



Welcome to

Minnetonka Lutheran Church

Sunday, May 2, 2010 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

**Grow in faith
Share the Good News
Serve in love
All in Jesus' name.**

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Holy Communion: We practice an "Open Table" at MLC. All baptized Christians who recognize the Presence of Christ in the bread and wine are welcome to celebrate regardless of church membership. Grape juice is available from the final server. Welcome to the Lord's Table.

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Church Officers:
Gary Schmidt President
Mike Conroy Vice President
Tim Staffanson Treasurer
Anne Deuring Secretary

Today's Volunteers

8:45 service
Lector: Bob Antonovich
Greeters: Fred & Susan Hanus
Acolyte: Whitney Nelson, Maddy Lattery
Coffee Fellowship: Darlene & Robert Smith
Altar Team: Elaine Blomquist, Donna Leak
Ushers: Lynn and Dave Mueller, Mike Warber, Lou Morseth
Communion Assistants: Karen Antonovich, Lisa Haakenstad
Pastor's Assistant: Bob Antonovich
Nursery Helper: Connor Noeldner, Sharon Torberg

11:00 service
Lector: Stu Deuring
Acolyte: Jake Zilverberg, Riley Kragness
Nursery Helpers: Sarah Whisler, Sandy Whisler
Ushers: Gene Moll, Dave DeReus, Jerry Peterson, Glen Hohenstein



Prepare us in every way, dear Lord, to receive all the benefits of your grace, that we may be your diligent servants.

During Worship Today...

For families with children:

- Children's bulletins are available from an usher
- Nursery care is available for children up to age 3 in the Church Nursery located near the Main Entry. Greeters or Ushers are available to direct you.
- Busy Bags for children are located on the coat tree in the narthex.

Personal Hearing Devices are available from the ushers.

Please sign the Friendship Pad when it is passed or the Guest Book in the Narthex. If you are a visitor, please include your address and phone number so we can acknowledge your visit.

Accessible restrooms are located in the Blue Room (through Fellowship Hall).

Opportunities at MLC

Please schedule your meetings and events with an MLC staff member.

Sunday, May 2

- 8:45am** Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
- 9:50am** Education Hour
- 9:50am** Youth Bible Study in Youth Room
- 11:00am** Contemporary Worship
- 12:15pm** Continuation of MLC Annual Congregational Meeting—Fellowship Hall
- 2:00pm** Sheltered Reality rehearsal

Monday, May 3

- 6:15am** Men's Bible Study
- 7:00pm** Arts and Environment Team meeting

Tuesday, May 4

- 9:30am** Al-Anon
- 11:00am** Staff meeting
- 6:30pm** Handbell rehearsal
- 6:30pm** Pack 426 Tiger Cub Den #8
- 6:30pm** Forward XIX AA
- 7:00pm** Scout Troop 426
- 7:00pm** Witness Ministry Team meeting

Wednesday, May 5

- 9:30am** Bible Study
- 5:30pm** Joy Choir
- 5:30pm** Son Shine Choir
- 6:30pm** Chancel Choir rehearsal
- 7:00pm** Confirmation
- 7:00pm** Rescue from Shipwreck AA

Thursday, May 6

- 9:00am** Al-Anon
- 7:00pm** Contemporary Band rehearsal
- 7:00pm** Worship Team meeting

Friday, May 7

- 9:00am** Friday Boys

Saturday, May 8

Sunday, May 9

- Mother's Day*
- 8:45am** Traditional Worship
- 9:50am** Education Hour
- 9:50am** Youth Bible Study in Youth Room
- 11:00am** Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion

CD Service Recordings

Missed a Sunday or other worship service? Want to hear last Sunday's worship service, or a month ago, or take a CD to a shut-in?

We record every service: traditional, contemporary, funerals, and other services. The CD recordings are in the MLC library in brown ring binders along with the service bulletin, and go back to October 2008. Check them out just like books.

Grill Needed

Summer is almost here!

With the many congregational events and youth events that MLC hosts over the spring/summer/fall, we find we are in need of a gas grill.

If you happen to be updating your grill this year, and have a gently used gas grill that you would like to donate to MLC, please contact the church office, to make arrangements.

Free Spirits

Free Spirits will be going to Old Log Theater on Thursday, May 27th to see "The Dixie Swim Club." Meet at church to carpool. Tickets are \$30.35 for lunch and show. Watch for more information to be posted on the Free Spirits board - just outside the volunteer room.

Pastor Bob Updates

Pastor Rusert underwent surgery to repair a heart valve on Friday, April 16. He is now home and doing well. Starting tomorrow, he will begin his regular therapy treatments 3 times per week.

Both he and Lori are so thankful for all the prayers and expressions of care they have received from their friends at MLC. They send a heartfelt "thank you" to all.



Cards can be sent to:

17375 182nd Ave
Big Lake, MN 55309

We are all anxious to follow his recovery, so Pastor Bob has agreed to have us post updates on the MLC website. Please "check in" when you can.

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Growing the Kingdom of God



Encouraging news about Growing the Kingdom of God: MLC now has 72 households who have committed \$170,776 for staffing and ministry in Faith and Family Formation and Contemporary and Traditional Worship and Music Ministry. There is still plenty of room for more leaves on the MLC Growing the Kingdom Family Tree of Life. Thank You to all who have responded so generously,

thanks to all who continue to pray for the project and MLC's growth through 2012. For those who have not been able to respond yet, you may contact the MLC Office for a Pledge Card, or online at www.mtkalutheran.org, or contact directly our Financial Administrator, John Winberg 952-475-1491 [jawninberg@aol.com](mailto:jawinberg@aol.com) with your information.

If this is a challenging time for you financially, please claim God's grace to give as and when you are able and do not allow obligation or guilt to trouble your mind or compromise your walk of faith with MLC.

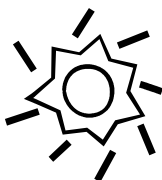
The Growing the Kingdom of God Team is now making final phone, e-mail, or personal contacts with members who haven't yet responded. Please receive their contact with grace and freedom to share your heart.

Wednesday Night Family Dinner

Thank you to all who helped make our Wednesday Night Family Dinners a success this year!

Please join us when the program begins again in the fall.

Summer Worship Schedule



Beginning Sunday, May 30, MLC will offer one worship service during the summer at 9:30am.

This schedule will be in effect until Sunday Sept. 12.

Military Family Camp at Onomia

If your family has a loved one in the military who is deployed, being deployed or recently returned from service, Camp Onomia would like to invite you to a special Military Family Camp for the week of July 2-5 FREE OF CHARGE! Please see Pastor Paul for more details.

Good News!

Boy Scout Troop 426 is holding its Annual Yard Sale again this year May 20-22 and is looking for merchandise to sell. The Scouts are grateful for your donations of housewares, art, toys, children's clothing, knick-knacks and furniture in good condition. (No adult clothing, computers or exercise equipment, please.)



You can drop off your items in the yard east of the church between 7 PM and 8:30 PM on Tuesday, May 18 and Wednesday, May 19 with the Scout representative. You'll get a receipt for your donation and the satisfaction of knowing your gift is helping enrich Scouts' lives. This is our troop's largest fundraiser of the year and we really appreciate your support. If you would like help getting your items to the church please call or email Angie Thomas, troop garage sale co-chair at 952-545-7842 or Angie.L.Thomas@gmail.com, or Stu Deuring at 938-4193, for pickup service. And most importantly, if you're looking for fantastic bargains on great stuff, come and shop Troop 426's 2010 Annual Yard Sale on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 20-22.

Sheltered Reality

Music is a universal language and SR uses this opening to speak to the hearts of our audiences by way of personal stories and letters. These are not words about strangers, but of members of one human family, people that have displayed courage, commitment, and genuine concern for the welfare of others, even under trial. This process is meant to inspire all to not only become better individuals, but to take action to help others succeed in life as well. We all do have the power to make changes and to make a difference in the lives of our neighbors, and thus in the world around us. (more info available at shelteredreality.org)

Festival of Praise—Sunday May 23

The Chancel Choir, Handbell Choir and the Contemporary Worship team will present a service of special music on May 23rd at both the 8:45 and 11:00 services. You won't want to miss this Festival Service of Music. The Chancel Choir will be singing some of their favorite anthems that they have sung throughout the year, as well as some new anthems. The Handbell Choir is working on new anthems you are sure to enjoy.

Lutheran World Relief Health Kits

MLC's Free Spirits, along with the 5th-6th grade SS class, will be assembling these much needed kits on Sunday, May 16. Assembly will take place in the Fellowship Hall between services. Following is a list of items needed for each kit. Please donate items by May 9.

- One hand towel and washcloth, dark color recommended
- One bath-size (4-5oz) bar of soap in original wrapper
- One adult size toothbrush in original packaging
- One sturdy comb—remove packaging
- One metal nail file or nail clippers with a file attached

May 2 Continuation Annual Meeting

The continuation of the 2010 MLC Annual Meeting will be held today at 12:15pm. Business items will include the election of officers. Here is the slate of candidates to be presented by the Nominating Committee for members' consideration at the meeting. Members may also nominate consenting candidates from the floor at the meeting.

Position	Candidate
President	Mike Conroy
Vice President	Cathy Maes
Treasurer	Tim Staffanson
Secretary	Anne Deuring
At large Member, Council	Bonnie Anderson, to serve for 1 year
At Large Member, Council	No election this year – John LaPlant is in the middle of his second two-year term
At Large Member, Council	No election this year – Stacy Wadman is in the middle of her first two-year term