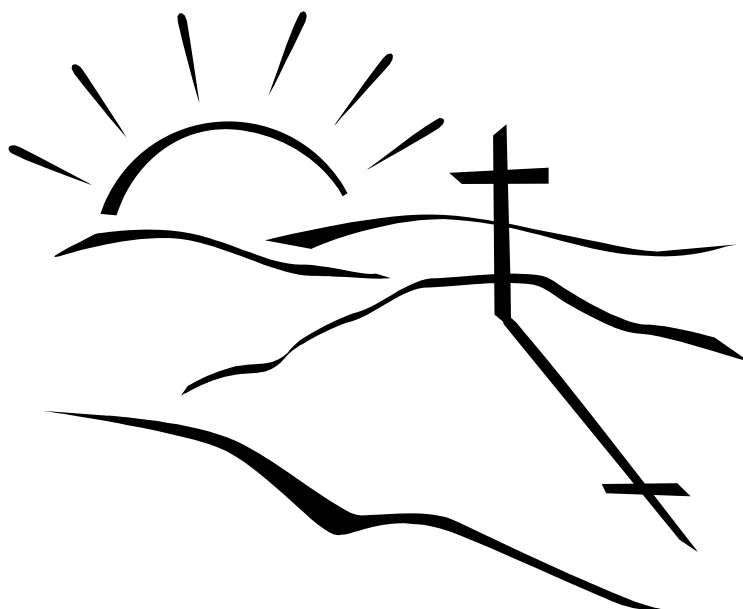


All Saints Lutheran Church • Fitchburg, WI

News From the Journey

April, 2009



Easter Worship Sunday – April 12:

8:00 a.m.	Easter Sunrise Worship
8:30-10:30 a.m.	Light Breakfast
9:30 a.m.	Classic Easter Worship
10:45 a.m.	New Song Easter Worship

Maundy Thursday – April 9:

7:00 p.m. – Worship with Holy Communion

Good Friday – April 10:

7:00 p.m. – Cantata: *“At the Ninth Hour”*

Pastor's Letter . . .

Raising the Roof of Faith



I invite you to join the dedication celebration of our building and expansion. The theme is "Raising the Roof of Faith". There are three things I ask you to do in preparation for May 3, 8:30 and 10:45 a.m. worship. First, remember our Raising the Roof of Faith Prayer. It recalls our purpose. Second, invite someone to the dedication or reception time from 12:00 noon-2:30 p.m. Third, wear your blue t-shirt that has the Raising the Roof of Faith logo on the back!

We, also, look forward to our 4th and 5th graders receiving first communion at 10:45 New Song worship on May 3!

A special offering will be received that day, too. Half of it will go to Lutheran Campus Ministry, Mills and University, Madison, and half to the Building Fund.

*Almighty God, draw our hearts to you,
guide our minds, fill our imaginations,
control our wills so that we may be wholly yours.
Use us as you will, always to your glory and to the
welfare of your people. Amen*
(Raising the Roof of Faith – Forty Days of Prayer
for our building, Advent, 2006)

- Pastor Rick

Welcome, New Mission Partners!

Welcomed recently as new mission partners:

Sherry Jimieson
23 Arboredge Way
Fitchburg, WI 53711

Jason and Carlene Oakley,
Gunnar, Silas, Forrest, and Noelle
5767 Longwood Lane
Fitchburg, WI 53711

Karen Saari
6902 Schroeder Rd., #10
Madison, WI 53711

Dean and Tracie Zoll, Isaac
9121 Waterside St., #314
Middleton, WI 53562

Children's Ministry



Vacation Bible School June 16, 17 & 18 5:30-8:00 p.m.

Rock'n songs, games, crafts, story-telling and much more!

This dock rocks as we learn how God is always with us!

Ages 3 through grade 5. Register now! Invite a friend!

Forms and more information can be found at www.allsaints-madison.org.

First Communion Classes

All third and fourth grade children and their parents are invited to attend the first communion classes on Wednesdays, April 22 and 29, 7:00-8:00 p.m. First communion will be celebrated on Sunday, May 3, at the 10:45 a.m. New Song worship service. There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby or call 276-PRAY.

Words of Thanks . . .

Bruce Cruger, who is at home recovering from recent surgery, expresses the following to mission partners:

"Please accept my deep appreciation for your prayers, cards, and words of encouragement during my recent surgery and recuperation. I was reminded of what kind of family All Saints is – awesome and touching . . . and pretty special!"

Prayer Joys and Concerns . . .

Thanks be to God for the baptismal beginning on March 25 for Noelle Ilene Oakley, infant daughter of Jason and Carlene Oakley and sister of Gunnar, Silas, and Forrest . . .

We rejoice with Suzy and Mike Schleeper at the birth of Lauren Frances Schleeper, March 9. She joins sister and brother, Andrea and Michael . . .

We pray for the wise guiding, cooperation, and patience for our elected and appointed leaders in dealing with severe financial issues for our country . . .

Small Group Ministry

The Small Group Ministry coordinated the Lenten soup suppers. Thanks to all of the small group members who provided and served food for the suppers. Thanks to Roxie Kriesel for organizing this effort.

The Kitchen Angels Small Group wants to thank everyone who contributed to the kitchen shower. We now have a well-stocked kitchen.

The new small group "Traveling Life's Highways Together" is studying Luther's Large Catechism. They are welcoming new people who want to delve deeper into what it means to be Lutheran. For more info and dates of Sunday evening meeting times, contact facilitator Roger Damrow, 288-9245.

The Women's Breakfast Small Group meets the second and fourth Wednesday mornings of the month from 7:15-8:30 a.m. at the Ancora Coffee Shop in Fitchburg. Their current book is "Open the Door" by Joyce Rupp. For more info, contact Becky Baumbach, 239-0221.

The Craft Small Group is taking a break until after Easter. They welcome new members who like to work on crafts or have ideas for a craft service project. For more info, contact Joan Stoikes, 274-6621, or Robin Cherwinka, 832-6388.

Newsletter articles are due the first Monday of the month to Georgia in the church office. Items are subject to editing due to space availability.

Common Spaces Team Seeks Suggestions

Now that construction and renovations are nearly finished, one of the next steps is to keep the building a friendly, welcoming and safe space for all to know, follow and share Jesus. To accomplish this, a team has been formed to take care of the on-going needs for the building's common spaces, with a goal to plan, furnish and decorate these spaces as they evolve to meet the needs of the church. The team wants your suggestions and creative input and is acting as a funnel for ideas so All Saints reflects the beauty of Christ. Team members are Roxie Kriesel (276-8832), Kathryn Olszewski (833-8560), Karen Saunders (663-1005), and Sara Storkson (288-3259). For your input, the team says "Thanks – we are listening."

Financial Stewardship Update . . . Thank you for your prayers and financial giving to All Saints! For more info, contact Congregational Council President, Jason Kundinger, 223-0839.

General Fund

March, 2009	2009 Actual	2009 Budget*
Year to Date	74,061.10	97,047.51
Month	31,434.34	32,349.17
Avg. Wk. YTD	5,697.01	7,465.19

*This includes estimated building payment of \$8,000 per mo.

Building Fund

March, 2009: 9,410.00 • Year to Date: 19,984.00

CHURCH STAFF

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Kids Praise Director.....Janet Johnson
Accompanists.....Ingrid Kundinger, lead pianist;
Erin Egan, Janet Johnson, Nancy Pokorney
.....H.S. Youth Sponsors
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Chris Carollo-Zeuner.....Childcare Staff Person
(Sundays, 8:30-11:45 a.m.)
Dennis Ahnen.....Custodian

Welcome to All Saints . . .



Sunday Morning:

8:30 a.m. Classic Worship
9:40 a.m. Christian Education
10:45 a.m. New Song Worship

Upcoming Worship Themes:

- Apr. 12 "God's Yes and No." Mark 16:1-8.
Apr. 19 "The Life Worth Living . . . with a New Heart."
Philippians 1:1-11.
Apr. 26 "The Life Worth Living . . . with a New Purpose."
Philippians 1:15-30.
May 3 "Raising the Roof of Faith." Philippians 2:1-11.
May 10 "The Life Worth Living . . . with a new Responsibility."
Philippians 2:12-24.

Sunday Morning Alive!

Adult Learning and Discovery
Sundays – 9:40 a.m. – New Fellowship Hall

You are invited for lively discussion and life-long learning about our faith journey in Christ. Currently there is a Bible Study written by Dr. Harry Wendt called "The Divine Drama!" Here's what is up ahead:

- Apr. 12 Easter Sunday – Light Refreshments
Apr. 19 Kingdoms in Conflict. Unit 26.
Apr. 26 The Privilege of Prayer. Unit 27.
May 3 The Lord's Prayer. Unit 28.
May 10 Redeemed to be Responsible. Unit 29.
May 17 Therefore, Beloved Brothers and Sisters.
Unit 30.