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## Give Thanks

*In all circumstances,  
give thanks,  
for this is the  
will of God for you  
in Christ Jesus.*

I THESSALONIANS 5:18

# Town Hall Meeting Update—Diversity is our Strength



We had our first Messiah Town Hall meeting Sunday, September 25, with 65 in attendance. This was a wonderful turnout, confirming support of the congregation in Messiah's success. We talked about a number of topics from offering Sunday School year round, reinitiating kids church, adult education and ways of keeping our youth connected across middle school, high school and college transitions. We discussed how council makes decisions, ways to further improve communication and closing the back door.

It seemed clear that the best way for us to achieve the goal of closing the back door is for everyone to do their part. It can be as simple as checking on friends or contacting that person you haven't seen in a while. When making the contact, try to get them involved in a Sermon-Based Small Group or any of the other ways for people to connect through the various ministries and activities at Messiah.

With the receipt of the gifts of great ideas; the next step is determining how to best use this feedback and help Messiah grow together. For example, we would like to form a Communication Ministry to help provide information to the congregation using the myriad of options

available today (if interested, please let me know). We asked Christian Education to form a task force to evaluate the Christian Education program and look for opportunities to expand the program and what this might look like. If interested in helping with this effort, please contact Pastor Ben. Kim Kroes is already looking at the youth transitions, the feedback we received helped affirm that she is working on the right things. To help those in spiritual need, Stephen Ministry is interested in reengaging with our pastors to help with pastoral care duties, discussions have started to determine the best way to accomplish this.

We discussed several of our ministries during the course of the meetings. The Caring Garden has donated almost 1,000 pounds of produce to needy families. What a great accomplishment for this first year ministry. Manna Cards has earned over \$2,900 for Messiah thus far. This total could easily double if every family participated in the program by using cards for everyday purchases like groceries and gas. We also had a discussion regarding Unity in Christ, the discussion centered on our diversity being one of Messiah's strengths, if you haven't read the article by Pastor Dawn Mass in the September *Voice*, please do, as this provides good context in what God has created and how we use our diversity to be strong Christian followers. Our diversity and willingness to sit around the table to understand each other's views is at the center of what makes us strong.

Thanks for your help and support to make Messiah a wonderful place to serve and worship. We will start planning the next Town Hall meeting sometime in early January. The primary topic for these sessions will be a preview of the annual congregation meeting. I hope to see you there!

David Kimes, 526-6507  
Congregation President



## Photo Directory

Mark your calendar for November 16-22. Sign up in the Gathering Place or online. Volunteers are needed.

Karen Logan, 526-5845

## Notes from the Messiah Spirituality Center

Pastor Dawn Hass, (815) 404-3431

### Hymn of the Month



### “How Great Thou Art”

For Christians all over the world, this hymn has become a beloved standard—one that we sing with gratitude and confidence. The magnificence of God’s creation, Christ’s sacrifice for us and our faith in life everlasting lift our spirits in praise.

Written in 1886 by Carl Boberg, “How Great Thou Art” was first sung to the melody of an old Swedish folk tune. Years later, an English missionary, Stuart Hine, translated it into both English and Russian. As thousands of refugees fled Russia and Eastern Europe, the missionary felt compelled to add a final verse with the words, “Christ shall come ... and take me home.” He insisted, “The tragedy of becoming homeless requires a verse full of lasting hope and victory through Christ.”

We join with faithful Christians around the world when we sing:

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
Thy power throughout the universe displayed!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee;  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

## Deborah Circle

Deborah Circle will meet on November 9 at 9:30am at the home of Marilyn Dick, 26575 Mead Avenue in Wauconda. We will be watching video “The Promise of Provision,” and working on session 2, in our study book, *The Shelter of God's Promises*, beginning on page 31. Also, looking forward, our December 14 meeting will be at the home of Sue Kelderhouse. Please call Judy Snow at 526-6880 with any questions.

## Generosity Team

### Friends are Generous

As I’m writing this article, I’m sitting in my kitchen drinking a cup of coffee on a beautiful Saturday morning after a long training run. For those of you who don’t know me, I find myself running a marathon this time of year and this year it is the Marine Corp Marathon on October 30. Reflecting on how I get to the starting line, I find that it is not a solo effort. Granted—I’m the one pounding the pavement, but in order to get out there I need the support of family and friends. Friends have provided me with encouragement when I think to myself not another 20-mile training run. Friends have helped me with childcare while the kids are still asleep on those early mornings. Friends have shared the pavement with me to keep me focused on the task at hand. Without my generous friends I wouldn’t even make it out the door. To them, I say thank you and you will be with me in mind and heart when I cross the finish line!

As we kick off this fall’s pledge drive, let’s reflect on our generous friends. How have they helped you with their time and talents? What could you do for them? Why not surprise them with a free night of babysitting or take them out to lunch to say thank you? But let’s not forget Messiah and our friends at church. Messiah needs our help too. Maybe you can volunteer for a Sunday School class. It is starting to get cold out; why not help out PADS on Saturday nights? Maybe God has blessed you this year and you can increase your annual pledge by 10%. There are so many opportunities for you to share your time, talents and treasures.

In closing, remember this from 2 Corinthians 9:6-8, *The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.*

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [generosity@messiah-wauconda.org](mailto:generosity@messiah-wauconda.org) or at 719-2865.

God Bless,  
Dave Jarcik, Generosity Ministry Director  
(on behalf of Messiah’s Generosity Team)



# Unity in Christ

Unity in Christ welcomes Mary Lou Wallner as our special guest preacher November 12 and 13. Come hear the personal account of one Christian's struggle with homophobia, and how losing her daughter prompted her quest for spiritual reconciliation. After the 10:30 service, we will have a potluck lunch followed by a screening of the award-winning documentary, "For the Bible Tells Me So." Ms. Wallner will also be presenting a workshop, "Crucial Conversations: How to Have One-on-One Conversations with Others About LGBT Issues" on Saturday, November 12 from 3-4:30 in the Luther Center. All are welcome. All events are free and child-care will be available.

Messiah's Forum on Human Sexuality will be starting in January. We are looking for committed individuals willing to learn more about the ELCA's Human Sexuality Statement and how it affects Messiah Lutheran, it's members and the community. These sessions will be held on Sundays at 10:30. If you want to participate at a

different time, we will try our best to work out a second group. All viewpoints are welcome but we ask that you commit to participating during the five month session of January through May. Only forum members will be able to actively participate once the closed sessions begin. Other members will be allowed to observe the session but only participate during designated times set by the group. More details to follow.

Jennie and I want to thank everyone for their overwhelming support and to all of the Unity members that have dedicated themselves to studying this issue. We truly feel the love in Messiah and know that the church is ready to look at this issue. If you have any questions at all, please visit the Unity in Christ table in the Gathering Place, find a Unity member or call either one of us anytime.

Jason and Jennie Miller 469-8646

## October Council Highlights

Mike Anderson, Secretary, 550-0363

Pastor Dawn introduced Pastor Ben Dueholm, Messiah's new interim associate pastor to the council and guests. She continued the meeting with an Inspiring Worship exercise, asking all present to share what the most important aspect of a sermon is to them.

Steve Snow presented the treasurer's report, and pointed out we are presently \$18,700 below budgeted income for the year to date. He shared that expenses were high in September due to some unbudgeted needs but that we should be on target to finish the year at budgeted levels for expenses. However, the rest of the year needs to be above expectations for Messiah to finish at budgeted levels.

Dawn Smith presented various communications from the ELCA, including donation of over \$25,000 for flood damage repairs in North Dakota and that Jessica Crist was elected to chair the Conference of Bishops, the first female to hold this position.

Pastor Dawn shared that Sermon-Based Small Groups have begun with over 90 participants in ten groups. "Don't Cook with Candy" Wednesday night dinners are averaging over 75 people as well. There is a youth worship leader academy scheduled for October along with a new member class.

Jason Miller provided a written business manager report; he is getting up to speed on various issues and has met with Jack Olson several times to coordinate the transition.

Jason Miller provided a written report from the Unity in Christ group. They have been meeting biweekly and averaging 15-20 attendees at these Sunday meetings. They will be starting Adult Forum sessions beginning in January.

Barry Polhemus presented a written report for Kids Club with a program status update. The fall enrollment is presently at 34, an increase from last year's enrollment at this time.

Pastor Dawn reported that Kim Kroes has approximately 30 youth signed up to attend the 2012 National Youth Gathering in New Orleans.

Mike Anderson provided an update on building and construction projects; a project to remove the risers in the Spirituality Center has been approved by the team and is anticipated to start in November.

Lynn Jones offered comments from the floor. She stated that she feels there needs to be more transparency from the council on the decision-making process. She also asked that if members have questions on how money is spent at Messiah, do they have access to this information? She was told that these requests can be accommodated by the treasurer or finance committee in the church office. She also suggested that Messiah provide regular thank-you cards to its volunteers; Sue Kluk agreed to help get this practice started.

# Good Samaritan

Jo Ann Isleb, 540 0835

*And do not forget to do good and to share with others,  
for with such sacrifices God is pleased. Hebrews 13:16*

## Giving Tree

Our congregation once again has the opportunity to help those less fortunate by reaching out to buy gifts for them. One big change this year is that we are buying one gift per person with an approximate value of \$25. All gifts should be new.

We are buying gifts for four different groups: Angel Tree (children of prisoners), Lake County Families, our mission church Parroquia Luterana Sagrado Corazon in Waukegan, and ABTC, the Alternative Behavior Treatment Center in Wauconda. The picture shows the children of Sagrado Corazon.



In addition to buying gifts for the groups mentioned above, there will be tags on the tree for items for PADS guests and local families. These items should not be wrapped.

If you are not able to shop, you can make a donation and members of Good Samaritan Ministry will do the shopping for you.

We will have names available on November 5, 6, 12, 13, 19 and 20 in the Gathering Place. When you choose a name, please fill out the tracking card with your name and phone number. Please return the gifts by November 27. Include a gift receipt with the gift if possible.

The gifts should be put by the tree in the Gathering Place.

We will also need people to deliver the gifts. The delivery will be Saturday morning, Dec. 10. There will be a sign up sheet on our table in the Gathering Place to volunteer.

Thank you for sharing the love of Jesus with your generosity.



## Love INC

Love INC (Love in the Name of Christ) in Wauconda is looking for volunteers to work as receptionists and take information from clients. Your shift would be four hours each week, either in the morning or afternoon,

Tuesday through Friday. Love INC is a ministry that works with churches to help people address issues in their lives and move toward change. They also work with local agencies in order to provide the best possible resources for clients. Messiah is a partner church of Love INC. If you would like more information, call Joe Besenjak or Sheree Packer at 469-8835.

## Food Pantry

There are currently bare spots on the shelves of the food pantry. Items especially needed are canned pasta such as ravioli and Spaghettios and canned meat such as chili, ham and hash. Canned vegetables and fruit are another need. In addition, the food pantry can use paper or plastic bags for the clients to take their groceries home. You can put your donations in the food barrels in the Gathering Place or near the office.

## Devotional Booklets

We have an opportunity to share the love of Jesus with the young men at ABTC. Good Samaritan is collecting devotional booklets and will be taking them over to be used by the residents of ABTC. If you have finished with yours, please put them in either food pantry receptacle. This will be an on-going project

## Don't Cook With Candy

Messiah member, Candy Cooper, doesn't cook on Wednesday evenings and neither should you.

"Don't Cook with Candy!" Catered Dinners have begun and are offered to our whole Messiah family every Wednesday at 6pm in the Gathering Place. Come for great food, and a chance to have dinner with your Messiah family. Eat together to connect. The cost is \$5 per person or \$20 per family.

Karen Logan, 526-5845

# Christian Education

Danielle Boreczky, 307-5938 and Sheree Stark, 963-1504, Co-directors

There are always many fun and Christ-filled happenings in Christian Education! Next month we will have Fall Fest pictures to share. Thank you to all of the families that attended Fall Fest and to all of the wonderful volunteers. We also want to thank all of the Sunday School families for your generous donations to the PADS ministry and our Mission Project Sunday for PADS on October 30. The Kindergarten through 5th graders made pillowcases, gift bags, trail mix and cards for the guests of the PADS program. Candy Leonard, the PADS Ministry Director, spoke to the Sunday School children about who PADS helps and why it is important to help others.

The second Sunday School rotation runs from October 16 through November 20, and “Baby Moses,” Exodus 2:1-10, is the Bible story that the preschool through 4th graders will be learning through interactive and fun lessons in art, games, cooking and drama. The lessons the children will learn from “Baby Moses” are that God loves us and takes care of us, God is by our side in good times and bad, God works in unusual ways, God provides for us and that God uses us to tell God’s story.

On Saturday, December 10 the Sunday School children will have the opportunity to sing two songs in the Nativity Walk at either the 2pm or 4pm performance. Our Sunday School music teachers will be teaching the children the two songs, “Angels Watching Over Me” and “Away in a Manger” beginning October 16 through December 4. The children will only be learning the two songs one time in class when it is their grade’s turn in music class and then two times as a group. Therefore, we really need parents’ help in practicing the songs at home. We will be sending home the details and words to the songs in October so that the children may practice if they will be participating in either of the performances for the Nativity Walk. We really hope for most of our Sunday School kids to be involved in singing for the Nativity Walk!

## Important Sunday School Dates

November 27: No Sunday School—Thanksgiving weekend

December 10: Nativity Walk at 2pm and 4pm with Sunday School kids performing two songs at either time

## Youth News

Kim Kroes, 224-639-2350, [kim.kroes@messiah-wauconda.org](mailto:kim.kroes@messiah-wauconda.org)

**Pathway** has been growing in numbers. We have registered at least one new student each week. This year has been off to an amazing start, and the students are having a blast learning about the Old Testament. We have also been learning the books of the Old Testament and are in the process of memorizing the books—Genesis through Isaiah.

Our 6th and 7th graders just returned from our Phantom Ranch Retreat in Mukwanago, Wisconsin. We learned about the life of Martin Luther, went horseback riding, completed a teams course and learned new things about one another.

### Important Pathway Dates

**11/19:** Worship with Pathway Night. Family and friends are welcome to join us in a student led worship service 7-8pm. There are no small groups this night; students can leave after the service.

**11/23:** No Pathway—Happy Thanksgiving!

### Refuge (High School Youth Group)

We meet every other Monday night at 7pm in the Rock Youth House. This is a great time to connect with other high school students and catch up with old friends. We also learn a valuable message that relates to the students daily life. Our next meetings are on 11/14, 11/28, and 12/12.

We are planning on attending Feed My Starving Children in early December, so keep your eyes open for information on that coming soon.

### Attention High School Students

If you are still interested in attending the ELCA National Youth Gathering in New Orleans this summer, please make sure to let me know! Students that are currently in 8th grade are also eligible to attend.

### Youth Gathering Meeting

The meeting will be on Monday, December 5 at 7pm in the Sanctuary. We are planning on attending the ELCA National Youth Gathering in New Orleans July 18-22, 2012, but we will be adding a day or two for travel to and from New Orleans. We will be discussing important details about the trip as well as planning more fund-raising events.

### The Jesus Java Cafés will be arriving soon

Our first breakfast will be Sunday, November 20 after all three worship services. So please come support the youth for their trip to the youth gathering.

*Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think.* Ephesians 3:20

Kim



## PADS at Messiah

Candy Leonard, 815-344-3955

On October 1, PADS Lake County opened all the shelters. We at Messiah hosted 25 homeless guests that first night. Our guests were very well behaved and they were hungry! October 1 was the Revival. Jason Miller's remaining chicken succotash was generously donated to PADS. Our fabulous Food Coordinator, Martha Lemke, and her team made homemade barbecued pulled pork. The smells from the kitchen that night would've easily rivaled anyone's kitchen. Our guests ate it up—literally! They loved it. Afterward, some guests grabbed sponges or took out trash. Then they watched a movie, a couple read, some went to bed early but there was one guest in particular I want to discuss.

I have to protect his identity, so I'll call him "Fred." "Fred" will be 63 in November. After dinner, he sat alone with books, papers and a pencil. I watched and realized he was studying. After the kitchen was cleaned, I sat across the table from him, introduced myself and asked what he was studying. He was preparing for the Constitution test so he could complete his G.E.D. Sixty-three years young and "Fred" is still setting and achieving goals! One of our volunteers was an attorney, and together she and I sat with him and answered his questions so he could better understand the concepts and ideals by which this country was founded. Later, he asked me to check his homework. It was perfect. I can't wait to see "Fred" next month to see how he did on his Constitution test.

This is what PADS is about. As Pastor Rich said recently, it doesn't matter who they are. What matters is that we treat them like friends and protect them. Won't you join us and meet new friends of your own?

P.S. PADS needs some supplies. If you can help, please watch the church bulletin and drop off your donation in the PADS bin near the office. Thank you.

## A GOLD MEDAL IDEA

Messiah has received its first rebate payment from Gold Medal Ideas, our official source for logo wear.

A reminder: it's not only Messiah gear that earns us 10 percent on every purchase. Think of GMI before you order T-shirts for your family reunion, holiday giveaway items for your business, party or shower favors.

<http://www.messiah-wauconda.org>>downloads and links>fourth paragraph of text

Julie Kendrick, 526-8467

## Thank You

**For your special gifts!**

*In Memory of Ellen Hohlfelder*

Marion Denny

Ruth Franz

Steve and Judy Jacobson

Sharon Keagle

Fred and Gladys Meeske

Joanne Miller

Fred and Delores Morrison

Joan Hill

Mary Jane Jost

*In Memory of Jeannette Speciale*

Naomi Haremza

Kathie Behm

Betty Lyman

T. A. Reiff

*In Honor of Jim Higbea's birthday*

Grace Jorgensen



Kids enjoying Kids Club (article on page 9)



## Feed My Sheep

In Matthew 21:15-19 Jesus challenges Peter to *feed my sheep*. That challenge was not only for Peter but us as well.

Messiah members can step up to this challenge to help feed the hungry at the Lake County Fair Grounds the weekend of December 2-4. Feed My Starving Children will again host an event to pack 800,000 meals. If you would like to help, please sign up for a shift on our board in the Gathering Place. Spaces will fill up fast so you are encouraged to do it now!

If you cannot help with packing meals, you might consider making a donation. Each of our volunteers is being asked for a \$40 registration fee. We know this is a large amount and we will not turn any volunteer away. Please also check the bulletin for upcoming fundraisers. These fund-raisers will help defray the cost of the registration fees and support the work of Feed My Starving Children.

Please call Grace Jorgensen at 526-4306 if you have any questions or would like to help in organizing the event.

## Boy Scout Troop 90

Vinnie Jordan, 526-3316



The troop recently went to Camp Crown for a Camporee. The scouts enjoyed not only the geo-caching, but they set up and slept in survival shelters overnight in below freezing temperatures. The 20-mile hike around Lake Geneva fulfilled one of the requirements for the Hiking Merit Badge. The troop also helped with CERT training day for Wauconda.

Starting the Friday after Thanksgiving, the troop will begin their largest fundraiser which is the sale of Christmas trees at Liberty Plaza (same location as last year). The proceeds help to further our camping, advancement, and equipment budgets. Scouts also earn troop credits to help them to better afford summer camp. We appreciate the support we receive from the Messiah congregation for all of our scouting activities and fundraisers.

## Fair Trade Fair

Messiah will once again host a Fair Trade Fair on December 3 and 4. You will be able to purchase beautifully crafted hand-made items for Christmas giving or as a special gift for yourself. Items can be purchased before, during and after all of the services. Please bring your checkbook or cash. Credit card payments will not be accepted and items will only be available for sale at Messiah on December 3 and 4.

If you have any questions or would like to help with this project, please call Grace Jorgensen at 526-4306.

## Manna Cards

Now that Halloween is over, it's not too early to be thinking of Thanksgiving and Christmas shopping ideas.

Stock up now on Manna cards for your Thanksgiving turkey and stuffing ingredients, and all the trimmings, including the pumpkin pie!!

Looking into the future for Christmas ideas. Remember Manna Cards come in all sizes to fit everyone on your shopping list. They are so handy for mailing to loved ones who live far away and even for teacher gifts. Don't know what to get Aunt Martha or Uncle Joe--a manna card is just the thing.

### Top Ten Things to Like About Manna Cards

1. You can avoid crowded stores.
2. There's no standing in long lines at the register.
3. You don't have to find a parking spot at the mall.
4. You save money on gas for your car.
5. There's something for everyone.
6. Even teenagers like them.
7. You can even get one for yourself.
8. Many stores to choose from
9. One-stop shopping—let your friends know
10. Messiah benefits from a percentage of all Manna card sales (at no additional cost to you)

Sally Lubeno, 526,9308

## Caring Garden

The Caring Garden is about to close down for the year. We have donated over 940 pounds of fresh produce to the Wauconda Food Pantry. I know we will make our 1000 pound goal before this is printed. Thanks to all that helped either in the garden, donating your own produce or giving money to help make this all happen. It was a wonderful year! I can't wait to start growing the garden again in the spring. If you would like to help next year or you're interested in pruning apple trees this winter, please let me know. We would love to have you join us.

Jason Miller, 469,8646





*Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done. Chronicles 16:8*

One thing that is evident throughout the Old Testament is that when God's people obeyed him and followed his instruction things went well. On the other hand, disobedience led to much trouble. One of our tasks in caring for the children in our program is the responsibility to pass truth to the next generation. ... *make known among the nations what he has done*—His word, his promises, his teaching and instruction. Our children are uplifted and enriched through Jesus time with the Pastors. And we as staff have the joy of sharing God's word with them.

With thankfulness in our hearts our children will learn about our nation's beginning. We will learn about risk takers and learn that freedom and equal justice is given to all Americans by our creator. Our children will be working on art projects to celebrate this spirit of gratefulness that they can share with their families. Miss Lydia will be teaching the children about turkeys, Pilgrims and Native American Indians as we learn about our country's beginnings.

We are thankful to have so many new and returning families in our program this year. On behalf of my staff, I'd like to wish your family a blessed Thanksgiving.

Blessings,  
Eileen Miller, Director

See photos on page 7



Preschool kids having a good time in the leaves

## Messiah Preschool News

October was an exciting time for fall fun and exploration in the preschool. Our month began with a fun-filled field trip to Tom's Farm in Huntley. The warm weather and fallen leaves provided lots of exciting outdoor play. The children and their families had a wonderful time picking pumpkins and gourds, visiting the farm animals and learning about harvesting vegetables. All of our families were invited to enjoy the Messiah Fall Fest event and Trunk or Treating here at church. The fall fun continued through the end of the month with our class Halloween celebrations and our costume parade.

November brings an emphasis on gratitude as we think about all of the wonderful gifts from God for which we are so very thankful. Our classes will participate in preparing gifts of food for each other and will experience the joy of both giving and receiving.

In November, we are planning a wonderful family event as a fundraiser for the preschool. And last, but not least, plan to join us on Friday, November 18, at the Barnes and Noble store in Vernon Hills. This family event will feature a performance by Four Strings Attached (the wonderful violin performers), story times with teachers, crafts, gift wrapping, and book signings by several local authors. The preschool will receive a portion of all sales in the store and the café on that day. Watch the bulletin for more details on these upcoming events.

Open registration for the preschool begins November 17 for the 2012-2013 school year, so tell your family and friends to join us soon for a tour and introduction to the wonderful learning experience at Messiah's preschool and kindergarten! We also will open registration for summer classes and our enrichment classes on that day. Contact us at [luhl@messiah.lutheranpreschool.org](mailto:luhl@messiah.lutheranpreschool.org) or 526-7479 and be sure to check out our website [www.messiah.lutheranpreschool.org](http://www.messiah.lutheranpreschool.org) for more information about our programs.

Blessings,  
Lynda Janezic, Director

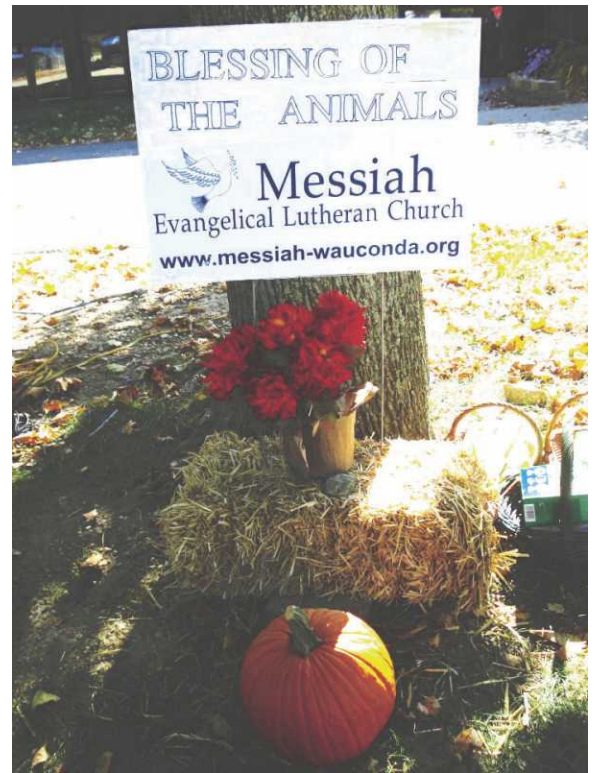




## Messiah's 2011 Revival







## Blessing of the Animals



# Mary Lou Wallner

author and advocate



**Saturday  
November 12  
5:00p**

**Sunday  
November 13  
7:30a, 9:00a & 10:30a**

Please join us for worship  
and  
Hear the personal account  
of one Christian's struggle  
with homophobia, and  
how losing her daughter  
prompted her quest  
for spiritual reconciliation.

founder of T.E.A.C.H.  
To Educate About the  
Consequences of  
Homophobia

**Sunday  
November 13  
11:45a**

Potluck lunch then  
screening of  
the award-winning  
documentary:  
***For the Bible Tells Me So***

Question and Answer  
session to follow.

## Workshop

**"Crucial Conversations: How to Have One-On-One Conversations  
with Others about LGBT Issues"**

**Saturday, November 12  
3:00pm-4:30pm  
in Luther Center**

Everyone is welcome . Free . Child Care will be available for all events



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# Birthdays

Berner, Vic	1	Gaspers, Kellie	7	Lincoln, Zachary	15	Stolt, James	22
Day, Jim	1	Meltzer, Kacey	7	Little, Bill	15	Ziemba, Zachary	22
Gaide, Jonathan	1	Pennino, Mallory	7	Swanson, Erik	15	Blowers, Roxanne	23
Petralia, Lisa	1	Rohlwing, John	8	Witt, Mia	15	Cooper, Candy	23
Tegtmeyer, Dolores	1	Thomas, Vito	8	Carpenter, Wayne	16	Frazier, John	23
Wach, Morgan	1	Babcock, Steve	9	Lincoln, Jeanine	16	Hluchy, Carol	23
Bermann, Max	2	Christ, Ken	9	McVickers, Jack	16	Olson, Jake	23
Kimes, Tim	2	Wurster, Eli	9	Poffenberger, Rachel	16	Stewart, Brandon	23
Kimes, Tom	2	Wynveen, Judy	9	Redmann, Alexis	16	Kleiner, Alyssa	24
Richartz, Nathan	2	McVickers, Sue	10	Shelton, Tamara	16	Lomas, Bill	24
Seidenzahl, Monica	2	Rohlwing, John W.	10	Wertz, Casey	16	Martin, Stephanie	24
Turnbull, Zoe	2	Sollenberger, Mitchell	10	Botwin, Kyle	17	Trost, Bill	24
Wagenknecht, Catherine	2	Williams, Ethan	10	Brenton, Jackie	17	Houchins, Betsy	25
Berg, Benjamin	3	Foster, Nicholas	11	Cole, Riley	17	Meyers, Douglas	25
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Clyde Lundsten  
Chris Nikolich  
John Norrys

### Through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism We Welcome ...

Riley Christopher Moore on October 9

### Wedding Congratulations to ...

Amy Armstrong and Jeff Gustafson on October 8  
Kathy Nielson and Norm Hall on October 8  
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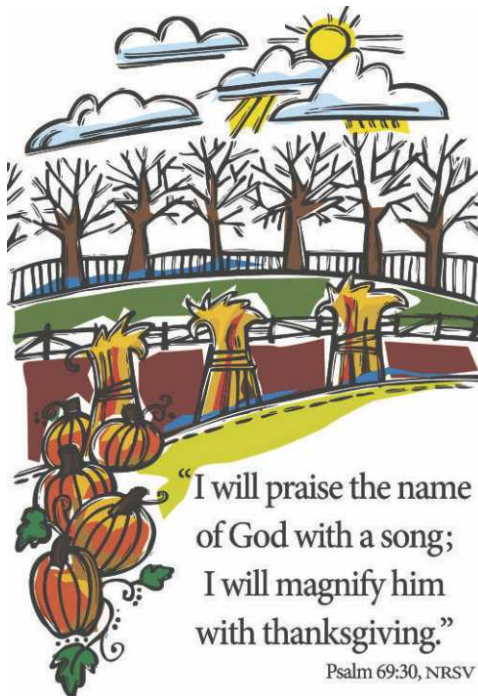
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