

Messenger

Newsletter for MacArthur Park Lutheran Church and School

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This Sunday, July 3, 2011: 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Message by Pastor Paul Ziese

8:30 am Worship Service with Holy Communion

9:45 am Christian Education Opportunities for ages 2–adult

10:45 am Worship Service with Holy Communion

SENIOR PASTOR

PAUL ZIESE

Dear Friend of MacArthur Park Lutheran Church,

I have returned from a vacation filled with graduations and am back at work. Several of you have inquired about my family so this month I will let you know what they are doing.

Lynn continues to recover from her traffic accidents of January 2010. She is trying to manage pain and remains upbeat about future improvement. She is currently on disability.

Rachel continues to serve as pastor of Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Decatur, Illinois. Like many of her colleagues, she is finding parish ministry to be challenging these days but is giving it her best. Her synod is starting to use her gifts in creative ways.

Jonathan just graduated with a Master of Fine Arts from the New School for Drama in the Greenwich Village neighborhood of New York City. He plans to get an agent and stay in the New York area as a professional actor.

Timothy graduated cum laude with a Doctor of Jurisprudence from the Georgetown University Law Center in Washington, DC. He is working this summer and studying hard to take the New York State Bar Exam. He hopes to get a job utilizing his training in constitutional law.

Matthew, our son-in-law and student at the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago, has started his internship at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Mt. Vernon, Illinois. Like Pastor Tracey, he has a detached internship site in which the supervising pastor is in another location. He will be our next family graduate next year. Matthew's father, an Episcopal priest, recently moved to a congregation in Maine.

My mother, Dorothy, continues to enjoy living in Brenham and is active at Christ Lutheran Church.

This summer I complete fifteen years as a pastor of MacArthur Park Lutheran Church.

During these summer months, I encourage you to follow what is happening on the MacArthur Park Lutheran Church website. I am using my Pastor's Corner as a blog and am adding to it almost daily. I want your feedback if this is an effective means of communication.

May you have a restful summer abiding in the arms of God.

In Christ, Paul Ziese

ASSOCIATE PASTOR

TRACEY BREASHEARS SCHULTZ

Teach Us to Pray

Sometimes, being a leader means having the best ideas. Sometimes, it means knowing good ideas when they come from someone else! Below, please find some ways to lead children and youth in prayer. Try these with your family or with your small group! These prayer models, and other stories, videos, and ideas for passing on the faith, are available at www.livinglutheran.com. Check them out!

Building Block Prayer: Use a stack of children's building blocks. Place one block on the table proclaiming Christ as the cornerstone of our faith. Invite each person to add one block as a petition is spoken. The finished structure will look differently each time but is always firmly grounded in God's love.

Cube Prayers: On a wooden block or small square cardboard box, draw or stamp a different symbol on each of the six sides. Each person takes a turn at rolling the cube and offers a prayer according to the symbol on top.

Hand Squeeze Prayer: Hold hands in a circle, with your eyes closed. Someone begins with the first petition. When the person is done, he/she squeezes the hand of the next person and so on around the circle.

Paper Towel Prayer: Each child is given a roll of paper towels and asked to write a person's name or a personal prayer concern on each sheet. Re-roll. Each day tear off one sheet and lift up prayers for that particular concern or person.

Web Prayer: Begin by holding a ball of yarn or string and then offer a sentence prayer. Hold on to the end and toss the ball across the circle. The person who catches the ball offers a prayer, holds on to the string and then tosses the ball to someone else. This continues until all have participated. Close by thanking God for the connected faith community. Then, have each person cut off a piece of the string used for the prayer and wear it as a bracelet or anklet as a reminder of your prayer and your connection to the larger body of Christ.

Blessings to you as you pray!
Pastor Tracey



HELP US RECYCLE

We now have a recycling bin for clean plastics, glass and styrofoam. It is located next to the soda machine in the Education building. Please use it at your convenience.

It is the goal of the Property Committee to continually make incremental steps in efficiencies and environmental stewardship practices.



SEPTEMBER 23-24, 2011
ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

God's work in mission always propels us to encounter the neighbor, particularly *in* the stranger. ELCA Glocal Mission Gatherings equip us for God's work in today's global and local realities as well as their "glocal" intersections.

What is mission? Who is the neighbor? Let's consider these questions together as they relate to our migrating and immigrating world. Come, join some of the most relevant mission conversations of our time.

"Then the Lord said to Cain, 'Where is your brother Abel?' He said, 'I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?'" -Genesis 4:9

For more information, workshop descriptions, or to register for just \$35, visit www.elca.org/glocal or call 800-638-3522.



Evangelical Lutheran
Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

We are pleased to work with Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service, synods and the local planning team to present this event.

ADULT EDUCATION – JULY & AUGUST 2011

Classes meet in the sanctuary, unless otherwise noted.



**ADULT
ED**

Studying the Scriptures

On-going

Often, we rely on curriculum and published material for Bible study helps, but what happens when we open scripture, ask thought-provoking questions, and discuss what God is showing us? Come join the conversation, every Sunday, as we study and discuss the lectionary texts (which are read in worship). Bring your questions and curiosities. There are no wrong answers! Class is facilitated by Dale & Carla Lockett, in the choir room.

Hearing the Cries: Faith and Criminal Justice

July 10, 17, 24, 31

This study, written by the Criminal Justice Task Force of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and published by the ELCA, seeks to assist the church in thinking about both criminal justice in our society and the church's ministry with victims, the accused, offenders, families, communities, and those who work in the criminal justice system. Our use of and response to this study will aid the task force as it begins to write a draft social statement on this topic. The deadline for response is October 15, 2011. Class is facilitated by Joan Smith-Lawrence, who brings to this conversation her background as both an attorney and a judge.

Confirmed in Faith

August 7, 14, 21, 28

How long has it been since you were in confirmation class? Do you remember why you were expected to memorize the Apostle's Creed? Have you studied the meaning of the three articles or what Luther has to say about each of them? Join Pastor Tracey for this four-week study on the Creed, including an overview of confirmation curriculum being used with our confirmation students today.

Aug 7 Does God still create stuff today?

Aug 14 Why did Jesus go to hell?

Aug 21 Is the Holy Spirit wind or fire or what?

Aug 28 Why do we say "I believe in the holy catholic church" if we're not Catholic?

JR/SR HIGH SUMMER EVENTS

Sat, June 25 **6:30PM Dinner/Movie Night sponsored by the Halder Family
(1346 Arrow Stone, Stone Oak)**

Pizza and dessert will be provided. Bring your own beverage. Parents can drop off youth for this event or are welcome to stay to participate.

June 26-30 **Disciple Project**

This year's Senior High Trip is a leadership camp on the campus of Texas Lutheran University. Special thanks to Jimmy Petrusas, Marcia Napier, and Norma Case for sponsoring this event.

Wed, July 13 **6:30PM Taco Dinner & "Minute to Win it" Party sponsored by
the Lockett Family (MacPark Fireside Room)**

Each youth contributes to a taco dinner. (A sign-up email will be provided.) After dinner, youth will compete against one another doing "Minute to Win it" games! Can you balance six dice on a popsicle stick held in your mouth? Can you catch three balls in a bucket on top of your head? Come find out!

July 24-29 **Confirmation Camp**

Pastor Tracey will lead confirmation lessons and serve as sponsor for our confirmands at Ebert Ranch Camp this summer. This year's focus is Lutheran teachings and Catechism.

August 1-5 **Vacation Bible School, Day Camp, Servant Life Camp**

Registration is open! Please see your Sunday bulletin, the church home page (www.macparkelca.org), or call the church office for more information.

Thurs, Aug 4 **Lutheran Night at the Ballpark**

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans will sponsor a Lutheran Night at the Ballpark. This 7:05PM game is at Wolff Stadium in San Antonio. The San Antonio Missions will play the Corpus Christi Hooks. This is a family-friendly social event for Lutherans. Bishop Ray Tiemann will throw out the first pitch. Tickets may be obtained from Dale and Carla Lockett (824-2322).

Sat, Aug 12 **6:30PM Dinner/Movie Night sponsored by Maureen Folkerts &
Family (2915 Low Oak, San Antonio)**

Dinner and dessert provided. Bring your own beverage. Parents can drop off youth for this event or are welcome to stay to participate.

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How are we doing financially?

In an effort to keep us all up to date on how things are looking financially, here's a quick look at the numbers.

Mac Park's quarterly financial status	1st Qtr (9/10-11/10)	2nd Qtr (12/10-2/11)	3rd Qtr (3/11-5/11)	Total fiscal Y10
Operating Receipts	\$108,143.00	\$128,317.00	\$108,056.55	\$344,516.65
Total Expenses	\$107,052.00	\$109,404.00	\$102,403.78	\$318,859.78
Net Ordinary Income	\$1,091.00	\$18,913.00	\$5,652.87	\$25,656.87

Gifts to the general fund (our weekly/monthly offering, loose offerings & Sunday School offerings)

	Actual	Budgeted	Result
Sept '10	\$29,284.00	\$33,316.33	(\$4,032.33)
Oct '10	\$43,374.00	\$33,316.33	\$10,057.67
Nov '10	\$27,172.00	\$33,316.33	(\$6,144.33)
Dec '10	\$35,287.00	\$33,316.33	\$2,970.67
Jan '11	\$43,504.00	\$33,316.33	\$10,187.67
Feb '11	\$27,484.00	\$33,316.33	(\$5,832.33)
Mar '11	\$28,989.73	\$33,316.33	(\$4,326.60)
Apr '11	\$31,780.00	\$33,316.33	(\$1,536.33)
May '11	\$35,669.45	\$33,316.33	\$2,353.12

Major fundraisers...

Giving Tree (gifts in-kind/cash donations)	Oct: Office supplies \$880.00;
	Nov: Kitchen supplies \$884.00
	Jan: Janitorial/property supplies \$510.00
	Feb: Youth ministry - Sr. High trip \$506.00
	Camperships \$230.00
Chili Cookoff (benefits website maint.)	\$1,672.00 (net \$1,569.00)
Pancake Supper/School Auction	\$1,814.00
Cookbook Sales (50th Anniversary)	\$3,351.00 (net \$2,074.40)

Dear Mac Park youth and families,

Thank you so much for the very nice sending you gave to me on my last day at Mac Park. Thank you for such a nice James Avery gift card. I purchased a ribbon cross necklace with the money. Every time I wear the necklace I will always remember my time at Mac Park and the wonderful youth and families I worked with. Thank you for all you did for me. You will always be in my heart. I pray that God will do great things in your church.

**Big
Thank
You!**

Love, Elizabeth Holschuh



2011 Summer Fun! August 1-5

Vacation Bible School

Ages:
2-5 years olds
(must be 2 by December 2010)

Location:
MacArthur Park

Time:
8:30-11:30 a.m.

Cost:
\$15 / child

Includes
All Programming,
supplies & snack

Day Camp

Ages:
Kinder-5th Grades
(having completed!)

Location:
Christ Lutheran

Time:
9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Cost:
\$65 / child

Includes
T-shirt, programming,
supplies, snack & Cross
Trails Ministry Staff

Servant Life Camp

Ages:
6th-8th Grades
(having completed!)

Location:
MacArthur Park

Time:
8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Cost:
\$40 / child

Includes
T-shirt, programming,
supplies, snack &
service opportunities!

Limited
Space.
Register
Now!

This summer Christ Lutheran Church & MacArthur Park Lutheran Church are partnering together to host three amazing programs for your children!

3 Camps ... 2 Churches ... 1 Amazing Summer!

To register, please complete the "Summer Fun" registration form (found at MacArthur Park or Christ Lutheran), attach the registration fees, and return it to your home congregation! Space is limited, so please return your paperwork as soon as possible. If you need financial assistance, contact your home congregation. For any questions, please contact us!

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SOCIAL JUSTICE

“The beginning of wisdom is this: Get wisdom, and whatever else you get, get insight.” Proverbs 4:7

Our San Antonio summer drives many of us inside, clinging to the air conditioner and reaching for a good book. Here are some suggestions that you may like to put on your summer reading list.

Suzette Price recommends *A Muslim, A Christian and A Jew—Three Women Search for Understanding*, by Idliby, Oliver and Warner. After Sept 11th, an American Muslim in New York reached out to a Christian woman and a Jewish woman and discussed their concerns, stereotypes and misunderstandings about each other and their faiths. The book is written in their voices. Their comments are honest and sometimes brutally frank. The book forces a person to look at his/her own beliefs and prejudices.

I was appalled by the article “The Secret World of Child Brides” in the June 2011 issue of National Geographic Magazine. The article describes the practice of Yemeni tribes for forcing female children into marriage. The article begins with a description of the wedding of a five year old girl. Yes, 5 years old! The male tribesmen insist the marriage “protects” the girls and is consistent with their Prophet Muhammad's wife Ayesha who purportedly was nine years old when married to the Prophet. The article ends with the report of a 13 year old bride who was dropped at a hospital four days after her marriage. Sexual intercourse appeared to have ruptured the girl's internal organs and she bled to death.

The story of an incredibly brave child bride who escaped from this system is told in *I am Nujood, Age 10 and Divorced* by Nujood Ali. Ayaan Hirsi Ali is a Somali woman who similarly broke from a forced marriage. She escaped to the West, has denounced Islam and lives with constant security, as her life is threatened by Islamic governments who wish to silence her. Her books are *The Caged Virgin, an emancipation Proclamation for Women and Islam, Infidel and Nomad*.

I am looking forward to reading the latest book by Archbishop Desmond Tutu, *God is Not a Christian*; and other provocations. I have received many suggestions from friends to read *The Shack*, by Wm. Paul Young, so it is on my summer list.

Do you know good books to suggest to members of MacPark? Send me an e-mail at jsmithlawrence@satx.rr.com and I will put the book on the website for this column.

In Christ, Joan Smith-Lawrence,
Social Concerns Chair

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Sun, Aug 21 Blessing of the Backpacks @ both worship services, 8:30 & 10:45AM

Students are invited forward, with their book bags, lunchboxes, or backpacks, to ask God to bless them in the new school year.

October 9 ELCA National Youth Gathering Registration Opens!

Youth in grades 9-12 are invited to participate in the National Youth Gathering, July 18-22, 2012 in New Orleans, LA! Make a commitment today to attend this event.

TheVistaOnline.org is the online source for news of mission and ministry in the Southwestern Texas Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Registered subscribers receive an occasional message (no more than once per week) alerting them to new articles and information posted on the site.

Use the sign-up feature at www.thevistaonline.org/signup to become a registered user. Once you have registered, you will receive an email asking you to confirm your request to be registered. There is no cost for this service. Thanks for your partnership in the mission and ministry of Christ's church in Southwestern Texas.



Time to clean out your closets!

Mac Park School will be holding a **Rummage Sale** on **Saturday, Sept. 17th**, so they would appreciate any "treasures" you want to pass on to them. If you want to bring your items during the summer, call the School office at 822-4864 to arrange a time. They have a storage area on campus.

PATRIOTIC PARFAIT

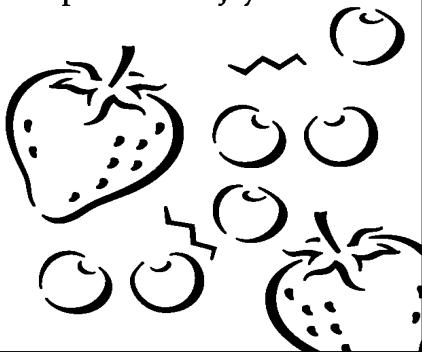
On the 4th of July, make this healthy, festive dessert to share with family and friends.

What you need:

- Clear glasses or plastic cups
- Spoons
- Vanilla yogurt
- Cut strawberries
- Fresh blueberries
- Coconut, whipped cream, red and blue sprinkles (optional)

What you do:

1. Place a couple of spoonfuls of vanilla yogurt at the bottom of each glass or cup.
2. Add cut strawberries to cover the yogurt layer.
3. Add more yogurt over the strawberries.
4. Add a layer of blueberries.
5. Repeat the layers until you reach the top of the glass or cup.
6. For extra fun, add coconut, whipped cream and sprinkles. Enjoy!



Property Manager
Kevin Ott loaded 31
boxes in the church
van. Dale and Carol

Couffer drove to Texas
Lutheran University in

Seguin to deliver the boxes to the Ingathering for Lutheran World Relief. The 31 boxes weighed a total of 533.5 pounds and contained 30 quilts, 95 school kits and 58 layettes made by the quilters and women of the church.

Pastor Paul Ziese reported that kindergarten Alex Hansen had beaten him at a game of chess.

MacArthur Park Lutheran Church member Denise Bilderback was the "Duchess of Exciting Music" in the "Court of Ancient Egypt" Lutheran Charity Coronation held at the Municipal Auditorium on Nov 5, 1977. She and her parents made the dress and train based solely on a drawing. No patterns were provided! Her mom made the dress. All three of them worked on the train in their living room. Her dad, the late Billy Giles, had made a frame to hold the train. A pulley system on the frame allowed it to be raised and lowered, as needed. The dress and train took months to complete. Denise also rode in the Watermelon Thump Parade in Luling. She still has the dress and train.

DID
YOU
KNOW?

By: Suzette Price



South Sudan: Pray for a new nation

Every Friday from now until July 9, we ask for prayers as South Sudan prepares to become an independent nation. See www.elca.org/Our-Faith-In-Action/Justice/Advocacy/Issues/Peace-and-Conflict/Africa/Sudan.aspx.

Zam Zam: Anniversary of a missionary odyssey

This spring marked the 70th anniversary of an incredible episode from World War II. An old Egyptian passenger liner called the Zam Zam carried 140 American missionaries and their families from 20 denominations bound for mission work in Africa. A Nazi warship mistakenly sunk it off the coast of South Africa. All of the passengers abandoned ship. See <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BHFrX3nwF0U>.

Disaster response: Your church at work around the world

+ **Malawi:** In the region of Karonga heavy rains have led to flooding and a broken dike, disrupting crops and leaving hundreds of houses destroyed or damaged.

+ **Colombia:** After the worst flooding in 60 years, much of the country is underwater. As the rains continue the situation worsens. Find these stories and more at <http://blogs.elca.org/disasterresponse/>.

Japan: Veterans help former foes

Two World War II veterans are now "firing" generous amounts of dollars at Japan to help survivors of the disastrous earthquake and tsunami that struck Japan and the Pacific Rim on March 11, 2011. Read more at www.livinglutheran.com/stories/veterans-help-former-foe.html.

Liberia: Witnessing miracles

At age 73 Edna Johnson wanted one more great adventure in life. Following a 28-year career as a nursing instructor, Edna became a volunteer missionary for the [ELCA](http://www.elca.org) and moved to Liberia. There she has been a witness to miracles. See www.livinglutheran.com/stories/witnessing-miracles-in-liberia.html.

The federal budget: Why it matters

Learn more about how the federal budget affects the international community, and how your voice can be heard as a person of faith, at www.elca.org/Our-Faith-In-Action/Justice/Advocacy/Issues.aspx. Note the tabs on the left that deal with specific countries and issues.

NEWS & Notes

Our Christian sympathy to Bill and Starla Sweda and family on the recent death of his brother Donald Sweda; and to Tina, William and Mary Brown on the death of their husband and father David Brown; and to Irvin and Marjorie Sewell on the death of their grandson Glenn Sewell in Iraq.

50th Anniversary Cookbooks are still available through the church office for the incredible price of \$12 each. They make wonderful gifts, so be sure and purchase yours soon!

A sign-up sheet for summer special music is available on the back table in the sanctuary. Please sign-up if you would like to share your musical gifts with us this summer!

Mac Pride Day Sat., August 27th

Please join us on **Saturday, August 27th from 8:00-11:00 am** as we beautify our campus. We will begin working on projects to help our School begin a new school year. Physical strength is not required; we will have several different projects to fit your abilities.



"They must have had some form of email.
The Apostle Paul wrote the epistles."

Stitches from the Quilters



(A)



(B)



(C)



(D)

Quilter “Dude” of the Month: (A) **Bob Hunt** (Part I)- Robert Hunt was born on January 14, 1936, the first child of Bob and Frances Hunt of San Antonio. He was born in the Medical and Surgical Hospital in San Antonio, Texas. His parents had another son, younger, named Gilbert, but he passed away in 1992. (Gilbert was a firefighter and was electrocuted on the job.)

Bob grew up in San Antonio. He started school at St. Mary’s Hall-----wait a minute--- isn’t that a GIRLS’ SCHOOL????? What’s going on here, Bob. Well, Bob tells me that some years back, St. Mary’s Hall would allow boys in the first and second grades. I guess the powers that be didn’t want to take a chance on older boys. Oh well, he later transferred to Ben Franklin Elementary. He spent the 3rd through 6th grades in Redeemer Lutheran and Agnes Cotton Elementary Schools. He went to Mark Twain in Jr. High School and graduated from Jefferson High School in 1954. (Tune in next time for Part II.)

“Scrumptious Succulents”: (B) If you have not seen the beautiful succulent garden that Jan Kelly started outside the “Senior Center”, you need to make a special trip just to look at it. They seem to be thriving very nicely. It is a pleasure to behold.

“Victorian Double-Wedding Ring”: (C) Pat Richmond is showing Nelda Greer the quilt’s progress. If you recall, this one is a special order for Nelda Greer. Pat Richmond made it from “scratch” for Nelda and when the quilters finish it, there will also be two pillow shams to go with it. Nelda Greer and her husband, Dr. Harry Greer will be donating \$800.00 to the George and Gloria Schwanenburg Scholarship Fund when they receive this quilt and pillow shams. Notice the detail photo (D) that shows the beautiful 4-heart detail that the quilters have stitched in the center of each wedding ring. (The picture is nice but it really doesn’t do justice to the stitches. You need to come to the quilting room and see them up close and personal!!!!!!) (Continued on Page 15.)

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“Patriotic Log-Cabin”: If you recall from last month, the quilting ladies will be putting a new quilt in the church. The new one is red, white and blue and the monies are to be designated for the Mac Park Lutheran School. The reserve bid will be \$500.00 donation. The deadline for that bid will be July 31, 2011. If there are no takers, tickets will be available for 7 for \$5.00 donation or \$1 each. Tickets will be available during the rummage sale for the school as well as all the usual places---more info later.

World Relief Quilts: Delbert Richmond tells me that 26 of the 30 quilts for April, 2012 have been completely finished. WOW!!!!!!!!!!!!!! It looks as though he and his helpers have not napped any since they began. Keep up the good work, gang!

“Enchanted Garden”: Well, Pat’s at it again. We don’t have a picture yet, but there will be one in the next edition, but Pat is making another purple and lavender king-sized quilt. (Perhaps she was inspired by Jan’s garden????) Come by to see the quilt as it progresses during the month of July.

“Double Wedding Ring”: The winner of the burgundy and white quilt will be announced in the next issue of the Messenger as well as in the bulletin. The drawing will take place on July 1, 2011.

Yours in Christ, Mary Alice Rupard

“POST”-INGS FROM THE STAMP CLUB

July 1 – 6:15 – Juniors

7:00 – Board of Governors meeting

7:30 – “Show and Tell”

July 8 – 7:00 – Auction – Come pick some great bargains.

July 15 – 7:30 – Bourse – Buy, Sell, Trade (Philatelic Flea Market)

July 16 – 9:30 a.m. – Saturday Boursette – Bldg #6 (Just a baby bourse!!!!)

July 22 – 7:30 “Airmail for Juniors” by Dr. Harry Greer

July 29 – 7:30 – Bourse

Notes on July 22, 2011

“Airmail for Juniors” by Dr. Harry Greer

This program will be much more about Juniors than Air Mail. I firmly believe that the Stamp Collecting hobby has much to offer young people in the development of both knowledge and character. However, the hobby has to compete with many other claims on young people’s time. (Continued on Page 16.)

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This program will present one proposal for a basic progressive junior program that might (?) be competitive. We will also explore the idea of forming a subcommittee to develop and market a Junior Program sponsored by the club.

by Harry Greer

***“Post”-ings from the Stamp Club
August, 2011***

- August 5 – 6:15 – Juniors
7:00 – Board of Governors Meeting
7:30 – “Show and Tell”
- August 6 – 9:30 a.m. – Saturday Bourssette – Building #6. Come join the fun!!!!
- August 12 – 7:00 – Auction – Come find some great bargains
- August 19 – 6:15 – Juniors
7:30 – “Sam the Selvage Savage” by Sam Rodgers
- August 26 – 7:30 – Bourse – Buy, sell, trade (Philatelic Flea Market)

***Notes on August 19, 2011
“Sam the Selvage Savage”
By Guess Who?? Or is it Whom? (Sam Rodgers)***

When I asked Sam to speak to us this year, he said he’d shared all of this “stuff”. I told him that I doubted we had seen all of his “stuff”. However, that’s another story.

Sam has shared his selvage collection with us in the past, but knowing Sam as we do, it is a “given” that it is expanded and enlarged. I am interested in seeing his new additions.

As always, Sam and his unique approach to philately seems to inspire others as well as entertain. The night should be very informative as well as entertaining.

Yours in philately, Pat Richmond

“Needle” Notes



(A)

(B)

(C)

“Log Cabin Afghan”: (A) Mary is showing two of the finished squares that will be in the log-cabin afghan. This is a project she designed and she and Pat Richmond are working on. When it is finished it will be king-size and will go on reserve for \$300.00 donation. The money will go to the Senior Center Utility Fund. Tune in later for further results.

“Sampler Afghan”: (B) Mary is showing off her recently finished sampler afghan to Stephanie and Maybena (96-year old quilter visiting the needlework meeting).

Busy, busy, busy—(C) Mary and Carolyn are planning a new afghan (I hope it’s something to do with needlework---who knows with those two!!!!!!) Daisy is busy working on her new crochet stitch and Stephanie is busy working on the red, white and blue quilt she is making for her son who will be 1 year old on July 4, 2011. It will all be made BY HAND!!!!!!

Notice!!!!

The needlework club will no longer meet on Saturdays, especially during the summer. It will however, meet in the Senior Center every Wednesday from 12:00 to 3 p.m. (The fee is still \$1 donation per person, per session for use of the utilities.)

Yours in Christ, Pat Richmond

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

Service	May 29	June 5	June 12	June 19	June 26	5 Week Total
8:30 am	92	89	86	90	81	438
10:45 am	78	70	78	78	81	385
Offering	\$4,545.00	\$11,229.19	\$7,324.53	\$4,808.76	\$3,826.98	\$31,734.46
Sunday School	49	54	53	43	59	258

PASTORAL ACTS

- 6/12/11 Funeral service for David Brown
 6/21/11 Council approved for membership:
 Mark Clayton by transfer from Triumphant Lutheran
 6/26/11 Adult Baptism of Chris Stone

MEMORIALS

DAVID BROWN: John & Betty Pomykal

Please pray for the following: Karoline & Jim Aulds; Nancy Beaver; Michelle Briscoe; Sandra Couffer; Lauren Dollarhide; Evelyn Garza; Kenneth Goggio; Steve Hammonds' sister Sharon; Evelyn Hicks & Lloyd Sellers; Lloyd Hitchings; Josephine Huizar; Dorothy Imig; Anna Jenkins; Dewey Johnson; Felicia Johnson; Miles Juarez; Robin & Barbara Kunkle; Jerelene Lopez; Daniel Martinka; Bonnie McKisson; Mike Milliman; Ronnie Nunn; Beatrice Page; James Peters; Jonathan Petrutsas; Phyllis Ray; Mims Reid; Dot Rust; Nancy Stevens; David VanLydegraf; Jeannie White; Miss Jamie; family & friends of Sidney Johnson

Military stationed overseas: Matthew Guevara, and all the other troops



Freedom in Christ

*This Independence Day, remember
that our true freedom comes from faith in Jesus.*

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Directions: In each set of letters, determine the pattern. Then write the letter that completes the pattern, to reveal Galatians 5:1, niv.

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

F	Q	L	V	C	R	O
G	R	K	U	D	Q	P
H	S	J	T	E	P	Q
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I	O	B	H	A	L	P	Q	K	D	W
H	P	C	G	B	M	O	R	J	C	V
G	Q	D	F	C	N	N	S	I	B	U
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F	E	U	L	P	W	E	D	V
E	F	T	K	Q	V	F	C	U
D	G	S	J	R	U	G	B	T
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P	B	Q	R	V	C	O	H	B
Q	C	R	S	U	D	P	G	C
R	D	S	T	T	E	Q	F	D
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Answers: It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. (Galatians 5:1, NIV)

Welcome to MacArthur Park Lutheran Church and School

† MacArthur Park invites you for Sunday worship. †

Our Worship Schedule

8:30 ~ 9:30 am 1st Service with Holy Communion

10:45 ~ 11:45 am 2nd Service with Holy Communion

† Nursery available Sunday mornings
from 8:00 am–12:00 noon for infants thru age 3. †

† Christian Education opportunities for ages 2 – adult and nursery at 9:45 a.m. †

† Our School has a Christian environment for students ages 2 years–Kinder †

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Deadline for our next *Messenger* is Thursday, August 18, 2011.

SAVE THE DATE!

MPLC 50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
DECEMBER 11, 2011



10:00 am Festival Worship

11:30 am Welcome/Slideshow

NOON Catered Meal

1:00 pm Celebration, Program, & Activities