

Cross Connection

Growing together

November 2015

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Our mission:

**Bring people to
Christ.**

**Teach Christians
to be disciples.**

**Send disciples to
reach the world.**



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Message from Pastor Tim

My dearly beloved family of Cross Lutheran,

As we are members of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC), we are also members of the geographical region, (all of Lower Michigan and not the Upper Peninsula) which is titled; Michigan Mission District (MMD). There are eight churches within the MMD; Hope Lutheran, Hubbard Lake, MI; Good Shepherd Lutheran, Manistee, MI; St Thomas Lutheran, Trufant, MI; Christ Lutheran, St Joseph, MI; St Paul's Lutheran. Ewart, MI, Living Hope Lutheran, Farwell, MI; Redeemer Lutheran, Owosso, MI, and Cross Lutheran, Pigeon, MI.

As Dean for the MMD, I oversee the pastors / congregations and officiate at our annual gathering of the MMD which was held October 20 at St Paul's in Ewart, MI.

In our gathering we reviewed events at the NALC Convocation



in Dallas, TX last August, learned about each church and all of the good things that were happening there and also those concerns within each church. What a wonderful exchange of ideas in supporting each other in our ministries. Additionally, what a wonderful expression of vulnerability in voicing concerns within each church giving the sense that most of us have the same worries knowing we are not alone in our journey.

When all had expressed their joys and concerns, a common theme within the concerns kept coming up. That common concern being YOUTH!! Every church I visit seems to have the same concern, **YOUTH**. And every church expresses the same issues about

YOUTH; the YOUTH have so much going on in their lives, school, sports, activities, band, work, etc. All of that pulls them away from church. And it's not just the YOUTH that is of concern, what about the parents? Why aren't parents coming to church or why do parents bring their children to church but take them home and not go to Sunday School or any youth event the church sponsors? Or why do parents go to church but don't bring their children? Or why do parents just drop off their children and not come to church? And, where are the parents to step up to the plate and lead youth within the church? It is a huge concern all over. It is an issue of what is a priority within the **(Cont. on Pg. 2)**

Preparing for Worship at Cross



Nov. 1 – All Saints Sunday

1R – Isaiah 25:6-9

P – Psalm 24

2R – Revelation 21:1-6a

G – John 11:32-44

Hymns: 176, 174, 553 Comm. 702, 742, 690, 734

Nov. 8 – 24th Sunday after Pentecost

1R – 1 Kings 17:8-16

P – Psalm 146

2R – Hebrews 9:24-28

G – Mark 12:38-44

Hymns: 502, 406, 514

Nov. 15 – 25th Sunday after Pentecost

1R – Daniel 12:1-3

P – Psalm 16

2R – Hebrews 10:11-25

G – Mark 13:1-13

Hymns: 549, 341, 333 Comm. 706, 731, 746, 721

Nov. 22 – Christ the King Sunday

1R – Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

P – Psalm 93

2R – Revelation 1:4b-8

G – John 18:33-37

Hymns: 170, 158, 495 Comm. 496, 536, 549, 530

Cartridges for Kids

Due to the limited type of toner and ink cartridges they will accept, we will no longer participate in this program.

Box Tops For Education

Is an easy opportunity for you to help support Cross Lutheran School! Look for the pink Box Tops Coupon on hundreds of products. Clip it from the package and place it the church office.

Please be mindful of the bonus than the others.

Pigeon

Food Pantry

Holiday baking is nearing. You can help by supplying flour, sugars, spices, chocolate chips, cooking oil, etc. All cooking supplies are appreciated for holiday cooking. Always in need are toiletries and personal items. Please

place the items in the tote inside the East Door Entrance. Thank you!

IGA Labels for Learning

Save the UPC barcodes. We earn \$25 for each bundle of 500.

Spartan Brand Cash for Labels

Save the Spartan Brand UPC codes. We earn \$20 for each bundle of 1,000.

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family. Is it more important to be popular within the secular world than it is to be with Jesus Christ who guarantees eternal life? The burning question all had is; how does one change the attitude, mindset, in making Jesus Christ within the family the highest priority over the tsunami of secular popularity??? Paul states the issue very well in his letter to the church in Galatia; ^{NRS} **Galatians 1: 10** *Am I now seeking human approval, or God's approval? Or am I trying to please people?*

If I were still pleasing people, I would not be a servant of Christ. Sad to say, we did not come up with a sure fire way of changing families priorities or attitudes. However, we did find the silver bullet that we put our total faith and confidence in, prayer to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We know he is working and he will eventually win where we fall.

At the end of the gathering, I officiated with a full communion service. What a

humbling joy to be with our fellow disciples in Christ and celebrate the Eucharist with them. I truly felt the Holy Spirit had bound all of us together in Jesus Christ. I hope that at our third annual gathering of the MMD, next October 2016, some of you can attend and experience the fellowship of our brothers and sisters within the MMD.

God's peace

Pr Tim

Celebrate



Anniversaries and Birthdays

Birthdays

- 1 Ron Schulz
- 3 Emily Schulz
- 4 Eric Gardy
Shane Schulze
- 5 Dorothy Rummel
Don Wheeler
- 6 Peter Shupe
- 7 Jim Schumacher
- 9 Brennan Lange
Joshua Rosenthal
- 10 Barb Buchholz
- 11 Steve Schulze
Duane Baur
- 13 Mark Kretschmer
Randy Buchholz
- 14 Jim Smith
Peggy Koehler
- 16 Delores Lange
Edna Schulz
- 17 Austin Roestel
Gina Smith
- 21 Tracy Polega
- 22 Cassidy Swanson
RoseAnn Budnick
- 24 Travis Fritz
- 25 Mike Sting
- 28 Grace Higgins
- 29 Jenna Buschlen

30 Craig Smith

If your birthday or anniversary wasn't listed, please contact the church office so it can be added

to our list.

Anniversary

19 Pastor Tim & Sue Loehrke,
43 years

Communion Bread

We really need people to help with baking the communion bread. A sign up sheet is in the hall on the bulletin board along with the easy recipe. Thank you!



Remember our Shut-ins:

Gloria Anderson, Ray Buchholz, Nadine Barbret, Loren Elftman, Edna Schulz, Dorothy Hafner, Harold Deering, Fred Edler, Gloria Lewis.

Please Remember in Prayer:

Arlene Fritz, June Sturm, Dave McCrimmon, Jake Mazzara, nephew of RoseAnn Budnick, Gordon Hoffman (Gina Smith's brother) Dawn Rosenthal, Lillian

Koehler, Rachel Rea, Teresa Waterkuetter, niece of Betty and Ken Licht, Kevin Faupel, Clarence Buchholz, Kim Schadd (Mrs. Donald Schadd), Ezra Sturm, Blain Renn, 2nd grader with non-Hodgkin lymphoma, Betty Schulze, Sharon Dietzel, Eunice Richmond, Dennis Diener.

In the Service of Our Country:

Nathan Schulz has been deployed. Ryan Schulz is stationed at Cherry Point air base in North Carolina. They are both Marines and sons of Lonnie Schulz and grandsons of Ron and Bonnie Schulz.

Women's & Men's Groups

Afternoon Bible Study will meet Tuesday, Nov. 10 at 1:30 p.m.

Morning Bible Study will meet Wed., Nov. 11 at 9:30 a.m.

Men's Bible Study will be Tuesday, Nov. 3 at 7 p.m. and Nov. 17 at 6:30 p.m. with potluck dinner.

Quilting Day will be Wednesday, Nov. 11 at 1 p.m.

School News

November School Calendar



- 4 Chapel 12:45 p.m.
- 6 Half Day of School and Grandparents Day, also end of 1st marking period
- 11 Chapel 8 a.m.
- 12 Half Day of School
- 18 Chapel 8 a.m.
- 25 No School—Thanksgiving Break
- 30 School Resumes

From the Desk of ... Deb Musolff

On October 16 the staff and students of Cross Lutheran School hosted the students and staff of the Lutheran schools in Sebawaing, Port

Hope, Harbor Beach, and Berne for Art Day. The presenter was Rhea Sprecher. She introduced us to four artists: Paul Cezanne, Claude Monet, Vasily Kandinsky, and Jackson Pollock. We even created a few art projects based on the work of these artists. A lily pond inspired by Monet can be viewed in the school hallway.

Ms. Sprecher is the author of the Art Kit and is an experienced elementary teacher, director of children's theatre and has conducted many art workshops. As a classroom and art teacher for over 40 years, Ms. Sprecher has developed a

program for schools that can introduce creative art concepts that will not strain a limited budget. Ms. Sprecher, nationally acclaimed as America's Art Teacher of Teachers, has conducted workshops for Lutheran, Catholic, Christian and Public schools throughout the United States including Hawaii and Alaska. Ms. Sprecher also conducts art history tours of France, Holland and Italy.

We love her visits to Pigeon!

"If you hear a voice within you say, 'You are not a painter', then by all means paint... and that voice will be silenced." - Van Gogh

125th Anniversary Celebration—Aug. 28, 2016

Will take place **Sunday, Aug. 28, 2016.** Planning has already begun. Co-chairs are Leanne Smith and Pam Sturm. Sub-committee chairs are: Aileen Prill, Administration; Beth Elston & Mike Sting, Worship Service; Linda Shope, Reception; Eric Gardy & John Shope, Logistics; and Gwynne Barry, School. If you are interested in assisting on any committee, please contact those people. A **Church Pictorial Directory** will be printed, with pictures dates set for **May 5-7, 2016.** If you know you will not be here at that time, please make arrangements to submit a recent photo. Anyone wishing to make a donation towards expenses may do so by indicating "125th Anniversary Celebration" on their check.

November Time & Talents

Date & Time	Assisting Minister	Reader	Children's Time	Comm. Assist.	Ushers for the Month	Altar Guild	Acolyte
Nov. 1 9:30 a.m.	Phil Schadd	Karen Schuette	Peggy Koehler	Karen Schuette	Brian Delpiere	Laura Trost	Garrett Fritz
Nov. 8 9:30 a.m.	Isaac Elston	Connie Eden	Kristy Carriveau		Dick Koehler Ron Schulz Tom Shupe		Logan Richmond
Nov. 15 9:30 a.m.	Mike Sting	Peggy Koehler	Rachel Higgins	Kendal Delpiere	Mike Trost	Jean Sturm	Collin Schuette
Nov. 22 9:30 a.m.	Gwynne Barry	June Sturm	Kim Schadd	John Trowbridge			Riley Shupe
Nov. 26 10 a.m.	Paul Schuette	Karen Schuette		Karen Schuette		Peg McCrimmon	Garrett Fritz
Nov. 29 9:30 a.m.	Karen Schuette	Gwynne Barry	Eileen Johnson	Phil Schadd		Marilyn Baur	Logan Richmond

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO PARTICIPATE AS SCHEDULED, PLEASE CONTACT A SUBSTITUTE. If unable to find anyone, please contact me at (989) 453-2744. Thanks and God's Blessings to you! Karen Schuette

USHERS PLEASE NOTE: Unlock doors, turn on lights, and sound system, then lock and turn off lights, etc. to close up the church. THANKS!

Community Thanksgiving Service at Cross Lutheran

Sunday, November 22 at 3 p.m.

Reception featuring homemade pies following service.

Parish Life Ministry

Oct. 6

Meeting opened at 5 p.m. with devotions and prayer.

Present were: Aileen Prill, chair, Sue Loehrke, Pam Sturm, Betty Champagne, Alice Trost and Pastor Tim.

Women of Faith will meet Saturday, Oct. 24 from 10:30a.m. – noon.

Coffee Hours are OK until mid November.

Missoula Children's Theatre - thank you Linda for

helping with snacks.

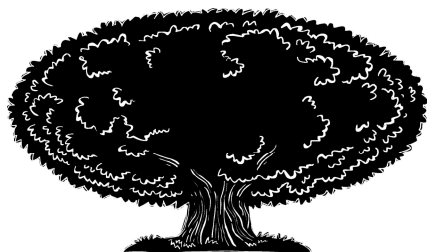
Thanksgiving Community Service – Sunday, Nov. 22 at 3 p.m. serving pies afterward. Based on past attendance. 11 pies are sufficient. No whipped topping is necessary. A sign-up sheet will be put out.

We will plan on Christmas Caroling again this year after the children's practice on Saturday, Dec. 19. A lunch will be served, then go to Home Sweet Home, Country Gardens and Country Bay Village.

Meeting closed at 5:30 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, Nov. 3 at 5 p.m.

Memorials



Memorial Gifts

These gifts were received to the glory of God in memory or honor of the following people:

In memory of George Mohr, for Cross Lutheran School:

Don & Nancy Heck

In memory of George Mohr, for Cross Lutheran Church:

John & Lori Smith

In memory of Loy Awkerman, for Cross Lutheran School:

Tom & Bernice Shupe

In memory of Ruth Hamilton, for Cross Lutheran School:

Cordelia Trost
Vivian Buschlen
Tom & Bernice Shupe
Denny & Leanne Smith
Leo & Gerry Daenzer
Todd & Ruth Knight
Dave & Peg McCrimmon
& Jim & Connie
Jean Sturm
Doug & Dianne Yackle
Stuart Kern
Gary & Bonnie Kern
Richard & Erma Hamilton
Edwin & Susan Knoll
Mary Baur
Bill & Tricia Hamilton
Clare & Kathy Swartzen-
druber
Ray & Elaine Licht
Don & Kay Schuette
Charles Buchholz

Bob Hamilton Family
Ron & Judy Diener
Fred & Evelyn Henkel-
mann
Rebecca Scovill
Francis & Marilyn Kanaby
Anita Mueller & family

In memory of Ruth Hamilton, for Cross Lutheran Church:

Denny & Carol Diener
Roberta Danks
Jack & Pam Sturm
Loren & Delores Eiftman
Olga Renn
Kent Renn
Nancy Schuette & family
Lois Geppert
Betty Goyings
Harold & Shirley Deering
Mike & Lorraine LePage
Ruth Schuette
Barb Buchholz
Nancy Buchholz
Sheila Yackle
O.J. & Barb Jammer
Thumb National Bank
Bruce & Marilyn Baur
Mike & Connie Eden &
family
John & Lori Smith & fam-
ily
Phil & Patti McNeil &
family
Marlin & Marian Rathje
Lydia Decker
Bud & Janet Luedtke
James & Gale Howe
Howard & Edith Auern-
hamer
Don & Donna Wheeler
Ken & Sharon Block
Ed & Deb Bergman
Deann Lewis
Clark & Barb Eidt
Bill & Karen Zehnder
Elaine Schulze

**In memory of Barbara Max-
well, for Cross Lutheran Build-
ing Fund:**

Hazen Fritz

In memory of Ruth Hamilton, for Cross Lutheran Cemetery Fund:

Ron & Cheri Diebel

In memory of Maude Heck, for Cross Lutheran School:

Roberta Danks

In memory of Ruth Hamilton, for Cross Lutheran 125th Anniversary Fund:

Don & Nancy Heck

Cross Clothing

With a special 125th Anniversary logo is available through the church office. Men's, Women's and children styles and sizes are available. Proceeds from these sales will go towards expenses for the 125th Anniversary Celebration in 2016. Clothing is on display and for sale in the office.



There are still several coffee hours available for 2015. If your group would like to sign up. Please check bulletin board to select your date.

Church Council Minutes



September 8, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: The monthly meeting of the Cross Lutheran Church Council was called to order by President, Richard Koehler, at 7:04 p.m. on the above date. Members present were Nancy Heck, Krisie Fritz, John Smith, Neil Herford, Leanne Smith, Tom Shupe, Lori Smith and Aileen Prill. Pastor, Timothy Loehrke, provided prayer to all present.

MINUTES: The Council Minutes, dated August 11, 2015, were reviewed by all present. A motion was made by Aileen Prill to approve the minutes as presented, John Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

AGENDA: Agenda was presented to all present. Motion was made by Tom Shupe to approve the Agenda, seconded by Leanne Smith. Motion carried.

GUEST PRESENTATIONS/REQUESTS: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Copies of the Treasurer's report were distributed to all present. Neil Herford made a Motion to accept Nancy's report, seconded by Tom Shupe. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

PASTOR'S REPORT: Pastor Loehrke's written report was provided to all present. Highlights of his report were as follows:

Funeral 1; Wedding 1; Baptisms 0; Teaching 3; Communion 10; Hosp Vis 3; Home Vis 4; Meetings 22; Services 7.

Pastoral acts

- Funeral, George Mohr, Monday, August 17, 2015
- Wedding, Andrea Schuette/Caleb Herrygers, Saturday, August 22, 2015.

Church calendar

- Chicken BBQ & Pulled Pork Dinner –Sunday, September 13, 2015
- Missoula's Children Theater (MCT), Monday – Saturday, September 21-26, 2015

Performances: Saturday, September 26, 2015 @ 3:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

- Saturday, September 26, 2015, Adopt a Highway @10:00 a.m.
- Sunday, October 11, 2015, Annette Sproule speaker for Operation Christmas Child Kick-Off
- Monday, October 12, 2015, Scheurer Hospital Auxillary Dinner, 5 -7 p.m. (Cross Gym)

Pastor's Report

- NALC Convocation, August 10-14, Dallas
- 125th Committee has been formed and plans for the one day celebration of the 125th is underway.
- Sunday School starts, Sunday, September 20, 2015.
- Confirmation starts, Sunday, September 20, 2015—Riley Shupe, Garret Fritz, Logan Richmond, Collin Schuette

(all 7th graders, no 8th graders)

- Patriarch of Cross Lutheran , Albert Schulze, 90
- Matriarch of Cross Lutheran, Edna Schulz, 94

School Calendar

- School Resumes with Laker Bus Service, Tuesday, September 8, 2015.
- Safetyville, Monday-Friday, September 14-18, 2015.
- CEA Family Meeting, Thursday, September 17, 2015 (Bullying Prevention)
- Picture Day, Thursday, October 1, 2015.
- CEA Pancake Breakfast, Sunday, October 4, 2015.

Principal's report

- Student enrollment for 2015 - 2016 school year
 - o K – 8, 32 (2 8th graders – Maci Main and Beau Martindale
- P/S 14
- Deb Musolff came through surgery just fine and is home recuperating.

Eileen Johnson is subbing for Deb during her recuperation.

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT:

John Smith was present, and gave his oral report. He stated that there was an anonymous donation received and will be put towards the Heat Exchange Unit on roof.

MINISTRY OF STEWARDSHIP:

Tom Shupe was present and a written report was not provided. Their ministry will begin work on a proposed budget for 2016.

Church Council Minutes (Cont.)

MINISTRY OF WORSHIP AND MUSIC: Leanne Smith was present and provided her written report to all present.

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION: There was nothing to report.

MINISTRY OF MISSION OUT-REACH: Lori Smith was present and provided a written report to all present.

MINISTRY OF YOUTH: There was nothing to report at this time.

MINISTRY OF PROPERTY: Neil Herford was present and gave council information regarding the church entrances and did minor work around the church and school.

MINISTRY OF PARISH LIFE: Aileen Prill was present and provided her written report to all present.

OLD BUSINESS:

Cross Lutheran Church & School 125th Anniversary (August 30, 1891 – August 30, 2016 (Tuesday).

August 28, 2016 (Sunday) – Celebration Date

Pam Sturm and Leanne Smith is co-chairing this event.

NALC Marriage Law and the Protection of Congregations

Proposed Amendments for the 2015 NALC Convocation (vote will be done at Annual Meeting in Nov.)

NEW BUSINESS:

Church Parking Lot Approaches, need bids.

Tim Blome was present, gave his findings and a bid to repair the approaches – total cost \$8,915.00 and cement would be purchased from Vollmer Ready Mix.

- Fence for Parsonage
- Old Parsonage Update – For Sale Sign put in yard.
- Church Entrance Doors

Annual Reports due for Annual Meeting, Sunday, November 1, 2015 – due October 12, 2015.

Nancy Heck made a Motion to call a Special Congregational Meeting for the purpose to accept a bid and have a congregational vote on whether or not to allocate the funds to repair the church door entrances and/or to repair the parking lot approaches. Neil Herford seconded, Motion carried.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the meeting it was adjourned and good things from around the room was shared by all present. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer at 9:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Krisie S. Fritz, Secretary

Operation

Christmas Child

For over 30 years, Cross Lutheran Church has participated in the Samaritan's Purse Project, "Operation Christmas Child," which delivers shoeboxes worldwide to children who are victims of war, poverty, famine, disaster or disease. It has become a Pigeon Community Project with the whole Pigeon Church community being involved.

This year's goal is to pack and ship 600 plus shoe boxes. Shipping costs are expected to be \$4,200, so monetary gifts are welcome in addition to the contents which include: toothbrush/paste, washcloth/soap, comb, school supplies, clothing items, toys, books, art supplies and a candy treat. They are shipped complete with the message of salvation in their own native language to countries world-wide. Each box is carefully packed with a certain age child in mind.

If you would like to help, packing will be on Thursday, Nov. 19 in the Cross School Gym, at 6 p.m. Lori Smith, Ministry Leader said, "We have been blessed beyond measure by this mission project." Last year Cross packed and sent 656 boxes.

If anyone is interested in helping, or donating, you can call the church office at 453-3330 x 201 or Lori Smith at 453-3953.

Ministry Minutes

Ministry of Worship & Music

Oct. 1

The meeting was opened with a devotion and prayer. Present – Leanne Smith (chairperson), Peg McCrimmon, Pastor Tim, Karen Schuette. Approved minutes and agenda.

Music

Beth was not here to report on organ tuners. The bell choir is using the new chimes. Choir and Bell concert is Dec. 13, 2015.

Worship

Liturgy with Style discussion of pp 22-29 tabled until November.

Old Business

Hymnal update: there are 28 WOV missing. Peg will check at school and other sources before putting a note in bulletin.

No more information at this time on sanctuary flooring/acoustics.

Discussed making new banners and purchasing red paraments. We are gathering ideas for making an NALC and seasonal banners. Church budget for next year (2016) will include a line item for purchasing paraments.

We briefly reviewed budget for Worship and Music.

Leanne has not been able to schedule a date with a dance instructor concerning idea for Advent. Will keep trying.

Aileen is scheduling the four youth in confirmation class for acolytes.

No new information on idea for speaker. Beth had brought this up in Sept. meeting.

Pastor is getting new lapel mics for use during Children's time, etc.

We are continuing to discuss ideas for "Stations of the Cross" during Lent.

New Business

Leanne listed new people willing to do Children's Time.

Briefly discussed Children's Time for Advent – using a Jesse Tree.

Discussed for All Saints Sunday, Nov. 1, the candle lighting during worship we've done the last few years.

Leanne will order Advent calendars for the children and Advent devotion materials for all in October. We will use Junior High reflections on the Beatitudes for Lent in 2016.

Leanne will write and submit our yearly report to Aileen for annual report.

Next meeting – Nov. 12, 2015

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by Karen Schuette

Mission / Outreach Ministry

Sept. 22

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with prayer led by Lori Smith. Those present were: Connie Eden, Krisie Fritz, Lorraine LePage, Swen Ovcen, Kay Schuette, Bonnie Schulz, Lori Smith and Pastor Tim.

The minutes of the Aug. 25 meeting were reviewed and approved with the following corrections: Krisie Born was corrected to Krisie Fritz, and Mission/Outreach will host coffee hours on Sept. 28 was corrected to Sept. 27. The treasurer reported \$8,313.49 in the checking account. Lori read a thank-you note to the group.

Items discussed were the annual fall food drive in November for the Food Pantry. Decorating of the church for autumn will take place at our next meeting on Oct. 27. We will meet at 6 p.m. for dinner, have our meeting and decorate after. Pumpkins, gourds, a corn shock and other fall items will be needed. Pastor noted that the Community Thanksgiving Service will take place at Cross on Sunday, Nov. 22 at 3 p.m. Scrip cards will be available for purchase on Oct. 4 and 18, Nov. 1 and 15, and each Sunday in December until Christmas. The Road Sign project continues to move forward. A thank-you note will be sent to Jean Sturm for the nice home-made cards that she made for our shut-ins as well as the postage to send them.

Kickoff Sunday for Operation Christmas Child will be Oct. 11.

Ministry Minutes (Cont.)

Lori will contact Annette Sproule to speak that day, and coffee hour proceeds that day will be for OCC. Rose Ann and her husband drew a thermometer poster that shows the number we have of each of the main items we place in the shoeboxes so people who wish to contribute can see what is needed.

We continued our discussion about upgrading the restrooms in church, and Lorraine presented quotes that had been requested some time back for carpeting/flooring for the church.

The Scrip Card schedule is as follows: Sept. 27 – Rachel; Oct. 4 (cash sales) – Connie; Oct. 11 – Lori; Oct. 18 (cash sales) – Krisie; Oct. 25 – Bonnie. Mission/Outreach is in charge of coffee hour this coming Sunday, Sept. 27, as well as Oct. 11, OCC kickoff Sunday.

Lori discussed with the group that her term as Chairman of Mission/Outreach is expiring soon and asked us to consider running for this office.

The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer. Our next meeting will be held on Oct. 27.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Eden

CEA Meeting Minutes

Oct. 1

President April Rujan

Vice-President Geri Kay Mclean

Secretary Melisa Raymond

Treasurer Nicole Shupe

Present at meeting were Pastor, April Rujan, Melisa Raymond, Geri Kay Mclean, Nicole Shupe and Gwynne Berry

Pastor opened with Prayer at 4:45pm.

Change of CEA Officers

Another switch has been made, Geri Kay Mclean is our new Vice-President and Melisa Raymond is the secretary.

Family Meeting

Our first family meeting was a great success. Many attended and the bullying presentation was affective and very educational. Our next family meeting is November 19th and will cover our Christmas fair planning.

Fundraisers

Fall Pancake Breakfast- The pancake breakfast on October 4th was a success, a big thank you to all that helped out.

Christmas Fair- Set for Dec. 11th. We are taking donations now and until then. Anyone interested in helping out with this fundraiser can contact anyone on the CEA board. We are planning an art day with the kids to make Christmas fair items on Monday, November 23rd.

Concessions- Basketball season starts in Jan. Volunteers are greatly appreciated.

Krispy Kreme- Set for February.

Carnival- The carnival is set for April and the date will be decided later. Thanks to Tina Main for helping April head up the carnival. This is also a mandatory fundraiser so families set the calendar to help out this day.

Spring Pancake Breakfast- Set for May 1st from 9am-1pm. Again this is a mandatory fundraiser so set the calendar for this day to come and help out.

Scrip Program- This is ongoing and weekly. See Aileen Prill in the office for details.

CEA Meeting

Next CEA meeting is scheduled for November 5th at 4:45pm.

Cross Apparel

Cross apparel available, so feel free to stop in the office to find out more.

Meeting closed with prayer @ 5:30

Cookbooks

Are still available for \$10 each in the office. They make great gifts for weddings, showers, friends, neighbors, or just to say "Thank You." Proceeds help support our youth ministry.



blessings



November 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Comm. Service 1 9:30 a.m. No Sunday School Annual Meeting 10:45 a.m.	2 Choirs: B 6:30 C 7:30 p.m.	3 Parish Life 5 p.m. 125th Meeting 5:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study 7 p.m.	4 Men's Comm. Breakfast 7 a.m. Chapel 12:45 p.m. NO Ev. Service	5 CEA 4:45 p.m. School Board 5:30 p.m.	6 Half Day of School Grandparents Day	7
Worship Service 8 9:30 a.m. SS/Adult Bible Study 10:45 a.m. Confirmation 5-6:30 p.m.	9 Choirs: B 6:30 C 7:30 p.m.	10 Afternoon Circle 1:30 p.m. Executive 6 p.m. Council 7 p.m.	11 Chapel 8 a.m. Morning Circle 9:30 a.m. Quilting 1 p.m. Comm. Service 7 p.m.	12 Half Day of School Worship & Music 7 p.m. Girl Scouts 6 p.m.	13	14
Comm. Service 15 9:30 a.m. SS/Adult Bible Study 10:45 a.m. Confirmation 5 - 6:30 p.m.	16 Choirs: B 6:30 C 7:30 p.m.	17 Pigeon Pastors 1 p.m. Men's Bible Study 6:30 p.m. OCC Setup & Sorting 6 p.m.	18 Chapel 8 a.m. Comm. Service 7 p.m.	19 Shoebox Packing 6 p.m.	20	21
Worship Service 9:30 a.m. 22 SS/Adult Bible Study 10:45 a.m. Comm. Thanksgiving Service 3 p.m.	23 Choirs: B 6:30 C 7:30 p.m.	24 Mission/ Outreach 6:30 p.m. Stewardship 7 p.m.	25 No School Office Hours 9 am-Noon	26 Thanksgiving Service 10 a.m.	27 No School Office Closed	28
Comm. Service 29 9:30 a.m. No Sunday School Confirmation 5-6:30 p.m.	30 Choirs: B 6:30 C 7:30 p.m.					

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