

Messenger

Newsletter for MacArthur Park Lutheran Church and School

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This Sunday, October 30, 2011: Reformation Sunday

Message by Pastor Tracey Breashears Schultz

- 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
- 6:00 pm Grace Group at Stephenson home

ASSOCIATE PASTOR

TRACEY BREASHEARS SCHULTZ

Primera Iglesia Luterana Hispano-Latino
First Lutheran Hispanic/Latino Church

The congregation council met on Tuesday evening, October 11, with Pastor Jose Garcia (Director for Evangelical Mission, Southwestern Texas Synod) and Pastor Nelson Velasquez (Interim Missionary Pastor for Primera Iglesia), to begin drawing up a covenant between Mac Park and this new worshipping community.

You may remember that Mac Park hosted this group during worship, on September 25, and I shared leadership of the bilingual worship, with Pastor Nelson, at 10:45 that morning. If you were there, you likely sensed the enthusiasm for this new ministry and the presence of the Spirit as we worshiped in both Spanish and English.

As a next step, we are in the process of offering Pastor Nelson and this Synodically Authorized Worshipping Community (SAWC) the use of the Chapel, in the Education Building, as their regular place of worship. The community hopes to grow in size and mission over the course of the coming months, and by offering them space rent-free, we hope to help them meet their goals. This covenant will be in place through mid-March of next year. At that time, the SAWC will re-evaluate their needs, as they hope to become self-sustaining.

Periodically, likely at second service, our two communities may join together again for bilingual worship, as a way of honoring one another's ministries.

Although it has not been entirely decided, it is likely the SAWC will meet for worship, in Spanish, at 1pm on Sundays. You will see advertisements for Spanish worship, once a worship time has been decided by the SAWC.

Please consider coming to Sunday school, during an adult forum, on Sunday, Nov 6, where you will have the opportunity to hear more about this community, the covenant agreement, and our role in supporting this new ministry. Bring your questions to that forum, or feel free to ask them of the council or of me!

La paz de Cristo!
The peace of Christ,
Pastor Tracey

ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES – NOVEMBER 2011

Classes meet in the sanctuary, unless otherwise noted.



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 a week before we hear them read in worship. Bring your questions and curiosities. Class is facilitated by Dale and/or Carla Lockett, in the choir room. Bring your Bible!

Oct 30—Reformation & Martin Luther

Today is Reformation Sunday! Come to Sunday school and hear again the history behind the reason we celebrate. Using a combination of conversation and video (from the *Re:form* series, back by popular demand), we will discuss such things as indulgences, the pope, Martin Luther, the 95 theses, and the birth of the Lutheran church.

Nov 6—Adult Forum: Hispanic Ministry

You may remember that Mac Park hosted a Spanish-speaking Synodically Authorized Worshiping Community (SAWC), on September 25, at second service, for bilingual worship. If you were there, you likely sensed the enthusiasm for this new ministry and the presence of the Spirit as we worshiped in both Spanish and English. As a next step, we are in the process of offering Pastor Nelson Velasquez and this SAWC the use of the Chapel, in the Education Building, as their regular place of worship. Although it has not been entirely decided, it is likely the SAWC will meet for worship, in Spanish, at 1pm on Sundays. This adult forum offers the opportunity to hear more about the community, to ask questions you may have, and to lend your support to these new neighbors.

Nov 13—Bread for the World Sunday: Offering of Letters

Bread for the World is a collective Christian voice urging our nation's decision makers to end hunger at home and abroad. By changing policies, programs, and conditions that allow hunger to persist, we provide help and opportunity far beyond the communities where we live. Worship will reflect themes of advocacy and hunger ministry, and Sunday school will provide the opportunity for members to hand write letters asking for a circle of protection around programs for hungry and poor people in the United States and abroad.

CONGREGATION COUNCIL REPORT

October 18, 2011

By: Laura Seitter

President Bill Sweda called the meeting to order at 7:00, and Denise Bilderback offered opening devotion and prayer.

Although Treasurer Dan Bierstedt was not present to provide his update, he reported via email through Bill Sweda that, for the month of September, operating receipts were \$8,000 less than originally expected. Expenses were \$6,500 less than originally budgeted, resulting in a \$1,500 loss for the month. Council discussed possible reasoning for the lack of tithing this month, and proposed several ideas to improve for next month. Matt Halder suggested including a newsletter or bulletin insert detailing the church's financial situation. As September was the first month of the new fiscal year, it is possible that the congregation may need a reminder of the stewardship pledges made earlier in the year.

Pastor Tracey reported that she and several members of the church council met on Tuesday, October 11 with Pastors Joe Garcia and Nelson Velasquez regarding future plans for the Hispanic Ministry covenant agreement. The meeting went very well, resulting in a draft of the covenant/contract that MPLC plans to enter in order to provide space and spiritual support for the growing community. Several items were discussed regarding the addition of this ministry to MPLC. The two communities discussed meeting periodically for worship and/or fellowship events, similar to the service held on September 25th. There were some suggestions made about the covenant and Laura Seitter will re-write and send out for approval before the Hispanic ministry begins meeting at MPLC on October 30. The Hispanic Ministry community will meet in the Chapel on Sundays at 1pm.

School board chair Matt Halder submitted his report on MPL Preschool, noting especially Carla Lockett's commendable performance as the new Director. Currently, she is reviewing job descriptions for all of the school's teachers and staff members, and the board will review at the next school board meeting. Carla is also planning several upcoming fundraisers, including the recent purchase of an advertisement in the local ValPak mailer. Matt did present for discussion a change in hours for Carla in order that she be able to have a lunch break and a more flexible afternoon schedule. The council approved this motion. *(Continued on Page 5.)*

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In August, Roger Buchhorn approached the council about considering an operations review for the church and school. This is meant to benefit all by better outlining staff job descriptions and more. The council agreed that this is a necessary step toward MPLC truly adopting our new guiding principles. Matt Halder moved to authorize Roger Buchhorn to the position of chair for the organizational review task force, and the council approved.

On Sunday, October 16, the church council met with Pastor Jon Lee to discuss the implementation of MPLC's new purpose statement and guiding principles. This was a great opportunity for the council to discuss possible restructuring and outline goals for the future. Pastor Lee provided great advice, and was very excited about the new direction MPLC has chosen to move. One of the suggestions Pastor Lee made were to outline a 2-3 year plan for the church, which emphasizes focus on particular guiding principles. He also suggested the formation of a Strategic Planning Task Force to help implement this plan. The council decided to focus on implementing a few of Pastor Lee's ideas forthwith, such as the creation of posters with the new purpose statement and guiding principles for various places on church grounds. In the meantime, council members will undertake the "homework assignment" of reviewing the current constitution and bylaws and writing position descriptions to assess how our new purpose statement and guiding principles may affect the way council operates. Much more will be discussed at council retreat, tentatively scheduled for January.

Executive/Personnel meetings will continue to be held on the second Monday of each month, and council will meet the third Tuesday. In November, EP will meet on the 7th, and council will meet on the 15th.

Respectfully Submitted,
Laura Seitter
Congregation Council Secretary

The Audit Committee has reviewed the books of the church and school for 9/1/10--8/31/11 and has found them in good order.

From the Audit Committee—Tiffany Freiger and Jeff Bullington.



Fall is here and the school is celebrating with great joy. We are enjoying celebrations, cooler weather, studying pumpkins, changing leaves and the fun things that autumn brings.

We would like to thank all of you for your support of the cookie dough and pie fundraiser. Please don't forget that they will arrive Sunday, November 20. Look for a table set up with your order, labeled with your name.

You are all invited to join us for the School/Church Thanksgiving service on Thursday, November 17. You may bring your own dinner to share with your family at 5:30. Dessert will be provided and the worship service will follow at 6:30 p.m. We will also be collecting food for the St. Vincent De Paul society housed at St. Pius. This society provides Thanksgiving meals to needy families in our neighborhood.

This month we are selling Christmas Greenery. The greens will be delivered the first week in December. These are delivered fresh from Continental Floral Greens and make a nice addition to your decorations. Watch for a table outside of church on November 6 & 13. The youth are also a part of this fundraiser.

Mark your calendars for our annual Christmas Pageant on Thursday, December 15 at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome to join us for this beautiful retelling of the Christmas story.

We would like to wish you and your family a very wonderful Thanksgiving. Remember to thank God for all the blessings in your life. Mac Arthur Park School gives thanks for all you do for our school!

MPLS Staff and children

**MacArthur Park Lutheran
Church and School
invite you to a
Thanksgiving Worship Service**

Thursday, November 17, 2011 at 6:30 pm

Everyone is welcome!



- ◆ Dinner and fellowship will begin in the Fireside Room at 5:30 pm. **You bring dinner for you and your family. We will provide the dessert.**
- ◆ The worship service will follow at 6:30 pm.
- ◆ Donations of items for Thanksgiving meals will be collected for the St. Pius food pantry that serves families in our neighborhood. See Page 9 for a list of requested items.

***ADVENT EVENT
TEXAS LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY
VESPERS***



***Dinner at Hein Dining Hall
Advent Vespers Service at Jackson Auditorium
Saturday Night, December 3, 2011
Charter bus from Mac Park***



Mark your calendar!

YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY—NOVEMBER 2011

ELCA NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING—SENIOR HIGH TRIP:

Registration for the ELCA National Youth Gathering opened on Sunday, October 9. The theme for the Gathering is “citizens with the saints,” based on Ephesians 2:14-20. The trip will take place July 18-22, 2012, in New Orleans. There are 8 senior high youth and 3 adults from Mac Park registered to attend this event. The majority of the costs associated with this senior high trip will be paid through fundraising. Look for opportunities to support the youth in the coming months!

We thank you in advance,

William Brown

Collin Gill

Taryn Dougherty

Jessica Gottschalk

Nicole Halder

Jacqueline Paredes

Sophia Petrutsas

Elizabeth Seitter

Pastor Tracey

Leigh Anne Seitter

Jimmy Petrutsas

UPCOMING EVENTS/FUNDRAISERS:

- * *October 23 (Sunday), 1pm, Fireside Room*
Meeting for high school youth and their parents, to plan for fundraising events and efforts.
- * *October 29 (Saturday), Trunk-or-Treat, 6-7:30pm*
Youth will sell soft drinks and bottled water. \$1.00 each.
- * *November 1-16*
Youth will combine efforts with the preschool to sell Christmas greenery during November. Details are coming soon!
- * *November 11-13, Southwestern Texas Synod Junior High Gathering, Camp Chrysalis*
Our confirmation class will join with other junior high youth from across the synod for this weekend of Bible study, worship, and camp activities. Pastor Tracey will attend as a sponsor.
- * *Dec 3 or Dec 2-3, Upper Elementary Advent Retreat, Camp Chrysalis*
Youth in grades 3-6 are invited. Early bird fees through Nov 18. Great things come in small packages! Jesus was born in a lowly manger but saved the world. Through Advent-focused Bible studies, games, camp activities and crafts, you will discover how Christ came to us in an unexpected way and gave hope to the world!
Registration details are at www.crosstrails.org, or you may call camp at (830)257-6340. *(Continued on Page 9.)*

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CONFIRMATION UPDATE—HONOR YOUR PARENTS:

On Wed, Sept 28, we invited parents to join us for class. Since we were learning about what it means to honor your parents, according to the fourth commandment, we thought it best to learn from those who parent! Special thanks to: Peter Gill, Courtney Grove, Dale & Carla Lockett, Mike McArdle, & Jamie la Fuente, for making up our parent panel. We learned a lot from one another! Our class will finish our lessons on the Ten Commandments in mid-October and will continue our lessons on the Catechism, studying the Apostles Creed through November.

Thanksgiving

Food Drive

Once again, MacArthur Park will join with others in the community to collect food for the neighborhood food pantry located at the St. Vincent de Paul office of St. Pius X Catholic Church. Our preschool will also help with food collection.

Here are the Thanksgiving meal items requested: Large cans of sweet potatoes, boxes of stuffing, boxes of instant mashed potatoes, cans or packages of turkey gravy, cans of cranberry sauce, cans of green beans, cans of condensed mushroom soup, cans of French fried onions, cooking oil, brown sugar, bags of marshmallows, cans of chicken broth, and bags of cookies.

Cash contributions are also gratefully received to help defray the costs of turkeys, rolls, margarine, and pies. Checks can be made out to MPLC so one check can be delivered to St. Pius.

Please bring items to church by Thursday, November 17 so we can deliver by Friday, November 18.

Thank you to all and if you have any questions, please call Jeanette Pierce at 822-9410.

Habitat for Humanity News



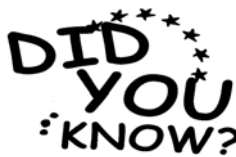
Thanks to all the volunteers who helped on our Lutheran Cluster house on Oct. 15. We had an amazing turnout with seventeen people from Mac and were joined by six students and a teacher from KIPP College Prep Academy and the homeowner and her son. Working that day were Bev and Stephanie Buchhorn, Tony, Sherill, and Aimee Whiteman, Pastor Tracey and Chris Schultz, Beth Borstad and Mari Fredrickson, Ed Case, Dale and Carol Couffer, Brenda Krueger, Starla Sweda, Jimmy Petrutsas, and George and Jeanette Pierce.

It was beautiful weather and our team worked very hard to prime and put two coats of paint on the interior of the home and complete work on other areas of the house, as well.

Thanks also to those who helped with food especially Loni Carlson, Ruth McFarland, Mark Abbott, Maureen Folkerts, and Ellen Bridges.

Our house could not have been built if it were not for the financial support of Lutheran Cluster congregations like our own MPLC folks who have given generously so that Barbara Torres and her sons will have a place they can call home for many years to come.

The dedication for the house is scheduled for Sat., Nov. 19 and all are invited. It will be a great day of celebration and thanksgiving to God. ~Jeanette Pierce



Church member Bjorn Dybdahl is co-host of a program, "San Antonio Movers and Shakers" on Saturday mornings on radio station KLUP. The format of the show involves interviewing outstanding members of the community to get their life stories. Among those having been interviewed are former mayor Lila Cockrell and Bill Greehey, founder of Valero Energy Corporation.

By: Suzette Price

Persons wishing to place flowers in honor of or in memory of loved ones may sign up to do so on the flower chart at the back of the church. One for 2012 will be put up soon. Persons may either purchase flowers for the flower stands or for under the altar or they may make a donation to the church and silk flowers will be used.

The MacArthur Park Lutheran Church 50th Anniversary cookbook called "Heavenly Delights" is for sale for \$12. They can be purchased in the church office or from Mary Ann Anderson.

The MacArthur Park Lutheran Church purpose statement is "Live the gospel. Change the world."

Women's Group

The women of MacArthur Park Lutheran Church met on Thursday, October 13th. They hosted a potluck supper and movie, and invited the congregation as guests. The women asked people attending to bring a new or slightly used paperback book for the Wounded Warriors project.

Dorothy Spencer gave the table blessing and the attendees feasted on a variety of meats, veggies, salads, and some wonderful desserts.

There were 32 people attending the meeting including 7 men. The door prize was won by Joe McFarland.

After dinner, we adjourned to the church where Bill Sweda presented the film "Paperclips". This documentary was about a middle school in a small town in Tennessee who wanted to collect 6 million paperclips to represent the 6 million Jews persecuted during the Holocaust. The movie was very moving and showed how wrong intolerance and prejudice of people can be.

A special thanks to Paul Halvorson who graciously ran the film for us, to Bill Sweda for sharing the film with us, to Kevin Ott for setting up the Fireside room, and to Pat Raney, Ellen Bridges and Rhea Clouse for being on the clean-up detail. Also a special thanks to Virgil Kirk who took boxes and boxes and boxes of books to Ft. Sam for the Wounded Warriors project.

We cordially invite the women of MPLC to attend our next meeting. It will be on Thursday, November 10th at 7:00 pm in the Fireside room.

Submitted by: Mary Ann Anderson, Facilitator

From the Hunger Response Committee

Hunger Response



Look for information from Jeanette Pierce about the November food drive for St. Pius within this newsletter.

Bread for the World Sunday will be November 13. During the adult Sunday School class, there will be an opportunity for us to write letters to our congressional leaders asking them to remember the poor and hungry in our nation when they vote on any pending legislation. Sample letters and writing materials will be provided. Jeanette Pierce and Brenda Krueger will facilitate.

If you are interested in coordinating the Angel Tree program in December, or the Crop Walk in March, please contact Brenda Krueger at 385-3639 or brenda.krueger25@yahoo.com. I have contact information and notes on last year's campaigns and would be happy to assist you.

Meal tickets on sale beginning Nov. 6

Church 50th anniversary celebration set for Dec. 11

Meal tickets for the MacArthur Park Lutheran Church 50th anniversary celebration will be available for purchase between services on Nov. 6, 13, 20 and 27 and in the church office through Nov. 28.



Meal tickets must be purchased by Monday, Nov. 28.

There will not be a meal available for those who do not purchase tickets.

Advance notice is required so Catalyst Catering, the San Antonio Food Bank's catering enterprise, can plan for the meal.

The meals will be \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 11 and under. Adult meal choices will be Beef Pot Roast with Mushroom Demi Glace and Roasted Garlic Mashed Potatoes *or* Oven Roasted Stuffed Chicken Breast stuffed with gourmet cheese and fresh herbs and Roasted Vegetable Medley. Both will be served with Mixed Green Salad with Sun Dried Tomato Vinaigrette, hot rolls with butter and iced tea.

The children's meal will be Chicken Tenders and Macaroni and Cheese served with a hot roll and milk.

The meal will be served at 12:15 p.m. in a heated party tent situated on the church parking lot.

The tent will be set up on Dec. 9 and taken down on Dec. 12.

Two sets of volunteers will be needed to help set up and take down the tables and chairs in the tent. Those who are able to help on Saturday, Dec. 10 at 9 a.m. or Sunday, Dec. 11 at 3 p.m. after the celebration should contact Suzette Price, 655-3833.

The San Antonio Food Bank catering enterprise is called "Catalyst" is providing the meal. "All foods used for catering is procured separately from foods donated for the needy. All monies generated from catering events will be used to support the most needy in our community through existing programs of the San Antonio Food Bank," according to the San Antonio Food Bank website. "All unused foods can be donated to the San Antonio Food Bank to help feed area shelters."—Suzette Price, 50th Anniversary Committee member

Social Media Dangers: Not Just for Teens
By: The Vine Wellness Group, a counseling ministry

Many discussions have taken place surrounding the safety and health of our children and teens when it comes to using technology and social media sites. But according to a recent Facebook press release, out of the 800 million active users, the majority of them are adults ages 18 and above. Therefore, here are some things for adults to keep in mind when using these convenient but sometimes dangerous sites:



- An innocent reconnection with a previous relationship can quickly become a dangerous distraction when a marriage is already unstable.
- Facebook is playing a role in as many as 20% of all divorces in the U.S., according to a study by the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers.
- If the amount of time you are spending on one of these sites is interfering with the amount of quality family/spouse time, think about what might be lacking in your marriage and attempt to fulfill that need with your spouse.

Social media can be an enhancement to the relationships in your life; it doesn't have to be an unhealthy distraction! Do not wait if the issues above are present and irreparable. If you see signs like these in your marriage, attempt to change it or seek help, if needed!

*“The eyes of the LORD are everywhere,
keeping watch on the wicked and the good.” Proverbs 15:3*

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Volunteers needed!

Volunteers are needed to help Property Manager Kevin Ott set up and take down the tables and chairs for the 50th Anniversary Celebration of MacArthur Park Lutheran Church. Help will be required on Saturday, Dec. 10 at 9 a.m. and on Sunday, Dec. 11 at 3 p.m. after the celebration.

Those who can assist should sign up with Suzette Price, 655-3833.

NEWS & Notes

Our Christian sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Jon Freiger upon his death October 23. Jon was 33 years old.

Congratulations to Joshua Bilderback & Silvia Yanez on their marriage here in our sanctuary on October 22nd!

Thank you from Army Fisher Houses: “The residents and staff of the Fisher Houses would like to thank you for your kind donation of books that Mr. Kirk brought on the 19th (of Sept.) for the residents. We’re very grateful for your support of our wounded military and their families. Your donation helps create a warm and comfortable environment for them. As you know, quite a few of the soldiers injured in Iraq and Afghanistan are being treated here at Brooke Army Medical Center. Our Fisher Houses have been providing rooms to the family members of those soldiers free of charge. We have four houses with a total of 57 private guest rooms. Currently, Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) families occupy more than 90% of our rooms. The Fisher Houses receives the majority of its funding through charitable contributions for the upkeep and operating expenses of our houses. . . . We appreciate your interest in the Fisher Houses, dedicated to our greatest national treasure—our military men and women and their loved ones. We encourage your continued involvement. Our ability to support others in need is contingent on acts of kindness such as yours.”

SIGN OF THANKFULNESS

Create this festive sign, which will serve as a yearlong reminder to be grateful.

What you need:

- Hole punch
- Large piece of cardboard or cardstock
- Twine
- Twigs
- Glue
- Acorns, leaves (real or silk) and raffia

What you do:

1. Punch two holes in the top of the cardboard.
2. Thread twine through the holes and tie it in a knot (for hanging).
3. Using twigs, spell out “Be Thankful,” “Thank God” or a similar phrase about gratitude. Glue the twigs onto the cardboard.
4. Decorate the sign by gluing on acorns, leaves and raffia.
5. Hang up your sign. Whenever you see it, think of something for which you’re grateful to God.



Stitches from the Quilters



(A)



(B)



(C)

Quilter “Dude” of the Month: Bob Hunt (A)(Part IV) After Bob retired in 1993, he began a second “career.” His second career was one of being an avid volunteer. It looks like he found the secret to retiring---retiring TO something instead of FROM something.

He has spent 17 years delivering Meals on Wheels, serving in the church in various capacities. He has served as Vice President, money counter, greeter, usher and he was in the Mutual Ministry for 4 years.

He is very active in the Shrine organization. He was a Demolay at the age of 14, then he became a Mason in 1964 and a Shriner in 1973. He served as their Potentate in 1999. There are 22 Shrine Hospitals in North America—both orthopedic and burn hospitals. There are 2 in Texas—an orthopedic hospital in Houston and a burn hospital in Galveston. Bob was on the Board of Directors for the Galveston Hospital for 9 years. He says that was one of the most rewarding things he’s ever done in his life. (Tune in next month for Part V)

“Victorian Double Wedding Ring”: (B) Here we see Lorraine Moyer working diligently on the quilt. She is 91 years old, still drives, comes EVERY Monday and Wednesday morning and quilts until lunchtime. She and the other quilters have nearly finished the handwork on this beautiful quilt. Pat Richmond tells me she has nearly finished sewing the four pillow shams. It looks like she better hurry, because the ladies will be ready to quilt them SOON!!!! Thank you Lorraine for your undying faithfulness to the George and Gloria Schwanenberg Scholarship Fund. You and the other ladies certainly deserve a personal thank you!!!

Stuffed Animals: So far the ladies and Delbert have finished 50 more animals and are rapidly approaching their goal of 100 for the Salvation Army Ladies Facility. It seems
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that the Salvation Army Ladies Facility has 200 emergency rescue beds besides their other operations. We want to help comfort the children who have to be rescued. Thank you ladies for taking care of these mothers and children who need rescuing.

“Autumn Festival”: (C) Well, here we are finally able to deliver this beautiful quilt that Kay Elsasser made and donated to the quilters to be auctioned for the George and Gloria Schanenberg Scholarship Fund. Here we see Pat Richmond presenting the beautiful reversible quilt to her son and his wife, Russell and Victoria Walton. The delay was because the couple live in Fort Worth, Texas and had difficulty matching their schedules for a trip to San Antonio. Incidentally, the quilt earned over \$1200.00 for the fund. Thanks, Kay!!!!

“Colonial Log Cabin”: The quilt is now in the Mac Park Lutheran School and tickets are available there. However, tickets are still available from any of the quilters or Debbie in the office. The quilt will move back to the sanctuary in December and tickets will be available after church on Sundays. The tickets are \$1 each or 7 tickets for \$5.00. The monies go to benefit the Mac Park Lutheran School. The ticket will be drawn during Christmas Week. Good Luck everyone-----Thanks for your support.

Yours in Christ, Mary Alice Rupard

“POST”-INGS FROM THE STAMP CLUB

November 4 – 6:15 – Juniors

7:00 – Board of Governors’ Meeting

7:30 – “Show and Tell” Bring something interesting to share with the group.

November 5 – 9 a.m. Saturday Brousette – Building #6 – (a baby bourse)

November 11 – 7:00 – Auction – Come find some real bargains.

November 18 – 7:30 – Bourse – Buy, sell, trade philatelic items (kind of like a flea market)

November 25 – NO MEETING - THANKSGIVING

Notes from the Needlework Club



(A)



(B)



(C)

Planning the Quilt: (A) Maritza Guzman and Pat Richmond are planning two beautiful butterfly quilts for Maritza's grandchildren. The chart in front of them has the style of butterfly she plans to put in the square, but they are deciding how many will be of colorful print and how many will be of solids. Good luck, Maritza.

Cutting the Quilt: (B) One of the new quilters, Brenda Cisneros, is cutting the second batch of pieces for her very first king-size quilt. She has decided to use purples and lavenders. She is also taking tie quilts home and animals to stuff. Thanks, Brenda for answering the sign out front. Brenda also brought her friend, Lulu. Lulu is also making her very first quilt. Maybe we can show you her work next month.

Tying a "kumfert kwilt": (C) Here we see Delbert Richmond showing Brenda's husband, Michael how to tie a "kumfert kwilt". Last Wednesday, when Brenda came to Needlework Club, she brought her husband. While Brenda was cutting the pieces for her quilt, Michael and Delbert tied five (5) quilts. WOW, Guys. The quilters really appreciate your efforts. Perhaps Brenda will bring Michael every week.

Yours in Christ, Mary Alice Rupard

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

Service	Oct 2	Oct 9	Oct 16	Oct 23	TOTAL
8:30am	89	66	89	143	387
10:45am	124	61	115	77	377
Offering	\$8,002.96	\$6,138.22	\$6,649.44	\$3,689.54	24,480.16
Sunday school	53	51	51	42	197

PASTORAL ACTS

10/01/11 Funeral service for Kenneth Goggio

10/22/11 Marriage of Joshua Bilderback & Silvia Yanez

MEMORIALS

KENNETH GOGGIO: Dorothy Spencer

Please pray for the following: Karoline & Jim Aulds; Dale Beaver; Nancy Beaver; Michelle Briscoe; Joshua Bilderback & Silvia Yanez (upon their marriage 10/22); Steven Boyd; Jeff Bullington & family (upon his father's death); Trina Camerer; Stephanie Cardenas; Norma Case; Sandra Couffer; Lauren Dollarhide; family & friends of Jon Freiger; Evelyn Garza; Steve Hammonds' sister Sharon; Andrea Hexel; Evelyn Hicks & Lloyd Sellers; Josephine Huizar; Dorothy Imig; Anna Jenkins; Dewey Johnson; Felicia Johnson; Miles Juarez; Robin & Barbara Kunkle; Jerelene Lopez; Bonnie McKisson; Mike Milliman; Georgia Nisi; Ronnie Nunn; Beatrice Page; James Peters; Jonathan Petrutsas; Andy Post; Phyllis Ray; Mims Reid; Dot Rust; Amanda Sandoval & Kertis Gearhart; Nancy Stevens; David VanLydegraf; Jeannie White; Mike Young

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



Give Praise

Solve this puzzle to read a Bible verse about praising God for all his blessings.

Directions: In each group, underline the word that doesn't belong. Then write the underlined words on the lines below.

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|---------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Give
Take
Grab | 2. peanut
praise
pear | 3. temple
house
LORD | 4. proclaim
past
present | 5. name
boy
lad | 6. ruin
destroy
make |
| 7. pine
acorn
known | 8. train
nations
bus | 9. done
donut
muffin | 10. Sing
Sleep
Yawn | 11. she
him
girl | 12. sun
praise
moon |
| 13. tell
fast
slow | 14. red
all
blue | 15. horrible
dreadful
wonderful | 16. acts
sisters
aunts | | |

" _____ to the _____ , _____ his _____ ;
 _____ among the _____ what he has _____ .
 _____ to _____ , sing _____ to him; _____ of _____ his
 _____ . " PSALM 105:1-2, NIV

Answers: 1. Give, 2. praise, 3. LORD, 4. proclaim, 5. name, 6. make, 7. known, 8. nations, 9. done, 10. Sing, 11. him, 12. praise, 13. tell, 14. all, 15. wonderful, 16. acts.
 Give praise to the LORD, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. (Psalm 105:1-2, 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 **Thurs., Nov. 17, 2011.**

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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

