



**Bethany Lutheran Outlook**  
**June 2014**

**Serving God, Community, and Individuals**



**...For the world is Mine, and all its fullness.**

Psalm 50:12b



## PASTOR'S REFLECTIONS

Every year at Synod Assembly pastors who have been ordained for 50 or 55 or 60 years are given a few minutes to address the assembly.

Some who have made these addresses have jokingly suggested that for those who have to listen to all the old pastors talk it represents a form of purgatory, but nonetheless it is appropriate that they are given this opportunity because among them there is a wisdom worth listening to. Unless I live to be 93 years old and still have my wits about me, I'll never have such an opportunity but when I listen each year, I can't help but wonder what I'd say. As I think about it, I'm not sure that I could improve on what I've heard from others.

There are two themes that recur in most of the speeches that are made.

The first has to do with what a privilege it is to serve in ministry and to do God's work. I affirm that. It's not to say that other vocations are less important or don't represent God's work. For me it's not to say that the seventeen years I taught school and coached were not valuable, but the work of a pastor is different because the role of a pastor is different. Being a pastor involves you in people's lives in unique ways. Because of that involvement, I think any pastor would tell you that while we are called to serve others, we get back as much or more from those we serve. Through others, our lives are touched by the grace of God in very personal ways. It is a privilege to serve.



The second theme that recurs with these old pastors (all of whom are still men at this point) has to do with thanking their spouse. I affirm that as well. In Kathy I am blessed to have a spouse who supports my ministry, without whom this role would be much more difficult. Besides doing basic things like feeding me, Kathy is active in the life of the church without trying to run things, she takes care of things or calls attention to things that I would otherwise overlook like having little gifts for the kids at Christmas and Easter, sometimes she keeps me honest when everyone else is telling me how wonderful I am, all of which makes me a better pastor. Maybe more than anything, she knows me better than anyone else and still puts up with me and supports what I do. I know I don't tell her as often as I should, but I appreciate what she does.



There was something else that was said this year by Pastor Ingmar Levin who served (and continues to serve) in the Manistique area and has been ordained for 60 years. He was born in Sweden but grew up in Massachusetts not far from where I grew up. His first call was in Connecticut but then he was called to the UP back in the days when you didn't have much say in where you served. He said that coming from New England the UP was something of a shock at first, but what he learned over time was that this was where he belonged.

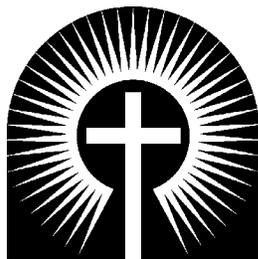


That struck a chord with me because it resonates with my experience. I would never have predicted it but both in L'Anse and in Ishpeming I have learned that this is where I belong and it's an important thing for anyone to learn. Like Pastor Levin, I've learned that you are the kind of people and this is the kind of place best suited to what I have to offer as a pastor. It is indeed a privilege to serve you.

So...if I make it to 93 and if you're still around, those are the kinds of things you might hear me say!

Pastor Geier

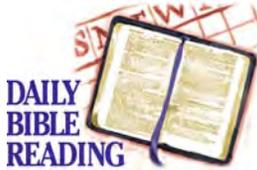
### The Joy of Service



**I slept and dreamt that life was joy.  
I awoke and saw that life was service.  
I acted and behold, service was joy.**

—Rabindranath Tagore (1861-1941)

## DAILY LECTIONARY



*The foundational premise of this set of daily readings is their relationship to the Sunday lectionary. The readings are chosen so that the days leading up to Sunday (Thursday through Saturday) prepare for the Sunday readings. The days flowing out from Sunday (Monday through Wednesday) reflect upon the Sunday readings.*

“The Bible is the cradle wherein Christ is laid.”  
—Martin Luther

### June 2014

#### 1 **Seventh Sunday of Easter**

Acts 1:6-14    Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35    1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11    John 17:1-11

2	Psalm 99	Leviticus 9:1-11, 22-24	1 Peter 4:1-6
3	Psalm 99	Numbers 16:41-50	1 Peter 4:7-11
4.	Psalm 99	1 Kings 8:54-65	John 3:31-36
5	Psalm 33:12-22	Exodus 19:1-9a	Acts 2:1-11
6	Psalm 33:12-22	Exodus 19:16-25	Romans 8:14-17
7	Psalm 33:12-22	Exodus 20:1-21	Matthew 5:1-12



#### 8 **Day of Pentecost**

Acts 2:1-21    Psalm 104:24-34, 35b    1 Cor. 12:3b-13    John 20:19-23

9	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b	Joel 2:18-29	Romans 8:18-24
10	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b	Ezekiel 39:7-8, 21-29	Romans 8:26-27
11	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b	Numbers 11:24-30	John 7:37-39
12	Psalm 8	Job 38:1-11	2 Timothy 1:8-12a
13	Psalm 8	Job 38:12-21	2 Timothy 1:12b-14
14	Psalm 8	Job 38:22-38	John 14:15-17



### 15 Holy Trinity Sunday

Genesis 1:1 -- 2:4a Psalm 8 2 Cor. 13:11-13 Matthew 28:16-20

16 Psalm 29	Job 38:39 -- 39:12	1 Cor. 12:1-3
17 Psalm 29	Job 39:13-25	1 Cor. 12:4-13
18 Psalm 29	Job 39:26 -- 40:5	John 14:25-26
19 Psalm 69:7-18	Jeremiah 18:12-17	Hebrews 2:5-9
20 Psalm 69:7-18	Jeremiah 18:18-23	Acts 5:17-26
21 Psalm 69:7-18	Jeremiah 20:1-6	Luke 11:53 -- 12:3

### 22 Second Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 20:7-13 Psalm 69:7-18 Romans 6:1b-11 Matthew 10:24-39

23 Psalm 6	Micah 7:1-7	Revelation 2:1-7
24 Psalm 6	Jeremiah 26:1-12	Revelation 2:8-11
25 Psalm 6	Jeremiah 38:1-13	Matthew 10:5-23
26 Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18	Jeremiah 25:1-7	Galatians 5:2-6
27 Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18	Jeremiah 25:8-14	Galatians 5:7-12
28 Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18	Jeremiah 28:1-4	Luke 17:1-4

### 29 Third Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 28:5-9 Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18 Romans 6:12-23 Matthew 10:40-42

30 Psalm 119:161-168	1 Kings 21:1-16	1 Thess. 4:9-12
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**“The Holy Scriptures ... are nothing less than the ongoing Pentecost miracle.”**

—Martin Kähler

# Enjoy the Poetry of Hymns

## This Is My Father's World



This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears  
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;  
His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise,  
The morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker's praise.  
This is my Father's world: He shines in all that's fair;  
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass;  
He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world. O let me ne'er forget  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world: the battle is not done:  
Jesus Who died shall be satisfied,  
And earth and Heav'n be one.

This is my Father's world, dreaming, I see His face.  
I ope my eyes, and in glad surprise cry, "The Lord is in this place."  
This is my Father's world, from the shining courts above,  
The Beloved One, His Only Son,  
Came—a pledge of deathless love.

This is my Father's world, should my heart be ever sad?  
The lord is King—let the heavens ring. God reigns—let the earth be glad.  
This is my Father's world. Now closer to Heaven bound,  
For dear to God is the earth Christ trod.  
No place but is holy ground.



This is my Father's world. I walk a desert lone.  
In a bush ablaze to my wondering gaze God makes His glory known.  
This is my Father's world, a wanderer I may roam  
Whate'er my lot, it matters not,  
My heart is still at home

Words by Maltbie D. Babcock  
A version of this poem is found in ELW #824



## Maltbie Babcock: the Man Behind the Hymn

*...For the world is Mine, and all its fullness.* Psalm 50:12b

Maltbie Babcock was arguably the most remarkable student Syracuse University had ever seen. Hailing from an aristocratic family, he was a brilliant scholar with a winning personality. Tall and steel-muscled, he was an outstanding athlete, expert swimmer, and captain of the baseball team. He also directed the university's orchestra, played several instruments, and composed original compositions. A proficient vocalist, he directed the university glee club. He entertained other students by drawing and doing impersonations. On the side, he was an avid fisherman.

He would have been successful in any profession, but God called him to the ministry; and after further training at Auburn Theological Seminary, he became pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Lockport, New York. It was a beautiful area—midway between Lake Erie and Lake Ontario, not far from Niagara Falls—and Maltbie enjoyed hiking and running in the hills outside town. Telling his secretary, “I’m going out to see my Father’s world,” he would run or hike a couple of miles into the countryside where he’d lose himself in nature.



It was during his pastorate at Lockport that he wrote a sixteen-stanza poem, each verse beginning with the word, “This is My Father’s World.”

In 1886, Maltbie was called to the Brown Memorial Church in Baltimore. While there, he traveled widely and was in great demand on college campuses. He was a fresh, engaging speaker who never failed to stimulate students. In 1899, he moved to the Brick Presbyterian Church in New York City. Here he found it more difficult to take off on his hikes. The work load was enormous, but Maltbie faced it stoically, writing:

**Be strong! We are not here to play, to dream, to drift,  
We have hard work to do and loads to lift;  
Shun not the struggle. Face it. ‘Tis God’s gift. Be strong!**

When he was 42, his church presented him with a special gift—a pilgrimage to the “Holy Land.” With great excitement, Maltbie departed by ship. While enroute at Naples, Italy, he was seized with a deadly bacterial fever and died at the International Hospital on May 18, 1901.

After his death, his wife compiled his writings into a book entitled **Thoughts for Everyday Living**, published in 1901. Included was Maltbie’s “This Is My Father’s World.”

From Then Sings My Soul by Robert J. Morgan



## Northern Great Lakes Synod Assembly 2014

“Welcome, Worship, Witness” was the theme of this year’s Northern Great Lakes Synod Assembly, held on May 17 and 18 at Northern Michigan University and Messiah Lutheran Church in Marquette. The theme, reflected on a banner given to each congregation for display, will be an emphasis in the Synod for the next three years. The banner, a cross with a pattern of the words “Welcome, Worship Witness” and the Synod symbol, was designed by Pastor Katherine Finegan with a background of UP land- and skyscape painted by Mike Lampinen

One election, for Synod Treasurer, was scheduled for this year’s assembly. Dr. Larry Pagel, Professor of Business at Northern has served four years in this capacity and was re-elected unanimously for a 4 year term.

Other assembly business included passing a budget for 2014-2015 and receiving an offering of \$18,467. for the ELCA’s Quarters for World Hunger project. Additional offerings of \$3525. taken during the assembly will be divided between the Mkuza Girls’ Secondary School in Tanzania and support for the Youth Gathering in Detroit in 2015.

Nearly 300 delegates attended the Assembly, which included a festive Eucharist on Monday morning and workshops on several topics. One of the workshops was led by Linda Dahl, who gave a well-received presentation (twice!) on “Improving Your Newsletter”.



Thirteen Lay School graduates were honored, and pastors celebrating ordination anniversaries were recognized, including Pastor Bob Sutherland for 55 years, and Pastor Steve Solberg for 25 years.

The keynote speaker, Pastor Michael Stadie, Program Director for Lutheran Disaster Response, brought greetings from ELCA Bishop Elizabeth Eaton and highlighted some of the ways Bethany shares in the ministries of the national and global church. One rural congregation partners with an urban church and some of the misconceptions people may have about different lifestyles are removed; a mission to seafarers brings the Gospel and meets the needs of people who are at sea for extended periods of time; an international Lutheran church in Kenya sponsors a knitting school; an ELCA Young Adult in Global Mission volunteer teaches ballet and English in one of four Lutheran schools in the Holy Land. [Stories of Faith in Action](#), a booklet published by the ELCA, tells more about these and the ongoing work of the ELCA as Christ’s church in the nation and the world.

Bishop Skrenes and others spoke about the work of the Northern Great Lakes Synod in partnership with Finlandia University, Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp, Lutheran Campus Ministry,

Earthkeepers, and other organizations. Those who have been on a mission trip to Tanzania, gone camping at Fortune Lake, taken a Lay School class or gone to Synod-sponsored workshops or retreats are part of our life together. So are the 23 young adults who went on an “Urban Plunge” in Chicago, the 15 seminarians who receive Synod support for their theological education, and the people who gather every week for welcome, worship and witness.

We are church.

We are Lutheran.

We are church together.

We are church together for the sake of the world.



Upcoming Events:

Guys, Guts and God's Glory: Lutheran Men's Gathering in Nashville, July 18-20;

Lord Teach Us to Pray: Evangelism Retreat sponsored by the Synod at Bethel Lutheran Church in Cedarville, MI, Friday, August 22 - Saturday, August 23;

Mission Interpreters: volunteers wanted to visit churches (not their own) and tell the story of the work of the ELCA and Northern Great Lakes Synod; a short training is provided;

God's Work Our Hands Sunday: A day of community service for ELCA congregations nationwide, September 7;

Generous Giving: Developing and Managing Congregational Endowment and Memorial Funds, September 17 at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Eagle River, WI, or September 18 at Zion Lutheran Church in Marinette, WI;

The Lord is Our Shepherd: WELCA retreat at Fortune Lake Lutheran Church, September 19-21;

Fortune Lake Fall Fest, including Quilt and Fine Arts Auction, Brunch, “Country Market”, “Country Store” and Kids Activities, October 4;

Retreats for all ages at Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp, September 2014 through May 2015;

Festival of Congregational Renewal, a variety of workshops including “Welcoming Worship”, “Banner Making”, “Mercy Ministries”, “Afterschool Programs” and more, Friday October 10 and Saturday, October 11 at Messiah Lutheran Church in Marquette;

Ongoing collection of Baby Health Kits for Lutheran World Relief and items for community baby needs for confirmation students to take to 2015 Marked! events;

Rise Up Together, ELCA Youth Gathering for those who have completed 8th grade by June 2015, to be held in Detroit from July 12-15, 2015.

Flyers with more information on these programs will be posted in church. Details are also available through Pastor Geier, on the Synod website, [nglsynod.org](http://nglsynod.org), or through the Synod Office.

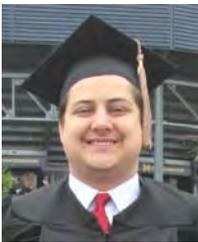


**Ali Kitchen** graduated from Michigan Tech on May 3 with a degree in Marketing. She is presently working at MTU in data analysis.



**Ali, her mom, grandma, and aunts**

**Katie Kitchen** graduated in December from Michigan State. Her degree reflects a dual major in Human Biology and Kinesiology. She plans to further her studies in the medical field. Presently Katie works for Superior Ambulance in Detroit.



**Matt Levertton** graduated on May 2 from the University of Michigan's Ross School of Business. He earned a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in finance and accounting. In August Matt will continue his studies at San Diego State University where he will pursue a Master's Degree in Accounting with a concentration in auditing. Matt has also received a graduate assistantship at San Diego State.



**Matt with his proud parents**



**Matt Waters** graduated on May 3 from Michigan Tech with a degree in Forestry. He is already on the job at Besse Forest Products in Goodman, Wisconsin.



**Noah Finegan** graduated on Saturday May 17 from Valparaiso University in Indiana with a German major and a Business and English double minor. For the summer, he is teaching at the Concordia Language Villages in Bemidji, MN as a German Language counselor until mid July when he leaves to teach English at a Swiss Language Camp in Switzerland. Beginning in October, he will be teaching English in Austria until the following June on a Fulbright Scholarship. His future goals include learning Spanish, and possibly pursuing certification to teach English as a Second Language.



**Casey Hares** earned a Master's Degree in Biology from NMU this May. Casey is now working as a Fisheries Biologist in College Station, Texas.

### A Hidden Graduation Message

A college class was graduating on a hot and humid day. As the graduates walked across the platform and received their diplomas from the president, he smiled, shook their hands and said loudly, "Congratulations!" Then, in a much lower voice, one that was firm and could be heard only by the graduates, he would say, "Keep moving."

He was only trying to keep the line moving across the stage, but his words were good advice for a lifetime: "Keep moving." After every achievement — growing up, graduation, marriage, job promotion, even retirement — the best advice is, "Keep moving." Don't stop. Don't stagnate. There is more to life than you have found thus far. This is not the end; it is only the beginning. Keep moving.

—SourceBook of Wit & Wisdom



## Pentecost Power



Ten days after Jesus ascended into heaven, the Holy Spirit descended onto Jesus' disciples. While they were gathered in Jerusalem to celebrate the Jewish festival of Pentecost, the disciples saw flames among and on them, heard a rushing wind and began talking in many languages. As a result, the disciples were able to share the good news of Jesus in the native tongues of all the pilgrims assembled in the city.

Even today, the power of the Holy Spirit fuels the "flame" that ignites Christians' outreach efforts. Only by the Spirit's power can we know Christ and make him known throughout the world.

Poet William Blake (1757-1827), who's been described as a passionate, Pentecost kind of person, wrote this poem about the Spirit's power:

Unless the eye catch fire,  
The God will not be seen.  
Unless the ear catch fire,  
The God will not be heard.  
Unless the tongue catch fire,  
The God will not be named.  
Unless the heart catch fire,  
The God will not be loved.  
Unless the mind catch fire,  
The God will not be known



**Our help "comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth."**

(Psalm 121:2, NRSV)

**Come, dear Lord;  
Touch us with your Holy Spirit**

## The Holy Spirit

When we reach the third part of the creed  
it is as though we reach  
the “therefore”.

Because God lovingly  
creates and keeps us,  
Because Christ lovingly  
enters humanity, even to death,  
Because the Spirit lovingly sanctifies us,  
Therefore...  
Therefore...

The Jewish statement of faith  
the Sh'ma  
is intriguingly different  
from a creed,  
because the Sh'ma  
is a command:

“Hear, O Israel, the LORD our God is one LORD.”

“Hear, O Israel”

a command.

And it requires a response,  
a doing,  
a living out.

And when we step into the third part of the creed  
we cannot escape the implied

“Therefore.”

God creates and protects us, therefore...

Christ has died. Christ is risen; therefore...

The Holy Spirit calls, gathers, enlightens, sanctifies;  
therefore...

Up for air, gasping.

One last question:

“Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?”

I believe.

(Therefore...)



From Crossings: Meditations for Worship by Susan Palo Cherwien



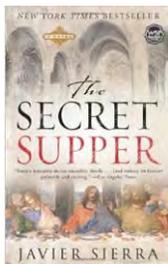
## .Books for June 2014

By Keenan Tunnell

Well, here I am writing about books for June and May has hardly begun; I'm off for a few weeks with my sister in California and thought I'd better get this Book List ready before I take off!! The titles this month are mostly fiction, with varying degrees of lightness. Two works of historical fiction are good, solid reading. *Aloha Rose* is a Christian Romance/Mystery, some lighter entertainment. C.S. Lewis's *Screwtape Letters* is a quick read, but also a profound work of faith. I think there's sufficient variety to tempt you to curl up with a cup of coffee (or maybe iced tea??) and have a relaxing read.



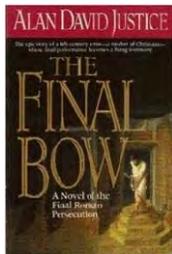
See you soon! Keenan



### **The Secret Supper**

**FIC SIE**

Sent to oversee the completion of Da Vinci's "The Last Supper," Dominican inquisitor Fray Agustin Leyre investigates the artist's omission of key elements and use of symbolic imagery, which suggests that there is a coded message in the painting, a message which Pope Alexander VI is convinced is heretical and blasphemous. Leonardo loved riddles and the riddles and clues to their solution are right before the eyes of everyone at the monastery of Santa Maria delle Grazie.



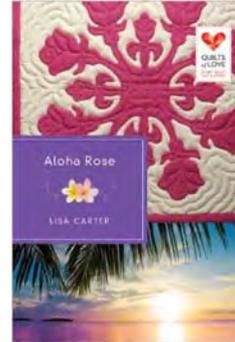
### Justice, Alan David. **The Final Bow; a novel of the final Roman persecution.** **FIC JUS**

This is the riveting story of Genesisius, the fourth century actor whose stunning conversion transformed him from an on-stage mocker of the Christians to one of the early church's great saints. Set in the time of the Emperor Diocletian and the last great wave of persecution, with the young Constantine waiting in the wings. An exciting epic that will appeal to lovers of such fictional masterworks as *Ben Hur* and *The Robe*.

Carter, Lisa. **Aloha Rose (Quilts of Love Series).**

**FIC CAR**

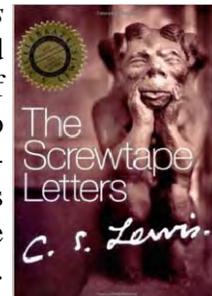
When Laney Carrigan sets out to find her birth family, her only clue is the Hawaiian quilt—a red rose snowflake appliquéd on a white background—in which she was found wrapped as an infant. Centering her search on the Big Island and battling fears of rejection, Laney begins a painstaking journey toward her true heritage. Kai Barnes, however, is determined to protect the people he's come to regard as family. He thinks Laney is nothing more than a gold digger and blocks every move she makes toward her Hawaiian family. As their conflict escalates, it puts at risk the one thing that Kai and Laney both want most—a family.



Lewis, C.S. **The Screwtape Letters (includes Screwtape proposes a toast)**

**248.4 LEW**

A milestone in the history of popular theology, *The Screwtape Letters* is a classic on spiritual warfare and the dynamics of temptation, and also a masterpiece of satire. The narrative takes the form of a series of letters from Screwtape, a devil high in the Infernal Civil Service, to his nephew Wormwood, a junior colleague engaged in his first mission on earth, trying to secure the damnation of a young man who has just become a Christian. Although the young man initially looks to be a willing victim, he changes his ways and is "lost" to the young devil. At once wildly comic, deadly serious, and strikingly original, Lewis provides an engaging account of temptation and the triumph of the human soul.





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by Peter W. Marty



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by Elizabeth A. Eaton



## Social Ministry June 2014

We continue our ministry to serve and help others both locally and globally. Our noisy offering for May 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> is going to the ELCA Quarters for Hunger Drive. ELCA World Hunger not only provides food to those who are hungry, but it gives many people the means to grow their own food. According to a recent article in ELCA LIFELINES:



“Thanks to your generosity, ELCA World Hunger supports hundreds of community gardening and agriculture programs around the world, helping people improve their diets and incomes with earth-friendly techniques that bring forth bountiful harvests.” People are able to grow food for eating as well as for profit. This profit then helps them provide for daily needs other than just their food. As an old proverb says, “Give me a fish and I eat for a day. Teach me to fish and I eat for a lifetime.” Thanks for your generous support of ELCA World Hunger.



The remaining noisy offerings in May as well as in all of June will help Room at the Inn establish a Warming Shelter for the homeless for daytime use during the cold winter months. The Warming Shelter will warm many hearts, as well as your own. Keep up the good work!

And, again, thanks to all for being so generous with their noisy offering each Sunday. That handful of change you throw in each Sunday may seem like very little to you, but when it is joined together with all of the ‘handfuls’, it makes a big difference to many people.

**“And let us not grow weary of doing good,  
for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.  
So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone....”**  
from Galatians



**The June Noisy Offering will be given to Room at the Inn/  
Warming Shelter.**

**Thanks to everyone for your generosity!**

## What time is it? God's Time!



Fun awaits you this summer at Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp amidst the scenic Great Lakes and Northwoods of Michigan's Upper Peninsula!

## What time is it? Time to register!

At camp, time is holy - time set apart to live in an intentional Christian community. Each day there is time to worship, study, pray, sing, play, and share meals. This structure is in contrast to our everyday life and gives campers the opportunity to refocus and participate in this expression of God's kingdom. Just as time at camp may be marked, time is marked differently for Christians. In Jesus, we see God living among us and we learn of a different way of marking time as we learn about the story of Jesus through the church year. Living in God's Time is not a way to escape time, but it is a way to live more fully and enter into life with the love of Christ. Each day at camp, we will focus on a different season of the church year, and explore that holy time, even in the midst of today's culture.

## New for 2014

**Art Camp** - This week you will have opportunities and time to explore your inner artist in addition to regular camp activities. When not immersed in art, there will be time for worshipping, swimming, and making new friends. Offered July 27-August 1, it is open to campers who have completed grades 3-8 at the cost of \$390.

**Onsite Day Camp** - Come and get a taste of camp life with our NEW onsite day camp program. Arrive in the morning in time to experience the fun of chapel and Bible study! Eat lunch at camp and spend the afternoon at the beach, going to the canteen or exploring arts & crafts. This new program is offered August 3-8 and is open to campers who have completed Kindergarten through 5th grade. Programs run Monday-Thursday 9-4 and Friday from 9-noon. The cost is \$85 for the week.

**"For everything there is a season,  
and a time for every matter under heaven."**

*Ecclesiastes 3:1*

## Fortune Lake Summer 2014 Schedule

- June 9-13**      **Victory Camp (adults)**
- June 15-20**    **Women and Kids Week (all ages)**  
**mini-camp (gr. 2&3) ends June 18**
- June 22- 27**    **High School Week (gr 9-12)**
- June 29-July 3** **Victory Camp (adults)**
- July 6-11**      **Music Focus**  
**Villager (gr 3&4)**  
**Vagabond (gr 5&6)**  
**Venturer (gr 7&8)**
- July 13- 18**    **Nature Focus**  
**Villager (gr 3&4)**  
**Vagabond (gr 5&6)**  
**Venturer (gr 7&8)**
- July 20-25**    **Nature Focus**  
**Mini (gr 2 & 3) ends July 23**  
**Villager (gr 3&4)**  
**Vagabond (gr 5&6)**  
**Venturer (gr 7&8)**
- July 27-August 1** **Confirmation Camp**  
**Rocket Camp (gr 3-8 )**  
**Art Camp (gr 3-8),**  
**Night Owl Camp (gr 9-12)**
- August 3-8**     **Family Camp (all ages)**  
**Night Owl Camp (Gr 5-8)**  
**Onsite Day Camp (gr K- 5)**



# Kids!

## Mother's Day



**Kids sang and played their kazoos for the Mother's Day program.**



## Homework Club



The Homework Club had its final meeting of the year. We had a party with games and goodies. Fun was had by all. This program has continued to be successful and appreciated by the parents. Thanks to Bethany for supporting us and hopefully we will see some more volunteers for next year.

**Thank you Tonya Perry for your work with the Sunday School music program and with the Homework Club.**



# A FATHER'S LOVE

Psalm 103:13 (NIV) describes what God the Father feels toward us:

“As a father has \_\_\_\_\_ on his children, so the  
LORD has \_\_\_\_\_ on those who fear him.”

**Directions:** Match the biblical children to their father, using the clues by the father's name. Then write the corresponding letter on the line to complete the Bible verse above.

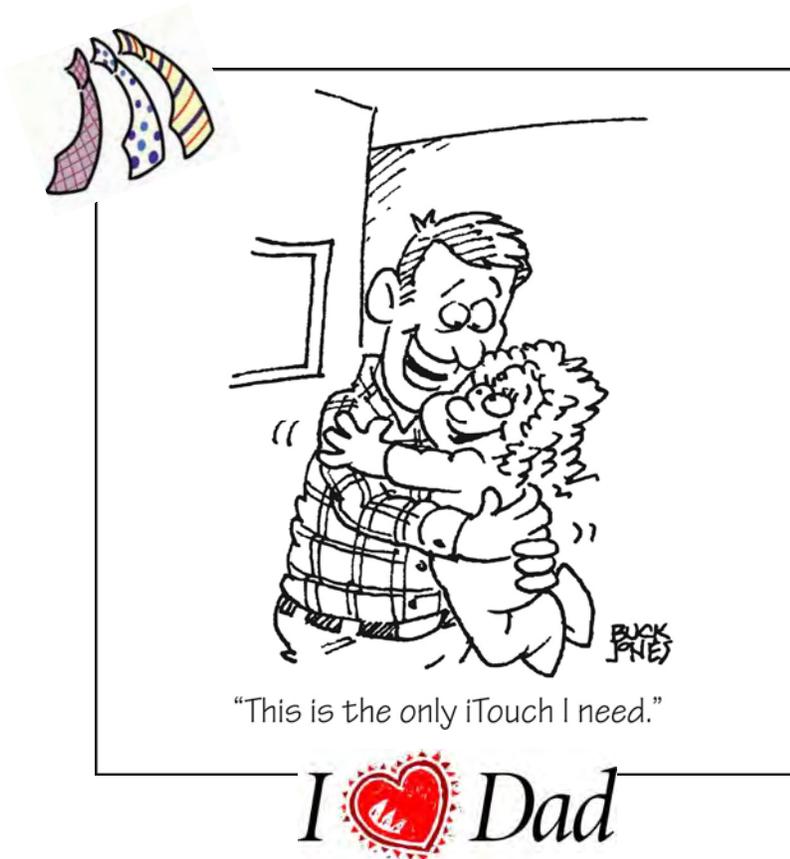
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|-----------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| • Shem, Ham and Japheth = M | • Rachel and Leah = S   | • Cain, Abel and Seth = O   |
| • Solomon = O               | • Isaac and Ishmael = P | • Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar,<br>Zebulun, Joseph, Benjamin, Dan, Gad,<br>Naphtali, Asher and Dinah = S |
| • Jonathan = I              | • John the Baptist = N  |   |
| • Jesus = C                 | • Jacob and Esau = A    |   |
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- God:** “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.”   C
- Adam:** God gave him another son because his older killed the younger. \_\_\_\_\_
- Noah:** His sons were blessed and told to multiply and replenish the earth. \_\_\_\_\_
- Abraham:** God promised he would be a father of many nations. The Jews and Arabs descended from these two sons. \_\_\_\_\_
- Isaac:** His older son sold his birthright, and his younger son tricked Isaac and received the blessings for the firstborn. \_\_\_\_\_
- Laban:** He had two daughters; the older was tender-eyed and the younger very beautiful. Both married Jacob. \_\_\_\_\_
- Jacob:** Two wives and two handmaids gave him 12 sons and a daughter. \_\_\_\_\_
- Saul:** His son was David's best friend. \_\_\_\_\_
- David:** He had many children, but one was known for his wisdom, for having many wives and for building God's temple. \_\_\_\_\_
- Zechariah:** His son, a cousin to Jesus, was born to be a messenger of repentance. \_\_\_\_\_

## Fatherly reflection

Renowned actor Sidney Poitier once said, “I decided in my life that I would do nothing that did not reflect positively on my father’s life.” If you’re blessed with a dad you admire and respect, how would it affect your life to make such a decision? Would you be inspired to set sound priorities, live with integrity, be a positive role model to the young people you influence? For all of us — children of the only perfect Father — may our prayer and intent be:

God, while earthly fathers are a mix of strengths and flaws, you give yourself to us as our heavenly Father, wholly loving, kind and passionate about our best interests. May we, in turn, seek to reflect positively on you. May my life spread far and wide your love, kindness and passion for the best interests of all, and may others see you in me. Amen



## Memorial Day 2014



The 2014 Memorial Day service was held at the Ishpeming Cemetery. Carl Pellonpaa was the Master of Ceremonies for this meaningful and heartfelt service. After the colors were presented, Mayor Mark Slown, a retired Air Force colonel, gave some opening remarks. Larry Collister, the main speaker, spoke about remembering our heroes. Lois Carlson sang *The Star Spangled Banner*, *God Bless America*, and *America the Beautiful*. The folding of the flag was watched over by a local Boy Scout troop. When the American flag is folded, there are thirteen folds. Did you know that the twelfth fold, in the eyes of a Christian citizen, represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies, in their eyes, God the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit. The program ended with the playing of *Taps*.



Memorial  
DAY





## Council Highlights - May 2014

1. An Ad hoc committee made up of members from the Boards of Property and Personnel will review and update the “Building Rental Fee Policy” and bring it back to council for review/approval.
2. Pastor and Bob Nadeau provided feedback on the synod assembly.
3. Jim C. Sodergren and Doug Carter have volunteered to provide photography services for a new congregational directory.
4. VBS is Monday, July 28 thru Thursday, July 31 2014, at Bethany. Volunteers needed.



Gary Sundblad has been working with Coral Howe to fine tune Bethany’s sound system. During the visit, Coral isolated the problem of the faint radio station audio heard in the background.



**YTD Income: \$67,766.55**

**YTD Expenses: \$71,616.95**

**(January - April)**

Pencil this date



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### Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will take place at Bethany this year and will begin on **Monday**, July 28 and end on Thursday, July 31. Further details about this year's VBS will be in the July/August Outlook.



Thanks  
Ray Leverton

Young people are taking part in a writing workshop at the Ray Leverton Community room in Ishpeming's Carnegie Public Library. The Community Room exists in large part to the fundraising efforts of Ray Leverton. Thank you, Ray, for your service to our community.

### Blessings to the New Couple



Kaitlin Jo Hares and Joshua Michael Rich were united in Holy Matrimony at Bethany on Saturday, May 24. Parents of the couple include Linda Hares, Timothy Hares, Pamela Solka and Michael Rich.

Kaitlin and Josh will make their home in Negaunee. Kaitlin is a teacher at Ishpeming Middle School and Josh works for American Eagle.

Bethany sends the couple their best wishes and many blessings on the marriage.

"Love one another as  
I have loved you."  
John 13:12





The Memorial Committee would like to thank all those who gave memorials in the name of....

Ray Sundblad



“LORD , TEACH US TO PRAY...”

Evangelism Retreat, Prayer Workshop  
Friday August 22 – Saturday August 23, 2014  
Bethel Lutheran Church  
Cedarville, Michigan



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Milk Chocolate Bar  
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## Keep In Your Prayers

- Remember our home-bound and nursing home residents: Teckla Holmgren (home), Doreen Brown (Valente), Joyce Lehto (Mill Creek), Marjorie Rosten (home), Shirley Sundblad (Valente), Anna Mae Collins (Mather), Jean Anderson (Valente), Allen Maki (Jacobetti). Geri Maki (Jacobetti)
- The family and friends of Ray Sundblad, who mourn his loss
- Ruth Solberg
- Robert Maki
- Robert Nadeau
- Betty Geier
- Zander Atkins
- Larry Alexander
- Don Doney
- Nancy Lemire
- Steven Chartre
- Jim Sodergren, Sr.
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- Pastor Marcia Solberg
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- Kathy Routhier
- Jim Bjorne
- Nancy Swanson
- Angie Kempainen
- Mary Bertucci
- Melissa Chartre
- June Forsberg
- Allen Beauchamp
- Steven Leverton
- Carol and Juan Papaleo and family
- Pam Waters
- Those in the military that they may remain safe



**Answer to puzzle  
“A Father’s Love”**

**Compassion**

Contributions to and ideas for the newsletter can be made by contacting **Linda Dahl** by phone, e-mail, or by dropping a note in the newsletter mailbox at church.

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## June Worship Assistants

### June 1

Assisting Minister - Kay Ryan  
Altar - Clara Carlson  
Acolyte - Ben Bruhnke  
Coffee Hosts - Christian Ed. - Graduation  
Recognition Sunday  
Flowers -  
Bread - Marian Medlyn

### June 8

Assisting Minister - Meredith Seppanen  
Altar - Marilyn Pontti  
Acolyte - Liam Seppanen  
Coffee Hosts - Social Ministry  
Flowers -  
Bread - Terra Frustaglio

### June 15

Assisting Minister - Tom Perry  
Altar - Marian Medlyn  
Acolyte - Gavin Argall  
Coffee Hosts - Barb Lucas, Paul Kniivila, & friends  
Flowers - In memory of Olga Norell  
Bread - Tonya Perry

### June 22

Assisting Minister - Keenan Tunnell  
Altar - LaVerne Koski  
Acolyte - Mackenzie Ryan  
Coffee Hosts - Personnel  
Flowers - presented by Kathi Chapman  
Bread - Dan & Sharon Argall

### June 29

Assisting Minister - Linda Dahl  
Altar - Sue Ryan  
Acolyte - Hope Kaukola  
Coffee Hosts - Tim & Sally Grant &  
friends  
Flowers - In memory of Roger  
Pohlman by his family  
Bread - Kathy Geier

*Thank You!*

### June Ushers:

Robert Nadeau  
James Anderson  
John Carlson  
Tom Brown  
Maurice Hansen  
Tom Sodergren  
Greg Stahlmann  
Roger Solberg



### July Ushers:

Jaak Liivoja  
Mike Richards  
Tom Ryan  
Ted Swanson  
John Waters  
Tim Grant  
John Hansen

## *Happy Birthday!*

- 1 Edmund Holmgren
- 1 Thomas Holmgren
- 1 Hannah Skewis
- 2 June Forsberg
- 2 Eric Nault
- 3 Peter Lemire
- 5 Curtis Hosking
- 7 Josie Connors
- 8 Jacob Christopherson
- 8 Katie Johns
- 9 Jean Johns
- 10 Peter Cain
- 10 Kara Harrington
- 10 Karen Johnson
- 13 Clara Carlson
- 14 Jean Anderson
- 16 Faith Cain
- 16 James Penhale
- 17 Denise Clark
- 21 Donna Day
- 21 Ashley Chartre
- 21 Lois Palkki
- 23 Andrew Goldsworthy
- 24 Mary Bertucci
- 24 Michael DuBord
- 25 Barbara Kinnunen
- 26 Susan Dobson
- 26 Katelyn Hough
- 26 Ryan Jarvi
- 27 Sarah Waters
- 27 Dale Toivonen
- 28 Donna DuBord



## *Happy Anniversary!*

**William and Anne Carne**  
6/9/63 51 years

**Paul and Diana Sandstrom**  
6/15/68 46 years

**Daniel and Sharon Argall**  
6/19/71 43 years

**Tim and Patricia Nault**  
6/21/86 28 years

