

RESURRECTION NEWS



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Pastor's Letter

September, 2014

Report on Higher Things Youth Conference

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This is the first chance that we have had to report on the summer trip to the Higher Things Youth Conference held at Concordia University, Mequon, Wisconsin in July. Four youth and four adults from our congregation attended: Emily Larsen, Sarah Kohl, Nathanael Batson, Dan Morren, Jon Morren, Julie Kohl, Lee Anne Larsen and myself.

There were between 1,200 and 1,300 youth and chaperones in attendance from all over the country. Our youth gained a new appreciation for the size and scope of our church.

The presenters for the 'plenary' sessions in which everyone was present were done by our synod president, Rev. Matthew Harrison and Rev. Jonathan Fisk. Their presentations were clear and powerful teaching on the doctrine of justification by faith alone for Christ's sake alone. I think that our youth may feel a closer identity to the leadership of our church than many may have.



There were six "Breakaway" sessions scheduled in which the youth could choose from a long list of seminars presented by pastors from all over the country. We let our group break up to choose the 'breakaway' that each wanted to attend. I'm sure that I've missed some, but these are some of the sessions that they attended: "Wisdom From Ecclesiastes," "Baptized, Not Gay," "Repentance: I Don't Think It Means What You Think It Means," "The Works Of God Appear Evil: The Heidelberg Disputation for Dummies," "The Quest for Cool: Consumerism, the Church, and Hoping to be Hip," "Dating, Loneliness, Marriage, and That Other Thing," "Islam As A Christian Heresy," "Help! All My Friends Are Baptists," "The Fault in Our Stars or the Fault in Our God? Wrestling with the Will of the Almighty." Every 'breakaway' that I attended with them was very well done and quality catechesis.

As with any conference, a significant part of the experience is the traveling, eating and playing together that works a close bond with one another. It was a wonderful opportunity for me that I thoroughly enjoyed. The youth were already talking about 'next year' before we left Wisconsin. It was a great investment in the future of our congregation and church.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Nielsen

Thank you so much for sponsoring our trip to the Higher Things Conference in July. The entire experience as rewarding. I was amazed by the number of people attending the conference. There were about 1,300 people with us in worship. Also, I found that the break-away sessions were very educational and enjoyable. It was a great experience and was fun to meet new people. So, thank you again for being supportive of our trip to Wisconsin this year. *Sarah Kohl*

On April 27th, 2014 you watched me get confirmed. With four great friends supporting me, I walked up to the altar in a white robe, recited the third article of the Apostles' Creed and read an essay that I had written. Then, with my fellow confirmands, I received my first communion. This gave me a ticket to the Higher Things conference in Mequon, Wisconsin. If it was not for the wonderful congregation's support, this trip would have never happened. Thank you for

supporting our trip to Higher Things! We got to participate in many different worship services and the sound of 1200 people singing was absolutely incredible! There were many sectionals given by pastors that were very informational and geared toward teenagers. We got to go to a minor league baseball game and had an evening pray service on the baseball field! I got to participate in the choir, with some of the best Lutheran singers my age! But the best part was spending time with friends and family! All these memories will live in my heart forever! Thank you for giving me this chance for so many good memories. *Emily Larsen*

Higher Things 2014 was awesome. What makes Higher Things so cool is that you get to experience all of these different church services that you wouldn't normally participate in. You also get a break from the everyday routine while you get a chance to learn more about being Lutheran. The days are long. The day started at 7:00am with breakfast and we were busy until the last service of the day around midnight. I'm so glad we got to go this year as a church group and I would love to do it again next year. I want to thank the congregation for supporting us to attend. *Dan Morren*

I would like to thank you for your donations and support of our trip to Wisconsin to attend the Higher Things youth Conference. I enjoyed this trip and the sermons and the break-out sessions it offered. I was able to play my trumpet in the orchestra during worship, which was my favorite part of this trip. Luckily, there was first aid handy when Sarah and Emily 'accidentally' ran me into a metal pole, then tried to blame pastor. I would definitely attend this conference again. I really enjoyed interacting with others in the Lutheran faith. Thank you for supporting this great trip!
Nathanael Batson

Regular Worship Schedule Begins: Sunday, September 7th

- 8:45am. Sunday School / Adult Bible Study
- 10:00am. Worship (*Divine Service II for the 2nd half of the Pentecost season*)

Sunday School Begins September 7th - 8:45am. SHARP!

An exciting new season of Sunday School is about to begin on Sunday, September 7th beginning at 8:45am. A new program called "CROSS EXPLORATIONS" has three parts to each class: Opening (Engage), Lesson (Explore), Activity (Express). The staff is all lined up for the Opening and Lesson. But we need YOUR HELP for the Activity. 'Activities' include drama skits, snacks, science activities, crafts and games that all relate to the weekly lesson. Each activity is mapped out in detail. We need you to volunteer to take on an 'activity' as you are willing and able to do so. When you volunteer, you will receive all the information that you will need to do a great job. Each 'activity' lasts only 25 minutes. Please see Sasha Fitzpatrick or pastor Nielsen to sign up now.

Thrivent Financial - 'Retire Wisely' Seminar: Sunday, September 14 - Noon.

Offered by Thrivent Financial representative, Sarah Groleau, FIC, Financial Consultant. To reserve your place, sign up on the registration form on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

Mid-Week Bible Study - Thursdays, beginning September 25th - 10:30am.

Join us for a lively study of the gospel of St. Luke.

Your Traveling Gift

Deb and I will be traveling to San Diego from September 16 to 23 to visit our son, Eric. We're doing so with the generous gift from the congregation which you gave us on my 20th ordination anniversary last summer. Thank you!

Adult Bible Study Schedule

2014 / 2015

“Family Vocation”

“What Is Islam?”

“Colossians”

“Easter”

“The Lord’s Supper”

September - Family Vocation

7 Marriage
14 Husband
21 Sunday Readings
28 Wife

October - Family Vocation

5 Crosses of Marriage
12 *Guest Speaker – Me. Child. Home*
19 Parenthood
26 Father

November - Family Vocation

2 Mother
9 Raising Children
16 Crosses of Parenthood
23 Childhood
30 Growing

December - Family Vocation

7 Crosses of Childhood
14 The Rest of the Family
21 Christmas Readings
28 Christmas Readings

January – What is Islam?

4 Foundations of Islam
11 Angles, Jin, Qu’ran
18 Islam and Jesus
25 Islam and Mohammed

February - What is Islam?

1 70 virgins, Paradise, Predestination
8 Your Bible Is Corrupt
15 The Trinity and Islam
22 Colossians

March - Colossians

1 Colossians
8 Colossians
15 *Guest Speaker – MMHS*
22 Colossians
29 Colossians

April - Easter

5 *Easter*
12 Easter Readings
19 *Mission Sunday – Guest Speaker*
26 Easter Readings

May - Lord’s Supper

3 Large Catechism – Lord’s Supper
19 Large Catechism – Lord’s Supper
17 Large Catechism – Lord’s Supper

“Lutherans Engage The World”

“Engage” is a fairly new publication of the Synod that wants to open our eyes to the mission work that our church body is doing throughout the world. I have been reading this magazine for awhile now and have been very impressed with it. I’ve learned a lot about what our church is doing that I wasn’t aware of, and that I’m pleased to see.

Everyone has received the Summer 2014 issue in your mailbox at church. I would encourage you to read through the articles. I think that you will be as pleased as I am, and maybe even led to some form of service and mission in your life.

If you like a ‘challenge,’ read the articles and answer these questions by September 21st. Everyone who turns in a perfect paper (*either mail or e-mail or hand delivered*) will have their name listed in the October Newsletter. The first person to turn in a perfect paper will have their name listed in CAPITAL LETTERS.

This sheet can also be downloaded from our web-site at www.lcrwtvl.org under the “Our Newsletter” tab.

Lutherans Engage The World July-August 2014. Vol. 2, Issue 6

1. The Lutheran Youth Corp., is set to begin in the Fall of 2015. What organization is it compared to? _____.
2. What does DCE stand for? _____.
3. Where was pastor Surburg directed by the Synod office to meet with Timothy?
_____.
4. How many schools in the U.S. are supported by the LCMS School Ministry? _____.
How many students does that include? _____.
5. What is the name of the doctor from Our Savior Lutheran Church, Topsfield, Mass., who worked on the Medical Mercy Team to East Africa? _____.
6. What does ‘Que creen lost Lutheranos’ mean in English? _____.

Your name: _____.

The Lutheran Church of the Resurrection

Calendar of Events

September, 2014

Week of September 7

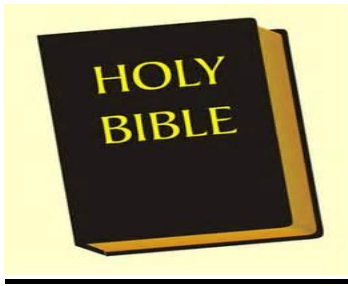
- Sunday - 7th 8:45am. - Sunday School / Adult Bible Study
 10:00am. - Worship
 11:30am. - Sunday School Kick Off Celebration – Pot-luck picnic
- Monday - 8th 6:00pm. - Elders Meeting
- Wednesday - 10th 6:30pm. - Board for Missions
- Thursday - 11th 9:00am. - LWML Meeting
- Saturday - 13th 8:00am. - Men's Breakfast Meeting

Week of September 14

- Sunday - 14th 8:45am. - Sunday School / Adult Bible Study
 10:00am. - Worship
 12:00noon – Thrivent Financial Workshop
- Tuesday – 16th Pastor Nielsen on vacation through 9/23

Week of September 21

- Sunday - 21st 8:45am. - Sunday School / Adult Bible Study
 10:00am. - Worship
- Monday - 22nd 6:00pm. - Board of Youth Meeting
 7:00pm. - Church Council Meeting
- Thursday – 25th 10:30am. - Mid-Week Bible Study - Luke
- Friday - 26th 6:00pm. - Men's Retreat – St. Albans



Monthly Worship

September 7, 2014

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm: 32:1-7

First Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-9

Epistle: Romans 13:1-10

Holy Gospel: Matthew 18:1-20

September 14, 2014

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm: 27:1-9

First Reading: Genesis 50:15-21

Epistle: Romans 14:1-12

Holy Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

September 21, 2014

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm: 27:1-9

First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9

Epistle: Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30

Holy Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

September 28, 2014

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm: 25:1-10

First Reading: Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

Epistle: Philippians 2:1-4 (5-13), 14-18

Holy Gospel: Matthew 21: 23-27 (28-32)

BIBLE QUIZ

1. What are the two longest books in the New Testament?

- A) Matthew and Acts B) Luke and Acts
C) Romans and 1 Corinthians D) Luke and 1 Corinthians

2. What was baby Moses' basket made of?

- A) grass and weeds B) bulrushes and pitch
C) sticks and twigs D) straw and hay

3. How did King David die?

- A) he committed suicide B) he contracted leprosy
C) he was murdered D) he died a natural death of old age

4. What was unusual about the hand that Jesus restored?

- A) it was withered B) it was paralyzed C) it was covered with leprosy
D) it was chopped off

5. What dead body was carried with the Israelites when Pharaoh finally freed them?

- A) Adam B) Abraham C) Noah D) Joseph

6. Who said this: "And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity"?

- A) Peter B) Paul C) James D) Jesus

Answers on "Birthday" page



- 9/2 Chris Batson
Pat Kablitz
- 9/4 Jim Zahner
- 9/12 Becky Cote
- 9/18 Frankie Ouellette
- 9/19 Olive Grierson
- 9/27 Siena Fitzpatrick

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 9/11 Ray & Betsy Gorneau
- 9/17 Pastor Paul & Deb Nielsen
- 9/19 Fred & Amy Ouellette
- 9/27 Jared & Amanda Goldsmith

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Word Play

...I wondered why the baseball was getting bigger.
Then
it hit me.

...Police were called to a day care center where a three-
year-old was resisting a rest.

...To write with a broken pencil is pointless.

...The short fortune teller who escaped from prison
was
a small medium at large.

...When the smog lifts in Los Angles, U.C.L.A.

...The math professor went crazy with the blackboard.
He did a number on it.

...The professor discovered that her theory of
earthquakes was on shaky ground.

...The dead batteries were given out free of charge.

...A dentist and a manicurist fought tooth and nail.

...A bicycle can't stand alone; it is two-tired.

...A backward poet writes inverse.

... A chicken crossing the road: poultry in motion.

...With her marriage she got a new name and a dress.

...If you jump off a Paris bridge, you are in Seine.



- 9/3 Nathaneal Batson
- 9/11 Doris Brossy
- 9/20 Lois Doran
- 9/21 Chris Batson
- 9/24 Ben Morren
- 9/30 Frankie Ouellette
- 9/?? Sharon Klipp

Bible Quiz Answers:

1. **A. They are both 28 chapters long.**
2. **B. Exodus 2:3**
3. **D. 1 Kings 1:1, 2:10**
4. **A. Mark 3:1**
5. **D. Exodus 13:19**
6. **D. 1 Corinthians 13:13**

September Stewardship

	<u>September 7</u>	<u>September 14</u>	<u>September 21</u>	<u>September 28</u>
<u>Acolyte</u>	Caden Fitzpatrick	Emily Larsen	Jacob Huesers	Sarah Kohl
<u>Comm. Assistant</u>	Chris Batson	Glenn Carlson	No Communion	Don Pryor
<u>Ushers</u>	Brad Fitzpatrick & Bill Jahnke	Jon Morren & Mark Larsen	Tom Huesers & Brian Watson	Chris Batson & Curt Slininger Carlson
<u>Greeters</u>	Bill & Velta Jahnke	Fernando & Mari Gouvea	Bonnie Mathieu & Dorothy McAllister	Doris Brossy & Anna Bisson
<u>Altar Care</u>	Avis Grant	Deb Nielsen	Avis Grant	Sharon Conover
<u>Flowers</u>	Ray & Betsy Gorneau	Ray & Betsy Gorneau	Fred & Amy Ouellette	Fred & Amy Ouellette
<u>Fellowship</u>	Sunday School "Kick Off" Pot Luck	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN

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