering Sundays

On Sunday mornings 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to meet in the youth room from 9:50-10:50 for YES. This hour is an opportunity for students to draw connections between Wednesday night confirmation sessions and their life. YES is a place for students to develop their own voice and faith relationship in a fun, light hearted atmosphere.

### 9th-12th grades

**National Youth Gathering.** An epic celebration and service event in New Orleans in mid July 2012.

**TEC-** A peer led retreat weekend of fun, games, new friends, worship and faith nourishment. Hosted at MLC this Nov!

## Worship

beginning September 18  
8:45 am Traditional  
11:00 am Contemporary

### "All God's Children..."

September 18 Matt 20:1-16  
... Free to Grow in Grace! (beyond fairness)"

September 25 Matt 21:23-32  
... Free to Grow in God's Will!"

October 2 Matt 21:33-46  
... Free to Bear Fruit for the Kingdom!"

October 9 Matt 22:1-14  
... Free to Join in the Feast!"

October 16 Matt 22:15-22  
... Free to Serve God and Country!"

October 23 Matt 22:34-46  
... Free to Focus on the Main Thing!"

October 30 Reformation Matt 23: 1-12  
... Free to Be Genuine Disciples!"

November 6 All Saints Matt 25: 1-12  
... Free to Make Faithful Preparations!"

November 13 Matt 25:14-30  
...Free to Appreciate Our Blessings!"

November 20 Christ the King Matt 25:31-46  
... Free to Honor the King!"

November 23 Thanksgiving Eve 2 Cor 9:6-15  
7:00 pm & Luke 17:11-19  
...Free to Grow in Gratitude!"